



Saint Thomas Hornets,

Welcome to the 2010-2011 school year at Saint Thomas the Apostle School! As this new year begins, we anticipate great things from our student athletes. The Boosters team is energized about the year ahead and the support they will provide the Saint Thomas community. I would like to personally thank and congratulate Don Serba who “retired” from his leadership role with the Boosters, a position he held for the past 25 years! Don has provided outstanding leadership throughout the years and has created a legacy that will last a lifetime. Don, we appreciate your contribution!

We are all aware that there is something special going on throughout the Saint Thomas community. We know this because we witness what is happening in our classrooms and we see it at church as well. Our community is uniquely special! We understand the fact that **the toughest thing about being uniquely special is that you’ve got to keep on being uniquely special.** I am eager and motivated to take the role as President in an effort not only to become a part of a successful team, but to take the lead in surging forward and transitioning the efforts of the past into an even more distinctive and supportive team. I know that to follow in the footsteps of Don is a daunting and demanding task but with God’s help and your teamwork, I know that we can move forward.

I don’t see our jobs as Athletic Boosters simply to raise money for our sports programs. I see it as our duty to promote and encourage our students to become involved in school athletics while displaying character and sportsmanship, integrity and most importantly, giving glory to God. I have witnessed on so many occasions the positivity and enthusiasm that is displayed by our athletes and by their classmates cheering them on in the stands. Enthusiasm and positivity are contagious...I enjoy being a part of that! I’m sure you do, too. We are fortunate to be a part of this great Saint Thomas community!

I have several ideas that I feel will improve our efforts and a few ideas that I would like to implement to actually improve the current situation...ideas that I’m sure will bring us, as a group, closer to the outstanding results that we witness in our hallways on a daily basis. I look forward to sharing these ideas as we move forward and would welcome your ideas and support as well. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Matt Tietema  
2010-2011 Boosters President