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Celebrating 90 years of tradition.

**One season, two
state champions!**

Volleyball, football
teams win it all!

a message from the president

Dear Friend of Cathedral,

Greetings from “the Hill” and the adults and students who comprise the current edition of Cathedral High School. In September we celebrated the 90th birthday of this very remarkable school, and we will soon begin planning for a special celebration of our 100th year as one of the great Catholic institutions in this country.

The notion of “Cathedral ... Lifelong Connections” is not lost on anyone who has any meaningful relationship with this school. There is something that captures those who graduate from or teach here, who counsel or administer at this school. Our parents are drawn to this place in a way that is different from the way parents connect with most high schools.

Student after student returns to tell the same story... “Cathedral is part of me — a special place I will never forget.”

Jim McLinn, a class of 1970 grad and our executive vice president, and I recently had the honor of serving as Eucharistic ministers and pall bearers at the funeral mass of Brother Pedro Haering in South Bend. Brother Pedro, a Holy Cross brother, served as principal at Cathedral from 1975-79 and added the title of president from 1977-79.

Pedro loved Cathedral. Many came to his funeral Mass and many had ties to Cathedral. Although a number of these folks have not been on the 56th Street campus and have not had direct ties for years, they knew much about the many successes of our students and adults. They wanted to confirm that the school was still a place of success, high expectations, prayer and preparation of young people who are being equipped to lead the world they will inherit.

We are always proud of the special achievements of our students and their adult mentors. Our girls recently won the Class 4A state championship in volleyball. Our boys were just crowned 4A

state champs in football, and those “Life-long Connections” were demonstrated in special notes that football alums sent. The messages were posted in the locker room for the players to read during the semistate and state final game preparations.

One alum wrote, “I am a firefighter and I have a Cathedral sticker on my helmet. Everyday as I put my life on the line, I look at that sticker and remember that what I am today is because of Cathedral High School.” Another wrote, “Once you put on a Cathedral jersey, you keep it on for life. What many of us wouldn’t give to ... play one more game for Dear Old Cathedral.” And finally, “My family has had three generations play football for the Irish and we are so proud of you guys carrying on the tradition ...”

It is not just the diverse student body the dedicated faculty or the beauty of the campus; it’s the feeling that even the most casual visitors sense the moment they drive up the hill. Cathedral is what she has always been — a place with spirit, tradition and overwhelming excellence. This is what sets Cathedral apart.

We will need your financial support if we are to continue to accomplish the mission of the school.

The Cathedral Fund is the foundational component of philanthropy for Cathedral. Each year we ask all those connected with the school to invest in our young people. Some invest \$25 and some invest much more. We need, more than ever, EVERYONE who has been touched by this school to support the four cornerstones ... faculty, facilities, affordability and diversity.

We ask for your prayers ... and your financial support ... as we continue to pursue our vision and “profoundly shape the way our students, think, serve and lead.” ☕

Respectfully,



Stephen J. Helmich
President



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editor's note

My mother had a knack, like all do I suppose, for teaching us a million different things that at the time we as kids had no idea why they mattered.

There were the practical staples: Say please and thank you; separate your reds from your whites; hang slivers of bar soap on your bushes and trees to keep deer from munching them down to stubs.

And then of course, things that were perhaps impractical, but no less important: Pile everybody into the car at least once during Christmas to drive around town and look at everyone's house lights; let the birthday boy or girl pick what the family ate for supper, be it animal-shaped pancakes or burgers on the grill; and hot cocoa really isn't hot cocoa without little, tiny marshmallows floating on top.

But one of the things for which I'm most grateful is that she taught me to love to read.

Growing up I vividly recall that whenever she had a solitary moment — which was not often with four kids, one husband, a career as a surgical nurse and an assortment of stray animals that seemed to 'follow' yours truly home — you could find my mother with her nose in a book.

I was reminded of this recently while hunting for a gift for a colleague. I was in Barnes and Noble, running my hands along the perfectly-aligned shelves of books, and I came across one of the greatest: *The Polar Express*.

Yes, one might technically call it a children's book. The illustrations still amaze, and kids are at the heart of the story.

But here's why it's a book for all of us — **It's all about believing.**

How appropriate in this time when auto giants and other 'fail-safe' businesses are going bankrupt; when television, movies and other media seem to be celebrating debauchery and when our politicians have abandoned common-sense like drivers once dropped the homely, yet efficient Gremlin.

We can still believe there is much goodness left in the world.

I see it every time I walk these halls.

I see a teacher counseling a student who is going through dark times.

I see a coach clap his hand on a young man, and remind him — as only a coach can — that the boy must take care of business in the classroom, too.

I see alums who return for this or that function pointing out to their children where they took Glenn Mauger's chemistry or Jo Cavanaugh's theology classes. I see older alums at class luncheons still wearing the lettermen's sweaters and jackets they fought so hard to earn.

Cathedral is all about believing.

It's about believing that the education we offer kids — this now 90-year-old experiment — continues to work.

That we develop young people who leave these hallways and travel out into the world as faith-filled standard-bearers for doing things the right way.

That kids from all backgrounds and experiences can come together as one and carry on the tradition that began when Bishop Chartrand convinced a group of parents that Cathedral could be a school that would, ultimately, change the world.

So though the world around us may be tumultuous and confused, we can believe.

Because we — all of us as one together — we are Cathedral. ☘



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On the cover: Sebastian Oskins, son of Ken Oskins, '84, looks to Santa Claus (a.k.a. Tom Redmond, '45) for help with his Christmas list. With Santa is Ellie Steffen, daughter of Carrie (Weber) Steffen, '94. Highlights photo, Rich Miller.

Prayer: O God of all creation and new beginnings, be with us and bless us with your grace as we enter into this new year of 2009. We do not know what each new day will bring us, but we do know by faith and past experiences that You will be there to guide us, comfort and support us if we sincerely ask You to help us. Together, Jesus, we can make it through this loving gift of time.

— Sr. Dolores Jean Nellis

a message from the principal

Dear Cathedral Alums,

As I write to each of you, I am so aware of the strength and support you, Bishop Chartrand, the Brothers of Holy Cross, the Sisters of Providence and the generous and involved benefactors have offered our Cathedral family for the past 90 years. We exist today because of the grace of God and the loyalty of so many of you who were involved with or graduated from Cathedral High School.

The pace of today's world is a bit overwhelming. We are told that many facts our students learn as freshmen will be outdated by their junior year, that the top 10 jobs available in 2010 will be ones that did not exist in 2004, and that our students will have held from 10 to 14 jobs by the age of 38. These predictions are threatening to parents and to educators alike.

Cathedral's reality is that the world has experienced great change, but our students' educations have allowed them to rise to the challenge. As I think of young men who signed up for World War I and the trenches, or World War II and the magnitude of the world in war, or of Vietnam and two Iraqi wars with unforeseen difficulties, our youth have met the challenges and given bravely of their time and talents.

Your broad shoulders allow this to happen. We still speak openly of the Cathedral family and honor many traditions within our yearly calendar. Among our faculty and staff, 21 are alumni of Cathedral or of Ladywood. Much larger is the number of our faculty and staff who chose Cathedral for the education of their children. It is a great place to love, to learn, to develop positive traits, and to become a well-rounded individual.

We are well aware that the commitment and support our parents provide for Cathedral High School is far

above the financial burden they bear to educate their children here. Our parents work hand-in-hand with us to provide a broader world view for their teens so their development may be healthy and holistic.

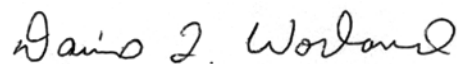
In a time when many high schools have dropped parent organizations because of lack of attendance, we have two strong programs that provide a place for parents to have input and to understand our goals as we work together to provide a strong, moral, compassionate and caring site as their children's learning environment. God bless our Cathedral parents of today and of yesterday, also.

We continue to work with young men and young women to help them become educated and moral contributors to a society undergoing a tremendous rate of change. They, like you, will adjust and adapt to the changes ahead. As an educator, I am very pleased to be able to be part of their mental, moral, physical and social development for these four very important years of their lives.

For you who provide our basis, I give thanks. For today's students and their families, I give thanks. For the love of our God for us, I give special thanks. For Our Lady's protection, I give thanks. 🙏

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"With Her Leading We Shall Not Tire"

Yours truly,



David L. Worland
Principal



"We exist today because of the grace of God and the loyalty of so many of you ..."

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The Big 9-0!



ABOVE: Cathedral dignitaries gather for the 90th birthday. From left are Joe Dezelan, '62, current board chairman; Brother Roy Smith, '61, board member; Mike McGinley, '60, past president; Julian Peebles, '64, past president; and Stephen Helmich, current president. LEFT: Alums and future alums gather to sing Happy Birthday to Cathedral. BELOW LEFT: President Stephen Helmich (left) and Joe Dezelan, chairman of the board, display the mayoral proclamation marking Sept. 13, 2008, as Cathedral Fighting Irish Day in the city of Indianapolis. BELOW: Freshman Sara Conway (left) and junior Margaret Kaster honor Cathedral's heritage by performing traditional Irish dance.

Highlights photos/Lisa Renze-Rhodes

Cathedral family
gathers to mark
90 years of faith
and a tradition
of excellence





Olympians at Cathedral

Tom Greer, Cathedral's vice principal for student affairs, kept good company recently when the Gymnastics Tour of Champions stopped in Indianapolis. With Greer are Beijing Olympic silver medalists Nastia Liukin (left) and our own Samantha Peszek, '11. Liukin spent the day at Cathedral (even asking for her own Irish gear!) to see what is so special about the place that Peszek proudly calls her high school home.

Just ducky! Err, umm...



Highlights photo/Susie Watson

Sophomore Marika Edwards and her mom, math teacher Patty Edwards, went all out for Halloween, dressing up like twin penguins. For \$1, students and staffers alike could wear a costume — the more than \$600 raised helps a National Honor Society project in Honduras.



Highlights photos/Lisa Renze-Rhodes

Mathletes challenged

Two teams from Cathedral participated in the Ploya Division at the annual math competition held this fall at Franklin College.

That contest is six mini-competitions requiring teamwork, creativity and problem-solving skills.

Those participating were (front row, from left) Elizabeth Maureth, Kyle Barker, Hana Chong and teacher Nancy Hartman. Plus (back row) John Macke, Samantha Stempky and Patrick Laskowski. Not pictured is Elizabeth Williams, the club's moderator.



POWER play

Love and hate.
Revenge and regret.
Comedy, tragedy and romance.

William Shakespeare's *The Tempest* offered that and more when brought to life this fall by the Cathedral theatre Department.

With almost other-worldly costumes and sets, the actors, narrators and dancers brought

the audience along on a fantastical exploration of everything from sibling rivalry to young love — from power and greed to forgiveness.

In some ways, the production begged theatergoers to answer: Do we define for ourselves what we need to be happy and content in this lifetime, or are those emotions at the fickle and fleeting mercy of others? 🧞

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MAIN: Junior Ryan Lintner as Ariel, a spirit who was freed by Prospero after being imprisoned by a witch. Ariel willingly serves his master, carrying out whatever deeds Prospero asks of him. **TOP:** Ferdinand, played by senior Ethan Helvering, is a prince who meets and falls in love with Prospero's daughter Miranda. **ABOVE:** Unlike Ariel, sophomore Collin Bates, as Caliban (from left), rebels against being in service to Prospero, plotting an unsuccessful attempt on Prospero's life and seeking help in the effort from Stephano, played by junior Kelly Hartman and Trinculo, played by junior Maggie Brennan. **LEFT:** Antonio, played by junior Liz Douglas, lives in constant jealousy of his older brother Prospero and, like Caliban, plots to kill him. **FAR LEFT:** Thomas Graham as Prospero.

Project brings insides out

Students in Cyndi Levin's human anatomy and physiology class spent time this semester studying parts of the body and used scraps donated by a butcher to better understand their studies.

Classmates Drew Stanich (left) and Nicole Starleaf said the project brought their reading materials to life.

"Talking about it in a diagram and looking at it are two different things," Stanich said.

"Completely different," Starleaf agreed. "Everything is very detailed in a diagram. This is cool. It's kind of gross, but it's cool."



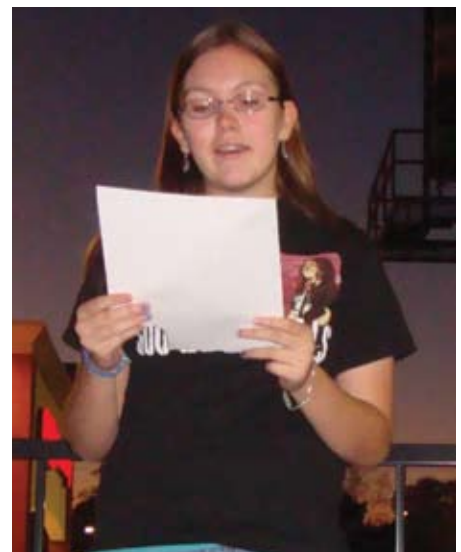
Highlights photo/Lisa Renze-Rhodes

Creative writing class takes its show on the road

What's a poetry reading without some coffee?

With a nod to the Beatniks who almost predate their parents, students in Buffy Craft's class invited family and friends to a reading of their works, at the Starbucks on 56th Street, near campus.

Dozens of students and their parents participated, including, Paige Neeley (left) and Katelyn Kempf (right). ☘



Highlights photos/Buffy Craft



Highlights photos submitted by Kathy McCullough

PRIDE IN CHICAGO: The band had an amazing travel weekend Sept. 19-20 when it traveled to West Lafayette to be one of the high school bands featured at Purdue University's annual Band Day. Several thousand high school musicians joined Purdue's Marching Band to entertain the crowd at halftime of a football game. The band got to see the game and how a college band prepares for and performs in a stadium with tens of thousands of people cheering it on. Cathedral has had many students as part of the Purdue band, and it's always exciting to see what life will be like for our student musicians when they leave Cathedral and join a college band program. After the game, the band checked into a hotel near Chicago, changed clothes and headed out to Navy Pier for a night time dinner cruise, complete with fireworks over the Chicago skyline! The band had its own deck on the boat, its own DJ and a GREAT buffet of food. The next day, everyone attended Mass together, and then relaxed with some free time at Navy Pier. Thanks to our wonderful chaperones – Gary Donovan, Barb Donovan, Rich Tirman, Debby Knox, Chris Thie, Donald Smith, Thomi Ash, Mary Schott, Bobbie Ritz, Joan Showalter, Karen Nellis, Jo Heath, Gwen Johnson, Kristi Stepppe, Karen Gelb, Jeanne Hidalgo, Doris Schwandt, Deb Wacker and Dana Cavoisie.

