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From *the* PRESIDENT

To our NDHS families and friends –

Greetings from Notre Dame! On behalf of ND alumni everywhere, please join me in welcoming our new Director of Alumni & Development, Kathy Currie Martin!

To her credit – and Notre Dame's benefit – she jumped smack into the deep end of the pool and continues to stay above water. She officially came on board this past July, one week in advance of Alumni Weekend. If you picture it as five alumni events wrapped around a mild dose of chaotic insanity, you'd be getting close.

RISE TOGETHER NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL CHATTANOOGA

But before he fades too far into our memory, I also want to thank our most recent Director, Robert Jones. I'm really glad that he continues serving the Church, now as Parish Administrator for Our Lady of Perpetual Help. We wish him well.

Kathy and her husband Doug are parents of three NDHS alums – Patrick '15 attended and recently graduated from Ohio State while twins, Maggie '19 and Jack '19 are enjoying their first fall on the Hill in Knoxville. Kathy herself attended Notre Dame as a freshman with the Class of 1979 before eventually graduating from Hixson.

We laugh that she had a pretty good first week … as it was then that we first received the news of alumnus Michael Miller's $500,000 gift and his offer to match $500,000 more.

There was a day – some thirty years ago – when I had accepted the same job. Mr. Phifer asked me to serve in that capacity and it was an honor. But I knew far less than Kathy about what I was getting in to … and she joined us anyway. We are grateful!

We have a phenomenal team here at Notre Dame but I don't have to tell you that it's the much larger family of Notre Dame that makes us successful. It always has been. It always will be. Thank you for all you do.

Should you get the opportunity, I hope you will reach out and welcome Kathy on board.

Wishing you and your family a blessed and wonderful holiday season!

George Valadie '71
President

On the Cover: **Tim Vaughn, Class of 2022**

Homecoming Court

Sofia Dobson, Jane Haywood, Sarah Eiselstein, Isabella Gearinger, Anna Booker

King & Queen Sarah Eiselstein & Chandler Brady

Lane Cannon, Chandler Brady, Jason Oliver, Trey Patterson, Bradley Summitt

Disney Day

(l to r) Mia Corte, Zach Naessig, Maya Cowan

Decade Day

(above, l to r) Joey Bertani & Eli Cowan
(at left) Kenzie Campbell & Levi Brown

Homecoming Dance

SCHOOL NEWS

Incoming Freshman, Class of 2023

Freshman Retreat at St. Stephens

8th Grade Visit Day

Welcome New Staff!

Jay Adamson '07
Academic Coach

Sam Clay
Security

Michelle DeVilliers
Art

Dusty Gunn
Athletic Director

Ian Hoerner
Religion

Father Christopher Manning
Chaplain

Michael McCutcheon '11
English

Sister Maria Cecilia
Religion

Davis Rittenbury '97
AP US History, Civics

Laura Swenson
Academic Dean

Dennis Therrell
Chemistry, Weight Training

Brandon Usery
US & World History

ATHLETICS NEWS

The fall athletic season was full of excitement and success. Although our football team had a difficult season, we saw many younger players get an opportunity to contribute and future teams will benefit from having faced such challenges.

The fall was dominated by the Lady Irish, with soccer and volleyball winning district championships and making it to the state tournament in both sports respectively. Both teams are young and return several key players, so the future for these programs is bright.

The Irish golf team had the best season they have had in recent years, and returns very good golfers in 2020. For the first time in recent history, both our boys and girls cross country teams qualified for the state meet. Irish XC finished 6th overall at the state meet and many individuals achieved goals that they have worked hard for.

The Irish bowling team is well into the season and currently stands at 11-1 and will be in the hunt for a state title.

Dusty Gunn
Director of Athletics

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When I was a freshman at Notre Dame, my mother would drop my brother off at his Senior Service project before taking me to school each morning for a couple of months. I knew one day I would be doing Senior Service and I pondered what placement I could receive when the time came.

I have no idea where I did my Senior Service. There were so many opportunities at Notre Dame during my four years that they seemed to become one. I enjoyed working for others and giving of my time. I didn't have a lot of money growing up, so time was precious.

After graduation, I continued to give time to my alma mater. Even as my bank account could manage to share, my time was still much more valuable. For more than a decade I volunteered with the SEARCH Program. Sometimes I would be a part of all four weekends. I have many cherished friendships from that time. I helped my mother in her art classes and spent time in the summer helping teachers set up for the start of the new year. I got to know my teachers in a different light.

