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## Meeting the Challenge



Miss Bires serving ice cream!



### *Summerfest & Olden Day Car Show 2022*



Danielle Lechleiter, '09,  
advertising her honey business,  
Ard's Bees.

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Many thanks to everyone who helped out and supported our Olden Days Car Show and Summerfest this year. Despite the downpour of rain, we continued to pour our efforts into having a successful day. Over 80 cars and trucks checked in before the weather forced them to leave. Those who didn't bring their show cars still came out to give their support. As always, everyone had a good time. We are thankful for the turnout as it proved to be a successful event. The funds made from this annual event are what keeps this school open. Without the support of others, we would have to close our doors. God has blessed this school immensely. We have withstood many challenges throughout the years and are determined to push forward as long as we are able. In these current times, we must hold onto and put into practice our Catholic faith more than ever before. I ask that God and His Holy Mother continue to bless us as we move forward into another academic school year. Next year we will hold our 20th Annual Car Show. Please join us!

God Bless you,  
Jennifer Sparby / Principal

# STUDENTS & TEACHER REVIEWS

Ava Manning, grade 6, had a wonderful summer just like any of her others. She loves to play with her uncles dog and her favorite color is blue. However, Art class is Ava's favorite thing about school!



Capri Wandler, grade 3, had a fun summer of playing with her cousins as well as her dolls. She likes to drive the 6-wheeler, go-cart, and truck! Music and Art are Capri's favorite part about school. Her favorite colors are teal and pink.



Camille Newman, kindergartener, really likes school. Coloring is her favorite thing to do. Millie has a really fun time playing on the playground. Orange is her favorite color!



Lily Manning, kindergartener, really likes school and was excited to start. Coloring is her favorite thing to do. Lily loves to jump on her trampoline when she is at home. Her favorite colors are silver and gold!



Martha Bires, grade 4, had a fun time this summer going to Bay Beach, go karting, and rollerblading. Her favorite things about school are Art and Music. Martha likes to ride the 4-wheeler, swim, and play volleyball. Her favorite colors are teal and pink!



Mr. Spirek is the new Latin teacher. He really loves the languages, especially Latin and French! He attended college at UW Baraboo and taught Sixth grade at Queen of the Holy Rosary Academy. Mr. Spirek said, "He feels privileged to teach at QHR and can't wait to see how the year goes!"



## Back to School



Back L-R: Regina Glavin, Natalie Sparby, Chance Doyle, Georgie Bires, Ruby Glavin, Aggie Bires, Gabe Pennington, Aubrie Doyle, Rita Newman.

Middle L-R: Ava Manning, Beatrice Newman, Gretchen Glavin, Vivian Bires, Julius Glavin, Audrey Newman.

Front L-R: Capri Wandler, Martha Bires, Lily Manning, Camille Newman, Edith Bires, Eleanor Newman.

Welcome Back!

Greetings to our QHR Families. Welcome to a new school year. I extend a warm welcome to our new and returning families. I am honored to serve another year as your stand-in principal. This is my 4th year of leadership at QHR, and although I am still learning, I understand the importance and embrace all opportunities to work together with educators, students, and families. Working together, we can collectively ensure that every student is successful. Our responsibility is to ensure we provide standards of high-quality instruction to all students in every classroom. This sets the foundation for success not just in school but for college and careers. I look forward to another great year.

Respectfully,  
Jennifer Sparby, Principal



— MIDSTATE WISCONSIN RAPIDS —

Mid-State Technical College hosted the annual Wisconsin Education Fair (WEF) for area high school students. Aggie Bires and Gabriel Pennington went to the event Tuesday, Sept. 27, 2022 in the Wisconsin Rapids Campus gymnasium.

Over 70 representatives from universities, colleges, technical colleges, trade schools and the military attended. There were no formal presentations at the event. Instead, attendees were free to move around the gymnasium to review higher education options and spend time with individual representatives from the institutions that peaked their interest.

After the College Fair, Aggie, Gabe, and Molly Sparby '21 (chaperone) had a very delicious lunch at El Mezcal.



Gabe and Aggie are enjoying delicious virgin margaritas. This gives them the whole authentic Mexican eating experience, along with their chips and queso!

# Volleyball



QHR School had a volleyball team this year for the grades 5-12. The girls were coached by Mrs. Hodal and assistants: Elizabeth Ard, '13, Madie Bires, '17, and Molly Sparby, '21. They taught the girls how to: work as a team, learn the rules of the game, and show no fear while playing. They did a wonderful job at coaching the girls and have seen much improvement in all of them. It was a fun learning experience and many hope to do it again!

