

T. Dwenger Times

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BISHOP DWENGER HIGH SCHOOL

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Bishop Dwenger High School, a diocesan Catholic school founded in the life and teachings of Jesus Christ, provides a faith-centered community dedicated to academic excellence, growth in the spiritual life, a Christ-centered active life outside of class, and a Christian life of service to the community.

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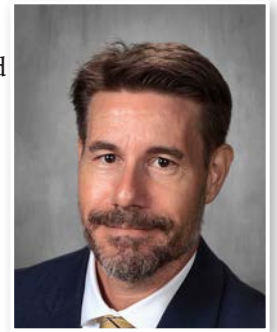
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FROM THE PRINCIPAL Through the Years, Who All Will Be Together?

Say the word family, and who comes to mind? Someone genetically related to you? Friends with a shared history and fond memories? Sometimes our closest friends fill the role of brother or sister, and sometimes siblings are our closest friends. There is something very tangible and real about shared experiences that bond people together. Strangely, tragic events can bring people closer together as much as joyful or peaceful events. Situations where we are called to help our fellow man gives rise to unique opportunities to use our God-given gifts to care for others and offer unconditional love to our brothers and sisters in Christ.



When we gather to engage in conversation and break bread, some interactions fall easily and peacefully into place, others evoke a gamut of emotions producing discord or disagreement. I like to think these moments are exercises in practicing the virtues—Grandma's living room becomes a training ground towards holiness. We learn mercy and humility through these encounters.

It is not always easy to find harmony within a family, but we continuously and relentlessly must try, because we live as Citizens of Two Worlds. We must constantly give witness and testify what it means to be an instrument for and of God. Through these challenges, we grow in our faith, serve as an example for others, and please God.

I am blessed, grateful, and pleased to be part of your family. May God bless you all and may our Blessed Mother continue to pray for our Dwenger Family.

Mr. Jason Schiffl

Cross the World

Because the word "catholic" means universal, I believe we can agree that it is appropriate and understandable to have different depictions of Jesus Christ from around the world. It is important that our students can witness this truth whenever they walk into our Queen of All Saints Chapel.

Therefore, we have begun hanging crucifixes from around the world in Pastoral Ministry. Our hope and prayer is that everyone that witnesses these crucifixes will be reminded that the Church is made of different parts, but we all form ONE body of Christ.

If you are traveling outside of the US, please consider purchasing and donating a crucifix from the countries you visit to be added to this very special display. We are looking for crucifix sizes, ranging between 8" and 20".



On the Cover... Generations holding hands during the Lords prayer at our annual Grandparents' Day Mass, hosted on November 23, 2022.

DEVELOPMENT AND ALUMNI RELATIONS

“Always remember, there was nothing worth sharing like the love that let us share our name.”

- Seth Avett and Scott Avett

“Dwenger Family.” For nearly 60 years now, Dwenger Family continues to show itself in many forms. We see our spiritual family in all school Mass and daily rosaries, or simply when students gather for just a couple of minutes in the Chapel to pray with and for one another. Our teams proudly forge these bonds and celebrate them through athletics. The theme for this year’s football team, ‘Indissolubilis Fraternitas,’ literally translated to the familial ‘Unbreakable Brotherhood’ and our men’s soccer team hit a sign that read “#FAMILY” as they ran out of their locker room to take the field before each game. Sometimes “BD Family” is literal, as generation after generation passes down the traditions we share as Saints to children and grandchildren.



Woven into our daily lives and all we do, “Dwenger Family” is not just a phrase but a practice. It is an abiding love we have for one another and our greater community. In carrying on these traditions and continuing to be stewards of our family, we are blessed and called to contribute to something greater than ourselves. We strive to hand something special to those who are next in line and to ensure that what we create is worthy of those we care about. Together we serve our Bishop Dwenger community and work toward a culture not of perfection, but of commitment. It is that love and commitment we share that turns the name of a place, Bishop Dwenger High School, into a family.