Now I am serving on the Alumni Council. When George Valadie returned to Notre Dame as the President, I sent him a note of congratulations and desire to serve my alma mater in any way. His reply, along with his thanks, was a request to join the Council. I have enjoyed my time on the Council both as a member and now as President. I have seen firsthand the many ways to serve Notre Dame and to give back.

Take time to see what Notre Dame has to offer her alumni as well as the students currently enrolled. See what part you can do to help! We need help at Homecoming, Alumni Weekend and many other events. You can drive a snack golf cart or greet guests at many events! The opportunities are many.

Giving back through monetary means helps fund the memories of the future. Giving back through volunteering helps fund the memories of those you serve. What are your talents?

Anne Wehunt '86

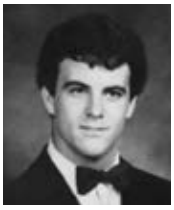
Alumni Council President

Ask the Alumni

We spoke to several alumni at the 2019 Homecoming Cookout and asked them to name one of their favorite teachers.

Alice Dietzen Ownby, 1964 – My favorite teacher was **Sister Mary Ambrose**. She taught chemistry which I took in my senior year because I needed one more credit. She made it fun for those of us who were not going to take chemistry beyond high school.

Father John Dowling, 1968 – There were so many good teachers at Notre Dame. I think I probably liked **Father Schilling** my freshman year. Not only did I enjoy him as a teacher, but also during after school hours. He played cards with several of us and taught us Hearts, Bunco and a game called Politics. Father Schilling also invented his own football board game. He had a great sense of humor and was very good with the young men in the school.



Scott MacDougal, 1986 – I like **Coach Buddy Guedron** because he was easy-going, and he was the Baseball Coach.

Ben Baker, 1996 – My favorite teacher was **Mrs. Barrow**, the English teacher. It was a very, very in-depth course and got me very prepared for college. It was my favorite English course of all time.

Amy Ransom Hall, 2003 – I love Notre Dame! I would have to say my favorite teacher would be **Coach Autry** (at right) for weight training. I did like **Coach Jay Price**. He was a lot of fun as well. **Mrs. Hubbuch** too! They always had that communication with you. They wanted you to do your best and were so positive.

A Prescription for Success

While some individuals can't wait to be done with school, Casey Gorman Ireland is still in an academic setting twelve years after leaving Notre Dame! After graduating in 2008, she attended the University of Georgia as a Presidential Scholar in the Honors program. She obtained a degree in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, graduating Magna Cum Laude.

Casey then went on to the University of Tennessee, College of Medicine where she received the Herman Bensdorf Merit Scholarship and graduated with High Honors. After becoming an M.D., Casey did her residency in Internal Medicine at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore. After finishing her residency she completed a fellowship at Brigham and Women's Hospital specializing in cardiovascular disease. She is currently a first-year cardiology fellow at BWH in Boston, but will be returning to Johns Hopkins in July 2020 for a chief residency year. Long-term she is planning to stay in academic medicine and will likely subspecialize in advanced heart failure and transplant.

It is not all study and work! In 2014, Casey married Will Ireland. She spends her free time running, baking, watching Georgia football, and trying to understand Boston accents! She recently took some time to reflect on her years at Notre Dame High School.

ND – *What is your fondest memory of NDHS?*
Casey - My fondest memory while at Notre Dame was being part of the Soccer team. I loved every minute of it – the camaraderie of the miserably hot summer practices, Coach Schermerhorn's amazing halftime speeches, and the thrill of making it to State. It was sheer joy, and I'm such a better person for having been a part of that team for four years.

ND – *Who were some of your favorite teachers?*
Casey – Mr. Irvin (an obvious choice for anyone from ND who loved science), Mr. & Mrs. Fisher, Ms. Kos

ND - *How did your four years at ND prepare you for your future?*
Casey – Notre Dame's science department, particularly AP bio and AP chemistry (with Mr. Irvin and Ms. Pala, respectively), fostered my love of the sciences and made my freshman college classes seem like a breeze. Equally as important, my time on the soccer team instilled a tenacity and team mentality that continue to make me a better physician on a daily basis.

ND - *What do you miss most about ND?*
Casey – While at ND, I didn't appreciate that those four years were the last in my life where the bulk of my friends and family were consolidated in one place. After that, you're increasingly spread out, and it's never quite the same. At some point, you have to grow up and move on, but I'll always be a bit nostalgic for the closeness and security afforded by the ND family during those four years.

