We are called to be saints through the holiness of our daily lives. Though we are not all experts, we are asked to make a difference based on our respective abilities. I have heard this reminder all of my life but find the message more understandable now than when I was younger and too busy defining those abilities. A common trait of saints is the willingness to be reflective. Our lives deserve reflection, both private and shared. How will we know if we are fulfilling our vocations if we forget our beginnings and ignore the miraculous patterns in our lives?

The culture of Holy Family Catholic High School is rooted in the past and nourished in the present. In this issue of Passages I invite you to see how what we enjoy today is connected to our history. On these pages you will meet the Bongards on whose farm this school stands. I hope you will be as touched as I am to realize harvesting corn and beans has come full circle after making room to “grow kids.” And what about our two alumnae inspired by their high school experiences? Their stories show that seeds, however small, are fruitful when planted on fertile ground. Finally, please share my joy in welcoming educator Meg Redshaw and two new teachers “home.”

Families share their stories whenever they gather. As our school family continues to grow, it becomes increasingly important to tell and re-tell our stories. They are replete with real people who live joyful and faithful lives of service — saints among us.

Living Jesus in our hearts,

KATHLEEN A. BROWN | President & Principal

Mission Statement

Holy Family Catholic High School offers students excellence in education by providing opportunities to grow spiritually, morally, intellectually, and physically within a community of faith. We empower and encourage our students to achieve personal excellence, to use their talents to lead, to serve God, one another, and the larger community.
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In spring, before the winter’s chill had risen out of the soil, heavy equipment would scar the land he had cherished. Tons of earth would soon be tossed aside, pushed back, then rough graded to fit their new function. Walls would be raised, obscuring the sunrise. Power lines and sewer pipes would snake beneath the soil’s surface. Above them, crop rows would be replaced by the chalk stripes of football and soccer fields.

All that was fine, Willy thought as his dog, Mickey, ambled toward him. It was time. It was best for everyone. It was worth it.

The John Deere Model 2010 tractor sputtered a bit before it finally shut down. Slowly dismounting from the tractor’s bright green steel seat, Willard “Willy” Bongard quietly surveyed the field of soybeans he had just finished harvesting. It had been a sunny day in October 1998, but the sun was deceptive. A cold wind had roiled in from the Dakotas, rubbing its chilling fingers across Willy’s face. Rain was in the forecast for tomorrow, so the last beans had to be brought in today. Just as well, Willy thought to himself. Might as well get it done. Willy Bongard’s Victoria farm included about 70 acres under cultivation. A good part had been planted with soybeans; the remainder grew field corn. He had brought the corn in a week or two earlier. It had taken three days to harvest the beans, but now they were finished, too.

Most years, Willy would store his harvest over the winter in the farm’s granary. But this was not most years. This year’s harvest wouldn’t be needed next spring. So in a day or two the beans and field corn would be trucked to a broker in Savage. Willy and Jean had thoroughly discussed selling the farm, and both were hoping their century-old property could be the birthplace of their family’s new legacy, not the site of the latest Victoria subdivision. Had they sold to subdivision developers, they probably would have gotten a better price. But Willy and Jean weren’t looking to make a fortune. They were looking to make a difference.

Willy was a careful, meticulous man. He had always tried to set the seeds in rows that were even and perfectly straight, like the stripes on the flag, he said. Soon however, the remnants of the crop rows Willy Bongard had so patiently planted would be erased forever.

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Earlier that year Willy Bongard had sold his family’s entire 80-acre spread to a group of local businessmen. Like Willy, they had had a dream. Their dream wasn’t to farm the land, though. It was to build a new high school on it. That was just fine with Willy. He and Jean had thoroughly discussed selling the farm, and both were hoping their century-old property could be the birthplace of their family’s new legacy, not the site of the latest Victoria subdivision. Had they sold to subdivision developers, they probably would have gotten a better price. But Willy and Jean weren’t looking to make a fortune. They were looking to make a difference.

