## Coventry High School establishes Alumni Association



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Back row Left to right: Amy Bettez Cronin, class of 1986, Susan Chandler, class of 1977, Lonnie Morris, class of 1990, Julie Boyle, class of 1990, Kristen Capwell, class of 1991

## Group hopes to raise money for scholarships

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COVENTRY— Just like most colleges and universities have an established alumni, now so does the Coventry High School.

Graduates, existing students, current and retired staff and faculty at the school have recently established a CHS Alumni Association. The members of the group are hoping to raise money for Coventry High School seniors hopeful to go to college.

The members, they say, also have a gamut of other ideas that they hope to be able to pursue.

"Our goal is to raise scholarship money for Coventry High School seniors and to eventually honor Coventry High School alumni at an Alumni dinner Hall of Fame event," Amy Bettez Cronin, a current Coventry High School teacher and graduate of the class of 86', said. "The existing members came together to do this because we feel it is time for CHS alumni to give back if they can."

The groups first official fund raiser is currently underway. Members of the association have been selling raffle tickets for a \$5,000 prize. Raffle Tickets are being sold for \$100 a piece and the winning ticket will be drawn next month.

The association is also accepting good will tax deductible donations. Bettez Cronin said that donations will provide scholarships for students, help to fund school projects and provide recognition for exceptional members of the alumni community.

"College has never been more expensive, resources have never been needed more," she said. "Won't you help our graduate's dreams come true?"

Raffle tickets will only be sold until the end of this week, so the association asks that interested people "act quickly." Tickets can be purchased at Coventry High School and more information about the association and its purpose and raffle ticket sales can be found at info@oakeralumni.org.

Bettez Cronin said that the drawing to reveal who the lucky winner of the \$5,000 prize will be at the Coventry High School in the library at 7 p.m. on December 13th. Winners, she said, do not have to be present

The first scholarship, she said, will be presented in the spring of 2011.