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WELCOME TO THE WINTER ISSUE OF TROJANS TODAY, TROJANS for *Life*

In this publication, we frequently share the adventures and accomplishments of Bishop Chatard students, both past and present. These stories provide a glimpse into how unique, brave, and innovative the Trojan community truly is. But every so often, we experience a period that speaks to the bigger picture, confirming that within the walls of Bishop Chatard High School we are achieving what our mission statement challenges us to do: focus on the growth of the WHOLE person.

In the Fall of 2023, BCHS received an award trifecta, of sorts, that spoke not only to the quality of our academic program, but also our student experience. Bishop Chatard was honored as a 2023 National Blue Ribbon School, a Platinum member of the College Board's AP Honor Roll, and as Indianapolis WISH-TV's (Channel 8) Zone Banner winner for the best student section in central Indiana. Trojans don't just show up in the classroom, they show up for each other. You can read more about these awards in this issue.

Just before this publication went to press, the Bishop Chatard community showed up in another way. In late January, we unexpectedly lost our school registrar, past school parent, and good friend, Amé Alerding. Amé's funeral drew a large gathering of BCHS alumni, faculty, staff, students, current and former school parents, and friends. This outpouring of love for Amé and her family was demonstrative of what we all know: We are Trojans for life.

I hope that you enjoy the Winter 2024 issue of Trojans Today! As always, we encourage you to reach out if you have thoughts or updates to share. You can always share your news at <https://alumni.BishopChatard.org/share-news/>.

Enjoy the publication!

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Dear Trojans,

We always have so much to be grateful for here at BCHS, especially at this time of year when the seniors are preparing for graduation. It gives us a chance to reflect on their growth and how much they have contributed to the quality of life of their fellow students and all of us adults. And, just when we are tempted to sadness, the rising seniors start their journey as leaders, and we welcome a class of freshmen that will require the same quality of experience to someday lead the younger students. No time for nostalgia, just celebration and recommitment!

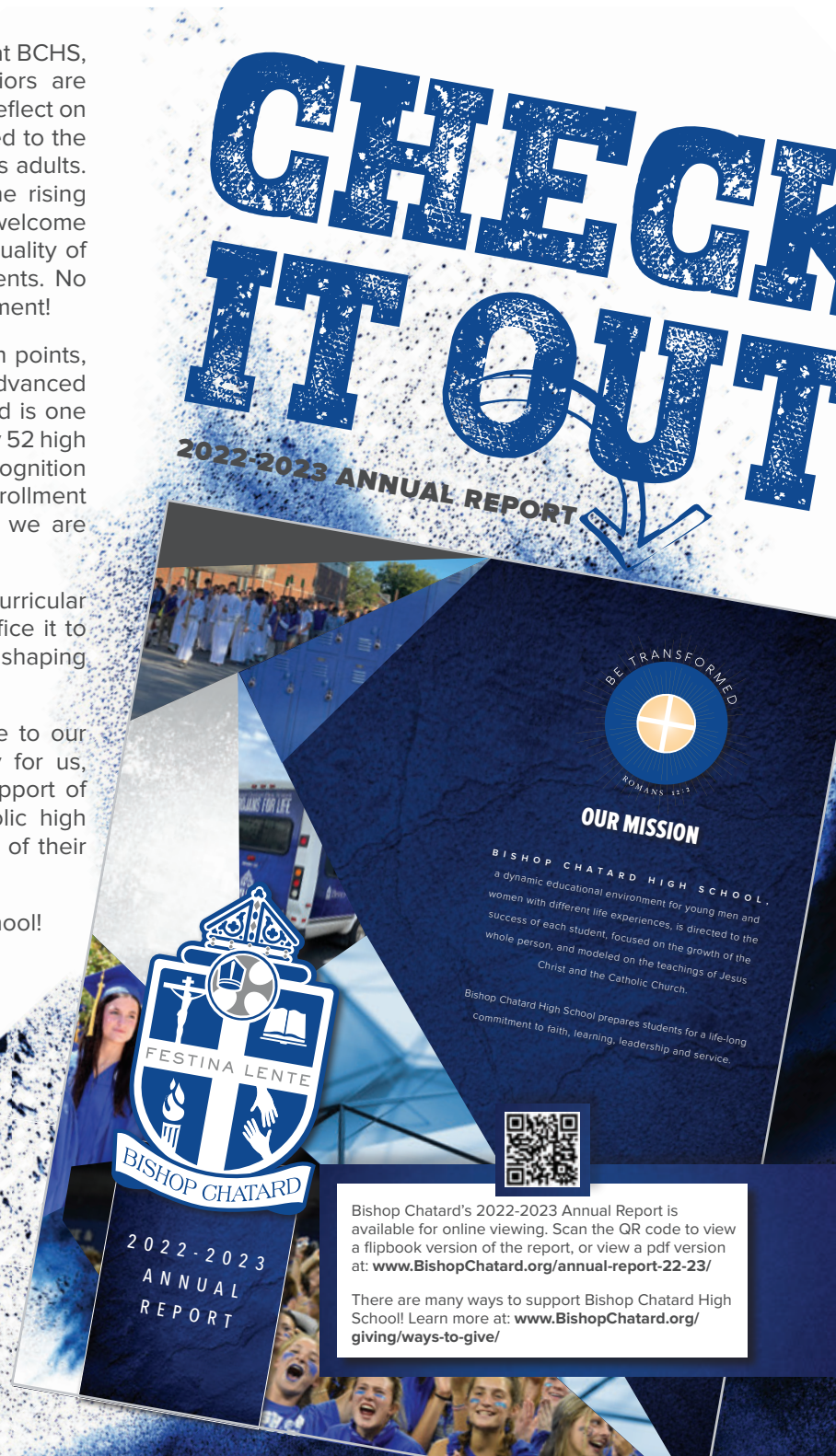
The 2023-2024 school year has seen many high points, including National Blue Ribbon School and Advanced Placement Platinum recognitions. Bishop Chatard is one of only two high schools in Indiana and one of only 52 high schools nationally to receive the Blue Ribbon recognition this year. We are also experiencing a surge in enrollment as we continue to accept more freshmen than we are graduating seniors.

There have been many extra and co-curricular accomplishments, too many to list here. But suffice it to say, our students are thriving in activities that are shaping the people God has called them to be.

We could not provide this quality of experience to our students without all our benefactors who pray for us, volunteer their time, and give generously in support of our mission to provide an extraordinary Catholic high school education to all our students, regardless of their socioeconomic status.

May God bless you and Bishop Chatard High School!

BILL SAHM
President



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GOT SPIRIT? LET'S HEAR IT!

It's official, Bishop Chatard High School has the best student section in the state of Indiana! On Nov. 17, 2023, during its 11 p.m. newscast, WISH-TV named the Trojans the 2023 Zone Banner Champion.

"Winning the banner is an amazing accomplishment for our student body," Student Life Director Tim Boyle said. "It demonstrates the kind of culture and community we have at Bishop Chatard. Our students are fun, creative, spirited, and energetic. They love one another and take great pride in supporting their fellow Trojans in all they do."

The Zone Banner is awarded annually by WISH-TV to the best student section in central Indiana during the high school football season, as decided by the news station's Zone Banner Committee. After an entire season of visiting games and watching school spirit on display, News 8 Sports Director (AC) Anthony Calhoun named BCHS the winner of the most coveted spirit award in the state.

This is the first time that Bishop Chatard has won The Zone Banner during the award's nine-year existence.

The school's student section leaders were very determined to win the Zone Banner this year, Mr. Boyle recalled. "They asked to meet with me in July to discuss plans for the season. Each week they came up with creative new ideas to keep the student body engaged and get different stakeholders in our community involved."

BCHS senior and Student Council member Nick Belby was one of those student leaders who successfully got hundreds of students to attend most home football games and eventually secure the Zone Banner.

While a small group of students coordinated the Banner initiative, with an assist from social media, Nick reiterated that winning it was a school-wide team effort. Throughout the entire season, a group chat among the students that

generated ideas for themes and signs helped to keep students excited and the participation level up.

"We made it not about just football – coming to games was more about the environment and having fun. It was all about the energy. Friday night was really something to look forward to because everyone is going to be there and you know it is going to be a good time," Nick said.

While participation in theme nights and knowing that the night was going to be fun motivated students to attend, Nick clarified that the Bishop Chatard student community is very supportive of one another and most came out to support their friends and classmates competing in the game.

School size can be viewed as a liability in competitions like this, but Nick said Bishop Chatard's 700+ size was an asset because the connections it fosters help enrich student life.

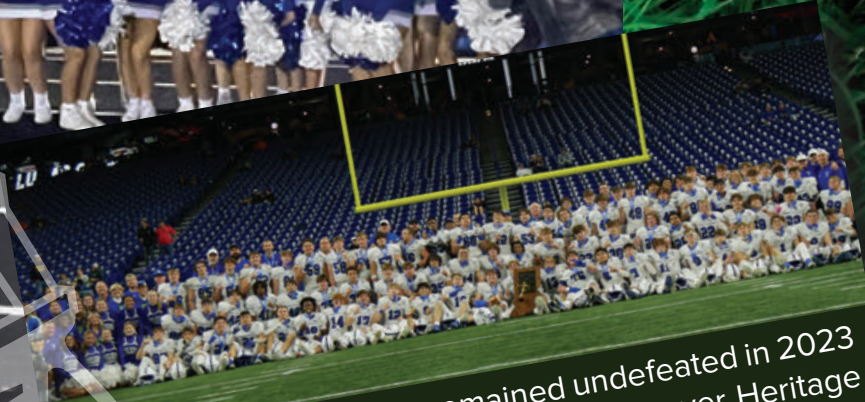
"The size of Bishop Chatard really allows you to get to know people on a more personal level, he explained. I may have classes three or four times a day with a person instead of just seeing them in the halls. You want to show up for people that you know on a deeper level."

The number of schools in the competition was whittled down by WISH-TV during the final weeks of the football season. Bishop Chatard was named one of two finalists, along with Hamilton Southeastern High School. During 'The Zone' broadcast on November 17, 40 Bishop Chatard students were present at the WISH-TV studios when AC announced the winner live on air.