Willy had witnessed enough harvests to know it was smart to stay well away from his master until combine had been unhitched and the roar of the tractor had subsided. As Mickey tentatively approached, Willy Bongard softly called to him. “No more beans, Mickey. No more corn.” He paused, and reached down to gently scratch Mickey’s velvet ear. “Time to grow kids.”

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Had Walker lived in Carver County, MN, in October of 1998, he would not have thought about teaching in a nearby Catholic high school. One simply didn’t exist. Benilde-St. Margaret’s, was the closest, a good 20 miles away in St. Louis Park.

“Time to grow kids.”
He flipped down the visor on his '94 Honda Civic. Undaunted, the red-gold sun peeked around its edges. Fast forward to a crisp morning in October 2015. A common squash plant stood a few feet from the wall outside a science classroom at Holy Family. The eastern sky was clear and hinged at a fiery sunrise. Yet even before the sun conquered the purple/pink pre-dawn, a solitary squash blossom awoke to search for it. In the distance, an occasional school bus rambled down Hwy 5. The squash blossom briefly noted that the school bus shared its golden color. Then it resumed its task of seeking the sun. Had this taken place 20 years ago, the squash plant would not have enjoyed a long life. It would have sat squarely in the middle of Willy Bongard’s carefully tended soybean field. And most likely, he would have casually uprooted it and cast it aside to fertilize his crop. But this squash plant was no unwelcome intruder. Instead, it was an honored guest: part of the Holy Family Garden Project. Jim Walker was now firmly rooted as a science teacher at Holy Family. Several months earlier he had requested and received permission to return 800 square feet of Holy Family’s acreage to its original mission. Although insignificant when compared to the endless rows of Willy Bongard’s final harvest, the 27-by-27-foot Garden Project was similarly dedicated: to provide nourishment for someone else. A tiny flake of Willy Bongard’s rich farmland has now come full circle.

Jim Walker’s science students don’t get a test on gratitude. They wouldn’t bother to lock the door behind them. No reason to. And on that day — for the first time in years — the Bongards wouldn’t have to make space for Mickey in the front seat of the family truck as they headed out to Highway 5. A few hours earlier, on moving day morning, Jean had awakened to find Mickey’s lifeless body. Rather than leave the family farm, Mickey had gone on ahead, to a bright, golden field Willy and Jean couldn’t envision. Willy Bongard dug a grave for Mickey before they left. Those were the heaviest shovels of soil he ever lifted.

The Holy Family Garden Project produces a modest but proud crop that includes slicing cucumbers, sugar baby watermelons, and carrots in an array of colors. It may come as no surprise that the Garden Project is also home to beans in two varieties: wax and Kentucky Wonder pole beans. These are gently harvested by hand and donated to Westonka Food Shelf, where they are shared with neighbors Jim Walker’s students likely have never met. From a purely educational standpoint, the Holy Family Garden Project stands on it on merits. But the lessons learned go far beyond specifics about pollination and polliation, about seeds turning into squash blossoms.

Students who work in the garden learn to appreciate each tiny new life as seeds first burst through the soil. They feel a sense of connectedness and community when they drop off their produce at the food shelf. And they come home enriched.

Jim Walker’s science students don’t get a test on gratitude. Their final grades won’t measure how much they have learned but their produce at the food shelf. And they come home grateful for the gifts God has given them.

The sun was setting as Willy pulled his tractor and combine into his equipment barn after his final harvest in October 1988. But his work was far from over. After dinner, he would join Jean and his children as they continued packing. In a few weeks, they would walk out the side door of their farm house for the last time.

During a general audience in Saint Peter’s Square last year, Pope Francis extolled the role of grandparents, including his own. “The words of grandparents have special value for the young, and the young know it,” he said. “I still carry with me, always, in my breviary, the words my grandmother consigned to me in writing on the day of my priestly ordination. I read them often, and they do me good.”

The value of grandparents’ influence is a recurring thread in Pope Francis’ addresses. When he presided last year over the first international meeting with grandparents and the elderly, Pope Francis discussed the vacation that is entrusted to all grandparents to “transmit the experience of life, the history of a family, of a community, of a people; to share with simplicity wisdom and the faith itself—the most precious inheritance.”