Katie

Mrs. Katie Slee

Director of Development and Alumni Relations



Welcome Ingrid

The Development Office would like to welcome **Mrs. Ingrid (Tippmann '02) Nicholson** to Bishop Dwenger! Ingrid assumed the role of Alumni Coordinator this past August. Ingrid and her husband, **Paul ('99)**, have six children. Two of their children are students at Bishop Dwenger and four attend Saint Charles. Prior to coming to Bishop Dwenger, Ingrid served the church in roles at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School and Saint Joseph Parish in Roanoke. She is excited to be back home at Bishop Dwenger, saying, “I am very thankful for the opportunity to serve our Dwenger Family in such a fun and interactive way. I enjoy getting to know our past, present, and future graduates as well as their supportive families!” If you see Ingrid, make sure you introduce yourself. She can’t wait to get to know you!

Saints of the Spirit Shop

You may have seen a lot of activity in our Spirit Shop lately! Here are the friendly faces who keep our Saints looking swell! Mrs. Brandy Teders is a seasoned veteran who is our afternoon shopkeeper. She works during the day at Our Lady School. Brandy and her husband have two sons who have graduated from BD and one daughter who is a senior. **Mrs. Sarah (DePrisco '01) Sekel** is new to the shop this year. She and her husband, **Andy ('00)**, are alumni who have one son currently at Dwenger and another to come in the 2023-2024 school year. They are ready to welcome you in to see what’s new, so be sure to stop in and say “hello!”





Hall of Fame



Sarah (Dumas '97) Blake

"I saw the sacrifices my parents made for the six of us, to have this Catholic education as a foundation in faith and that is why a lot of us choose the Catholic education, for that faith foundation."



Dan Brewer '77

"Really where I felt the Citizens of Two Worlds kicked in was when I have been challenged in life. When people ask me what Dwenger meant to me, my answer is EVERYTHING!"



Heather (Mitchell '92) Strzelecki

"Bishop Dwenger furthered my love and devotion of music, making it part of my faith journey. Bishop Dwenger gave me so many opportunities. Thank you, Bishop Dwenger, for fostering not only my faith with a great Catholic education but also helping plant the seed of giving back with the talents that God gave me."



Andrea Filler '11

"The biggest lesson I carry with me from Bishop Dwenger is the power of team chemistry. How trusting in the person next to you, believing in and leaning on your teammates in tough moments, and celebrating others success is far more powerful than any home run or perfect game on the mound!"



Dr. Thomas McGovern, Dr. Andrew Mullally, and Dr. Christopher Stroud

"We're doctors, but we're also people like you. Our show gives listeners an insider's perspective into the world of medicine while we discuss healthcare topics through the lens of our Catholic faith. We are hopeful since Dwenger is raising future medical professionals who likewise will treat patients through the same lens."



Mary Ann Jackson-David

"Who each student becomes is nurtured by his or her teachers, through their examples of faith and love. A Christ-centered education guides a student toward eternity."

**Alumna of the Year -
Sarah (Dumas '97) Blake**

With a Bachelor of Science in applied health from Indiana University, and a Juris Doctor Law degree from Michigan State University College of Law, Sarah is an attorney in Fort Wayne at the law firm of Hawk, Haynie, Kammeyer & Smith, LLP. She volunteers her time and talents as cheer coach at Saint Vincent's, Poms coach at Bishop Dwenger, and for the Carriage House, among others. Years of Catholic education taught Sarah acceptance, forgiveness, unconditional love, and to help serve the underserved. Sarah Blake has proven through the example she sets with her family, career, and service to our community that she has a strong foundation of faith and morals. How fitting that she is the Alumna of the Year! We are blessed to call Sarah our own - Congratulations!

**Athletics -
Andrea Filler '11**

After graduating from Bishop Dwenger, Andrea went on to graduate from Northwestern University in 2015 with a Bachelors in Communications. Continuing her education at Northwestern, she then earned a Masters in Sports Administration in 2016 and a Certificate in Leadership and Marketing in 2017. Andrea displayed commitment, discipline, and strong moral character not only during her years as a Saint, but in all the years since. She has represented our community nationally and internationally, achieving some of the highest honors in her sport while honoring her faith. Some of those accolades include playing softball for the Italian National Team, becoming the European Champions, and playing in the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo. We proudly inducted Andrea into the Bishop Dwenger Hall of Fame as our 2022 Athlete of the Year. Congratulations, Andrea!