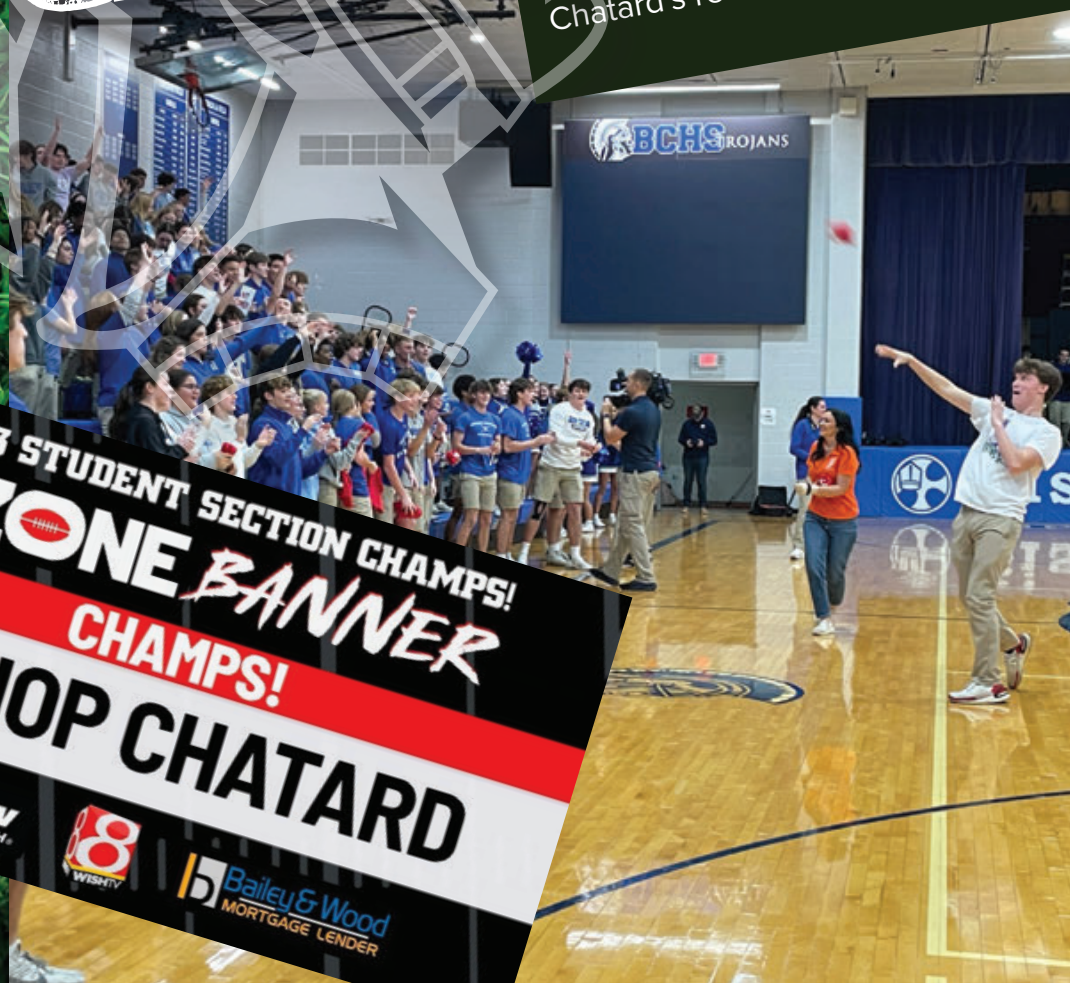
On November 21, AC and The Zone team visited the school and presented The Zone Banner to the Bishop Chatard student body to display in the school's varsity gymnasium. The WISH-TV crew will return during the fall of 2024 to make the presentation to Trojan fans at a 2024 football game.



GO BCHS



The Trojan football team remained undefeated in 2023 after completing the season with a win over Heritage Hills in the 3A state game. The squad earned Bishop Chatard's record-setting 17th state title.



2023 STUDENT SECTION CHAMPS!
THE ZONE BANNER
CHAMPS!
BISHOP CHATARD

EDUCATING FUTURE EDUCATORS

BY: KELLY LUCAS

Many states are experiencing severe teacher shortages. The Indiana Dept. of Education reports that the number of teachers entering the profession decreased by approximately 33 percent between 2014 and 2020, and Indiana is among the 10 states impacted the most by the shortage, according to universities.com. The fallout of the pandemic on the teaching profession is no secret, leaving schools with more vacancies to fill than educators entering the profession.

A new class at Bishop Chatard High School is helping to give students considering a career in teaching the opportunity to learn and explore the profession prior to entering college. Offered for the first time in the fall of 2023, Introduction to Education 101, allows BCHS juniors and seniors to get hands-on experience while immersed in a preschool or grade school classroom environment.

"The class gives students real-life experience in teaching, seeing it from the perspective of what teachers do," explained teacher Amy Bultinck. It is similar, she said, to a business class where students are given exposure to real-life business environments.



Top: Senior Sydney Shaw and CKS kindergartener Solly Getty

Bottom Left: Junior Makenzie Massengale and CKS 2nd grader Ben Hilton

Bottom Right: Senior Zach Garner and CKS kindergartener Luke Hasty

ED 101 is the first in a series of new class offerings designed to give students a glimpse into potential careers, Director of Academics Julia Hasbrook said. Next year, BCHS will be offering Introduction to Health Care.

Principal John Hasty explained that the percentage of students who go to college and later do something within their degree is dwindling, and creating classes that expose students to different careers and help them discern what their major will be, all while earning college credit, is a win-win. Bishop Chatard's proximity to Christ the King Catholic School across the street and the Trojan Tots Preschool on the BCHS campus makes experiences like this doable.

"I took ED 101 because I wasn't sure what I wanted to major in in college," Senior Erinn Redmond said. "Education was one of the options I was seriously considering, so this class has let me shadow and interact with kids from all grades and backgrounds."

Offered as dual credit through Ivy Tech Community College, ED 101, among other things, helps students:

- *Identify and appreciate essential qualifications and personal demands of the teaching profession*
- *Define and evaluate their own teaching and learning styles.*
- *Understand professional ethics*
- *Identify career choices within the field of education*
- *Understand how they can impact the system of education via voting and other opportunities in a democratic society*
- *Observe in the classroom elements of diversity that affect student learning and accomplishment*
- *Spend a minimum of 20 hours in a preschool, grade or middle school classroom, observing and assisting a teacher with students.*

"I've known for a long time that I was going to become a teacher, but this class made me secure in my decision," Senior Eva Dessauer said. "The best part of my week was going over and getting to see my 5th graders and build a relationship with them. I'm so excited to go to college and learn more about becoming a teacher."

Many of the ED 101 students said they learned the importance of having patience and recognizing that people learn differently. Even if they do not go into teaching as a profession, they recognized that these are life skills that will help them as parents, coaches or in other jobs.

"Something that I hadn't thought about before was being able to teach to each student," Eva explained. "I realize now how important it is that each student is able to learn even if they learn in different ways."

Going forward, Principal Hasty said Bishop Chatard will work to keep closer ties with graduates who go into education, creating a symbiotic relationship. The current faculty includes a number of Trojan alumni, and he would like to see that number increase.

"We have a cultural narrative that exists about teaching, a societal negative bias, and kids have been ingrained with that mindset," Principal Hasty said. This class chips away at that negative mindset by giving students a real look at the art and science of teaching, showing them how complex and relational it is, he added.

A final requirement for the class was that each student attend a mock interview with either Bishop Chatard's principal or director of academics or Christ the King's principal or vice principal. Each student also completed an experience survey. Most revealed that the class was eye-opening for them in a positive way.

"Teaching is more than delivering content to students to make them learn," Senior Sydney Shaw said. "It is about forming those connections with your students to create a safe environment where everyone feels welcomed."

To learn more about Bishop Chatard's course offerings, visit <https://www.BishopChatard.org/academics/courses/>.



MAKING BEAUTIFUL MUSIC AT BCHS

Bishop Chatard's award-winning band and choirs treated members of the community to an assortment of holiday music in December. The concert band, jazz band, Vox Trioano Chorus, Sounds of Silas A Cappella Choir, and ukulele class performed for a large crowd, providing a beautifully melodic pause in the hectic Christmas schedule.

Competition season begins soon for the student musicians, and we wish them the best of luck!

Last year, the BCHS music program achieved Gold Ratings at Indiana State School Music Association (ISSMA) Organization Festivals. The band achieved a Gold Rating at the Group III level in both performance and sight reading in 2023. The Vox Troiano Choir achieved a Gold Rating at the Group I level at State Qualifications in performance and narrowly missed a Gold in sight reading.

What is notable, Music Director Mark Duray explained, is that this event is reserved for groups seeking the most stringent of adjudication with the most demanding of music needing to be selected by participating schools. Bishop Chatard students are held to a level of excellence, and it is evident in their performance.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT'S NEXT PERFORMANCE: CELEBRATION OF THE ARTS ON MAY 6!

NATIONAL RECOGNITIONS AFFIRM ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



As an archdiocesan high school, Bishop Chatard's mission is to accept and educate all North Deanery students who seek a Catholic education. Selectivity based on academic prowess, athletic achievement or socioeconomic status is not part of the admissions equation.

Some may question whether this mission would have an impact on the quality of education students receive. Those familiar with day-to-day activity in the halls of Bishop Chatard would say yes, it enhances it.

In the fall of 2023, that perspective was affirmed by the U.S. Department of Education as well as the College Board. Bishop Chatard was named a 2023 National Blue Ribbon School, one of only 11 schools in the state of Indiana and only two in Indianapolis to receive the national honor based on academic performance.

Several weeks later, Bishop Chatard High School was recognized by College Board's Advanced Placement (AP) Program as a Platinum member of its 2023 AP Honor Roll.

Platinum is the highest of four levels of distinction awarded to high schools.

"Something that we are proud of and probably led us to the AP Platinum Award is that we don't have prerequisites or require students to obtain certain test scores to take AP," Director of Academics Julia Hasbrook said. "AP is open to all students."

This approach has been successful, Mrs. Hasbrook said, because supports are in place to provide students the academic assistance needed when taking rigorous classes.

"To expand on that," Principal John Hasty said, "we take each student where they come in and our hope is that by the time they leave us, if we are doing our job right, they are ready to take high-level, rigorous, demanding college-level classes, regardless of where they started."

"We didn't go into the year saying we are going to do specific things to earn awards," Mr. Hasty reflected. "When you center your mission and focus on preparing kids for lifelong journeys, accolades come naturally."

BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL

The prestigious National Blue Ribbon Award is given in one of two categories: Exemplary High-Performing Schools and Exemplary Achievement Gap-Closing schools. BCHS was named an Exemplary High-Performing School based on results of state assessments and/or nationally normed test results and graduation rates.

"The honorees for our 2023 National Blue Ribbon Schools Award have set a national example for what it means to Raise the Bar in education," U.S. Secretary of Education Miguel Cardona said. 2023 is the 40th year that the U.S. Dept. of Education has bestowed this award on schools that it views as 'models of effective and innovative school practices for state and district educators and other schools throughout the nation.'

"This designation speaks volumes about the quality of the Bishop Chatard whole person formation experience, as well as the professionalism and above and beyond dedication of our faculty and administration," BCHS President Bill Sahn said. "May God bless all who participate in the transformative experience we call a Bishop Chatard education."

While academics are an important part of the Blue Ribbon assessment, Mrs. Hasbrook said that diversity, student engagement, school community and other criteria are also considered.

"You have to show how your school thrives in all of those areas and prove that you are a well-rounded school," she added.



BCBS Director of Instruction Ann Taylor, Director of the National Blue Ribbon Schools Office of Communication & Outreach Aba Kumi, BCBS Principal John Hasty, BCBS Director of Academics Julia Hasbrook and Archdiocese of Indianapolis Superintendent of Catholic Schools Dr. Brian Disney at the 2023 National Blue Ribbon School Award Ceremony November 17 in Washington, D.C.

