

Greetings Minnehaha Alumni!

The hallways of the school are busy once again with students and teachers! North Campus students worshipped in Chapel today with the praise and worship band from True Light Covenant Church. South Campus students are enjoying their new classrooms and chapel, while outside preparations for the Arena Sale are in full swing! I hope that many of you will be able to return to campus to join us for Homecoming in October!

The **Annual Arena Sale** will take place this weekend on Friday, September 12th from 9am- 7pm and Saturday, September 13^h from 9am- 2pm. Come find the best bargains in town! \$3 admission charge on Friday from 9am-3pm.

Homecoming 2008! October 2-5th

Thursday, October 2nd

Homecoming Chapel and Presentation of the Distinguished Alumni Service Award-

Hognander Chapel- 10:30am

The award will be presented to Rev. Mark Hanson '64 and Jason Benedict '96.

Friday, October 3rd

Alumni Art Show and Reception in the Watson Art Gallery 5pm- 7pm

The Art Show will feature artwork by various alumni artists including a special presentation of the art work of Ray "Padre" Johnson '52. Ray spent 15 years traveling to 159 countries and his artwork is a representation of his travels. Since his premiere opening presentations at the United Nations and at Beijing's Forbidden City Royal Palace, he has received many invitations to exhibit and speak about his global adventure at museums, international conferences, colleges, universities and schools of all grade levels in Europe, Asia, Africa and throughout the North American continent. Ray also has a piece that is currently on display at the Vatican. If you are interested in showing your work, please contact the Alumni Office at (612) 728-7723.

Saturday, October 4th

All Alumni Brunch in the Campus Room- 10:00am

The brunch is complimentary; please make a reservation by September 26th by calling the Alumni Office at (612) 728-7723.

Alumni and Family Picnic at North Campus- 11:30am- 2pm

Catered by Cap's Grille, the picnic will include their famous pulled pork sandwich, coleslaw, chips and a pop for \$3, (kids under 10, \$2). There will also be fun activities for kids!

Redhawk 5K Fun Run- North Campus- Registration at 1 pm, Run at 1:30 pm

A beautiful run from North Campus, along the River Road to South Campus and back! Each participant will receive a t-shirt and refreshments afterwards. Pre-register by calling the Alumni Office at (612) 728-7723. Cost: \$5

Athletic Games-

Girls Volleyball Game - North Campus Athletic Center- 10 am

Boys Soccer - Guido Kauls Field - 11am

Girls Soccer - Guido Kauls Field - 1 pm - special recognition for the 1998 Girls Soccer State Champs at halftime!

Boys Football - South Campus Football Field- 3:30 pm

Sunday, October 5th

South Campus Dedication - Open House and Tours of the new facilities 2:00-3:30pm,

Dedication service in the new Chapel 3:30-5:00pm.

Please contact the alumni office if you are interested in attending or volunteering at any of the Homecoming events!

Other upcoming events include:

Reunion Planning Meeting for 2009 Reunions - Tuesday, October 21 at 7:00pm. If your class is planning a reunion for 2009, you won't want to miss this important gathering! Meet with other classmates interested in planning your reunion, get reunion planning tips and enjoy a fun evening of reminiscing! The 2009 reunion classes are: 1949, 1954, 1959, 1964, 1969, 1974, 1979, 1984, 1989, 1994, 1999, and 2004.

Alumni Holiday events-

Christmas Festival- Saturday, December 13th featuring a holiday gift market, a Scandinavian dinner and a performance by the Minnesota Boy Choir.

Alumni Hockey Tournament- Saturday, December 20th (Men play at 10am, Women play at 11:30am)

NEW! Alumni Broomball Tournament- Saturday, December 20th (1-4pm)

Alumni Nordic Ski Outing- Sunday, December 21st (2-6pm) Hyland Lake Park, Bloomington

Young Alumni Holiday Party (classes 2000-2008) – Monday, December 22nd

The 2008-2009 Annual Fund, *Helping Every Student, Every Day* has begun! This is a great way to show your appreciation to the school and to make a difference in the lives of the current students. To make a donation online, please go to: www.MinnehahaAcademy.net/giving. As always, the greatest gift you can give to the school is through your prayers!

Blessings,

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