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Nearing the end of my second year as the President of Benilde-St. Margaret's School, I am struck by how quickly time flies. Over the last two years I've been continually impressed by the spirit, dedication, and drive of our students. Their willingness to express their faith through service to others is an example for us all. The future is bright because our students will be leading the change and solving the hard problems needed to build the Kingdom of God in an increasingly secular world. However, our students and young alumni need our continued support.

Building on the strength of our peer-to-peer support programs like Link Crew, we have created the **Red Knight Engagement Network**. A LinkedIn-based support and mentoring program, it is designed for seniors and young alumni to meaningfully connect with you, our entire alumni network. This new initiative takes our support of students to the next level, through college and early professional years, building upon a key BSM differentiator – community. Social capital, mentoring, and relationships are important components of a private school education, and we want to help our graduating seniors and young alumni leverage these tools to reach their fullest potentials.

The Red Knight Engagement Network is an example of our efforts, made manifest through the vision of the BSM 2020 Roadmap, to provide a relevant, rigorous, and engaging Catholic educational experience for all students. Realizing this vision is intense but fulfilling work. I look forward to the lasting success of our efforts and thank the BSM community for the ongoing support.

As we move through the Easter season, I hope you continue to feel God's grace in this Jubilee Year of Mercy. You are all examples of how we want our students to show up in the world after BSM.

God bless you,



Kevin Gyolai, Ph.D.

To become part of the **Red Knight Engagement Network**, just visit www.linkedin.com/groups/139534/profile and click "Ask to join."



ON THE COVER | Guidance and College Counselor, Amanda Anderson, meets with the Youngblut family, Mary '19, James '16, and parents James Youngblut and Brenda Roth.

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The *College Preparatory* Process:

Four Years of Planning for Success

Freshman students at Benilde-St. Margaret's have plenty of things to worry about besides where to go to college. From new classes and teachers to new sports and activities to new friends and those "old" upperclassmen, a lot stands between day one of high school and where students end up after BSM. As an innovative and forward-thinking college preparatory school, however, BSM has realized that the decisions made, opportunities taken and challenges overcome throughout all of high school prepare students for the transition to college and everything it encompasses.

Over time, the college preparatory piece of the BSM experience has evolved, and it continues to do so. At one point, the process was as simple as a counselor making sure you took the right classes, received good grades/test scores and properly filled out applications. Now, we have a dedicated team of counselors guiding students, and their parents, through a four-year process with specific programs designed to help students get into the colleges and universities of their choice. In fact, while the student to counselor ratio in the state of MN averages 750:1, the ratio at BSM is 177:1.

Beyond helping students gain admission, BSM's counselors and college preparatory

programs provide Red Knights an advantage to remain successful through their post-secondary journeys. "Our main objective is to help students create a plan that will enable them to successfully graduate from BSM and go on to a college or university that fits their goals," said Guidance and College Counselor Amanda Anderson. "We start the process freshman year so that by the time junior and senior years roll around, the surprises and stress levels for both students and their parents are minimal."

Complementing Anderson's thoughts, BSM parent Brenda Roth shared the following: "Having a college sophomore, a BSM senior and a BSM freshman, we have experienced the college prep process a few times, and we still have one more opportunity. The process is well thought out and consistent with specific steps for students and parents. Regular communication from the counselors has been helpful and stress relieving. As a parent, you feel the stress your child feels, but having caring and talented professionals working with you is a huge help."

Whether participating in a Freshman Friday, taking the PSAT, filling out a FAFSA form or meeting one-on-one with a counselor, each step familiarizes Red Knights with the process and reinforces the plans they set for themselves as

they move through high school. In addition to the formal programs (see right for more details), the counseling team offers a variety of other opportunities that both students and their parents can access through the College and Career Center (e.g. visits from college reps). These extra resources are especially valuable as questions or changes arise. "If I had one piece of advice, I would tell others to take advantage of all of the resources the guidance and college counselors have to offer. As you and your student(s) go through everything, make sure you talk to one another and ask questions so that you know what other help is available," stated Roth.

"We are always looking for new and better ways to support our students. So, we are constantly adding to our resource library, and if we think change is needed, we make it happen," Anderson added. In fact, at the start of this school year, the team made a significant change in how students were assigned to individual counselors. Instead of moving from one counselor to another each year, students are now split alphabetically by last name and see a specific counselor for all four years at BSM. This has allowed students to develop more beneficial relationships with their counselors, which in turn enables the counselors to more personally serve each Red Knight. "My husband and I appreciate this change BSM has

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implemented. It has already allowed our daughter the ability to build a comfortable rapport with Ms. Anderson – something we are certain will enhance her college prep process!” exclaimed Roth.

Aside from a willingness to change for the benefit of our students, another important factor of BSM’s college counseling process is the focus on the individual student. Throughout the four years, counselors invest time and resources into helping students figure out who they are and where their interests lie. From interest inventories and individual meetings, students and their parents are better able to direct efforts when it comes to school selection. Determining where to apply has become much more than creating a list of “safety” or “reach” schools; it is a purposeful approach that aligns each student with colleges and universities that offer them the best opportunity for success.

“Our experience with the college preparatory process has reinforced what we have found to be the great benefits of a BSM high school experience. Learning how to adapt, evaluate, make decisions, and deal with other people or institutions further enhances the self-awareness and foundation that you want each student to have when they graduate.” Roth concluded.



College and Career Planning Programs

Benilde-St. Margaret's offers a comprehensive guidance program that includes personal and academic counseling, with emphasis placed on helping students plan for their future.

Freshman Year

- ▶ Freshman Individual Meetings
- ▶ EXPLORE Test with Interest Inventory
- ▶ Freshman Fridays
- ▶ Introduction to Naviance's Online Family Connection Program
- ▶ High School and College Planning

Sophomore Year

- ▶ PLAN Test with Interest Inventory
- ▶ Sophomore Sessions
- ▶ College Planning Meeting for Parents

Junior Year

- ▶ PSAT
- ▶ Practice ACT Test
- ▶ Junior “Building Your Future Day”
- ▶ College Planning Meeting for Parents
- ▶ Junior/Counselor Individual Meetings
- ▶ BSM College Fair

Senior Year

- ▶ Letter of Recommendation Survey and Parent Questionnaire
- ▶ Senior Small Group Meetings
- ▶ College Planning Meeting for Parents
- ▶ College Financial Aid Program
- ▶ Senior/Counselor Individual Meetings



Guidance and College Counselors Heidi Wessman, Fran Roby, Amanda Anderson, and Charles Mannie. Not pictured: Amy Larson.

The Hall of Honor is a recognition program designed to consistently and publicly honor the heritage of BSM, salute the dedication and service of the volunteer community, and reward the professional longevity of employees.



2016 Hall of Honor Honorees

The 2016 honorees have made a significant contribution to the lives of many in the Benilde-St. Margaret's and greater community. They were honored at the 2016 Hall of Honor Celebration and Awards Dinner, February 1 at BSM.

Red Knight Leadership Award

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Tom and Joyce Hansen
Lisa Lenhart-Murphy '86
Carol McNamara

Distinguished Alumni Award

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Ann Markusen '64
Dan Delmore '72
Erik Madigan Heck '02

Volunteer Service Award

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Kathy Dillon
Anna Tift

Twenty-Year Club Inductees

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Rosalie Goldberg
Mary Joranger Neraasen '76
Jerry Pettinger



Red Knight Leadership Award

Tom and Joyce Hansen

Tom and Joyce Hansen's BSM involvement has spanned 15 years, and throughout those years they have shared their leadership skills in many areas. Joyce got the ball rolling with her Parent Association work. With corporate world experience she established a number of new processes in her role as treasurer that made the financial dealings of the Parent Association more efficient and more secure. From treasurer Joyce moved to vice president and then president of the group. Joyce has also been a manager in the Spirit Shop and has shared her positive energy and expertise with many other BSM projects. Recently she graciously agreed to assume the role of auction chair for 2016.

A member of the BSM Board of Directors, Tom served as treasurer and chair of the finance committee. Under Tom's guidance, the school set aside reserves, dealt with significant deferred maintenance issues, and strategically deployed resources to insure the success of BSM2020. BSM has had the lowest tuition increases in the past 15 years during Tom's tenure as chair of the finance committee. Tom also helped develop key performance indicators that help confirm the healthy financial performance of the school. His calm demeanor and astute business acumen were very beneficial to the board and the community.

The parents of three Red Knights, Tom and Joyce have been very involved in their children's sports and activities. They have generously shared their time, talent and treasure with the community and been a blessing to all of those with whom they have been involved.

Lisa Lenhart-Murphy

Lisa Lenhart-Murphy '86 returned to her alma mater in 1999 as the service coordinator. Today, as the Director of Service Learning and Social Justice, she has an impressive list of accomplishments that have greatly benefited the Benilde-St. Margaret's community.

A need for student volunteers in the community prompted Lisa to create the Red Knight Volunteer Corps, the largest student service organization with over 400 members! When it became apparent that students needed education around philanthropy, Lisa saw an opportunity and the common basket began to be passed. This program involves every department in the school and challenges students to view philanthropy in a new way. Lisa saw many teachers and staff leave the school after the birth of a second child because of the prohibitive cost of childcare. With the help of Dr. Carol McNamara, an onsite, non-profit childcare center was born. Little Knights continues to serve the faculty and staff of the BSM community.

Lisa shares her knowledge of service learning as a national speaker. She uses BSM's success as a National Service Learning Leader School to inspire other schools to use service learning as a way to engage students and faculty in meaningful life-long learning.

Lisa is a true self-starter and views challenges as opportunities. By asking questions, listening to the stories of others and always keeping in mind what is best for the students, Lisa has created many programs at Benilde St. Margaret's that have become integral to the school.

Dr. Carol McNamara

Dr. Carol McNamara, principal of BSM's junior high for 26 years, believed that BSM's strength lay in its balance of tradition and innovation, and no one embodied that combination better than she. She created English as a class separate from literature, giving traditional subjects such as grammar and spelling the time they deserved. She also approved innovative classes like The American Experience and led her students in a project that resulted in a proposal to bring solar panels to BSM.

In 2006 Carol started the innovative 1-to-1 laptop program in the junior high. The program was soon adopted by the senior high and BSM is now an Apple Distinguished School. That legacy comes from a principal who didn't need a computer to schedule every teacher and student.

