Senior Maggie Mumm Named Finalist for National Merit Scholar Program

Congratulations to senior Maggie Mumm, daughter of Michael & Susan Mumm, for being named as a finalist in the 2014 National Merit Scholarship Program.

The National Merit® Scholarship Program is an academic competition for recognition and scholarships that began in 1955. High school students enter the National Merit Program by taking the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test — a test which serves as an initial screen of approximately 1.5 million entrants each year.

In February, some 16,000 Semifinalists are notified by mail that they have advanced to Finalist standing. High school principals are notified and provided with a certificate to present to each Finalist.

All winners of Merit Scholarship® awards are chosen from the Finalist group, based on their abilities, skills, and accomplishments—without regard to gender, race, ethnic origin, or religious preference. A variety of information is available for NMSC selectors to evaluate: the Finalist's academic record, information about the school's curricula and grading system, two sets of test scores, the high school official's written recommendation, information about the student's activities and leadership, and the Finalist's own essay.

Beginning in March and continuing to mid-June, NMSC notifies approximately 8,000 Finalists that they have been selected to receive a Merit Scholarship® award. Merit Scholarship awards are of three types:

National Merit® $2500 Scholarships
Every Finalist competes for these single payment scholarships, which are awarded on a state representational basis. Winners are selected without consideration of family financial circumstances, college choice, or major and career plans.

Corporate-sponsored Merit Scholarship
Corporate sponsors designate their awards for children of their employees or members, for residents of a community where a company has operations, or for Finalists with career plans the sponsor wishes to encourage. These scholarships may either be renewable for four years of undergraduate study or one-time awards.

College-sponsored Merit Scholarship
Officials of each sponsor college select winners of their awards from Finalists who have been accepted for admission and have informed NMSC by the published deadlines that the sponsor college or university is their first choice. These awards are renewable for up to four years of undergraduate study.

Lauren Schmidt, daughter of Kent and Elizabeth Schmidt, has been named as commended student in the program.
A LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

St. Anthony has been able to do such wonderful things throughout its rich history and produce such great alumni. With God’s guidance, as well as support from our alumni and friends, we seek to continue building upon this tradition of Catholic education.

Our faculty work hard to deliver a challenging curriculum daily within our school as well as offer new electives to continue to meet the demands of our students and today’s economy.

We will be adding Apologetics, Business, Computer Programming and Digital Graphics to our course offerings for the upcoming year.

It is important for us as a school to do a great job of educating these students within our school building but we need your help to mentor, guide, and further our mission out in the world.

Your help as alumni is needed as we strive to create students for the world. Thank you for all you do to support St. Anthony High School.

Sincerely,

Greg Fearday

SAHS Principal
**Student Academics**

**Congratulations, Illinois State Scholars!**

The Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) recognized 18,863 students from 749 different high schools from across the state as 2013 Illinois State Scholars. Illinois State Scholar winners rank in the top ten percent of high school seniors. Selection is based on SAT, ACT, and/or Prairie State Achievement Exam scores, and/or class rank at the end of the junior year. Congratulations to SAHS’s Illinois State Scholars:

- John Goeckner, son of Kent & Susan Goeckner
- Maggie Mumm, daughter of Mike & Susie Mumm
- Scott Rentfrow, son of Dr. Tom & Lori Rentfrow
- Lauren Schmidt, daughter of Kent & Liz Schmidt
- Frank Jansen, son of Joe ('79) & Patty ('83) Jansen
- Kate Richards, daughter of Jeff ('86) & Julie ('86) Richards
- Matt Gibson, son of Mike & Stacy Gibson
- Sarah Wortman, daughter of Dan ('82) & Julie Wortman

**WYSE Team Takes 1st Place at Regional and Sectional Challenges**

Congratulations go out to the St. Anthony High School WYSE team (Worldwide Youth in Science and Engineering) as they brought home 1st Place at the WYSE Regional Academic Challenge held February 7 at Lake Land College. St. Anthony advanced to sectional competition at Eastern Illinois University on March 6 and brought home a 1st Place finish there as well! St. Anthony High School participates in the Division 300 WYSE competition.

With the 1st place sectional win, our St. Anthony WYSE team brought home 11 individual awards out of a total of 29 available awards. What an amazing effort by our 2014 WYSE Team!

2014 St. Anthony WYSE Team Members include Alex Curl, Laura Deters, John Goeckner, Benton Hakman, Frank Jansen, Madeline McDevitt, Maggie Mumm, Megan Nuxoll, Scott Rentfrow, Kate Richards, John Sandschafer, Lauren Schmidt, Emily Wortman, and Sarah Wortman.

WYSE is coached by Mr. Matt Poston and Mrs. Joy Jones.

**Scholar Bowl News**

The junior varsity Scholar Bowl team competed in the National Trail Conference tournament on February 20. Going undefeated in their pool, the team beat the first seed, Altamont, in the championship with a final score of 170-90. The Varsity Scholar Bowl team won 2nd place in the NTC Tournament at Neoga on February 24. The Varsity Scholar Bowl regionals were held on March 10 in Neoga where our varsity team was defeated by Neoga with a close 10 point loss.