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RIGHT: From left are Louis Welebob, Erin Selsemeyer and Allison Vollmer.
BELOW: From left Jade Powers, Cailin Weber and Kelly Hartman.



Highlights photos/Andy Bowman

The Magic of *Aladdin*



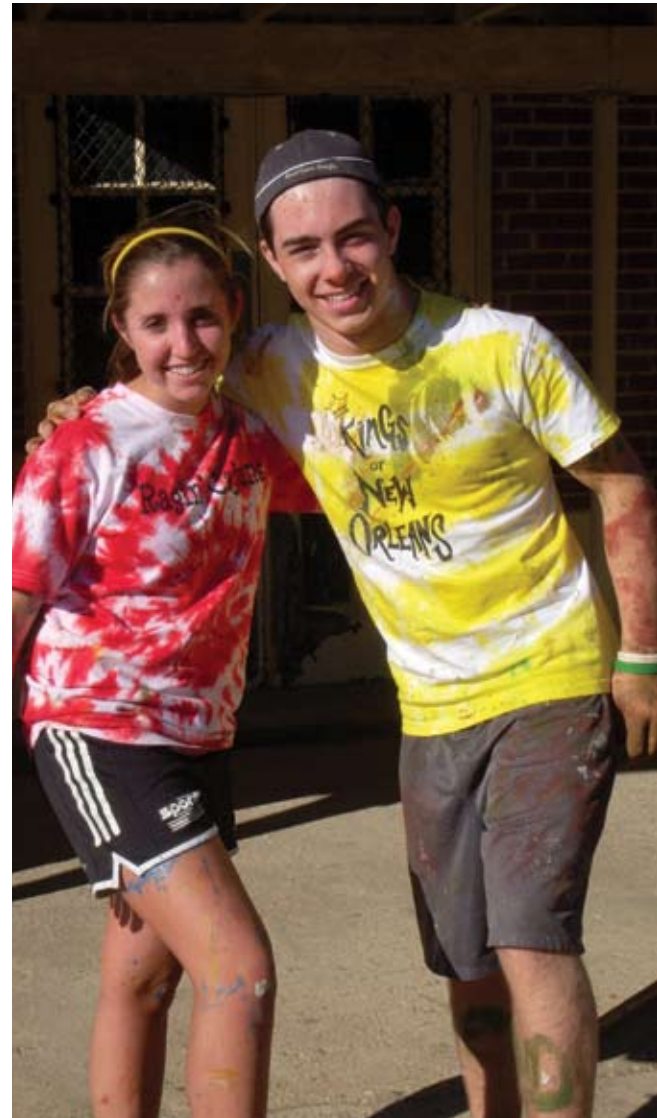
ABOVE: From left are Ryan Lintner and Michael Countryman.
RIGHT: Student director Kyle Barker.



ABOVE: Ryan Lintner (kneeling) and Josh VanderMissen.

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Highlights photos submitted by Cheri Halstead

ABOVE: Juniors Brittany Uman and Ryan Lintner threw themselves into their painting. **ABOVE LEFT:** Sophomore Jeremy Staley (left) and senior Will Reuter work on stripping peeling paint. **LEFT:** From left, seniors Natalie Rawlinson and Aaron Rogers, junior Erin Mooney and senior Sarah Bauer take time for a quick photo.



Fall break this year included a trip to New Orleans for 57 Irish and their 20 chaperones as they headed out to help restore St. Roch Park, which was used as a trailer village after Hurricane Katrina.

Located across the street from Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, the park had been a vital part of the neighborhood before the storm. Despite the removal of the trailers and the return of people living in the neighborhood, the park is still not restored, so the Irish set out to help revitalize that resource. ☘

By any other name...

RIGHT: One mole samples of various elements and compounds. **BOTTOM:** Student scientists (from left) are Marcos Puente, Zach VanderMissen, Theresa Schott and William Dimond get into the spirit of Mole Day.



The Society of Student Scientists gathered to celebrate Mole Day — an annual event held Oct. 23 from 6:02 a.m. to 6:02 p.m. commemorating Avogadro's Number (6.02×10^{23}), which is a basic measuring unit in chemistry.

Examples of different substances and how much of each exist in a mole were on display, and students brought in special treats just for the day, such as chips and guacaMOLE, and MOLEasses cookies.

Officially begun in 1991, the National Mole Day Foundation exists to get people, particularly young ones, interested in chemistry. 🍪



Counselors honored

The college admission counselors at Cathedral were recognized with the 2008 national ConnectEDU Award for Excellence in College Admission Counseling — one of only nine staffs in the country to receive the honor.

Shown with the award are (from left) Mike Jaskoski, director of guidance; Kathy Pivonka, college adviser; Jane Kelly, guidance department administrative assistant; and Lynn Miller, college adviser. Congratulations! 🍪



Highlights photos/Lisa Renze-Rhodes

BELOW: Members of Cathedral's step team entertained the crowd. Front row (from left) are Lauren Rascoe and Lars Rascoe. Second row are Ashley Moore, Jazmine Ryle, DeMani Arnold and Kanisha Perry. Back row are Briana Badgette, Sydni Carson and Allyson Franklin.

Festival celebrates Cathedral's tradition of diversity

Highlights photo/Ramona Powell



Highlights photos/Lisa Renze-Rhodes



ABOVE: The Gospel Choir warms up prior to the event. Pictured (clockwise, from bottom left) are director Napoleon Williams, Sydni Carson, Lucy Robie, William Harrington and William Ashe. **LEFT:** Guidance counselor Melba Salmon (right) talks with Alex Reinking, while Salmon's son Jesse checks out materials from one of the displays.

Highlights photos/Lisa Renze-Rhodes



Tea, anyone?

Liz Browning's Advanced Comp classes looked to their childhood bookshelves to find inspiration and examples for a discussion of literary themes and techniques — then Browning upped the ante and made the chat a proper tea, complete with cucumber finger sandwiches for students including (from left) Mallory Kaehr, Mariah Whitaker and Samantha Morgan. ☕



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Pride of the Irish



ABOVE: Junior guard members Liz Shiney and Lauren Rascoe practice tosses in the warm-up area. LEFT: Junior alto sax Chris Watkins.



ABOVE: Freshmen clarinets (front row, from left) Melanie Gardner, Ryan Snyder, Willie Dimond, Josie Barrett, and (back row) junior trumpet Lars Rascoe warmup before Regional competition. LEFT: (From left) are senior Jackie Devine tuba, freshman Myles O'Neal alto sax and freshman Nicholas George alto sax.

solid GOLD

The "Pride" earned a gold medal at the state (ISSMA) District Contest in October, earning the right to move to Regionals, where the group took home silver.

Soloists in the show, "Artistry in Rhythm," were junior baritone Zach Czachura, senior trumpet Will Reuter, junior trumpet Marc Kermen, senior alto saxophone Alec MacDonell, senior guard members Abby Hammond, Brynne Thompson and Ashly Heath, and twirler freshman Jasmine Whitaker.

Drum majors were Kyle Barker, Stuart Showalter and Kyle Torain, and the guard captain was Abby Hammond. Congratulations Pride! 🍀

Highlights photos/Rick Miller

Welcome to our HOUSE

Highlights photo/Lisa Renze-Rhodes



Highlights photos/Rolly Landeros



LEFT: Seniors from Jo Kissling's English Lit/Shakespeare class shared scenes from "A Midsummer Night's Dream" with some of the 550 families that came to this year's Open House. At left is Michael Kolodziej, as Thisby, and Jim Berlage as Bottom.



Highlights photos/Rolly Landeros



Highlights photo/Lisa Renze-Rhodes

ABOVE: Senior Francis Steger works on a project and answers questions for families interested in art programs. LEFT: Math teacher Nancy Hartman, (blue sweater) shares some insight about curricular options here at Cathedral with a prospective family.

6 degrees of success

By CATHEDRALNATION.COM

A little Irish pep talk did wonders for the Cathedral High School girls volleyball team.

And the talk came at just the right time.

As a result, the Irish — voted the top-ranked Class 4A team in the final regular-season Indiana Coaches of Girls Sports Association poll — more than backed up that ranking by winning this year's Class 4A state championship.

The title match, in a sense, was a familiar scene.

Earlier that day, Cathedral lost the opening game of a 24-26, 25-20, 25-20, 25-18 state semifinal victory over No. 4 Elkhart Memorial.

In the finals against No. 2-ranked Muncie Central, the Irish lost the first game, 21-25.

"I think our girls needed a little Irish pep talk between games one and two, which they received," coach Jean Kesterson said.

"That was the first time this season I had gotten on the kids. I saw some fear in some of them. I wanted the kids to be more afraid of me than (of having) fear on the court. I got the attention of enough kids that they responded.

"I wanted to let them know that they needed to play Cathedral volleyball."

And that they did. Big time.

Led by their senior twin towers, 6-5 Christiana Gray and 6-3 Mary Ording,



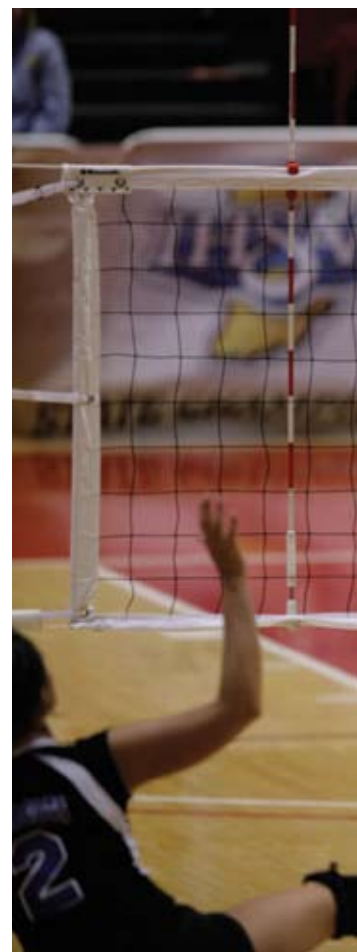
the Irish stormed back, defeating the Bearcats three in a row, 25-18, 25-17, 25-20.

It was the Irish's sixth state title, and the second in three seasons.

"Christiana and Mary dominated the middle," Kesterson said. "Neither Elkhart Memorial nor Muncie Central

could stop either one."

Gray, who will play college volleyball at Duke, had 22 kills and a .421 hitting percentage along with three block solos and three block assists. Ording, a Wisconsin recruit, added 14 kills and a .379 hitting percentage along with three block solos and four assists.



LEFT: Skylar Cuppy sets up Mary Ording for a point against Muncie in the 2008 state finals contest.

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Highlights photos/Rolly Landeros

The twin towers got able assistance from the other six seniors and junior Kathryn Treadway. Kaleigh Rougraff, who is going to Xavier, had eight kills and 15 digs. Libero Christina Barra contributed 11 digs.

Afterward, Gray (shown at right with her mom) received the Class 4A mental attitude award given by the IHSA. She was nominated by Cathedral Principal David Worland and Kesterson. The award goes to a player who has demonstrated excellence in mental attitude, scholarship, leadership and athletic ability.

Gray ranks 29th in a class of 336 with a 4.27 GPA on a 4.0 scale. She is a National Honor Society member and was chosen for the IHSA Role Model and Student Ambassador program. She speaks



to local grade schools about staying drug-and alcohol-free.

"Christiana is probably the most complete player I've had as far as athleticism, playing the game and academics," Kesterson said. "Her demeanor on the court



Highlights photo/Mike Jenneman

ABOVE: Coach Jean Kesterson, along with her father and colleague, John "Coach Mr. K" Kesterson, celebrate the end to another successful season. **LEFT:** Lauren Dedinsky, left, and Mary Ording block a point attempt by Muncie during the state finals match.

is not I, I, I, it's team, team, team. She's very humble, and that's nice to see in today's society.

"Receiving the mental attitude award is huge. That says you're not just the best athlete. She's involved in extracurricular activities. On the day after the state finals she went to train some little kids in volleyball at a Munciana clinic in Muncie. Come on, she's the whole package."

After the Irish won the state title in 2006, they stumbled in the 2007 regional, losing as the No. 1-ranked team to Avon. They vowed not to let that happen again.

"It would have been great to get it done then," Gray told The Indianapolis Star. "But it's great to be a senior and ... go out this way."

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Winning never gets old, Kesterson said.

"I'm thrilled by this victory," said the 19-year Cathedral coach. "Look at the kids' eyes. They left it all on the court. And I'm proud of that. If you want it bad enough, give it all you've got, and they did."

How does this team rank with her other 18 at Cathedral?

"Each kid is so different," she said. "Even the teams that didn't win state, they gave it all they had. As a coach that's what I'm looking for. It's not about winning blue rings (for state championships). I don't even wear the rings. It's about making the kids play the best volleyball they can play and becoming better human beings."

This is what Kesterson had to say about her other seniors:

- Ording. "Mary's best days are ahead of her. Wisconsin is going to train her, and she's going to be an incredible college athlete. Just the intensity she brings to

the court, and just her strong leadership on and off the court are positive attributes."

- Lauren Dedinsky. "She made first team all-state, mainly for her blocking, but she's also a setter. Since I've been at

"We've been in the state finals 11 of the last 13 years ... We have great kids."

— Coach
Jean Kesterson

Cathedral we've had a setter make first or second team all-state. She continued that tradition. Coaches from some other teams have said she might be the best blocker on



ABOVE: Brittany Lee (center, No. 3) sets up for a point attempt against Muncie Central. Also shown are Bridget Stark, No. 8, and Lauren Dedinsky, No. 1.

the team. She's going to Loyola of Chicago. Her grades and studies are more important than volleyball right now, but she could play volleyball at Loyola."

- Skylar Cuppy. "One of the things she has talked about recently was Miami of Ohio. She did a great job for us. Her leadership is the best thing she brings to the table. Skippy is her nickname. She's going to be one of these take-charge women."

