The Kuemper Catholic School Foundation Board of Directors recently sponsored their biennial fall Appreciation Social. The theme, "Because We Can’t Thank You Enough," was highlighted during the report by Foundation Chairman, Dave Bruner. The evening included a report on the financial status and special activities of the Foundation. Dave announced the milestone of the Foundation passing the $5,000,000 mark. Included in this accomplishment was the Teacher Salary Enhancement Fund reaching the $1,000,000 mark!

Rev. Michael McCabe was the guest speaker. Fr. Mike is part of the Kuemper Class of 1978 and was back in Carroll celebrating his 40th Reunion over Homecoming Weekend. He is the Pastor of St. Joseph Church in Lincoln, NE. He recently served for 20 years at St. Mary’s Church in Nebraska City. Father Mike spoke about his family, becoming a priest and his time spent at Kuemper. He shared the family-like atmosphere that Kuemper promotes and said, "Kuemper encourages a culture of professional people that love their families, prayer, and God."

"The two biggies we believe as Christians and Catholics is that: To love God with your whole heart, your whole soul, with all your might, and to love your neighbor as yourself – that’s it," noted Fr. McCabe. "The teachers in Catholic schools, especially with that faith piece, will do anything for kids and sacrifice any time to help them," he concluded.

Thank you, Fr. Mike, for sharing your insights with us.

Remember Kuemper in Your Will

You have the opportunity to contribute to the historic Kuemper Tomorrow Capital Campaign for Kuemper. Invest in our future! Join over 1,000 faithful donors and catch the Kuemper Spirit.

Consider repeating a one-time past gift to this campaign or extend your pledge another year to further the great cause of the Teacher Salary Enhancement Fund. Please use the enclosed envelope. Thank you for making a difference!

St. Angela Center teachers
**Eternal Knights** are those visionary friends who have made the ultimate expression of their faith in Catholic Education by remembering Kuemper in their estate plans.

You can become an **Eternal Knight** by making a gift to Kuemper that costs nothing during your lifetime. Plan and invest in the future today.

God bless our newest Eternal Knights – Jean Guy in honor of the late Dr. Keith Guy, Rev. James R. Smith, David and Debera Quandt, Cletus & Valerie Windschitl.

**Remember Kuemper and your parish in your Will.**

**Why I Became An Eternal Knight……**

“We both graduated from Kuemper High School, along with sending our three children and now five grandchildren to Kuemper. We have seen how the spiritual education, along with the academic education, that the Kuemper System has done to prepare us and our families to have successful and spiritual lives. From the Bible quote of Luke 12:48: ‘To whom much is given, from him much is expected.’ Being an Eternal Knight is one small way we can give back to Kuemper to keep the tradition going.”

Dave & Deb (Rupper) Quandt
Kuemper Class of 1969

“The Kuemper tradition is deeply felt in our family and one of the characteristics of Kuemper values is to be thoughtful of those blessings we have enjoyed.”

“Like many of you, we always knew we were going to ‘give back’ to Kuemper in some monetary amount. We just put it in writing and became Eternal Knights.”

Dave & Karen (Von Bon) Klocke
Kuemper Class of 1979

“Deb and I value a Catholic Education. As a Kuemper Alum, we know that Kuemper offers a learning experience that benefits students throughout their lives. We feel privileged to continue to be part of the Kuemper Family by being Eternal Knights.”

Jim and Deb Auen
Jim is Kuemper Class of 1974

**The GOOD NEWS at Kuemper**

**Service Trip**

On “Mission Honduras,” twenty-five Kuemper students will practice the corporal works of mercy and come home with a greater appreciation of what God has given them. With your help, they will build two homes equipped with bunk beds, stoves, and a cement foundation. The cost is about $10,000 for each home. Students will also visit one of Mother Teresa’s orphanages that cares for children and the elderly.

Your donation will provide homes for children and families in Honduras. If you are part of an organization that would like to see a presentation of the school’s last mission trip, please contact Mike McCarty at (712) 792-2123 or watch the link at: https://sites.google.com/kuemper.org/missionhonduras/home

Please send donations to: Mike McCarty, Kuemper St. Lawrence Center, 1519 N. West St., Carroll, IA 51401. Feel free to direct any questions to mpmccarty@kuemper.org

**Your Goal, Your Gifts**

The end of the year can be a time to reflect on the past and to plan for the future.

During this season of giving, many benefactors have made meaningful gifts and accomplished charitable goals for this year in the most effective ways. Are there any causes at Kuemper you would like to support?

Contact your financial advisor to discuss the best methods of giving. Feel free to request additional information by returning the attached envelope.

**As a Kuemper Alum, and Tim as a 40+ year employee of the Kuemper System, we want to do our part to help future generations of students have access to a high quality Catholic Education. We value everything that Kuemper has provided for our family. We are proud to be joining the Eternal Knights. Go Knights!”**

Tim & Ann (Brenny) Fitzpatrick
Ann is Kuemper Class of 1974

**CHARITABLE IRA TAX BREAK**

Are you 70 ½, or know someone who is? You must withdraw a portion of your IRA each year after 70 ½. You pay income tax on your IRA withdrawal. We have a solution for you.

The IRA Charitable provision is extremely popular. Individuals 70 ½ years old are allowed to take up to $100,000 in qualified charitable distributions from their Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) without including the distribution in their federal income each year.

Transfers to the Kuemper Catholic School Foundation will continue to be deemed as part of the Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) calculation. Your gifts make a difference and your generosity will enable us to continue our important work of educating the mind, body and soul of our students.

Contact your tax advisor and/or financial planner to determine how this law could affect your current individual income tax and/or your long-term estate planning situation.

**GIFT ANNUITY RATES INCREASE**

Extend your support for Kuemper students beyond your lifetime!

Effective July 1, 2018, the Charitable Gift Annuity rates have increased! Charitable Gift Annuities are gifts that produce income for you at attractive rates. Fixed payments with tax advantages can be the rewarding outcome for you during your lifetime. After that time, the remaining assets support Kuemper students.

**YOU CAN BENEFIT FROM POPULAR GIFT ANNUITIES**

Receive steady income payments for life with fixed rates as high as 9.5% (depending on age). Enjoy the smart gift that gives back with great tax benefits.

**AGE RATE**

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“I avoided a significant tax on my appreciated stock through this gift annuity, while benefiting my parish. I also received a very favorable earnings rate.”

~ Joe White, Westside, IA

Contact the Kuemper Foundation for a free and simple personal illustration.