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## **Society Shares Final Gift**

In a final and lasting act of faith, the <u>Purgatorial Society</u> gave the remainder of its assets to the *Central Washington Catholic Foundation* for the support of seminarian education. Their gift of \$3,578.53 and the termination of the Society concluded a 46 year commitment in Central Washington.

The organization's main purposes were to pray for the repose of the souls of all departed members, to foster friendship and brotherly love among its members, and to defray partially the expenses of a member's death.

"It all started with a bowling tournament that the Knights of Columbus put on," said former member Mrs. Dolores LaCoursiere. "A group of Catholics got together and thought it would be a good thing."

"In the beginning we had people from all over the Diocese," she added. "It was very interparochial."

An aging membership and the lack of younger Catholics wanting to join the Society represent crucial factors in its members' decision to dissolve. At the time its dissolved, the Society had 168 current members, which included six new members.

"Vince and I have been married over 50 years," Mrs. LaCoursiere said. "So, I guess we have been members since the beginning. Back then, there were not as many other Catholic organizations as we have today."

Starting in 1958 as the <u>Columbian Death</u> <u>Benefit Association</u>, the Society changed its name to the <u>Purgatorial Society</u> on January 31, 1972. The Society was dedicated to the memory of the Most Rev. Joseph P. Dougherty, D.D., first Bishop of the Diocese of Yakima, 1951-1969.

Society membership was open to Roman Catholics over 18 years of age. It consisted of



Mrs. Dolores LaCoursiere, a former member, and Mr. Joseph Leonard, the last president of the <u>Purgatorial Society</u>, shared memories of the Society's early years recently in the Foundation's offices.

benefit and associate members. The distinction in membership was decided at the time of membership.

Benefit members represented individuals joining the Society who were 18-65 years-old and thereby qualified for death benefits. Associate members were people 65 years-old or older at the time of joining the group who received no financial benefits.

All members, both living and deceased, were remembered in Masses each day of the year, through the <u>Purgatorial Society</u>'s enrollment in the *Jesuit Seminary Association*.

## Central Washington Catholic Foundation

Investments Quarter Ending June 30, 2004 **Education Funds** 

Amos & Elsie Gamache	\$ 133,609	Holy Family	\$	188,437
Mary Ellen Chott-Mahre	37,282	Poulin Holy Family	*	122,983
Mark L. Kranz	21,283	Rosa, Lena, Louisa Orlando		155,635
Msgr. William J. Sweeney	827,129	St. Joseph Yakima		107,084
St. Joseph School, Kennewick	114,246	St. Paul Cathedral		58,084
St. Joseph School, Wenatchee	120,072			
St. Paul Cathedral School	154,066	Seminarian Funds		
St. Rose of Lima School	101,392	Seminarian Funus		
William A. & Mary M. Hambelton	27,682	Bittner Burse	\$	119,055
William L. & Mary A. Tyrrell	176,395	Edmond & Blanche Poulin	φ	115,364
		Thomas & Nancy Mahony		125,790
CWCF Funds Under \$21,000	\$ 44,936	Robert G. Geier		64,063
	\$ 44,936	Seminarian Education		42,352
Total Central Washington Catholic Foundation Fund				,856,939

#### **Quarterly Donor List**

## **Thank You For Your Generosity**

(April 1, 2004 to June 30, 2004)

In compiling this list of donors, every effort has been made to insure that there are no omissions or spelling errors. If any mistake has been made, please accept our apologies and bring it to our attention.

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### La Fundación recibe un 1/4 de millón en donaciones

La *Fundación Católica del Centro de Washington* recibió \$222,106.26 en donaciones durante el año fiscal 2003-2004.

La donación más grande, \$169,760, fue del legado de Mary Tyrrell. Esta donación estableció el <u>William L. & Mary A. Tyrrell Education Fund</u>, el cual beneficia a la Escuela de St. Joseph en Wenatchee, WA. Los intereses y dividendos de este fondo se le entregarán a la escuela para becas y otras necesidades.

"Estamos muy orgullosos de nuestros logros del año pasado," dijo el Padre Samuel P. Bellino, S.J., Director Ejecutivo. "Aún en esta economía volátil, la Fundación continua con su crecimiento estable."

"La razón de este acrecemiento es en parte debido a nuestros grandes líderes," añadió el Padre Bellino. "El Sr. William (Bill) Wangler, Jr. de Selah fue nuestro presidente del Patronato durante este año pasado. Fue de verdad un privilegio trabajar con una persona tan maravillosa y líder nato."

"El presidente de este año es el Dr. Thomas D. (Tom) Mahony de Pasco. Él asiste a la parroquia de Cristo Rey (Christ the King) en Richland y ya ha sido muy útil a la Fundación." menciono el Padre Bellino. "Nuestras esperanzas y oraciones revolucionan para darles más de regreso a nuestras comunidades católicas," añadió el Padre Bellino.



Executive Board of Trustees members Judge Phil Raekes and Dr. Tom Mahony (right) thanked former Trustee, Mrs. Josie Wannarachue, for her generosity to the Foundation with a luncheon on July 21, 2004 at the Tri-Cities' *Meadow Spring Country Club.* Mrs. Wannarachue owns the <u>King and I</u> <u>Restaurant</u> at 6030 Clearwater Avenue in Kennewick, WA. She donated the entire cost of the Foundation's 2004 Annual Trustee Banquet at her restaurant.

## Foundation Receives 1/4 Mil in Gifts

The *Central Washington Catholic Foundation* received \$222,106.26 in gifts during the 2003-2004 fiscal year.

#### New CWCF Board Of Trustees

Dr. Thomas D. Mahony, M.D., Chairperson Mr. William Wangler, Jr., Immediate Past Chairperson Mrs. Dorothy R. Wågsholm, Vice Chairperson Mrs. Cherie Hanses, Secretary Rev. Samuel P. Bellino, S.J., Executive Director Mr. Daniel C. Fortier, At-Large The Honorable Philip M. Raekes, (Ret.), At-Large Most Rev. Carlos A. Sevilla, S.J., Bishop Rev. Robert M. Siler, Ellensburg Mrs. Elizabeth Spadoni, Wenatchee Dr. Richard J. Giever, M.D., Richland

We thank former member Rev. Francisco Higuera for his service to the Board.

The largest gift of \$169,760 was from the Mary Tyrrell estate. This gift established the <u>William L. & Mary A.</u> <u>Tyrrell Education Fund</u>, which benefits St. Joseph School in Wenatchee, WA. The interest and dividends from this fund will be given to the school for scholarships and other needs.

"We are quite proud of our accomplishments this past year," said Rev. Samuel P. Bellino, S.J., Executive Director. "Even in this volatile economy, the Foundation continues a steady growth."

"The reason for this outlook is in part because of our great leaders," Father Bellino added. "Mr. William (Bill) Wangler, Jr. of Selah was our Chairman of the Board of Trustees during this past year. It was quite a privilege to work with such a wonderful person and born leader."

"This year's chairman is Dr. Thomas D. (Tom) Mahony of Pasco. He attends Christ the King Parish in Richland and has already been a great asset to the Foundation." said Fr. Bellino.

"Our hopes and prayers revolve around giving more back to our Catholic communities," Fr. Bellino added.



The Most Rev. Carlos A. Sevilla, S.J. (center), Bishop of the *Diocese of Yakima*, introduced Rev. Samuel P. Bellino, S.J., Executive Director of the *Central Washington Catholic Foundation*, to Pope John Paul II during a meeting at the Vatican on June 21, 2004. Bishop Sevilla was in Rome to meet with the Holy Father, and Father Bellino was visiting Italy with a tour group.



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