



Catholic Diocese of Columbus

Communications Office

PHONE 614•241•2555

FAX 614•241•2557

E-MAIL commailbox@colsdio.org

News

Date: August 26, 2008

Release: Immediately

Contact: Carol Keene

Attention: News Editor

2008 Catholic Woman and Young Catholic Woman of the Year



Columbus — Bonnie Chuha, St. Joseph Church (Plain City), and Jessica Buzenski, St. Anthony Parish (Columbus) were named the 2008 Catholic Woman and Young Catholic Woman of the Year, respectively, at the annual Diocesan Council of Catholic Women banquet on August 24.

The event marked the 20th anniversary of the annual recognition of Catholic Woman of the Year and the fifth anniversary of Young Catholic Woman of the Year. The women were chosen from a field of more than 40 nominations. Nominated by fellow parishioners, friends and/or family, all the nominees exemplify lives of Christian love and service.

Mrs. Chuha is a native of the Cleveland area and graduated Collinwood High School. She earned an associate degree in nursing from Columbus State College and a bachelor of science in nursing from Capital University, both in Columbus.

She and her husband of 40 years, have three adult children who also live in the Plain City area. They have been members of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Plain City, for 30 years, and she has been involved in many aspects of parish life. She founded the countywide parish nurse program and assisted in founding the free medical clinic in the Plain City area. She and her husband also volunteer at the Plain City food pantry.

Ms. Buzenski is a graduate of St. Francis DeSales High School, Columbus, where she was very active in service projects such as food and clothing drives. She was a member of her

parish youth group and attended the National Catholic Youth Conference in Houston, Texas.

She is a senior at Ohio Dominican University where she has a dual major in psychology and theology and is captain of the volleyball team. She serves with the campus ministry as sacristan, lector, and extraordinary minister of Holy Communion. Ms. Buzenski also tutors students in American Sign Language. She is a member of the core team that planned and orchestrated the diocesan Jesus Jams events.

To learn more about DCCW [click here](#).