**Alumnus of the Year -
Dan Brewer '77**

After graduating from Bishop Dwenger, Dan went graduated from Purdue University with a degree in Engineering. He then served 39 years in the United States Air Force. Currently, Dan the Air Force Research Liaison for the Guard/Reserve at Wright Patterson Air Force Base. Dan and his wife, Trixie, have raised their two children, Mckenzy and Troy, to be honorable and successful members of our society. He spent their childhood volunteering for various youth sports teams as well as church and school activities. By faithfully uniting hard work and fun, military and civilian, career and family, Dan has demonstrated that differences are invitations rather than barriers. Congratulations, Dan on being named the Bishop Dwenger 2022 Alumnus of the Year.

**Citizens of Two Worlds -
Dr. Thomas McGovern, Dr. Andrew Mullally, and Dr. Christopher Stroud**

Doctor, Doctor is a national radio show hosted by three award-winning Catholic Doctors from Northeastern Indiana that informs, educates, and evangelizes through joy-filled, engaging, data-driven interviews and discussions, helping everyone live a more abundant life. Dr. Thomas McGovern, Dr. Andrew Mullally, and Dr. Christopher Stroud discuss everything medical that's in the news or on the minds of their listeners from birth to death and from head to toe. They interview trustworthy experts to help pull back the curtain on difficult medical topics. Their show gives listeners an insider's perspective into the world of medicine while discussing healthcare topics through the lens of their Catholic faith. Using their background in medicine to shape their ministry, they boldly live out the motto "Citizens of Two Worlds" as a daily practice. Congratulations, gentlemen!

**Arts & Letters -
Heather (Mitchell '92) Strzelecki**

Heather's talent for the arts radiates through her, with her involvement in music ministry for over 36 years at Saint Vincent Catholic Church, where she and her husband, Frank, are members. Heather and Frank have given the gift of a Catholic education to their four daughters: Allie, Erin, Anna, and Ella. Heather's community is grateful for her bringing music into the lives of so many people. She credits the Catholic education and experiences at Bishop Dwenger High School that helped shape her into the talented musician, wife, and mother she is today. She is truly a positive role model for students, her children, fellow parishioners, and friends. Heather, we congratulate you on your induction into the Bishop Dwenger Hall of Fame!

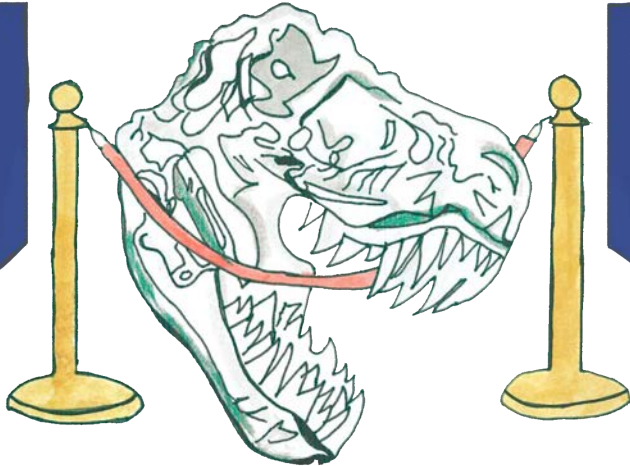
**Distinguished Service Award -
Mary Ann Jackson-David**

For 32 years, Mary Ann Jackson-David, known as "Miss Jackson" and also affectionately referred to by her students as "Madge," dedicated her life to Catholic education as her students developed their writing skills and learned to appreciate English literature. Countless students have benefitted not only from her intellect, but also from her example of patience, kindness, and faith. Bishop Dwenger was blessed to have her guiding our Saints. For Miss Jackson, teaching was not her job. It was her vocation. She exemplified excellence, inspired her colleagues and students, demonstrated good character, and left a lasting impact on our school. She is truly deserving of this award. Congratulations Mary Ann, on receiving the inaugural Distinguished Service Award!

New Award - Distinguished Service

Each year the scholarship committee receives numerous nominations of people worthy of a Hall of Fame honor. We are blessed at Bishop Dwenger High School to have the incredible legacy of so many teachers, staff, and coaches, that a list of nominees who were faithful employees has been compiled. The list has grown so much, the committee saw it worthy of its own category. After prayerful consideration, the Distinguished Service Award was created. This award honors a retired faculty or staff member of Bishop Dwenger High School. During his or her tenure, this person exemplified excellence, inspired his or her colleagues and students, demonstrated exceptional character, and left a lasting impact while approaching Catholic education as a true vocation. It is Bishop Dwenger's great privilege to recognize the commitment of those who help through their work and expertise to make us great. The mission of faculty and staff alike, is to shape Saints.