AP PLATINUM HONOR ROLL

According to College Board, BCBS earned this top-tier ranking due to its commitment to increasing a college-going culture, providing opportunities for students to earn college credit, and maximizing college readiness.

“AP represents an opportunity for students to stand out to colleges, earn college credit and placement, and potentially boost their grade point averages,” said Trevor Packer, head of the College Board AP program. “The (recognized) schools have shown that they can expand access to these college-level courses and still drive high performance – they represent the best of our AP program.”

To earn Platinum status, College Board requires a school to meet three criteria. BCBS exceeded the required threshold for each of the criteria – expansion of college culture, assistance with college affordability, and optimization of college readiness – by:

- Enabling 86 percent of the Class of 2023 to experience one AP course before graduating (Threshold: 80 percent)
- Enabling 67 percent of the Class of 2023 to earn college credit by earning an AP Exam score of 3 (Threshold: 50 percent)
- Creating opportunities for 31 percent of the Class of 2023 to take a total of five AP courses across their high school years, with at least one taken in 9th or 10th grade (Threshold: 15 percent).

Research shows that students who take AP courses and exams are more likely to attend college and graduate on time, Packer said. The students who enter four-year colleges with credit from AP accelerate their path to graduation and build confidence for college success. And even for those who don’t earn college credit, AP coursework provides early exposure to college-level work and contributes to a college-going school culture, he added.

Bishop Chatard offers students the opportunity to take 20 distinct AP classes. Last year, over 87 percent of graduates earned college credit by taking AP or Dual Credit classes at BCBS, earning an average of nearly 14 credits per student.

To learn more about academic programs offered at Bishop Chatard, visit www.BishopChatard.org/academics/.

TROJANS NAMED AP SCHOLARS!

Bishop Chatard High School is pleased to announce that 102 Trojans were named AP Scholars in 2022-23. This distinction is given to students who perform at the highest level on Advanced Placement (AP) exams taken in high school.

Students were honored at three levels based on the number of exams in which they scored a 3 or higher, as well as the average score of exams taken. Congratulations to the following students and their teachers on the commitment shown to academic excellence!

AP Scholar with Distinction: This ranking is granted to students who receive an average score of at least 3.5 on all AP exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams.

Andrea Adams '24 – Maria Agostino '23 – Madeleine Barbar '23 – Christopher Board '23 – Maddalena Bolchini '23 – Nicholas Borchers '23 – Marguerite Bourgeois '24 – Maximilian Bourgeois '24 – Gretchen Corns '23 – William Dietrick '23 – Jackson Herrera '23 – Shafer Hofmann '23 – Catherine Joven '23 – Colin Kirchgessner '24 – Andrew Knapp '23 – Maci Knoll '23 – Ian Kolbus '24 – Benjamin Lam '24 – Agnes Moriarty '23 – Claire O'Gara '23 – Charles Park '24 – Margaret Ryan '23 – Nolan Stiffler '23 – William Szentes '23 – Charles Wright '24.

AP Scholar with Honors: This ranking is granted to students who receive an average score of at least 3.25 on all AP exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams.

Ethan Brown '23 – Hope Bultinck '24 – John Dixon '23 – Aiden Duncan '23 – Morgan Engelman '24 – Davis Falcon '23 – Grace Felts '23 – Mark Gejdos '24 – Morgan Heim '23 – Gabriella Herner '24 – Donovan Hibbeln '23 – Molly Koers '23 – Elizabeth Kohlhaas '23 – Megan Kramer '24 – Riley Kramer '23 – Sarah McGillicuddy '23 – Nicholas Pettrone '23 – Carter Rowe '24 – Jacob Weber '24

AP Scholar: This ranking is granted to students who receive scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams.

Daniel Albright '24 – Joshua Ball '24 – Caroline Bell '23 – Charles Biggs '23 – Margeaux Bisser '24 – Avery Bruce '23 – Lucas Chan '23 – Caroline Clapacs '23 – Helen Cline '24 – Garin Colassesano '23 – Eva Dessauer '24 – Anna Erdosy '23 – Jacqueline Felts '23 – Srey Folck '24 – Allison Fuydal '24 – Anthony Grego '23 – Gavin Guffey '25 – Logan Jarzyniecki '23 – Zade Kalesperis '23 – Wyatt King '24 – Riley Kinnett '24 – Cecelia Leffler '23 – Elizabeth Loane '23 – Aaron Loiselle '23 – Taylor Mann '23 – Gabriel Martinez '23 – Wade McAllister '23 – Mary-Claire McCarthy Young '24 – Maisie McMahon '23 – Grace Miller '24 – Alexander Minch '23 – Claire Monahan '23 – Aidan Mungovan '24 – Avery Nagel '23 – Thomas O'Gara '25 – James O'Brien '23 – Samuel Orr '24 – Nina O'Tain '24 – Hillary Pachciarz '24 – Sofia Papalia '23 – Alexander Paz '25 – Jacob Polackin '23 – William Pruitt '23 – Chloe Schmitz '23 – Stella Schulte '23 – Sarah Semon '23 – John Sherby '23 – Charlotte Shumaker '24 – Theresa Surinak '24 – Lucy Taylor '23 – Alexandra Teed '24 – Anna Thompson '23 – Jack Underwood '23 – Cole Weber '23 – Evans Wells '23 – Anastazia Wentworth '24 – Zoe Williamson '24 – Anna Zyromski '24.

Congratulations to all on the achievement of this distinction!



ANNUAL FUND

BISHOP CHATARD HIGH SCHOOL
DINNER & ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

2023



Thank you to all who attended the 2023 Annual Fund Dinner and Achievement Award Recognition on August 30.

Bishop Chatard High School was pleased to host close to 650 people at this year's Annual Fund Dinner, raising more than \$843,000 to support tuition assistance and teacher compensation at BCHS.

This is our biggest fundraising event of the year, and it is often referred to as the favorite event of the year for our parents, alumni, and friends. The evening allows a glimpse into life as a Trojan and includes the recognition of our outstanding community members who have continually supported Bishop Chatard. It also offers a wonderful opportunity to join together in celebration and in generosity for the good of all Bishop Chatard High School.

We once again presented four awards to individuals who epitomize the mission and values of our archdiocesan North Deanery high school. Please join Bishop Chatard in congratulating our Community Member Honoree, Dr. Steven Ahlfeld & Ahlfeld Sports Medicine; Alumni Honoree, Dawn (Wiltshire) Koers '89; Parent/Volunteer Honoree, Mary McGillicuddy; and Faculty/Staff Honoree, English teacher, Mallory (Curtin) Kirschner '09.

2022-2023 ACHIEVEMENT AWARD HONOREES



Faculty & Staff Award
Mallory (Curtin) '09 Kirschner



Alumni Award
Dawn (Wiltshire) '89 Koers



Volunteer Award
Mary McGillicuddy



Community Service Award
*Ahlfeld Sports Medicine
(Dr. Steven Ahlfeld)*



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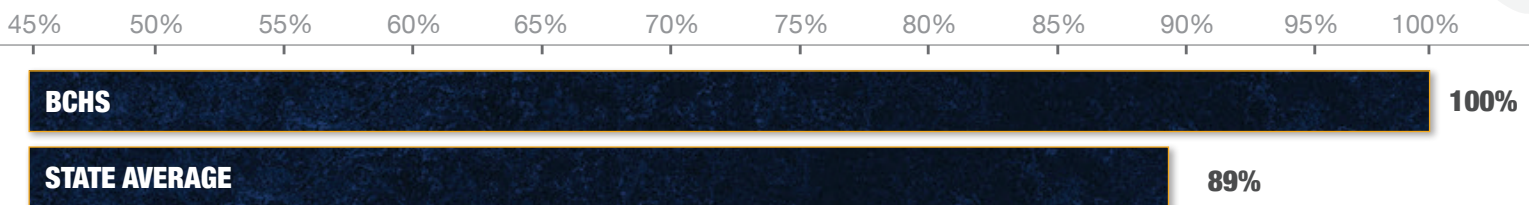
RECOGNIZED FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

In the fall of 2023, Bishop Chatard High School was recognized twice for academic excellence. The United States Department of Education awarded BCHS its prestigious National Blue Ribbon School Award in the Exemplary High-Performing Schools category, and weeks later the College Board named the Archdiocesan North Deanery high school a Platinum member of its AP Honor Roll.

While accolades are nice to receive, more important is the message that these recognitions convey to school families about college preparedness. The challenge of taking high-level classes is open to all students. 87 percent of Bishop Chatard's Class of 2023 graduated with college credit earned through either Advanced Placement (AP) or Dual Credit classes, earning an average of 13.94 college credits per student.

Read more about the National Blue Ribbon School Award and Platinum AP Honor recognition on page 10.

GRADUATION PATHWAYS COMPLETION

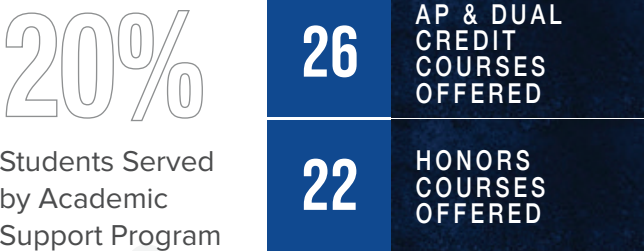


The IDOE's Graduates Prepared to Succeed (GPS) performance dashboard is designed to demonstrate how students are building the important knowledge and skills that will empower their success after high school.

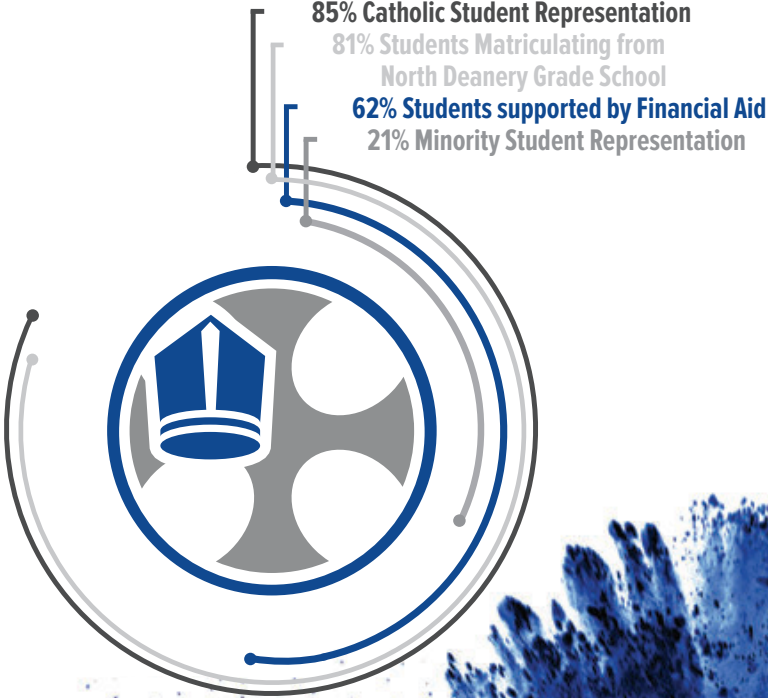
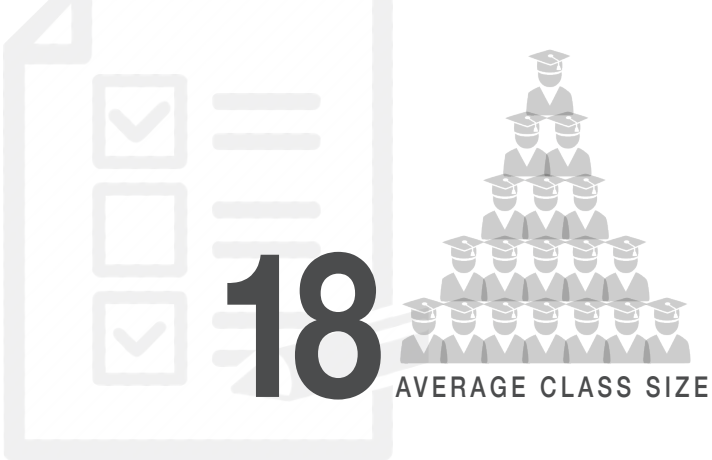
The percentage of grade 12 students who complete graduation requirements is one of the criteria the GPS measures. As the above chart demonstrates, Bishop Chatard currently has a 100% graduation pathways completion rate. According to the IDOE, the Graduation Pathways Completion Indicator measures academic mastery, career and post-secondary readiness, and work ethic.