Scholar Bowl is coached by Mrs. Amy King and Mr. Craig Brummer ('09).
First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

St. Anthony students and volunteers have started First Friday Adoration in the High School Chapel with the special intention of praying for increased enrollment in our schools. Please join us each First Friday of the month by pausing for a moment and saying a prayer for the continued success of our schools.

Student Service

Catholic School Students Make Rosaries

Catholic Schools Week was celebrated January 26 - February 1, 2014. On Wednesday of Catholic Schools Week, St. Anthony High School hosted Middle School Day where 5th through 8th grade students from Sacred Heart, Sigel St. Michael’s, Newton St. Thomas, and St. Anthony Grade School spent the day at St. Anthony High School enjoying a variety of activities.

One of the activities, led by Mr. Craig Brummer ('09) of SAHS and Mrs. Maria Zumbahlen of Sacred Heart School, involved making rosaries for patients of St. Anthony’s Memorial Hospital in Effingham. Fr. Ralph distributes the rosaries to patients during his daily visits.

Valentines for Soldiers

During Catholic Schools Week, Mrs. Tessie Kabbes’ freshmen religion class made valentines to send to the soldiers who are patients of Captain Molly Williams, wife of Will Eder ('00). Molly is a co-chief resident urologist at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, DC.

March for Life 2014

A dozen students, along with religion teacher Craig Brummer ('09), Emily Calhoon ('09), and Fr Brian Alford travelled to Washington DC this January 19-22 for the annual March for Life. In addition to touring the city, the students braved the largest snowfall DC had seen in a decade in order to March against abortion.

Student Donations

St. Anthony High School's Spanish Club recently made a generous donation of $200 to this year’s Bolivian Mission trip led by Carol Toney.

The Junior Class raised $450 for Blessings in a Backpack during the Chamber Gala as coat checkers. Blessings in a Backpack provides food for Effingham County students who would otherwise go hungry on the weekends.

Calendar of Events

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PRESSING ON TO THE GOAL OF SERVICE TO THE LORD BY STRETCHING OUR INTELLECT, CONFIRMING OUR VALUES, AND LIVING OUR FAITH.

- Philippians 3:14

FALL SPORTS SCOREBOARD

BOYS BASKETBALL
Congratulations to Coach Cody Rincker and the Boys Basketball Team on a strong 2013-2014 season! With a final record of 22-11, the team made huge strides this season with a thrilling Regional Championship win over Altamont and an edge-of-your-seat Sectional win over Oblong. St. Anthony’s season came to an end at the Sectional Championship where Dieterich took the win. Great season Bulldogs!

BELLETTES
Congratulations to the St. Anthony Bellettes on two 1st place finishes at IDTA Regional competitions. The Bellettes took 2nd out of 15 teams at Sectional and finished the season with a 6th place finish at IHSA Class 1A Dance Competition out of 71 schools.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Congratulations to Coach Bart Wiedman and the Girls Basketball Team on a 1st ever Regional Championship where they defeated Altamont with a solid 36-27 win! The Lady Bulldogs had an exciting season of firsts with their 1st regular season NTC Championship (6-0) and their 1st NTC Tournament Championship, finishing the season with a final record of 21-8. Way to go Lady Bulldogs!

CHEERLEADERS
Congratulations to the St. Anthony Cheerleaders and their competitive cheer squad on a 5th place finish at Sectional competition on February 7 & 8. The squad finished 15th in the IHSA state small varsity division.

SWIM
Congratulations to the St. Anthony Swim Team. Peter Keller won 1st place in the 500 freestyle and 2nd in the 200 freestyle in the IHSA Sectional competition February 22. Luke Thompson won 1st place in the 100 backstroke and 2nd in the 200 individual medley. They both advanced to State competition.

WRESTLING
Congratulations to the St. Anthony Wrestling Team on a productive season. Although there were no team victories, Coach Lewis reports that the team improved over the season.
**Pink Out Game**

St. Anthony High School’s Student Council hosted a PINK OUT game on Friday, February 7 during the St. Anthony High School basketball game vs. Teutopolis. The St. Anthony and Teutopolis communities rallied together around the theme of “Playing Today for a Cure Tomorrow” in support of St. Anthony’s Memorial Hospital’s Women’s Wellness Program.

St. Anthony High School’s Student Council offered week-long activities to raise money for the Friends of St. Anthony’s to benefit the hospital’s Women’s Wellness Program. The Student Council sold PINK OUT t-shirts leading up to the event. Their week-long efforts included selling pink wrist bands and bandanas; selling pink out cookies; and selling pink hearts to hang in the vestibule in honor, in memory, or in support of loved ones. St. Anthony Schools’ Booster Club also donated a portion of the ticket sales from the night’s basketball game.