Saints Alive! at the Museum



This year's Saints Alive! event chairpersons are Kari & Matt ('86) Smith and Katie (Wagner '96) & Nathan ('95) Steigmeyer. The 2023 theme is "Saints Alive! at the Museum." When guests arrive, the adventure begins, as the auction exhibits come to life. Please join us at the Grand Opening on Thursday, March 2 and the Dinner & Auction on Saturday, March 4, 2023.

Saints Alive! New Home for the Holidays

For over twenty-five years, Mrs. Patsy Dumas welcomed current and past mothers, grandmothers, and friends of BDHS into her lovely home to start their Christmas season at the annual Saints Alive! Holiday Tables Luncheon. Patsy's extensive collection of Christmas and holiday china was the highlight of the luncheon, as each table displayed a different place setting. Patsy and her dedicated committee annually hosted approximately 120 ladies for this festive luncheon. After many years of ringing in our Christmas season, Patsy is hanging up her Santa hat, and another Dwenger family has taken the reins of the sleigh. **Laura (Flood '88) Palmer**, and husband Scott graciously volunteered to put a new spin on this festive event. "Saints Alive! Holiday Spirits" was an informal evening of wine and bourbon tastings at the Palmer's beautifully decorated home. Everyone was in great "spirits" as they socialized, enjoyed beverages, and watched the big game all while helping curate delicious collections for the new Saints Alive! wine and bourbon pulls. We have been blessed by Patsy for all her years of generosity and hospitality, and are grateful to Laura and Scott Palmer for continuing a tradition of inviting the Dwenger Family into their home!



Mark your calendars as the Museum comes alive!

**Grand Opening
March 2, 2023**

**Dinner & Auction
March 4, 2023**

For more information or to get involved, please contact: Dayna Horner at 260-496-4804, or dhorn@bishopdwenger.com bishopdwenger.com and search "Saints Alive!"

It's Raffle Time!



The Blue & Gold Raffle is designed to directly fund the interests of our students! Each team, group, and club can raise funding for their area of involvement. For each ticket they sell, 50% of the net profit will go directly to funding their team, group, or club! You can list a team, group, or club on the form below to support but it is not required. All BD students can earn prizes for top selling individuals. If you would like your ticket purchase to be credited to a specific student's fundraising efforts, please write his/her name and grade on the order form below.

Tickets are: 1 for \$20 • 6 for \$100 • 15 for \$200

Blue & Gold Raffle

Winning Tickets Drawn at Saints Alive!

March 4, 2022



Grand Prize: \$ 10,000

2nd Prize: \$ 2,500

3rd Prize: \$ 1,000

For the first time, Tuffy's Golden Ticket will be available for purchase by all our Saints across the country! Whether you live near or far, you can still be a part of Saints Alive! by purchasing a ticket for a chance to choose ANY one auction item, silent or live, as your prize! The winning ticket will be drawn at the Dinner & Auction prior to the live auction. You could win an item valued at thousands of dollars for just \$100! Only 300 tickets will be sold. The more you buy, the better your chances! Certain pre-determined items will be excluded. Need not be present to win. Once the auction list is available, we will contact you for your item selection. If your ticket is drawn, the item you list is yours!

Tuffy's Golden Ticket

Winning Ticket Drawn at Saints Alive!

March 4, 2022

Grand Prize: Any auction item of your choosing!

Need not be present to win. All proceeds benefit Bishop Dwenger High School. Cost of raffle tickets is nondeductible. Winnings are subject to applicable taxes. Tickets may be purchased online at bishopdwenger.com/saints-alive if paying by debit card. License #000573

Please cut on the dotted line, complete form, and return with payment to Bishop Dwenger High School. Feel free to use the remittance envelope included in this issue of the *Times*.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

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Please credit this student for the ticket sale - Name: _____ Grade: _____

Team/Club (if applicable): _____ **One Team/Club must be listed to receive credit**

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Thank you!

IN THIS FAMILY WE...



