

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITIES

A 50th Anniversary Capital Campaign for Bishop Chatard High School



BISHOP CHATARD HIGH SCHOOL

5885 Crittenden Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46220

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50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AND CAPITAL CAMPAIGN KICKOFF

"I am a Trojan for life." Those words continuously rang through the ears and hearts of the nearly 700 guests in attendance for the Bishop Chatard 50th Anniversary Celebration. The BCHS gymnasium was alive with joy, emotion and Trojan pride on the evening of Sept. 13.

Before the event, Bishop Gerald Gettelfinger celebrated mass across the street at Christ the King. After mass, the event began with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres as the guests filed into the gym sharing memories and catching up on each other's lives. Once guests settled into their seats, dinner was served with a heartfelt rendition of "Happy Birthday" lead by emcee Pat Sullivan '78. Multiple student musical performances also accompanied the meal.

After dinner, Board of Regents President Pat Murphy '90 recognized several community leaders, including the men who have had the distinct honor of serving as Bishop Chatard principal.

Just after 8 p.m. the room went dark. A single light shone on Bishop Gerald Gettelfinger, the school's first principal. He spoke about the birth of BCHS and its growth throughout the 1960's. His monologue ended with a single phrase: "I am a Trojan for life."

The evening continued with BCHS icons Steve Noone, Elaine Alhand, Dick Powell and Ruth Roell speaking about the '70's, 80's, 90's and 00's, respectively. Each ended his or her monologue with the same single phrase. The lights then shifted to the stage where current students Nick Schultz, Okenna Oruche, Lauren Taylor and Monica Ward spoke about how faith, learning, leading and serving are engrained in the Bishop Chatard community.

When students Nicole Lehrman and Madeleine Jurkiewicz emerged on stage to perform "For Good," a song about growth and friendship, a wave of goose bumps spread through the crowd. Over 200 students filed into the gym holding candles. At the song's completion, the students were honored with a thunderous standing ovation.

The mood shifted as BCHS President Bill Sahn took the stage to announce the public phase of the Golden Opportunities Capital Campaign was officially underway. Sahn presented all the exciting plans and improvements that will be made possible under this campaign. He completed his presentation with a request for an annual fund gift, and the night concluded with the announcement that over \$313,000 had been raised for the evening.

The Bishop Chatard community came together to celebrate 50 years of mission and tradition. Guests left the gym with one thing in mind: they are all Trojans for life.



PAT & MATTIE BOYCE
LEAD GENERAL GIFT PHASE

Pat and Mattie (Burch) Boyce have graciously agreed to co-chair the General Gift Phase of the Capital Campaign. Pat is a devoted supporter of BCHS and currently serves as the head of Booster Club. Not to be outdone by her husband, Mattie is now on staff at BCHS and has been working as the Director of Alumni Relations since June.

Both are excited and honored to be a part of this campaign. Pat is passionate about the opportunities this campaign will provide for the Bishop Chatard community. "If you want to be hands-on, elbow to elbow with people that care about each other, then the BCHS community is the place to be. We want many generations to continue to have those same opportunities and more!" he said.

Gifts of appreciated stocks and bonds, real estate, life insurance, charitable trust, etc., are alternative ways to support the campaign.

Thank you!

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MARKS AND SCHNEIDERS CHAIR BENEFACTOR GIFT PHASE

Dan and Carol Mark, along with Dave and Sue Schneiders, were happy to take on the role of co-chairing the Benefactor Gift Phase of the Capital Campaign.

The Marks volunteered for this position because they strongly support the mission of secondary Catholic education by the archdiocese; noting their four children Chris '09, Joe '11, Sarah '13 and Luke '17 are Trojans.

The Marks have also enjoyed making contact with people to inform them of the planned improvements to the campus and the other aspects this campaign supports. "We appreciate the opportunity to send our children to a Catholic high school and recognize the importance of helping to support this vital campaign to further the growth and stability of BCHS," Dan said.

The Schneiders also have four children: Jamie '96, Katie '98, Mary '01 and David '06. They volunteered for this position because BCHS has been such a major part of their lives for many years. Their hope is that it continues to be the center of educational, athletic, and cultural activities for the young people of the North Deanery parishes. "This campaign is directed toward some very worthwhile improvements for the school and they will benefit many young people for many years to come," Dave said.

NAMING OPPORTUNITIES STILL AVAILABLE

Several naming opportunities are still available for the Golden Opportunities Capital Campaign. Please contact Nicole Beasley at 317-251-1451 Ext. 2242 for more information.

Academic:

- \$100,000 Technology Infrastructure
- \$75,000 Biology Lab
- \$75,000 Chemistry Lab
- \$50,000 Earth Science Lab*
- \$50,000 Interactive Technology Labs (2)
- \$25,000 Classrooms (14)

Athletic:

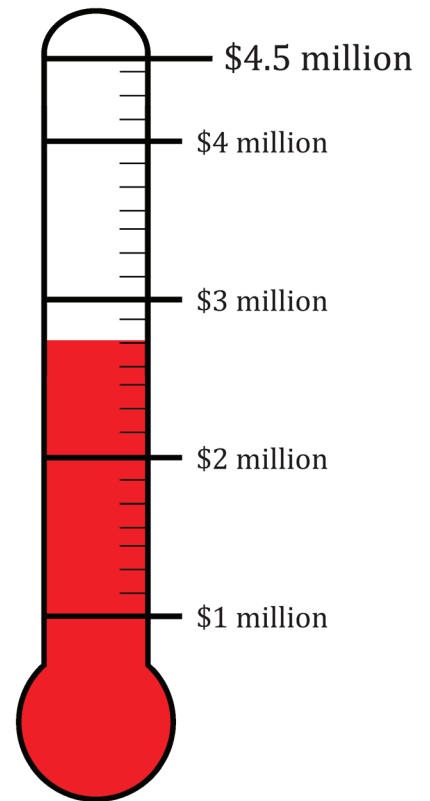
- \$1,000,000 Stadium
- \$500,000 Football Field
- \$500,000 Baseball Field
- \$250,000 Track
- \$100,000 Bleachers & Press box
- \$100,000 Softball Field
- \$75,000 Concession Stand
- \$50,000 Run/Walk Trail*

Endowment:

- \$25,000+ Tuition Assistance
- \$25,000+ Teacher Compensation

*These naming opportunities have been secured by donors.

Current Total: \$2,673,000



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Heavenly Father, for 50 years You have walked with us, showering upon the Bishop Chatard community Your gifts of faith and knowledge, achievement and success.

In this golden year of jubilee we pause and thank You for the many opportunities with which You daily bless us.

Accompany us into the future that we might continue our ministry to students, helping them to grow in faith, to develop their leadership skills, to nurture a true love of learning and to cultivate a servant's heart.

AMEN