As a grandmother to seven HFCHS graduates and students, Mrs. Joyce Hank is fulfilling this vocation, which Pope Francis so fervently values. She views her role as setting a tone of faith in action for her family, whether through spending reflective time with grandchildren at the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes at the University of Notre Dame, honoring long-held family traditions on Michigan’s Upper Peninsula or even sharing her grandchildren’s zeal upon their return from a HFCHS service trip. “The heartfelt enthusiasm that you see when they come home is worth its weight in gold,” she said. “It’s remarkable in so many ways.”

Mrs. Hank also appreciates the power of words in sharing her faith in Christ with her family. When she arrived on the campus of St. Mary’s College (Notre Dame, Indiana) as an undergraduate in the fall of 1947, Mrs. Hank was inspired by the inscription over the former student entrance in Le Mans Courtyard—Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. “To me, it meant faith and reason were going to be honored here,” Mrs. Hank said. She was similarly struck when she arrived at HFCHS as a visiting grandparent and read the words that ring the entrance’s recessed ceiling—Remember we are in the holy presence of God.
More than 400 grandparents participated in this year’s event, which included presentations on the Freshman Experience, Leadership Institute, music, robotics, the St. John’s Bible, service and faith, science and visual arts. “As grandparents, we remember what high school was like for ourselves,” Mrs. Hank said. “Family – it’s the root of all life. And for this I would like to thank all of you.”

In January 2005, Holly Pilettebaum, a teacher at Holy Family Catholic High School, stepped away from her classroom for maternity leave. At the time, Meg Redshaw was teaching at a private school for Jewish girls. She applied for the position of long-term substitute teacher, and she soon found herself pinch hitting for Mrs. Pilettebaum, teaching government, economics, and psychology here at Holy Family. Mrs. Pilettebaum returned to her classroom in March. Mrs. Redshaw procured a few advance placement exams that spring, while her career as a teacher was put on hold. In fall, while she was working as a substitute at Waconia High, another long-term substitute position opened at Holy Family. This time, Meg filled it as a biology teacher for the remainder of the fall ’05 semester.

She became a full-time faculty member in spring 2006, and she was part of The Family for the next two years. During that time, Meg was named LaSallian Educator of the Year 2007. It’s an award voted on by the students and faculty, given to the teacher who embodies the vision of St. John Baptist de La Salle. She received the award for her commitment to the school. “Each kid here has his or her own story about what they have learned from their grandparents. You bless us with your wisdom and unconditional love, and for this I would like to thank all of you.”

“Mr. Morin’s sentiments when he delivered a reflection during the Grandparents Day Mass. “I believe that the greatest gifts our grandparents can give us are their wisdom and their love, which is represented in the traditions passed down through the family.” he said. “Each kid here has his or her own story about what they have learned from their grandparents. You bless us with your wisdom and unconditional love, and for this I would like to thank all of you.”

“The highlight of this year’s Grandparents Day was Mass, celebrated by the Rev. Alex Carlson, pastor of neighboring St. John the Baptist Church, Excelsior. Students fulfilled the roles of cantors, Eucharistic ministers, lectors, and servers. The HFCHS Choir and student instrumentalists enhanced the service with inspirational music.”

Joe Morin, a science teacher, finds special meaning in the annual celebration. “Every year during our gathering in the conviction center, a student tells a story about the love he has for his grandparents,” he said. “The student is speaking for all of our students, and these stories always make me choke up with emotion when I realize how important grandparents are in the lives of their grandchildren. We chose the name Holy Family Catholic High School because we wanted the school to be an extension of the family.”

In December 2008, Meg was offered a new position, one that would bring her and Meg back to the Midwest. Meg’s new position was in Meg’s hometown of Johnsburg, Illinois. Meg would be coming home, but not to Minnesota. Once the family was settled in Johnsburg, Meg picked up a couple of teaching jobs, including a 3½-year gig at the local high school. In January 2014, she went to work for Follett, a resource for school textbooks and library scanners. While working in the accounting department there, Meg processed a couple of checks, one of Follett’s customers, a small Catholic high school in Minnesota. Those checks from Holy Family sat on Meg’s desk like bricks, reminding her of everything she had lost forever.