(Source: Indiana Dept. of Education GPS, February 2024)

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STUDENT GRADE POINT AVERAGES INCREASE WITH INVOLVEMENT



Students are more successful inside the classroom when they are involved in activities outside the classroom. Last year at BCHS, 89% of our students participated in a club, sport or leadership opportunity during the school year. Most participated in multiple activities. With that increased participation came greater academic success.

THE CLASS OF 2023

The 155 graduates of the Class of 2023 collectively earned more than \$24.4 million in scholarships and grants, averaging nearly \$158,000 per student. Members of the Trojan Class of 2023 were accepted to these outstanding colleges and universities nationwide. To view a full list of scholarships and grants received, visit <https://counseling.BishopChatard.org/class-2023/>.

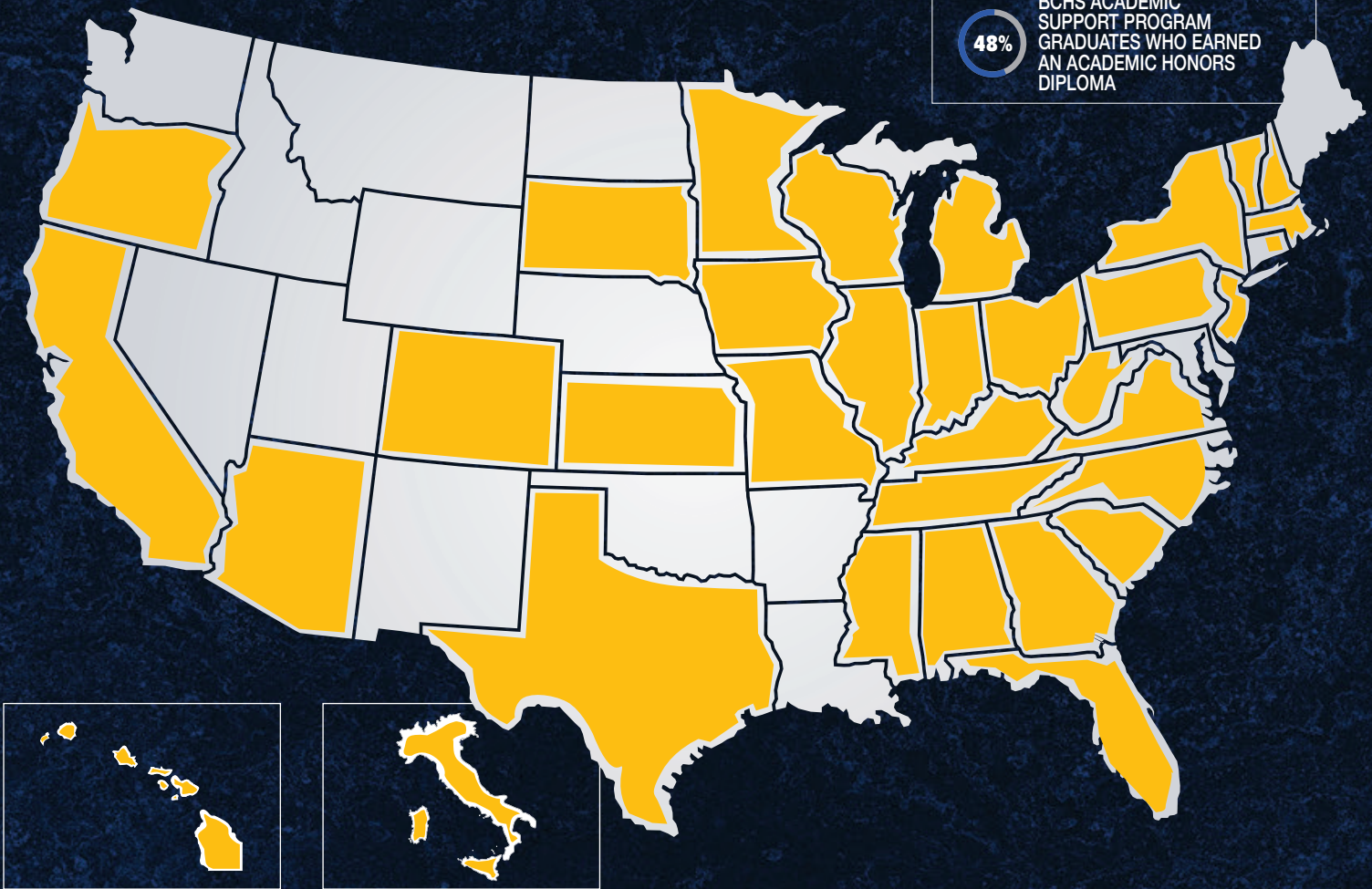
100% GRADUATION RATE

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Arizona State University
Northern Arizona University

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University of California-Santa Cruz
Westmont College

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University of Colorado-Boulder
University of Colorado-Denver
University of Northern Colorado

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Florida International University
Florida State University
Florida Tech University
Lynn University
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Rollins College
University of Florida
University of Tampa

GEORGIA

Savannah College of Art and Design

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Butler University
DePauw University
Earlham College
Franklin College
Grace College
Hanover College
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Indiana State University
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Indiana University-Fort Wayne
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HELLO FROM YOUR BISHOP CHATARD ALUMNI DIRECTOR

DEANNA MURPHY

*Director of Alumni
Relations & Special
Events*

My name is Deanna Murphy, and I am the new Director of Alumni Relations & Special Events at Bishop Chatard High School. I started this position in early August and have been running full speed ahead ever since. I was a stay-at-home mom for 15 years before coming to this role. My children, Connor '26 and Erin '29 are now 16 and 13 years old so I thought it was the perfect time to re-enter the workforce.

During my time at home with the children, I volunteered at St. Pius X Catholic School where I ran two of our biennial events, chaired our Leader in Me Program, served as PTO president and everything in between! I also served seven years in the Children's Museum Guild where I helped put on the best Haunted House in the country!

I am originally from a suburb of Chicago, Crystal Lake, Illinois, and I attended Indiana University, graduating in 1999. A few years after graduation I ended up in Indianapolis working as a fundraiser for Riley Hospital for Children. At that time, I met my husband, Pat Murphy '90, and that is when my love for Bishop Chatard High School began.

I am very happy to be here working for the best school and school community in Indianapolis. I hope to meet many of you through alumni events, reunions, football games and much, much more as we move forward at BCHS.

With that being said, I want to introduce everyone to your current Alumni Board. We had our initial meeting in December and this group is excited to make the alumni at Bishop Chatard involved and proud.

PLEASE MEET YOUR 2023-2024 ALUMNI BOARD MEMBERS:

Caitlin Alerding '03
Tyler Brazill '12
Kyle Fairchild '04
Mike Harmon '84
Kiernan Keating '89
Dawn Koers '89
Julie McGinnis '83
Kate McGowan '90
Julie Pruitt '88

Please be on the lookout for many new and exciting things coming from this creative BCHS-loving crew. I thank them for their leadership and helping me take the alumni experience at Bishop Chatard to the next level.

If you ever need anything, please don't hesitate to contact me at dmurphy@bishopchatard.org or **317-430-4503**.

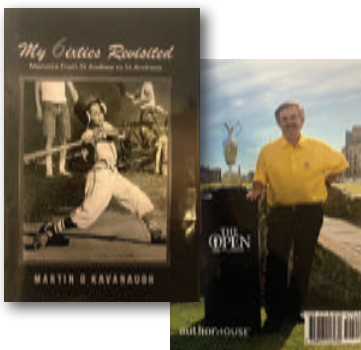
DEANNA MURPHY

Director of Alumni & Special Events

ALUMNI UPDATES

1971

MARTY KAVANAUGH recently published his third book, "My Sixties Revisited: Memoirs from St. Andrew to St. Andrews". The book is an autobiographical and historical look at life in the 1960s including schooling at St. Andrew and Bishop Chatard, the British musical invasion, political assassinations and much more. It is available on Amazon.



1977

TIM BIRELEY lives in Wisconsin and is a semi-retired business owner and proud father of four and grandfather of five. The Packers and Badgers fan has been married for 38 years and enjoys woodworking, travel, golf and hot yoga.

1978

DOUG JONES continues his 37-year acting career with popular roles as Baron Afanas in "What we do in the Shadows" (Season 5 dropped in 2023 and all seasons are available on FX/Hulu) and Saru on "Star Trek: Discovery" (Season 5 is expected to drop in April 2024; all other seasons are available on Paramount+).



1979

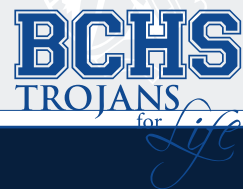
KAREN (WUERTZ) COX and her husband, Denis, celebrated their 29th wedding anniversary on July 30, 2023. Denis retired from military service in August after 41 years of combined service, 30 as a chaplain, in the U.S. Navy and Army National Guard. After 10 moves for the couple, three for overseas tours of duty, they have settled in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

CLASS OF 1983 STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPS REUNITED!



Although the weather didn't cooperate, the first-ever Bishop Chatard State Football champs had a great night reuniting at a Trojan Friday night football game this year. Many players, coaches, and fans made it back to celebrate this talented group that started it all for the BCHS football program.

Team members in attendance included: Tom Ackermann, Delvin Bailey, Chris Barnes, Glenn Bill, Chris Clark, Tim Cottrell, Todd Finnell, Dan Hackman, Mike Hackman, Mike Harmon, Tom Hornbach, Rick Masters, Kevin Horrigan, Dan Hunsicker, Chris Kelley, Pat O'Hara, Mike Qualters, Will Ripberger, Michael Rowe, John Sahm, Chuck Schwanekamp, Kevin Shine, Bill Tucker, and Rob Tully.



