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Queen of Peace frosh laud 15 top area grammar school teachers

Fifteen extraordinary area teachers who have made the difference in the lives of Queen of Peace High School frosh were honored in the You Make a Difference program held in November.

The teachers were selected after Queen of Peace frosh wrote an essay in English class about a grammar school teacher who had made a difference in their life.

A handful of the essays were selected, and the grammar school teachers were invited to Queen of Peace for a recognition ceremony with the student who wrote the essay, their grammar school principal and Peace faculty and staff.

Teachers honored for the 2008-09 school year include:

Terri Alexander from Liberty Junior High School, Burbank; nominated by Courtney Motola, Burbank.

Barbara Callahan from St. Symphorosa School, Chicago (61st and Austin); nominated by Gina Miglieri, Chicago (61st and South Mayfield).

Jodi DiPeder from Charles J. Sahs School, Chicago (50th and South Long); nominated by Alessandra Foti, Chicago (50th and South Lotus).

Maria Didonato from St. Gall School, Chicago (55th and South Sawyer); nominated by Alyssa Mejia, Chicago (55th and South Francisco).

Beth Fabiano from St. Daniel the Prophet School, Chicago (53rd and South Natoma); nominated by Rebecca Jurevis, Chicago (57th and South Neenah).

Theresa Fiscella from St. Gerald School, Oak Lawn; nominated by Allyson Murray.

Mary Hebert from Maternity of the Blessed Virgin Mary School, Bourbonais;
nominated by Katy Draper, Palos Park.

Carolyn Johnson from St. Mary of Riverside School, Riverside; nominated by Brittini
Senese of Stickney.

Mary Kennedy from St. Bede the Venerable School, Chicago (4400 West 83rd);
nominated by Sam Lesniewski, Chicago (4100 West 82nd).

Carl Ploense from Our Lady of Guadalupe School, Chicago (90th and South Burley);
nominated by Briana Huerta, Chicago (113th and Avenue H).

Veronica Ruelas of Academy of St. Benedict-Laflin School, Chicago (60th and Laflin);
nominated by Brandie Jones, Chicago (60th and South Vernon).

Janice Teta from Pope John Paul II School, Chicago (43rd and South Richmond);
nominated by Emily Douglas, Chicago (33th and South Pershing).

Wanda Wagner from St. Patricia School, Hickory Hills; nominated by Samantha
Musick, Justice.

Shauna Winston from St. Dorothy School, Chicago (77th and South Eberhart);
nominated by Dy' Anna Augustus, Chicago (1000 East 80th Street).

Kelly Zdralevich from Palos South Middle School, Palos Park; nominated by Courtney
Wischhover of Palos Heights.

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