Mrs. Redshaw’s Excellent Odyssey

Now a dedicated teacher found, then lost, then rediscovered her home at Holy Family. She’s a story of loss and commitment that spans six states, ten years and a ridiculous number of highway miles. And it isn’t ever yet.

It’s dark. My whole world is the narrow path illuminated by the headlights on my 2010 Ford Fusion. I left Victoria over four hours ago, and I’m running behind schedule. I got out of the Cities in great shape, considering it’s Friday. At Menomonie, I hit the Quik Trip for gas, a Diet Coke and a box of Red Hots candies to help me stay alert. It’s a story of love and commitment that spans six states, ten years and a ridiculous number of highway miles. And it isn’t ever yet.
“I am lucky enough to be right next door to Mrs. Redshaw and any time that I have a question about a best practice or how I could improve a lesson that I just did, she is more than willing to help me. I look to her as a mentor, as a guide to what I eventually want to be.”

– Ryan Menden ’10, first-year English teacher

But sometimes, forever only lasts a couple of years.

Last August, Mark was offered a new position as regional manager for his company’s New York Territory. He and Meg could move to New York. Or they could stay in Johnsburg while Mark commuted. Or they could live just about anywhere else.

While they were considering the possibility of yet another move, the planets suddenly aligned. Meg got a tip from a Holy Family staff member that the learning position specialist was opening at the school. She was encouraged to contact President/Principal Kathie Brown, who she did immediately. It was Meg Redshaw’s birthday. And she didn’t have to wait long to get her best present ever.

Mrs. Brown contacted her the next day. They talked briefly, and the rest is history; Meg will be moving back to Vacionia as soon as the house in Illinois has been sold. In her learning support position, Mrs. Redshaw’s goal is to discover ways to help every Holy Family student learn “in the way they learn best.” She works with about 60 Holy Family students each week. She strives to be an advocate for these students, as well as a liaison linking their parents and teachers.

Mrs. Redshaw routinely meets with faculty members to discover ways to help each child learn. She then outlines ways teachers can modify their efforts to meet the individual needs each student presents. Compromises are proposed and a plan is put into effect.

A lot has changed at Holy Family in the six years Meg was away. Everyone still wants to do what is best for the kids, though. And that will never change.

For now, she faces a weekly commute that consumes up to 14 hours of her weekends. She arrives home in Johnsburg late Friday. While she is home she gets caught up with husband Mark, their son (who doubles as a house-sitter), and their two dogs. She gets caught up on the yard work and the housework, as the Redshaws prepare their house to go on the market.

About 40 hours after she pulled into her driveway, she is back out again, headed north and west, into the setting sun and then the lonely darkness. Beyond Tomah and before Eau Claire, her car is flanked on both sides by pine trees. Meg shudders and grips the wheel a little tighter, praying that a defenseless deer won’t happen across I-94. And she recalls the words of a Robert Frost poem she learned when she was in high school, so many miles ago.

The woods are lovely, dark, and deep,

But I have promises to keep,

And miles to go before I sleep.

The effort Meghan and her team made to mitigate these algal blooms has been at the forefront of news around Lake Erie, as drinking water treatment plants are not equipped to remove the toxins produced from Microcystis. This fall, Meghan accepted a position in the Water Quality Protection Agency (EPA) in their Region 5, Chicago office working in the Water Quality Branch of the Water Division. In her role as a Water Quality Standards Specialist, she evaluates applications for water quality standards. Meghan is also the technical contact for harmful algal blooms projects taken on by the states and authorized tribes within Region 5.
Spotlight on Curriculum: Life Sciences

The Holy Family life science courses are designed to help students see and respect the interrelatedness of knowledge. The fields of biology, physiology, and environmental science overlap with the physical sciences of chemistry and physics. To begin to understand the connections, students are required to enroll in biology and chemistry to build a foundation of information and systems as well as practice critical thinking through the processes of inquiry, observation, experimentation, and data analysis.