- Brittany Lee. "There's not a kid I've had that works harder than Brittany. We had to throw her out of the gym. 'Coach, just a few more balls,' she'd say. She's not going to be denied. She's got a walk-on position at Purdue."

- Barra. "She had some trouble with her back (in the state finals). In fact, she had to ice her back when she came out of the lineup. She was having back spasms. I wouldn't be surprised if she had a scholarship to play back row in

college as a defensive specialist some place in the country. She's very good."

- Kaleigh Rougraff. "She's going to play at Xavier, mainly for defense. She was third on our team in kills and second in digs. She was a little kid who came out of nowhere. She was 4-11 when she came to Cathedral, and her mom kept saying she's going to get big. And I was like, 'Okay, she's playing left bench or right bench.' Now she can touch the ceiling at home, like her grandfather inspired her to do."

- Bridget Stark. "That's a kid I think turned around the game (at the state tourney). She got hardly any playing time during the season, played a little more than half the games. Her job was to help train Christine Maci. Christine was overwhelmed I think being a sophomore playing in the state finals. So I got Bridget in. Bridget settled down the team and brought some smiles and had



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ABOVE: The 2008 Class 4A state volleyball champions. Front row from left: Brittany Lee, Bridget Stark, Christiana Gray, Mary Ording, Christina Barra, Kaleigh Rougraff, Lauren Dedinsky and Skylar Cuppy. Row two: Coach John Kesterson, statistician Catie Stephens, statistician Kelsey Kreutzinger, Zoe Turi, Emily Pollom, Christine Maci, Erin Bucherl, Kayla Masterson, Kathryn Treadway, Emily Preston and Olivia Johnson. Row three: Coach Jean Kesterson, Assistant Principal Tom Greer, Athletic Director Terry L. Fox, Coach Rhonda Low, manager Kevin Owens, manager Kevin McClure, coach Brad Schrage and manager Lucas Behringer.

some kills. She just anchored that team. Her presence calmed everyone down. She had a huge role in the afternoon and at night. In fact, at the end of the last game, she was on the court.”

Cathedral will return four varsity players in 2009: juniors Treadway, Kayla Masterson and Erin Bucherl and Maci. Kesterson said she is undaunted.

“First of all, we’re supposed to have bragging rights until at least

the end of school,” she said. “But I’m sure people say, ‘We’re going to get you next year.’ Well, they’ve said that before. They said that in 2001 when we lost two All-Americans to Division I. I’ll be gosh darned if in ’01 we didn’t win state again with a bunch of sophomores, juniors and seniors that all played very good roles.

“We’ve been in the state finals 11 of the last 13 years. We’re doing something good, and we’ve won

six state championships. The hard part is putting the system in, but once you have it in, it kind of rolls.

“Every year is a little bit different, which I like — what needs to be fixed and where do we need to go? Right now we’re on an up-swing. We have great kids.” 🍀

Making Memories

Girls Golfers Cap Strong Year with State Finals Appearance

By CATHEDRALNATION.COM

The night before her final high school golf tournament, senior Alanna Berdanier received a phone call she won't soon forget.

On the other end of the line was a friend and former teammate, current Butler golfer Michelle Nash.

Nash's message? Good luck, of course, but something more: Pride — in what Berdanier and her teammates had accomplished during what many expected to be a transition season for the Cathedral girls golf program.

And that mattered, Berdanier said. Very much.

"It was definitely a cool feeling," Berdanier said. "She was a huge role model for me, and a really close friend of mine, so it was really nice of her to call me and wish me good luck.

"It was different, being in her shoes, but it was a great experience."

The next day, Berdanier represented Cathedral in the 36th annual



ABOVE: Sarah Renie, junior, helped the Lady Irish get to their second consecutive state finals appearance. She's likely to take on an even bigger role next year.

Indiana High School Athletic Association girls golf tournament.

The Irish, making their second consecutive State Finals appearance, missed the first-day cut after shooting a five-golfer 371 at the Legends of Indiana.

Freshman Molly Ward shot an 11-over 83 to lead the Irish, followed by Berdanier (90), junior Abby Lauck (91), senior Kaleah Wolf (97) and junior Sarah Renie (98).

"We're very pleased and very proud," Irish girls golf coach Joe Vollmer said. "The kids were a wonderful group to work with, and we asked that they work hard and get better. They did. I think we had a little luck getting out of the regional, but overall, it was very satisfying.

"I'm sure they were not completely satisfied with the score



Highlights photos/Doug McSchooler

ABOVE: Senior Alanna Berdanier uses a bit of body language to encourage a putt to fall during the state finals.

they shot in the state finals, but overall, they enjoyed the day. They thought it was pretty cool that they were there. They really did enjoy the experience. They weren't upset."

Berdanier said while the Irish weren't thrilled with their state finals performance, neither were they disappointed, and she said they accomplished that day what they had hoped to — proving Cathedral should be in the field.

The unranked Irish, who qualified as the last of three teams to advance from their sectional, did so by the slimmest of margins — one stroke over two teams — and entered the state finals as the lowest-seeded team.

The Irish's 371 finish placed them 18th, ahead of Plymouth, Evansville Memorial and Washington.

"We started out 21st, and we weren't expected to be there," Berdanier said. "Just moving up those spots that we did showed we really belonged there. We were the underdogs coming in, but we beat some of the teams ahead of us, so it showed we belonged. I was proud of us for moving up."

That the Irish even made the state finals surprised many observers. To a degree, Vollmer and Berdanier said it surprised the Irish, who this season won a third consecutive sectional title. Vollmer said before the regional, the Irish



ABOVE: Freshman Molly Ward talks strategy with head coach Joe Vollmer. Ward just missed qualifying for individual play in this year's tournament.

would need to play very well to advance to a second consecutive state tournament. Though they struggled at times that day, they rallied during the final holes, finishing third — ahead of Bishop Chatard and No. 12 Kokomo (both 361).

The top three teams in each regional qualified for the finals.

"We were definitely not expected to get out of regionals," Berdanier said. "We were expecting to go out, have a fun day and if we made it, great. If not, we were still really proud of ourselves. Then, when we made it, all of us were in so much shock that we didn't know what to do. We were astonished that we made it back."

As a result, what was expected to be a rebuilding year became a surprisingly successful one. Two of last year's seniors — Nash and Clare Cornelius — now play at Butler. Vollmer said Berdanier and Wolf assumed leadership roles and helped a young team

mature throughout the season.

From that team, Berdanier and Wolf graduate. Next year's team has the potential to continue to develop, Berdanier said. It will feature Ward, who narrowly missed qualifying as an individual for the second day of the state tournament, and a solid group of seniors and underclassmen.

"It definitely was looked at to be a transition year, kind of focusing more on the younger golfers, getting them ready for next year, or even the year after," Berdanier said. "For us to go out and still come together and play so well together, it just shows me that the program's only going to be stronger as it moves on."

"There are a lot of girls left on the team that I definitely see the possibility of making it back to state next year for them. It's definitely a growing program." 🏌️

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The 'Season of JOB'

Injuries, stiff competition shape year, but Lady Irish finish strong

By CATHEDRALNATION.COM

The longer the season lasted, the better they ran.

And if the 2008 girls cross country season didn't end quite as the Cathedral Irish had hoped, what happened at the end of the season was enough to leave coach Mark Doctor and the team with a positive feeling.

Late in the season, the Irish got better.

And in the postseason they did, too.

That was a major goal the Irish set entering what became a difficult — but, ultimately, a satisfying — season, and Doctor said that what they attained made the season's end a bit more bearable.

"Actually, just about everybody ran their fastest times in the regional meet," Doctor said. "Unfortunately, it wasn't quite enough to get everybody out, but they gave it the best effort they could."

"I can't be upset about that performance at all."

The Irish, who entered the postseason ranked No. 15 in the Indiana Association of Track and Cross Country Coaches poll, finished second in the City Meet and finished third in the sectional meet as a team to advance to the always-competitive Brebeuf Regional.

There, the Irish narrowly missed qualifying for the semistate meet, finishing sixth — three points behind Bishop Chatard — with senior Katy Achtien finishing fifth to qualify for the semistate.

Achtien went on to finish seventh at semistate to qualify for the state meet in November, where she finished ninth.



ABOVE: Senior Katy Achtien kicks past some competitors to finish ninth at this year's state cross country meet. It was the fourth consecutive season that Achtien qualified for the state event.

The postseason effort came after a season in which the Irish overcame injuries and adversity, but like Doctor, Achtien said the finish made it memorable.

"At the beginning of the season, I wasn't sure how we were going to turn out," said Achtien, who qualified for the state meet for a fourth consecutive season. "Girls kept on getting injured, but by the end, everybody was hitting their best times, so it was good."

"It was sad we didn't get past regionals, but it was because our field was so competitive. If we were in any other regional, we would have made it out definitely, but our regional is definitely the toughest in the state."

At the regional meet, Achtien led the Irish with a time of 18:35.28, followed by junior Katie Cleary

(19:31.93) at 21st, with junior Paige Mason (19:52.96) finishing 34th, junior Molly Lawless (19:53.24) finishing 35th and senior Kelly Shew (20:11.93) finishing 43rd.

Senior Rachel Nicksin (21:25.90) finished 63rd and Lauren Buchanan (21:48.47) finished 65th.

The Irish had advanced to the regionals by finishing third in the Brebeuf Sectional with 66 points — behind North Central (40) and Chatard (49).

How close were the Irish to advancing?

“Someone added up the team times,” Doctor said. “We had the 10th-fastest team time at regionals in the entire state. We probably could have won all but three of the regionals.

“We know and we talk about it (the level of competition at the Brebeuf Regional) all year. We know we have to have our best day at regionals and semistate, and even if we do have our best day, it may not be enough — they have nothing to be ashamed of.

“They did fantastic. Sometimes it just works out that way.”

How close? Consider:

Each point at a cross country meet is one individual placement, so had two Irish runners passed two more runners they would have finished fifth.

“In reality, we were probably much further (along) coming down the last 100 yards or so,” Doctor said. “Katie Cleary passed 10 people at the end to get as close as we were.”

But in a very real sense, that last stretch served as a metaphor for the Irish season, a season that



Highlights photo/David Dixon

ABOVE: Junior Molly Lawless races to the finish line at the White River Cross Country meet. At regionals, Lawless finished less than a second behind teammate Paige Mason.

wasn't always easy. Several runners sustained injuries early in the season, and Doctor said he called it the Irish's Season of Job because of all the trials the program faced.

But during the last two seasons, Doctor said the Irish had struggled at the end of the season and the postseason. He said that led to the team setting a goal this past summer — to peak toward the end of the season.

And the Irish did just that.

“I think if we'd made it out of regionals, we definitely would have made it out of semistate (to the state meet),” Doctor said. “Some of the teams were blowing up at the semistate, and some of those teams ranked ahead of us all year, we probably could have beaten. But that's the way it goes.”

But Doctor said that isn't what he will remember, and it shouldn't be what the runners should remember from this season, either.

“They did an outstanding

job,” he said. “They did what they needed to all year. I had figured we would need to pretty much peak for semistate, then hold it over for state. Unfortunately, we were close for the regionals but not quite there yet.

“It was just incredible competition this year. A couple of years ago (in 2006), when we didn't make it out of semistate, that was a day when people just didn't run well. We were kind of sitting back, scratching our heads going, ‘What did we do wrong? How can we fix this?’ This time, we did everything we could. This year, it wasn't meant to be.

“It seemed like every week we had a lot of people who ran real well and we just kept making progress. In the past, it's been a lot rockier.

“In the end, everything came together and we ran real well. I think that will be the overriding image of the whole season.” 🐾

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Marching Orders

Hopes high from this year's leaders to next.

By CATHEDRALNATION.COM

Soon after a loss in the semistate girls soccer championship game, Anna Parsons looked quickly to the future.

The senior center backer spoke to the team's juniors and told them something she said they really knew already:

- That the goal next season already is set.
- And that they are very capable of achieving that goal.

"I don't think I had to say much for them to know what I want them to do," Parsons said "I told them, 'Don't let this happen again.' "

The "this" Parsons referred to was a 2-0 loss to No. 1-ranked Noblesville in the semi-state championship. The loss ended the Irish season two games short of the state championship game, where the Irish season ended the year before when they won the first state title in program history.

A repeat was the goal this season, but coach Marc Behringer said while the team was disappointed, the Irish continue to establish the program as one of the state's elite.

"Last year and this year, the teams have set a standard for this program that is at the highest level," Behringer said. "We won a state championship and this year, at the end of the season we were playing as well if not better than any team in the state.



ABOVE: Senior Anna Parsons, left, and sophomore Sophie Spenia share a laugh.

ABOVE RIGHT: Senior Rachael Koester works to try to get points for the Irish.

"Going forward, that's quite a bar to strive for, to try to achieve."

The Irish (15-6-2), after entering the season ranked No. 1 in the Indiana Soccer Coaches Association poll, entered the post-season ranked No. 8. In the playoffs, Behringer said the Irish embraced the moment and played above their ranking.

The Irish had negotiated a tough regular season schedule, with 11 games against teams that ended the season ranked in the Top 20. In all, 14 of the Irish's 23 games were against teams that finished the season ranked in the Top 20.

"We didn't play too many teams that weren't ranked," Parsons said.

But by season's end, Behringer said the Irish were seasoned and prepared, and after winning three games en route to a City Title, the Irish won three more games in the first round of the postseason to win a third consecutive sectional title.

They then beat North Central, 2-1 — avenging a loss early in the season — to win a second consecutive regional title, and went on to beat 17th-ranked Brownsburg on penalty kicks to advance to the semistate title game.

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"The senior class did a really fine job of making sure this team was together, that the chemistry was right at the end of the season," Behringer said. "We play a schedule that, if it's not the most difficult in the state, it's right there at the top. You find out about yourself, but there's always that chance you lose too many, then you start spiraling down. Dropping a few matches and

learning about yourself can be very important.

"We were kind of right on the verge. The players really sucked it

up and decided they were going to keep fighting, and in the end, the effort was starting to get matched by confidence and chemistry.

"We could very easily have been playing the final weekend."

The 2-0 loss hurt, both Behringer and Parsons said, primarily because for the first 40 minutes Behringer said the Irish outplayed the Millers.

