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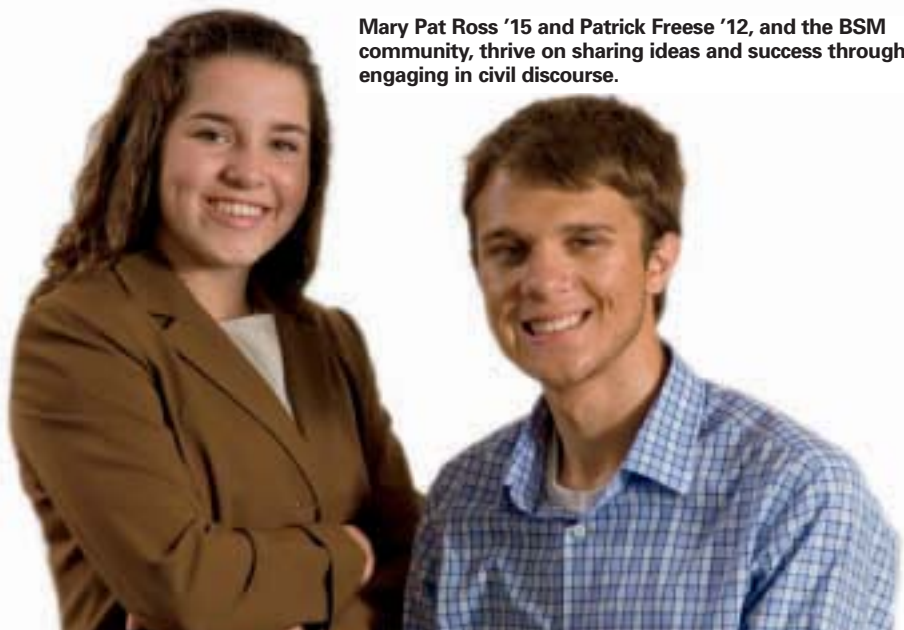
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Mary Pat Ross '15 and Patrick Freese '12, and the BSM community, thrive on sharing ideas and success through engaging in civil discourse.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

The ups and downs of the school year are incredible opportunities to explore the dreams, hopes, legacy, tradition and future of Benilde-St. Margaret's.



There isn't a roller-coaster anywhere that can beat this school year for the highs, lows, twists and turns our community has ridden. Last June, we set a theme of "Joy" for 2011-2012. We drew on an excerpt from Paul's Letter to the Philippians and asked ourselves several questions that have since proved to be timely, including: Has there been any suffering in order to achieve this joy? What are your prayers and petitions to God?

One of the joys that come with working with students is dealing with the teaching opportunities as they are presented. We set the curriculum; then, life lessons superimpose themselves over our everyday plans. What makes me hopeful for the future is what we, as adults, learn from the young people – resiliency, compassion, quick action. Our students' response to the tragic death of a senior from St. Louis Park High School is an example. As soon as the news of the fatal bike/car crash was out, it went viral through social media. The grieving started immediately, prayers were offered up, and condolences were sent. I'm proud of their responses of support and empathy.

Our students continue to do ordinary things in an extraordinary way, an observation made recently by an alumnus. In true SMA, Benilde and BSM fashion, our students and alumni are engaging in their communities and moving ideas forward.

They're using civil discourse, advocacy, and critical thinking skills they acquired here for now and into the future. Read about a few of their stories in this issue of *Crown & Shield*.

After a lot of time and hard work, a committee has submitted to the Board of Directors a high level, over-reaching, long-range vision for Benilde-St. Margaret's School in 2020. Operational plans will be developed by faculty and staff during the summer months. We're looking forward to sharing more information about the BSM 2020 initiative in the fall. In the meantime, my thanks go to everyone who has participated in the planning process that has included community input sessions, an online survey, e-mail comments and meetings.

Enjoy your summer. Maybe you'll find a real roller-coaster that gives you a thrill. Maybe your class is planning a reunion. Whatever you do, keep us in mind and up to date about you and your family. It's always good to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Bob Tift '71
President

Robots go international

Seniors **Teddy Brown**, **Levi Caffes**, **Sam Conley**, **Patrick Freese**, **Alex Herbst**, **Emily Hermann**, **Carter McNew**, **Nicole Sauer**, **Paul Sonsalla**, and **Brian Tobelmann** were selected to represent BSM's Advanced Competitive Science (ACS) team at the RoboCup World Championship in Mexico.

In the spotlight

For the second consecutive year, the Benilde-St. Margaret's drama department has been given a SpotLight Award by the Hennepin Theatre Trust. Reviewers watched and critiqued the spring musical, *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*. The show received Outstanding Production and Outstanding Performance awards. Individuals and groups of cast members cited for their performances were seniors **Ben Zeman**, **Emma Eldred**, **Ned Meeker**, **Anna Landis**, and **Brenton Jayasuriya**; juniors **Emily Kline** and **David Nelson**; sophomores **Alexandra Johnson** and **Sage Fulco**; and the ensemble playing the secretaries.



Congratulations – in three languages

Several world language students were honored for their achievements.

¡Felicidades! Twelve students taking the 2012 National Spanish Examinations earned medals: Silver – freshmen **Patrick Hunter** and **Mikela Wolf** and seventh grader **Holly Caboti-Jones**; Bronze – juniors **Anne Arnason**, **Madeline Carras**, **Catherine Cole** and **Makoto Noda**, sophomores **Sage Fulco** and **Samantha Letscher**, freshmen **Zach Smith** and **Jacqueline Theisen**, and eighth grader **Emma Bird**. Twenty-eight other students received honorable mention.

Gratulations. Eleven students taking the National Latin Exam were commended for their scores: junior **Jackie Scherer**, sophomores **Michelle Sauer**, **Helen Lindsay**, **Alex Barnett**, **Jeremy Pastir**, **Katie Wolf**, and **Andrew Birkeland**; and freshmen **Hugo Lindsay**, **Jon Cadle**, **Jack Pupel**, and **Glenna Greer**.

Felicitations. Eighth grader **Alec Lawrenz** scored in the top 20 percent on the National French Exam.

Student communicators excel

The National Scholastic Press Association has named the ***Knight Errant*** website a winner of the national Pacemaker Award, the organization's highest honor. This is the group's fourth consecutive win.

The 2010-2011 ***Sangraal*** yearbook staff created one of only 400 yearbook design layouts featured in the Jostens *Gotcha Covered Look Book*, a collection of samples from yearbooks published by Jostens. The staff was cited for their hard work, determination, and creativity. Nearly 3,000 entries were submitted.

Travel offers cultural experiences

School-sponsored trips took Red Knights to various parts of the globe.

Eight students went to France with teacher Anna Geving, where they stayed with host families and soaked in the culture of Paris and the Loire Valley.

A dozen Spanish students accompanied teachers Adam Groebner and Mary Murray to Costa Rica. The group visited urban and rural locations, had a four-night homestay and volunteered at a local school.

Eighteen students traveled to Guatemala to interact with the children and help with projects at the Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos (NPH) home for children in need.

This summer, a group from BSM will be visiting the NPH home in the Dominican Republic.

Servant leaders

Six BSM students earned an Eagle Scout Award, the Boy Scouts' highest accolade. **Myles Anderson** led teams of volunteers in designing and building mobile display cases for Feed My Starving Children. **Stephen Bauer** organized a project he called "Goodbye Red Brick Road," in order to clear the path for the construction of the new BSM football field. **Andy Wolf** replaced the landscaping timbers around a large playground at Immaculate Heart of Mary. **Patrick Bromelkamp** built 18 bluebird houses and cleared brush and debris from the Hiawatha Golf Course. **Neil Davis** made 30 cribbage boards for the St. Therese senior care facility in Hopkins and visited to play games with the residents. **Conrad Schmidt** helped to revitalize the Loon Lake Trolley Path on the east side of Lake Calhoun.

BSM selected senior **Lizzy Wolfe** and 8th grader **Gunnar Lundberg** for the St. Louis Park Caring Youth Award. Junior **Liza Magill** was chosen by Perspectives, Inc. for the volunteer work she has done for that organization.

Freshman **Gunnar Bowman** attended the National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine in Boston.

The Launa Q. Newman Young Leadership Award, sponsored by *Minnesota Spokesman-Recorder*,



Minnesota Black Pages and the LTL International Leadership Institute, was presented to 8th grader **Aeryuana Powell**.

Senior **Kelsie Lanz** was selected to receive a Violet Richardson Award, which recognizes young women who make the community and world a better place through volunteer efforts. Kelsie is a volunteer with the American Humane Society.

Athletics

The BSM boys' **hockey** championship team shared Mass and lunch with Archbishop John Nienstedt. The players presented the archbishop with a framed team photo.

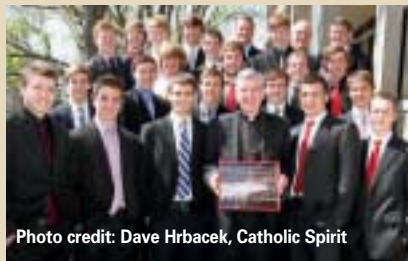


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Front, (l-r): Chris Hickok, Grant Besse, Christian Horn, Archbishop John Nienstedt, Jake Horton, Dan Labosky; second row, (l-r): Evan Fleming, Jake O'Borsky, TJ Moore, Al Anderson, Ben Newhouse; third row, (l-r): Justin Quale, Jonah Johnson, Ryan Collins, Tyler Ellegard, Zach Gionet; back row, (l-r): Seth Chumley, Isaac Melin, Jack Glover, Patrick Graham, Zach Hale, John Russo, Mike Jeremiah, Ken Pauly.

Junior **Haley Jerabek** set a new school record in the 1600-meter run – 5:15.52.

Senior **Jimmy Heck** was selected as a *Star Tribune* Athlete of the Week for his role in the shut-out baseball game against St. Francis.

Junior **Grant Besse** was a *Pioneer Press* Athlete of the Week for his baseball performance against Fridley. He was featured in the *Sports Illustrated* Faces in the Crowd, where it was noted he scored all five goals against Hill-Murray for the state hockey championship. His hockey accomplishments secured a spot on the *Star Tribune* All-Metro team and the *Pioneer Press* second team.

Boys' hockey players named to the All-Tournament Team included senior **Christian Horn** and juniors **Grant Besse**, **Dan Labosky** and **Justin Quale**. Coach **Ken Pauly** was selected as the Class AA Coach of the Year.

Senior **Josie Dillon** was an honorable mention on the Minnesota Girls' Basketball Coaches Association's Class AAA All-state team.

Freshman **Danny Fritsche** was promoted to the rank of third degree black belt through National Karate, successfully completing curriculum in self defense, classical basics and form, sparring and target/pad strikes.

Sophomore **Kelly Pannek** was named to the *Star Tribune's* All-Metro second team for girls' hockey. Junior **Liv Halvorson** was named to the third team.

Senior **Casey Nightingale** was awarded All-American Academic for her scholastic and diving accomplishments. Only two percent of high school aquatics participants are given this honor.

Seniors **Sanjay Lumpkin** and **Isaiah Zierden** were named to the *Star Tribune* All-Metro boys' basketball team and were finalists for Minnesota's Mr. Basketball title.

Seniors **Stephanie Hertenberg** and **Amy Pannek** both qualified for the USA Gymnastics Western National Meet held in Idaho.



Gymnasts Stephanie Hertenberg and Amy Pannek

Sophomore **Blaze Best** competed in the National Arenacross Series. His series standings qualify him as one of the top twenty in the nation, and the only Minnesotan, for the Amateur National Arenacross Championships.

Junior **Jarred Oftedahl** earned a fifth-place finish at the state wrestling meet. Seventh grader **Jake Allar** and freshman **Logan Kass** also represented the Red Knights at state.

Seniors **Jack McGinn**, **Scott Quinby**, and **Parker Johnson**, junior **Alex Roe**, and freshman **Jack Swanson** were among the Red Knights who competed at the state swimming meet.