Back L-R: Molly Sparby, Madie Bires, Therese Arbanas, Coach Hodal, Cassy Schmidt, Elizabeth Ard, Monica Schmidt.

Middle L-R: Ruby Glavin, Georgie Bires, Ava Manning, Gretchen Glavin, Vivian Bires, Rita Newman, Aubrie Doyle.

Front L-R: Regina Glavin, Aggie Bires, Beatrice Newman, Audrey Newman, Natalie Sparby.



# SPIRIT WEEK 2022



**—Sports Day—**  
Junior High and High School represented their favorite sport and team.



**Senior Citizen Day**  
The Third, Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth Grades are sporting their best elderly attire.



**—Western Day—**  
The Second Grade and High School were letting their true country style shine— cowboys, cowgirls, farmer, and Amish preacher.



**Decades Day**  
The Kindergarten and High School represent the Roaring '20s and the tubular '80s.



**—Color Day & Hoco Game—**  
All classes were very colorful!  
Grades Sixth through High School participated in the annual Homecoming Game. Team captains were Aggie Bires and Gabe Pennington— Bires' team coming out victorious! The volleyball games were very exciting and intense to watch!! The High School also sold concessions as a fundraiser.



# Alumni Check



St. Clare Catholic School in Wrightstown, WI.

Jill Osterloh Kola, '89, is the alumni we are checking in with this newsletter. She has four children — Nate, Megan, Abby and Elise — all of whom she has taught. In her free time, Jill enjoys landscaping and gardening. Jill Kola has been teaching in Catholic schools for 27 years, including the past 13 at St. Clare Catholic School in Wrightstown, WI. Jill teaches math, religion and social studies to students in grades six through eight at St. Clare.

Jill discovered that she wanted to be a teacher while attending the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh. She was majoring in accounting when she began helping her friend with math and realized she enjoyed teaching math. Jill's friends encouraged her to change her major to teaching math, this being one of the best decisions of her life. Jill earned a bachelor's degree in math education for grades 6-12, and loves her Catholic faith, so this is the best of both worlds for her. She has a "special love" for the saints of our Catholic Church and enjoys teaching St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body to her eighth-grade students. However, Middle school students are her favorite age, as they are so interested in learning about the truth in the world and are young enough to not be overwhelmed by the big issues in life, yet old enough to understand jokes and ready to learn bigger concepts. They love to laugh and be silly, which gives Jill a youthful heart. She really loves her life, "And I can't imagine doing anything else," she said.



Jill Osterloh Kola '89 alumni.

## Student Council



L-R: Georgie Bires, Ruby Glavin, Aggie Bires, Gabe Pennington, Chance Doyle.

### —ACTIVITIES—

Re-elections were held and by unanimous vote Agatha Bires was chosen as Student Council President. The other positions are held by Gabriel Pennington, Vice President; Georgiana Bires, Treasurer; Chance Doyle, Secretary; and Ruby Glavin, Member. The Student Council has sold concessions at school events as fundraisers. They have plans to go ice skating and tubing when the weather permits. They are excited to see what else Agatha has planned in the future.

## Script Cards

QHR School is selling \$20 and higher Kwik Trip gift cards as a fundraiser!

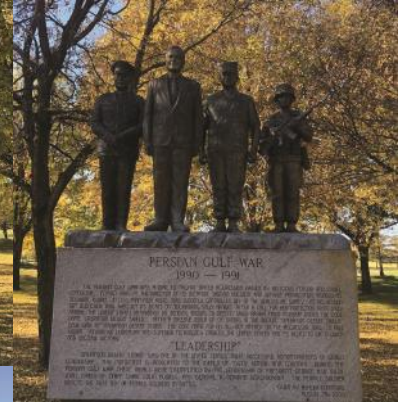
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# Fall Field

## —SOLDIERS WALK VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK—

Arcadia, Wisconsin

The High School students visited the Soldiers Walk in Arcadia, WI for their fall field trip. They strolled along the Avenue of Heroes to witness exceptional memorial statues of the fighting men and women who paid the supreme sacrifice for the freedom we enjoy today. The Park had a memorial dedicated to each of the Wars Americans fought in. The students also saw a twisted steel beam from one of the World Trade Centers from 9-11-2001, as well as, a F-16 Fighting Falcon used to fight in WWII. Following the visit to the Soldiers Walk, the High School went hiking at Castle Mound Lookout. The girls never realizing that they had mountain goats for classmates! After taking a gorgeous hike amongst the fall colors, and ended the day with ice cream!