After these initial classes, students may choose physics, physiology, or environmental science to study. In addition, Advanced Placement courses in biology, chemistry, and physics are available. Those who pursue life sciences may see broad career opportunities. On its website, the U.S. Department of Labor projects 15 percent growth in demand for environmental scientists and specialists until 2022. This is faster growth than for any other career area as the scope of needs spans genetics, diseases, medicine, engineering, environmental diversity, and energy sources.

Holy Family alumna Olivia Cashman ’12 has developed her early interest in renewable energy at the University of Minnesota -Twin Cities. She will graduate this December with a major in Environmental Science and minors in Business Management and Sustainable Studies. She is confident that businesses can be successful while being good stewards of God’s creation. Olivia remembers hearing the term “renewable energy” for the first time in a science class at Holy Family. Her immediate response was “This is awesome! Why isn’t everyone using wind power?”

A field trip to East Chaska Creek to conduct a Benthic Invertebrate Study to collect organisms from the stream, monitor stream flow, assess chemical levels, and evaluate river bottom composition may have been the precursor to Olivia’s university experience of netting and tagging birds for research.

Study abroad in Copenhagen, Denmark has encouraged Olivia to focus on corporate social responsibility. She is president of Net Impact, a student group engaged in addressing social and environmental issues through the lens of business.

This high-energy young lady is also working as a communications intern at Hennepin County Environment and Energy.

And where shall Olivia Cashman use her education next? Immediately after graduation she plans to immerse herself in the environment of Rio de Janeiro.

Ninth grade biology students are learning the basics of the proper use of a microscope including creating wet mount slides and shallow depressions slides, measuring fields of view, and observing some common objects such as newsprint, sugar, pepper, and human hair.

This sets the stage for future microscope use in biology as well as other science classes at Holy Family.
Alumni Updates

2004

SOBAN FATHIYI graduated from the University of St. Thomas School of Law in May 2015. He passed the Minnesota bar exam and joined the Minneapolis law firm of Bowman & Brooke as an Associate Attorney.

2005

WILL BARNETT and his wife, Amy, are relocating to Denver, CO, where he is opening a branch for Edmakt, Inc. (Pictured below)

2008

KATE EMBRICKI completed a year of Catholic missionary work with NET Ministries and now works as the youth minister for St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Excelsior, MN.

2009

KATE JOHNSON was offered a one-year clerkship position at the Minneapolis Court of Appeals under the Honorable Judge Denis Reilly upon graduation from William Mitchell College of Law in May of 2015. Upon completion of her one-year clerkship, Kate has been hired as a full-time attorney for Foley and Mansfield in Minneapolis.

In June 2015, CHRIS LAPPION received the Achilles Orthopaedic Sports Medicine Research Award at the International Society of Arthroscopy, Knee Surgery and Orthopaedic Sports Medicine (BASKOS) meeting in Lyon, France for his research paper on "Biomechanical consequences of a nonanatomic posterior horn medial meniscus root repair after a root tear". The Achilles Orthopaedic Sports Medicine Research Award recognizes the researcher(s) who have performed the most outstanding clinical or laboratory research in the field of sports medicine. Chris is a second-year medical student at the Medical College of Wisconsin. (Pictured below)

2011

KATE MCMAHON welcomed her younger sister, MEAGHAN MCELHINNEY, to Kappa Kappa Gamma. Meaghan is a junior at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and Kate is a freshman.

BRIDGET STONE and ALLEN SMITH wed on September 5, 2015, at Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church in Mount, MN. They live in Nashville, TN, where Bridget is completing a doctorate in audiology at Vanderbilt University, and Alex is an SEC reporter at The Atlanta Journal-Constitution. (Pictured below)

2013

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During the final months of our capital campaign, we received a check from a couple who wasn't on our radar. They never sent children to Holy Family and they don't live close by. In fact, their kids attended a different Catholic high school in the Twin Cities and I have no doubt this couple has written innumerable checks in support of that school. So why Holy Family? I was told they were simply pleased that we exist – to serve families in this geographic area who desire an academically rigorous faith-based education for their children. This story still makes me shake my head.