ND – *What insight or advice would you give current ND students?*
Casey – Work hard, but realize how lucky you are. I spent much of high school, college and early medical school believing that I had earned every achievement through my hard work alone. It wasn't until I started to spend time working in Memphis and Baltimore that I realized the degree to which I had been set up to succeed from day one. So many of my patients have been through hardships that I never could have imagined, and it is so (depressingly) easy to see how people end up in bad situations. No kindergartener dreams about growing up to be homeless or addicted to heroin, but when you're raised in circumstances where there is little room for growth, hard work often yields negligible benefits, while any slip up can have much more dire consequences.

That isn't to say that diligence isn't important; it is. In high school, I never would have dreamed at 29, I'd have completed residency at Hopkins, and be training at Harvard, and I certainly never would have made it here without a lot of long days and sleepless nights. But for every 80-100 hour week I work, I know that there are a lot of other people out there working equally as hard just to make ends meet. I feel so lucky to be in the position I'm in. ☘

FIGHTING to the FINISH

By Hayden Seay '12

For James Patrick "Bubber" Byrne, no challenge seemed too big to overcome.

A junior and multisport athlete at Notre Dame High School, Bubber played as the Irish's halfback on the football team. Along with two other teammates, he made all-city during the 1934 season.

But near the end of the 1935 football season, tragedy struck. While the Irish battled the South Pittsburg Pirates, boils on one of Bubber's arms became bruised after repeated blows. The game, where the Irish lost 6-0, marked the beginning of Bubber's biggest challenge.

"During the football season, he became ill from an infection," said John Mullin, Dean of Students and '79 alumnus.

By the night of Monday, November 11, Bubber began to feel the effects of an illness rampaging through his body. Erlanger Hospital admitted him Wednesday night after being diagnosed with septicemia, a blood infection. With a grim prognosis, he received his last rites in preparation for the worst.

To help combat his grave condition, Bubber's friends, teammates and Notre Dame football coach Bill Coughlan donated blood on Thursday morning. Although only three donors matched his blood type, including Coughlan, Bubber regained some of his strength. The halfback felt determined to fight the infection against all odds.

"Being that it was so long ago, I think in this day and age, a dose or two of antibiotics or penicillin might have spared his life," said Mullin. "That was not available back then."

A week after the game against South Pittsburg, the Irish faced the Central High School Purples, this time without Bubber on the gridiron. In spite of his hospitalization, Bubber attended the game at Chamberlain Field in spirit by sending his teammates a short telegram declaring, "We're going to win." To Bubber, the Irish winning the game meant everything.

The Purples beat the Irish 7-6. Instead of crushing Bubber's dreams of victory, his teammates and coach Coughlan crafted a story in which the Irish prevailed over the Purples. While visiting, Coughlan, who served as a father figure to Bubber, recounted how the Irish won step-by-step. Later, his teammates presented the game-winning football to prove their victory.

Early on Saturday morning, another token confirming Notre Dame's victory arrived: the *Chattanooga Daily Times* printed one copy of a special edition proclaiming a 6-0 Irish victory over the Purples.

Later in the afternoon, Bubber's condition nosedived after the infection invaded his lungs: one collapsed, while the other became congested. With his reduced ability to breathe, an oxygen tent was placed over his bed. The tent remained in place for some time, but Bubber ultimately asked for its removal. Given only hours to live, he fought the illness until the bitter end.

Despite remaining in high spirits after his lung collapsed, his condition rapidly deteriorated. Up until the end, his teammates, relatives, and friends remained in the hospital, hoping for a miracle.

At 9:45 p.m. on Sunday, November 17, Bubber passed away at the age of 18, after fighting the infection for five days.

The funeral, held at Saints Peter and Paul Church on Tuesday, November 19, drew a massive crowd of mourners. A procession of students walked a block from Notre Dame, then located on East 8th Street, to the church. Male students from the school wore the black-and-white attire of altar boys, while girls dressed in all white with veils. Behind the procession, a group of Bubber's teammates carried his casket, shrouded in black.

"Bubber's spirit will live as a vigil light at Notre Dame and will be a benediction for the children of our little school," said Monsignor Francis T. Sullivan during a eulogy, quoted in the Wednesday, November 20, 1935 issue of the *Chattanooga Daily Times*. "We must look upon his going as a victory, a fulfillment of the promise that 'the pure in heart shall see God.'"

After the funeral Mass concluded, the casket moved to Mount Olivet Catholic Cemetery, where a brief service was held. Bubber was buried near his father, Tom Byrne, who passed away 11 years prior.

Broadcast on radio stations and printed in newspapers, Bubber's story reached a massive audience across the United States. During his stay at Erlanger, his story drew hundreds of visitors, despite only very few being allowed to see him, and over a thousand called to ask about his fight against the infection.