She was a teacher-leader the moment she arrived at BSM from Good Shepherd and began the junior high. Her abilities in the classroom paralleled her leadership of her teachers. People always came first. She identified people's unique strengths, personally concerned herself with the needs of her students and teachers, and pushed people – ever so gently and thoughtfully – toward success, to show them the possibility of their potential.

Carol's faith guided her leadership. She worked to live her life through the lens of the Gospels. And what better model than the Gospels of the intersection of tradition and innovation, of a teacher-leader, of the importance of mercy and love.



Distinguished Alumni Award



Ann Markusen

Ann Markusen '64 is grateful for the introduction to social justice she received from the sisters at St. Margaret's Academy. Events of the 60s and the spirit of idealism played a role in her desire to have an impact on local communities. Ann earned a bachelor's degree from Georgetown's Foreign Service School and an M.A. and Ph.D. in economics from Michigan State.

She has served on the university faculties of Minnesota, Rutgers, Northwestern, California Berkeley, and Colorado. She has been a Rockefeller Foundation Bellagio Fellow, Fulbright Lecturer in Brazil, and has directed large research projects funded by, the Ford, MacArthur, McKnight, Irvine, and Hewlett Foundations, among others.

Her passions include writing, research, public speaking and policy-making to improve communities here and abroad. Her true expertise lies in economic development at the state and local level and in recent years, her research has focused on sparking the economic development in cities and towns through an increase in artists and cultural organizations in those communities.

Presently, she is the principal of Markusen Economic Research, as well as the director of the Arts Economy Initiative and the Project on Regional and Industrial Economics at the University of Minnesota's Humphrey School of Public Affairs. She spends time as a researcher, public speaker and adviser to public agencies and businesses.

Dan Delmore

After graduating from Benilde High School in 1972, **Dan Delmore** decided to follow in his dad's footsteps, and he earned his degree in Mortuary Science from the University of Minnesota. In 1976 he joined his father and became a funeral director at Gearty-Delmore Funeral Homes. In the mid-90s, he began running the business when his father decided it was time to retire.

Throughout his career, he has earned a reputation for integrity in his chosen field. His calm and gentle demeanor has served clients in their time of greatest need for decades. He not only displays measured emotion, as only funeral directors can, he is also a friendly, reassuring soul, in a time when heartbreak and loss hit too close to home. His ministry demands time and patience, careful planning and heartfelt empathy at any hour, day or night.

While his devotion to helping others in his business speaks for itself, he has also proved willing to lend a hand in his community in many other civic organizations. He has also been involved with a number of parishes and Archdiocesan organizations.

Dan has had a profound effect on the lives of hundreds, maybe even thousands, of people in the BSM and greater community. His impact is wide and deep. One quote echoes the sentiment of many, "thank you from the bottom of our sad and healing hearts."

Erik Madigan Heck

The youngest graduate to receive the Distinguished Alumni Award, **Erik Madigan Heck** '02 is a noted American artist and photographer who has developed a unique style in fashion photography.

His early success was linked to his attention-grabbing *Nomenus Quarterly*, an exclusive, limited-edition publication he founded in 2007 that merged art and fashion into a very high-end package. After living in Paris, networking with business contacts and building his portfolio, he began shooting fashion when he was 21. His unique style was quickly sought after by luxury retailers and designers to advertise their brands. Despite his age, this young photographer has also been commissioned for editorial spreads for magazines like UK's *Harper's Bazaar*, *W* and *Vanity Fair*.

When he is not shooting for designers he is often hired to take celebrity portraits for magazine covers and stories including Nicki Minaj for the *New York Times*, Kendrick Lamar for *Time Magazine*, Lupita Nyong'o for *The Guardian*, and Adele for the recent cover of *Time Magazine*. In 2011, this rising star in the photography world earned a spot on *Forbes Magazine*'s prestigious list "30 Under 30: Art & Design."

Erik holds a degree in political science from *Salve Regina University* and a MFA in photography from *Parsons the New School for Design*.

Volunteer Service Award

Kathy Dillon

Kathy Dillon's "get-it-done" reputation made her a top recruit for many projects at BSM in her 16-year parent tenure. For nine years she contributed in a variety of ways in the Parent Association including serving as the group's president. Social programs, the pasta dinner, community wellness and Funky to Formal all benefited from her focus, energy, and creativity.



A four-year stint in the Spirit Shop is also on Kathy's list of volunteer activities. It was a great spot for a spirited Red Knight. On the side Kathy also helped in the College and Career Center, did calling for the Annual Fund and worked at open houses. An experienced solicitor for the auction, Kathy chaired A Knight for All Seasons in 2013. In her spare time Kathy assumed parent duties for the activities of her children in skiing, speech, music and drama.

Kathy's contagious enthusiasm, adventurous spirit, strong work ethic and generous heart are the perfect ingredients for a dedicated volunteer.

Anna Tift

Anna Tift has worn many hats in her years at BSM. Her involvement began when her alumnus husband, **Bob** '71, returned to his alma mater as an administrator and it is continuing today as her youngest son prepares to graduate in 2018.



The four Tift boys presented volunteer opportunities in many areas including athletics, speech, drama, and student council. They also gave her the opportunity for her favorite gig, chaperoning the junior high Wolf Ridge trip – four times. Anna also managed to share some of her time with the volunteers in the Spirit Shop.

Anna's longest lasting volunteer stint has been with Treasure Hunt, the Parent Association's largest fundraiser. One of many workers in the beginning, she soon assumed a leadership role and for seven years she chaired the event. Her dedication to that event is akin to ministry.

Anna continues to work with Treasure Hunt and is lending her insights and expertise to the Mother Son event.

Twenty-Year Club Inductees

Rosalie Weisman Goldberg is a veteran of the math department and a definite student favorite. She cares about each student, shows compassion, and challenges them to grow. Through her interaction with students in the classroom and her interest in their other activities, Rosalie makes students feel valued. She wants them to be successful in academics and their personal life.



She has a wonderful relationship with students and parents, often reaching out to communicate "good news." The 2003 winner of the Parents' Choice Award, Rosalie is an outstanding teacher and a valued member of the BSM community.

Mary Joranger Neraasen has deep roots at BSM and her perspective has been beneficial to many during her years of service. The daughter of Jim Joranger (former teacher, coach and administrator) and a 1976 alumna, Mary has a special dedication to the community.



The main office was Mary's first stop when she returned to work at her alma mater. However, the move to her current position in the finance department was a great fit for her calm and thoughtful demeanor. Mary's willingness to share her knowledge of the community and her attention to detail have been a tremendous boon to Benilde-St. Margaret's.

Recognized as one of the best ADs in the state, **Jerry Pettinger** expertly manages an athletic and activities program involving over 92% of the student body. In addition, his wisdom, patience and foresight provide guidance and supervision to over 200 coaches and advisers. Jerry also oversees 30+ summer camp opportunities.



He is highly organized, able to think strategically, not afraid to take action when needed, and very knowledgeable. Jerry puts the student experience first. He works tirelessly to ensure that every student learns and grows through athletics and activities.

Nominations for the 2017 Hall of Honor will be accepted through August 1, 2016. Go to www.BSMschool.org/hallofhonor to download the nomination form.



When did you realize art was your passion?

I was really inspired by my teachers at BSM, especially Jan Johnson, Sue Jacobson and Scott Effertz. Instead of doing “normal things” after school, I sequestered myself in the art room and theater. I was well known at school for my art, and it gave me a lot of self-confidence. The teachers offered me opportunities to reach beyond what I thought I was capable of doing to become a skilled and enthusiastic artist. I’ll never forget Scott Effertz asking me to paint an 8’ tall portrait of James Dean, my first large scale painting, for a production of Grease. This was the beginning of my desire to consistently challenge myself piece after piece. BSM gave me the skills and gumption to continuously improve as an artist. They showed me the potential success I could have in an art career.

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Where has art taken you since BSM?

I’m old, so this is long!

1992-2001: I received my undergraduate degree in Fine Arts from St. Mary’s College in Notre Dame, IN. While there, I worked in both the SMC and ND scene shops, and I spent a year abroad in Florence, Italy, studying painting. I held an internship at the South Bend Art Museum and was the first person to ever do a public mural as a final project.

A few years after finishing St. Mary’s I moved to Duluth for grad school to earn a Master’s degree in art therapy from University of Wisconsin – Superior. I held many jobs at once while also attending school; it was a brutal but necessary balancing act.

2001-2005 Master’s degree in hand, I came back to BSM as an art teacher and started doing set painting for the BSM theater (which I hope to continue doing for as long as they’ll let me).

2005-2013: After some time at BSM, I began my solo painting career, and I opened a gallery in Minneapolis called Cult Status Gallery. I produced over 100 art shows and participated in over 50. I won a number of awards at these shows and even had the opportunity to hold my first solo show. It was during these years that I regularly started painting large scale murals.

2013-Present: The last few years, I have traveled around the country painting murals, sets and my own pieces while hosting and producing shows. I have an ultimate goal of painting 50 murals in 50 states – so far I’m up to 8-9! In the Twin Cities, I have painted murals at Herkimer Pub, Rainbow Chinese in South Minneapolis, and I was a contributing artist to the Bob Dylan mural on Hennepin Ave.

Additionally, I work on a number of commissioned pieces. They are my bread and butter, and each project is completely different. I’ve done work for music venues, yoga studios and restaurants. I’ve also done posters and album covers for bands, and have even painted at private homes for clients.

Aside from these, I am always working on paintings. For over a decade, I have been working on a series of oil paintings based on author Tom Robbins’s novels. I have a show and public catalogue that consists of about 30 paintings, each depicting characters or events in the stories. In 2014 I debuted the show at a gallery in Seattle and painted a Tom Robbins themed mural on the side of the oldest bar in Seattle, The Blue Moon which he frequents. The show was then mounted in Minneapolis last spring at Gamut Gallery and will be heading to San Antonio for another show this summer.

Artist Paints Saints, Leaves Legacy

*Hearing from alumna and accomplished artist, **Erin Sayer '92**, two things are clear: art is her life's passion and juggling multiple projects is her forte. Read below to find out how Erin transformed the Great Hall with her mural.*

*By Devin Harrington '05,
Director of Marketing & Communication*

I find you need at least three jobs at all times to support your work. It's never-ending, grueling and emotional work, but it offers opportunity for freedom, creativity and novelty that make it all worth it.