1984

FR. CHRISTOPHER WADELTON, pastor of St. Bartholomew's Parish in Columbus, Indiana, was recently profiled in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis Criterion newspaper for lifesaving kidney and liver donations. Read the story of his journey through these donations and the effect they had in his and others' lives in the Oct. 13, 2023, Criterion at archindy.org.

1987

MARY BETH (HORNAK) KEISER began her tenure this year as the principal at Nativity Catholic School on the southeast side of Indianapolis.

ALUMNI UPDATES

1990

MARYANN GAINES recently changed career paths after 20+ years in the automotive industry, now working part time at IUPUI as a tutor/mentor while attending classes at Indiana University East. She graduated with highest academic distinction in December as a member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars, and in January she began her second bachelor's degree in the accelerated BSN program. Maryann's goal is to work in otolaryngology reconstructive surgery.

2000

ANDREA (KREMER) POMARANSKI qualified to compete in the Olympic Marathon Trials in Orlando, Florida, in February. Read more about her in the IndyStar.com's Dec. 26, 2023, story: "Toughest human I've ever met: Indy marathoner's unlikely, tragic journey to Olympic Trials."

2002

LINDSAY (TYNER) DEMPSEY and her husband, Ryan, lived in Switzerland for three years as part of Ryan's job at Roche. They returned to Indianapolis in 2022.

2005

TOM JAMES and his wife, Megan, welcomed their first child, Nolan Thomas, in April 2023.



2006

ASHLEY (CHANDLER) PEAVEY and her husband welcomed their third child, Oliver, to the family in 2023.



BCHS ALUMNI BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Bishop Chatard's Alumni Basketball League is underway! The league began in January, and games are played on Sunday morning or early afternoon. View the league's website at www.alumni-hoops.org for the latest schedules and a history of team winners!

If you are interested in playing or forming a team in the future, please reach out to Chris Tarpey at (317) 366-9739 or chrismetarpey@gmail.com.



Congratulations to the 2023 A League team winner '12 Team Traub', with a 62-54 victory over 2016 Team Godlevske. Winning team members were Matt Hurtle, Nick Traub, Dan Buhler, Greg Gardner, Aaron Robison, Matt Hunt and Tyler Brazill.



Congratulations to 2023 B League team winner 2009 Team Commiskey, with a thrilling 73-70 win over 2006 Team Brodnik. Winning team members were Andrew Howard, John Brumleve, John Sahm, Nick Sahm, Pat Archey, Collin Smart, Ricky Rivelli, Chase Hofmeister, Steve Commiskey, Daniel Sahm and Nick Sahm.

2007

JUSTIN ROBINSON, a defensive coordinator with the Marian University football program, was honored by the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) as recipient of the NAIA Assistant Coach of the Year. The award honors assistant coaches who excel in community service, commitment to the student-athlete, on-field coaching success and AFCA professional organization involvement. This was the first time in Marian football program history that the Knights coaching staff was honored with this award.



2009

BOB AKIN and his wife, Ashley, welcomed their first child, Lucas Timothy, in August 2023.



2011

BRITTANY SIEGLER married Bryce Dowell on August 4, 2023. The couple resides in Indianapolis.



2012

KATIE (GOZDECKI) MORRISON and her husband welcomed their first child, Robert Stanley, in June 2023.



ANNIE (BATES) & CHRIS '11 TARPEY welcomed their third child, Henry Christopher, in June 2023.



HEATHER (O'BRIEN) HUNT and her husband, Matt, welcomed their second child, Mackenzie June, in August 2023. Mackenzie joins big sister, Maeve.

ALUMNI UPDATES

2013

JACKSON LUCAS married Savannah Kramer in November 2023 at Jekyll Island, Georgia.



NEW ADDITION TO THE FAMILY?

Bishop Chatard would love
to send you
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TO SUBMIT YOUR NEWS OR UPDATE.

*Alumni updates in this issue include submissions received through
January 31, 2024.*

**CALLING THE CLASSES OF 1969, 1974, 1979, 1984, 1989, 1994,
1999, 2004, 2009, 2014 & 2019.**

2024 is the year to celebrate your 'milestone' reunion. If you would like
to help organize your class reunion, please contact Deanna Murphy,
Director of Alumni Relations, at dmurphy@BishopChatard.org
to get started.

In Memory

Bishop Chatard remembers and offers prayer for our beloved alumni who have passed away in recent months. The list below includes those whose obituaries were received by the Bishop Chatard Alumni Office since the publication of the Summer 2023 Trojans Today magazine. This issue includes remembrances received through Jan. 31, 2024.

DONN SCOTTEN '68
GREG QUEISSER '68
MICHAEL THEISING '70
MARK BUNNY '72
SHARON WAGNER '76
PATTI VENNEMAN '76
TIM YOUNG '77

PAUL RICHARD '90
PAUL KRIER '90
JEREMY M. DAVIS '93
COURTNEY (BAYSE) ERCAN '94
MATTHEW T. HURLEY '04
CAROLYN LEGG '07

REUNION JOURNEY: REVELATION LEADS TO RECLAMATION

BY: STEVE DAVIS '70



In the fall of 2019, my Class of 1970 Bishop Chatard classmates convinced me to make the drive from Cincinnati to Indianapolis. Our gridiron play alongside 1969 graduates had produced the school's first undefeated football season, and we took the liberty to invade their 50th class reunion party in the end zone of a Friday night football game. I easily recognized the '69 alumnus who rushed over to greet me. "Steve Davis, I'm so glad you're here!"

Partner in a highly successful immigration law firm, 50 years of aging hadn't made its usual impact on Paul Gresk. The former all-state player garnered a football scholarship to Indiana University when Coach Carol Purichia told IU's John Pont: "You can't go wrong with Paul. He's the toughest guy on the team."

But the intensity of my former football and wrestling teammate's keen interest to see me again took me by surprise. "Paul...uh, yes...hey, good to see you, too."

"You know, every day I thank God for your father. I start my day out by thanking God for the people who have helped me in this life and Pete Davis is one of them. Your dad was a very special person," Paul told me.

I struggled to make sense of this. My dad, a Godsend to Paul? I couldn't hide the look of disbelief on my face. For the first 30 years of my life, my father had been a verbally abusive drunk. How had he made a positive impact on Paul's life? (12 years before passing, my dad checked into a rehab center run by

Catholic nuns in Batesville, Indiana. After getting detoxed, he was a completely different person and nothing like the man who had been addicted to alcohol those many years before).

Paul continued and told me about his dad, Clarence, who was involved in a head-on car accident with a truck and the truck won. After 33 surgeries on his hip and knee, he still needed a cane to walk. To deal with his chronic pain, Clarence became addicted to pain pills and alcohol and had difficulty holding down a job. Often living hand-to-mouth, it was not unusual for the four Gresk children and their mother to go to bed hungry. Recognizing this dire need, my dad gave Clarence a position in his accounting firm. But even more amazing: during Paul's Sophomore and Junior years, and for the fall of his Senior year, the Gresks lived for free in my dad's rental house. Nine years before landing in my dad's rental house, they got evicted every year for not paying the rent and then were forced to move to a different house. My father had stepped in to help break this pattern.

Though our gym lockers were next to each other, I had been blind to what Paul was going through. The shame of his family's predicament kept him from letting me know he was living in the house I was born in. My dad's amazing act of kindness eliminated Paul's need to work to help support his family. Free to concentrate on sports, it allowed him to get that full scholarship to Indiana University. No wonder he thanked God every day for Pete!

Paul's revelation about my father was so moving, I was speechless. Later that night at the hotel, I was compelled to tell the good news to my two older sisters, who had also been harmed by our father's bizarre behavior. Both were very thankful to receive this different image of our dad.

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PAUL GRESK.

The next day, while walking along the Monon trail before heading home, an epiphany arrived. After I graduated from Miami of Ohio in 1974, I had found the post-collegiate demands of life so distracting that I never looked back. The pages of time turned quickly and before I knew it: career, marriage, kids, and grandkids were upon me, and the past was left behind. But those years I'd spent maturing from teenager into a young man were some of the best years of my life and had impacted the future course of my life in many positive ways.

I wondered how my fraternity brothers were doing.

I found my first fraternity brother on LinkedIn, and he suggested I organize a reunion. After many hours of people search, our reunion took place in the fall of 2021 at Miami in Oxford, Ohio. The weekend was an enormous success. Many testified to the dramatic effect of their reconnect.

One reported: "I've gotten back in touch with many old friends I haven't seen in years. Wish I could see them all, but ever so grateful to connect with the ones I can."

Another said: "It's amazing how many have taken this as a life lesson to do a better job of staying in touch. I find myself reaching out to a lot more people to see how they are doing."

Next up was to use my newly acquired sleuthing skills to find "lost" Bishop Chatard 1970 alumni for our 50th reunion, some located in distant parts of the U.S. This reunion also experienced a big turnout. Several days of fun events were spent connecting with former Bishop Chatard classmates and gatherings were held at the homes of former classmates.

The story's not over. Over the years, wonderful experiences and important goals were met. But regrets about leaving childhood and collegiate friends behind when I exited that part of my life remained. As this reunion journey gained traction, I realized how much they'd been missed. To overlook the inherent value of their friendships was a mistake.

When he was only nine years old, Bill Weghorst was a little league hurling sensation. After making futile swats at curveballs that broke several feet, the umpire's "stee-rike threee!" was the last thing ballplayers heard before exiting the batter's box. A 1960 newspaper clipping detailing his pitching prowess of striking out an average of 15 batters every six innings was still in my possession. I wanted to give it to Bill. But even with my advanced detective expertise, I couldn't locate my boyhood battery mate and wondered if he was still alive.

The weekend of the class of 1970's 50th reunion, I had lunch with another ballplayer friend, Mike Loughery. Our first choice, Starbucks, was closed to inside service due to COVID concerns. For an alternative, he suggested Broccoli Bill's restaurant in Carmel.

Shortly into our conversation, Mike asked, "You know who owns this place, don't you?" 15 minutes later, Bill Weghorst

walked over to our table. I could hardly believe it! Over 60 years had passed since I'd cradled his curveball in my catcher's mitt, and I'd given up hope we'd ever meet again. As I drove away from our unexpected reunion, Bill yelled out: "Steve Davis, you've made my year!"



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The next year, a mini reunion was held in Noblesville at classmate Debbie Breiner Wofford's place. I arranged for the five members of Bishop Chatard's three-time state champion cheerleading squad to see each other in person for the first time since high school. This wasn't easy, as Kathleen Lillis hailed from Washington, Donna Stokes Henry from Michigan, Judy Pratt lived in Lebanon, Indiana, and Paula Keckley Kirkpatrick was local. Kathryn Getz Howard joined from Arizona via Facetime.

That night, athletically gifted alumni separated by some significant miles, were brought up to date on the many years they'd been apart.

As a young man, I was into football, wrestling, basketball, and baseball. Some like it hot, as do I, and even cumbersome catching gear couldn't dampen my love for my favorite sport, baseball. Summer leagues followed school spring play to extend the season and our American Legion team was an Indy northside cream of the crop. Players from Bishop

Chatard, Cathedral, Ritter, Brebeuf, and Broad Ripple put aside their parochial competitive instincts to work together as a team during the summer. Bishop Chatard's ball diamond was our home field.

