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## From The President's Desk

Once again, at the beginning of Catholic Schools Week, the teachers from our Archdiocesan high schools gathered at the Cathedral for a Mass celebrating them. Cardinal Rigali and Bishop McFadden were there to recognize the contributions made by the 900 plus educators who filled the Cathedral's pews. It was also good to see on the altar a number of our lay teachers who serve as Deacons.

Although the day was a most joyful and uplifting one, there was a solemn and heartfelt moment when the school flags of Cardinal Dougherty and Northeast Catholic High Schools were carried down the aisle during the opening procession.

I want to thank Cardinal Rigali for his continuing support of his teachers, men and women who give their personal best daily to the students in our Catholic high schools.



The Association Of Catholic Teachers

congratulates

*William Fulcomer*

who is celebrating 50 years of service  
to the Secondary School System  
of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

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25 Years of Service

A Silver Celebration

The Association Of Catholic Teachers

congratulates its members who are celebrating their  
25th year of service to the Secondary School System  
of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

*Janet Dollard*

*Deborah Neill*

*Regina Storaska*

*Janet Connor Love*

*Patrick Shanahan*

*Vincent Toner*









# NOTICE

## Voluntary Transfer

**Applications for voluntary transfers must be submitted no later than April 1st.**

(Forms will be posted in the schools by March 1st. The application form can also be found on the ACT web site.)

## *Teacher in the News*

Tom Imburgia is a Science teacher at Cardinal O'Hara. A brief article about him appeared in the *Teacher Spotlight* section on the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's web site.



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## ACT MEMBER SERVICE PROGRAM

The following tickets are available to purchase from the ACT Office.

Franklin Institute Tickets -----	\$13.00
AMC Movie Tickets -----	\$ 6.00
Regal/United Artists -----	\$ 6.50
National Constitution Center ---	\$ 7.50
Philadelphia Zoo -----	\$13.00

To request tickets, send a check made payable to the Association of Catholic Teachers with a note indicating what tickets are being ordered and in what quantity.

## Lancer's Local

Issues or contractual items of interest to Holy Cross H. S. (Delran N.J.)

**Tax Information: Union Dues for the Year 2009 are \$493.36.**

## EXCITING INFORMATION CONCERNING YOUR UNITED CONCORDIA DENTAL PLAN

You can save even more money on dental expenses. United Concordia is pleased to announce that Association of Catholic Teachers Local 1776 has access to our Concordia Advantage dental network, which offers discounts for all services—covered or not.

This means you can:

- Receive non-covered services at a discount
- Save on services that exceed your \$1,000 annual maximum

### **How can I ensure I receive discounts on non-covered services?**

Just visit a network dentist who has agreed to accept our allowances for all services—most of our network dentists already do so!

To search for a dentist, use the **Find a Dentist** tool on **UnitedConcordia.com**. Just select the Concordia Advantage network, use your search preferences (name, zip code, etc.) and look for dentist who has a ? next to their name.

If you need more information, please call Customer Service at 1-800-332-0366. We'll be happy to assist you.

### **Archdiocesan High Schools**

#### **TAX INFORMATION**

**2009 DUES**

**\$484.86**

**(13 pays x \$23.97 + 7 pays x \$24.75)**