How have you stayed connected with BSM?

My family history at BSM goes all the way back to the first graduating class at St. Margaret's Academy. My great-great aunt, **Irene Sayer**, is in the 1909 photo in the hallway! My dad, **Scott Sayer '64**, and my brother (also **Scott Sayer '96**) graduated from BSM along with many aunts, uncles and cousins. I guess you could say BSM is in my blood.

I was lucky enough to be hired as an art teacher from 2001-2005. I've also done set painting on most of the BSM productions since 2001. So I get to come work here a couple of times a year. I love seeing all the familiar friendly faces of former teachers and colleagues and collaborating with them on fun projects. I also love seeing and working with the students!

How did you get involved in the project?

Choir teacher Nancy Stockhaus, along with the liturgy committee, reached out to me needing a permanent religious piece for the Great Hall. They wanted the gym space to reflect a more sacred atmosphere for Mass, and I immediately loved the idea! I have painted many saints and studied both Renaissance art and stained glass for years. We brainstormed for about a year to determine content, execution, and logistics. BSM finally gave the project a green light last spring. We decided to paint St. Benilde, St. Margaret and St. Scholastica. With access to the theater/stage, I painted through the summer and finished in September.

I wanted the canvas to look like stained glass, so I met with expert Father Mike from St. Bart's who spoke about Catholic symbology and saint lore. There is a lot of Alphonse Mucha in the center, and the portraits on the sides were based on statues of those saints. I researched each saint for weeks and included their respective symbols in the design. St. Margaret, Queen of Scots, is rescuing her sacred manuscript from the river. St. Scholastica holds her staff and book along with a dove. St. Benilde also holds his staff and a book. I wanted the mural to depict the importance of books, learning and peace. I married my knowledge of scenic painting and Renaissance painting in a new, semi-modern way.

What can we learn from your work?

I know BSM is focused on "solving problems that matter," so I thought a lot about what problems may be associated with art and/or how art matters. I guess because art is not usually seen as a problem it's less likely that it matters to a lot of people. At least, they don't think it matters until it's not around. Then they really notice the absence of it. I guess you can say I'm helping to solve the 'problem' of the absence of art!

I also find that art has a great social justice aspect to it, which is why I really enjoyed one of my most recent projects. In March, I was part of the Guerrilla Girls Made Here Takeover along Hennepin Ave. Guerilla Girls is a group of anonymous females who use art as a way to raise awareness on issues of sexism and racism. The takeover included over 150 projects spreading Guerilla Girls' billboard art all over town.

To see more of Erin's artwork at BSM, please join us for our spring musical *The Drowsy Chaperone* which runs Thursday, April 28, through Sunday, May 1.

Visit www.bsmschool.org/drama to buy your tickets today!

Coming to you live from...

From the classroom to the real world, seven alums share their stories and offer advice about careers in journalism.

Mike Moen '97
Attended Brown College



Moen was born and raised in North Minneapolis, but his career in radio has given him the opportunity to move around the U.S. Moen always knew he wanted to pursue a career in radio after growing up listening to WCCO at his grandma's house. "I would just stop everything and listen to the radio in her kitchen thinking it was kind of cool."

As a radio broadcaster it has given him many unique and memorable opportunities including interviewing Barack Obama when he was running for U.S. Senate and covering the Rod Blagojevich impeachment. Recalling his career journey and how education played a role, Moen remembers the influence BSM had. "The great education and teachers sent me on a path toward journalism in the sense that a lot of my teachers taught me to be curious about the world." From news casting to reporting, being on the radio means being on the fly. Moen has no plans to slow down his career but hopes to stay put in Minneapolis where he now serves as a radio broadcaster for Minnesota Public Radio.

MOEN'S ADVICE:

Be prepared to travel. Get out into the community and learn how to interact with people. Like a lot of other industries, you have to start out small and work your way up. Completing internships will go a long way in helping you make connections and getting your name out there.

Bradford Fayfield '90

Attended Boston College (undergrad); Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism and Kellogg School of Management (grad)



Fayfield is the founder and CEO of Storm Mountain Media. As a former member of the U.S. Ski Team and having earned a dual degree in journalism and business, Fayfield became an editor at popular ski magazines *Skiing* and *Snow Country*. It was during this time he noticed a void in the market. "My entrepreneurial spirit motivated me to launch a new title called *FREESKIER*." Following the success of this magazine, Fayfield began acquiring other skiing-centric magazines. Not only has he found success in print magazines, but he also has an award-winning creative division that services clients such as GoPro and Red Bull. His past was telling of his future in journalism, "At BSM, I learned that I excelled when working on projects for which I had passion – a theme that permeates into everything in my life. I always enjoyed storytelling and business. Turns out I'm doing both professionally, but I still don't know what I want to be when I grow up." With technology and media constantly evolving, no day is the same for Fayfield, something he both enjoys and embraces with open arms.

Fayfield's ADVICE:

Today's youth has technology on its side. I would encourage students to learn and use all of the digital and social channels at their disposal and to be fearless and optimistic about getting into media. Anyone with a strong work ethic and good storytelling can build a very powerful voice and channel. Don't be worried about what you'll be when you grow up. Just do what you're passionate about, and you will succeed.



Jamie Leary '03

Attended the University of Montana
(undergrad); DePaul University (grad)

As a reporter for CBS morning show in Denver, Leary is a woman who wears many hats. While at the University of Montana, she found herself immersed in journalism; however, she has always had the urge to get out and explore. So after graduation, Leary decided to pursue her passion for outdoors by finding a job at a Big Sky ski resort. Missing her time as a journalist, Leary moved to Chicago to earn her master's in journalism at DePaul, only to find herself heading back to Montana as a reporter for one of the smallest markets in the country. After a few years in Montana, Leary landed her current job in Denver with the CBS4 morning show. Despite the 2 a.m. wake-up time, she enjoys "working for the big dogs" and covering breaking news stories, including being on the sidelines for Super Bowl 50. Leary jokes about her experience at BSM being voted "most likely to get into trouble." She also recalls the bonds she created through extracurriculars and how they "helped me get over that awkward hump in high school."

ADVICE: Don't be disturbed or discouraged by the awkward years in high school. And just because you don't know what to do after you graduate, it doesn't mean you won't figure out what to do. It's worth the wait!

Emily Allen '08

Attended the University of Missouri

Her junior year of college, Allen landed an internship at NBC's London Bureau where she covered the royal wedding, the Olympics and both the Democratic and Republican National convention. This experience cemented her love for journalism. Since graduating from Missouri's School of Journalism, Allen now calls Colorado Springs home, working as an anchor for KRDO. A combination of Allen's education, growing up watching the news, her curious personality and time at BSM helped her maintain a passion for what she does. "Some of my most memorable moments at BSM were at the *Knight Errant*. Mr. Wallestad taught me the building blocks of journalism." In her career, she has reported on exciting events and emotionally difficult stories. It reminds her of how humbling a career in journalism can be, "people think journalists are jaded and insensitive, but hearing people's stories affects me. I get emotional when I see people going through heartbreak." Allen has always known she wanted to be a journalist and she hopes to continue to rise in her career as a reporter.

ADVICE: If you want a career in journalism, go for it! In college, people told me this industry is too tough, no one is hiring, and I got really down on myself. I even seriously considered switching majors. In the end, I followed my heart and stuck with it. I couldn't be happier.



Alexandra Sifferlin '08

Attended Northwestern University

During her time at college, Sifferlin landed a few unbelievable internships. From *Rolling Stone Magazine* to Marie Claire to *Time Magazine*, where she currently is a health writer, these experiences launched her career in journalism.

Since the 4th grade, Sifferlin knew she wanted to be a journalist, specifically magazines. She recalled her tenure as editor-in-chief of the *Knight Errant*, during which the newspaper's online version was launched. It was something she will never forget about her experience at BSM. Now living in New York City, Sifferlin considers her role at Time her dream job.

"I was blessed to have people who fiercely supported me and pushed me, my family especially. They always told me to do what I loved and everything else would fall into place, and they've been right every time." Sifferlin has had many incredible opportunities as she travels the world talking to people about the latest health news. "I've had the opportunity to interview some incredible people, including health officials in the U.S. and abroad, Ebola patients and inspiring researchers."

ADVICE: Start now! There's no better time to get your name out there than now. Find stories in your community and just start reporting and writing. You will learn so much. And email me! I am always happy to answer questions from fellow Red Knights.



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Alums share their stories and offer advice about careers in journalism

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Ryan Shaver '08

Attended the University of St. Thomas

Shaver has been around the newsroom since he was three years old. So, pursuing a journalism degree at the University of St. Thomas just seemed natural. Shaver intended on playing football for the Tommies, but things didn't work out which he describes as a "blessing in disguise." He began investing his time into journalism, eventually becoming the director of Tommie-Media. Now a sports anchor at Kare11, Shaver often times shares the anchor desk with his dad Randy Shaver. It was always his dream to work at Kare11, "I love my job! Every day is different. I'm never sitting behind a desk, I'm always meeting interesting people and I'm always getting to express my creativity." As a BSM student, Shaver specifically remembers Mr. Backen's Film Studies class. "He was super influential to my career. I wanted to be a director after high school, and now I get to film all my stories and get creative with my shots. He sparked that." From playing football on the Red Knight field, to reporting live at Lambeau field at a Packers vs. Vikings game, Shaver loves and appreciates every day on the job.

RYAN'S ADVICE:
Expect it to be tough, but know it's worth it. Make sure it is something you are passionate about, and if it doesn't feel like a job every day, then it is something that you should be doing.



Elle Mohs '09

Attended the University of Denver

Mohs is a multimedia journalist for THV11 in Little Rock, AR, meaning she does it all – reporting, shooting, writing and editing stories herself. As a kid Mohs watched 'The Today Show' with her mom. "I looked up to Katie Couric, and that's when I was first drawn to news." At BSM, it was Mr. Wallestad who influenced her to love journalism. "I joined the writing staff at the *Knight Errant*. I learned how powerful the written word is and how it can make a greater impact or provoke more emotion when layered with video." After graduating from BSM, Mohs went on to receive a degree in journalism from the University of Denver, where she held two internship positions at CBS and NBC. She covered the Aurora Theater Shooting in 2012 and realized journalism was the field she was meant to pursue. It was an extremely jarring experience, but it also taught her what it means to report the news. At THV11, emotion is part of Mohs' day to day, such as reporting on a 2014 tornado that hit central Arkansas, killing 16 people. "No other job allows you that opportunity to be part of something like that and document it on camera."