## —WILD CAT MOUNTAIN—

The 5-8th grades went hiking at Wild Cat Mountain for their fall field trip. The beautiful views and gorgeous, vibrant trees made the hike even more enjoyable! Everyone had an amazing time and loved getting to explore the great outdoors!

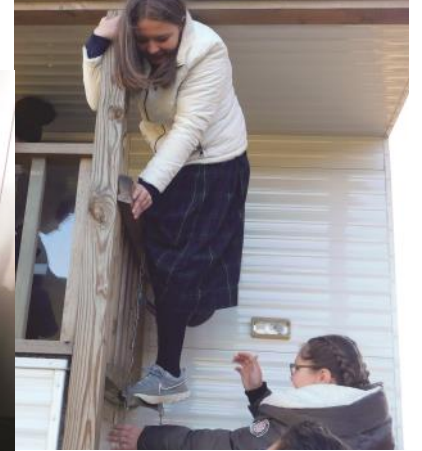
## —JASPERS APPLES—

The 2nd-4th grades visited Jaspers Apple Orchard in Wonewoc, WI. Each of the students got to sample the apples and learn how they harvest them. The group also visited Carr Valley Cheese in Mauston, WI. Following that, they went to the park and got ice cream! Needless to say it was a very fun day!



# Fire Safety

The QHR students joined in on Fire Safety Week by having a member of Necedah Fire Department, Scott Wilhorn, teach the students how to maintain safety standards in their own homes. If they ever got caught in a fire scenario, they would know what to do in order to remain calm and stay safe. The students gathered in a fire safety house to learn all there is to know about surviving if and when fire strikes. After Mr. Wilhorn went through the basics on, not only how to prevent fires, but also on what to do if they ever got caught in a building where there is a fire. The students were then SMOKED OUT of the fire safety house! They had a few tumbles and misfortunes on the escape route, which forced them to crawl out of a window and down a ladder, but everybody eventually made it out safely! All the students had a fun time and couldn't wait to show their new learned information to their parents!



## —LOVE FOR LIFE GALA—

The Crusader's for Life attended a ProLife Wisconsin's annual fall Love for Life Gala. The banquet was held at the Brookfield Conference Center at Hotel Marshfield in Marshfield, WI. The students listened to keynote speaker Shawn Carney, CO-Founder, CEO, and President for 40 Days for Life. The Crusaders also got to celebrate Pro-Life Wisconsin's 30th anniversary and the historic overturn of Roe at the dinner! They also listened to powerful stories shared by young women about having abortions, and how much it affected them, and why we should support pregnancy resource centers. They showed how much resource centers helped them get back on their feet and gave them support when no one else would! It was truly a wonderful night filled with happiness, love, and beautiful knowledge!

## Crusader's for Life



L-R: Gabriel Pennington, Regina Glavin, Ruby Glavin, Georgie Bires, (Speaker), Agatha Bires, Vivian Bires, Chance Doyle.

## —ACTIVITIES—

Crusader meeting are on the second Monday of each month from 3:15-4:15pm. They have stood in front of planned parenthood with signs and prayed as peaceful protests. The Crusader's had a food drive during Thanksgiving time to donate to the local food pantry. Currently they are doing a change drive to raise money for a family in need. In January some of the students will be making the March for Life trip to Washington D.C.

# Saint Nick Visit

-DECEMBER 6th, 2022-

Saint Nicholas came to visit all the children. He gave each a goody bag and heard what they wanted for Christmas! The legend of Saint Nick is another great saint story to remind us of the true meaning of Christmas!



Jolly Old Saint Nick and the 5-8th grade girls.

Looks like Saint Nick gave some goodies to the 3rd and 4th graders!



# Christmas Program 2022



L-R: Julius Glavin, Eleanor Newman, Edith Bires, Capri Wandler, Martha Bires.

The Grades 2-4 acting in their skit "The Candy Shop". The stage was magically decorated into an enchanting land of candy and delight! However, each of the shop customers (students) left the shop with a candy cane and the reminder to 'Keep Christ in Christmas'.



The 5-12th Grade girls singing the song "Glorious".



The beautiful Tableau scene put on by the 2nd-4th grades. Along with all the fantastic decorating by Mrs. King!