"Unfortunately, we didn't win the match. We were really, really disappointed, but it was a good kind of disappointment," he said.

Said Parsons, "I really don't think we could have played any better than we did. We were at the peak of our season. The best team doesn't always win."

Behringer said the future of the program remains solid. A strong group of juniors will re-

turn, including Mariah Whitaker, expected to be one of the area's top players, and sophomore forward Sophie Spenia.

Freshman attacker Alex Meador will return, as will sophomore midfielder Allison Scarlott, junior midfielder Anna Ventimiglia and junior backers Jennifer Collins and Katie Wacker.

"We bring back a good nucleus of players who next year are going to have another chance to play at that same level," Behringer said. "It's a real credit to the girls. They've just risen to a level of enjoying the competition and striving for the competition — not just striving to play and not just striving to win, but really enjoying competing. This group really enjoyed the challenge, and that bodes well for us." 🍀



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ABOVE: This year's sectional champion team. Front row from left: Erica Maginn, Lisa Edwards, Rachael Koester, Anna Parsons, Kelly Fitzgerald, Taylor Marshall and Kathleen Theisen. Second row from left are: Sophie Spenia, Katie Wacker, Alex Meador, Jennifer Collins, Kate Wingham, Allison Scarlott, Anna Ventimiglia, Mariah Whitaker, Kyra Riggins, managers Mary Welch and Kasey Morgan. Back row from left are Cara FitzGerald, manager Emily Criss, Allie Hicks, Michelle Yeager, Kati Hall, Jasmine Whitaker, Kathryn Lueking, Heather Haughs, Megan Short, Katie Jones, Allison Amato, Imani Robinson, Morgan Toby and Meredith Shoenfeld.



LEFT: Irish runners start off strong out of the gate at the White River meet. Front row from left are senior Cy Bennett (52) and juniors Hale O'Herren (74) and JR Ricker (79). Back row, (partially hidden) are freshman Jack Kelly and senior Jack Gibbons.

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**Returning harriers
could make 2009
key season for Irish**

BY CATHEDRALNATION.COM

the reality for the Cathedral High School boys cross country team is this:

The season that just passed was a successful one. The Irish made strides toward their goals.

And next season could be a key season in the development of the program.

"Progressively, we're getting better," said head coach Jim Nohl. "We're right on the edge of breaking through."

The Irish, after an eighth-place regional finish in 2007, again finished eighth this season in the Brebeuf Regional, with junior JR Ricker finishing 14th to qualify individually for the Franklin Central semistate.

Ricker, who finished 29th at the semistate and missed qualifying for the state meet, led the Irish at the regional with a time of 16:00.7, with junior Hale O'Herren (16:32.4) finishing 26th, freshman Jack Kelly (16:43.4) finishing 37th, senior Jack Gibbons (17:10.7) finishing 53rd and senior Peter Wasky (17:26.5) finishing 57th. Senior Collier O'Connor (17:31.9) finished 60th and senior Cy Bennett (17:48.8) finished 63rd.

Irish qualify for national competition



Highlights photo submitted by Brenda Kelly

ABOVE: The Cathedral Varsity Competitive Cheerleaders placed 1st at the Hoosier Challenge held at the Indianapolis Convention Center in November qualifying for UCA Nationals held in Florida during February. Front row from left to right: Elizabeth Maurath, Melissa Speckman, Mary Dowd, Meg Stutts, Lauren Batalis, Molly Pitz, Lauren Berghoff, Jacky Painter. Back row from left to right: Kristen Fischer, Sarah Dapper, Heather Graham, Allyson Darragh, Megan Edwards, Tarasae Stancil and Ridley Morgan.

The boys had advanced with a third-place finish in the Brebeuf Sectional, finishing with 79 points – behind North Central (37) and Lawrence North (77). Ricker (16:05.15) and O’Herren (16:05.86) finished second and third, respectively, for Cathedral, with Kelly (16:52.53) finishing 16th, Wasky (17:28.73) finishing 27th and O’Connor (17:37.40) finishing 31st. Gibbons (17:41.62) finished 35th, and Walker Walls (18:08.82) finished 44th.

That wasn’t the finish Nohl said the Irish envisioned, particularly after a regular season in which the Irish had their best meet record in several seasons and Ricker and O’Herren emerged as two of the area’s top young runners.

“I don’t think they quite get the credit they deserve,” Nohl said. “They’re only juniors, so if during track season they run really good times, it sets them up to where a bunch of coaches are going to be knocking on their doors asking them to come to

their schools.

“They’re starting to get letters here and there, but if they can get just a little bit better, that’s where they’re going to start getting a lot more people interested.”

But Nohl said injuries hurt the Irish as a team at times this season, as did competing in what is perennially considered one of the toughest sectionals and regionals in the state.

“Our regional, with all the Hamilton County schools coming in, gets to be extremely difficult,” he said. “A lot of the teams, their regionals are hardly anything. We have to be running at our best almost every meet during the tournament. They can coast, and it’s almost like an easy workout. Mentally, to get through each round, you have to be a little sharper.

“Mentally, that hurt us.”

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SOLID SEASON

Boys soccer finish as sectional, city runners-up

By CATHEDRALNATION.COM

After entering the season as defending sectional champs, and in a rebuilding mode after the loss of a strong, veteran senior class, the Irish played solidly throughout the season, spending much of the season ranked in the state before losing in the sectional final.

“We played hard, and we did as well as we could have,” said Matt Schoenfeld, a senior center/midfielder and a two-year starter.

The Irish — ranked as high as No. 13 in the Indiana Soccer Coaches Association poll in late September — finished the season as the city and sectional runners-up, ending the season 9-6-2.

“Of course it could have been worse, but we worked on things,” said head coach Paul Schroeder. “I was pleased that the guys stayed with it and worked hard.

“If you look at the final record, it was a decent year.”

For the Irish, who have been ranked in the Top 20 for the last eight years, the final few weeks

summed up the season.

They played well in spots, tying No. 8 Carmel, 2-2, then had chances to win the city and sectional tournaments before narrow losses cost them the titles.

In the city tournament, the Irish advanced to the title game with a 3-1 victory over Cardinal Ritter in the semifinal, with Adam Hicks scoring the game-winning goal. The Irish then lost the title game 2-1 on penalty kicks, with junior Joe Meyer scoring the tying goal for the Irish with about 15 minutes remaining in regulation.

In the sectional at Heritage Christian, the Irish beat Lawrence North, 6-0, in the first round, then lost in the final, 3-2, to Lawrence Central.

Senior Nathan Shruba scored three goals and assisted on a fourth against Lawrence North, while the defense allowed no shots on goal.

Against Lawrence Central, the Irish fell behind 3-0, and Shruba left the game with a concussion — all before halftime. The Irish rallied, scoring in the first two

minutes of the second half, then senior Juan Pagan scored with three minutes remaining to put the Irish within reach.

Lawrence Central kept the ball away from its goal thereafter.

“I had always held out hope we’d win one of the big games, whatever that was — city, sectional,” Schroeder said. “We really did have a chance for both of those, so that’s disappointing. But when it came down to it, it was about what was expected. We just weren’t able to turn the corner, and we weren’t able to be consistent enough.”

Schoenfeld, who missed eight games with an injury, said the Irish’s tie with Carmel in the regular season finale was another game in which they played well much of the game with almost the desired result.

“I feel like there are definitely a lot of good, young players,” Schoenfeld said. “They should be better next year than they were this year. Mostly, they learned that hard work can pay off.”

Shruba led the Irish in scoring





Highlights photos submitted by Paul Schroeder

Junior fullback Chris Yost keeps the ball moving away from his opponents during an early season game.

this season with nine goals and two assists, and Meyers had nine goals and seven assists. Sophomore Kelley Ford led the team in assists with eight.

Schroeder said the Irish's season, in one sense, wasn't surprising. The team lost nine senior starters from last season, and throughout the careers of this year's senior class, the numbers of soccer players in the program were down from the usual level.

"As we move on, this year's

freshmen and sophomores have better numbers. That looks good that those players will develop like we're used to," Schroeder said.

Despite needing to rebuild, Schroeder said he'll remember a team that — despite difficult circumstances at times — never quit, and one that played with effort throughout.

"They did what we asked them to do," Schroeder said.

"We had to move people around in different positions. All season, we played guys in different positions. They were willing to do whatever was asked of them, and they continued to work hard. They were able to win and lose with dignity.

"Sure, they're disappointed and wanted to win, but ... we always ... tried to do the best we could, and tried to work on things as we went throughout the season. I'm definitely pleased with that." 🐾



Junior fullback Joe Meyer works to steal control of the play with help from senior Matt Schoenfeld (10, back to camera).

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Nohl said O'Herren and Ricker likely will lead the Irish next season, and could form the area's top 1-2 combination. They could be joined at the core of the team by Kelly, who emerged as a consistently fast runner this season, and sophomore Will Bond, who was injured much of this past season.

"He (Bond) can run with the No. 3 runner (Kelly), so we'll have four," Nohl said. "We bring back a lot of talent."

He said the Irish next season should be strong enough to be successful through most of the regular season, but he also said the team must focus during that time to ensure postseason success.

"Once you run enough races, it's more the mental makeup of your team," Nohl said. "It's a matter of looking long term, from the beginning to the end, and talking more specifically about where they need to be at different times.

"Then, we have to be ready for the tournament to make sure we're more mentally ready for what's to come. Once you get to a certain level, conditioning is 10 percent of it and mental is 90 percent of it."

And the presence of two runners such as O'Herren and Ricker, who are not only quality runners but seniors should help in that area — and help the Irish continue making strides toward their goals.

"It's a matter of mentally being ready to take the leap of faith and be there," Nohl said. "We're still moving up. We're right there, ready to push through." 🐾

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Tradition Continues

Irish Secure Seventh State Championship

By CATHEDRALNATION.COM

Cathedral's rich high school football tradition lives on. And now, it lives in Lucas Oil Stadium.

It seemed poetic justice the program's 635th victory — the most by any school in Indiana — would come with the point total of a perfect 10 in honor of injured senior wide receiver Barry Flynn.

He turned cheerleader be-

earning the Irish a seventh state championship.

Allen Richardson, with the numbers 1 and 0 inscribed on the back of his white shin guards, blocked Emerson Ueber's 41-yard field-goal try with 3:16 to play, and Cathedral's Kevin Foley recovered.

The Irish went three-and-out and Scottie Miller, whose 32-yard field goal on Cathedral's first possession was the difference in the game, punted to the Dwenger 22 where Remound Wright made a fair catch.

On 4th-and-13, Richardson batted down Trevor Yerrick's long pass with 59 seconds remaining, and Cathedral (12-2) was home free in Peyton's Place. It was Dwenger's first loss in 15 games. The Irish also defeated previously unbeaten Whiteland in the regional and Columbus East in the semistate.

"Last year, we lost in the semistate," Richardson said. "We promised ourselves it wouldn't happen again. To go out my senior year on top means a lot to me. This one was for No. 10, our senior receiver Barry Flynn. He broke his ankle in the regional game, so we all said we're playing for Barry. We played team defense. We played team offense. We played Irish football.

"Irish football is everybody on

the same page, everybody doing their responsibility."

Cathedral became an official state champion for the first time in 1986 in the Hoosier Dome under then-head coach Mike McGinley.

Coach Rick Streiff won his first of five state championships in 1992 then in 1996, '98 and '99.

Jim O'Hara earned the Irish a sixth state title in 2006 in the RCA Dome.

Winning state championships never gets old, said Streiff, still wet from a soaking by his jubilant team during a photo session following the game.

"When you get kids that play hard and come to practice and work like they have all season, it's fun," he said. "After the first title, you're excited, because it's a goal when you become a coach. And after that it becomes the kids. I'm just excited for them.

"It was a team effort. We had people from all different aspects of our game play well. Scottie Miller did a great job of kicking the football. He had a field goal. He punched the ball down deep a couple of times that were big.

"Our defense was outstanding, too. We had two interceptions (one each by twins Ryan and Kevin Foley). The one at the start of the second half (by Kevin Foley) was big, because it got us some points."

fore, during and after Cathedral defeated yet a third undefeated opponent in the state playoffs, hanging on with inspired play in the final minutes of a 10-7 victory over Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger,



Highlights photo/David Dixon

RIGHT: Junior Nick Najem scores the Irish's only touchdown, which was in the third quarter of the state championship game against Fort Wayne Dwenger.
LEFT: Head coach Rick Streiff gets a soak courtesy of his players.



Highlights photo/Rolly Landeros

Kevin Foley returned his interception five yards to the Dwenger 28. Nick Najem, who carried 23 times for 89 yards, ran four straight times, moving the ball to the Saints' 14-yard line.

Quarterback Kofi Hughes then picked up four yards to make it fourth-and-two on the 10. Cathedral lined up in a double tight set with three backs. Dwenger went to a six-man front and Cathedral was able to pick it up.

Offensive coordinator Mic Roessler made the call, for Najem to go straight ahead behind a big and quick offensive line that gave the junior taiback just enough room to wiggle through to the end zone with the clock reading 8:04.

"Nick Najem is a great running back," Flynn said. "He never goes down after the first hit. He keeps his feet moving. He broke tackles and spun into the end

zone. He's a big part of our team."

With 47 seconds left in the first half, Robby Kimes scored on a 14-yard pass from Yerrick to give Dwenger a 7-3 lead at intermission. The Saints had the better of it in statistics overall: first downs, 14-9; third-down conversions, 5 of 13 to 2 of 8; yards passing, 95 to 25; and time of possession, 25:08 to 22:52.

But the Irish won the gritty battles. They outrushed the Saints, 120 to 114 yards; they were 1-for-1 in field goals and the Saints were 0-for-2 (Ueber missed from 30 yards); four Irish players had more tackles than any Saints player — Jake Zupancic 13 (7 unassisted, 6 assisted), Kakpindi Jamiru 11 (all unassisted), Kyle Kennedy 10 (8-2) and Ollie Ware 9 (7-2).

Jamiru had the game's only sack and five tackles for losses.

As he walked out of Lucas Oil

Stadium to take his final bus ride with the Irish football team, Flynn, wearing his blue-ribbon medal over his No. 10 jersey as a second-time state champion, stopped to summarize his feelings.

