Congratulations to the Class of 2023!


“At Mount Aviat, we aren’t just taught about our faith but we see a clear image of our faith around our campus. We view it by seeing how dedicated the Oblate Sisters are, our own teachers living it, and around the school seeing the V + J, doves, crosses, and religious statues. We start every class off with a prayer, before lunch, and at the beginning and end of our days.”

- Reese Kirk

“I feel like I am becoming what an MAA graduate should be, the best person that I can be. I am thinking and praying to God when I need help, and I will always be Living Jesus throughout my life, even after Mount Aviat. I will be no more and no less than my best; I am trying my hardest in every subject and will care about my grades. I will be helpful to others and just try to make someone’s day.”

- James Davis

“Mount Aviat Academy has had an incredible, positive impact on my future in high school. Whether it be faith, academics, or service, I am well prepared to have a positive influence on the people around me. Through the ten years I spent here, I have learned to pray thoughtfully, to be attentive and engaged in class, and to be more caring and friendly.”

- Joseph Martuscelli

“Mount Aviat has also helped me grow tremendously as a student. MAA has given me an incredible mentality to help me in school and even throughout my life. They have made sure that I would always do ‘No more and no less than my best.’ With this phrase in my mind, I have continued to try my best and have repeatedly made the honor roll and achieved academic success.”

- Hayden Simbulan
FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK:

In October of 2022, MAA students, faculty and staff, and the Oblate Sisters celebrated the 400th anniversary of the death of St. Francis de Sales with a special Salesian Mass with Bishop Koenig. In light of this momentous occasion, this school year we incorporated the theme Be Strong, Be Gentle, Be You, (with bees for the word be) based on a maxim from St. Francis de Sales, in all we did. The bee theme swarmed hallways, classrooms, and even our school t-shirts for the year. So how fitting that we were able to initiate our bee program this year—complete with a hive of 10,000 bees and their queen in the Hammond Hive! (see page 3).

This spring also was buzzing with lots of activity as we saw the return of some of our favorite events—the dinner auction and the 5K and Sister Walk. These events are always a great opportunity to connect with alumni, alumni parents, and our community. Although Col. Burkheimer was dearly missed, we felt his spirit during the auction evening as his memory lives on at MAA.

As this school year came to a close, we said farewell to two dear colleagues who are retiring: Mrs. Teri Hanby and Mrs. Pat Seigel. Mrs. Hanby has helped to ensure that our students are ready for high school, not only with their math skills but also their strength of character. She has supported eighth graders each year through leadership opportunities and led countless middle schoolers in competition with the Future City program. Mrs. Seigel started off as a parent and faithful volunteer through Friends and then moved seamlessly into the role of office secretary where she became integral to the daily operations at MAA. We wish them both well on their next adventures and know they will continue to support us in the future by volunteering in various ways. Finally, we also celebrated Sr. Michele Elizabeth’s 60th jubilee and thanked her for her commitment to her vocation and her unwavering support of our teachers and staff.

As always, thank you for the many ways in which you support Mount Aviat, our students, and the Oblate Sisters. We hope to see you on campus soon, especially exploring the Hammond Hive and our bees. Until then, the Oblate Sisters continue to keep you all in prayer.

Yours in Christ,

Sr. John Elizabeth Callaghan, OSFS

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The Mission of Mount Aviat Academy is threefold:

- to provide instruction in the message of Christ, according to the teachings of the Catholic Church, within the context of the gentle and caring spirit of St. Francis de Sales;
- to offer an educational environment that promotes high academic standards;
- to instill the principles of scholarship, citizenship and service in the minds and hearts of the students.

Educating students to be no more and no less than their best.
MAA has officially launched a bee education program! During MAA’s annual open house event in late February, visitors were able to see our indoor observation hive in the Hammond Hive. Then as spring arrived, it was time to establish our colony of bees.