On Monday, November 18, the *Chattanooga Daily Times* ran an article featuring responses from a number of Chattanooga football coaches, including Central High School coach Dean Petersen and Albert Seiner, a fellow teammate and close friend of Bubber.

"I didn't know Bubber very well, but I do know that he was a mighty fine boy, because all the boys on Central's team who knew him held him in the highest esteem, and I can sincerely say I am very sorry to learn he has gone." said Petersen in the November 18 issue of the *Chattanooga Daily Times*.

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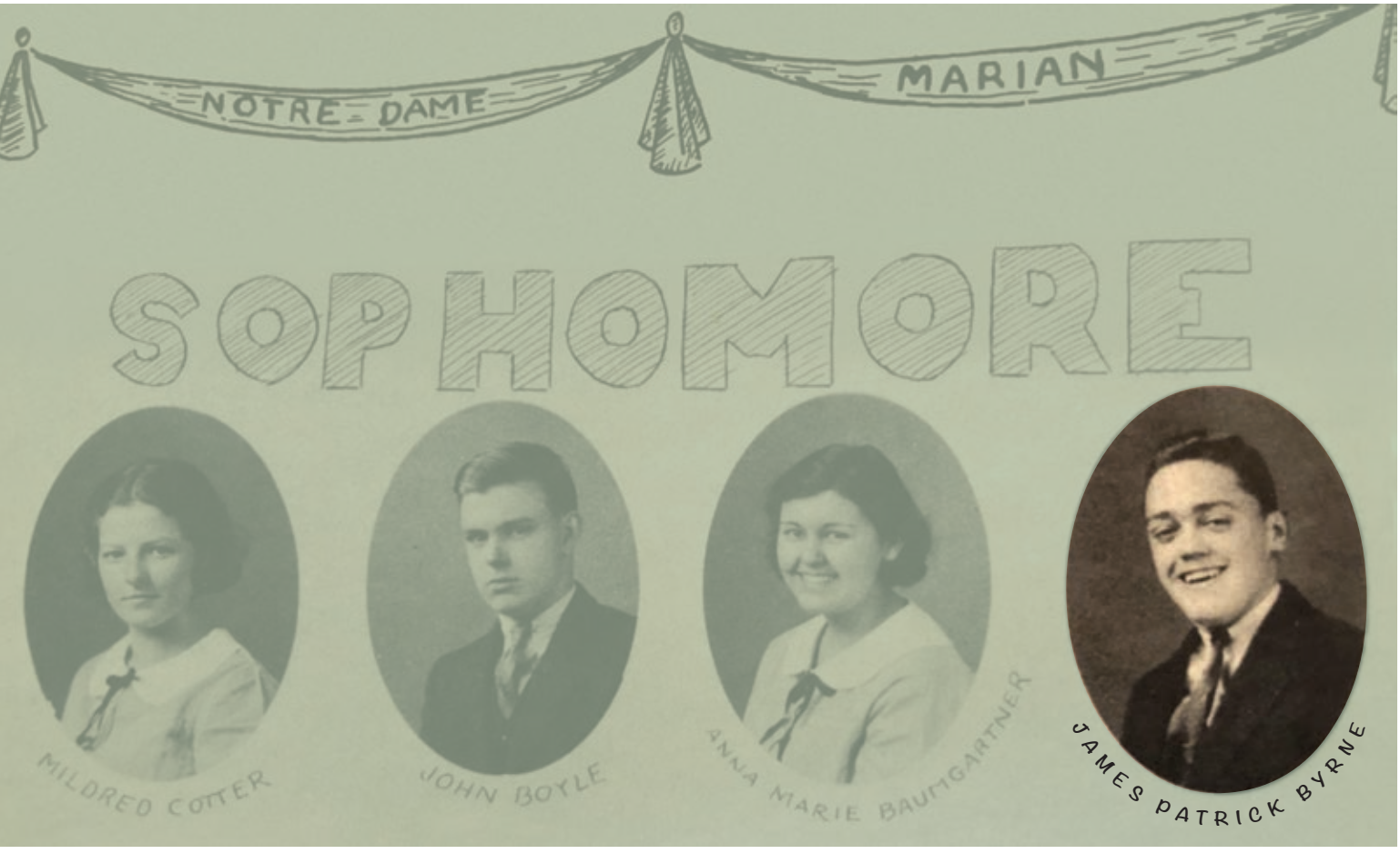


"He was always putting kick into things. There was never a dull moment when he was around and he would always help you out in any way he possibly could," said Seiner in the same issue. "He liked to play jokes, but he was always doing it in fun and just made you feel like life was more worth living when he was around."