During the fall of 2022, I organized a dinner with players from '69 and '70 American Legion summer teams. Some of the guys hadn't seen each other in 52 years. Our lives had taken different paths from those many days gone by, but the basic character of the men hadn't changed.

A few weeks later, a business trip took me to San Francisco. I took the liberty of booking some personal time in California's wine country to have dinner in Napa with three first cousins I hadn't seen in over 62 years. Between bites, I learned some interesting new stories about the grandparents on my mother's side.

Paul's simple yet poignant act in the fall of 2019 to reveal my father's hidden gem of kindness turned into a "pay-it-forward" moment, 50 years delayed. It set off a domino effect, multi-year tour to connect with high school and college classmates, baseball teammates, and out-of-touch relatives. An existing full circle of friends expanded exponentially to include relationships from the first two decades of my youth.

During our conversations, buried memories resurrected and a flash of insight was revealed. "The 3Ls – Learn from the Past, Live in the Present, Look to the Future." became a visual presentation of the three dimensions of time. It's natural and healthy to spend the bulk of our time in the present. However, making peace with the past to tie up loose ends allows for living life to the fullest. And of course, it's always wise to spend time planning for the future.

A final thought: as much as you think you know someone – even if you have spent years with them – you may not know all there is to know about that person. "Quick to judge, slow to forgive" seems to be the natural inclination.

But Paul Gresk's revelation about my father showed how a flawed person is capable of an amazing act of kindness and generosity (and who knows how many other silent acts of charity my dad may have done?). Imagine how much our society would benefit by putting into action the very opposite of human nature by a reversal into "slow to judge and quick to forgive."

For some, that would be their amazing act of kindness.



BISHOP CHATARD HELD ITS 2024 NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION CEREMONY ON FEBRUARY 12, 2024. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING NEW INDUCTEES:

Lucy Acklin, Beckett Adler, Elaine Anderson, Samuel Bardach, Edward Benson, Neve Bielefeld, Carlotta Bolchini, Greta Borowski, Gregory Brown, Elizabeth Burchard, Samuel Bustamante, Harrison Campbell, Anna Caskey, Elisabeth Christenberry, Morgan Collins, Elizabeth Conder, Vivianne Corns, Lorenzo DeVettori, Anna Dixon, Jackson Donnelly, Julia Dunn, Kaylee Durnil, Hackeem Escarment, Anne Felts, Katherine Figura, Abigail Fix, Harrison Forestal, Eileen Forsee, Lucy Frasier, Gracen Gann, Ella Gries, Lily Gries, Gavin Guffey, Matthew Haas, James Haines, Mariana Hankee, Camdyn Hardaway, Camryn Hart, Karsyn Heim, Jaice Hoosier, Declan Hostettler, Rachael Hudson, Kaitlin Huehls, Cassandra Hunt, Nolan Jahn, Michael Jones, Maeve Kalesperis, Zoey Kidwell, Blake Konger, Courtney Kramer, Andrew Kroner, Emma Kroner, Keaton Kuehr, Reiley Kumler, Lucia Lake, Grace Lloyd, Lola Lomax, Matthew Marrano, Nicholas Marrano, Gregory Mates, Annie McAllister, Michael McGinley, Margaret McGowan, Margaret McNamar, Emily Meckauskas, Lauren Millard, Emilie Minch, Luke Monahan, Andrew Moriarty, Aidan Mungovan, Nathan O'Brien, Thomas O'Gara, Matthew Olivares, Alexander Paz, Alyssa Polackin, Alexandra Pozsgai, Landry Priser, Grayson Ratterman, John Reynolds, Riley Riggs, Catherine Roberson, Ashlie Rohan, Hanna Ross, Addison Sandifur, Zachary Smith, Reese Sochacki, Leonelle Stickel, Joshua Sweeney, Emma Townsend, Abigail Treida, Madison Turner, Renae Waugh, Mary Elizabeth Wirts, and Phalen Wynne.



YOUR GIFTS STRENGTHEN OUR STUDENTS' LIVES

MARGARET RUFFING

*Executive Director of
Development*

Every gift to Bishop Chatard has an incredible impact on our students.

Rolling back the curtain just a little, I'll share just a sneak peek into the lives of our students who, because of your generosity, have the opportunity to serve, and lead, and express their faith.

These are simple things that might seem inconsequential as they are not impressive results of a financial gift, per se, but they are the result of our students being exposed to opportunities due to the generosity of so many of you.

During the last few weeks of the semester, I had the privilege to witness several different groups of students joyfully involved in projects, here are just a few:

- decorating one of the school buses to be used for the BC Christmas Lights Tour
- sharing their musical talents for little children at Christmas on Crittenden
- creating a short video to help promote Chatard-A-Bration
- learning how to make a craft to teach others who needed some support
- wrapping collection boxes for the Season of Giving project that helps young mothers
- distributing student body collections of canned goods and diapers across the city



For our students, I don't believe these activities were about an opportunity to lead or serve – they didn't realize they were. But when their hearts grew a few sizes bigger, for the sheer joy of giving, the impact was evident! Moments such as these for our students may just be the memories they recall years from now, being grateful for having so many opportunities in the short four years they are students at Bishop Chatard High School.

Each time you make a financial gift to Bishop Chatard, you strengthen every student's experience. We often speak about the tangible ones, the number of students helped with tuition assistance, but so often it is the intangible gifts, the ones deeply received even unknowingly, that are the gifts of a lifetime. Thank you for helping make a difference in those four years for our amazing students. We are grateful for your partnership in building a stronger school and community for all.



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GOLF OUTING



PLAYING 'A ROUND' IN SUPPORT OF BCHS

Bishop Chatard held its annual golf outing on September 18, 2023, at Highland Country Club. 34 foursomes helped BCHS raise over \$77,400 in this event supporting the Harv Sutton Fund for Tuition Assistance.

Congratulations to the winners of this year's event. The women's winning team included Megan Andress '03, Julia Kaercher '05, Allison Roe '00 and Molly Andress Rago '05. The men's winning team, with a 13 under, was John Hurtz, Samuel Guymon '13, Pete Mungoven and Ed Stonner.

Thank you to all who joined us, along with the businesses, organizations and individuals who showed their support for our archdiocesan North deanery high school by sponsoring the event. A special thanks to our committee members for their tremendous efforts: Bill Hurrle, Joe Ford '69, Mike Dury '03, Will Hurrle '04, Rob Van Vliet, Kiernan Keating '89, and Tyler Brazill '12.

We hope to see you on the course for Bishop Chatard's 2024 golf outing! Watch the BCHS website for details. **#TrojansforLife!**



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Katie '20
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Anna '22, Rose '24 and
Michael '25
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MATT HILTON '04

*Director of Faith
Formation*

SERVICE TRIPS GIVE STUDENTS REAL-WORLD OPPORTUNITIES TO ENGAGE

When the ministry team at BCHS decided to reevaluate the way we asked students to engage in Christian service in the spring and summer of 2023, I was excited about the possibilities that could stem from such a reimagining. But with change always comes apprehension.

Would students be able to adapt to new expectations and policies without putting undue burden on them? Would we be able to come up with enough high-quality opportunities for students to engage in serving others? Would faculty and staff be willing to mentor students in how to engage in meaningful service?

As with all things, we placed our trust in the Lord, and we were not disappointed. Christian service has come to life in exciting and unexpected ways over the course of the past semester.

Since August, nearly 300 students have taken advantage of school-sponsored service trips. Moreover, student enthusiasm for these trips has been staggering. It has not been uncommon for sign-ups for our weekly trips to fill up in a matter of hours, sometimes minutes. And as inspiring as it has been to see students excited about service, what has been even more heartening has been seeing the ways students have engaged with the people they have served. I have seen students move, in the space of a short afternoon, from fear of encountering people living in difficult circumstances to actively engaging in conversation and finding kinship with people to whom they otherwise might not have ever spoken.

All of this would have been impossible without the tremendous gift of time offered by our teachers, administrators, and staff.

Before the school year began, we asked the adults in the building to support the Christian service experiences of our students by volunteering to lead our weekly service trips. The engagement with these projects on the part of adults in the school has been overwhelming.



Nearly twenty different staff members have taken students on service outings this year. Many staff members even chose a course or organization that was meaningful to them personally. This allowed students to see their teachers in a new light. The witness provided by teachers on these trips has helped students to see, in a concrete way, what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ.

As we begin a new semester, I am grateful for the many opportunities ahead to continue to grow in the love of Christ together. Enlivened by the Gospel and nourished by the Eucharist, may we continue to serve the Lord and one another!

BCHS STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN RITE OF WELCOMING

At an all-school Mass in January, sophomore Cailey Reardon experienced a Rite of Welcoming surrounded by her Bishop Chatard classmates. Cailey is completing the process of becoming Catholic at Christ the King.

The Rite of Welcoming, Assistant Director of Campus Ministry Brian Farrell explained, is one of the early steps of becoming Catholic for someone who is already baptized in another Christian church. Since Cailey was baptized in another church, her process will culminate in a formal acceptance into the Catholic Church and her Confirmation and reception of the Eucharist, her first Communion.

What took place at the school Mass was the formal beginning of that process as she made her public profession of her desire to become Catholic, and that desire was received and blessed by Christ the King Pastor Fr. Rob Hankee.

"We did it at the all-school Mass for two big reasons, Mr. Farrell said. "It shows Cailey that the BCHS community is behind her in this journey. Second, it forces the rest of us present to consider why we're Catholic as we watch someone make the conscious decision to become what many of us have been longer than we can remember."

Mr. Farrell said that going forward, he, Cailey, her theology teachers – especially her sponsor, Miss Elizabeth Bath – and Christ the King will work together to make sure Cailey understands the faith and has a solid grasp on exactly what it means to become Catholic. As the song says, we are all "companions on the journey." Joining Cailey in this process of becoming Catholic is junior, JD Haines who received a similar rite at a Christ the King Sunday Mass. Please keep JD and Cailey in prayer as they continue their journey toward joining the Church!

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Sophomore Cailey Reardon, accompanied by her sponsor Ms. Elizabeth Bath, makes her public profession of her desire to become Catholic during the Rite of Welcoming at a BCHS all-school Mass.



CONGRATULATIONS SPANISH NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY STUDENTS

Congratulations to the following Bishop Chatard students who were inducted on Dec. 13, 2023, into the Spanish National Honor Society! The newest SNHS members include Elaine Anderson, Elisabeth Christenberry, Kaylee Durnil, Anne Felts, Gracen Gann, Rosa Grande-Tiro, Gavin Guffey, James Haines, Mariana Hankee, Karsyn Heim, Maeve Kalesperis, Andrew Kroner, Emma Kroner, Emily Meckauskas, Thomas O'Gara, Matthew Olivares, Alexander Paz, Alison Rodriguez-Diaz, Zachary Smith, Leonelle Stickel, Emma Townsend, Madison Turner and Mary Wirts.



