

Soccer Champs Celebrate 30th Anniversary

They were back at home, back under the bright lights on a crisp fall night in Kirkwood. The roar of the crowd, the flash of countless cameras and the congratulatory back-slaps made it possible to relive the joy of a soccer season three decades past.

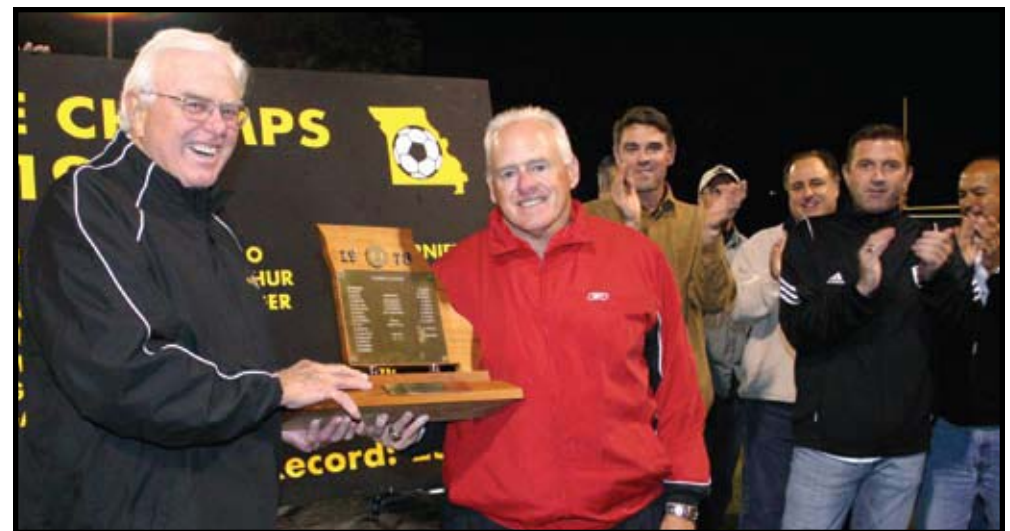
Members of Vianney's State Champion Golden Griffin Soccer Team reunited Oct. 25 to enjoy a varsity game and be recognized for their success in 1978. Their incredible 25-1 season marked Vianney's first-ever state championship, and paved the way for six (and counting) more state crown seasons.

The team joined retired athletic director Don Heeb – for whom the field is now named – and legendary coach Mike Villa ('64) to celebrate the anniversary. Many thanks go to team member Steve Lux, who organized the anniversary reunion celebration.

Retired Vianney athletic director Don Heeb (left) joins coach Mike Villa ('64) and members of the 1978 state championship soccer team to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the victory.



Returning members of the 1978 state soccer championship team included, front row from left: Joe Eppy, Chris Oswald, Matt Manuel, Dan Meagher, Steve Maurer, Steve Lux, Don Tieman, Wayne Kissel and Tim Hantak. Back row: Tom Hampel, Mike Bernier, John Hirlinger, Bob Wendel, coach Mike Villa, Chris McArthur, Steve Valenta, Mark Lipsmire and Mike Auck.



Fun, Valuable and Totally Trivial

In recent years, trivia has become big at Vianney. A variety of groups and alumni families host trivia nights throughout the year as fundraisers to benefit Vianney students.

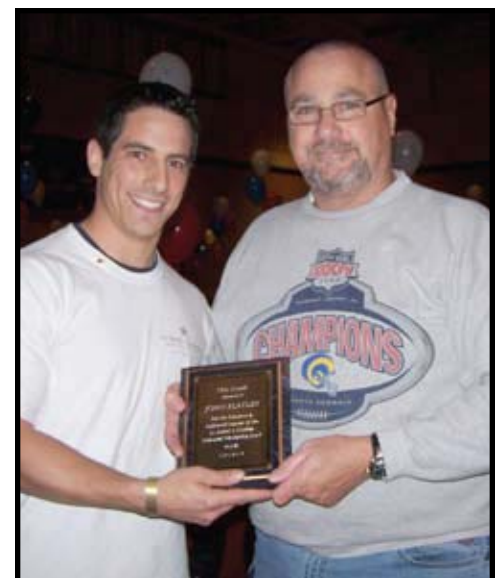
As one example, the Lt. Dan Riordan Memorial Trivia Night in November drew almost 700 people and raised more than \$27,000 to benefit a scholarship fund created in Riordan's honor. The Alumni Association Trivia Night in January typically features special prizes and unusual question rounds. The event benefits the Alumni Scholarship Fund.

Mark your calendar now for the Jack Glaser Memorial Trivia Night March 7. Proceeds benefit the Glaser Scholarship Fund.

Are you cut out for trivia? Try these sample questions:

1. Who was the founder of the Society of Mary (also known as the Marianists)?
2. Where would you find these famous words "...government of the people, by the people and for the people shall not perish from the earth."
3. A Vianney graduate won a gold medal at the Beijing Olympics. What was his event?
4. Who designed the Gateway Arch?

*Answers:
1. Blessed William Joseph Chamnade
2. Lincoln's Gettysburg Address
3. Scott Tuznitsky ('00) won the gold in volleyball
4. Eero Saarinen*



At the Lt. Dan Riordan Memorial Trivia Night, Nick Riordan ('01) presents an award to John Flatley for his service to Vianney. Flatley is the father of Mike ('08) and Matt, a sophomore.