

# The HawkEye



Your Monthly Holy Family School Newsletter

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## New Computer Lab Ready for Students This Fall



The Holy Family School Technology Committee has been busy for the last several months upgrading the equipment in the computer lab. For the first time in several years, the students will sit down to new Dell computers this fall. In addition, the computer lab has received a fresh new look over the summer. With the assistance of Granite City High School Art Teacher Kathy Grippi, a sketch was drawn for a wall mural to brighten up the space. Ryan Stacy, brother of Eighth Grader Eric Stacy, with the assistance of Christine Stacy and Christie Moad, offered their time and talents to paint the murals. The Lab will be open for walk-throughs during the “Meet the Teacher” Open House on Monday, Aug. 28, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Make plans to stop in and check it out!

Thank to all of the parents for their hard work fundraising for projects such as this. Thank you also to the HFS Technology Committee — Joe Schuler, Kristin Laws, Christie Moad, and Suzanne Halbrook. HFS Technology is funded with proceeds from Glo Bingo. There are three Glo Bingos scheduled for this school year on Oct. 13, Feb. 9, and Apr. 6. We hope to see you there!

## Mrs. Spotanski Returns to Her HFS Roots

There’s a new face greeting students at the Kindergarten door this year. Holy Family School alum, Mrs. Brittany Kult Spotanski (Class of ‘99), is returning to the hallowed halls of Holy Family School to take her seat behind the teacher’s desk this time. She is thrilled to be joining the staff as the new Kindergarten teacher.

“I am really excited about returning to Holy Family after all these years and being able to teach so close to home,” said Mrs. Spotanski. “I’m looking forward to building relationships with students, parents, and staff.”

Brittany and her family are faithful members of Holy Family Parish. She is the daughter of Bob and Judy Kult. She and her husband, Matt, have three children - Ben (6), who is in First Grade at HFS, Cody (3), and Aria (1). Mrs. Spotanski has spent the last 10 years teaching Third Grade in the Hazelwood School District.



We’re shaking up the 2017-18 school year with some familiar faces in new places! Last year, we bid farewell to Third Grade teacher, Mrs. Sue Mell. After more than 30 years of teaching, Mrs. Mell is enjoying her new role of nurturing the next generation of her family as a stay-at-home grandma.

Mrs. Mell leaves some very big shoes to fill, but there is none better suited to assume the role as the new Third Grade teacher than our beloved Ms. Gina Schubel. Ms. Schubel has been at Holy Family School for 10 years, with the last five years spent as the Kindergarten teacher. She is looking forward to moving beyond the basics and providing her students with a strong foundation of skills needed as they bridge into the middle school years.

Also new this year, Mrs. Cindy Meredith will be focusing her energies on teaching Science part time to Grades 6-8 in the mornings, and Ms. Cindy Reber will be stepping up into the role of Seventh Grade homeroom teacher. Ms. Reber is used to teaching all ages groups, and she is very much looking forward to this new adventure! She will continue to teach P.E. to all grades.



Our HFS alumni never cease to amaze us with their accomplishments and successes. Here are just a few articles of “good news” from the summer months.

HFS alumni rose to the top of the class again at Granite City High School. **David Keel** and **Reed Hawkins**, Class of ‘13, graduated Summa Cum Laude and were two of the five seniors who tied with the highest GPA.

Healthcare First Scholarships, a division of St. Elizabeth Healthcare Foundation, awarded scholarships to students who have been accepted into medical programs. This year’s recipients include **Jonathan Bundy** and **Sam Richey**, Class of ‘08. Jonathan is attending Saint Louis University, and Sam is enrolled at SIU Springfield. They will both graduate in 2020 with a degree in medicine.

During a live KPLR 11 news broadcast, **Madeline Sheridan**, Class of ‘13, was named the Penn Station High School Athlete of the Year and was awarded a \$5000 scholarship. Madeline will be attending Saint Louis University this fall.

Many of our alumni have taken to the stage this summer. **Ian Chenault**, Class of ‘17, took part in the First United Presbyterian drama camp and preached the good news of the Bible in the production “The Go Tour: Spreading God’s Love Around the World.” Also, it’s not too late to catch **London Kimble**, Class of ‘16, and **Whitney Klee**, Class of ‘17, in the Alfresco Production of *Sister Act*. The first two shows were sold out, but there will be two more shows on Friday and Saturday, Aug. 25 and 26.

**Sarah Pistorius**, Class of ‘09, performed a *Bon Voyage Recital* at the Alfresco Arts Center on Aug. 20. She will be departing for Glasgow, Scotland, soon as she begins studies to receive her master’s degree at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland.

*Do you have alumni news? Send an email to: [info@holyfamilyhawks.net](mailto:info@holyfamilyhawks.net).*

## August Birthdays

By Sophie Dutko and Lauren Propse

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Date</u>
Mrs. Amberger	?	3
Peyton Shipley	9	4
Evan Stacy	13	4
Jordyn Hettwer	6	5
Jacob Willis	7	6
Sofia Jaco	6	7
Alexis Pekarik	10	7
Andrew Burge	14	7
Kyle Burge	14	7
Cameron Lignoul	7	8
Kaleigh Pekarik	12	9
Karsyn Tindall	7	9
Payton Naney	11	9
Ella Kuberski	12	9
Clayton Stimac	13	10
Mira Ahlvers	9	11
Tara Gerber	8	13
Nora Pritchard	5	17
Jacob Kary	9	18
Lawson Kimble	13	18
Asher Simon	7	20
Jack Dutko	10	22
Gavin Kennedy	11	23
Reagan Myatt	8	25
Reid Massey	8	26
Matthew Halbbrook	10	30
Isabella Mangi	12	31
Sophia Mangi	12	31

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