RORATE CAELI MASS PROVIDES ADVENT DEVOTION

J.T. FUNK

*Vice President of
Institutional Advancement*

On December 14, 2023, in the heart of the Advent season and at our last all-school Mass of the first semester, we held a Rorate Caeli Mass. This Mass is traditionally celebrated just before dawn during Advent as a devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The Mass takes its Latin title, Rorate Caeli, from the book of Isaiah 45:8, "Let justice descend, you heavens, like dew from above, like gentle rain let the clouds drop it down. Let the earth open and salvation bud forth; let righteousness spring up with them! I, the Lord, have created this." The prior verse references the light and darkness where the Mass takes its cue to be lit only by candles.

The candlelit Mass represents Mary's role in bringing the Light of the World into the darkness. The Mass being by candlelight offers an interesting and important interplay of light and darkness as we anticipate the birth of Jesus. As the Mass concludes, the church is typically welcomed by the early morning light.

Being a high school and scheduling permitting, our campus ministry department was able to achieve the same effect with an abundance of candles and the adjustment of light settings in our varsity gym. While not a traditional church, our varsity gym serves as our "family room," and plays a vital role in our basketball and volleyball matches, wrestling meets, and all-school and community events.

While our all-school Masses are held in our varsity gym, this Mass felt different. The darkness with only a candlelit altar set the stage for a reverent celebration. Our students (all approximately 730 of them) were silent. They typically are very reverent during Mass, but it was clear they knew this Mass was different.

Toward the end of Mass, the traditional Christmas hymn "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" was sung by the choir. At one point during the song, the students, faculty, and staff began to quietly sing. The moment was breathtaking.



While we are all individually unique, when we celebrate Mass or when we are in the gym for other activities, we come together as one. This was not just a poignant moment in the Mass, but also in the school year, as our school community, shrouded in the dark of the gym, prayed and sang as "one." United not just in our faith, but in our belief that Bishop Chatard is a special place.

At the end of Mass, Director of Campus Ministry Brian Ferrell asked us all to take a moment to sit silently and pray. Again, our student body was silent. So silent you could hear a pin drop! It was another reminder that our school community is special. It was also a nice reminder to take time to slow down.

It is easy during the hustle and bustle of the holidays to get wrapped up in things that need to be done – gift giving, parties and get-togethers to attend, and work and other family responsibilities to check off. However, it's important to take a moment to remind ourselves of what we're here to do, and how we're here to serve as Mary did.

Our school has shown that this year by taking advantage of Christian Service opportunities, our successful canned food drive, and our student ambassadors continuing to step up and help at events. Taking a moment in reflective prayer and sitting in silence is important too. During our Rorate Caeli Mass, our school community took that moment and sat in silence and sang as one.

And as the candlelit gym became flooded with light, we were yet again reminded that while we all have a lot on our plates, we're all in this together in a special community we call home.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NORTH DEANERY SPELL BOWL 2024 WINNERS!

The annual North Deanery Spell Bowl was held at Bishop Chatard High School on Wednesday, Jan. 31, as part of the Catholic Schools Week celebration. The competition, as always, was close and competitive, with all spellers doing an admirable job!

Congratulations to the 2024 North Deanery Spell Bowl Champs, Saint Joan of Arc Catholic School; Runner-Up, St. Luke Catholic School; and the 3rd Place Team, St. Pius X Catholic School.



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UNDERSTANDING AN ECLIPSE 101

BY: KELLY LUCAS

On April 8, 2024, central Indiana will be thrust into darkness. Well, that may be a bit dramatic. But experts say that the total eclipse of the sun which we will experience this spring will result in the sky taking on the appearance of dusk or dawn, allowing Hoosiers to see and experience things in the middle of the afternoon that are typically reserved for late night hours. For many, it is a once in a lifetime experience.

Bishop Chatard's Bob "Swoop" McLain is one of the fortunate few to experience this phenomenon more than once. If the sky is relatively clear, he said, Hoosiers can expect to experience something magical.

"Normally, you can't look at the sun because of the radiation, but for those three or four minutes when the moon completely covers the sun, then you can see the corona, the outer atmosphere of the sun," the former WRTV meteorologist explained. "It is sort of blazing out from the edges, and it really is spectacular!"

A solar eclipse occurs when the moon passes between the sun and earth. When it only blocks part of the sun's light, a partial eclipse occurs. When it lines up in such a way that it blocks all the sun's light, a total eclipse is the result.

The moon casts a shadow on a narrow part of the earth, and that shadow trail is what is referred to as the path of totality. In the path of totality, the moon covers 100 percent of the sun.

For the 2024 eclipse, the path of totality will be about 115 miles wide.

According to Mr. McLain, the sky will begin to change color as the moon's shadow approaches from the southwest, racing toward us between 1,900 and 2,000 miles per hour. "That's even faster than some of our kids drive," he chuckled.



*Bishop Chatard students viewed the 2017 partial solar eclipse in Indiana.
The school will have an eLearning day on April 8, 2024.*

The April 8 eclipse will begin at 1:45 p.m. and end at 4:30 p.m. According to eclipse2024.in.gov, an Indiana Dept. of Homeland Security website devoted to eclipse safety, special eclipse glasses should be worn to view the eclipse during this time to avoid the risk of permanent eye damage.

During the period of totality however, which is expected to occur shortly after 3 p.m. in the Indianapolis area, the eclipse can be viewed without eclipse glasses.

"Totality will last three minutes and forty-five

seconds – that is when the moon will totally cover up the sun and it is safe to look at where the sun would be, because you are looking at the moon, really," Mr. McLain said.

"It is safe because that radiation is blocked by the moon, but only during that three minutes and forty-five seconds. As soon as that sliver of sun begins to reappear you have to put on your safety glasses because that radiation will start streaming in."

There are several extraordinary things that occur in nature during an eclipse, Mr. McLain explained. As the sky darkens, stars and planets may become visible. As typically happens in the evening, the temperature will drop and winds, if they are occurring, will lessen in velocity.

Animals are impacted as well. Birds think it is time to go to bed and they roost, he said. The insects that normally do their thing at night start to chirp. Because we experience something akin to a mini night, he said, it kind of fools the animals into thinking it is almost time to go to bed.

Understanding an eclipse has to do with understanding perspective, Mr. McLain said.

"People often say, 'but the sun is so much bigger than the



Former WRTV-6 meteorologist Bob "Swoop" McLain predicts a Trojan Storm at a pep rally covered by his former station. The event was prior to the 2017 partial solar eclipse, and Mr. McLain talked to students about the safe way to view an eclipse at that time.



YOUNG TROJANS CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS AT BCHS

Whether they are visiting with Santa and Mrs. Claus at our annual Christmas on Crittenden celebration or scurrying around to collect eggs at the BCHS Easter Egg Hunt, our youngest Trojans always enjoy visiting the BCHS campus!

Thank you to the many Trojan families that joined us in December to kick off the holiday season at Christmas on Crittenden! Visits with Santa and Mrs. Claus, Christmas crafts, and getting to pet a real reindeer were highlights of the night!

Mark your calendar for the morning of Saturday, March 30, to join us for the Bishop Chatard Easter Egg Hunt! More information and the opportunity to RSVP will be available soon at <https://alumni.BishopChatard.org/events/>.

moon, how can something so much smaller block the sun? Well, it has to do with perspective."

"You can look off in the distance and see a giant tree, but you can take your hand and cover that tree. Well, the tree is obviously much bigger than your hand so how can you do that? It is because of the difference in distance between the two objects, and the same thing happens in the heavens, so to speak."

While the sun is about 400 times larger in diameter than the moon, the moon is about 400 times closer to the earth than the sun. As a result, the sun and moon appear to be about the same size in our sky.

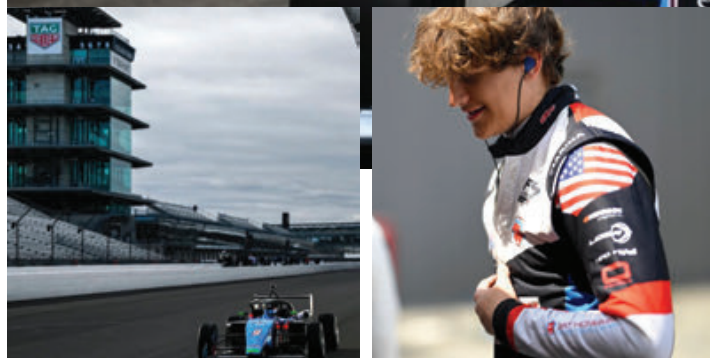
Of course, while the darkening impact of the eclipse will be experienced regardless of cloud cover, a good viewing of the eclipse will be contingent on having a clear day. Not even Bishop Chatard's own in-house meteorologist can help with that.

After the 2024 eclipse, North America will not experience another total solar eclipse until 2044. Portions of Indiana will not be in the path of totality for a total solar eclipse again until 2099.



FUELING A PASSION FOR THE CHECKERED FLAG

BY: OLIVIA SMITH



Bishop Chatard senior Tanner DeFabis has ambitious plans after graduation, but he has not been taking the conventional route. While other students his age were getting their drivers licenses, Tanner was going over 100 mph on a race track.

“I definitely want to continue racing. That’s my dream. And if I’m not driving, I at least want to be a part of it,” he said. Tanner is not your typical student-athlete – he is already on the road to IndyCar.

The Indianapolis Motor Speedway, home of the Indy 500, attracts racing enthusiasts from across the globe. Tanner was inspired to explore the world of racing after being exposed to it at a very young age. He began taking the sport seriously when he was 12 years old.

“I went to the Indy 500 for the first time in 2013, so I was 7,” Tanner said. “From there on out, I just fell in love with the sport.”

Formula 4, intended for junior drivers, was Tanner’s next step. Just like any other sport, practice makes perfect. New to pretty much everything when it came to racing, Tanner began

testing Formula 4 cars on different tracks around the United States in 2022. By 2023, Tanner was ready to tackle his first Formula 4 open-wheel racing series.

“My first race was in New Orleans, and I wasn’t always at the top. I was kind of at the back, or mid pack,” he said. “So that was an eye opener, and I had to work a bit and set a goal for every weekend.”

Tanner’s hard work and perseverance have paid off. He will be competing in half of the 2024 USF2000 season, which is under the IndyCar Ladder System, marking a significant step forward.

The upcoming season will take Tanner to NOLA Motorsport Park, Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Lucas Oil Raceway and Streets of Toronto. In November 2023, Tanner had the opportunity to test a USF2000 car at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. “That was kind of surreal because I’ve always had a dream to drive there,” he explained.

It’s no secret that student-athletes face a variety of challenges when managing their academic and athletic commitments. “Pretty much all my teachers have been fairly understanding, and I really appreciate that,” he said. “I’m out of school quite a lot because of this, and I’m usually catching up on work.”

Thankfully, Tanner found a supportive community at Bishop



Chatard that has enabled him to succeed in both academics and racing.

Tanner was given the opportunity to enroll in Bishop Chatard's Principles of Engineering course, where he learned how to apply engineering concepts to racing. "That was a class that gave me the physics behind some of it," he explained. "I was able to do some research, and then present it to the class which was helpful."

