

# Did You Know...

Visitation of Our Lady School  
*Inspiring Catholic Faith and Principles While  
Encouraging Academic Excellence*

- Students of Visitation of Our Lady School recently participated in Academy of Our Lady's Academic Fair sponsored by their National Honor Society. Visitation placed 1st overall.—we are so very proud of our students who participated. Of the 44 participants the following students won medals:

**Reading Comprehension:**

1st grade—Chance Rodriguez 2nd place

2nd grade—Rose Doskey 3rd place

4th grade—Ian Doskey 3rd place

**Math:**

2nd grade—Andrew Tran 2nd place

3rd grade—Austin Duhon 1st place

4th grade—Scott Hotard 1st place

5th grade—Cuong Tran 2nd place

6th grade—Alex Vedros 1st place

**Spelling:**

2nd grade—Austin O'Brien 3rd place

3rd grade—Johnson Nguyen 2nd place

4th grade—Madison Wilson 2nd grade

5th grade—Haven Schoener 3rd place

**Religion:**

2nd grade—Gage Polkey 2nd place

Participation Certificates were awarded to the following:

1<sup>st</sup> grade:

Dominic Danos

Gillian Decossa

Mia Ditta

Molly Doolittle

Justin Lefebvre

Ian Olsen

Gavin Thomas

2<sup>nd</sup> grade:

Mykah Brown

Michael Klause

Dominic Naccari

Dylan Rogers

Matthew Sumera

3<sup>rd</sup> grade:

Gage Barbier

Raphaella Brown

Logan Calderera

Peyton d'Aquin

Nicholas Savoie

4<sup>th</sup> grade:

Dylan Chesterman

Amanda Eschete

Luke Navarro

Hannah Tran

Bailey Termine

5<sup>th</sup> grade:

Cameron Bertot

Gabrielle Brown

Joshua DiFebbo

Kevin Le

Ali Legendre

William Nichols

6<sup>th</sup> grade:

Hannah Ferguson

Raymond Nash

Emily Oncale

- Emma Nguyen, a VOL 8th grader, is the recipient of a Merit Scholarship from Academy of Our Lady High School. Emma will receive \$500 per year for 4 years while attending AOL. Congratulations!
- The HALO Club, a middle school organization, has been very busy. During the month of March they sponsored a Map and Globe program. Donations were collected from the student body and \$864 was given to the Holy Childhood Association. The Archdiocese of New Orleans Mission Office sponsored a Toy Contest where students designed toys out of recycled materials. The following HALO Club members received awards of excellence: Emily Oncale, Jenna Melerine, Alexis Mussachia, Allison Chartier, Jacob Gray, Brittany Guillot, and Alex Shamp.
- Our 4th grade students attended a Lenten Mission Assembly at St. Andrew the Apostle School on March 19th. The students were able to participate in games which broadened their knowledge about third world countries. The students also gained valuable insight about third world countries by listening to a missionary sister who had just visited Guatemala.
- Visitation has two budding actresses in our midst ~ Allison Chartier (6th grade) and Cora Hicks (7th Grade). Both girls have parts in the spring production of the Jefferson Performing Arts Society—*A Kidsummer Knight's Dream*. Their performances can be seen at the Westwego Performing Arts Theatre in Westwego during the month of May. This will be Allison's second performance in a play produced by the Jefferson Performing Arts Society. Congratulations to both girls!
- Visitation teachers are continually improving their knowledge and professional skills by attending professional development workshops, seminars, and conferences. Connie Breaux and Grace Hicks, both middle school Language Arts teachers, attended *Plain Talk About Reading*—a Center for Development and Learning conference in Chicago. Louann Marchand (2nd grade teacher) and Melissa Olatin (4th grade teachers) attended *Differentiated Interventions That Works!* - a Staff Development for Educators seminar in New Orleans. Carolyn Levet (principal) and Gary Ledet (teacher and administrator) attended a SACS conference in Chicago where they received state and national recognition for our school receiving SACS approval last school year.
- The Visitation family keeps growing! Kindergarten teacher Shelley Moore gave birth to a baby girl, Therese Rose, on March 19th. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Moore. Fourth grade teacher Amy Frederick gave birth to a baby girl, Claire Louise. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick.
- With the help of Visitation families and friends the school received the following donations from our Community Fundraisers: Winn Dixie's Community Pals—\$1,533.02, Community Coffee's Cash for Schools Program—\$730.25, Target's Take Charge of Education Program—\$197.45, and Office Depot's 5% Back to Schools Program—\$83.00. Thank you to these organizations and our families and friends who support these programs on our behalf. Please visit our school website at [www.vol.org](http://www.vol.org) for ways you can support VOL through purchases. Click on **Ways to Support VOL** and then click **Community Fundraisers**. You will find a list of local and online businesses where proceeds from your purchases benefit VOL.