

# Clelian Heights Newsletter

*A Family Affair*



# Shavings

Summer 2006

## Special Needs Adults Provide Spectacular Services

As the school doors of Clelian Heights closed for a summer break, The Clelian Center chose to remain open and provide its job contractors with service. The Clelian Center Business Service is a cost effective, dependable and high quality alternative to “temp hire” for repetitive tasks and for the first time since its inception, the workshop stayed “in business” three days each week throughout the month of June.

Each day between ten to fifteen men and women arrived for work at 8:45 a.m. and completed six different contracts. Assembly work from Pitt Industrial and Ventana as well as mailings from the Westmoreland Chamber of Commerce, ParentWise Inc. and the University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg offered a variety of tasks that were completed with precision and accuracy. A luncheon at Hempfield Park, a barbecue at Clelian Heights and a buffet luncheon at Sam’s Club were well deserved treats enjoyed throughout the month.

Back to its “normal” routine during July, the workshop is open five days each week with thirty men and women working diligently to improve their skills while enjoying the camaraderie with one another and some summer fun.



**New contracts are always being sought and inquiries may be made by calling Sr. Shawn Lyons at 724/837-8120, ext. 116 or 117.**

## CELEBRATING 45 YEARS!

On May 5, 2006, Clelian Heights School for Exceptional Children and the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus celebrated 45 years of service with its second Heart to Heart Award Banquet. Over 300 friends and family gathered at the Four Points Sheraton in Greensburg for this joyous celebration.

Heart to Heart awards, given to individuals who have played a significant role in the growth of Clelian Heights, were given to eight special friends. The 2006 honorees were **Ben and Ellie Bernacchi, Dominic Ciarimboli, Esq., Rev. Msgr. Donald Mondello, Mr. Joseph Policastro, Hon. and Mrs. Jules Melograne and Sr. Linda Pettinella, ASCJ.**

Bill Hillgrove, the radio voice of the Steelers, was the Master of Ceremonies. Rev. Msgr. James Gaston, former chaplain at Clelian Heights and the pastor of St. Margaret Mary Church in Lower Burrell was the keynote speaker. "The witness of the children and the ministry provided at Clelian is a very important one for our culture," he said. "The children and adults of Clelian represent the fragility and vulnerability that is in every human being. In the end, we are all somewhat disabled and in need of the same love and care."

*"For of such is the Kingdom of heaven."*



Photos compliments from the Catholic Accent

### United Way Contribution

Thank you for choosing Clelian Heights Inc.

**Contributor Choice #403**

**135 Clelian Heights Lane  
Greensburg, PA 15601**

### VISIT OUR NEW WEB SITE

[www.clelianheights.org](http://www.clelianheights.org)

Many thanks to Fran Masciantonio for the development of the web page and to Sr. Benjamin Merlotti and Lisa Liston, part of the development team, for the contribution of Clelian Heights information and pictures.

Please visit it today.

**Remember Clelian Heights in your will!**

## Congratulations to...

**Sr. Rosemary Zaffuto, Clelian Heights Executive Director**, as she celebrates 60 years of vowed life as an Apostle of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. On May 28, 2006, Sr. Rosemary along with her family and friends celebrated with a Liturgy of Thanksgiving in the Clelian Heights Chapel. In July, Sr. Rosemary publicly renewed her vows to God, to the church and to her congregation with a festive and solemn Liturgy at the Provincial House in Connecticut.

Sr. Rosemary attended Fordham University, Duquesne University, received her Masters in Education from Boston College and a Masters in Administration from the University of California in Sacramento. She served as Superintendent of Schools in the Diocese of Sacramento, CA for twelve years and was a Vice Provincial of the Apostles of the Sacred Heart in Hamden, CT for six years. Sr. Rosemary served as principal of Clelian Heights from 1988-1995 and returned in 2001 as the Executive Director.



### **Mission Statement:**

The mission of Clelian Heights is to provide spiritual, educational, vocational and residential programs for children and young adults with developmental disabilities that enhance their quality of life and maximize their potential for independent living.

### **Vision Statement:**

The vision of Clelian Heights is to provide an atmosphere of choice and mutual acceptance, respect and love that will make a lasting difference in the lives of persons with developmental disabilities.

### **Non-Discrimination:**

Clelian Heights offers services to all without discrimination on the basis of race, color, age, religious creed, disability, sex, ancestry or national origin.

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## It's Hard to say "good-bye" to...

**Sr. Linda Pettinella**, who has been the principal at Clelian Heights for the past twelve years. Among her **many** accomplishments while she served as principal of Clelian Heights, Sr. Linda was instrumental in having Clelian Heights licensed as a Private Academic School allowing the public school districts to pay the tuition for those enrolled in the school program. She also initiated the establishment of an inclusive pre-school program. Sr. Linda worked tirelessly with the staff, aides, volunteers and parents involved in the school community. Her initiative, energy and outstanding dedication has enriched Clelian Heights in so many ways.