Our new learning space, the Hammond Hive, was named in honor of a long-time supporter, Harry Hammond. A hive represents so well what will take place in Hammond Hive—team collaboration, effective communication, active problem-solving, and more.

In exploring the possibility of an observation hive, Principal Sr. John Elizabeth recognized the educational value of allowing students to have an inside view as these amazing insects build and maintain their colony. The hand-crafted cherry wooden hive is designed with safety glass and can be rotated 360 degrees. Students observe the brood being raised, the nectar/pollen being stored, and the honey being produced. An experienced beekeeper serves as our Bee Mentor and installed our bees, with the help of excited teachers and Sisters and students safely watching from their classrooms.

MAA’s teachers are developing instructional activities so students learn about the critical role of bees in the pollination needed for fruits, vegetables, and nuts. In addition, MAA has invited guest speakers like Monica Shire, a local farmer and educator, to share their expertise. In conjunction with World Bee Day, students voted on a name for the queen bee with the winning name being Lizzie—after both Queen Elizabeth and our dear Sr. John Elizabeth. MAA also plans to establish a Bee Club for interested students.

In addition to the school program, the Oblate Sisters are also making a commitment to support the bee population in our area. Under the management of a local beekeeper, the Sisters are sponsoring several bee hives named St. Ambrose Apiary, after the patron saint for bees and beekeepers. Watch for your chance to buy the Sisters’ local raw honey in the coming months.

**WHAT’S BUZZING AT MAA? 10,000 BEES!**

**Mount Aviat Upcoming Events:**
- August 24: Ice Cream Social
- September 24: Roast Beef Dinner
- October 2: Golf Tournament at Newark Country Club
- November 18: 61st Annual Christmas Bazaar
April 23rd was a beautiful Sunday morning for mass followed by the Mount Aviat Academy 5K & Sister Walk. The event was a success with 121 participants ranging in age from 4-77 years old. The overall male winner was MAA alum Michael Besancon, age 16, with a time of 19:05. The overall female winner was MAA current student Sadie Trumbull, age 13, with a time of 21:22. Special recognition was given to the participant who traveled the farthest, which was Sr. Eva Bernard from South Africa! This event brought together many participants and volunteers from current school families, Mount Aviat alumni, and new participants from our community. After a three-year hiatus, we are so happy to revive this event and look forward to next year. Mark your calendars for Sunday, April 14, 2024.

Thank you to all of our event volunteers who helped on race day to make this event a success. A special note of thanks to the 5K race committee: Janie Trumbull, James La Pointe, Heather Mekulski (Conrad), Jessica Carlaw, and Julie Fausnaugh who dedicated a lot of time and effort planning this event.

We would also like to thank the 5K sponsors whose support makes this fun community event possible. Gold Sponsors: Remline, A.E. Quesenberry Carpentry MHIC # 136136, Oblate Sisters of Mount Aviat Academy, Dever Law Group. Silver Sponsors: Domain Spa & Salon, Haverford Trust, Formal Affairs and the Koterwas family.
The 2022-2023 basketball season was a successful one for Mount Aviat. The school fielded six teams, three boys’ teams and three girls’ teams. The teams had a mixed bag of results, with some teams coming up short by a basket or two while others finished with a winning record. The Varsity Lady Knights made it to the O Division Finals but lost a hard fought game to an undefeated St. John the Beloved Team.

This Spring, MAA returned with a Boys Varsity Volleyball Team coached by Jeff Landis, Jimmie Davis, and Theresa Veasey. The MAA Volleyball team had a remarkable season, culminating in a trip to the championship game. The MAA Volleyball team showed great growth throughout the season, and they capped it off with a memorable run to the championship game.

The Athletic Association hosted a Sports Celebration on MAA’s campus on March 25th to recognize this year’s student athletes, coaches, and volunteers. The event was an afternoon filled with fun games, family, and cupcakes.