ADVICE: Keep your passion for strong, credible, emotional and fair storytelling alive. Journalism is not about the reporter, it's about the people and their stories. This business will never die if storytelling remains the priority. With your words, you have the ability to help people and make changes in your community.



May 19, 2016



BSM's Annual Day of Giving

Calling all alumni, parents, grandparents and friends! Red Knights UNITE this day to support current and future Red Knights.

Three *Day of Giving* supporters reflect on their own BSM experiences and why they give.

Peter Ritchie '07 ▲ When the BSM boys' basketball team competed for the state championship in 2007, Peter was leading the charge as a captain. "We lost, but it was still a great time!" Peter continued to grow as a leader at the University of Notre Dame where he graduated with a degree in accounting. He now lives in Ohio and is thriving as a CPA in the Assurance practice at Ernst and Young. Even though he may never move back to Minnesota, he continues to hold BSM close to his heart. "I choose to give back to BSM because it has given me so much: lifelong friends, a faith-based education, and an opportunity to succeed and attend my dream school. I will continue to support the community that supported me for six years."

Betty and Dennis Selke ▼ A move from New Hampshire to Minnesota brought Betty and Dennis to the doorstep of BSM with their children, **Adam '88** and **Erin '92**. Throughout their years as parents and now grandparents at BSM, one thing has always held true: "BSM has always been the best at fostering the individual student," Dennis explains. Their children gravitated to different activities, but BSM created an all-inclusive environment. Teachers became the "spark plug" and enabled their kids to "flip the switch" and grow during their years at BSM. The Sellkes believe that BSM has always been a great benchmark for Catholic education. "I've never seen anything better for our kids."



Beutz Family ▲ Everything came full circle for **Chris Beutz '86** when his daughter enrolled in a BSM summer theater camp led by Scott Effertz, the same teacher who had recruited Chris to be in the ensemble of *Anything Goes* more than 20 years ago. As current BSM parents, Chris and Julie value the social atmosphere BSM creates for their children. Dinner conversations revolve around academics, daily happenings, and extracurricular activities – all of which play a large role in building lasting relationships. BSM was a big part of Chris' upbringing and now plays an even bigger role as he and Julie navigate parenting. Chris feels that by giving back to BSM he is "doing a small part" in building a legacy for his kids and future Red Knights.



Red Knights UNITE Thursday, May 19

Mark your calendars and be sure to visit www.bsmschool.org/dayofgiving to make a lasting gift.

1962

Special Deputy **John Krawczak** was presented the 2015 Hennepin County Sheriff's Distinguished Service Award and the 2015 Minnesota Sheriff's Association Volunteer Of The Year Award.

1976

Classmates gathered recently at the home of Lynn Witzig Farrell: (l-r) **Sue Commers Losness**, **Teresa Gavin Fiedler**, **Laura O'Malley Pietras**, and **Lynn Witzig Farrell**. ▼



1986

John Ziminske was inducted into the Hall of Fame at Augustana University last fall. John was a defensive lineman and was named to the All-North Central Conference football team in 1990. He was a second team choice in 1989 and was credited with 53 tackles, three quarterback sacks, and three tackles for losses. During the 1990 season he tied a school record with three sacks against the University of Northern Colorado, helping the Vikings to a 20-10 win. It was Augustana's first-ever win in Greeley. He was credited with 40 tackles for the 1990 season.

1992

Jenny Perry is the vice president and group scientific director at Lockwood, a medical communications agency working with the pharmaceutical industry. Jenny lives in McKinney, Texas.

1993

Maggie Ryan Allen and sister **Nell Ryan Linquist '01** launched Hi Little One, a personalized clothing line for infants and toddlers. Watch for this brand in specialty retailers near you or shop online at: www.hilittleone.com.

Katy Bank Johnson, **Laura Grendahl**, **Andrea Scherer Belton**, **Rachel Kuzma Olson** and **Holly Henn Kangas** completed the Susan G. Komen 3-Day walk in support of breast cancer in August. They walked in remembrance of classmate and friend **Anne Molina Lukas**. The team raised over \$16,000 and stopped for a photo opportunity along the route in a yard with a #BSMproud sign. ▼



Tessa James Leathers was born to Mark Leathers and **Kelly Nelson Leathers** on February 4. Tessa joins big sister Tate (2 1/2) at home. The Leathers family lives in Avon, Colorado.

Kyle and **Jennie Osborn Reis** are thrilled to announce the arrival of William Osborn Reis, "Willie," on November 29, 2015. Jennie works for Amazon and Kyle works for Starbucks. The Reis family lives in Seattle.

William and **Nicole Robidoux Welk** welcomed daughter Sophie Louise into the world on January 10. Big sister Audrey (2) was excited for Sophie's arrival.

1994

Missy Bickel and Jason Voronyak were married at Rush Creek Golf Club in Maple Grove in January. Missy works in social media for WCG and Jason works in finance for Wells Fargo. Missy and Jason and their children, Avery (8), Alex (10), Gabe (14) and Abby (16) live in Maple Grove. ▼



1995

Chris Culp was selected as a winner of the 2016 (Real) Power 50 by Minnesota Business Magazine. Chris is the president and founder of The Excelsior Group. The Excelsior Group (TEG) is a full-service real estate firm specializing in commercial real estate ownership, acquisition, management, development, commercial leasing, and home-builder finance.

Molly McLeod Carpenter and husband Ben are proud to announce the birth of Jacob Edward on September 14, 2015. Jacob's big brother William (9) and big sister Tess (6) welcomed Jacob home. The Carpenters live in St. Louis Park.

Devean George is part of an investment group that built a 47-unit affordable housing complex at the corner of Penn and Golden Valley Road called *Commons at Penn*. The complex opened in January and all rooms have new appliances and cabinets. There is a fitness room, tutoring center and a co-op on the first floor for the entire community. Devean is considering opening another commons across the street in the next couple of years.

1996

Lisa Carufel Shepherd and husband Steve welcomed Hope Wyatt into the world as their own Christmas miracle on December 25, 2015. Big brothers Finnegan (7) and Luke (5) are happy to have a baby sister. The Shepherds live in Minneapolis.

1999

Christina Cipolle, husband Dan McManus, and big brother Robby (3) announce the birth of Michael Daniel on March 4, 2015. Christina works as a pharmacist and the family lives in St. Paul.

Kari Koshiol is a 2016 recipient of the Rising Star Award given by the Journalism Education Association (JEA) for her work as the *Knight Errant's* Editorial Journalism Adviser at Benilde-St. Margaret's. The award honors journalism advisers who are committed to their publications and the students who run them. Koshiol will be recognized along with the twelve other recipients at the JEA and National Scholastic Press Association (NSPA) Spring National High School Journalism Convention in Los Angeles in April.

2001

Jenny Fisher and Patrick Kelley were married at the Basilica of St. Mary in Minneapolis on August 29, 2015. Alums **Christina Fisher '03**, **Patricia Fisher '08**, **Marina Luger '01**, **Jenny Hoffer Damman '01** and **Kim Stucki Richard** also participated in the celebration. Jenny is a behavior dean at Riverview Education Center and Patrick works as a neuromuscular therapist at Physicians Group. ▼





Alyson Moore and **Geoff Markham '04** were married on June 27. Alyson is a teacher in the junior high at Benilde-St. Margaret's and Geoff is a commercial realtor with Hawthorne Group, Inc. The Markhams live in St. Louis Park. ▲

2002

Jessie Lindseth Becker and her husband, Jason, are thrilled with their new baby girl, Lylia Kay, born November 13, 2015. Lylia's big sister Braelyn (2) is an adoring sister. Jessie works for Mortenson Construction. The Beckers live in Lakewood, Colorado.

John and **Cate Lombardo Dugan** welcomed Mark Michael into the world on July 3, 2015. He joins siblings Anna (4) and Luke (2) at home. The Dugans live in Corcoran.

Katherine Ledin Harwood and husband Dan are pleased to announce the birth of Lynnea Alma on February 15. Lynnea has an older brother Eli Lawrence. The Harwood family lives in Stanley, North Dakota.

2003

Megan and **Seborn Yancy** are proud to announce their fifth child, Zion Reuben Markus Yancy, born on January 13. Proud siblings Makkedah (6), Samaria (5), Nehemiah (3), and Shiloh (1) are good helpers at home. Seborn is the Dean of Academics at Maranatha Christian Academy and holds an M.A. and B.A. from Concordia University-Saint Paul.

2004

Erin McNaught Cari and her husband, Sam, are happy to announce the birth of their son, Samuel Barrett, on June 26, 2015. Big sister Nell (2) loves her little brother. The Caris live in Deephaven.

Andy Ellis married **Therese Grupa** at Boone Hall Plantation in Charleston, South Carolina, on March 7, 2015. Andy and Therese live in Milwaukee. ▼



2005

Nick Hittler is in his final year of law school at the University of Minnesota and has been selected through the U.S. Attorney General's Honors Program to work as a judicial law clerk at the Department of Justice's Immigration Court in Bloomington, Minnesota. Hittler will clerk for the Immigration Court judges during his two-year term. Before law school Nick worked as an immigration specialist and representative with Catholic Charities in Chicago where he provided representative services with an emphasis on family reunification.

Annie Houlihan and Matt Doda were married at Our Lady of Lourdes in Minneapolis on June 27. Annie is a doctor of physical therapy at Tria Orthopedic in Bloomington and Matt is a chiropractor in St. Paul. ▼



Emma Grace Jacobson was born December 16, 2015, to Becky and **Mike Jacobson**. Mike works at Great Northern Corporation as an account coordinator. Becky is a science teacher at Hopkins West Junior High. They reside in Minnetonka.