"This is one of the best days of my life," he said. "I can't believe it. We worked so hard and finally we were able to get it done, put it all together and win a state championship.

"A lot of people were wearing No. 10. I think it was a little bit of an inspiration to them. Every time my teammates came off the field, I told them how great a job they were doing. I was just encouraging them to keep it moving so we could get the job done.

"I was fortunate enough to get one of these medals as a sophomore. But I've been waiting so long for this one as a senior. It feels so good." 🏈



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A season to build on

Irish Boys Tennis Wins City Title, Finishes as Sectional Runners-Up

By CATHEDRALNATION.COM

The season ended in stunning fashion, and a few weeks too soon.

But as head coach Mark Noe saw it, while the Cathedral boys tennis team's season may not have ended as the Irish had hoped, it was very much a success.

They won a prestigious early season tournament.

They won a city championship.

And they re-established themselves as one of the top programs in the area.

The Irish (16-2), after finishing the season ranked No. 4 in the Indiana High School Tennis Coaches Association poll, lost in the final round of the Section 43 final, losing, 3-2, to No. 2-ranked North Central.

The Irish started the season 14-0, and their only losses of the season came to North Central and No. 1 Carmel.

"It's one of the best teams I've ever had that hasn't won a sectional, for sure," Noe said.

The Irish entered the post-season strong after strong regular seasons throughout a young, talented roster. Sophomore Alex Toliver went 15-6 at No. 1 singles, a record compiled against some of the state's top players. Freshman Will Adams, Cathedral's No. 2 player, went 24-0, and the No. 1 doubles team of sophomore Mark Troiano and junior Travis Mandrell didn't lose until the final match of the season.

Garrett Mandrell, a freshman and the Irish's No. 3 player, won the city and the No. 2 doubles team had lost just three matches entering the postseason.

Against North Central, Toliver lost at No. 1 singles to the player many consider the state's top



ABOVE: Sophomore Alex Toliver went 15-6 at No. 1 singles play. Toliver faced some of the toughest competition around during this season's play. He's expected to be a strong leader for the Irish again next year.

player – sophomore Nick Chappell of North Central – and Adams and Mandrell won at No. 2 and 3 singles, respectively.

David Moss and Jami Clark of North Central beat Troiano and Mandrell at No. 1 doubles, 6-1, 6-3, which left the match to be decided at No. 2 doubles.

There, senior Kevin Moeller and freshman Luke Lohrstorfer took the lead by winning the first set, 7-5, then took a 2-1 lead in the second set before losing to Reid Garlock and Dan Delgado, 5-7, 6-4, 6-3.

"We knew No. 2 would be tough," Noe said. "We were surprised No. 1 doubles got beat so handily and so quickly.

"I certainly was very confident going in (to the sectional finale). I thought it was ours to win."

But Noe said the loss in the sectional final did little to dim the Irish's hope for the future. The lone senior among the Irish's top seven players was Moeller, and the only player among the top seven who will be a senior next season is Travis Mandrell.

Toliver and Adams made the All-District 3 team of the IHSTCA and the doubles team of Mandrell and Troiano also made All-District.

That's a strong base for the future, and Noe said it's something else:



ABOVE: Garrett Mandrell, a freshman and the Irish's No. 3 player, won the City and the No. 2 doubles team had lost just three matches entering the postseason.

It's a base that's driven to succeed.

"It's going to be great to see what we have next year," Noe said. "The guys are not very happy with what happened. The top six guys are coming back and are already on the court, playing. Life goes on and it (tennis) is a small segment of your life, but you take it very seriously. They don't like losing. Everyone accepted the fact that you can't blame your partner and you can't blame your team. You have to blame yourself if you lose. We take the blame.

"You have to perform on the court."

Noe said the end-of-season results likely will cause him to tweak the Irish's approach next season. Whereas this season the Irish typically played matches during post practices, he said he likely will change that next season.

"We did some drilling, but

I wanted them to play," Noe said. "And it worked. We were 16-2 and 14-0 before lost to Carmel. It wasn't too shabby, but what I noticed in the long run was Carmel and North Central had a little more bite and little more grit.

"It looked like we were just not match ready."

Already, Noe said the Irish are taking steps toward next season. The top six players are on the court playing, are in offseason clinics, and five of the six

were entered in tournaments in mid-October.

That's commitment, and Noe.

"The nice thing about it is the kids are the one who are the proof," Noe said. "They're buying into the system that anyone who has a great team, you know you have to prepare in the offseason. You can't just prepare, but PRE-PARE – do the right things. That's what's happening. We have a lot of guys ... gnawing at the bit already.

"I've already talked to the guys that you have to get it together and you have to reestablish yourself if you want to make a difference. There are no guarantees from anyone. We just tell them nicely, 'Get on the stick and we'll be watching.'

"It's hard to sit back, because now we're so anxious to get it on again. It was a great season, but not quite where we wanted to be. It's a new adventure next year." 🐾

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Swimmers and divers organize gear drive

The Cathedral swimming and diving teams were reconized recently for donating 223 pounds of used athletic equipment last spring to the "Geared for Health" program, designed to help local groups fight childhood obesity.

Athletes from the team represented the Irish at the IHSAA state-wide Leadership Conference at Carmel High School. These athletes were Brooke Daley, Olivia Daley, Emily Lewis, Dale Pedzinski, Eddie Steinmetz and Nick Wildeman.

Team members placed collection bins donated by WISH TV and the Indianapolis Water Co. at their churches and at Cathedral.

"We worked very hard to get these collections, and ... people are still contacting us," said coach Paula Meyer. "This was a great post season project for the team and rewarding to give children an opportunity to participate in sports."

Meyer said work has begun for next year's equipment drive. 🐾

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Recalling old friends fondly

Dinner honors Leighton's work

This year, the Trustees and Emerald Isle Dinners were combined into one event, bringing more within the Cathedral family together at one time to celebrate her good fortune and friends.

Especially remembered this year was Rich Leighton, '63, who had been a member of the board of trustees for 20 years. Leighton died last October, but his widow, Anne, and the couple's three children were on hand for a special tribute from longtime friend, Jim Williams, Cathedral's chief financial officer.

Williams (right) said Leighton worked tirelessly for the good of Cathedral, spending countless hours to help ensure the future of the school.

As part of the tribute, a special bench has been named in Leighton's honor and was placed in front of the Cunningham Fine Arts Building. 🍷



Friends from two classes of 1970 gathered at this year's Trustees and Emerald Isle Dinner. From left are John Flynn, Steve Schaefer, Cathy Dezelan Horn, SAA '70, Pat O'Connor, Anne Fisher Campbell, SAA '70, John Short and Jim McLinn.

Sweethearts Ball



Members of Cathedral classes from the 1940s through 1970s came together in the 14th & Meridian Street gym to share laughs and remember old times. ABOVE: Friends from the Class of 1954 pause for a photo, with alumni director Ken Barlow (center). LEFT: A couple takes time out from dancing for a keepsake photo.

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The co-chairs, organizers and volunteers of this year's Tradition Golf Tournament would like to thank these fine sponsors who helped to ensure this year's event was the most successful on record. **Thank You!**



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Remembering their roots

Alumnae and teachers of the Indianapolis-area academies came together in November for an all-school Mass and brunch designed to celebrate their rich histories.

Schools included were St. Mary's Academy, St. John

Academy, St. Agnes Academy, Ladywood School, Ladywood St. Agnes and Our Lady of Grace Academy.

Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Michael O'Mara at St. Mary's Parish, and brunch followed at the Rathskeller. ☘



\$45,000 — and counting!

This fall, 30 students gathered gifts and pledges totaling \$47,518.65 for the Cathedral Fund. That fund is the most substantial piece of annual fundraising at Cathedral and supports the four “cornerstones” of diversity, affordability, faculty and facilities.

Students who volunteered received service hours and, more importantly, contributed to the betterment of the entire Cathedral family. Thanks to the following students who participated:

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Graham Ritz
Theresa Schott
Tyler Sexton
Samantha Sloan
Anjulia Urasky
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Congratulations to the following nightly winners: Keenan Collins, Gabby Garcia (two nights – pictured above), Emily Hrenchir, Liz McNabb, Alexis Mitchell, Kara Neal, Theresa Schott (two nights) and Anjulia Urasky (three nights).

All of these students have done an excellent job of representing Cathedral to our supporters, and we thank them for their efforts!

Did we miss you when making the phone calls? It's not too late for the students to get credit for their call to you. You can make your gift today by visiting www.gocathedral.com, click on “Support Cathedral” and “Donate Now” or contact Nicole Beasley at nbeasley@cathedral-irish.org or (317) 968-7357. ☺



TOP, FAR LEFT: Friends from left Dee Allen Kraner, Antonia Short and Maryann Hawkins enjoyed the special time shared with one another. **TOP CENTER:** Patty Price, St. Mary's Academy reminds all gathered to be proud of their academy educations.

ABOVE: From left are Jessica Welch, Betty Patton and Carrie Kemp at the brunch that followed the Mass. **FAR LEFT:** Evelyn Hannon from Ladywood School is recognized by the Rev. Michael O'Mara as one of the oldest alumnae in attendance at the Mass. Hannon graduated from Ladywood School in 1937.

LEFT: Libby Quinn Hahn, Ladywood St. Agnes Academy, served as the cross bearer for the special Mass.

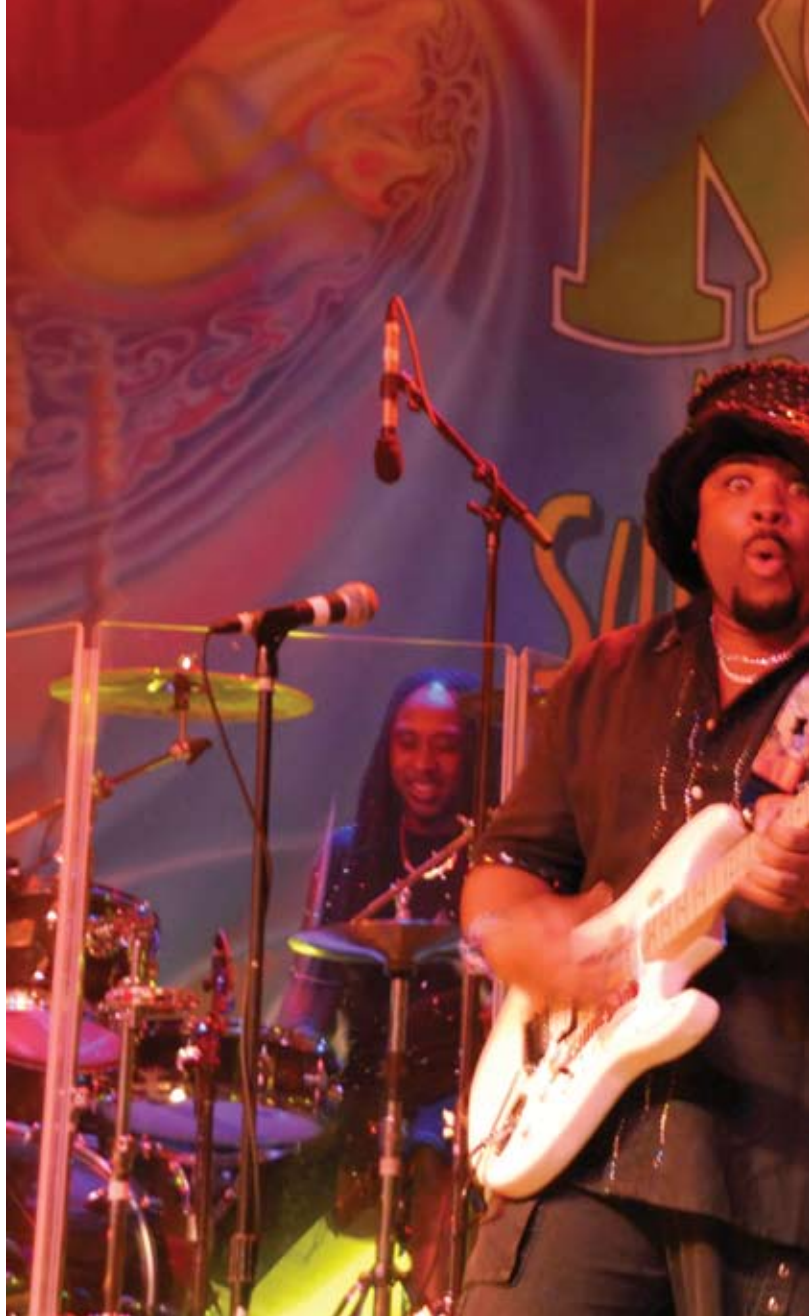


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RIGHT: Susan Rice-Ross was the winning bidder on one of two specially designed disco shoes, signed by Harry "KC" Wayne Casey.

BELOW: Theology teacher Sara Koehler, left, and her husband Ken enjoyed the show.

BOTTOM: Special guests enjoyed their exclusive photo op with KC and Cathedral dignitaries.



Highlights photos/Visual Sports Network





LEFT: Members of the Sunshine Band brought untold energy to the night's concert.
BELOW: Carla Daly celebrates her winning bid for a sweaty towel KC impulsively threw into the auction. Daly also won one of KC's autographed shoes.

That's the way we like it!

After 35 years on the music scene, KC and the Sunshine Band still draw a crowd! The concert, held in October, benefitted the Cathedral Fund. Thanks to all who attended this year's show — special kudos to our sponsors!



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Cathy Horn, Cathedral's director of events, said the fun and fast-moving change of pace from last year's visit to New

York, New York will continue this year, with special surprises waiting for all those willing to travel somewhere over the rainbow with their Cathedral family and friends.

"We're planning a memorable night that will be the can't-miss party of the year," Horn said. "Don't let this pass you by!"

To reserve your table for this unforgettable event, or to get sponsorship information, call (317) 968-7311. ☘



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New at this year's event: BidPal!