In lacrosse, senior **Thomas Gilligan** was a finalist for Minnesota's Mr. Goalie. Senior **Simon Gondeck** was a finalist for Mr. Lacrosse.

Three spring teams: **baseball**, **boys' golf** and **boys' lacrosse** captured conference championships this year. This is the seventh conference championship for the boys baseball team, the third for head coach Greg Hoemke.



Front (l-r) Dan Labosky, Matt Ambre, Grant Besse, Joe Melles; Middle (l-r) Gabe MacDonald, Marcus Barone, John Backes, Keaton Studsrud, Andrew Murnane, Sam Lynch, Willie Falk; Back (l-r) Assistant coach Ryan Collins, head coach Greg Hoemke, Robby Sutherland, Mikey McGill, Spencer Shaver, Jimmy Heck, Bobby Papetti, Scott Quinby, Jack McGinn, assistant coach Fred Hennen, pitching coach Alex Wahl.

Seniors **Javon Snelson** and **Breion Creer** competed in the state track and field meet. Javon ran the 200-meter dash, based on his qualifying time of 22.67. Breion's throw of 50 feet, 1.25 inches at sections entered him for shot put. Both boys placed second in these events at the Section 6AA meet.

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INSIDE the Classroom



Emma Lindahl, Ellie Bahr, Ali Wahlquist, and Parker Kennedy

Water Everywhere?

All 7th grade students participated in a Water Awareness project this spring. Carol McLain, physical education teacher, presented a short video about Ethiopian women and children who walk two miles every day to supply their village with water. The junior high students carried bottles of water around the campus for a Block Day period as a small way to begin to understand the Ethiopians' lives.

"We have perfectly clean water that we can have any time during the day – whenever we want," says 7th grader Emma Lindahl. "Not everyone gets that privilege. Many people in the world die from dehydration every day, and that doesn't seem right because God gave us all water."

"We waste a lot of water, which could be in great use somewhere else in the world. This activity helped me realize to turn off the faucet when brushing my teeth and not waste as much water as I do every day because someone on the other side of the world could not have as much water as humans should have."

OUTSIDE the Classroom

Talking their way to the top



Four Red Knights captured medals at the Class AA State Speech Tournament in April at Chanhassen High School. Juliet Beckstrand took 2nd place in Great Speeches; Anna Landis finished 3rd in Serious Interpretation of Poetry; Sian Last won 5th place in Discussion; and Rachel Hogen took 7th in Storytelling. Other State participants included seniors Emily Herrmann (Discussion), Elizabeth Patton (Original Oratory), and Jen Vogl (Creative Expression); junior Liza Magill (Extemporaneous Speaking); sophomores Brandon Easter (Dramatic Interpretation) and Matt Brinza (Serious Interpretation of Prose); and freshmen Sarah Karels (Extemporaneous Reading) and Jacqui Theisen (Informative).

At the section meet, the BSM speech team claimed 1st place. Anna Landis and Jacqui Theisen were both named section champions in their categories. All-conference champions included Anna Landis and fellow seniors Emily Herrmann Elizabeth Patton, Liz Tyhacz (Creative Expression); sophomores Yemi Benyame (Serious Interpretation of Prose) and Samantha Letscher (Great Speeches); and Jacqui Theisen. The team won the Academic All-Conference title, and Maura Brew was named the Conference Coach of the Year.

Speech team members possess a unique spark, a drive to wake at 5 a.m. on a Saturday, dress in a suit, and spend 10 hours competing at an unfamiliar high school for no other reason than self-improvement and a sincere belief in the importance of conveying an inspiring message. I am incredibly grateful to have achieved honors at the State Tournament level, but my true joy is in the process of creating something meaningful. Speech has given me tools that I will use for the rest of my life.

—Juliet Beckstrand '12 – State, 2nd Place-Great Speeches

Going into my eighth grade speech, my goal was to tell the sweet story of the Oreo cookie and get out as quickly as possible. When I got my scores, I was surprised that I had done very well. One of the teachers suggested that I consider joining the speech team. At the audition, I felt like I was home. By my first tournament, I had begun the transformation to the person who I truly want to be.

—Rachel Hogen '13 – State, 7th Place-Storytelling

Listening with the Ear of the Heart

The Catholic roots of Benilde-St. Margaret's School run deep. The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet founded St. Margaret's Academy in 1907. The Christian Brothers opened the doors to Benilde High School in 1956. The Benedictine community of St. John's Abbey provided administrators and some faculty and staff for the merged BSM when it opened in 1974. Our college-prep curriculum and faith-based community attract a variety of people, and all are welcome. Today, a little more than a quarter of the BSM student body is not Catholic; but, all students take the theology classes and participate in a way that is most meaningful to them.

"I'm Lutheran," says Rachel Hogen, "and I'm a peer minister at my church. My dad is Catholic and I've gone to Catholic schools. At church, people ask me about Catholicism. Here, they ask me about being a Lutheran. It's a chance to exchange religious cultures."

Spencer Shaver notes, "I'm a member of the United Church of Christ. At BSM, we have people from a lot of different backgrounds. It's interesting being exposed to different things."

"We have theology class and get a chance to understand different religions," says Precious Walker. "I'm not Catholic, so I just went with it. It helped further my own faith."

"Kids don't stop and think about it much," observes Dan Labosky. "Religion is another course to do well in. It's interesting. We're learning the differences between religions."

"Christianity is Christianity," avers Jonathan Sutton. "In theology classes, everybody reaches out to everyone. We feel safe in the classes. Any chance I get with God, I'm going to use it. That transcends religion. We're in the presence of God; we can feel it. That's all that matters."

All of these students and select others are slated to be BSM peer ministers next fall. The Peer Ministry program allows seniors to actively support fellow students wherever they are on their faith journey. It's a service that depends on a concept found in the Rule of St. Benedictine that begins: "Listen carefully, my child, to the teaching of the master and bend close the ear of your heart." (Praying in the Benedictine Spirit, Alan Rees OSB)

"When you follow your heart, you are going to your core," says Jonathan. "You know what you should do, the heart dictates what you should do. There are people here



Spencer Shaver, Jonathan Sutton, Dan Labosky, Precious Walker, Rachel Hogen, and Gavin McLain

who are struggling. Maybe they won't say so when you pass them in the hall; but, if you're paying attention, listening with the heart, you'll know when they need help. You can share your faith, but without heart, it's hollow. We can have deeper relationships – know people – if we listen. It's easy to judge people. If we use our hearts, we can go past that and be there for someone."

Mike Jeremiah (Mr. J.) has been ministering to BSM students for decades. He remembers one of his first resources, a document entitled *To Teach as Jesus Did*. "It encouraged me to look back in the Gospels, to love kids as Jesus did. He went to everyone, opened his arms to everyone."

Each class of peer ministers looks for a way to contribute to the legacy of students serving students in faith. Mr. J. remembers a student who suggested organizing a regularly-scheduled, student-led, weekly worship night that involved music and prayer. It was called Touch Worship. The student was a member of an Assemblies of God community and many of the attending students were, too. But, many were Catholic. Faculty also attended the Touch Worship sessions."

"We have teachers and advisors who care," Dan points out.

"The teachers are more than just teachers," says Gavin McLain, another future peer minister. "They care. In a way, they're kind of like friends."

Friends, from five to 40 at a time, come together in the chapel on Thursday mornings before school to "Pray with J." The meetings are casual and voluntary – non-Catholics and Catholics alike who want to start their day with a prayer.

"Someone once said that the greatest distance is between the heart and the head," says Mr. J. "At BSM, we connect the two for our students, regardless of where they are in their faith journey. The peer ministers and the whole community will take up that journey again this fall."



Advancement

A note from Richard Olson:

The past year has been remarkable. The community rallied around tragedies and triumphs. Red Knights involved in several clubs and athletic programs competed well against their counterparts from other schools. The spring musical was recognized by the Hennepin Theater Trust for excellence, again. The Minnesota Independent School Forum saluted our technology department for their work. ACT Midwest Region gave BSM the Red Quill Award. The National Catholic Education Association honored Mary Lynn and Warren Staley as well as Nicole Sauer. The Advanced Competitive Science (ACS) team competed internationally, again – this time in Mexico. Dr. Tift visited with alumni and donors across the nation. Several classes of St. Margaret's Academy alumnae and Benilde and BSM alumni reunited. We celebrated members of our community at the Knight for All Seasons event, the Hall of Honor dinner, and the Donor Brunch. And, the Board of Directors set the course for BSM into 2020.

With so much to talk about, it has been a pleasure to visit with BSM parents and grandparents, alumni and friends to thank you for your ongoing support. Your enthusiasm about BSM – about the grace with which our community has handled everything that has come our way and about our future – energizes me. I'm filling up my calendar and hope to have you on it.

I look forward to seeing you over an iced coffee or around the building in the coming weeks. The Summer Camps program and several teacher training seminars taught by the technology team are attracting old and new friends to our campus. The admissions team is busy, too. There's no such thing as a down time at Benilde-St. Margaret's School.

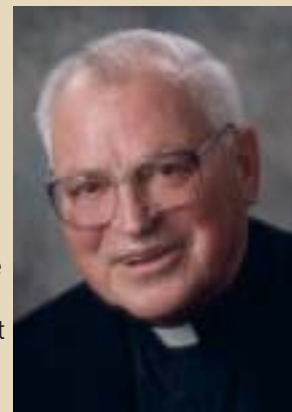
Happy Summer!

Richard Olson
Vice President, Advancement

Annual Fund

Every year at BSM is remembered for one thing or another, especially our friends. Some friends are still with us. Others, particularly the late Fr. Arnold Weber, O.S.B., have left us a legacy that is priceless.

We were proud to have had Fr. Arnold as a part of our community as a teacher and a president. His commitment, passion and pure hard work helped to cement the foundation of what BSM is today. Whether you are a current parent, past parent, alumna/nus, grandparent or friend, you have been touched by the efforts Fr. Arnold brought to BSM for many years.



Mike Jeremiah, our campus minister, remembers Fr. Arnold's passion and faith. "I talked with him many times over those years about the kids here and my ministry with them. Each time, Arnold would say, "Michael, accept them as they are and invite them along."

Fr. Arnold also knew that this invitation just didn't happen. It took vision, dedication, faith...and financial support. The Annual Fund is the tool that keeps BSM and this vision going. Without this support, we won't be able to share in Fr. Arnold's legacy.

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AI Reger Award

The AI Reger Award is given out each year to two students, one male and one female, chosen by the BSM faculty and staff, for “outstanding dedication and zeal to the service of God and school.”

Seniors Anna Landis and Dan Lundberg have been co-honorees before. Last year, they were given a religion department award. They both were leaders at BSM’s Fun in the Sun summer camp, team captains for speech, and recognized servant leaders. Each has affected our school community.

Anna Landis

Anna Landis confesses she has a hard time saying “no.” She said “yes” to speech, Red Knight Volunteer Corps, orchestra, choir, National Honor Society, Students for Human Life, Link Crew, Knightlife and Peer Ministry.

Diversely talented, she saw much success as a Red Knight. Anna was a section champion and two-time state participant for speech and earned multiple awards for her music and drama performances.

After her Rwanda mission trip, she may consider a stint in the Peace Corps. Maybe she’ll take her mom’s advice to be a motivational speaker. Or, possibly, a career in teaching, public relations, writing or diplomacy will be more her style. “I’m trying to figure out what I’m *not* going to study,” she says. Her sorting-out process will occur at the University of St. Thomas, where she believes theology will at least rank as a minor, having loved all of her BSM religion classes. Regardless of her exact plans, she says, “I just hope that I can continue to be a servant of God and a servant of others.”

Anna hasn’t always been indecisive. “In kindergarten, I had the plan that I was going to go to Good Shepherd, and then to Benilde-St. Margaret’s, because that’s just where a lot of people went from Good Shepherd. I had been here for Christmas concerts, so clearly I knew what this school was about,” she says, laughing. “And then I would go to college somewhere in the Twin Cities and could stay home with my mom.” Although the last prophecy won’t apply, she says, “I guess Little Kindergarten Anna Landis predicted pretty well, because it’s kind of the path that I’ve been on so far.”

