

## Help Us Beat the Challenge!

SJA has embarked on a capital campaign to provide the much needed renovations and repairs to our 83-year old building. Numerous changes have taken place since the building was built in 1928 but the one thing that has remained the same is the infrastructure -- the electricity and heating are all original and in constant need of repair (we actually still receive our heat from the CSJ Center building across the circle) and the antiquated electrical systems make it difficult to fully integrate technology into every class.

Although lovingly referred to as "retro", the 83-year old cafeteria is painfully outdated. This part of the building hasn't changed one bit since we were students, and it is not large enough for all of the students to dine together. Tables and chairs are set up and torn down each day in the auditorium so all of the girls have somewhere to sit (some even sit together in the hallways). SJA plans to convert and double the current cafeteria into a state of the art multi-purpose space where our girls can enjoy their lunches, collaborate on class projects, and access modern technologies together.

In order to accomplish our goal, we need to raise \$8 million.

### *What is the Class of 80 Challenge?*

A member of St. Edward High School's class of 1980 has offered up the following challenge: **If SJA can recruit at least 50% of its class of 1980 to make a lifetime commitment to donate at least \$5 per year to SJA's annual fund, he'll donate \$100,000 to the capital campaign.**

*As of 26 January, 20% of the class has accepted the Challenge:* Mary Adler-Kozak, Kathleen Geiger Anzalone, Eileen Patton Arnold, Laura Baltitas, Brenda Smith Basalla, Elaine Kemme Boone, Nora Martin Carey, Maureen Connolly Droba, Donna Corrigan Ernst, Ann Fallon, Karen Dudash Fergus, Mary Finnegan, Monica Paulozzi Fletcher, Theresa LaSalvia Fox, Cherie Van Uum Friedman, Maureen Gibbons Harriman, Nora Hennessy, Cynthia Chokan Kaczmarczyk, Kathryn Reidy Karg, Christine Geiss Keuchel, Mary Petrus Kriebel, Colleen Leonard Kubek, Laura McEvoy Martin, Ellen Woods McCafferty, Mary Jo McLaughlin, Caroline Cukelj Meder, Susan Mone, Mary Beth Braun Morgan, Margaret Mullen, Patricia Vertal O'Reilly, Colleen Brennan O'Toole, Mary Pat Logue Peterson, Deborah Weidokal Petro, Karen Zavoda Prcela, Caroline Cotner Rickner, Diane Brady Rolfe, Karen Brezine Schmiedl, Donna Brejer Speagle, Ann Fox Stefancin, Nanci Sudano, Maureen Sweeney-Loftus, and Mary Kay Hartnett Umerley

### *How Can I Help the Class of 80 Beat the Challenge?*

First, agree to become a lifetime annual fund donor with a gift commitment of *at least* \$5 each year. Send the completed [pledge form](#) along with this year's donation to Saint Joseph Academy (your gift can be any amount at or over the \$5 level). Be assured that as a member of the Class of 1980, your name will be pulled from SJA's traditional Annual Fund mailing so you won't be asked twice.

Second, contact Connie Sipple, SJA's Vice President of Advancement at 216.671.0166 or [csipple@sjal890.org](mailto:csipple@sjal890.org) if you can help us find the following missing classmates: *Sheila M. Brown Baciak, Kathleen A. Barlay, Mary N. Morris Buehner, Margaret M. Davies, Stephanie Fasko Frost, Michelle Smith Fulkarson, Teri Cinolotac Gerbec, Therese Gratz, Julie Barrett Keiter, Colleen A. Martin, Christine A. McLaughlin, Kim M. Mohnickey, Pamela A. Chisar Price, Kathleen E. Korosi Reid, Ann M. Deissler Rising, Jameelah K Seals, Donna J. Baeslack Sishler, Mary M Jeske Swain, Sharon M. Weiskittel, and Lisa Kleinhenz Ziemnik*