There will be a new twist on silent auction bidding this year! BidPal is a handheld device that allows wireless bidding. Your own personal BidPal allows you to:

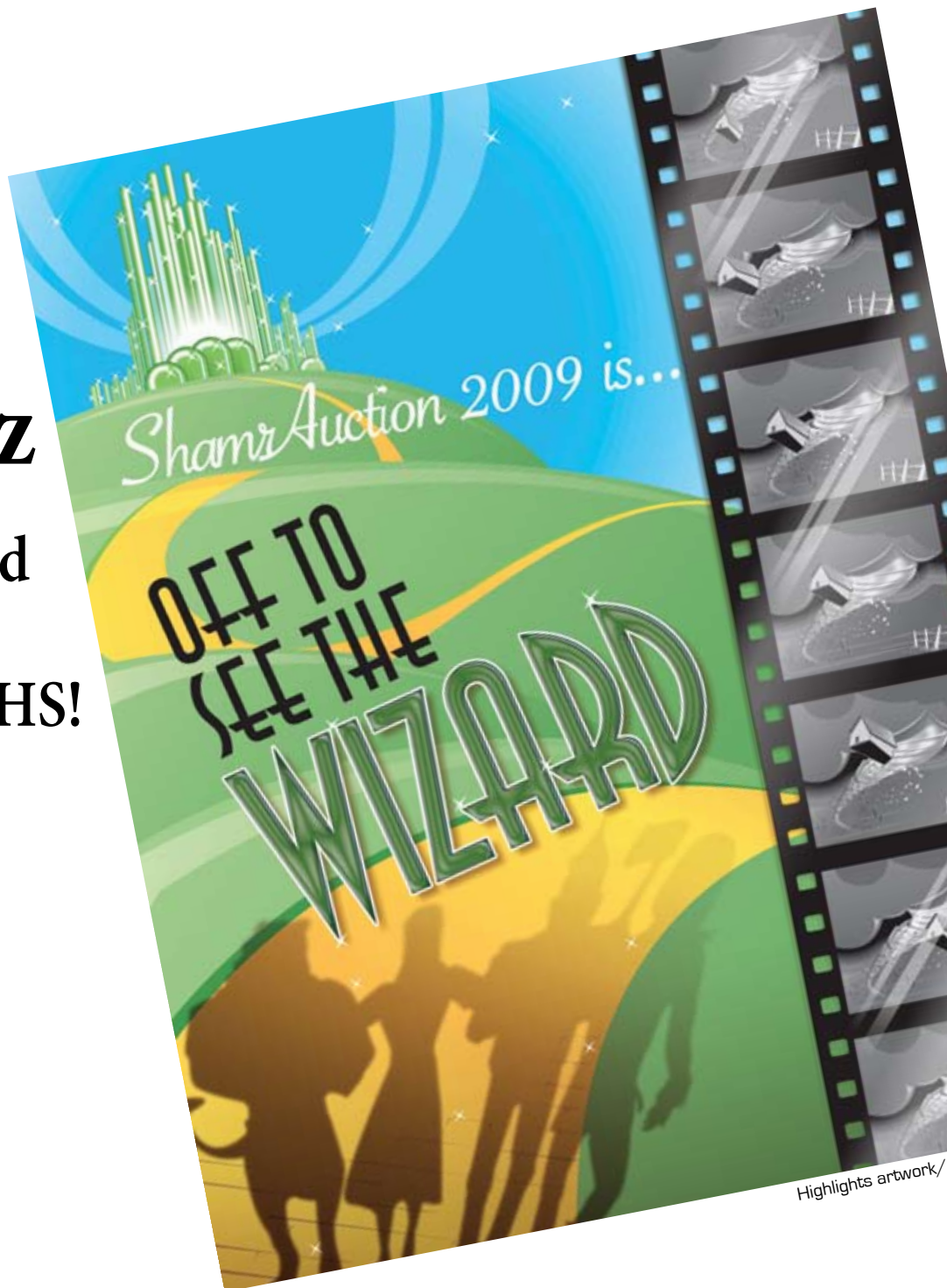
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It's fun and entertaining!

If bidding wirelessly isn't for you, strategically placed computers are available for bidding, too.

Look for more BidPal information to come your way before ShamrAuction 2009! ☘



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Welcome Santa!

When Santa stopped by for a visit to Cathedral, he found dozens of good little girls and boys waiting.

This year's Brunch with Santa, sponsored by the alumni association, was a big hit drawing more than 150 parents and children. In addition to taking turns bending the jolly elf's ear, youngsters had a chance to decorate sugar cookie treats and dig into huge workbooks that featured coloring and puzzle pages. 🍪



TOP LEFT: Sophie Mullinix, 7 (right), and her sister Molly, 4, pause on Santa's lap so that Mom and Dad can get a photo. **LEFT:** Santa, aka Jack Watson, waits patiently while a little one sizes him up before deciding to share her Christmas wish list secrets. **ABOVE:** Braden Beasley, 4, gets help writing his name from his grandpa, Bill Farrell.

Highlights photos/Lisa Renze-Rhodes

Steve Vanderbosch

Shamr Auction Luncheon

Thursday, November 20, 2008



Highlights photos/Lisa Renze-Rhodes



TOP: ShamrAuction co-chair Jody Flynn (left) chats with a friend at this year's luncheon. Shopping, entertainment, a raffle and a fantastic fashion show all combined to make the event a great success. Our thanks to the hostesses, listed at right.

TOP RIGHT: Senior Christina Barra models one of the many gowns that were showcased during the fashion show.

CENTER: Cathedral's Gospel Choir offered first-rate entertainment for luncheon-goers.

LEFT: Karen Probst, left, got into the spirit of the afternoon by using her raffle tickets to try to win some of the fantastic prizes that were available, including luxury spa treatments. Proceeds from the ShamrAuction luncheon and ShamrAuction 2009 benefit the Cathedral Fund.



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Young alums gather



Cathedral alums attending IU came together for a mini reunion recently, hosted by the Alumni Association.

Top photo, front row from left: Hannah Bryan and Katie Habig. Second row: Chris Wildeman, Andy Burnside, Shannon Satarino, Aaron Hemmerlein, Alexia Burke, Natalie Warner and Caitlin Rogozinski. Back row: Patrick O'Connor, Bryan Loiselle, Frank Rutigliano and Nick Werle.

Bottom photo, front row from left: Marc Yovanovich, Nick Mackall, Amber Williams, Kristin Broyles and Nicke Werle. Back row: Chris Wildeman, Andy King, Matt White, Patrick O'Connor, Sam Johns, Andy Burnside and Aaron Hemmerlein.



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Highlights photo/Ken Barlow

Members of the Class of 1953 gathered at the Northside K of C in Indy to reminisce and celebrate their 55th anniversary.

1950s

Members of the Class of 1953 (above) gathered this fall for their 55th reunion.

Joseph C. Peterson, '57, president and chief executive officer of Crown Technology, was honored recently for 50 years of leadership of that company.

In 1958, upon the death of his adoptive father, Joe took over Crown's operations with just three employees.

He has exemplified the utmost integrity, sincerity, unwavering work ethic and a devout dedication to his Christian religion, his family and fellow man throughout his life.

1970s

In September, **Mary (Wagner) Nelson, '79**, (below) was diagnosed with AML, a type of aggressive leukemia.



She is undergoing a third round of chemo treatment and is working toward a bone marrow transplant.

She has been hospitalized since August, with the exception of a few days at home.

When she is able, she'll receive a marrow donation from her younger sister, Ann Marie.

"Of all six Wagner siblings, Ann Marie is a perfect bone marrow match and when the time is

right, she'll fly from her home in North Carolina to Minneapolis, where we live, and donate her life-saving bone marrow to me. How blessed I am to have such a large, giving family. Each sibling offered to donate their marrow for me."

Any classmates who would like to be in touch with Nelson are encouraged to e-mail through her CaringBridge Web site.

That address is www.caringbridge.org/visit/marywagnernelson

Nelson said, "I LOVE getting messages in the guestbook ... they brighten my days greatly!"

This is a monster of a disease, but I believe with the love of God, family and friends, I'll get through it. My family and I are lifted by each and every prayer."

Planning for the earth's future

Alum protecting ocean resources

Everyone always expected great things out of Dave Allison, '60, but no one knew he would end up dedicating his life to

1960s



saving the environment. Now 65, Allison has done everything but slow down in his personal mission to protect and restore the world's oceans.

Don't let his grey beard fool you. Allison is a powerhouse in environmental policy and has remained one of the nation's top ocean conservationists for decades. It is his passion to make a difference that keeps him working tirelessly to stop two

crises facing the oceans — bottom trawling and the slaughter of sea turtles.

"We are literally bulldozing the ocean's floor, destroying key marine ecosystems and killing thousands of animals," he said.

Even with life-altering illnesses and a pacemaker, Allison continues to push forward in his pursuit to preserve our oceans for future generations.

"The work we do now will determine the fate of the world's oceans tomorrow," he said.

Allison is senior campaign director at Oceana, the largest international conservation organization dedicated to protecting, preserving and restoring the world's oceans.

Prior to joining Oceana in 2002, Allison worked on a number of policy initiatives in Alaska and the Pacific Northwest. He has helped to protect more than a half-million square miles from bottom trawling in U.S. waters. He also helped to protect the North Pacific waters from a massive gold mining project.

You can reach him directly at dallison@oceana.org 🐠

1980s

David and Dawn (Fable) Lindquist '85, and their sons Anthony Mentz, '12, and Michael Mentz welcomed Ian Robert Fable Lindquist (below) on July 2. Ian, who was born at Clarian North Medical Center in Carmel, weighed in at 7 pounds, 9 ounces and was 20 3/4 inches long.



Danny Spearing, '86, and his wife Michelle, were married in June 2005.

The couple have two boys, Daniel, a sophomore at Mayde Creek (Texas) High School, and Jaxson, who was born in August 2007.

Spearing is employed by AT&T

Communications as a technician; Michelle is an employee assistance counselor at Hal-liburton. Contact Spearing at: danny_spearing@yahoo.com



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Celebrating the life of Scott Altherr '85

Altherr family and Irish wrestling team up to remember beloved student



Family members and friends who gathered to celebrate Scott Altherr's legacy were front row from left: Jordan Bills, Anna Bills, Cathedral wrestling coach Sean McGinley, '88, Allison Holloway Altherr, '94, William Altherr, '24, Duane Emery, Cathedral vice president for advancement and Kalyn Altherr, '10. Back row: Kerry Altherr, '87, Darlene Altherr Lemon, Dan Janke, Angie Altherr Janke, Merle Lemon, Eric Altherr, '89, Kelly Altherr, Morgan Mulbarger, '07 and Maureen Altherr, '84. Not pictured are: Dan Rench, Ruth Altherr Rench, Ryan Giebel, '03 and Noah Rench, '16.

This fall, the wrestling program and head coach Sean McGinley '88, hosted a reverse raffle and dinner event designed to

support that program and the Altherr Family Grant, an endowed tuition assistance grant established by the family of Scott Altherr '85 to memorialize Scott while providing assistance to a deserving student.

Scott Altherr was a member of a class that endured tremendously difficult times during its senior

year. Ryan Updike battled cancer, and classmates sought support from Father Patrick Kelly. Altherr was one who spent a lot of time with Father Kelly and wrote about Updike's courage in his own college essay.

About a month before the end of the school year, Altherr died in an automobile accident. Later that same night, Updike lost his battle with cancer.

Scott Altherr remains a part of Cathedral, and his impact continues today as a result of the Altherr Family Grant. This year's event

was particularly noteworthy, as a member of the Altherr family won the reverse raffle and agreed to donate the prize to the endowed tuition grant. The result is a contribution of more than \$17,000 to the fund, which doubles the size of the grant for future students.

For more information about contributing to the Altherr Family Grant or establishing an endowed fund in someone else's memory, please contact Duane Emery, vice president for advancement, at demery@cathedral-irish.org or (317) 968-7360. 🍀

1980s

Project shows how far we've come

From father to son to film

A lifetime before Americans elected a black president, Jerry Harkness and his teammates on the Loyola University men's basketball team simply wanted the chance to be left alone to do



what they did best — play ball.

But in 1963, the Loyola team — with four African-American starters — was an enigma that many in the world of collegiate sports just couldn't get used to.

The discrimination and racism they suffered came to the forefront in a very public spotlight when the Loyola Ramblers were scheduled to play the all-white team from Mississippi State in the NCAA tournament.

On the surface, it seemed the opportunity for the teams to determine who was best on the court would be a chance that wouldn't come, because of an unwritten edict from the Mississippi governor prohibiting teams from competing against black players.

But at the risk of losing their jobs, or perhaps much more, the MSU president, coaches and players rejected convention and fought for the teams to play. Coaches literally left town under cover of night, or hidden in the backs of cars, and players chartered planes to get to the game.

It's living history for **Jerald Harkness, '87**, whose father Jerry, was the two-time All-American and leading scorer for the Loyola squad.

As a filmmaker, the younger Harkness saw

the potential in his father's story, but a Hollywood project already in production threatened his dream.


However, when his father suggested telling the story from the point of view of the Mississippi State athletes, "*Game of Change*" was born.

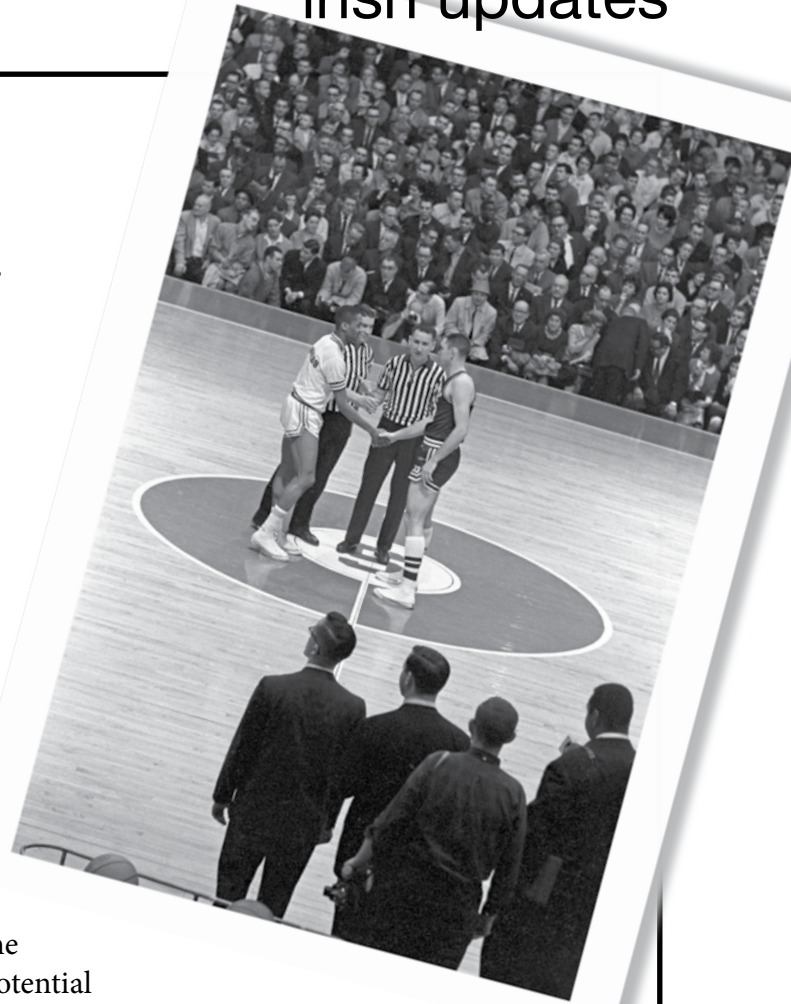
The documentary, directed by the younger Harkness, was featured at the 2008 Heartland Film Festival in Indianapolis.

