

There's a very special section included with today's Lancaster *Intelligencer Journal/New Era*. The 28th Annual Newspaper in Education Week section features the award-winning results of the **Design An Ad & Journalism Contests**.

Each year the staff at the newspaper invites classes from Grades K-12 in schools across the county to participate in this literacy-premised national program.

We congratulate **McKenna Munoz**, a sixth-grade

student at **Our Lady of the Angels School** who won the "Teacher Pick - News Feature" with her opinion column entitled, "Inspiration."

Congratulations too, to her teacher, **Terri O'Donnell**, for providing "inspiration" and guidance to McKenna and her school mates.

Inspiration

McKenna Munoz
Grade 6, Our Lady of the Angels
Teacher: Terri O'Donnell

"It's all God's plan for me." These are the words a granddaughter remembered hearing her Nana say when she was diagnosed with cancer. Her Nana was a very strong woman. She never gave up.

Her Nana changed many people's lives and constantly prayed and was always caring to everyone.

She helped her sister, who was dealing with her own battle against cancer.

In 2008, her Mom decided to have her Nana move in with them. Every night Nana lay in her bed and prayed the rosary until she fell asleep. She always had a rosary and a scapular hanging from her bed.

It was the saddest thing to see her sit on her bed connected to all those machines and have to help her put food through her feeding tube. It was so upsetting to see her suffer.

On her granddaughter's First Holy Communion, Nana vowed that she would do anything to be there. At this time she was in the worst condition but sure enough, she rolled up the aisle in her wheelchair. Everyone was inspired by her.

Words can't explain how loving she was. Finally God called for her and she passed away. Everything was terrible; no one was ever in a good mood. There was always a gloomy lost feeling around the house. Sr. Anna really helped the family through it.

564,800 Americans are expected to die of cancer this year! Please help fight cancer today!

