

Notre Dame Alumni Association Newsletter

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Trivia Night January 21, 2011

Dinner with Coach Oswald February 18, 2011

Gala Dinner Success!

Once again, we are happy to report that the 2010 Notre Dame Gala Dinner at the Italian Cultural Centre

was a great success, with almost 400 in attendance.

Under the enthusiastic and dedicated leadership of Lucia De Cotiis and Eva Zanotto,



the committee provided a wonderful dinner, an amazing array of items for the Auction (both live and silent), and a great evening of dancPlease join us in celebrating 47 years on the sidelines for

COACH OSWALD

Friday, February 18, 2011

Famee Furlane Hall
2605 Pender Street, Vancouver,
BC

Cocktails 6:00 p.m. Dinner: 7:00 p.m. Followed by a "Roast" and Open Mike

To purchase tickets please contact: **Sue Cirillo 604-255-5454**

items for the auctions, especially Alumni Barry Cavanaugh, Vince Zuccaro, Lui Passaglia, Norm Grdina, the Rayner and Silveri families and Otivo Construction (Donato DeCotiis). In addition, a special acknowledgment must be extended to Paul

ing. Special thanks to all those whose work made the evening possible, especially Adele Ciaccia, Joe Dardano, Joe Garcea, Luisa Merenda, Donna Pizzolon, Mary Tucker, and Beatrice Quatrano.

We also wish to thank all those who supported the event by donating



Grdina who volunteered to be the photographer for the evening. Some of his photos of guests who were present accompany this article.

The \$40,000 raised will go towards the new building fund.

Notre Dame Alumni Annual Trivia Night: January 21st!

Form a team of eight or join another team that is short of numbers. Because the School Auditorium is being seismically upgraded, we will be holding the event at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Hall.

Like last year, we'll be including a pasta dinner before the games. You must advise us by e-mail in advance the number of places you wish to reserve.

Notre Dame Alumni Annual Trivia Night

Friday January 21, 2011 Our Lady of Sorrows Hall 555 S. Slocan St., Vancouver

Dinner at 6:30 pm Games start at 7:30 Price \$25.00 (including pasta dinner and salad!). No host bar.

> for tickets e-mail either: Lana Tesan: Itesan@gmail.com or Alan Charlton: acharlton@ndrs.org

The New School Building

Many alumni have expressed an interest in the fund-raising campaign for the new school building and are wondering how the building program is progressing and how the Alumni Appeal has fared.



Phase 2 of the New Notre Dame

At this time, with Phase 1 of the new building completed, the second phase is going ahead, although there is a 4 million dollar shortfall in money available. However, it is essential that the second phase of the building be completed so that the school can be fully completed.



The second part of the building, to be located between the gymnasium and the Father Cuddy Auditorium (Note for old alumni: read "old gym"!), will consist of two

floors. The lower floor will house the cafeteria, an industrial kitchen and Home Economics and Textiles rooms. The upper floor will house the Chapel, the Staffroom, the Band Room, the Choir Room, and Counselors' Offices.

The completion of a school chapel

is, of course, essential in a Catholic school and is central to the current plans for the building.

Many alumni are already aware of the outstanding

Choir Program that has been developed under the leadership of Simon

Isherwood. The main choir has a membership of over 25% of the student body, while Show Choir and Jazz Choir further provide opportunities for students to engage in this activity. The choirs have performed internationally and have achieved great success in competitions. What many alumni may not know is that under the leadership of Dr. Dean Markel, the Band Program has also flourished, with 115 students participating - almost 20% of the student body. Again, the program includes specialized groups, including a Jazz Band, and Senior and Junior Bands. Clearly these programs appeal to an enormous segment of the student body and it is vital that they continue in adequate facilities. At the moment, both programs are trying to function in portable classrooms (with considerable threat to the hearing of the teachers!)

Equally vital is a cafeteria. At the

moment the students are eating lunch in the gym. The restoration of a full **Home Economics Program** is also necessary if the students are to



be able to have an adequate choice of courses. At the moment, Mrs. Lucia De Cotiis is offering a textiles course to a number of students (the majority of which are boys) in a portable, but in the absence of Home Ec. Rooms, no Culinary Arts courses are available.

In the absence of a **staffroom**, staff meetings are currently being held in the Art Room, with staff members sitting on tables.

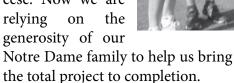
Phase 3

When Phase 2 of the new building has been completed, a **field** will be created slightly south of the old "field," with a **parking lot** on Parker Street.



Costs

Unfortunately, none of this is possible without money. The 10 feeder parishes have already generously donated 11 million dollars, matched by the Archdiocese. Now we are relying on the generosity of our



The Alumni Appeal

At this time, we wish to acknowledge the many alumni who have responded to the appeal for donations to the new school building. A full list will appear in a later newsletter, but we wish to acknowledge



those who responded to the appeal in the last newsletter. We received an anonymous donation of \$50,000, two \$500 donations and several \$100 donations. Thanks to all of those who have so generously supported the cause!

We also recognize that many alumni have promised to make donations, but have not gotten around to sending in the money. We hope that they will follow through with their donations. Remember that even \$20 helps us to get closer to our goal!

Some alumni have asked if they can



donate goods and services to assist in the completion of the building. We welcome this and will eagerly accept such donations so that the cost of the second phase can be reduced. If you can help in any way in this matter, please let us know immediately. many of the holes and by our roving delivery girls who ensured that everyone was having a great experience that day. Golf was followed by a fabulous dinner where we were joined by non golfers. Silent auction items and live auction items provided by an extremely supportive sponsorship and community business base, supplied the entertainment for the remainder of the evening. The event was a tremendous success for two reasons: not only did we raise approximately \$30,000 for Notre Dame; we also provided our golfers and dinner guests with a fantastic event. When asked about the great weather, our only response is "We're Notre Dame - we have God on our We would like to thank all alumni who attended and assisted



The Notre Dame "Fall Classic" Golf Tournament

On October 1st, the Notre Dame Fundraising Committee introduced the "Notre Dame Fall Classic" Golf Tournament, which was held at Northview Golf and Country Club in Surrey. The weather was absolutely spectacular as close to 150 golfers enjoyed an immaculate course. Golfers kept their energy up with food and drink offered at

with this event. We would also ask that you make sure that you book your foursome for next September when we do this all over again!

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Notre Dame Alumni Association Financial Report

BALANCE FORWARD as of September 1, 2009			\$5,120.29
REVENUE			
	Registrations	\$920.00	
	14th Annual Trivia Night	\$3,636.57	
			\$4,556.57
EXPENSES			
	Newsletters:Printing/Postage	\$5,106.53	
	Bank Service Charges	\$70.18	
	Building Committee Meeting	\$80.00	
	Cenacle /Prayer Card	\$32.00	
	Adobe Indesign Program	\$700.00	
	N.D. Walkathon/A. Charlton	\$600.00	
			\$6,588.71
BALANCE as of August 31, 2010			\$3,088.15



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