Courtney Ryan married Brett Parmelee on August 22, 2015. Courtney and Brett work in real estate finance and met working for Wells Fargo in San Francisco. The couple now lives in Denver where Brett still works for Wells Fargo and Courtney works for McWhinney, a real estate investment firm. ▼



Peter Klinkenberg and his wife, Erin, are thrilled to announce the birth of Leona Marot on March 10.

2006

After a career in advertising, **Caroline Hittler** has changed gears and names. Caroline Hitt is now performing as an improv comedian at Stevie Ray's Comedy Cabaret. Shows are Friday and Saturday nights at the Chanhassen Dinner Theaters. For more information, visit stevierays.org.



Michael Jaeger married Catherine Minea on September 19, 2015, at the Church of St. Peter in Mendota Heights. Michael is in his fourth year of medical school at the University of Minnesota and will be starting his residency in internal medicine. Catherine works as a CPA for Deloitte. The Jaegers live in Minneapolis. ▲

Andy Weigman and Dedra Brey were wed on September 12, 2015, at Noerenberg Memorial County Park in Orono with a reception at International Market Square. ▼





Andy Weigman's wedding was the scene of a mother-son reunion for many of his classmates: front row (l-r) **RK** and Rosemarie **Glover**, **Andy** and Lisa **Weigman**, **Dan** and Mary Alice **Morin**, **Stephen** and Terri **Kedzuf**, and **Bryant** and Jackie **Koval**; back row (l-r) **Matthew** and **Marilyn Peller Nelson** '78 and **Alex** and Rose **Topousis**. ▲



2007

Tommy Purnell and Emily Sherlock were married on October 17, 2015, at Our Lady of Grace. Tommy is a key account manager at Wurth Adams and Emily is a second grade teacher at Pinewood Elementary School in Monticello. ▲

Ranked No. 2 in the United States in ice-cross downhill, **Amanda Trunzo** took to the Red Bull Crashed Ice course in St. Paul for the final stop on the world tour February 26-27. Trunzo is ranked eighth in the season-long points standings after three of four stops. Amanda finished seventh in Canada, sixth in Germany and eighth in Finland.

Dr. Nick Wegleitner and his wife, Maddy, have opened their chiropractic practice, Innate Health Chiropractic, in Deephaven at Chowen's Crossing. Nick graduated from Northwestern College of Chiropractic in Bloomington in November of 2014, then interned and began practicing as an associate doctor at Lake West, a private clinic in Plymouth. With a focus on family wellness, Wegleitner has advanced training in pediatric care, nutrition, and spinal corrective adjusting.

Maureen Ryan married Nate Anderson on November 28, 2015. The wedding was held at Our Lady of Victory Chapel, at the College of St. Catherine in St. Paul followed by a reception at the Golden Valley Country Club. ▼



2008

Rachel Tondryk Hubly and her husband, Joe, welcomed Terez Grace into the world on February 16. The Hubly family lives in Owatonna.

Kasey Topousis and Steve Lynch were married on July 18, 2015, at St. Bart's Church in Wayzata. The couple met in Denver, Colorado and still reside there. ▼



Tyler Stefan and **Elle Zeman** were married on October 10, 2015, at St. Therese in Deephaven. Ellie is an elementary teacher in the Wayzata school district. ►

Julie Cooney and Darryn Records were married at Glen Farm in Cottage Grove on July 3, 2015. Julie is an early childhood home visitor at St. David's Center for Child & Family Development and Darryn is a bird keeper at the Minnesota Zoo. Julie and Darryn live in Minneapolis. ▼



2010

Ian Hamilton is working for the Peace Corps in the Republic of Zambia. In December, Ian ran into **John Jaeger** in the capital city of Lusaka where John was working as a nurse for six weeks before starting a graduate program at Cornell Graduate School. ▼



Kaileen Kraemer was recently promoted to the position of technical director at The Walt Disney Animation Studios in Burbank, California. She is credited for her work as assistant technical director on Disney's feature length animated film "Zootopia".



2011

Nettie Sparkman is president of Love Your Melon at Iowa State University. Love Your Melon is an apparel brand on a mission to put a hat on every child battling cancer in America. Nettie is joined in her work by BSM alums **Elizabeth Goulet '12**, **Kelly O'Connor '12** and Brooks Rennie. They dress as superheroes, visit cancer patients and spread joy to children in local hospitals. For every hat purchased, the company, Love Your Melon, donates a hat to a child battling cancer.



2012

New Mexico Lobos basketball star **Khadijah Shumpert** returned to Minnesota on December 16, 2015, to play the Minnesota Gopher women's basketball team. During her home-state return, the 6-foot senior forward was the star for New Mexico, scoring a career-high 27 points, grabbing eight rebounds and shooting 10-for-13 from the field. Khadijah is pictured with her former BSM coach, Bob Lyons (left), and her 2010 BSM state champion teammate, **Tish Alexander '10** (right). ▲

Isaiah Zierden led the Big East with 3-pointers during the 2015-16 season. Zierden averaged almost 31 minutes, a team high, in Creighton's first 16 games. In addition to leading the team in 3-point baskets and steals, Zierden ranked second on the team in assists and averaged 11.3 points a game. ▼



Sanjay Lumpkin was featured in an on-line article on *24/7 Sports* highlighting his defensive role during the 2015-16 basketball season at Northwestern University. ▶

2013

Dan Labosky signed a National Letter of Intent for Wisconsin Madison to join coach Mike Eaves and former BSM teammate **Grant Besse '13** next year. Labosky heads to Wisconsin from the USHL's Tri-City Storm where he currently serves as assistant captain.

2014

Christian DuLaney wrapped up his first season wrestling in college by finishing third at the National Junior College Athletic Association championships in February. DuLaney defeated Elias Mason, of Highline College, 10-6 in the third place match of the 197 pound bracket.

Zander Edelman is a sophomore at Columbia College Chicago studying cinema art and science. He secured an internship at the Cannes Film Festival in France last summer where he was able to walk the red carpet and network with members of the film industry. He also spent time in Israel and is working on two films, one about his family roots and another about two Holocaust survivors.

Caitlin Reilly and **Kelly Pannek** were members of the Gopher women's hockey team that won the national championship for the second year in a row. ▼



2015

Natalie Chevalier, **Christine Lager** and **Katie Segner '14** performed with their University of Wisconsin Madison dance team at the UDA College Dance Team National Championship January 15-17. The team placed 9th out of 26 teams.

Softball player **Maddie Houlihan** had a strong collegiate debut starting with a double down the left field line in the second inning and a homerun in the third inning to help the Gophers top No. 8 Oklahoma in their first game of the season. Maddie was also the only freshman to start in the field that game and felt at home in her familiar spot at first base. Later she was named Big Ten Freshman of the Week for her continued strong hitting and fielding.

Eddie McHugh and **Michael Naughtin** caught up with NBA players and Minnesota natives Karl Anthony Towns (first-round pick from Kentucky) and Tyus Jones (first-round pick from Duke) at 6 Smith Restaurant in Wayzata less than 24 hours after the NBA draft was held. ▼



1 or 6

Reunion Information

If your graduation year ends in a 1 or a 6, 2016 is your reunion year.

For additional information or to help with reunion plans, contact Mary Fran O'Keefe, at mfokeefe@BSMSchool.org or 952-915-4360.

Bulletin Board

Reunion Information

SMA 1951 • Saturday, June 25, Noon, Timberlodge Steakhouse, 7989 Southtown Center, Bloomington • **Reunion Contacts:** Barb Dibos Turnbull at Barb@trinityworldtrading.com, 952-926-5305 or Fran Moore Shima at francesshima@aol.com, 763-544-5338.

SMA 1955 • Annual Gathering: Wednesday, September 14, Noon, Jax Café Minneapolis • **Reunion Contact:** Judy Miller 952-545-3471, judithann108@gmail.com.

SMA 1956 • Thursday, June 23, 11:30 a.m., Luncheon at Jax Café Minneapolis • **Reunion Contact:** Mary Fust Stedman, maryellastedman@gmail.com, 321-303-9613.

SMA 1961 • Saturday, August 27, 11:30 a.m., Luncheon at Jax Café Minneapolis • **Reunion Contact:** Jeanne Warner Nelson, 763-416-2281.

SMA 1966 • Saturday, October 1, Luncheon at Bonefish Grill in St. Louis Park • **Reunion Contact:** Mary Liemandt McFetridge, mmcfetr@gmail.com.

SMA 1971 • The class will celebrate their 45th reunion in the fall of this year. A planning meeting will be held on Friday, April 22. For details on time and location of the meeting, please contact Mary Regan Gilbertson at maryregangilbertson@gmail.com, **Reunion Contacts:** Jane Lundeen Goodrich at janegoodrich53@yahoo.com, or Mary O'Rourke Wickersham at mary@wickershamsites.com. We hope to see you there! (Please include SMA in the subject line. Thank you.)

Benilde 1966, 1971 • Friday, June 10, 6 p.m. Dinner at Benilde-St. Margaret's.

BSM 1976 • Planning is underway for the 40-year reunion later this year. More information coming soon. • **Reunion Contacts:** Karen Gruidl Bjorgan at Kbjorgan@comcast.net or Sheila Delmore Thelemann at sheila.thelemann@gmail.com.

BSM 1981 • Friday, July 22, at the home of Greg Jansen, 3145 Emerson Ave S., Minneapolis • **Reunion Contact:** Ken Peterson at kjp0403@gmail.com.

BSM 1986 • Saturday, September 17 • **Reunion Contacts:** Steve Pohlen at smpohlen@gmail.com, John Vonhof at johnvon21@yahoo.com and Buddy Mojica at armandomojica@gmail.com.

BSM 1991 • Saturday, July 23, Republic Minneapolis • **Reunion Contacts:** Amanda Braun Campbell at amanda.campbell@tkda.com, Natalie Tritz Fowler at njfowler@me.com and Jessica Rosendahl Miller at jmiller651@yahoo.com.

BSM 1996 • TBA • **Reunion Contacts:** David Haeg at david.haeg@gmail.com and Heather Humphrey Faber at heatherhumphreyfaber@gmail.com.

BSM 2001 • TBA

BSM 2006 • TBA • **Reunion Contact:** Katie Forschler at Katie.Forschler@cbburnet.com.

BSM 2011 • TBA • **Reunion Contacts:** Maddy Moore at moor1107@umn.edu. and Andie Boosalis at boosalisandie@gmail.com, 612-802-2263 and Peter Schubloom, pschubloom@gmail.com, 612-741-7848.