Despite her planning, Anna has been pleasantly surprised. “BSM was kind of the expected route; but, once I got here, I realized how much of a gift it really was.”

In return, Anna has become a blessing to the BSM community, bringing her thoughtful, engaging personality to everything she does. “It’s just really the active choice to live your life to the fullest,” she says.

Who can say “no” to that?



Dan Lundberg and Anna Landis share the AI Reger Award and a birthday.

Dan Lundberg

Dan Lundberg had plenty of shining moments during high school. Last fall, he was featured on the news as a KARE-TV Academic All-Star. He was part of the state championship soccer team this year and as a volunteer researcher at Gillette Children’s Hospital, he was tapped to give two national presentations on behalf of the hospital. Although a doctor accompanied Dan to both Boston and Las Vegas, Dan was the key presenter to medical professionals. At the most recent conference, his presentation was named one of the top four at that event. Encouraged by participants to complete a full, written paper, he will be spending much of this summer preparing information, with the goal of publication in medical journals.

Dan has good reason to brag, but he doesn’t. That’s not in his nature. Known for his humility and politeness, soft-spoken Dan says, “Everything I’ve succeeded in has been because I’ve been given the opportunities by the people around me. I’m really grateful for that.”

A National Merit Scholar, Dan was a National Honor Society member. He also kept busy with Link Crew, Students for Human Life, Peer Ministry and Red Knight Volunteer Corps, and as a Courage Center volunteer. Characteristics of BSM that Dan especially appreciated were the faith community and the “emphasis on servant leadership.” He adds, BSM “has shown me what a true community dedicated to God is all about.”

With that in mind, he easily decided on Boston College, claiming it to be “a lot like BSM.” Dan was selected as one of 15 incoming freshmen who will enter the Presidential Scholars Program, which includes not only customized classes on a full scholarship, but also international summer service projects and trips that the individual students will propose related to their major. Pre-med is where Dan’s interest lies; although, he also claims a passion for writing and hopes to combine the two in the future.

Wherever his new roads take him, he says, “I will always be a Red Knight and will come back here.” There will be a lot of shining faces around the building when he does.



Moving the Idea Forward

Civil discourse is thoughtful discussion – not arguing.
It's being able to really think about an issue. (Giulia Imholte)

These days, you hear a lot of talk about how society is polarized. Popular culture and media seem to thrive on loud disagreement. At Benilde-St. Margaret's, the development and expression of one's own ideas is encouraged. We foster an awareness of God in every event and promote a profound respect for everyone, without distinction.

It's in our DNA. From the Sisters of St. Joseph, we are given "Justice" – working diligently to bring about right relationships; the Christian Brothers, "Gentleness" – holding one another accountable; and, the Benedictines, "Hospitality" – warmly and generously welcoming everyone.

"It's part of our Catholic identity," says **Dr. Bob Tift '71**. "And, it's part of our mission to challenge students intellectually. We want them to be critical thinkers, make their cases, engage in civil discourse, be engaged in their communities, be servant leaders, and be leaders of a global society, now and in the future."

Tom Horner '68 has made a career out of communications, public relations, policy development and politics. He ran for Minnesota governor in 2010. Tom says that when he was a student, there was a tradition of encouraging thoughtful discussion on a variety of topics. "Religion, Catholic social justice teaching, and Catholic philosophy were engendered everywhere." He adds, "Everything Catholic-based, faith-based – that was important to me."

"We start in the classroom, especially in English Literature. Many of us have, for several years, used Catholic Social Teachings as a literary analysis tool," says Maura Brew, a member of the English faculty and the speech team head coach. "We view literature through several lenses and teach students to read between the lines and look for themes and the underlying authorial message. We teach critical thinking by encouraging students to ask questions of the literature; to use their perception skills. We don't want regurgitation. We want independent thought."

This sort of exchange of ideas happens best in an environment in which students feel safe and confident. BSM conscientiously creates an environment in which students are comfortable exploring a variety of concepts.

Ideas fly all over the place when the staff of the *Knight Errant*, the award-winning BSM student newspaper, meets to develop stories for the print and online editions. In class, the student editors learn to lead the sessions that foster open and honest discussions.

"At the beginning of the year, I help them get ready to take over as the leaders," explains Jason Wallestad, English teacher and *Knight Errant* adviser. "We create a comfortable environment by showing that we care about what everyone thinks. We discuss ideas. Everyone can be genuine. Even if it's hard, they can truly say what they want to say."

Caitlin (Katie) Sisk '13, slated to be print editor-in-chief in 2012-2013, says journalism has made her a better person. Katie was one of the first sophomores to be accepted into the journalism class, usually open to juniors and seniors. Next year will be her third year on the newspaper staff. "I have confidence. I can deal with difficult situations. I've gotten out of my experience with journalism an appreciation of multiple points of view and situations outside of school. I can see other positions and hear multiple opinions."



"Start a conversation with a friend.
Say, 'Tell me what you think.'
Take the first step to
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is comfortable for you."

Tom Horner '68

“When I’m interviewing people,” explains **Giulia Imholte** ’13, 2012-2013 online editor-in-chief, “critical thinking means I analyze what they say and push the person to go a little further. I ask ‘What did you mean?’ I try to get to the root of what you’re saying. I want to understand the ‘what’ of a story and the ‘why’ of the story.”

In Ms. Brew’s English class, students are taught to ask questions of literature and how to determine the validity of the answer. “Students ask why this happened; they use their perception and they read between the lines. They ask ‘why’ in the right way. The goal is to reach the point of the author. The challenge is in how to resolve the differences in the answers. We instill the confidence to persist in asking the questions. If we become a pat institution, we stop exploration.”

Civil discourse doesn’t have neat answers. Ms. Brew notes, “The pursuit of the question is sometimes more important than the answer. We encourage students to ask creative questions – intelligent questions – knowing they’re grounded in society.”

Mr. Horner remembers there was a lot going on in the world in 1968. “For me, Benilde gave a context for thinking about issues and values. We got training in critical thinking. We would tackle ideas at the base of an issue.

“When I was a freshman at Benilde, we had to choose a foreign language. I took Latin. The teacher was unconventional; he really pushed us. We were active in the Junior Classical League for people in Greek and Latin studies. The teacher brought us over to a convention of these people. They were electing officers. We quickly put together a speech and a little campaign. I won. At Benilde, that was normal.

“I got involved in student government because it was a fun way to engage with a diverse cross-section of the community. I got to know not just the brainiacs and geeks, but everyone. Most of all, it was just plain fun!”

“I would say the most fun aspect of my participation in politics thus far has been engaging in conversation with others who have opposing views and really getting to understand multiple points of view to form an informed opinion,” says **Jordan Dritz** ’12.

“My first official involvement was in first grade when I constructed yard signs at a local warehouse for the presidential campaign of 2000,” says Jordan. “Now, one of the biggest challenges I face is successfully spreading the message of informed voting to my friends. So many young eligible voters waste their constitutional right by either not voting, or voting without an opinion. It can sometimes be hard to get people to take the message seriously.”

Something that is important to **Mary Pat Ross**, an advocate for ending the death penalty and a rising sophomore, is understanding of the other side of the issue. “You can’t completely understand this problem without paying attention to the pain felt by the victims’ family members of these crimes. This year in speech competition, in addition to analyzing one of [author and advocate] Sister Helen

Prejean’s speeches, I also did a dramatic interpretation from a novel that told the story of a woman who survived unthinkable violence. After thinking about what my character faced due to a tortuous man, I couldn’t help but think about the other side of the issue.”

Mary Pat says BSM is an extremely open community – open to a wide range of opinions and ideas. “Put yourself in another’s shoes before forming a position.”

Patrick Freese ’12 is active in politics in St. Louis Park. He ran as a write-in candidate for a city council seat, and he was elected as a delegate to his party’s state convention. “In addition, over the past two years I’ve written editorial letters to the *Star Tribune*. To date, seven have been published in the paper.

“I try to phrase my argument in likeable terms, be the least divisive I can be,” he says. “I also have to be straight forward.”

One of the college majors Patrick is considering is engineering. When asked to imagine what it would be like to be an entrepreneur who is presenting his idea to an investment banker, he says the political and business environments are “pretty similar. You have to know what you want to accomplish. Push the idea. Ultimately, you want to push the idea forward; you have to be honest and truthful.”

Tom Horner agrees.

“My advice to BSM students who are interested in engaging in the community, participating in politics or similar activities: Go with it; find the avenue that suits them. That doesn’t mean you need to run for the biggest office right away. Start small, write a letter or blog. Start a conversation with a friend. Say, ‘Tell me what you think.’ Take the first step to become involved in a conversation, whatever is comfortable for you.

“What I learned, coming out of my campaign, is what matters most is the conversation. Winning an election is great. Getting people to see issues in a different light makes a difference in the long run. Don’t get frustrated if there’s no bandwagon or the candidate lost. It’s most important that you move the idea forward.”



Farewell to Retirees



Sue Cipolle

It has been said, but not verified, that Henry Ford said you could have any color car, as long as it's black. It has been said, and proven,

that Sue Cipolle, as a BSM French teacher, could "address any topic, as long as it was discussed in French."

She added, "I would integrate concepts of social justice, Catholic social teaching and service-learning into my courses. At BSM, we have the freedom to connect students to the world around us. We studied about Haiti in the mid-90s. We talked about poverty, racism, and sexism, and so on. I loved giving students a chance to talk about important issues."

Sue Cipolle arrived at BSM in 1976, two years after the merger of St. Margaret's Academy and Benilde High School. In 35 years, she has flourished in an environment in which teachers are always looking for service-learning and social justice outcomes. They push students to see community broader than themselves. BSM teachers

model service and talk to students about their experiences in the Peace Corps and other service organizations. When she's told of the impact she has had on students, Sue gets a little teary-eyed and says teachers are never sure to what extent they have influenced students.

"I've been involved in exciting initiatives. I was part of teams that initiated multicultural education at BSM and worked to sustain our service-learning program whose legacy dates back to the 1970s. It was about teamwork and collaboration," she remembers. She was part of the strategic planning process, BSM 2020, which highlighted how the faculty is innovative and passionate about their vocation at BSM. "Change is a good word here."

Sue says the administration sees and develops talents in employees, just as teachers do in students. For example, she was encouraged to submit grants and to delve into strategic planning. "We're encouraged to be lifelong learners. I always appreciated the emphasis on innovation and professional development. I was supported as I earned my master's degree and doctorate and benefitted from a sabbatical during my doctoral work."

Highlights of her Curriculum Vitae include:

- Published the book, *Service-Learning and Social Justice: Engaging Students in Social Change* in 2010
- Presented with the French Teacher of the Year Award by the Minnesota Chapter of the American Association of Teachers of French in 2010
- Wrote grant applications raising nearly \$600 thousand for BSM programs, including Tuition Assistance, Service-Learning, and Multicultural Education
- Presented at many national conferences on service-learning and social justice

In her time at BSM, "I've worked with my best friends. We've gone through life together." Both of her children are BSM alumni: **Christina** '99 and **Tony** '02. Now, Sue is taking time to be open to what comes next. She'll travel, read and spend time with family. She serves on the University of St. Thomas' service-learning board and also works with the Murray Institute. "I have loved my time at BSM and am looking forward to the next stage of my life."

Bon Voyage!



Jeannine Roufs

"For what cannot be cured patience is best." (Irish Proverb)

If you have visited Jeannine Roufs' health aide office anytime in the last

20 years, you might have been sharing lunch, or you might not have been feeling well. The first step toward recovery was a glimpse of a beautiful poster that telegraphed her proud Irish heritage. Next it's her ready smile and sense of humor, along with patience, that brought those in her care a long way toward getting better.

