



# Mather Alumni News

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### Mather Alumni Happenings



## Mather at 50 ~A Birthday Celebration~

**\$45,000 raised for Mather at this special event! Details to follow in a final Mather at 50 e-blast.**

Holiday gifts are still available from this special event. Purchase a DVD or Mather Gear and continue the celebration.

### Mather Memories

2CHX video productions was on hand to record the actual good times rolling so you can roll them again and again. You'll see interviews from every decade, reunions as they happened, all the action all the fun.

### Mather Gear

Visit the Mather at 50 Store and purchase Mather Rangers and Mather at 50 T-shirts, pullovers and hats. The perfect holiday gift for yourself and friends!

[Order today!](#) The "Order Desk" for the DVD ONLY closes on December 10th. After that date the final DVD's will be produced. Mather Gear will still be available on the alumni website.

Profits from the Mather at 50 DVD and Mather Gear will

support the Mather High School.

QUESTIONS?

Email us at

[matherat50@matheralumni.org](mailto:matherat50@matheralumni.org)

**Harris Bank Sponsors  
Mather High School  
Alumni Fund!**



Harris Bank recently made a grant to the Mather H.S. Alumni Fund to sponsor the Sandi Port Errant Alumni Volunteer Program. Citing the program as one with the potential for success not only at Mather High School, but one that could be a model for other Chicago Public Schools who have alumni willing and able to "give back", Harris agreed to underwrite program expenses for the year. A longstanding supporter of education, the arts, and community development, Harris values the opportunity to partner with Mather alums on this program.

"At Harris we have a longstanding partnership with the Chicago Public Schools," says Diane Filbin, VP Community Affairs, based in Glencoe. "And this vote of confidence in Mather alums gives us a unique opportunity support volunteerism at its most effective level."

Recognizing that sustained commitment to education enhances the quality of life for all people, Harris is proud to support the Mather H.S. Alumni Scholarship in the spirit of community partnership that has identified the bank for over 125 years.

## Volunteer Today!

### Sign up as a Judge for this year's Science Fair!

**December 12th  
8:30am-Noon**

The Science Fair is a great opportunity for students to see that science is not an idle academic chore, but an active and engaging process. The top eight

contestants from Mather will advance to the area science fair, which will be held in January, 2010, at Northeastern University.



Make a memorable impact on the lives of some very talented students. Share your knowledge and excitement about science with the Mather student body. All scientific disciplines will be represented -- biology, chemistry, physics, health care, engineering, astronomy, computer science and more! As a judge you will listen to student presentations, ask questions, and give meaningful critiques of the students' work. [Contact us](#) to get your name on the list.

### **It's not too late to become a Member of the Alumni Speaker's Database**

Throughout the year teachers request for their classrooms. To help fulfill these requests, we are looking for alumni from all professions who are willing to share their expertise with the Mather students in all grades. A directory of speakers was provided to Mather teachers and counselors during their orientation. We continually update the directory and distribute it at the school throughout the year.

Interested alumni are asked to complete a registration form. Please [click here](#) to download the form, fill it out and either fax it to (773) 253-5359 or [email](#) it to us.

### **The Career Fair was a smashing success!**

The Career Fair was held on Friday, November 10, 2009. Eight Mather Alumni attended and offered information about their careers. Mather students learned about professions, such as accounting, teaching,



journalism, banking and social service. The alumni were excited about describing their professions to the students and sharing stories as students with fellow alumni.

Thank you to the following alumni who gave their time:



Florence Ramos, Kimberly Sawyer (1988), Miray Estephan, Jerome Schenwar (1963), Robert Atkins (1971), Alan Solomon, Cary Rosenthal (1978), and Natasha Peric.

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### **Support teacher projects at DonorsChoose.org!**

Many Mather teachers have submitted projects to DonorsChoose.org. Donors Choose is an organization that allows teachers to write small grants for classroom projects. Alumni can browse the grants and are able to contribute all or part of the project. This is a terrific way for alumni to contribute to Mather in a small but yet meaningful way.

[Click here](#) to see the current projects. Check back often because new projects will be added all the time.

## Alumni Connection

### **Calling all members of the Class of 1966!**

After the great time had by all at Mather at 50 a group of alumni thought it would be a good idea to hold a Class of 1966 45th Reunion. They are wondering if other 1966 alum feel the same way. If interested in a 45th Reunion contact fellow alumnus, Sam Tenenbaum at [s-tenenbaum@law.northwestern.edu](mailto:s-tenenbaum@law.northwestern.edu). In addition send him contact information for classmates so the group can compile as broad a list as possible.

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