Upcoming Alumni Events

Alumni Lacrosse • June 16, 2016, 7 p.m.

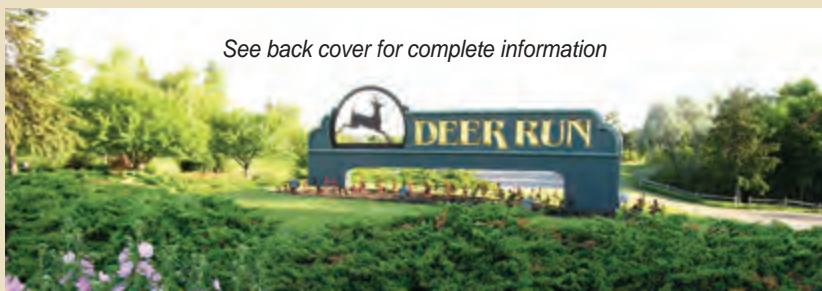
BSM Stadium

Joranger Open • June 13, 2016

11 a.m. registration • 12:30 p.m. shotgun start

Deer Run Golf Club, Victoria, Minnesota

See back cover for complete information



In Memoriam

Mary Mullin Bajor '77
Sister of Brad
Robert '76
John

Carole Ann Baker
Mother of Mary Josette '77
Elizabeth '78
Peter
Annette '85

Kelly Blevins '75
Brother of Jeff '71
Greg '72
Shelley
Milissa Blevins Mahoney '78
Tim '79
Kerriane '81
Kris Blevins Lee '84

Adelaide Fisch Bowers '35
Sister of Evelyn Fisch Lausen '49

Mary Buccina
Mother of Yvonne Buccina
Blanchfield
Joan Buccina Hurley '81
Roberta '84
Rosemary Buccina Brailly '85

Emanuel "Joe" Campo
Father of Dan '89
Celeste '93

Donald Combs
Father of Timothy
Kevin
Mary Jo
Thomas
Terry
Casey Combs Garland '82

Susan Dunn
Mother of BJ '11
Will '12
Joe '18

Kathleen Mundahl Fargo '66
Sister of Mary Mundahl Person '64
Barb Mundahl Wing
John

Tim Forcier
Father of Megan '09
Bailey '13

William Frederick
Father of Loretta
Cecilia
Tim '76

Sharon Smith Fredericksen '61
Sister of Cecilia Smith Davis '57

Mick Freund
Father of Lukas '17

Beth Hawkins
Wife of Mick – past faculty

Mary K. Hill
Mother of Tom
John
Anne Hill Grimaldi '82
Karen Hill Galvin '87

Rita Juettner
Mother of Christopher
Stephen
Ellen Juettner Wold '83
Kevin
Julie Juettner Loney '86
Annie Juettner Foley

John Kadlec
Father of Jeffrey '91 – deceased
Eileen Kadlec Nygard '93
Matthew

Shirley Keller
Mother of Frank '69
Tony '71
Sandra Keller Palesch

Andrew Kloster
Father of Kathleen Kloster
Garoutte '65
Susan Kloster Hammer '66

Leone Knaeble-Hunter
Mother of Charles '67
Patsy Clark-McKinney '68
Susan Knaeble Gislason '69
Thomas '71
Joseph '72
Gene '73
Barb Knaeble Zeman '77
Noella Knaeble Seaburg '80
Paula Knaeble Svegal '81
John

Peter Krieser '64

Al Lenss
Father of Karen Lenss
Huebschman '73
Mark '74
David '77
Jim '81
Marty '88

Jennifer McGowan '89
Sister of Elizabeth McGowan
Pinc '86

Ronald Miller '60
Brother of Barb Miller '63

Maureen Drew Mills '51

Monica Smigleski Navratil '48
Mother of Allen '68
Elizabeth Navratil Dahsel '69
Susan Navratil Malsom '71
Thomas
Sister of Patricia Smigleski
Tracy '49 – deceased
Mary Smigleski Rubbelke '55

Dan O'Neill
Father of Shannon '88
Sheila

Nathaniel Togba Norris, Sr.
Father of Togba '93

Walter Pawlyshyn
Brother of Paul – past staff

William Poot
Father of Gail Poot Bertossi '65
Leona Poot Brown '68
Ann Poot Boone '73

Dorothy Grande Rinkenberger '48

Beverly Rosenthal
Mother of Anne '76
Mary Rosenthal Brand '78
Katie Rosenthal Kleiner '81
John Paul '84

Richard Selle
Father of Ken '73
Paul '74
Mary Selle Mueller '76
Mike '77
Tim '79
John '81
Elaine Selle Case '83

Robert Sims Jr.
Son of Gloria Soderberg Sims '43 – deceased
Brother of Mari Sime Sullivan '69
Lisa Sims Carrico
Tom
William
Mike
Mark '83

Margaret Stenger '74

Jerry Swanda
Father of Pam Swanda McCartan
Melinda Swanda Amerigo
Amy Swanda Bergstrom '87

Patrick Turnbull
Husband of Barb Dibos Turnbull '51

Jacqueline Wojciak
Mother of Kathryn Wojciak
Reynolds '83 – deceased
Jill Wojciak Nelson '82
Gail Wojciak Martin '90

Alumni ALBUM



Alumni Pong—Alums and current players gathered at BSM over Christmas break for a ping pong match and the infamous Game of Champions. Christian Pederson '14 was crowned the winner: front row (l-r) Thomas Koch '12, Connor Day '15 Jackie Lawyer '15, Morgan Matson '15, Noah Swindlehurst '12, and Parker Sipes '15; back row (l-r) Drew Coulombe '14, Tyler Matson '12, Quinn Conlon '14 MK Sipes, Christian Pederson '14 Michael Eigenmann '11; Matthew Brinza '14 Alyssa Brinza '12 and Henry Koch '14.



Summer Wedding—Family and friends joined Annie Houlihan and Matt Doda at Our Lady of Lourdes for their summer wedding: back row (l-r) Joe Hollenback '09, Devin Harrington '05, Ryan Houlihan '09, Jake Wegleitner '05, Mike Dekarski '68, Joe Frenz '78, Jessie Frenz Radtke '05; middle row (l-r) Jono McShane '05, Annie Baumgartner McShane '05, Terri Houlihan Campbell '68, Kit Kelly Dekarski '68, Allison Bolgrea '05, Caitlan Rocheford '08, Jenny Frenz '07, and Sean Harrington '10; front row: Annie Houlihan Doda '05, Matt Doda, Kellyn McNaught '05, and Shane Harrington '05.



Distinguished Alumni—Erik Madigan Heck '02 was inducted into the BSM Hall of Honor for his work in fashion photography and is pictured with Jill Periolat Kaster '02 and Alyson Markham '01 at the award dinner.



Red Knights Unite—There were many alums on hand to help Alyson Moore '01 and Geoff Markham '04 celebrate their wedding celebration on June 27: back row (l-r) Charles Moore '07, Tony Muscala '07, Nik Frenz '03, John Moore, Jr. '08, Matt Moore '04, John Moore, Sr. '74, Mike Moore '76, Peter Frenz '72, Rob Moore '69 and Tim Lutz '75; front row (l-r) Lauren Muscala '11, Marie Muscala '08, Molly Rogers '01, Ellen Grace Westin '01, Geoff Markham, Alyson Moore Markham, Marilyn Peller Nelson '78, Eva Frenz Peragallo '01, Mary Joos '01, Anne Price Lutz '75, Jo Gruidl Moore '66, and Art Moore '66.



Picture Perfect Wedding—Kasey Topousis Lynch '08 posed with fellow Red Knights for a photo at her wedding to Steve Lynch on July 18: back row (l-r) Andrew Dale '08, Madisson Delaney '08, John Helms '08, and Jamie McCormick '08; middle row (l-r) Dan Jaeger '08, Courtney Johnson '08, Annalise Sundberg '08, Rachel Jeffries '08, and Charlie Pope '08; front row (l-r) Matt Thomas '08, Rachael Peck '08, Kasey, Alexandra Sifferlin '08, Emily Allen '08, and Andrew Bauerschmidt '08.

Fall Nuptials—Nell '01 and Mick Lindquist were married on September 28, 2014. Nell and Mick celebrated their special day with family: back row (l-r) Sean Ryan '05, Tess Ryan '07, Mike Carson '91, Dan Ryan '03, Tim Ryan '97 and Craig Allen; middle row (l-r) Molly Ryan Carson '91, Colleen Ryan, Nell Ryan Lindquist '01, Mick Lindquist, Maggie Ryan Allen '93, and Kate Ryan Mich '95 with baby William, and Pat Mich; front row (l-r) Trinity Carson, Seamus Carson, Marley Carson, Henry Allen, Owen Allen and Nell Allen.



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Alumni Christmas Party—Several alumni brought their families to the Alumni Children's Christmas Party hosted by BSM on December 13.



Above: (l-r) Kate Leahy Emmel '96, Corey Anderson '96, Gina Periolat Elliot '96, J.B. Davis '96, and Kate Kuffel Hamill '96.

At right: (l-r) Theresa Acevedo '98 with Max (5) and Trudy (3), Katrina Gengler-Mezera '98, and Meghan Lind DesLauriers '99 with baby Jane.

Basketball Fans—Andy Sherburne '99 brought wife Laura and children Caroline (5) and James (2) to cheer him on at the annual alumni game.