Jeannine has been a practicing nurse for decades. When she became a mother, she started working in a school so she could

continue nursing while enjoying nights and weekends with her family. "I liked having similar schedules as they were growing up," she explains. Jeannine and her husband of 38 years, Jim, live in Delano. They have three adult children: Christopher, living in Ireland; Lauren, married and living in Columbia Heights; and, Tiffany, living in St. Paul. Tiffany and her husband are parents of Aurelia, the 16-month-old apple of Jeannine's eye.

She liked being the BSM health aide. "I like helping people," says Jeannine. When she started at BSM, there were 800 students, compared to about 1,200 now. Over time, she's noticed that there are more shots and more stress. Jeannine thinks the wellness initiative, including the centering movement program, is helping kids.

Jeannine will continue to help people. She looks forward to spending time with Aurelia. And, she'll continue to work with her husband in their small business as an administrator and bookkeeper.

We offer up this Irish prayer for Jeannine:

*May there always be work
for your hands to do.
May your purse always hold
a coin or two.
May the sun always shine
on your windowpane.
May a rainbow be certain to
follow each rain.
May the hand of a friend
always be near you.
May God fill your heart with
gladness to cheer you.*

Faculty, staff honored with awards

As is customary, four faculty and staff members were honored with various awards at a year-end awards celebration, held on May 22.



Ken Pauly, Bill Cheney, Maura Brew, Adam Groebner

Ken Pauly

Principal Sue Skinner presented social studies teacher and head boys' hockey coach Ken Pauly with the Faculty of the Year Award, saying that he "taught us something beyond the textbook, and more importantly, that while following the lesson plan and learning objectives are significant, it's what we learn about our character, our faith, our community, our strength and ourselves that matter the most." She explained that although he was put under tremendous pressure this year—referring to our hockey team tragedy—he showed grace and eloquence.

Ken first became a Red Knight over 20 years ago and has earned much respect, both in the classroom and on the ice (with three state championships).

Noting how the BSM community rallied when our boys' hockey team went to state, he said, "That tournament was about us as a school, not just the hockey team." He added, "One thing said about the early Christians was 'look how they loved one another.' And I think you've shown that."

Bill Cheney

"Of course," is a common, friendly response by technology department staff member Bill Cheney when being thanked by co-workers for helping them.

In his second year at BSM, Bill is part of the crew at the technology Help Desk—an appropriate spot for him. Colleagues noted that Bill is "always in a good mood" and "goes out of his way to be of assistance to others." Despite the many problem-solving scenarios that he finds himself dealing with every day, he consistently maintains patience and a sense of humor throughout. Says another co-worker, "He is friendly, welcoming, smiles a lot, and makes the person in front of him feel important and heard."

In addition to offering general technology help to both peers and students, Bill is part of BSM's social media team. He is especially relied upon to interpret the data related to our social media sites and helping us stay fresh on current trends.

So, Bill as the Staff of the Year Award winner? Of course!

Maura Brew

It's not too often that a speech coach is rendered speechless. But winning the Parents' Choice Award did just that to Maura Brew.

Each year the BSM Parent Association recognizes an individual at BSM who has been chosen exclusively by the parents. This individual is awarded the Parents' Choice Award for going above and beyond to be a mentor, role model, cheerleader or good friend. A \$1,000 donation will be made in the winner's name to the Gift of the Magi Scholarship Fund.

Passionate, dedicated, kind and enthusiastic, English teacher and speech coach Ms. Brew was praised by one parent as "a stand-out teacher who truly cares for the student learner." Others said, "She's an 'inspirational teacher with high standards,'" and she "motivates [students] to do their very best."

Over 200 Parents' Choice ballots were submitted, and when the votes were totaled, Ms. Brew, with her engaging personality and flair, rose to the top. When accepting the honor and eventually finding her voice, she credited an amazing support network of faculty, staff and administration. "You are an incredible community. You're an incredible school on every level."

Adam Groebner

It seems only fair. Two years ago, Adam Groebner left Our Lady of Grace (OLG) School to accept a Spanish-teaching position at BSM. Next year, he will be back at OLG, now in an assistant principal role. Although he plans to continue as an assistant coach for our girls' swim team, he will be missed in the classroom. The students made sure he is aware of this, awarding him the Apple Polisher Award. This award, sponsored by the National Honor Society, is an honor bestowed upon a BSM faculty or staff member, voted on by students.

Complimenting his fellow faculty members, Adam said, "When I walk the halls at BSM, there are so many positive things going on in all the classrooms. Sometimes I'll just stand outside the door in awe, listening to a science lesson or watching some crazy math problem."

Speaking of crazy...some of Mr. Groebner's choices on themed dress-up days made memorable impressions, from clown hair to cowboy attire. His spirit will surely be a hit back at OLG.



Jack McGinn, Emily Herrmann,
Nicole Sauer, Yonghun (Jack) Lee

GPA only one marker for success

For Class of 2012 valedictorians Jack McGinn and Nicole Sauer, optimism comes easily. That can-do, pleasant attitude helped them achieve several goals while at BSM.

Jack McGinn

“Grateful” is a word that Jack McGinn tends to use a lot. He’s grateful for his family’s support; he’s grateful for his Red Knight teachers, friends, coaches and other staff members; and he’s grateful for the experiences and opportunities he’s had. There is no doubt that Jack’s appreciation is sincere. It is also obvious that he has worked hard to have many reasons to celebrate.

Jack is one of only a few BSM students over the years to be selected as a Presidential Scholar candidate. His perfect ACT score of 36 was no small feat, and he was named both a National Merit finalist and an AP Scholar with Distinction.

Academics aside, he saw success in extracurriculars, being named an All-State swimmer for three consecutive years and adding his name to the school record books for six swimming events. Other activities that kept Jack busy were baseball, Link Crew, Red Knight Volunteer Corps, math tutoring, Peer Ministry and volunteer work with Urban Homeworks.

Jack is headed to Yale and says that he is looking forward to the breadth of classes that college offers. Particularly interested in science and math, this son of two doctors is keeping his mind open to not only the idea of medical school, but other career options as well. He says of his family’s support, “They’re completely committed to helping me find what I want and what’s good for me.”

Whatever Jack chooses for his future, he will apply his determination and love of learning. He considers any type of education a gift, saying, “I owe it to myself and to everybody to do my best.” He has certainly done just that, using his usual positive attitude to reflect his gratitude.

Nicole Sauer

Her grandfather was a valedictorian, her mom was a valedictorian, and now Nicole Sauer claims third-generation honors. She set her sights on it years ago, saying, “It wasn’t about getting the G.P.A., but accomplishing a goal.”

This was just one of several achievements that Nicole focused on accomplishing. With a father who served in the military, she lived all over the globe before coming to BSM as a sophomore. She made her mark in various places along the way. In Korea, as a young girl, she began taking violin lessons and later earned a spot in a Missouri orchestra as the only middle school student member. Her skills have been showcased in BSM’s high school and chamber orchestras in recent years.

Last year, she was awarded a Banner Technology Award. And, she has been a valuable part of this year's Advanced Competitive Science program. Nicole is one of the Red Knights who represented BSM at an international robotics competition in Mexico this summer.

As president of the National Honor Society, co-founder of the Classics Club and a member of Math League, Red Knight Volunteer Corps, and the Student Leadership Forum, Nicole was involved in several extracurriculars during her time at BSM. She captained both the track team and the cross country team, and was an All-Conference runner. When she wanted a more lively fitness activity, this cheerful and upbeat young woman was sometimes found swing dancing with her friends at the Wabasha Street Caves.

Her next stop will be at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, where she plans to study chemical engineering. "I want to work on solving the energy crisis," she says. Far be it from Nicole to dream small!

Emily Herrmann and Jack Lee, BSM's 2012 salutatorians, were able to view multiple perspectives of the Red Knight community by participating in a variety of activities.

Emily Herrmann

"I hate it when I'm not busy," says Emily Herrmann. It's no wonder that Emily is usually seen with a smile on her face, because busy she is.

Speech and debate have been her primary activities as a Red Knight. She has competed at state for both, and also earned conference championships in speech.

On the academic front, Emily has worked hard for her impressive GPA. She holds no regrets about the "A-" she earned in Mr. Wander's class. Emily remarks, "He kicked my butt and it was good," and credits him with teaching her better time management skills.

In addition to her BSM life, she spends a vast amount of time volunteering, having earned the Hopkins Minnetonka Caring Youth Award and the President's Service Award. A favorite volunteering experience for her was coaching a Lego League team of 6th graders at Good Shepherd.

Partial to math and science classes, Emily—who received the Society of Women Engineers Award in 2011—exclaims, "ACS is awesome." Her experiences in Advanced Competitive Science will serve her well as she begins studying at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She plans to earn a degree in chemical engineering with a certificate in business administration. Her college selection wasn't stressful, since it was important for her to go where relatives would be close by. She explains that she has a huge extended family (several of whom live near Madison) that is "crazy important" to her.

Those same relatives will likely see Emily's busy life in action next year, as they get to enjoy her smiling face firsthand.

Yonghun (Jack) Lee

Essay questions: That was one piece of American academics that was new to Jack Lee when he began as an American student in 9th grade. In his home country of South Korea, Jack was more accustomed to memorizing facts for multiple-choice tests.

It seems he mastered the essay tests without trouble, excelling through AP classes and the SAT and gaining early admission to Cornell.

Jack spent his freshman year in Georgia before beginning as a sophomore at BSM. Although he admits to liking his alone time, Jack was actively involved in Red Knight life, serving as National Honor Society secretary, Math League captain, manager for both boys' soccer and boys' swimming and diving, Link Crew leader and Peer Minister. He welcomed the concept of viewing school as more than just an academic institution and fondly remembers how "the students went crazy" for state tournaments and how special events like Homecoming and Prom were celebrated. He even earned a bit of fame when he starred in a film class production for some of his fellow classmates.

Jack knows the importance of being flexible. Despite an interest in science, he is undecided on a major and can't predict where his life will lead him after college. It's possible he will return to his parents and 16-year-old brother in South Korea to complete a required military commitment. But it wouldn't be surprising to see him settle in the United States or even Minnesota. He says, "The people that I see here are very compassionate." He feels strongly about the tight human bonds that Americans, especially Minnesotans, form with each other.

Perhaps he could even be convinced to write an essay about it.

Top athletes took captain duties seriously

Team sports were a big deal for both Aly Hoffman, this year's Athena Award winner, and Jake Horton, the Al Blasing Award winner. They were each chosen to help lead varsity teams as captains and did so with great pride and respect.

President's Award



Melissa Luther, Joe Sutton, Robby Sutherland, Mikayla Coulombe, and Joe Pettinger

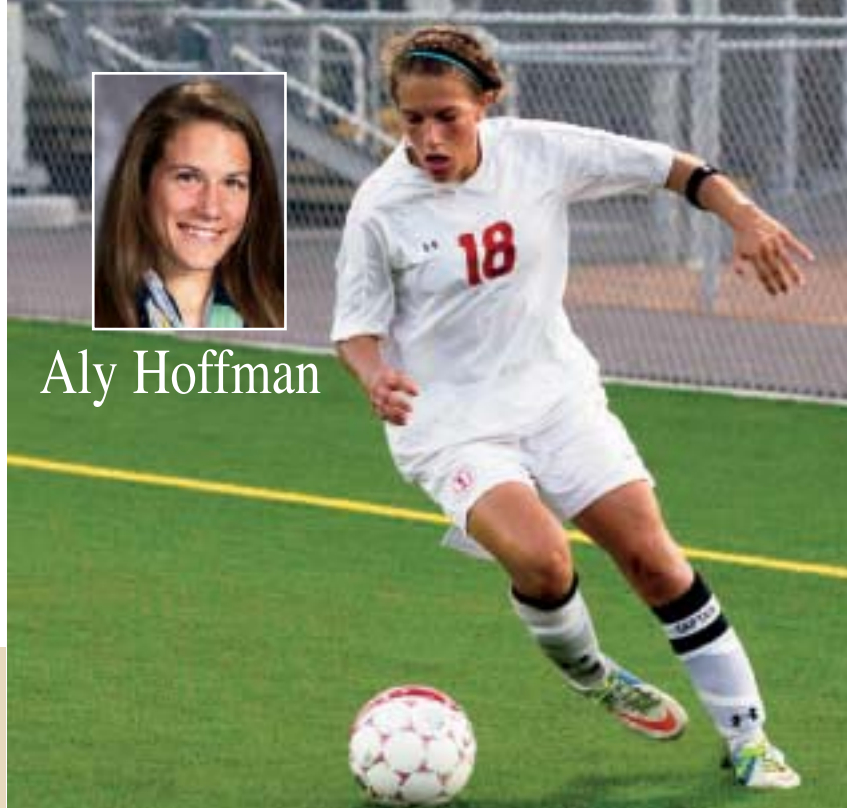
Five recognized for dedication, enthusiasm

In accordance with tradition, Dr. Bob Tift '71 joined with the Benilde-St. Margaret's faculty, staff and administration to select the 2012 recipients of the President's Award. This year's honor goes to Melissa Luther, Joe Sutton, Robby Sutherland, Mikayla Coulombe, Joe Pettinger for their contributions to the life of our community.