Sr. Linda's new assignment is in southern Taiwan. She will teach English to Chinese speaking high school students at St. Paul's private school in the Catholic Diocese of Kaohsiung. Sr. Linda has been busy learning Chinese and looks forward to the challenge of her new assignment.

Sr. Charlene Celli, a long time teacher at Clelian Heights, will be the new principal.



**Well done thy good  
and faithful servant;...**

Matthew 25:21



**AROUND  
CLELIAN  
HEIGHTS**

**2007 Lottery Calendars**

Based on the 7 p.m. 3 digit PA State Lottery Number, you have a chance of winning money every day of the year. A total of \$15,000.00 in cash is given away. The cost of a calendar is \$25.00 and only 1000 are sold.

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## Recent Grants

July 1, 2005 - July 1, 2006

**Edith L. Trees Charitable Trust**  
Commuter Safety Project, \$130,000

**Anonymous Donor**  
Commuter Safety Project, \$70,000

**Wallace Hough Charitable Trust - PNC**  
Swimming pool boiler, \$11,000

**The Greensburg Foundation Fund of The Community Foundation of Westmoreland County**  
Swimming pool boiler, \$6,000

**Ronald McDonald House Charities of Pittsburgh**  
Sensory room equipment, \$3,750

**Citizens Bank Foundation**  
Community Based Instruction, \$2,500

**Adele B. & Thomas Keane Charitable Foundation**  
Behavior Specialist Consultant Service, \$1,500 and Community Based Instruction, \$1,500

**Murrysville-Export Rotary**  
Greenhouse repairs, \$1,500

**Robertshaw Charitable Foundation**  
Swimming pool boiler, \$1,500

**Sam's Club Foundation**  
Behavior Specialist Consultant Service, \$1,000

**McFeely-Rogers Foundation**  
Skills assessments, \$1,000

**Delmont-Salem Rotary**  
Swimming pool boiler, \$1,000

**Lulu A. Poole Health and Educations Trust**  
Skills assessments, \$950

**Kiwanis Club of Greensburg**  
Aerobics, \$600

**Westmoreland County Arts Grant**  
Extended School Year Art Enrichment Program, \$400

This list does not include gifts given by private family foundations or businesses that gave unsolicited contributions.

## 13th Annual JPK Golf Classic

The **13th Annual JPK Golf Classic**, hosted by the Krystyniak Family, was held on May 22nd at the Churchill Valley Country Club in Pittsburgh. This year 44 golfers enjoyed a day of great golf, an evening social with delicious food, skill prizes, a silent auction and a Golf Club Set elimination raffle.

Clelian Heights is grateful for the continued support of the Krystyniak family and all the

the businesses that annually help make this event a success. All proceeds from the outing benefit Clelian Heights' Endowment Fund.

**The 14th Annual JPK Golf Outing** will be held at Churchill Valley Country Club again next year on **Friday, June 15, 2007**. If you are interested in reserving a place or being a sponsor, contact Ann Miles at 724/837-8120, ext. 124. Help make our outing even more successful!



R.D. Harrer Construction Corp., longtime supporters of the JPK.

## Christmas Craft Fair

Clelian Heights will be having their first **Christmas Craft Fair** on Friday, December 1st from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, December 2nd from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. A variety of talented crafters will be selling their handcrafted items along with delicious food, Christmas Tree Lane chances and entertainment. Mark your calendar and start your Christmas shopping at Clelian Heights!

Limited spaces are still available for crafters to rent. If you are interested in reserving a space or need additional information, contact Ann Miles or Sr. Shawn Lyons at 724/837-8120.

## SUMMER 2006



*Summer volunteers said....*

*"I was surprised to feel the tremendous compassion and love that flows through this school."*

*"The memories I have made over the course of this week will stay with me forever."*

*"Each one with their own different qualities brought a smile to my face every time I saw them."*

*"Clelian Heights is an oasis for everyone who longs to see true beauty in the world and to experience more love and compassion from humankind"...*

### SAVE THESE DATES !

**Wholey's Old Fashion Chicken Barbecue**

**October 8, 2006**

**Christmas Craft Fair**

**December 1 & 2, 2006**

**Night at the Races**

**February 24, 2007**

**JPK Golf Classic**

**June 15, 2007**

**DONATE YOUR CAR, TRUCK, RV OR BOAT TO CLELIAN HEIGHTS FOR A TAX DEDUCTION!**

Please call Ann Miles at 724/837-8120 x 124 for information or to make a donation.

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