In addition to the games and activities, the Sports Celebration was a great way to end a successful year of athletics at MAA. It was a day to celebrate the hard work and dedication of the student athletes, coaches, and volunteers. It was also a day to look forward to the future of MAA athletics.


SAVE THE DATE!
10/2/23
MAA TOURNAMENT
Monday, October 2, 2023 at Newark Country Club
Registration opens soon!

Congratulations 2022-2023 Patriot’s Pen essay contest winners!
Conducted nationwide, this VFW-sponsored youth essay competition gives students an opportunity to write essays expressing their views on an annual patriotic theme, which for this year was “My Pledge to Our Veterans.”
Post 6027: Olivia Hansen-2nd Place, Abigail Knote-3rd Place, Madison Truitt-4th Place
Post 7687: Jocelyne Swartz-1st Place, Mingze Li-2nd Place
Post 8175: Jacklynn Brownhill-1st Place, Elijah Landis-2nd Place, Addyson Ciccarone-4th Place, Abigail Bunner-5th Place
Post 8185: Khloe Proctor-1st Place, Kaelyn Magaw-2nd Place, Samuel Dennis-3rd Place
District Winners: Jocelyne Swartz, Jacklynn Brownhill, Khloe Proctor
Saturday, March 4th marked the return of our beloved dinner and auction event. Our Holy Guacamole theme was perfect for hosting a fiesta with our school families and friends. St. Joseph’s Hall was transformed into a beautiful gathering space with a Mexican flair thanks to Mike McKenzie, our sound and lighting specialist, and Gloria Smith, our theme and decorations chair. The ambiance of the string lights overhead and the colorful flags hung all around set the mood for a fun evening fiesta.

The evening kicked off with a happy hour, where guests were entertained by a live mariachi band. The Chesapeake Inn created a delightful menu for the occasion, featuring an array of Mexican favorites, including steak and chicken fajitas, baja salad, and street tacos, to name a few. Beverages were flowing throughout the evening. Guests were treated to delectable churros with cannoli dip for dessert just as the dinner service began to wind down and the live auction program started heating up. Thank you to Eddie Greer, the Martuscellis, and the staff at the Chesapeake Inn for the delicious food and drinks, and for their excellent service to our guests.

Bidding wars continued throughout the evening as both silent and live auctions saw prizes of all sizes up for grabs. From 76ers tickets, to designer handbags, to stand-up paddleboards, to famous baked goods from the Oblate Sisters, there was something for everyone. Thank you to our Master of Ceremonies, Rusty Eder, for leading us through the evening’s program.

This was our first auction event without our dear Col. Bob Burkheimer as auctioneer. The Colonel passed away in 2021, but his presence was felt that evening. Serving as our auctioneer that night was his longtime friend, Carole Coleman. We thank Carole for sharing her talents with us and honoring Bob in such a meaningful way.

The return of the auction was a tremendous success. The majority of the proceeds from the event went to our new addition, the Hammond Hive, with the remainder going to the Aviat Foundation Endowment to invest in MAA’s future. Thank you to everyone who attended the event, donated auction items, or volunteered their time and talents. We could not have done it without you!

To our event sponsors, thank you for your tremendous support (see sidebar). Finally, thank you to our auction planning team for putting together one fabulous fiesta: Karen Novak (Event Chair), Sr. John Elizabeth, Sr. Joseph Margaret, Sr. Anne Elizabeth, Sr. Joseph Anne, Taylor Akers, Stephanie Bradley, Gloria Smith, Pat D’Annunzio, Kathy Keogh, Mary Teather, and Pat Seigel.

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Matthew Dymowski ’15 graduated magna cum laude from the School of Forest Resources at the University of Maine. Following his backpacking trip through Europe, Matt will serve with the Maryland Conservation Corps for the upcoming season at Susquehanna State Park.

Anna Petrella ’10 married Matthew Pallme on June 10, 2023 at Maris Stella church in Avalon, NJ.