Altogether, $2,200.00 was raised for the Women’s Wellness Center. On the day of the game, Dr. Ruben and Emily Boyajian offered to match the funds raised from the week, bringing the total amount collected to $4,400.00.

Between the JV and Varsity games, a moment of silence was offered for all those that lost their fight to breast cancer. It was followed with recognition of all fighters and survivors present in the bleachers.

St. Anthony High School Student Council representatives Lexie Niebrugge and Luke Jansen (far right) presented a check donation to (left to right) Ashley Davis, Women’s Wellness Nurse Navigator; Dick Hawickhorst, Chairman for Friends of St. Anthony’s Memorial Hospital Leadership Council; Theresa Rutherford, President and CEO of St. Anthony’s Memorial Hospital; Michael Wall, Director of Philanthropy for St. Anthony’s Memorial Hospital; and Marilyn Boone, Women’s Wellness Manager.

**IHSA Solo & Ensemble Band Contest**

St. Anthony High School band students Tierney Hammer, Abigail Zaccari, Libby Brandt, Nate Schmidt, Alexander Curl, Abigail Buenker, and Allison Spraul performed in the IHSA Solo and Ensemble Band Contest at Salem High School on Saturday, March 8. Students perform as soloists before a judge during the day-long event. The judges award a 1st through 5th place rating based on performance in the following criteria: Tone, Intonation, Technique, Interpretation, Rhythm, and Performance Factors. Their results are as follows:

Libby Brandt and Abigail Zaccari: vocal duet 1st place rating
Tierney Hammer and Allison Spraul: vocal duet 1st place rating
Abigail Buenker: clarinet solo 1st place rating
Tierney Hammer: clarinet solo 1st place rating
Alexander Curl: tenor saxophone solo 1st place rating
Nate Schmidt: piano solo 2nd place rating
Libby Brandt: flute solo earned a 2nd place rating, vocal solo earned at 1st place rating
Abigail Zaccari: clarinet solo 1st place rating, vocal solo 1st place rating
New Arrivals

Christopher Budde and Darlene Wente Budde ('05) welcomed baby girl Annie Marie Budde on November 24, 2013. She has one brother, Kyle, age 3.

Jacob Pals ('98) and wife Dana welcomed their second daughter Trista Rae Pals on July 7, 2013. She has one sister, Ashlyn, age 3.

Joseph Schumacher and Pamela (Probst) Schumacher ('00) welcomed baby girl Alise Marie Schumacher on December 17, 2013. She has two brothers, Nolan, age 5, and Bennett, age 3.

In Memorandom

Frances Taphorn Luchtefeld ('37) passed away November 3, 2013
Jack Laue ('51) passed away January 13, 2014
Judy Gardweine Goodfellow ('54) passed away January 15, 2014
Ruth Koester Boos ('60) passed away February 24, 2014
Don Eden ('46) passed away March 13, 2014

Reunions

The SAHS Class of 1969 will be celebrating their 45th class reunion on Saturday, August 30, 2014 at the Effingham Knights of Columbus. The reunion will begin with 4:30 p.m. Mass at St. Anthony Church followed by social time from 6:00-6:30 p.m. in the small room at the Knights of Columbus Hall and then a 6:30 p.m. meal. Please join in the fun and visit with the classmates of 1969! $20 per person. Please send your payment and rsvp by June 2, 2014 to Patti Devall; 904 Cardinal; Effingham, IL 62401. Reunion Committee: Paula Bushur, Irene Koester, Lynn Tuman, Joyce Niebrugge, Joyce Breeding, Jane Austin, and Patti Devall.

The SAHS Class of 1974 is planning their 40th class reunion for August 9, 2014 at the Effingham Knights of Columbus pavilion. This is the same weekend as the St. Anthony Parish Picnic. Be sure to mark your calendar and make plans to attend! More information will be sent to classmates in the coming months.
Hey Parents! Are you receiving a newsletter addressed to your child and they’ve moved out and moved on? Send us their new address by email at alumi@stanthony.com or to PO Box 764; Effingham, IL 62401. Thanks for helping us stay in touch with our alumni!

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Make A Difference Today!

St. Anthony Schools 2013-14 Annual Fund Drive Needs Your Support!
Last fall, the 2013-14 St. Anthony Schools Annual Fund drive was launched with a goal of $100,000. Our schools have been blessed by the generosity of friends, parishioners, and alumni who have supported this year’s fund drive by offering gifts of over $165,000 to date!

Every dollar collected through the Annual Fund stays within St. Anthony Schools. Plus, every dollar collected above our goal allows us to minimize the operating deficit of our schools as we focus on increasing enrollment for the coming years!

Please join your fellow alumni in keeping the St. Anthony tradition of a quality, Catholic education strong and Making a Difference Today in the lives of St. Anthony students. No gift is too small or too large.

Gifts may be made online at stanthony.com/annual fund or mailed to:
St. Anthony Schools Annual Fund
Attn: Development Office
PO Box 764
Effingham, IL 62401

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