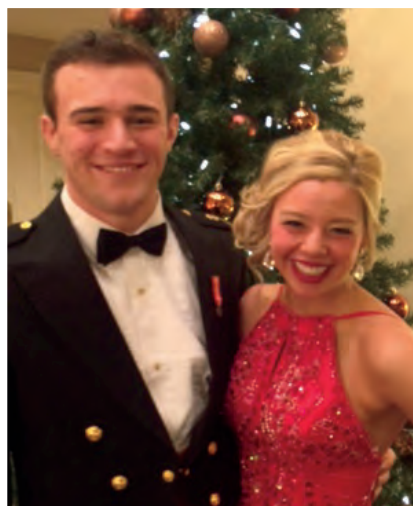
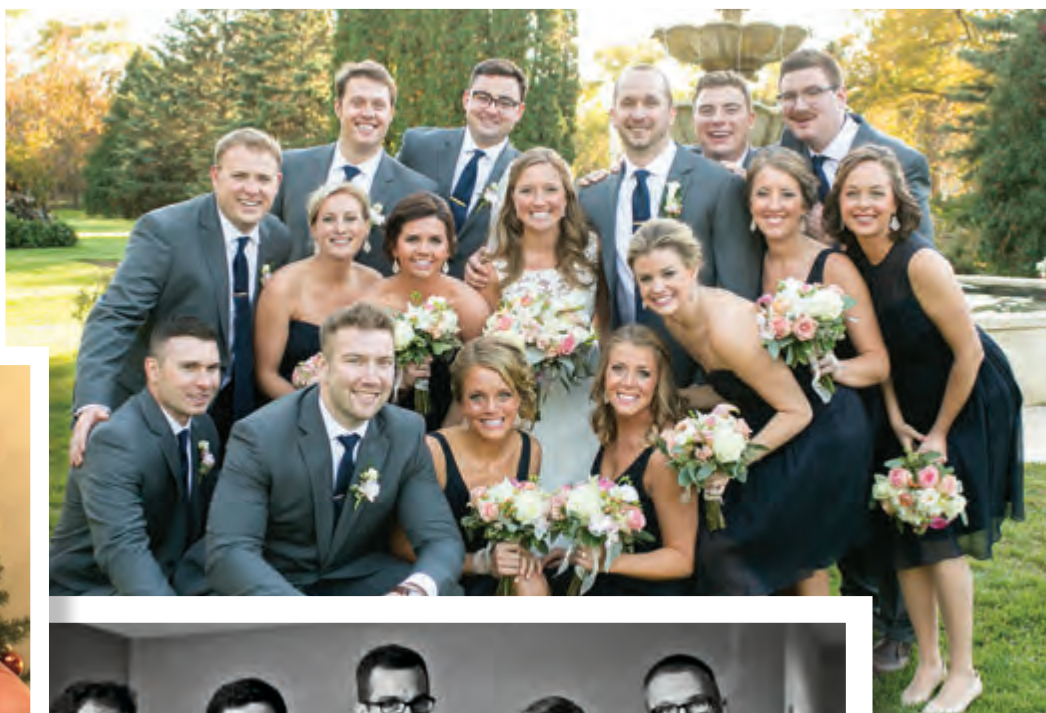
Grupa Family—John Grupa '08 (left) and Stephanie Grupa '01 (right) helped sister Therese '04 celebrate her vows to Andy Ellis in a spring wedding last March in South Carolina.



Alumni Basketball—There was a strong alumni showing for a Christmas Eve basketball game against the Red Knight Varsity team: back row (l-r) coach Tom Shannon, coach Nick Tibesar, Isaac Schmitz '15, Marshall Frank '15, Evan Battle '11, Stephen Kedzuf '06, Seth Marx '10, Sanjay Lumpkin '12, Andy Sherburne '99, Sevie Gondeck '12, B.J. Dunn '11, Myles Barnes '11, Matt Frank '12, and Breion Creer '12; middle row (l-r) coach Mike Swann, Jay Patnode '15, Andrew Birkeland '14, Jack Hathaway '14, Grant Hollie '14, Alex Alexander '13, Colin Polarek '14, Seborn Yancy '03, Josh Hollie '03, Matt Thimjon '06, Bennett Lang '05, and David Lang '03; seated (l-r) Matt Nyberg '17, Will Whitmore '17, Eli Cave '16, Derek Drees '17, Matt Lilienthal '16, Joe Dunn '18, Michael Wexler '17, Payton Miller '16, Carter Uphus '18, Jamison Battle '19, and Sam Baker '16.



Wedding Vows—Emily Sherlock and Tommy Purnell '07 celebrated their wedding day with many Red Knight alums. Their photos were taken by photographer Betsy Wall; back row (l-r) Patrick Johnson '07, Adam Marks '07, Tommy, Sam Gondeck '07, Paul Fling '07; middle row (l-r) Matt Draxler '07, Colleen Cummings, Reilly Fisher, Emily Purnell, Liz Sherlock, Katie Purnell Kobelinski '02; front row (l-r) Mike Kobelinski, Billy Lawrence, Cate Birmingham, Anna Cliffe, and Tanya Rusinko.



All Academy Ball—Carter Burns '14 and Katie Segner '14 attended a Christmas formal at the Wayzata Country Club on December 26.



Best Men—John Jaeger '10 and Dan Jaeger '08 served as the best men for brother Michael Jaeger's '06 wedding on September 19. Classmates Matt Carney '06 and Darren Rogers '06 (left) were also part of the wedding party.

Wedding Festivities—The wedding of Missy Bickel '94 and Jason Voronyak was celebrated by Missy's 1994 classmates: back row (l-r) Mike Keller, Melanie Dohmen Nicks, Tara Geyen Ziegler '97, Jane Goset; front row (l-r) Lissa Marquette Sullwold, Jason, Missy, and Brook Davis Mostue.



Ryan Sisters' Weddings—The marriages of Courtney '05 and Maureen '07 brought many family members and Red Knight alums together.



Courtney Ryan and Brett Parmelee were married on August 22: (l-r) Nate and Maureen Ryan Anderson '07 (third couple), Blake and Carey Ryan Hastings '98 (fourth couple), Courtney and Brett, Mara and Colin Ryan '98 (eighth couple), and Leah and Mike Ryan '99 (ninth couple).



Mo Ryan and Nate Anderson were married on November 28, 2015 surrounded by family, friends and plenty of Red Knights: (l-r): Colin Ryan '01, holding Cooper, Mara Ryan, Blake Hastings, Carey Ryan Hastings '98, Pat Ryan, Mo Ryan Anderson '07, Nate Anderson, Ann Ryan, Mike Ryan '99, Leah Ryan, Courtney Ryan Parmelee '05, and Brett Parmelee; front Charlie, Patrick and Colin Hastings.

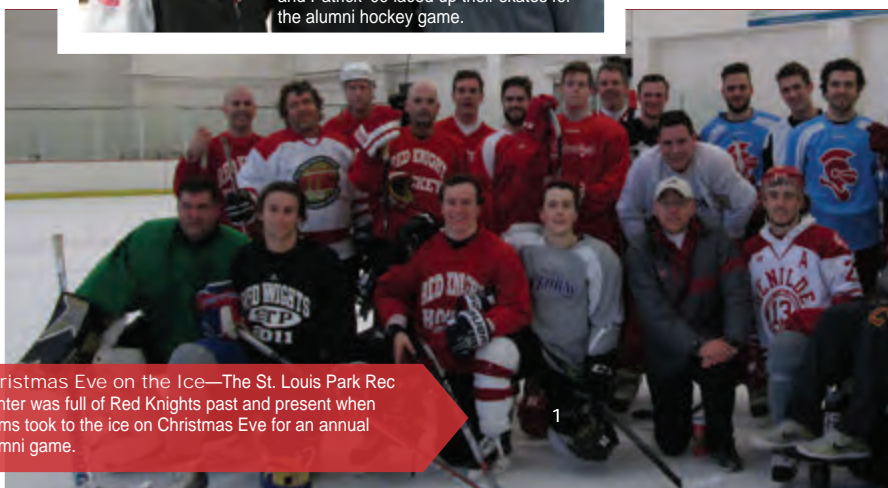
Alumni ALBUM



Duda Brothers—John '10, Will '15 and Patrick '09 laced up their skates for the alumni hockey game.



Alumnae Hockey—Red Knight alumnae returned to join coach Herbst and the girls' team at a practice: back row (l-r) coach Dave Herbst, Kelly Pannek '14, Ali Praus '14, Abbey Miller '14, Bailey Forcier '13, and Margot Fleming '10; front row (l-r) Caitlin Reilly '14, Maddie Jobe '10, Brittany Wheeler '14, Julie Baumgartner '09, Lindsay Domaas '09, and Molly Monson '10.



Christmas Eve on the Ice—The St. Louis Park Rec Center was full of Red Knights past and present when alums took to the ice on Christmas Eve for an annual alumni game.



Future Red Knight—Chris Culp '95, and son Oliver, attended the alumni hockey game on Christmas Eve.

Back row (l-r) Chris Culp '95, Mike Bowler '73, Judd Thomas '97, J.B. Davis '96, Patrick Cron '09, Patrick Duda '09, Will Duda '15, Bob Cron '79, Dan Liberko '14, Will Nelson '10, Christian Horn '12, Patrick Daly '11, Jake Horton '12, Grant Besse '13, Andrew Sprang '13, coach Ken Pauly, and Carter Roo '15; front row (l-r) Joe Nenamich '93, John Duda '10, Spencer Naas '14, Dan Labosky '13, Chris McGowan '91, T.J. Moore '13, Jack Jablonski '14, Chris Hickok '13 and Ben Newhouse '15.

Catholic School Teacher Dinner—Several alums attended a dinner hosted by the Benilde-St. Margaret's alumni team honoring graduates now serving in Catholic schools in the twin cities area.

Photo 1 (l-r) Beth Freund Pender '88, Mike Jeremiah and Betsy Van Cleve Stiegler '06.

Photo 2 (l-r) Joanie Kopp Sauer '88, Tiffany Teclaw McCaffrey '89 and Suzanne Johnson Zadra '88.

Photo 3 (l-r) Kevin Conway '85, Veronica Campion '83 and Caroline Stroh '83.

Photo 4 (l-r) Mary Lundberg '76 and Lori Jandl '91.



Red Knight Rendezvous—Several alums returned to BSM to volunteer at the auction on November 7: back row (l-r) Maddie Winston '13, Patrick Burns, wine expert Marcus Fischer, and Nathan Newell '10; front row (l-r) Kelsey Jacobson '10, Ryan Quinlivan '10 and Molly Dillon '08.

Holiday Ball—Anne Ford Moore '81 posed with her son, Grand Knight Auggie Moore '16, at coronation on February 1.



White House Visit—John Burns '88, wife Kelly and children (clockwise) Brendan, Caitlin, Michaela, Allie and Grace were invited to the White House to hear Pope Francis speak last September. The Burns family was invited by White House Chief of Staff Denis McDonough who is a friend and St. John's University classmate of John.