FEED THE HUNGRY
DEFEND LIFE
FORGIVE ONE ANOTHER
CARE FOR CREATION
OFFER IT UP
PRAY THE ROSARY
SHOW MERCY
LOVE OUR NEIGHBOR
ARE CITIZENS OF TWO WORLDS



"As the family goes, so goes the nation, and so goes the whole world in which we live."

- Pope St. John Paul II

THE FAMILY YOU CHOOSE

CJ Davis was not a typical candidate for a transfer. Entering his senior year as a top academic student and standout athlete, he was thriving. Navigating a recent move, CJ and his mother, Melissa, were discerning where he would attend school. He could finish his senior year at Northrop, or transfer to Carroll. A few days into the summer, Melissa recalled that CJ came home with a decision ‘out of the blue’ stating: “Mom, I want to go to Bishop Dwenger.” Melissa was stunned, and her first reaction was, “No!” She went on to explain, “I thought it would be a hard transition for him, from public school to private. There was a big schedule change, uniforms, and I worried about him being accepted both socially and athletically.” Melissa was more at ease after discussing his reasons with him further. CJ shared that he wanted a school that was more challenging for him in many ways. He wanted more of a preparatory atmosphere and a place that welcomed faith. They both decided to take some time and pray about the decision. After a few days, Melissa felt that God was in fact leading them to Dwenger. She even began to love the idea and get excited about what was to come. She returned her son’s surprise announcement and turned it around on him saying, “Well, if you’re going to Dwenger, I am too!” She began to search for open positions with the flexibility to maintain her realtor career and ended up starting a job in the cafeteria.

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The pleasant surprises didn’t stop there. Initially experiencing the typical ‘mom-concerns’ about her son making friends or fitting in, Melissa was elated at how CJ was immediately embraced. She explained that during football season, she barely even saw her son as he was always at a teammate’s home for dinner or just out with the guys, who she lovingly refers to as “his brothers, and therefore, our family.” One of her favorite memories of this year was watching her son catch an interception at the first football game and then turn around the next play and score. She did not celebrate alone. “I heard the student section and looked over; the whole section went wild, and they were chanting my son’s name. After the game, CJ said, ‘Mom, did you hear the crowd?’ That energy and support was everything.”

Not only has CJ felt the love from the Dwenger Family, but he has also shown it in return. “Instantly upon arriving at Bishop Dwenger, CJ made a positive impact both on the field and around campus,” said **Jason Garrett ‘88**, Director of Pastoral Ministry and Head Varsity Football Coach. “He is a young man of high character, who works extremely hard, and leads by example. He has been a great addition to our family. He makes us all better, and that is what family should do: help one another rise.”

Despite the strong support she saw surrounding her son, there was still more. The Dwenger Family bonding didn’t stop with CJ. Melissa has felt supported as a mother. She has enjoyed her new job and co-workers. She looks forward to seeing the kids come through her lunch line and loves how polite they are. “They all say, ‘thank you’ and ask about my day or compliment me on a headband. Days I am in the lunchroom, I must say ‘you’re welcome’ about 500 times!” She also has shared fun times with the other cafeteria ladies, attending Purse Bingo together, or frequently texting and checking in on days they aren’t working. “Everybody has gone above and beyond their job requirements and calls of duty,” shares Melissa. “It’s all the special little things that have made Dwenger feel like home.”



Photos courtesy of Clara Burns and John Martin

It's All in the Family!

Families pass down many things through the generations; names, physical attributes, traditions, recipes, and heirlooms to name a few as well as Catholic Education. Bishop Dwenger High School is proud to be a part of the tradition and commitment, along with the rich history of Central Catholic High School, has created a generational legacy of Catholic Education in Fort Wayne. The families below have four generations! As Bishop Dwenger prepares to celebrate 60 years in 2023, we feel blessed and look forward to welcoming many more.



The Rouch - Keefer Family

Clarence "Duck" Rouch (CCHS '42, deceased)
James (CCHS '69) and
Peggy (Rouch CCHS '71) Keefer
Chrissy (Keefer '96) McComas;
Joe Keefer '98; and
Bob Keefer '98
Ben Keefer '25

The Brita - Segyde Family

Anthony Brita (CCHS '42, deceased)
Michael Brita '71 (deceased)
Jessica (Brita '98) and
John-Michael Segyde '93*
Anthony Segyde '25
Mary Segyde '26

*John Segyde (CCHS '59) is father of John-Michael.



