

## Notre Dame Golf Outing

*Andy Chaloux, Coordinator*

The Notre Dame golf outing was a very successful event. Many people were responsible for making this happen, but none more important than Sharon Folk who offered the use of the Andrew Johnson Golf Club. The following people served on the organizing committee and gave their time and effort to organize the event: Vandy Nachazel, Tom Janaskie. Bud Noe, Tom Quint, John Flanagan, Bob DeRuvo, Bill Riley, Father John Appiah, Jack Siersma, Tony Maggio, and Andy Chaloux. All but one of the 72 people that had signed up participated in the golf outing and enjoyed a very well maintained golf course on a sunny afternoon.

Under Tom Janaskie's leadership, a number of volunteers helped by preparing and serving a great lunch to all participants. The event raised about \$4,500 for our proposed building addition. The feedback from this event was most positive and has set the stage for continuing this project in future years. There was a prize of \$200 for the 1st place team and \$100 for the 2nd place team. In the spirit of the project, the winning team of Loretta DeRuvo, Judy Collins, Gail Thompson, and Vicky Maddy unanimously decided to donate their winnings to the Building Fund project. Second place winners also donated their winnings, and all this was

simply a great demonstration of the support that existed throughout the afternoon.

## Fall Festival of Nations

*Susan Collins, Coordinator*

The Wed., October 8, edition of the *Greeneville Sun* says it all about our first Fall Festival of Nations at Notre Dame on September 13. Thanks to Kathy Knight for such a wonderful article. The weather reached 94 degrees, yet the enthusiasm was still cool and collective!

Food from Belgium, France, Italy, Germany, Philippines, Ireland, Japan, Ghana, Honduras, Columbia, Mexico, Finland, Lebanon, and the United States of America was served. Games included a putting green, dart throw, peanut hunt, ring toss, bubble blowing, cookie walk, bean bag toss, lollipop tree, golf ball throw, treasure hunt, tattoos, and face painting. Entertainment included Elvis, Lonesome Pine, Building Shadows, John Brown and the Honey Bean, Hispanic Dancers, Clowns, Jugglers, K-9 demo, Thai Chi demo, Susan Lachman, Dutch oven dessert contest, our local "jail", fire safety house, and representatives from the health department, fire department, and rescue squad. Top it all off with an international item silent auction and a white elephant sale all to raise cultural awareness and money for our new parish and family life center.

## PPC Social Justice Commission

*Ray Jones, Chairman*

**Food Bank** - Notre Dame has routinely supported the Food Bank by ringing bells outside local businesses for donations during the holiday season. Andy Chaloux has been our Parish representative by organizing the parish bell ringing schedule. He would like to step down from this post. A volunteer for the position is requested. Andy is willing to help and assist this year. Other volunteer options are available at the Food Bank. Father William Casey is an active volunteer there now. He reports activities such as working the front desk, packing food, and donating items. The Food Banks is open M-F with the hours of 9:00-11:30 and 12:30-2:00. For more information contact Father Casey at 636-0111.

**Pro-Life** - Jean HagenBurger is the Parish representative for the Pro-Life movement and can be reached at 636-1317 for information on activities in this area. Jean urges everyone to continue to pray for the unborn.

**Habitat for Humanity** - The Social Justice Committee is looking for a coordinator willing to organize and recruit volunteers from Notre Dame for quarterly workdays at Habitat for Humanity. If interested call Ray Jones at 787-9117.

## Haiti Project

*Alicia Singleton, Coordinator*

Hi! I am Alicia Singleton, the new coordinator for the Haiti project since Sandra Smith has moved to Alabama. She will be sorely missed in many capacities! Our sister parish of Immaculate Conception in Haiti has had a rough year with hurricanes. Since communication is poor there, we have heard nothing about the extent of damage, but we do know that Father Alexis was in the US at the time for health care. Our Father John has tried to call a number that was left for him but has not been able to contact Father Alexis further.

Next year is the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary year for the Twinning Project that paired parishes in Haiti with parishes here in the state of Tennessee. Notre Dame's committee on Haiti will be discussing ways we can raise awareness of our sister parish during next year. It is my opinion that our problems and dreams here at Notre Dame are so minor compared to their needs. If you are especially interested in this project, we need two committee members to help with record keeping and to help us communicate parish ideas to the committee as well as committee action to our parish. Please contact Alicia at 783-9941 or Father John at Notre Dame if you are interested in serving on this committee.

Father John is organizing a trip to Haiti in December. If you want more information, please contact Father John