These five seniors have been very busy Red Knights, indeed. Their dedication, enthusiasm, and, BSM spirit have been inspirational. These students have served the BSM community on the courts, on the field, on the diamond, in NHS, in peer ministry, Link Crew, student council and RKVC. They are good students, state champs, talented athletes, servant leaders, spirit leaders and agents working for change. They are solid citizens whose friendly, welcoming, independent, and caring natures have made BSM a better place for all of us. Their contributions and activities manifested themselves in quiet and not-so-quiet ways. They are unique individuals, with a wide variety of talents, who are excellent representatives of the class of 2012 and of BSM.



Aly Hoffman



Whether it was having her teammate braid her hair a certain way, enjoying a pre-game meal at Panera, or taping her friend's hockey stick, **Aly Hoffman** always had a plan. She strove to be a captain – something she attained for both soccer and track and field – noting this rank as one of her proudest high school achievements. She wanted to compete in a state tournament for soccer, which she accomplished during her senior season. And after getting to know the Athena Award winner during her freshman year, she set her sights on the same title for herself. Check.

A three-sport athlete, Aly excelled in soccer, hockey and track, earning 11 varsity letters. She admits, "I had to work extra hard because I'm little." Yet she earned All-Conference honors in soccer and honorable mention in hockey and track.

Her accomplishments weren't confined to sports. She was involved in a wide variety of Red Knight extracurriculars and was selected to attend Girls' State. Volunteering is also a big part of Aly's life. After her soccer team visited Feed My Starving Children in 2008, she says, "I started going there a lot."

Hooked by BSM's welcoming community, Aly praises the BSM coaches, faculty and staff. "They always pushed me to make me better." When asked to choose a Confirmation sponsor during her sophomore year, it was a BSM teacher – Ms. Abigail Baker – to whom she turned. And when Aly and her friend wanted to enjoy breakfast cookies before school, it was Ms. Alisa May's room where they found comfort. In fact, Aly considers BSM a "giant family," explaining that she has "friends all over the board," in different grades.

Next year, she will be making new friends at the College of St. Benedict, where she will play both soccer and hockey. Planning to major in business, with a minor in political science, Aly sees a career in law in her future. And, not being able to imagine a life without sports, she suspects she'll find herself coaching someday. After all, Aly Hoffman has it all planned out, and, given her determination, it's safe to put in writing.



Jake Horton



“Fitting” is how **Jake Horton** describes this year’s state championship victory for the boys’ hockey team. Given the injury sustained by teammate Jack Jablonski and the resulting emotions, Jake and his fellow players gained a new appreciation of “playing every game as if it is your last.”

Captain along with **Christian Horn**, Jake said the two of them obviously felt an added responsibility for the team this season. He says they each knew that being a captain would be no easy task, but they couldn’t anticipate all of the challenges. They were faced with taking what was in the back of every player’s mind and transferring it into positive energy on the ice. For the boys’ hockey team, winning had a larger purpose, “succeeding for the whole school,” Jake explains. He also praises the way that Coach Ken Pauly handled everything this season and appreciates the care that the entire school community so consistently shows.

Jake also served as captain during fall 2011 soccer – his third varsity season in this sport. A tough forward, he helped lead them to a state championship and was selected for the All-Tournament team. KARE-TV featured him as an Athlete of the Week, and his grades earned him Academic All-Conference recognition.

As a hockey player, he earned the varsity’s Most Improved Award as a freshman, All-Conference Honorable Mention as a sophomore, and Best Defenseman as a junior. For hockey and soccer, Jake received All-Conference honors in the past two years. The hockey team also presented him with the Hobey Baker Character Award (a testament to his kind, compassionate nature) and the Highest GPA Award. Jake also became the charter member of the team’s 200-Point Club.

Jake’s dad played hockey and soccer, and was on the same hockey team as Coach Pauly while in high school. Young Jake was just three years old when he laced up his first skates. His nanny, **Anne Chesney** ’04, did her part to make sure he would be on a Red Knight roster someday. Now, an older Jake admits, “I can’t let hockey leave my life.” Next year, he plans to play junior hockey before securing college plans or possibly playing higher-level hockey.

“Fitting” seems to be just the word to describe Jake Horton as the Al Blasing Award winner, representing BSM’s Class of 2012 top male athlete.

Honor Graduates

Cum Laude

Matthew Frank
Thomas Gilligan
Andrew Helms
Samuel Ingbar
Daniel Kretsch
Eric Kretsch
Sian Last
Ryan Lawyer
Zhengting Lu
Edward Nelson
Jessica Nolan
Robert Papetti
Megan Pavlik
Ethan Perushak
Robert Sutherland
Lauren Waldon
Elizabeth Wolfe

Magna Cum Laude

Anna Cron
Kelly Dwyer
Emma Eldred
Elizabeth Geiwitz
Morgan Grahek
Katherine Hinkens
Jacob Horton
Paul Kretsch
Emily Kruse
Anna Landis
Kelsie Lanz
Isaac Melin
Ian Norman
Amy Pannek
Elizabeth Patton
Benjamin Rosengren
Christopher Sather
Sarah Silvestri
Elizabeth Tyhacz
Ashley Valentine
Jennifer Vogl
Julia Weber
Benjamin Zeman

Summa Cum Laude

Sarah Alexander
Thaddeus Brown
Katherine Cashman
Mikayla Coulombe
Jordan Dritz
Lauren Effertz
Sarah Ehlen
Emily Herrmann
Frances Jimenez
Taylor Kenyon
Catherine Kernan
Yonghun (Jack) Lee
Daniel Lundberg
John McGinn
Casey Nightingale
Ryan Philbin
Margaret Renier
Nicole Sauer
Ryan Stowe
Brian Tobelmann
Karen Valde
Jiachun Zhang

Senior Awards and Scholarships

Leila Aboussir

Knight Errant Photographer of the Year Award
Creighton University Scholarship

Sarah Alexander

Lettering for Excellence Award
University of San Diego Scholarship
Park Nicollet Methodist Hospital Service Scholarship

Myles Anderson

Michigan Technological University Scholarship

Marcus Barone

Saint John's University Scholarship

Katherine Baudler

Faith Formation Department Award
Up With People Golden Passport Scholarship
St. Norbert College Scholarship

Valentina Benito-Correa

College of St. Benedict Scholarship
Better Business Bureau Student of Integrity
Scholarship

Juliet Beckstrand

National Honor Society Award
English Department Award

Emily Boole

Bethel University Scholarship

Patrick Bromelkamp

Marquette University Scholarship

Thaddeus Brown

Haben History Award
Spanish Advanced Placement Award

Dominic Burg

Ferrum College Scholarship

Levi Caffes

Social Studies Department Award

Katherine Cashman

Sundrum Social Studies Award
Lynch Leadership Award
Principal's Leadership Award
McGill University Scholarship

Anne Coleman

University of St. Thomas Scholarship

Samuel Conley

Iowa State University Scholarship

Mikayla Coulombe

BSM President's Award
Army Scholar/Athlete Award

Breion Creer

Sons of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award

Anna Cron

Lettering for Excellence Award
College of St. Benedict Scholarship

Krista Dammen

Regis University Scholarship

Neil Davis

"Shutterbug" Art Award

Josephine Dillon

University of North Dakota Scholarship

Reilly Dillon

St. Michael's College Scholarship

Jordan Dritz

Business Leadership Achievement Award

William Dunn

Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne
Scholarship

Carter Eckerline

University of Denver Scholarship
Minnesota Hockey Scholarship

Lauren Effertz

Social Studies Department Award
Senior Drama Award
University of Manitoba Scholarship

Sarah Ehlen

Four Years of English Excellence Award
Knight Errant Catherine Harris Award

Emma Eldred

Knight Errant Catherine Harris Award

William Falk

University of St. Thomas Scholarship

Colin Fitzgerald

Loyola University-Chicago Scholarship

Glynnis Forsberg

"Shutterbug" Art Award
University of St. Thomas Scholarship

Matthew Frank

Kopp Scholarship
Philip Steffen Campus Ministry Award
Purdue University Scholarship

Patrick Freese

Marquette University Scholarship

Grace Gallagher

Marquette University Scholarship

Brennan Gensch

Faith Formation Department Award

Michael Gerten

National Merit Commended Scholar
Knox College Scholarship

Thomas Gilligan

Army Scholar/Athlete Award

Severyn Gondeck

Business Leadership Achievement Award
Marquette University Scholarship

Simon Gondeck

Business Leadership Achievement Award
University of Minnesota-Twin Cities Scholarship

Morgan Grahek

University of Kansas Scholarship

Paul Graupner

University of St. Thomas Scholarship

Alexa Hansen

Kopp Scholarship

Alexander Herbst

Michigan Technological University Scholarship

Emily Herrmann

Salutatorian
Science Department Award
University of Wisconsin-Madison Scholarship

Madeleine Hibbs

University of British Columbia Scholarship

Nicholas Hillson

National Merit Commended Scholar

Katherine Hinkens

Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship

Alyssa Hoffman

Athena Athletic Award

Christian Horn

Athletic Director's Award
University of Minnesota-Twin Cities Scholarship

Jacob Horton

AI Blasing Athletic Award

Samuel Ingbar

National Merit Commended Scholar

Allison Ison

"Cone 05" Art Award

Brenton Jayasuriya

Senior Drama Award

Anders Jecha

Saint John's University Scholarship

Frances Jimenez

Kopp Scholarship
National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholar

Amanda Johnson

"Cone 05" Art Award
University of St. Thomas Scholarship

Parker Johnson

"Mr. Doodler" Art Award
Hamline University Scholarship

Madeline Kennedy

Marquette University Scholarship

Taylor Kenyon

Lettering for Excellence Award

Catherine Kernan

English Department Award
Mathematics Department Award

Amanda Korts

French Advanced Placement Award
Orchestra Conductor's Award

Emily Kruse

Knight Errant Photographer of the Year Award
University of Notre Dame Scholarship
Tailhook Educational Foundation Scholarship

Anna Landis

AI Reger Award
Best Drama Lead Performance-Female
Arts Out in Front Award
Orchestra Conductor's Award
University of St. Thomas Scholarship

Sian Last

University of Toronto Scholarship

Kevin Lebahn
Saint John's University Scholarship

Daniel LeSage
Saint John's University Scholarship

Yonghun (Jack) Lee
Salutatorian

Sanjay Lumpkin
Northwestern University Scholarship

Daniel Lundberg
National Merit Scholar
Science Department Award
Al Reger Award
AAA Award Nominee
Boston College Scholarship

Izaak Lundberg
Coe College Scholarship

Melissa Luther
BSM President's Award

Elena Lyon
Montana State University Scholarship

Michael Mahoney
Kopp Scholarship
University of St. Thomas Scholarship

Gabriel MacDonald
Saint John's University Scholarship

John McGinn
Valedictorian
National Merit Scholar
Four Years of English Excellence Award
John Haider Mathematics Career Achievement Award

