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# Mother McAuley *Liberal Arts High School*

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## **MCAULEY SPANISH HONOR SOCIETY RECEIVES NATIONAL AWARD**



Mother McAuley Liberal Arts High School's Spanish Honor Society (Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica) has been named 2009 AATSP National Chapter of the Year. McAuley is one of only five Spanish Honor Society (SHH) chapters nationwide to win this award. At present there are more than 2,000 national and international chapters.

The award is based on chapter activities throughout the school year, as well as service within the high school and to the outside community. This year McAuley's Spanish Honor Society raised more than \$2,500 to donate to Off the Street Club in

Chicago, McCormick School in Chicago, and Giant Steps Illinois (School for Autism).

The 170 SHH members also raised money for scholarships, sponsored a girl in Mexico for the Friends of the Orphans Organization, and donated over 1,600 hours of tutoring for underclasswomen in the Learning Resource Center at McAuley.

The officers for the 2008-2009 school year were President Tia Puetz of Mt. Greenwood, Vice President Maggie Rooney of Evergreen Park, Secretary Mary Peplinski of Mt. Greenwood and Public Relations Coordinator Nicole Filippone of Evergreen Park. McAuley's SHH is moderated by Language faculty member Ms. Peg Hughes.

All students inducted into McAuley's chapter of the Spanish Honor Society must maintain at least a B+ GPA in their Spanish class for the entire school year, as well as participate in fundraising activities, provide in-school tutoring, and service to the community.