"My dad continued to encourage me to pursue (the story) from the Mississippi State perspective," Harkness said. "We eventually got backing from the NCAA, and we were able to produce the project."

Though its focus is one sporting event, the movie goes a long way toward illustrating just how significant that one game was in the struggle for racial equality here in the U.S.

The film will be available March 1. To purchase a copy, or for other information, e-mail Pathway Productions at

MOliver@pathwayproductions.com 



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1980s



The new head coach at Mississippi Valley State University is **Sean Woods, '88** (above). Before being named to the Valley position, Woods was director of basketball operations and then assistant coach at Texas Christian University.

Woods and his wife, Dashaynia, have two children.

1990s

Sean McKendry, '90, (right) has teamed up with a group that is working to get the word out about using exercise as a way to combat diabetes.

A Type-1 diabetic since he was 15, McKendry has joined Team Triabetes and will train for the November 2009 Ironman triathlon. The group has recently had articles published about its efforts in U.S. News & World Report. A Discovery Channel documentary is in the works.



doctors or parents or teachers don't understand all the factors that play into managing diabetes). Our IronKid will then cross the finish line with us at the Ironman Arizona (in 2009)."



Matthew Hahn, '91, center right and his new bride, **Aida Silvestri Hahn**, came back to Cathedral this summer to visit teachers **Sara Koehler**, far left, and **Jo Cavanaugh**, far right.

Here's what McKendry said about the program:

"One of the most rewarding experiences will be participating in the IronKidz program. As a (team) captain, we'll be matched up with a Type 1 child and mentor him or her throughout the year, helping to manage their insulin pump or insulin injections while being active, providing encouragement, etc., for these children who in many ways lose out on many childhood experiences because

To learn more about Team Traibetes, or to see how McKendry's training is going, visit www.triabetes.org

The Robben Island Bible is a project being developed by **Matthew Hahn, '91**, (above), and playwright David Taylor. The Robben Island Bible is a copy of the complete works of William Shakespeare, owned by South African Sonny Venkatrathnam.

A political prisoner on Robben Island during the 1970s, Venkatrathnam smuggled the book into the prison by convincing the guards it was a religious text.

Over the next roughly five years, the book was passed among the prisoners being held at the compound — including Nelson Mandela — and each marked his favorite passage, then signed and dated the text. In all, the "bible" contains 32 signatures of those who fought for a democratic South Africa.

Hahn and Taylor are developing a play based on the book and its rich history, using the men's



Attending the Clamme/Newcomb rehearsal dinner/lobster cook-out, and pictured with the bride-to-be are front row from left: Damon Hope, '93, Chris Duncan, Will Dinwiddie, '93, John Clamme, '93, Jon Holloway, '93 and John Adams, '93. Second row from left are Scott Fels, '93, Clayton Mack, Rick Rembusch, Jeff Risser, '94, Luke Newcomb, Matt Cain, '92 and Jim Hannigan, '94.

own explanations about why they selected certain passages.

For more information about the project, visit Hahn's blog at www.robbenislandbible.org.uk



Christy M. Phillips, '93, (far right) and Damon L. McDade were married Sept. 20 at Mt. Zion Apostolic Church, Indianapolis. Cathedral alumni in the wedding party were (above from left): Taniece Gurnell-Ortega, '90, Leslie House, '92, and Rocky Marsh, '96. Other alums involved were (right) Carolyn (Rhodes) Dupree, '93; (second row, far left)

and Taryn Walker, '93 (back row far left). The couple live in Indianapolis, where Christy is a senior territory business manager for Bristol-Myers Squibb and Damon is a manager for NBA Nation Tour.

John Clamme, '93, and Johanna Newcomb, '95, were married in August. Many Cathedral alums

attended the couple's rehearsal dinner/ lobster cook-out (see photo above). Other Cathedral alums in attendance were: Christine Newcomb Zinman, '90, Colleen Osterhaus, '95, Marcy Akard, '95, Karrie Harper, '95, Nicole Luken, '95, J.D. Spahn, '94, and teacher Jim Obergfell.



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Lisa Laham, '97, and **Mike Schroeder**, (below) were married on June 21 in Indianapolis at the Yellow Rose Inn.

Other CHS alums in the wedding party were Laham's sister **Angela (Laham) Rund, '96**, and close friends **Megan O'Brien, '97** and **Katie (Perry) Carraway, '97**.

The couple reside in Waukesha, Wis., where Lisa is a consultant for a Milwaukee software technology company.



Debra Shank, '97, and **Adam Lawrence** (below) were married on Aug. 9 at Fishers United Methodist Church.

The couple reside in Noblesville, and they met at work at Kinder Electric Co. in Fishers, where Adam is an electrician in the service department and Debra is an administrative assistant.

Lisa (Driscoll) Derhake, '98, and other friends from the Class

of 1998 gathered recently at a baby shower for **Mary (Kelly) Konken**.

Shown (above from left) are: **Jan (Van Velse) McHugh**, **Kristin (Hanlon) Von Weigandt**, **Lisa (Driscoll) Derhake** and **Mary (Kelly) Konken**. From right are **Blaire (Shrader) Bonacorsi** and **Liz Goodwin**.

Monica Snyder Anton, '98, and her husband, **Mike**, welcomed their first child, **Luke Michael** (below) on Sept. 12.

Monica is an occupational therapist working with special needs children in the Indianapolis Public School system. Mike is a systems analyst with Community Hospitals.



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Gretchen Hasbrook, '99, and Phillip Andrews (abvoe) were married in a private ceremony on June 14 at St. Luke Catholic Church. Gretchen's siblings **Elise Hasbrook '97, and John Hasbrook, '02,** were in the wedding party and several other alumni were at the reception.

The couple reside in Indianapolis, where Gretchen is a first grade teacher at St. Luke, and Phillip is a jeweler.

Jenny Oleck, '99, and Matt Boling (right) were married Aug. 23 at their childhood church, St. Pius X. Other alums in the wedding party were **Bridget (Maguire) Jones, '99, Christie Wise, '99,**



Catherine on Sept. 4 (left).

Addy weighed in at 5 lbs. 8 oz.

Mark and Bonny are employed at Lilly in clinical trials.

The family lives in Indianapolis.

Lynn (Taylor) Glass, '99, and Sara (Meyer) Sterley, '99.

Jenny and Matt reside in Indianapolis, where Jenny is still involved with Cathedral High School through the Dance Marathon she directs every fall.

Bonny (Sullivan) Rouleau, '99, and husband, Mark, welcomed the birth of Addison

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Kevin and Katie (Browning) Jensen, '00, welcomed their first son, Padraig Timothy Jensen on Aug. 1 (below).

The family lives in San Diego, Calif. Padraig is 3 months old in this photo.



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Lindsey Lawton, '01, and Thomas Roy (T.R.) Scrivner, III (left) were married at St. Louis de Montfort Catholic Church on Aug. 8.

The couple resides in Geist, where Lindsey is a revenue cycle project leader for Clarian Health Partners, and T.R. is a graphic designer for Stevens & Stevens.

Kyle Sullivan, '01, and Michelle Williams, '01, (above) became engaged Sept. 23.

Williams said, "We met at Cathedral, and that's where Kyle proposed. It was a wonderful way (for him) to ask, and I wouldn't have it any other way!"

Lucy Blue pizza goes Irish green!

This fall when Cathedral Irish football fans followed the team to Cincinnati for two big games, they were treated to tasty treats from Lucy Blue Pizzeria, courtesy of **Jim Thompson, '68**, and his wife Susan. The Thompsons generously donated delicious pizzas and soft drinks to alums and fans who came to the St. X and Moeller games.

Shown from left at the Moller game are Ken Barlow, '82, Amy Weber, '93, Nicole Farrell Beasley, '98, Jim Thompson, '68, Susan Thompson and Dave Worland.





LEFT: At a school in Haenetsburg, in the Limpopo Province of South Africa, students learn how to use new laptops, brought to them by a group of students from IU. That group included (below) Class of 2005 alums Joe Peoni, left, and Paul Commons.

Empowering Dreams

In a sub-saharan South African village, more than four hours north of Johannesburg, kids are beginning to dream about a different life for themselves, thanks to a project supported in part by two Cathedral alums.

Paul Commons, '05, an International Studies major at IU, was at a conference where he met the founder of "One Laptop per Child," — a program that aims to deliver 21st-century educational tools to children in some of the world's poorest communities.

Inspired by the idea, Commons gathered a group of friends at IU, including fellow CHS alum Joe Peoni, '05, together raising more than \$60,000 for the special-

ly-designed, \$100 'XO' computers that are waterproof, weather resistant and built for kids.

The two then headed out to the village in South Africa where the school is housed, and saw first-hand the power of the 'XO'.

"You see kids fighting over (who gets to answer) three-plus-seven," Commons said. "It clicked."

Added Peoni, "Introducing the Internet to a 5-year-old — when you say you can look up soccer, their eyes light up."

The IU group is working with a student group from Harvard, and they've set their sights next on a trip to Sierra Leone. Their goal is to take 4,500 laptops.



For more information about the program, visit www.laptop.org. 🌐

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Dimitri P. Kyser, '02, is a 2007 Kelley School of Business graduate from Indiana University, where he received a bachelor's degree in marketing, with a minor in communication and culture with emphasis in film.

Kyser recently completed a five-month business development/marketing and event planning professional internship with the Walt Disney Company's "Disney Institute" in Orlando.

Kyser lives in Indianapolis with his 6-year-old son, Xavier, and new baby girl.

Matthew Casavant, '04, graduated in May from Vanderbilt University with a bachelor of engineering degree.

Casavant graduated summa cum laude (top five in his class) and was recognized as an outstanding senior "showing the most promise in the study and pursuit of mechanics and controls engineering." He has accepted a post with General Electric as an advanced mechanical design engineer in its Gas Turbine Division in Greenville, S.C.

Heather Calloway, '05, married Alex Toy on Oct. 25 at St. Jude Church in Indianapolis.

Cathedral alum **Sarah Blanchard, '05**, was in the bridal party. Another alum in attendance was **Katie Robisch, '05**.

Steve Rothopf, '06, won this year's Big Man on Campus contest at Indiana University.



Class of 2005 alums Katie Robisch, left, Heather Calloway and Sarah Blanchard gathered at Calloway's wedding in October.

Matt Herron, '06, traveled to Argonne National Laboratories in Illinois in November to present his research findings at a national undergraduate symposium.

Herron is an animal science major who performed research this summer at the Markey Center for Structural Biology at Purdue University. Working with



3-D models of protein structures and international databases, he found irregularities previously unknown on the surface of proteins.

Herron presented "The Protein Structure Universe Viewed from the Perspective of Surface Shape" at a gathering of hundreds of undergraduate and professional scientists. He began at Purdue as a pre-veterinary student but has since become enthralled with the burgeoning field of bioinformatics.



Evan Jinks, '06, (above) is studying in New Zealand right now at the University of Canterbury in Christ Church.

Jinks has been in New Zealand for two months and has begun the second term of the semester.

He lives with a distinctly internationally flavored group: two New Zealanders, two Fijians and a Russian.



Fearsome Fleck Foursome

The Sean and Donna Fleck family has much to celebrate this year, as all four Fleck children have advanced to the 2009 World Irish Dance Championships, to be held in Philadelphia. Clockwise from left are John, '12; Mary, '09, Colin, '07 and Michael. Congrats!

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Mark your calendars for Feb. 5-20, 2009, as the ShamrAuction 2009 Online Auction goes live!

This year's committee is working harder than ever to make it bigger and better just for you!



Stay tuned, and be sure to get into the fun once the items are announced -- you won't want to miss the fun! ☘



Boilermakers recall their Irish heritage

Young alumni who attend Purdue University gathered earlier this fall at an alumni reception sponsored by Cathedral. Those in attendance were: David Dobson, Matt Elliott, Jenn Farrell, Sabrina Fields, Laura Henry, Allie Jeffs, Joe Kluemper, Alex Layton, Brady McLaughlin, Julie McLaughlin, Megan Schrader, Chris Sheeren and Rachael Thompson.

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Information is a valuable resource

Ever wonder what your gifts help?

By **MIKE FEENEY**

Do you sometimes wonder why you should get back involved with your alma mater? Think it's not the same school it was when you were a student here? Consider this before you decide:

- How many grade schools are

represented by the current enrollment at Cathedral High School? Glad you asked. We have students from 131 schools from 11 counties currently enrolled at Cathedral.

- What was the total amount of college scholarships earned by our 2008 graduating class? Simply a record \$18.8 million in merit-based

scholarships went to our students — most of whom have decided to attend four-year colleges and universities. A few others have gone to work in the Peace Corps or for other similar organizations.

- What is the enrollment at Cathedral these days and how is it

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News from YOU!

Are you changing jobs, getting married, having a baby, moving?

Do you just need to update your information with us?

Let us know! We want to be sure to keep you up on all the latest news about your classmates and friends and our growing Irish family!

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made up? Well, we have 1,289 students in four classes, with 52 percent male and 48 percent female. Nearly 80 percent are Catholic.