Chase Black ’19, son of alumna Stacey (Koval) Black ’93, graduated from Salesianum High School and will be attending Queens University of Charlotte, where he has received an athletic and academic scholarship. Chase will be majoring in Business and playing Laxrosse for the Royals! Chase was a four-year member and leader on his Salesianum Varsity Lacrosse team, earning 1st Team All Conference and 1st Team All State at midfield. He helped lead Sallies to three consecutive State Championships!

Congratulations to our graduates of Rising Sun High School: Eddie Marsilli, Josh Burke, David Greenplate, Julia Giovanni, and Ashley Carlettini (MAA Class of 2019).

The Warrington family has had seven family members from three generations graduate from Mount Aviat’s Kindergarten including John Warrington, Jennifer (Warrington) Fritts, Amy Warrington (not pictured), Johnny Warrington, Katelyn Fritts, Emily Fritts, and William Fritts.
1. Seventh graders huddle up and prepare to take on the Class of 2023 in a volleyball match to close out Field Day. 2. MAA’s Future City team proudly displays their awards from this year’s competition: the Innovative Construction Design Award and the Creative Electrical Distribution Award. 3. Abigail Bunner performs a solo of “Can-Can” on the cello during the spring Band Concert. 4. Sixth grader Nicholas Veasey proudly receives his DARE certificate from Captain Brownhill at the class graduation from the program. 5. Fourth graders Carter Poet and Lucas McAneny-Droz have fun while performing at the Band Concert this spring. 6. First grader Sadie Birney enjoys lunch with her grandfather Tom Gillin at MAA’s annual Grandparents’ Day celebration which included a prayer service, all-grades showcase, and picnic lunch. 7. Natalie Smith, Layla DeGhetto, and Mason Saunders pray the rosary and prepare to share their garden flowers with Mary during MAA’s annual May Procession. 8. Cameron Poet, Khloe Proctor, and Laney Tyler along with the fourth-, fifth-, and sixth-grade classes powerfully represent the baby Jesus in his manger in the Lenten production of The Three Trees.
1. Dedicated Friends Janelle Wikes, Gloria Smith, and Brother Bob make filling cream puffs look easy as they put their skills to work. 2. Sr. Joseph Margaret and her tireless crew of Stephanie Pratt, Donald Miller, Connie Miller, and Jennifer Arches keep the cream puffs baking as they prepare approximately 6,000 cream puffs during this year’s one day sale. 3. Dedicated husband and wife team Marc and Pat Seigel pair up to bake and deliver cream puffs.

9. After an all-school clap out for the Class of 2023, eighth grader Kevin McConaghy jumps in his lovingly decorated car for his last carpool pickup. 10. MAA’s 7th and 8th graders showcase their theatrical talents with their production of “The Greatest Show” during Catholic Schools Week. 11. Kindergarten teacher Mrs. Andrews and student Cruz Quinteros are twins for the day as they celebrate a day of Dr. Seuss in Kindergarten. 12. Fifth grader Cash Fockler makes a dash across the soccer field to help his team win the “Ice Cream Carry” game during Field Day. 13. Schoolwide bingo is a great hit during Catholic Schools Week, thanks to our fabulous 8th grade callers. 14. The Class of 2023 takes one last adventure together as they explore Washington, DC, including a trip to the Smithsonian. 15. MAA’s Kindergarten graduates continue the tradition of gathering in the grotto for a photo after graduation. 16. Sixth graders Abigail Bunner, Daisy Murphy, and Olivia Hansen get hands on during their class field trip to the Franklin Institute. 17. MAA PreK3 teacher Mrs. Shannon Cicero is celebrated with flowers from her class, the first class of PreK3 students at MAA. 18. PreK4 students sweetly sing of “Fingerprints” at their end of year celebration. 19. Matthew Rapposelli makes a sale to Sr. John Elizabeth during third grade’s Market Day. 20. PreK4 is all smiles as they prepare to move on to Kindergarten.
In the early 1970s, as Mount Aviat Academy was making the transition from secondary to elementary education, Juniors and Seniors were given the opportunity to take business courses. Mrs. Rosemary Nemeth joined the faculty to offer brief hand, shorthand, consumer economics, bookkeeping, and typing. With enthusiasm and a gentle smile, Mrs. Nemeth introduced everyone to the value of a real-life education: balancing accounts, taking notes, and typing.