Carter McNew
Choir Director's Award
Iowa State University Scholarship

Joseph Melles
Gustavus Adolphus College Scholarship
Gonsier Hustle Award Scholarship

Edward Meeker
Best Drama Lead Performance-Male

Theodore Merriam
Santa Clara University Scholarship

Isaac Melin
Lettering for Excellence Award
Wheaton College Scholarship

Alec Minea
Saint John's University Scholarship

Maxwell Minea
Miami University-Ohio Scholarship

Samuel Mogensen
Marquette University Scholarship

Hannah Morin
Kopp Scholarship
Creighton University Scholarship

Matthew Muenzberg
Knight Errant Catherine Harris Award
University of Missouri Scholarship

Edward Nelson
Creighton University Scholarship

Casey Nightingale
AAA Award Nominee
University of St. Thomas Scholarship

Jessica Nolan
General Mills Foundation Scholarship

Ian Norman
National Merit Commended Scholar

Amy Pannek
University of Iowa Scholarship

Emily Parsons
Miami University, Ohio Scholarship

Joshua Paquette
Choir Department Award

Megan Pavlik
Creighton University Scholarship

Ethan Perushek
Henry David Thoreau Award
Lawrence University Russell T. Lund Scholarship

Emma Peterson
California Lutheran University Scholarship

Joseph Pettinger
BSM President's Award
Marquette University Scholarship

Ryan Philbin
Lettering for Excellence Award

Scott Quinby
University of Iowa Scholarship

Noah Rasmussen
Jerry Miller Faith in Action Award

Margaret Renier
Pro Lingua Award
Philip Steffen Campus Ministry Award
Choir Director's Award
College of St. Benedict Scholarship
Tony Sanneh Foundation Leadership Award

Daniel Riley
Marquette University Scholarship

Benjamin Rosengren
National Merit Commended Scholar
Bank of America Joe Martin Scholarship

Ashley Sanger
University of Arizona Scholarship

William Satre
United States Naval Academy Scholarship

Christopher Sather
Latin Department Award

Nicole Sauer
Valedictorian
Society of Women Engineers Award
Latin Department Award
John Haider Mathematics Career Achievement Award
Orchestra Conductor's Award
University of Minnesota-Twin Cities Scholarship
Ruby Hackett and Weldon Jones Scholarship
Twin West Foundation Cass Screw Machine Scholarship

Brendan Schember
Marquette University Scholarship

Anna Slayton
University of Missouri Scholarship

Ryan Stowe
Paul Seppelt Science Award
University of Denver Scholarship

Shannon Stroh
Drama Technician of the Year
Choir Department Award
St. Catherine's University Scholarship

Robert Sutherland
BSM President's Award
Miami University-Ohio Scholarship
Twin West Foundation Scholarship

Joseph Sutton
BSM President's Award
Northwestern College Scholarship

Brian Tobelmann
Mathematics Department Award
General Mills Foundation Post-High School Scholarship

Karen Valde
Lettering for Excellence Award
Iowa State University Scholarship
Russell T. Lund Scholarship

Ashley Valentine
National Choral Award
San Francisco Conservatory of Music Scholarship

Jennifer Vogl
National Merit Commended Scholar
History Club Award
College of William & Mary Scholarship

Kale Walch
Henry David Thoreau Award
North Central University Scholarship

Julia Weber
Daughters of the American Revolution
Good Citizen Award
Creighton University Scholarship

Connor Welch
Marquette University Scholarship

Spencer Williams
Providence College Scholarship

Andrew Wolf
"Shutterbug" Art Award
Iowa State University Scholarship

Elizabeth Wolfe
College of Saint Benedict Scholarship

Benjamin Zeman
Best Drama Supporting Actor
Arts Out in Front Award
Loyola University-Chicago Scholarship

ALUMNINNEWS

1947

St. Margaret's Academy classmates celebrated their 64th reunion and their 82nd birthdays. ▶

Back row (l-r): **Patricia Fazendin Ryan, Barbara Knoblauch Ashkar, Donna O'Brien Forner, Pat Bissonette Bydlon, Pat Farkell Welna, Theresa Kenney Sherry, Gloria Saunders Wahl, Mary Hynes Huttner, Marjorie**

Myers, SSND, Marianne Jenkins Johnson and Mary Joan Tracy Larsen; seated (l-r) **Mary Alice Juettner Hargarten, Louise Lanthier McLennan, Joyce Manning, Virginia Martin Morris, Lorraine Matuzek and Mary Cavanaugh Frawley.**



The St. Margaret's Academy Class of 1972 enjoyed their 40 year reunion at the Medina Ballroom: back row (l-r) **Jeanne Trombley, Barb Volp Pearson, Lorraine Batteen Kothrade, Suzanne Kusz Rolfes, Pat Bailey Myhre, Julie Madden Reeve, Debra Hessling Safyre, Lynn Choromanski, Joan Hughes, Elle Dwyer Schnobrich, and Roseann Hartnett McMahon;** fourth row (l-r) **Carol Remus Maass, LuAnn Schumer Berg, Bonnie Gothmann, Donna Schwingler Eernisse, and Marcie Malat;** third row (l-r) **Theresa McNally Rooney, Shelly Lambert Weingarten, Janice Stitt Audette, Sue Saucier Case, Julie Ruff Pink, Sandy Peplin Carpenter, and Sue Bania Talerico;** second row (l-r) **Joanie Swartout McGinn, Anita Connells Whims, Julie Comstock Backer, Sally Burt Kraft and Patty Jarl Larson;** front row (l-r) **Mary Meade Streier and Renee Blewett Samuelson.** ▼

1952

Long-time friends (l-r) **Mary Mach Peterson, Virginia Thompkins Ferrara, Marlene Beriou Dowson and Dorothy Buchanan Lodahl** (not pictured) met for lunch while traveling to Virginia in April. ▼



1969

Tom Kretsch is featured as the deputy sheriff on page 142 in the New York Times bestseller, *Northwest Angle*, written by William Kent Krueger, a Twin Cities author living in St. Paul.

1971

Jack McDonough and Bill Hull had an opportunity to catch up at Poor Richard's Commonhouse in May. ▼



1972

The Benilde-St. Margaret's Board of Directors has recently welcomed St. Margaret's Academy alumna, **Pat Bailey Myhre**, as one of its newest members.

1985

Tom Lynch has moved to Blauen, Switzerland, to begin a new job as a senior legal counsel at Novartis Pharma. Tom's wife, **Anastasia Gallagher Lynch '85**, and their children, **Sean '17**, Tom, Frankie and Amelia will join Tom in Switzerland in early August. The Lynch family will be reunited with younger brother **Pete Lynch '90** and his wife, **Heather Gallagher Lynch '90**, who live in Morges, Switzerland and older brother, **Mike Lynch '81**, who lives with his wife, Darlene, near Geneva, Switzerland.

1993

Tony Pohlen has accepted a position as the program director of Tantur Ecumenical Institute in Jerusalem, an affiliate program of the University of Notre Dame. Tantur offers a variety of continuous education programs and sabbaticals. Tony and his wife, Esther van Stam, will be relocating to Jerusalem this summer. Tony is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame. For the past four years, he has served as the assistant director of the Ford Family Program in Human Development Studies and Solidarity at the Kellogg Institute for International Studies. In addition, Tony has been in charge of running projects in East Africa as well as coordinating students minoring in international studies at the University of Notre Dame.



1979

Corrina Colwell Conley is the first BSM graduate to be named the president of the Parent Association.

1983

Michelle Fournier Weber and Molly Fitzgerald Mendola posed for a photo at a recent get-together. ▼



Steve Bulfer and his wife, Kalyani, are happy to announce the birth of twin girls, Ashwathi (Asha) and Radhika (Radha) born on April 22. Big brother Sachin welcomed his sisters home. Steve is the CEO & Founder at LifeCellar, Inc. The Bulfers live in San Francisco.

Jessica Smith Dosse is the Director of Talent Acquisition for Ameriprise Financial. Jessica and husband Rob have a four-year-old daughter, Avery, and live in Maple Grove.

Togba Norris works for Herzog & Co, an Emmy-winning production company in North Hollywood that creates and shoots "behind-the-scenes" documentary footage and celebrity interviews for network TV. Last year, the web series Togba co-starred in, End Result, was nominated for four Indy Intertude awards and will, the producers hope, secure a distribution deal at an upcoming film festival in Southern California.

1994 **Angie Allen Wachholz** and her husband, Art, had a new baby girl, Fiona Kathryn, on October 30, 2011. Big sister Frannie (4) welcomed Fiona home.

Ed Rogalski rollerbladed 220 miles in June to raise money for the Wounded Warrior Project. To learn more, go to his website, Twenty2DegreesSouth.com.

1996 **Liz Neerland** is a writer and director at Nimbus Theater in Minneapolis where she recently directed the production of The Golden Ass. Classmates **Corey Anderson** and **Dan Cooley** were on hand for a photo opportunity with Liz during one of the performances. ▼



Ben Kodadek and his wife, Sarah, are proud to announce the birth of Madeline Fay on May 21. The Kodadeks live in Tampa, Florida.

1997 **Lindsay Meier Chaika** and her husband, Nathan, are pleased to announce the birth of Charles Dennis on April 16. Charlie's big brother, Owen, is 2.

Laura Hanson Conlon and her husband, Pete, welcomed Olivia Leigh on April. Olivia's big brother William is almost 2.

Christina Freeman Bourne and her husband, Christopher, are happy to announce the birth of Liliana Marie. Big sister Cici welcomed Lily home. The Bournes live in Minneapolis.

1998 **Kate Diaz Vickery** and her husband, Daniel, welcomed their first child, Lincoln Richard, in January. It's been a busy year for the Vickery family. After finishing up her family medicine residency at United Family Medicine in St. Paul, Kate applied for and won a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Fellowship. Kate, Daniel and

Lincoln will spend some time in Ann Arbor, Michigan, as Kate continues her studies at the University of Michigan.

1999 **Anna Smith** and Paul Sutton were married in Nassau, Bahamas, on April 28. **Kristen Smith '03**, along with 20 of their closest friends and family, were in attendance to share this beautiful day. The Suttons currently live in Oak Park, Illinois, the home of architect Frank Lloyd Wright. ▶

Misty Tiller Laney and husband Justin are happy to announce the birth of Andrew Jacob on January 18. Andrew was welcomed home by his proud big brother James (3). The Laney family resides in St. Anthony Village.



Kate Vukelich was featured in Walmart's 2012 Global Responsibility Report, which chronicles the progress the company has made on key social and sustainability commitments during the past year. Kate joined Walmart in 2008 and has served in a variety of human resources roles before being selected to go to South Africa as the human resources integration lead.

2000 **Gabe Skelly** his wife, Angela, are happy to announce the birth of William Ervin. He joins big sister Ciera (9) and big brother Jacob (4) at home. Gabe was recently elected vice president of the Minnesota Green Roofs Council, a non-profit entity that educates people about green roofs and water management.

2001 **Danielle Clements** graduated from William Mitchell College of Law in May 2011 and is working in Douglas County, Minnesota, for Judge David Battey.

John Melsen and his wife, Carrie, are happy to announce the birth of Olivia Jane on April 21. Olivia's big brother, Noah, is 3. John works for Deloitte and Carrie works for Regis. The Melsens live in Golden Valley.

Dr. Ann Starosta graduated from the University of Iowa with a Doctorate of Pharmacology in May. She will be relocating to New York to begin her professional career. Ann is pictured with her parents, Bob and Julie, and brother **Michael '15**. ▶

2002 **Jodie Flaherty Murray** and her husband, Brian, are proud to announce the birth of their twins, Brady Charles and Hailey Lynn, on February 15. Jodie is a pharmacist with Fairview Home Infusion and Brian is with Express Scripts. The Murray family lives in Eden Prairie.

