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Welborn Baptist Foundation / Marian Educational Outreach Technology Grant

In 2012 MEO was awarded a grant from Welborn Baptist Foundation, "Technologically in Touch". The grant was approved to provide a myriad of technological tools and software for the Resource Programs at Mater Dei and Memorial High Schools. The items purchased included iPads, iPad Cases, Headsets, Kurzweil 3000 software, Wand Scanners and Printers.

In addition to providing all of these devices, Welborn funding allowed MEO to sponsor an educational workshop for teachers and parents. This event was held at the Catholic Center on September 5, 2013. Pictured here are two students from the Resource Program at Memorial demonstrating to teachers and parents their classroom usage of iPads, scanners and software currently implemented in their curriculum. Not pictured is Taylor "Jack" Unfried, former student of Marian Day School, who also demonstrated technology to workshop participants. Over 50 people



attended the workshop and the reviews were extremely positive! The students had fun and everyone benefitted from the evening. Thanks Welborn!!

SAVE THE DATE!

April 25, 2014



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Remembering Mark Goedde and MEO

Arthur Goedde recently made a major donation to MEO in memory of his nephew, Mark Goedde.

Mark attended Marian Day School in the late 1960's/early 1970's when the

school was located at St. Johns on Bellemeade. Pat Scheu, Mark's sister said Mark's time at Marian Day School was a happy time for him and his whole family. Mark was a member of Resurrection Parish and worked for

Horizon Industries, located in Mt. Vernon. Mark passed away in 2005. Thanks to the entire Goedde family for remembering Mark and MEO.

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IDOL 2014 Auditions

It's time for IDOL 2014 auditions!

Applicants MUST BE 17 by April 25, 2014. Auditions are open to singing groups, as well as soloists.

First round auditions will take place on Saturday, January 11th at 2:30 PM and on Wednesday, January 15th at 5:30 PM, both held at the Clarion Inn. Selected contestants/groups will compete in semi-final auditions on February 15, 2014. \$1,300.00 in cash prizes will be awarded to the winners.

All registration forms must be postmarked by January 7, 2014. Contestants can obtain applications by

visiting meoidol.com, via email to bwilliamson@evdio.org, and via phone at 812-402-6700 Ext. 312.



2013 IDOL Winner
Taylor Dolletzki

German American has graciously agreed to be our 2014 Platinum Sponsor. **St. Mary's Medical Center** is contributing at the Silver Sponsor Level.

Other early contributors are **Brinker's Jewelers, Escalade Sports, Shetler Moving and Storage,** and the **Brain Injury Adventure Camp** in Robards, Kentucky. 2014 IDOL Chair is Mrs. Nora Ferguson.

L.I.F.E. - "Learning is for Everyone"

With the support of MEO, great things are happening for Mater Dei and Memorial Resource Programs. Last year a wonderful Life Skills program was launched that is available to students from both High Schools.

Life Skills is a four year program designed for students with cognitive disabilities. Students who are enrolled and complete the program requirements will earn a Life Skills High School Certificate and participate in vocational training, religion classes, extra-curricular activities and graduation ceremonies.

Linda Ketzner is the Life Skills Instructor. Please contact Mrs. Ketzner for more information. (812) 476-4973 or lindaketzner@evdio.org.



Tuition Assistance for Students with Special Needs

For the first time this year, MEO is providing tuition assistance for families who have children with learning disabilities who are experiencing financial difficulty. These families are committed to keeping all their children in Catholic Schools, regardless

of their abilities. This fits MEO's mission which is to provide opportunities for students with unique learning needs to reach their highest potential while remaining in the Catholic school system. These tuition grants were possible because of the

generous donors at MEO Tri-State IDOL. This year students from the following schools received tuition assistance: Holy Rosary, Holy Spirit, St. Joe, Princeton and Good Shepherd.

New Spiritual Advisor and Board Members

Maria Bulkley, attorney at Kahn Dees Donovan and Kahn and Michael David, Financial Advisor for Edward Jones have joined the MEO Board of Directors. Fr. Christopher Droste, Assistant Pastor at Christ the King and Holy Spirit Parishes has joined the Board as Spiritual Director. Fr. Christopher will assume this position in January 2014.



Fr. Christopher Droste



Maria Bulkley



Michael David

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