Computer education, which was on the cusp of entering our world, put these tools to immediate use. Mrs. Nemeth was well aware of her obligation to teach well and knew the high school girls’ hesitations to learn typing, so she made her goal clear the first day of class. Armed with sheets of opaque green contact paper and scissors, typewriter keys were covered and kept that way throughout the year. Drills in typing, shorthand, and brief hand were as frequent as math drills, vocabulary tests, and calisthenics.

Mrs. Nemeth’s students left with an education that included proper posture, skill, speed, and accuracy. Her gentle laughter, smile, and constant encouragement left a lasting impression as well. Even after the high school closed, Mrs. Nemeth continued to support the work of the Oblate Sisters through her presence at various events, especially the annual Christmas Bazaar, and her financial support of our annual drive. She remained a friend and cheerleader of Mount Aviat Academy throughout her life. Rosemary Nemeth is a shining example of Living Jesus with love and devotion.

Dr. Charles P. Nemeth, her son, established the Rosemary Nemeth Finlayson Scholarship Fund in 2022, in memory of his mother. As a teacher at MAA, Mrs. Finlayson loved the charism and environment at the school. Prior to her passing, Dr. Nemeth promised his mother that he would make a gift to the school to honor her. This endowed scholarship will support families in financial need who wish to avail for their children a quality Catholic education in the Salesian tradition at Mount Aviat Academy.

Please remember in prayer our family members, friends, and donors who have passed away this year:

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Gifts to the Aviat Foundation are invested and professionally managed by The Haverford Trust Company, an investment management firm with significant experience in managing funds for non-profit, Catholic educational institutions. Donations to the Aviat Foundation provide recurring annual support, as only a portion of fund’s earnings are distributed each year; the principal from the initial gifts to the Aviat Foundation remains intact.

For the 2022–2023 school year, the Aviat Foundation disbursed $78,000—marking the 17th consecutive year that the Aviat Foundation has provided financial support to MAA. Since its inception, through the generosity of our donors, the Aviat Foundation has contributed $774,605 to Mount Aviat.

The Aviat Foundation Board is very excited to share that over the past year, we were blessed with the establishment of three new endowed funds within the Aviat Foundation Endowment Trust.

- **The Mary Maloney Endowed Fund** was established as part of a legacy gift; the earnings from this fund will used to directly support salaries of our teachers and staff.
- **The Rosemary Nemeth Finlayson Scholarship Fund** (see page 10) was established in her honor by her family to support financial assistance.
- **George and Mary Benvegno, Sr. Endowment Fund** was established to support the Oblate Sisters of St. Francis de Sales and their mission of educating students at Mount Aviat Academy.

There are many ways to support the Aviat Foundation, including:
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- Including the Aviat Foundation in your estate planning. By making a bequest in your will, naming the Aviat Foundation as the beneficiary on a life insurance policy or retirement account, or establishing a Charitable Gift Annuity or Remainder Trust, you join the ranks of our Legacy Society. Consult your financial advisor on how you can achieve your philanthropic goals through planned giving.
- Joining our current volunteers that serve on various sub-committees of the Aviat Foundation

If you have questions about the Aviat Foundation or would like to meet with us to discuss how you may become more involved in supporting the needs of the Oblate Sisters and Mount Aviat Academy, please contact:
Brenda Hendron, Aviat Foundation Chair at 410.920.6399, hendronb@comcast.net or
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