Although Tanner has explored colleges and prioritizes his academics, it is evident that his true passion is spending time behind the wheel. For him, racing is not just a sport, but a thrilling experience every single drive.

"The closest example I can give of what it feels like is constantly being on a roller coaster that you can control," Tanner described.

Tanner's high school experience has been far from ordinary. But his journey is a testament that Bishop Chatard students are provided the opportunity to strive for their aspirations, despite the challenges.

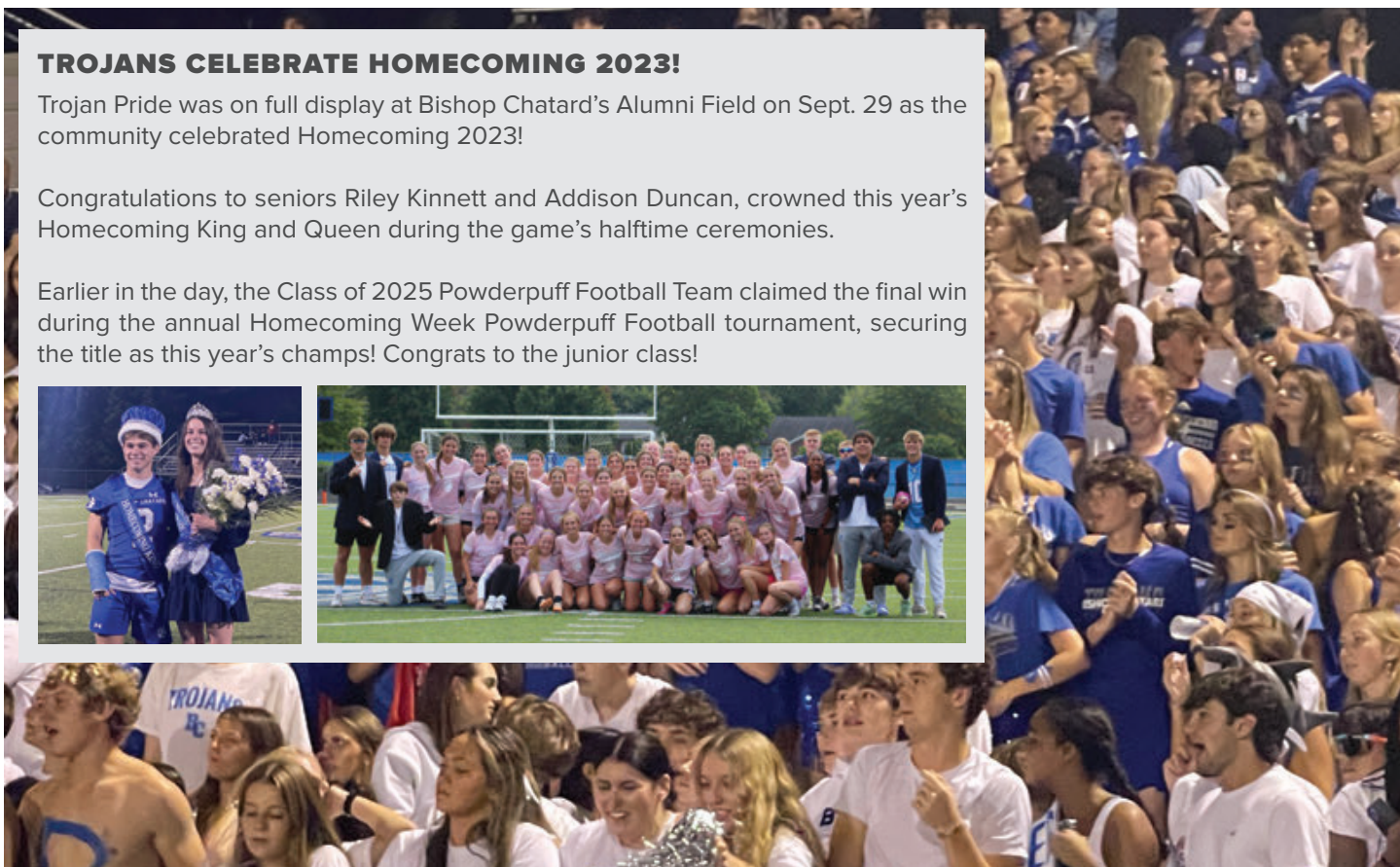
"I have some advice. We live in Indiana, so racing is pretty much everywhere. If someone wants to get into racing, whether you're a driver or someone who just wants to be a part of a team, always reach out for help. Especially here at Chatard," Tanner concluded.

TROJANS CELEBRATE HOMECOMING 2023!

Trojan Pride was on full display at Bishop Chatard's Alumni Field on Sept. 29 as the community celebrated Homecoming 2023!

Congratulations to seniors Riley Kinnett and Addison Duncan, crowned this year's Homecoming King and Queen during the game's halftime ceremonies.

Earlier in the day, the Class of 2025 Powderpuff Football Team claimed the final win during the annual Homecoming Week Powderpuff Football tournament, securing the title as this year's champs! Congrats to the junior class!



BISHOP CHATARD CONGRATULATES THESE OUTSTANDING STUDENT ATHLETES WHO HAVE BEEN HONORED FOR ACADEMIC AND ATHLETIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS DURING THE 2023-2024 FALL SPORT SEASON.

ACADEMIC ALL STATE RECOGNITIONS

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Joshua Ball (IATCCC)
Max Bourgeois (IATCCC)
Ian Kolbus (IATCCC)
J.D. Haines – Honorable Mention (IATCCC)

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Helen Cline (ICGSA)
Eva Dessauer – Honorable Mention (ICGSA)
Morgan Engleman (ICGSA & IATCCC)
Alex Teed – Honorable Mention (ICGSA)

FOOTBALL

Daniel Albright (IFCA)
Roman Barraza (IFCA)
Will Calvert (IFCA)
Harrison Campbell (IFCA)
Charlie Gilliam (IFCA)
Riley Kinnett (IFCA)
Luke Purichia (IFCA)
Jack Ross (IFCA)
Jack Steadham (IFCA)
Jack Weybright (IFCA)
Charlie Wright (IFCA)

BOYS SOCCER

Jake Anderson (ISCA)
Gavin Marsh (ISCA)
Lorenzo DeVettori (ISCA)
Reiley Kumler (ISCA)
Matthew Marrano (ISCA)
Nicholas Marrano (ISCA)
Marcus Monachino (ISCA)
Cash Moore (ISCA)
Tommy O'Gara (ISCA)
Matthew Olivares (ISCA)
Alex Paz (ISCA)
John Reynolds (ISCA)

GIRLS SOCCER

Andie Adams (ICGSA & ISCA)
Addison Duncan (ISCA)
Adeline Miller (ISCA)
Mary Mason (ISCA)
Mary Kate Ryan (ICGSA & ISCA)
Kate Sedlak (ISCA)
Morgan Collins (ISCA)
Anna Dixon (ISCA)
Lily Gries (ISCA)
Karsyn Heim (ISCA)
Lauren Millard (ISCA)
Kate Sedlak (ISCA)

BOYS TENNIS

Charlie Park (IHSTeCA)

TEAM ACADEMIC ALL STATE (IHSTeCA)

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Ellie Deck (ICGCA & IHSVCA)
Quinn Johnson (IHSVCA)
Amyra Lockett (IHSVCA)
Madi Lunsford (IHSVCA)
Jake Weber (IHSVCA), Support Staff

TEAM ACADEMIC ALL AMERICANS (AVCA) – pending

ATHLETIC RECOGNITIONS

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Max Bourgeois: Conference Champion, All Sectional, All Regional, State Finalist
J.D. Haines: All Conference, City Champion, All Sectional, All Regional, State Finalist
Eli Hummel: All City
Ian Kolbus: All Conference, All City, All Sectional

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Emmerson Bloede: All City
Ceci Jackson: All Conference, All City, All Sectional
Grace Leppert: All City, All Sectional, State Finalist
Julia Score: Conference, City, Sectional, & Regional Champion, All State, State 3rd Place

FOOTBALL

Harrison Campbell: All Conference, All City(Coaches)
Sam Feeney: All Conference, All City(Coaches), All State (IFCA), SUPERTEAM
Harrison Forestal: All Conference
Zach Garner: All Conference, All City(Coaches), All State (IFCA)
Colin Guy: All Conference, All City(Coaches), All State (IFCA)
Ryan Keating: All Conference, All City(Coaches)
Riley Kinnett: All Conference, All State (IFCA)
Luke Purichia: All Conference, All City(Coaches), All State (IFCA), SUPERTEAM
Matthew Woods: All Conference, All City(Coaches), All State (IFCA)

GIRLS GOLF

Clare Kirchgessner: All Conference, City Champion, All Sectional
Emily Wendt: All City

BOYS SOCCER

Lorenzo DeVettori: All Conference
Matthew Marrano: All City Tournament Team
Cash Moore: All Conference, All City Tournament Team, All City (Coaches)

GIRLS SOCCER

Olivia Berzai: All City Tournament Team, All City (MCCGSA)

Addison Duncan: All Conference, All City Tournament Team, All City (MCCGSA)

Lily Gries: All City Tournament Team, All City (MCCGSA)

Olivia Hill: All Conference, All City Tournament Team, All City (MCCGSA)

Kate Sedlak: All Conference, All City (MCCGSA)

BOYS TENNIS

Gavin Guffey: All Conference, All District (IHSTeCA)

Matthew Haas: All Conference

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Amyra Lockett: All City (MCCGSA), All City Tournament Team

Madi Lunsford: All City (MCCGSA)

OTHER TROJAN RECOGNITION

Coach Dan Kinghorn: MCCGSA City Girls Cross Country Coach of the Year



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2023 ALUMNI INDUCTED INTO THE TROJAN ATHLETIC WALL OF FAME! VIEW A FULL LIST OF INDUCTEES AT [HTTPS://BISHOPCHATARDATHLETICS.ORG/WALL-OF-FAME/](https://bishopchatardathletics.org/wall-of-fame/)

HONORING ORGANIZATIONS

AVCA-American Volleyball Coaches Association

IATCCC-Indiana Association of Track & Cross Country Coaches

IBCA-Indiana Basketball Coaches Association

IBVCA-Indiana Boys Volleyball Coaches Association

ICGSA-Indiana Coaches of Girls Sports Association

IFCA-Indiana Football Coaches Association

IHSBCA-Indiana High School Baseball Coaches Association

IHSB-Indiana High School Bowling

IHSGCA-Indiana High School Golf Coaches Association

IHSSCA-Indiana High School Swimming Coaches Association

IHSLA-Indiana High School Lacrosse Association (Boys)

IHSTeCA-Indiana High School Tennis Coaches Association

IHSVCA-Indiana High School Volleyball Coaches Association

IHSWCA-Indiana High School Wrestling Coaches Association

INGLA-Indiana Girls Lacrosse Association

ISCA-Indiana Soccer Coaches Association

ISHSHA-Indiana State High School Hockey Association

IWCA-Indiana Wrestling Coaches Association

NISCAA-National Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association of America

RI-Rugby Indiana

SCAI-Softball Coaches Association of Indiana

USCA-United Soccer Coaches of America

USL-USLacrosse (Girls)

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