- What do the kids do other than go to class? Our students are involved in 88 activities, including 20 IHSA sports and eight club sports. By the time they graduate, 99 percent of our students participate in at least one activity. Nearly one-third of the student body is involved in theater, and 75 percent of the student body participates on an athletic team.

- What about the spiritual side? Our students participated in seven senior retreats (3½ days each), junior overnights (three each for boys and girls), four sophomore days of recollection and one freshmen day of recollection. In addition, we have Mass in our chapel four days a week and other all-school masses during the year.

- What about service to the community? No school in the state gives back more to Indiana than Cathedral. Our students completed more than 34,000 hours of community service hours in 2007-08 alone.

- What about financial aid? Last year Cathedral invested \$1.9 million of your donations in students. This was given to families who prove financial need.

- How highly qualified is our faculty? 52.4 percent have master's degree, 44.5 percent have bachelor's degrees. Our teachers have an average of 16 years experience (11 of which have been spent at Cathedral).

- How old is Cathedral? We celebrated our 90th birthday Sept. 13, 2008. Hope you were here.

- Where is the best place to invest my money? If you want a guaranteed return on your investment, THIS IS THE PLACE. We pledge a dependable return year after year.

Thanks for all you do on our behalf. ☺

Feeney is vice president of major and planned gifts at Cathedral. You may reach him by calling (317) 968-7348 or contact him via e-mail at mfeeney@cathedral-irish.org

In memory

We remember and pray for those in our Cathedral family who have died, including:

Stanley "Dave" Arthur, 57, '69, father of Rachel Arthur, '05
 Joseph D. Barry, '42
 James L. Betzner, 92, '36
 Ralph W. Carter, 69, '57
 David W. Collins, father of Bessie, '94; David, '96; and Dolly, '99
 John J. Curran, '54; father of Patrick, '84; Maureen, '85; and Michael, '86
 Hon. Charles J. Deiter, 71, '55, grandfather of Vincent Culpepper, '09, and Carmen Culpepper, '12
 Robert K. Delaney, '42
 Russell J. Dellen, 56, father of Nicholas, '99; David, '03; and Matthew, '07
 Vernon Driver, 76, grandfather of Lynn Driver, '10
 Louise K. Ford, 91, SAA '34; widow of John F. Ford, '32
 Robert M. Gerth, 74, '51
 Brother Pedro (Harold) Haering, 85, former Cathedral teacher/administrator
 John E. Hayden, 88, '39
 Virginia Hunker, mother of Mike Hunker, Cathedral athletic trainer
 Sister Ann Michelle Kiefer, SP, former Cathedral teacher (1979-89)
 John W. Killinger, 92, '34
 Robert J. Landman, 62, '64
 Bernard M. Lenihan, 68, father of Aaron and Amy, '94
 Edward P. Madden, 97, '30
 James P. Maley, '51
 Betty Jean McKelvey, mother of Cathedral employee Judy Head; grandmother to Lindsey, '01; Maddie, '07; and Jackie Head, '09.
 Dr. Gerald W. Probst, 86, father of Greg, '65; grandfather of Matthew, '07, and Kristen, '10
 Mary J. Manley Queisser, 84, SMA '42
 J. Patrick Rooney, 80, grandfather of Nathaniel Moyer, '11; and Allison Moyer, '12
 Joseph A. Richardson, 94, '32
 Francis L. Schoppenhorst, '50
 James R. Sullivan Jr., 62, '64
 Ada Thomas, mother of Rosie Houk, SAA '63, grandmother to Kevin Houk, '88 and Karen Houk Webb '89.
 Nancy K. Touw, friend of Cathedral
 Joseph A. Watson, 69, '56
 Richard M. Webster, 62, brother-in-law of Mike Feeney, Cathedral employee
 William L. Whittemore, 82, father-in-law of Larry Ison, Cathedral employee
 Michael D. Windisch, 70, '56
 Frank A. Windsor, 83, '42
 Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. ☺

Remembering Brother Pedro Haering

Beloved teacher, principal and Cathedral president



Haering is remembered for his love of music, and for his devotion to his vocation and his students.

A full Crock-Pot, a love of music and a devotion to his vocation are at the heart of what made Brother Pedro (Harold) Haering stand out to students, staffers and parents of Cathedral High School.

Haering, 85, died this fall after an extended illness. He enjoyed a relationship with the school that extended over several decades, beginning in the 1950s, when he came to Cathedral as the school's assistant principal, and then ultimately principal.

He left after nearly 10 years at the school, returning in the mid-1970s to help the school transition from its Downtown location at 14th and Meridian Streets to its current home on 56th Street.

Born June 1, 1923, and raised in Evansville, Ind., Haering entered the novitiate in 1943 and professed his orders as a Holy Cross Brother in 1946. In 1947, he graduated from the University of Notre Dame with a bachelor's degree in mathematics and immediately went to work in the classroom.

He stayed connected with Cathedral even after he retired, returning to the school in the early 2000s when a reunion for those Brothers who had been teachers or administrators here was organized.

One of his greatest passions was music, and those living in the South Bend area likely remember Haering as the host of two radio programs — “Words and Music, Remembered” and “Performers of Our Time” — two shows devoted to non-rock ‘n’ roll pop music from the 1920s to

the 1960s, which aired beginning in 1989.

In a South Bend Tribune profile of him in 2003, Haering estimated that his music collection then contained about 100,000 songs on albums, 45 rpm singles and CDs — the basis for his programs.

“If a song has been popular, I probably have it because I have kind of a librarian mentality,” he said in 2003. “I’ve tried to have a copy of everything, even if it wasn’t something I particularly liked. I made a point of having every song on the ‘Hit Parade.’”

In his eulogy of Haering, Brother Bruce Lescher offered these thoughts: “Pedro was a bright man, and his sharp mind manifested itself in many areas.

“He excelled in mathematics at Notre Dame ... his math skills never left him. He became a much-loved teacher. I have met alumni of ... Cathedral High School who still remember having Pedro as a teacher in the ... early 1950s.”

When Haering's health was failing and he had to give up his radio shows, Lescher recalled a conversation the two friends had.

“I said to him, ‘What does that mean for you? What would be next?’ He answered, ‘To pray and to accept God’s will. To pray and accept God’s will. What a profound statement of wisdom and love.’”

Memorial contributions in Brother Pedro's name can be mailed to: Nicole Beasley, Cathedral High School, 5225 E. 56th Street, Indianapolis, Ind. 46226. ☞

Remembering the Hon. Charles J. Deiter

Respect and integrity were hallmarks of Deiter's court

The Class of 1955 grad had a charcoal drawing of Mother Teresa that hung on the wall in his chambers.

He was known as a gentleman jurist and a servant to all.

But during his years — 30 in all — with Marion County's probate court, Judge Charles J. Deiter, 71, held the attention of many when he oversaw some high-profile, contentious cases — including the administration of the estate of heiress Ruth Lilly.



Deiter, a class of '55 alum, died in November from cancer.

In addition to his work on the Lilly estate, Deiter oversaw the Humane Society of Indianapolis' trusts.

Concern and compassion were his hallmarks — with attorneys, staff members and even those who appeared in his court remarking on Deiter's ability to let everyone's concerns be appropriately weighed.

"Judge Deiter believed strongly in giving everyone their day in court," said colleague and fellow Cathedral alum, Judge Tanya Walton Pratt, '77. "He was very bright yet very humble. He approached every case the same way. There was no case too big nor too small for him to hear. He would listen patiently to all and treated everyone with great respect. He was very knowledge-

able about the law, yet tempered his decisions with common sense. You might not agree with his decision, but you knew you had your day in court."

Walton Pratt said Deiter was recognized throughout Indiana as an expert in probate law.

"In addition to his knowledge, he possessed all the attributes of a good judge — honesty, fairness, integrity and the patience of Job in making sure litigants' voices were heard," she said.

When not on the bench, Deiter was active with his family and his community, working with Legal Aid and Legal Services of Indianapolis and serving with the Indiana National Guard. A devoted father and husband, he cherished spending time with his grandchildren.

Classmates from Cathedral recalled Deiter as quiet and respectful — and above all, a very fine student.

Deiter is survived by his wife of 45 years, Sonja; his 10 children; one brother and two sisters; and 20 grandchildren.

He was a member of St. Gabriel Catholic Church, and a proud graduate of St. Philip Neri Grade School, Cathedral, Marian College and the Indiana University School of Law. 🍀

The “mission” from the perspective of a 14th & Meridian grad

Sports fan becomes avid backer

By **CARL McCLELLAND**

Down through the years our family has had a long and valued tradition with Cathedral High School. I graduated from Cathedral in 1961. My dad graduated in 1928 and my brother Bob in 1963. My wife Mary had six brothers that all graduated from Cathedral as well as our three daughters Bridget '93; Megan '95; and Mollie '98. I've always valued the quality Catholic education that we all received at

“The time I spend at Cathedral is not driven as much by the past as it is by the present and the hope for the future.”

Cathedral. Recently Cathedral celebrated its 90th birthday and there certainly have been many changes that have occurred over the years from what a number of us remember from our days at 14th and Meridian. A number of those from my generation will say that the Cathedral of today is not the Cathedral they remember. I recall back in 1976 when Cathedral moved to 56th Street wishing it had stayed. I knew the times were tough back then but Cathedral was unique — an all male school located in the center of Indianapolis and somehow it would survive, if it

had only stayed. But the move was made and time marches on. I continued to be a fan and follower of Cathedral and I can't remember many days since 1961 that I haven't followed the sports teams in the *Indianapolis Star*.

At the end of 2005, after 35 years, I retired from Eli Lilly and Company. Finally there was time to cultivate some new interests. During the first few months of my retirement, I took some time to reflect on just how I wanted to spend my time. I found myself thinking a lot about education and thinking it was one of the major problems that our city and country faced. So many young people dropping out.

So many lives being ruined at such a young age. I began to spend time volunteering at St. Joan of Arc and St. Anthony's grade schools and Cristo Rey High School. I found myself spending more time at Cathedral as part of the Alumni Board. I also spent time reflecting on those changes at Cathedral — a co-ed high school in a new location. However, what hasn't changed is the mission. The mission remains the same as always to provide a quality Catholic education to a diverse student body. Cathedral's students come from more than 130 different schools that represent the diversity of the greater Indianapolis area.

As I was writing this article, Cathedral was preparing for the 2008 Open House. There was an article in the *Indianapolis Star* announcing the Open House written by Devin Schaffer. Devin was a member of the Cathedral Class of 1997 and attended Cathedral at the same time as my daughters. Devin told how he was a student at Crispus Attucks Junior High and was admitted to Cathedral after a conversation with Father Kelly. Since that time Devin has graduated with a MBA from the Kelley School of Business and a law degree from Indiana University and is employed by Ice Miller. I remember telling Mary “You need to read this article”. This reaffirmed to me that the time I was spending at Cathedral was time well spent.

I'm sure I would always be a follower and supporter of Cathedral. However, the time I spend at Cathedral is not driven as much by the past as it is by the present and the hope for the future. Over the past 90 years the mission has never wavered. In 10 years Cathedral will celebrate its 100th anniversary of providing quality Catholic education to the young people in the Greater Indianapolis area. My hope is that a city can look back and say “Thanks Cathedral for a job well done”.

If you have a chance, stop by the campus. I think you will be pleased with what you see. ☺

McClelland '61, is president of the Cathedral Alumni Association.

The “mission” from the perspective of a 56th Street grad

Blood runs blue and gold

By SARAH WATSON

My Cathedral experience began with driving up a hill lined with trees, kissed with the colors of autumn. I was nine years old, and passenger on the very long ride to pick up my older sister from school.

I had heard about her going to this new school far from our home, and I knew it was the school my father went to also. Though, I was often reminded he did not go to this building, his school was much closer to home at 14th and Meridian. This concept was so foreign to me; I could not understand moving a whole school. It was not until after my graduation that I would truly appreciate what went behind moving Cathedral High School.

During the four years I spent walking her halls, I often heard the story of the moves of Cathedral in 1927 and again in 1976. I know my classmates and I took for granted the moves and making Cathedral co-educational. This was the only Cathedral we knew.

I have heard many argue that this changed the school and that her mission was not the same.

I would beg to differ. Though the structure and location of our high school has changed over the

years, what happens within her walls has not.

The mission of Cathedral High School to provide spiritual, intellectual, social, emotional, and physical growth of students is the mission that has always existed

“As graduates of Cathedral, we should take pride in knowing that each and every day, (she) is pushing herself to remain on top. To us, it does not matter where the building stands. What matters is that the mission is in our hearts. ”

for the school. Though maybe not put into words in 1918, definitely put into principle. How the school educates has changed over time, but all educational practices have changed over time. Cathedral now strives to educate the 21st

century student, and does it well.

The campus on 56th street has undergone extensive changes since 1976. These changes have been made for the advancement of the Cathedral student. As graduates of Cathedral, we should take pride in knowing that each and every day she is pushing herself to remain on top.

Taking the time to reflect on my time on the hill, makes me realize how blessed I am.

My legacy does not run as deep as some, but the tradition is in our blood. My parents, (Jack '65, and Susan SAA '66) made a true sacrifice to keep this tradition alive in our family. My three siblings, (Tina '92; John '93; and Eileen '99) would agree. The unfailing mission of the school is what keeps our attention.

The knowledge that we have been bettered by Cathedral, and knowing it is our turn to help Cathedral better others is what keeps our blood running blue and gold.

To us it does not matter where the building stands. What matters is that the mission is in our hearts, and that we live the values and principles we learned during our time at Cathedral each and every day. ☺

Watson '97, is a member of the Cathedral Alumni Association board.

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Cadet Douglas Ausebaugh, Cathedral '07



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GO IRISH! GO ARMY!

Class of 2001 alums Justin Newett and Alphonso Harrell might have been living in a desert in Iraq, but a little reminder of home was no further than their footlockers.

Newett served with the 76th Infantry Brigade Combat Team and was in Iraq for 10 months; Harrell was in the 226th Quarter Master Co./ 87th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion and served there for 15 months..

The pair suited up to show their Irish pride — and curb a bit of homesickness.

Let's keep Newett, Harrell and all our service men and women in our prayers throughout this season of Advent and into the new year. 🍀

Where've YOU been?

Ever raced along the Rhine?
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Tigris?

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Windsor?

We want to see it!
Next time you travel for
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