The Grashoff Family

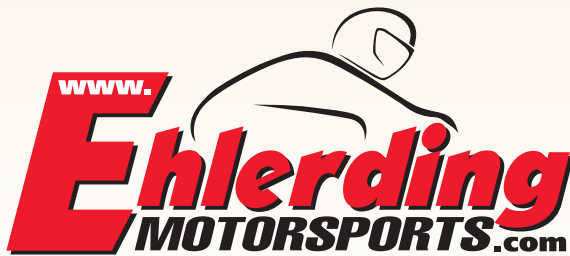
Maryann (Smith CCHS '52) Grashoff
Michael Grashoff '72
Matthew Grashoff '94
Graisen Proctor '16, Ella Grashoff '22, &
Mitchell Grashoff '26
Anne (Grashoff '97) Bushee
Emily (Grashoff '00) Wilder
Donald Grashoff '73
Christopher Grashoff '97
Joseph Grashoff '99
Andrew Grashoff '01
John Grashoff '05
Steven Grashoff '75
Amanda (Grashoff '99) Keister
Dylan Keister '23, & Caleb Keister '26
Elizabeth (Grashoff '00) Mueller
Alexia Mueller '19
Susan Grashoff '78
Rebecca Weaver '01
Monica Weaver '04
Stephanie Weaver '24
Arnold Grashoff '81.



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CLASS NOTES

1990's

Andrea (Stier '92) and **Gary Hensler '92** celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on November 8, 2022. Gary will also celebrate 22 years of service with the Fort Wayne Police Department in January 2023. Sargent Hensler currently works as a supervisor in the Gang and Violent Crimes Unit.

Dr. Natalie (Florea '97) Hudson, after serving the past nine years as the director of Human Rights Studies Program at the University of Dayton, has begun to work on a book project about transnational advocacy; conduct research at the U.N. Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs; and revise the textbook she authored, *Global Politics: Applying Theory to a Complex World*. [A]

Aaron and **Angela (Banet '99) Bell** live in St. Joseph, Michigan with their two children, Sophia and Christian.

2000's

Doug Lothamer '02 and his wife Christina are proud to announce the birth of their second child, Isaiah Douglas on July 8, 2022. [B]

On October 13, 2021, the Meyer Family was blessed with babies three and four! David and **Angela (Yankowiak '03) Meyer** welcomed twin daughters Abigail Rita and Alyssa Maureen, who join big siblings Luke (9) and Josie (7). [C]

Welcome to the world Scarlett James! That makes three daughters for Sean and **Kristie (Koczor '06) Flanagan**. Scarlett joined the family on September 19, 2022. [D]

Meet Sutton Anne Lewis, born to Will and **Jackie (Ehlerding '06) Lewis** in June 2022. Mom and Dad are both new teachers at BDHS this year! [E]

Brandon Baccari, DO ('09) and his wife Aubrey have settled in Fort Wayne after he completed family medicine residency at Reid Health in Richmond, Indiana in June 2022. He is now a board certified family physician accepting patients with Lutheran Health on Lima Road.

2010's

Kelsey (Giant '10) Ellet and her husband Travis welcomed Haven to the world on September 7, 2022. She is little sister to big brother, Hunter. [F]

Grace (Geha '11) and **Zachary Potosky '10** were married on September 10, 2022. **Father Daniel Koehl '11** was the officiant and nine members of the bridal party were BD alumni. The dessert bar and wedding cake were lovingly baked by Gracey's Goodies of course! [G]

Libby (Jefferis) Curts '12 and husband Sam joyfully announce the birth of their son Bobby on April 11, 2022. [H]

Best wishes to **Anna (Pentenburg '12)** and Andy Klimek who were married on May 14, 2022. [I]

Wedding bells rang in October 2021 for **Melinda (Earnest '12)** who married David Stanley.

Congratulations to **CJ Bostwick '13** on being named the new Head Wrestling Coach at Elmira College, Elmira, New York! CJ related he will find it fulfilling to pay forward the values, lessons, and experiences he had at Dwenger to the athletes and program he now leads.