2003 **Christine Cannon** graduated with a Master's Degree from the Corcoran College of Art and Design, in Washington, D.C., on May 19.

2004 **Mike Hickey** is an assistant coach for the BSM boys' varsity lacrosse team.

Erin McNaught married Sam Cari on June 17, 2011, at the Chapel of St. Thomas Aquinas at the University of St. Thomas. Sam is in law school at William Mitchell College of Law in St. Paul and Erin is in food product development at General Mills. The Caris live in Deephaven. ▶



Anne Rondoni, an assistant speech coach at BSM, helped four Red Knights capture medals at the Class AA State Speech Tournament held April 2 at Chanhassen High School.

London Vale was featured on the cover and inside the spring issue of the Notre Dame Magazine Style Issue. London graduated from Notre Dame in 2008 and is pursuing her acting career in Los Angeles. She has worked in modeling and has a recurring role in the webseries, The F List. She recently finished filming the independently produced TV pilot, The Gunrunner Billy Kane.

Kyrsten Kelley and **Derek Johnson** were married August 6, 2011, at the Church of St. Anne in Hamel, Minnesota. Kyrsten is currently a fourth year medical student at the University of Minnesota, and Derek is employed by EMC. ▶



ALUMNINEWS

2005

Classmates gathered to celebrate the wedding of **Megan Mura** and Zach Ward: (l-r) **Nick Hittler, Elizabeth Lefebvre, Max Neraasen, Peter Lucke, Megan Mura Ward, Allana Hayes** and **Sheila Kohler**. ▶

2006

Bridget Roby is living and working as a Peace Corps volunteer in Burkina Faso, Africa. Bridget is raising money and awareness for increased sanitation efforts. BSM students contributed nearly \$2,000 in the March Common Basket collection for the building of latrines in Burkina Faso.

2007

Alanna Olson initiated and helped organize an alumni art auction in May. Many former Red Knights donated artwork for the show, which generated more than \$2,000 for the art department.

Claire Drawe graduated from the University of Minnesota-Duluth with a Bachelors of Applied Sciences in Psychology. Claire is currently working toward a Masters in Inclusive Secondary Special Education at Syracuse University in Syracuse, New York, where she is a SUITR (Syracuse Urban Inclusive Teacher in Residence) Scholar and Teach Grant recipient.

May 2011 was a happy time for a group of St. John's University graduates: (l-r) **Matt Draxler** (psychology), **Tommy Purnell** (psychology), **Sam Gondeck** (accounting), and **Patrick Johnson** (business management). This past spring, Patrick Johnson was an assistant coach for varsity lacrosse at BSM. ▼



Nick Sutherland helped the Minnesota State University baseball team earn a spot in the eight-team NCAA Division II World Series. Nick is a pitcher for the Mavericks.

Amanda Trunzo has joined the Red Knight girls' varsity hockey program as an assistant coach.

Ellie Hawkinson graduated from Marquette University with a B.S. in Biomechanical Engineering. She accepted a job at Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine in the Simulation Technology and Immersive Learning Center.



LaToya Williams earned a B.A. in criminology and justice studies from Avila University, Kansas City, Missouri. She is pictured with her mom Cynthia. ▼



2008

Many former Red Knights graduated from the College of St. Benedict this spring. **Libbie Roberts** and **Anna Martin** celebrated this occasion with a photo. ▶

Other CSB graduates from the class include **Katie Hite, Katie Milroy, Laura Monahan, Caitlan Rocheford, Kasey Topousis**, and **Sarah Wahl**.



St. John's University graduates include **Spencer Bata, Jon Holmers, Jake Ingalls**, and **Dan Jaeger**.



Molly Dillon graduated magna cum laude with a degree in biology from Marquette University. In August she will begin dental school at the University of Minnesota. ◀

Jordan Taylor graduated from the Grainger School of Business at the University of Wisconsin-Madison on May 19 with a major in marketing.

John Helms graduated from the University of Notre Dame with a degree in accounting. John is working as an investment banker analyst at William Blair in Chicago. He is pictured with his family: **Joe '05, Maggie '03, John '08, Andy '12**, Kate and Jack Helms. ▶

Courtney Johnson earned her degree in business administration from Marquette University. Courtney posed with her siblings on graduation day, May 20: **Megan '12, Patrick '07, Courtney**, and **Samantha '13**. ▼



Julie Cooney graduated from Notre Dame with a B.A. in psychology and environmental science. She will spend the summer in South Africa and then will return there in the fall to work at an orphanage. She is pictured with her siblings **Jacklyn '14** and **John '04**. ▼



2009

Ben Sauer is on leave from his studies at Iowa State University to serve his country with the United State Marine Corps. Ben, **Craig Shaver**, and **Harry Torvik** are all stationed in Afghanistan.



Bulletin Board

2010

Martha Hawkinson is part of Loyola University

Chicago's co-ed a cappella group, The group performed pop music at BSM on May 18 at a live show in the Hamburge Theater. Loyolacappella has been around for more than fifteen years and currently has 15 members.

2011

Chris Nagel is using the skills he learned in ACS to

build an animatronic Paul Bunyan robot at the University of St. Thomas. The robot is projected to be five feet tall and weigh less than 100 pounds. The team is currently in phase two of the prototype. The student-led group includes six students, ranging in grade from freshmen to seniors.

Peter Schubloom helped the St. Thomas lacrosse team claim the MCLA Division II national championship against Grand Valley State. This is the third time in four years that the Tommies have won the MCLA title, and they become the first team in the eight-year history of the Division II tourney to win three crowns.

Fore at Four—

Young Alums (1990-2012) Golf Event

Saturday, August 11, 4 p.m.
Deer Run Golf Club

\$50 includes
9 holes of golf
Happy hour • Dinner

Register now at
www.BSMschool.org/foreatfour

Questions? Rachel Kuzma Olson '93
at rkuzmaolson@BSMschool.org

**Alumni
Boys' Soccer
Thursday, August 9
6:30 p.m.**

Friends and families welcome
Barbecue to follow

2012 Reunions



SMA 1955

Annual gathering: Wednesday, September 19, Noon at Jax Cafe
Contact: Judy Miller, 952-545-3471, JAMiller108@aol.com

SMA 1957

Wednesday, August 15, Noon, Elsie's Restaurant 729 Marshall Street, NE, Minneapolis
Contact: Gloria Bester Ford, 952-938-9064, glorayford@earthlink.net

SMA 1962

Saturday, August 25, 11 a.m., The Woman's Club of Minneapolis
Contacts: Colette Korab Monette, 435-652-5175, dcomonette@centurylink.net; Renee McLean Turnberg, 435-652-5175, 310-320-7498, renee_t@pacbell.net; Muriel Bocknak 612-781-8791

SMA 1967

Saturday, September 22, 4 p.m., Poor Richard's Common House
Contact: Margaret McRaith, margaret.mcraith@gmail.com

Benilde 1962

Friday-Saturday, August 17-18
Friday night: 5-8 p.m., Happy hour at Park Tavern, Saturday night: 6 p.m., Social hour and catered dinner at BSM
Contacts: Pat Cady, patcady@avvidonline.net; David Gagne, dgagne52@earthlink.net; Harvey Johnston, harveyjohnston@hotmail.com

Benilde 1967

Friday-Saturday, September 28-29
Friday night: 7 p.m., BSM Homecoming football game, Saturday: 12:10 p.m., Twins game
Contacts: Roger Renner, rerenner@ehrenner.com; Denny Phenow, dphenow@insmart.org; Ray Renner, raymond.t.renner@ehrenner.com

Benilde 1972

Saturday, September 22, Golden Valley Country Club
Contacts: Tom Shackle, tmshackle@gmail.com; John Mandile, johnmandile@yahoo.com; Brian Kretsch, kret0010@umn.edu; Dan Delmore, ddelmore@delmore.com

BSM 1977

Saturday, July 28, Location: TBA
Contact: Connie Kane McClurg, 763-473-2702, Cell 612-819-1860, ckmclclurg@q.com

BSM 1982

Friday-Saturday, September 7-8
Friday night: 5 p.m., Happy hour at Bunny's/ 7 p.m., BSM football game, Saturday night: Rojo's Mexican Grill
Contacts: Maura Daly, mdaly@BSMschool.org; Beth Fitzgerald Scott, esgscott@hotmail.com; Pete Scherer, PScherer@SCHERERBROS.COM; Heidi Hughes, heidi@housedressingcompany.com; John Gordon, John.Gordon@agritradingcorp.com; Mike Rooney, Mike.Rooney@FOXTV.COM

BSM 1987

Friday-Sunday, September 28-30
Friday night: 5 p.m., Happy hour at Bunny's/ 7 p.m., BSM homecoming football game
Saturday night: 7 p.m., Appetizers and cash bar at Poor Richard's, Sunday: 1 p.m., Twins game
Contacts: Michele Labore, michele.labore@results.net; Marnie Madsen Olson, MOlson@baliwick.com; Kate Murphy Boland, Kboland@hotmail.com

BSM 1992

Friday-Saturday, September 28-29
Friday night: Happy hour at Bullfrog Cajun Bar/ 7 p.m., BSM homecoming football game
Saturday night: 7 p.m., Spill the Wine, 1101 Washington Ave. S., Minneapolis
Contacts: Josh Zuehlke, jzulker@hotmail.com; Jeff Staley, jeff.s.staley@gmail.com; KJ Wing Struck, kjerstenstruck@gmail.com

BSM 1997

Friday-Saturday, October 5-6
Friday night: 5 p.m., Happy hour at Bunny's/ 7 p.m., BSM football game, Saturday night: The Bullfrog Cajun Bar
Contacts: Ryan Sather, ryan@satherfamily.com; Jamie Flaherty Held, jheld@heldlaw.com; Mary Ebnet Fitzpatrick, mfebnet@hotmail.com

For additional information or to help with reunion plans, contact Sandy Janssen Barry '86, Assistant Director of Alumni Relations, at sjanssenbarry@BSMschool.org or 952-915-4341.

Alumni Album



10 Year—The reunion committee for the Class of 2002 celebrated their summer reunion at Kieran's Irish Pub: (l-r) Laura Mahler, Susan Martinson, Sarah Roth Polovitz, Jillian Periolat, Kerry Cooley, and Evan Carpenter.



Joranger Open—Classmates from '72 joined the fun for the annual Joranger golf outing at Deer Run Golf Club in Victoria: (l-r) Mike Gilligan, John Mandile, Bruce Lowell, and Tim McNulty.



Alumni Baseball—Graduates gathered for an afternoon barbecue and alumni game. Home runs by John Beutz and Steve Reinitz added to the fun: (l-r) Steve Reinitz '94, Jon Fier '89, John Beutz '89, John Feltl '89, Kelly Kirby '89, John Fleischhacker '05, Alex Wahl '05, Nick Sutherland '07, Alex Zeman '05, Isak Tranvik '05, Mike DesLauriers '05 and Zach Wahl '10.

Celebrate Golf—Members of the Class of 1978 enjoyed themselves after the Joranger Gold Open: (l-r) Phill Sweetser, Mike Ott, John Hedrick and Joe Trombley.



A Family Affair—Lauren Kretsch '10 donated two photographs for the Alumni Art Auction in May. She is pictured here in front of one of her photos with brothers Paul '12 and Brian '13, and dad Kevin Kretsch '77.



Drake Relays Annual Celebration—La Pizza House in Des Moines is a favorite haunt after a day at the Relays: back row (l-r) Jon Gilmore '07, Erin Gilmore '05, Mary Fran O'Keefe, and Norton Hatlie '75; front row (l-r) Angie Plooster '07 and Catherine Bangasser '07.



A Night on the Town—Kieran's Irish Pub was the site of the birthday gathering for Lee-Jay Lira '90: (l-r) Shannon Conway Neels '90, Sarah Bangert Randolph '90, Lily Bennett-Everett, and Keely Doyle '90.