There are so many more stories like this one, but unique in their own ways.

Every day I visit with benefactors who are working toward the same goal: ensuring the best possible education is available to our students. Every donor has hit story, but each gift has been given for that shared purpose.

To the donors listed on the following pages: on behalf of our faculty, staff and students, I offer my sincere gratitude for your support. May God bless you for your generosity.
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| NET CASH FLOW                    | **$798,927**    |

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### Securing Tomorrow Today Capital Campaign

Holy Family completed a successful capital campaign in 2015, meeting our $4.3 million commitment goal to address the school’s debt service and undertake two exciting capital projects on campus: the creation of a dedicated Performance Center and the renovation of a portion of one academic wing into a new Information Center.

The following donors made these dreams a reality:

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  - Tim and Anne Lawler
  - Brian and Lorraine LaVelle
  - Jeffrey and Rebecca Hanel
  - John and Patricia Devins

- **$100,000-249,999**
  - Patty Kirsch
  - Tom and Barb Burke
  - Mike and Jenny Richelsen
  - Joe and Mary Fleischhacker
  - Brian and Lorraine LaVelle
  - Jeff and Joanne Keene

- **$250,000-499,999**
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  - Geisler Family Foundation
  - Joe and Mary Fleischhacker
  - Brian and Lorraine LaVelle
  - Jeff and Joanne Keene
  - John and Craig Nelson

- **$500,000-999,000**
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  - Geisler Family Foundation
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  - Jeff and Joanne Keene
  - John and Craig Nelson

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  - John and Alice Weckman
  - Bill and Anne Traxler
  - Thomas and Susan Strigel
  - Gregg and Kate Stedronsky
  - Joel and Lucy Smith
  - Jonathan and Deborah Secrest
  - Shanna Schiffler

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- **$500-999**
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Donations to Holy Family's annual fund are critical to the ongoing success of the school, as they underwrite our operating budget. Because this annual assault is essential, we want to ensure that our donors have the opportunity to support their local schools based on their own personal interests. Gifts may be designated to tuition assistance, faith, the arts, extra-curricular activities, academics or Holy Family’s greatest need.

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The November 15, 2014 auction dinner was a tremendous success, with 410 guests in attendance including 20 beloied Holy Family Alumni. A full field of golfers hit the course in support of the school and raised $32,000 for Holy Family community.

### Event Sponsors
- **Silver Sponsors**:
  - Annex
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  - MedLife
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The 2015/2016 school year is well underway. The students, faculty, staff, and community are seeing many updates and changes at Holy Family Catholic High School including the construction and re-purposing of spaces for our Performance Center and a modern media/learning center. We are also blessed to have many of our traditions and legacies continue such as the strong support of our football team on the hill for home games and the continuation of overall academic excellence.

One of the lesser seen, but always present, forces is the Board of Directors that governs and guides Holy Family Catholic High School. I have had the privilege of serving on this board for the past five years. As I enter my sixth and final year, it seems appropriate to share some thoughts on the work done by the past five years. As I entered my sixth and final year, it seems appropriate to share some thoughts on the work done by the past five years.

I joined the board after spending several years on the finance committee. I wanted to be a member of the board because I had come to appreciate how much this school has given not only my children, but my entire family. We became a part of this wonderful community, or family, in 2003. My youngest son will start here next fall as a freshman member of the class of 2020. Our family has experienced a faith-based education and community that is nothing less than transformative.

The work of the administration, staff, and faculty of Holy Family Catholic High School serves our greater community as well as the “family” of our school. It’s the role of the board to support the “family.”

JOHN RADICK
Board Chair
OVER MEA BREAK, A NEW HVAC UNIT WAS HOISTED INTO PLACE FOR THE NEW PERFORMANCE CENTER DRAWING THE PROJECT CLOSE TO COMPLETION.