Welcome to the world Bennett Geiger! His proud parents **Rachel (Freygang '14)** and David Geiger welcomed him on June 24, 2022. Bennett is little brother to Hudson, age 2. [J]

Tracy (Turner '15) married her best friend Timothy Horne in August of 2020, and was blessed with the birth of their daughter, Anastasia Felicity, in May of 2021. Tracy joined the BDHS Guidance Department as a Counselor this year! [K]

Esther (Bell '15) Zaragoza married Eduardo Zaragoza on May 21, 2022 at St. Paul Catholic Church in Chicago, where they currently reside. [L]

On October 8, 2022, **Kaitlyn (Smith '17)** married Nathan Garstka. Congratulations! [M]

We got married! **Alex Straessle '18** married **Savanna (Bertoli '18) Straessle** on June 4, 2022. [N]

July 9, 2022, **Morgan Schenkel '20** got engaged to **Gabe Tippmann '18**. Congratulations! [O]

ONCE A SAINT...ALWAYS A SAINT!



REUNIONS

If your high school graduating class year ended in a "3" or "8," then your class should be gathering for a reunion in 2023! If you or someone you know is planning a class reunion, please contact Ingrid Nicholson, Alumni Coordinator, inicholson@bishopdwenger.com or (260) 496-4775.

Class of 1968 – 55 year Reunion

When: Tentative date - July 22, 2023

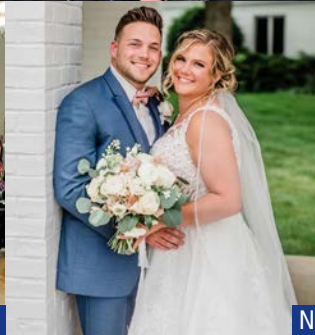
Contact: Yoli (Cuellar) Tone at 260-704-2277 or yolitone@live.com

Class of 2003 – 20 Year Reunion

When: Saturday, May 6, 2023

Where: Rooftop of the Bradley Hotel

Contact: Brenden Kelly
brendenkelly@gmail.com



Solid Foundation, New Generation

On August 20, the Bishop Dwenger Class of 1967 gathered for their 55-year reunion. The Class of '67 was the first class to graduate from Bishop Dwenger High School! Before graduation, they buried a time capsule. At their August reunion, they opened it together after Mass and strolled down memory lane. Current BD senior, Noah Horner, who is studying to become a brick mason, was part of the crew who unearthed the capsule from the walls of Bishop Dwenger. Included in the capsule were newspaper clippings, religious memorabilia, school rosters, and photographs. There was also a peanut, but no one present remembered why (If you know why, please call Ingrid Nicholson at (260) 496-4775). The capsule will be filled with a few reminders of this event and some artifacts from this year's graduating class to be resealed.



Central Catholic

Mark your Calendar!

Alumni Appreciation
January 20, 2023
BDHS Main Gym
6:00 pm

Annual Open House
April 16, 2023
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Annual Luncheon Meeting
September 20, 2023

Contact one of your Alumni Officers with questions regarding these events.

Alumni Officers

President: Mark Linker (260)224-4551
Vice-President: Leanne Mensing (260)485-0290
Secretary: Laura Stuckey (260)486-1000
Treasurer: Dan Vought (260)485-6209
Membership: Vickey Linker (260)341-6209

Lifetime Membership

Interested in becoming a Lifetime Member? Dues are \$15 yearly, or they are \$350 for life!

We would love to see new members added by the next issue of the Times!

Welcome new Lifetime Member - Ronald Firks '70

Reunions

Class of 1973 – 50 year Reunion

When: September 23, 2023

Where: Pine Valley Country Club

Contact: Barb (Lothamer) Brown, at 260-445-7708 or
Kbbrown06@hotmail.com



The Class of 1965 decided to have a small get together in honor of their 57 Year Reunion. So fun to see that the gang still gets together!

IN MEMORY

Central Catholic

Louise (Derheimer) Hoch '38
Marcella (Giant) Sorg '40
Pauline (Winebrenner) Billman '42
Rita (Bobay) Glass '42
Joanette (Heminger) Haugk '43
Mary Ellen (Fox) Strack '43
Annabelle (Fox) Fisher '44
Mary (Vorndran) Stolz '44
Marjorie (Perrey) Troutman '44
Howard Olry '45
JoAnne (Roffelsen) Adams '47
Edward Trabel '47
Suzanne (Andrews) Arnold '48
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