Twins Home Opener 2012—The Red Knights gathered in hopes of getting the Twins off to a great start: back row (l-r) Lee Lira '88, Bill Sutherland '88, Tom Fournier '88, Dan Chevalier '85, Rob Franzen '88, Peter Lukas '93, and Adam Sellke '88; front row (l-r) Anne Molina Lukas '93, Lynn Lira Chevalier '85, Lee-Jay Lira '90, and Mark Tabery '88



Girls' Gathering—Marcia Warren Herron's birthday was cause for a big celebration: back row (l-r) Robin Bennetts Kehoe '80, Megan Warren Montville '82, Maureen Warren '75, Marcia Warren Herron '80, Katherine Thelemann Guettler '80, Julie Ortler Palach '80; front row (l-r) Monica Warren Still '87, Molly Warren Sachse '83, and Marta Warren Devine '88.



Dancing with Twin Cities Celebrities—Minnesota Vikings Executive Director of Community Relations, Brad Madson '79, participated in an Arthur Murray Dance competition in February. Brad raised \$1,950 for the Minnesota Vikings Children's Fund.



Spring Get-Together—Girls from the Class of '89 staged their own spring reunion; (l-r) Anne Hingeley Meier, Nicola Moore Dixon, Courtney Burns Seesz, Amy Reinhart Hyde, and Mollie Sieve Olsen.



Flower Tour—Monica Smigleski Navratil '48, her daughter Susan Navratil Malsom '71 and her sister Mary Smigleski Ruebbelke '55 enjoyed a delightful lunch before heading out with their classmates for a tour of the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum on June 5.



Birthday Celebration—Friends gathered to celebrate Lee-Jay Lira's 40th birthday: back row (l-r) John Franczak '90, Lee Lira '88, Greg Glarner, Michael Broyles '90, Adam Lenhart '91, Charlie Broyles '92, Mark Loftus '90; front row (l-r) Bill Kruse '90, and Lee-Jay Lira '90.



First Communion Celebration—Maureen, Jack and Emily Boland, children of Katie Murphy Boland '87 and Tom Boland, made their first communion this spring. Joining the celebration were: back row (l-r) Suzi McMerty Shands '87, Molly O'Brien Swenson '87, Jack Boland, Megan Murphy (daughter of Brian Murphy '81, Brigid Murphy '85, and Bill Boland.

IN MEMORIAM

John "Brady" Benson
Father of John
Tom '82
Dave
Michael

Pat Berlinger
Mother of Michael '00

Helen Burg
Mother of Janet Scheinost – past staff

Helen Carlson Cunningham '52
Sister of Margaret Carlson Robbie '52
Mary Carlson Nutter

Marilyn Devereaux
Mother of Philip – deceased
Kathleen – deceased
Mary Pat Devereaux Hauck
John '77
Anne Devereaux Gardner '82

Thomas Dols
Husband of Sandra Botterill Dols '63
Father of Dan '88
Heather Dols McEnerney '91

James Felling '65
Brother of Tom Felling '68

Michel Feltault '77
Brother of Jerome '76
Michelle Feltault Morrison '77
David '79
Diane Feltault Keefe '79

Richard Hynds
Father of Richard Michael '81
Daniel '83
Monica '85

Leonard Japs
Father of John '71
Jim '74
Jody Japs-Jung '76
Jeff
Jerry '82

Joseph LaBat '64

Jack Lamoureux
Father of Renee Lamoureux Noland '70
Robbie Lamoureux Swanson '71
Rise Lamoureux Miller '84
Gina Lamoureux Carlson '85

Minnie Larson
Mother of David '69
Karen Lason Orrock

Nora (Mary Patricia) Mack, CSJ '48

Thomas J. Malone
Brother of Marilyn
David
Robert-deceased
James
John '66
Richard

Elizabeth McQuade '66

Eileen Murphy
Mother of Mary Murphy Shields '70
Tim '72
Kevin '74
Betsy Murphy Renier '76
Patty Murphy Peterson '81

James Murphy
Father of Jennifer '91

Angela Novack
Mother of Barbara Novack West '62
Joe

Thomas C. O'Connell
Father of Tom
Tim
Brian
Dan
Kathleen O'Connell Sereda '77
Karen O'Connell Wheaton '84

Frances Brennan Rand '35

Virginia Duff Rooney '31

Lucie Rosendahl
Mother of Jason '89
Jessica Rosendahl Miller '91
Jillian Rosendahl Johnson
Johanna Rosendahl Lennox '98

Betty Rosenow – staff

Richard "Bud" Setzler
Father of Steve – past faculty

Carol Goemer Sulik '64

Judy Vogen
Mother of Briana '00

Marjorie Wells Engstrom '57

Alumni Album



Dual School Happy Hour—Mike Bailey '68 and sister Pat Bailey Myhre '72 posed for a picture during an SMA and Benilde gathering.



Three Generations—Jennifer Ortler Blood '85, Julie Ortler Palach '80, Kelly Palach '12, Mary Kastner Ortler '57, and Ryan Palach '11 celebrated Kelly's graduation on June 1.



Sibling Celebration—Four Tobelmann siblings celebrated the new addition to the BSM alumni ranks: (l-r) Stephen '03, Jessica '06, Brian '12, and Matthew '00.



Clifford / Dahmen Wedding—Friends and family gathered to celebrate with James Clifford and Ellie Dahmen: back row (l-r) James Clifford '73, John Thelemann '76, Mary Ross Russett '78, Peggy Ross DeVaan '76, Patrice Reinhardt Nidenfeur '76, Kris Porter Schaitberger '76, Steve Cook '76, Kathy Slavin Cook '76, Jeff Dahmen '04, Jackie Noack '02, Nolan Jacobson '02, Ian Wexler '02, Jeff Sweetser '02, Jordan Niemeyer '02, Jean Culp '02, Jared Stichting '02, CJ Lind '97, Meghan Lind '99, Theresa Clifford Acevedo '98, Eric Lind '94, Mark Clifford '76, Tom Ross '87, Ryan Brackin '02; front row (l-r) Sheila Delmore Thelemann '76, Nicole Arne '02, Kathy Ross Pinedo '78, Jackie Rubi '02, Karen Gruidl Bjorgan '76, Angela Nelson Lee '02, Desiree Brose Jacobson '01, James Clifford '02, Ellie Dahmen Clifford '02, Paul Ziezulewicz '02, Peter Carlson '02, Brant Nielsen '02, Mike Ross '95, Jacque Ross Christenson '82, Ryan Abts '02; seated (l-r) Joe Schmerler '02, John Paulson '02, Robbie Gustafson '02, Clare Diegel '02, Michael Clifford '06, Clare Dahmen '06; not pictured Matt Hustad '02, Terrie Ross Larsen '75, and Dennis Clifford '69.



School Spirit—Tom '90 and Corinn Tennesen Cella '95 are the perfect models for Red Knight gear from the Spirit Shop: (l-r) Corinn and Tommy, Emma, and Tom.



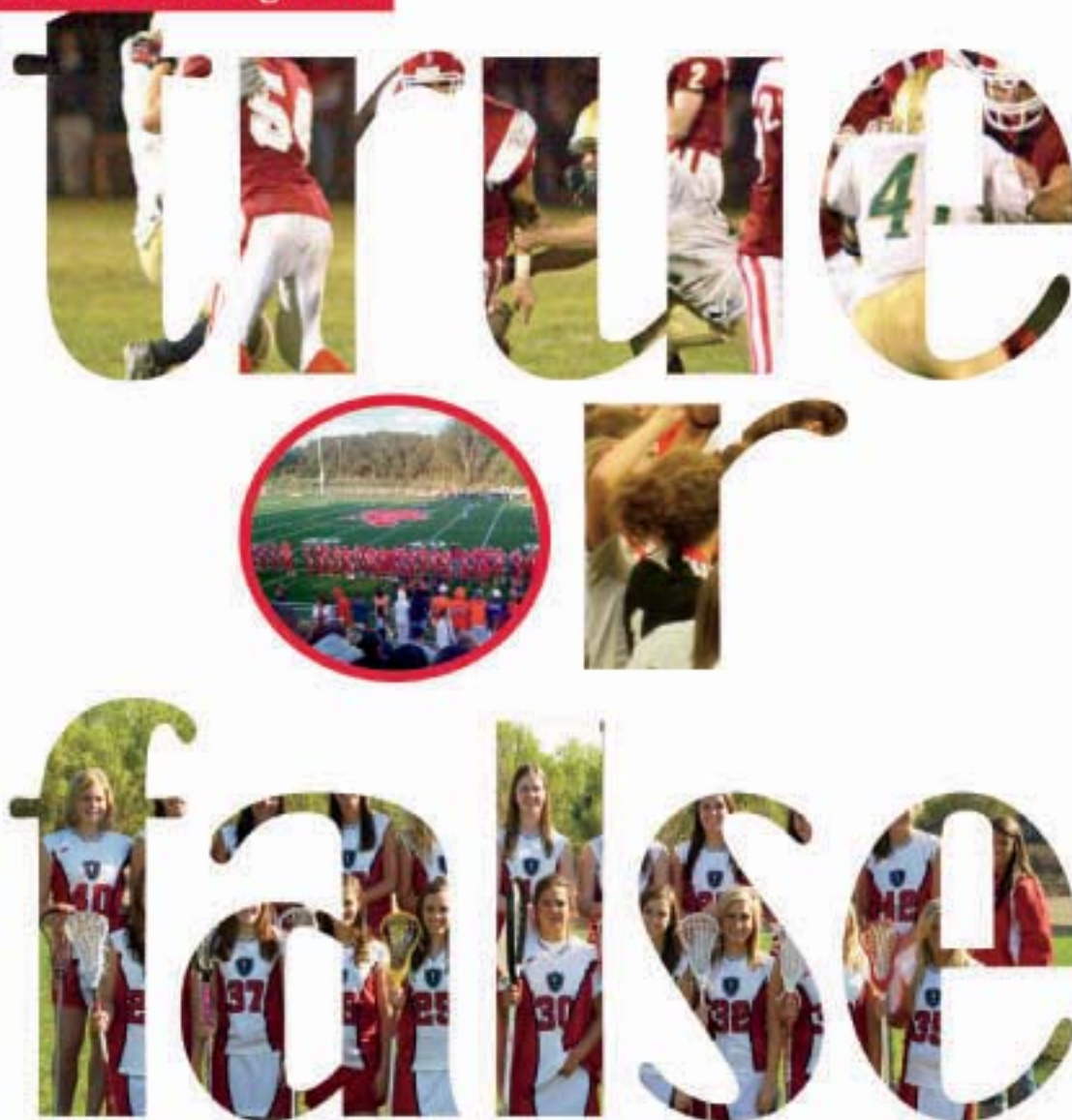
Graduate Gathering in Boston—Dr. Bob Tift '71 hosted a reception for area graduates when he was in Boston for the NCEA Convention: back row (l-r) Stephen DeJute '07, Charles Moore '07, Sarah Shallbetter, and Katie Cibulka '98; front row (l-r) Bob Tift '71, Katie McClurg '10, Kelly Slater '11, Monica Ball '08, Annalise Sundberg '08, Rachael Peck '08, Calli Dillon '04, Conor Dillon '07, Katie Eckerline '07, Tere Lamb '70, Laura Scherer '07, and Marjorie Peterson '50.

Loyolacappella Concert—Martha Hawkinson '10, a member of Loyolacappella, posed with other alumnae after the concert at BSM: (l-r) Tess Hayes '10, Michaela Schik '10, Maura Kelly '10, Kelsey Bakken '10, Katie Hawkinson '05, Martha Hawkinson '10, Mary Musilek '10, Caitlin Ritchie '10 and Rachel Hoemke '10.





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39 BSM Teams have experienced co-curricular activities on the new field. **TRUE**

951 student athletes have enjoyed the experience of playing on the new athletic fields. **TRUE**

30,000 fans have cheered on our BSM teams from the new bleachers. **TRUE**

571 donors have given financial support to make these fields possible. **TRUE**

These fields cost \$4,500,000 to design and construct. **TRUE**

These fields are paid for. **FALSE**



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