The Big Apple—Julia Weber '12, daughter of Kevin and Michelle Fournier Weber '83, had dinner in New York City with classmates of her parents Molly Fitzgerald Mendola '83 and Michael Rabatin '83.



Wrestlers—Seoulec Gunvalson '15, Jarred Oftedahl '13 and Christian DuLaney '14 cheered the Red Knights at a home wrestling meet.

Summer Wedding —Julie Cooney '08 and Darryn Records celebrated their Fourth of July weekend with a bang. Red Knights in attendance for the party included Jackie Bergo '08, Betsy Van Cleve Stiegler '06, John Cooney '04, and Bridget Laska Hendrickson '97, Nate Tennesen '92, Betsy Fuerstenberg Jaeger '92, and Karen Gruidl Bjorgan '76. Friends gathered for a photo at the wedding (l-r) Caroline Kupchella '14, Christopher Perpich '14, Darryn, Julie, Jacklyn Cooney '14, Dunham DeRemer '14, and Samantha Rude '14.



Alumna Award—St. Margaret's Academy alumna, Ann Markusen '64, celebrated her induction into the Hall of Honor with classmates Kathy Hinds Cheeseborough, Judie Collodora, Ann, Jill Dovenberg Davis, and Rita Renner Rowe.

Fall Wedding—Friends and classmates posed for a Red Knight photo at the wedding of Elle Zeman '08 and Tyler Stefan: back row (l-r) Zach Forschler '08, Greg Zeman '11, Andrew Dale '08, Max Carlson '08, Mary Ruane Pernula '05, Jason Ferber '08, Colleen Ruane '08, and John Helms '08; middle (l-r) Kelly Ferry '08, Emily Allen '08, Elle Mohs '09, and Kira Schneider '08; front (l-r) Alex Zeman '05, Tyler and Elle, Annalise Sundberg '08, and Blake Appelhof '08.



Across the Pond—2008 grads Madison Delaney, Mark Muston, and Courtney Johnson reconnect for a Red Knight reunion in London.



Hall of Honor—Distinguished Alumni Award winner, Dan Delmore, was joined by classmates Tom Shackle '72 and Brian Kretsch '72 at the awards dinner.

BSM BUZZ



Senior **Amanda Kautzer** qualified for the Youth Olympics in Nordic skiing. The biathlon competition at the 2016 Winter Youth Olympic Games began Sunday, February 14, where Amanda competed in four races at the Youth and Junior World Biathlon Championships in Cheile-Gradistei Romania, finishing 16th in the 3x6K relay. The Winter Olympic Games were in Lillehammer, Norway, where she finished 10th in the women's 6-kilometer sprint and was the top U.S. finisher in the sprint.



Senior **Auggie Moore** was selected as the 2016 Grand Knight at the coronation ceremony Tuesday, January 19. Auggie and his escort, **Julia Feld '16**, reigned over the Holiday Ball on Saturday, January 23. Other seniors selected as Grand Knight candidates were **Nick Austin**, **Jerry Calengor**, **Nick Gionet**, **Matt Paal**, and **Vinny Zattoni**. Emcees for the coronation were seniors **Max Bernstein** and **Bill Lichliter**.

Senior **Erin Falk** was recognized by multiple local media outlets for her 2400 perfect score on the SAT.



The boys' hockey team had a record of 25-1-1 making it the highest winning percentage (.944) in school history and tied for the third most victories in a season.



Boys' hockey player **Cade Gleekel '16**, was one of ten finalists for the Mr. Hockey award. Cade also made the *Star Tribune* boys' hockey All-Metro First Team alongside teammate **Nick Austin '16**. Goalie, **Ryan Bischel '17** made the All-Metro Second Team, and forward **Connor Mayer '17** made the All-Metro Third Team.

Three Red Knight wrestlers qualified for the state meet: **Triston Zuniga '20** (106 lbs.), **Charlie Wolfe '16** (138 lbs.), and **Jameer Anderson '16** (285 lbs). Jameer placed 5th.

100 Wins!

Senior wrestler **Jameer Anderson's** reached a wrestling milestone, receiving his 100th win on the mat.



Obasi Lewis, Evan Weatherly, and Brandon Bank

BSM seniors **Evan Weatherly**, **Obasi Lewis**, and **Brandon Banks** were honored at the Rites of Passage ceremony for their participation in the Jack and Jill of America, Inc. Minneapolis Chapter on March 5, 2016. It is an organization that allows African-American teens to grow stronger in their leadership within their community.

Several Red Knight skiers competed in the state tournaments. The Alpine skiers were 8th graders **Abigail Swanson**, finishing in 57th place, and 11th grader **Ryan Tucker**, finishing in 71st place. For the Nordic skiers, senior **Matthew Paal** finished in 33rd place, sophomore **Clyde Sellke** finished in 57th place and **Charlotte (Charlie) Brown (8/Groves)** finished in 46th place.

Seniors **Aleksa Tataryn**, **Sophie Roux**, **Taylor Gelling**, **Mae Fullerton** and **Cole Jacob** were honored in a signing ceremony on Monday, February 8. Aleksa will be playing soccer at Loyola University Chicago, Sophie and Taylor will both be playing soccer at University of Nebraska at Omaha. Mae will be running cross country and track at Brown, and Cole will continue his football career at North Dakota State University.

This year's one act play advanced to the section competition Saturday, February 6. Only two points separated the cast and crew from qualifying for state. This year's play was titled "These Shining Lives," a play that is based on the true story of the "radium girls." The cast and crew included freshman **Charles Nelson**; sophomores **Abby Letscher**, **Marly Neureurer**, and **Andrew Plouff**; juniors **Leo Dreissen**, **Carolina Jimenez**, **Macy Rooney**, **Josie Ross** and **Arianna Slattery**; seniors **Joe Busch**, **Sabrina Ehrmantraut**, **Adam Eldred**, **Alec Lawrenz**, **Anna Von Kampen**, and **Tasha Wagner**.

Junior **Josie Ross** received the MSHSL ExCEL Award, which stands for Excellence in Community, Education and Leadership and is a unique award and recognition program designed exclusively for Minnesota high school juniors who are not only active in their school, but are also actively involved in their communities. **Eric Wilson '17**, was also a nominee this year to receive the ExCEL award.



The varsity Mock Trial team and its members made it to the regional competition on Thursday, February 11. The varsity went 3-1, losing by a mere seven points to Apple Valley. The members who advanced to round four included: **Madison Hicks '16** (captain), **Obasi Lewis '16** (captain), **Rachel Lyons '16**, **Sarah Mason '16**, **Maddie Turk '17**, **Gracey Scott '17**, **Sophie Herrmann '18**, **Ben Larson '18**, **Olivia Carlisle '18** and **Maddie Kurtovich '19**.



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The Knightettes qualified for the State AA tournament placing 2nd in jazz and 5th in the high kick portion. Class AA All-Tournament Jazz Team members were **Bailey Adams '16** and **Cici Fortney '17**, and class AA All-Tournament High Kick Team members were **Hannah Witterschein '16** and **Megan Benson '17**. The Knightettes were also honored as an All-State Academic Team with seniors **Ashley Zagaros** and **Abbey Nichols** receiving senior All-State Academic Awards.

Destination Imagination students took a trip to Qatar to compete in the International Invitational, February 25-28. Seniors **Kayla McMenamy** and **Jack Meshbesh**, junior **Alex Aldes** and **Daniel McMenamy**, and sophomore **Landry Elman** all competed in Qatar with Destination Imagination.



Freshman **Ellie Turk** was nominated for both the "Best Young Actress" and "Best Actress" awards for the Broadway World Awards. She received second place in the "Best Young Actress" category.



Table tennis teams competed at the state meet this spring. It was a great day to be a Red Knight as the

girls' team took 3rd place as well as the Open division team taking the bronze.

BSM nominated seniors **Matt Lynch** and **Sydney Simone** for the Minnesota State High School League's Triple "A" (Academic, Arts, and Athletics) Award.

BSM's Math League finished 2nd in the Metro Alliance Conference behind Providence Academy. Junior **Alex Hyjek** tied for fifth in the conference while senior **Peter Valerius** and junior **James Libbey** tied for 7th in the conference. The above earned All-Conference honors. Other notables were sophomore **Gabriel Bauer** finishing 16th, and junior **Alec Johnson** and sophomore **Henry Koch** tying for 17th.

Under the guidance of business education teacher John Sabol, nineteen Red Knights advanced to the BPA state tournament: juniors **Elena Branca**, **Owen Brown**, **Alex Hyjek**, **Alec Johnson**, **Billy Madden**, **Sean McCullough**, and **Zane Winston** and seniors **Patrick Dunn**, **Ryan Dunn**, **Griffin Ehlen**, **Jake Fleming**, **Jared Gherardi**, **Brayden Kelly**, **Jack Magill**, **Taylor McLeod**, **Haley Ochs**, **Sam Rocheford**, **Ethan Rockhold**, and **Andrew Scherer**.

The boys' swim team finished 3rd in the section tournament. **Tyler Metz '17** broke school records in the 100 and 200 freestyle and also set a new section meet record in the 100 freestyle. Tyler was also named section swimmer of the year. Qualifying for state in individual events were Tyler Metz, **Tommy McGinn '17**, and **Matt McGonigle '19**. The team also qualified for state in the 200, McGinn, Metz, McGonigle, **Michael Hunter '18** and 400 freestyle relay, McGinn, Metz McGonigle and **Jack Boase '17**.

BSM art students were recognized once again in the Minnesota Scholastic Art Awards. Those students included seniors **Ana Grace Alvarado** (Gold Key), **Amber Fan** (Honorable Mention), **Abigail Gerada** (two Honorable Mentions), **Lily Johnson** (Honorable Mention), **Collins Jones** (Silver Key), **Vivian Lu** (Gold Key and Honorable Mention), and **Keenan Schember** (two Gold Keys and Honorable Mention). Also honored were junior **Awna Landry** (Honorable Mention), sophomores **Olivia Carlisle** (Honorable Mention) and **Maddie Markley** (Honorable Mention), 8th grader **Quinn Elsenbast** (Silver Key), and 7th grader **Ciera Hanson** (Honorable Mention). A record of over 4,500 pieces of art were submitted to the competition, and over 1,000 Gold, Silver and Honorable mention awards were given out state wide.



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