To memorialize Bubber's life, Notre Dame created the prestigious Bubber Byrne Award. Although the exact date for the award's establishment remains unknown, the honor has become a significant component of graduations at Notre Dame.

"It's probably one of the oldest awards Notre Dame gives," said Yogi Anderson, who received the award at his graduation in 1968. "It's just a special thing to be chosen and nominated [and] to receive it was really touching and I'm so appreciative for that fact."

Grid Player Goes to Last Marker

—Staff Photograph by Koen.

Past and present Notre Dame gridders carry Bubber Byrne, 18-year-old fullback, from St. Peter and Paul's Catholic Church Tuesday morning, where a crowd of 1,000 heard Monsignor Francis T. Sullivan say last rites over the black-shrouded body. A crowd of Jews, Protestants and Catholics heard the Irish priest clothe Byrne's deathbed scene in simple grandeur—"I saw a saint die Sunday night."

"Tributes Paid to Bubber Byrne" – *Chattanooga News,* November 19, 1935

In Memoriam

"Bub"—Our Pal

1917 (James Patrick Byrne) 1935

Recipients of the award are chosen by the Athletic Department and demonstrate proficiency in four areas: participation in interscholastic athletics, leadership, accomplishment, and sportsmanship.

"We give it as a tribute to a student that display the traits of sportsmanship and leadership and of course participation in school athletics," Mullin said.

Usually awarded to only one student at graduation, there are instances where two students can tie and both receive the award.

"It was special to me because I'm connected to the coach's family," said Anderson, whose uncle and godfather was coach Coughlan.

DEVELOPMENT NEWS

"Change is the law of life. Those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future."
– John F. Kennedy

Dear Alumni and Friends –

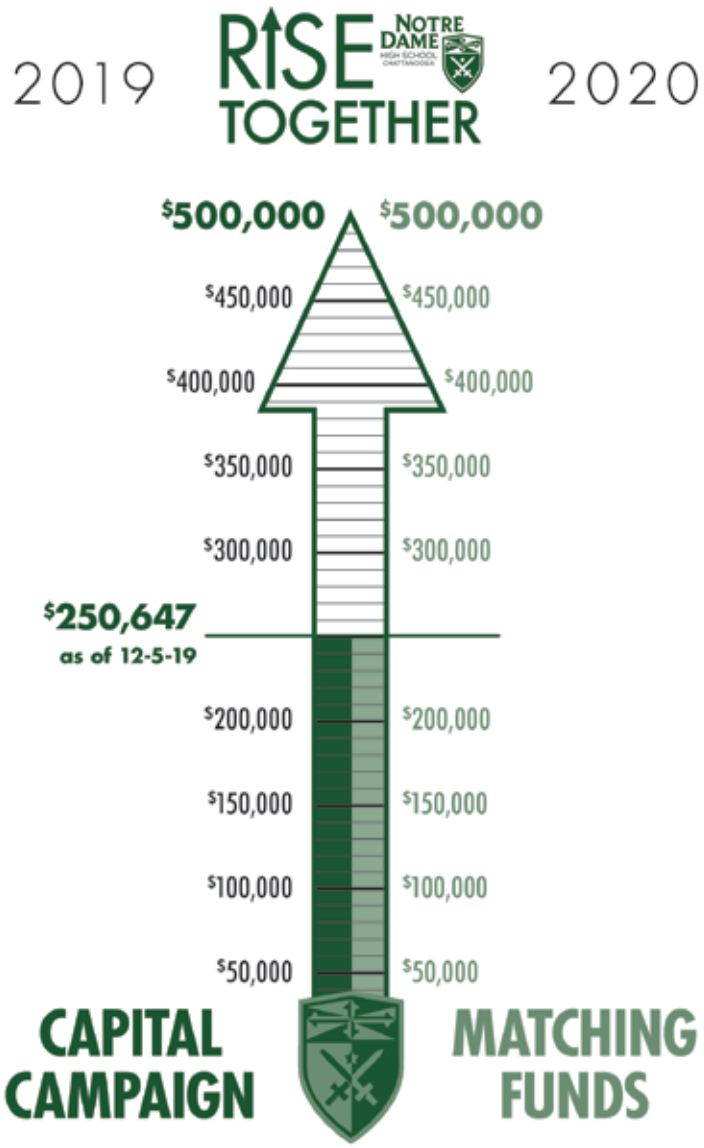
Change happens to all of us. I certainly have experienced it within the last year! As a stay-at-home mother to three Notre Dame alums, I was honored, excited, and slightly nervous when offered the position of Director of Advancement and Alumni Affairs. My son Patrick '15 graduated from The Ohio State University in May and currently resides in Dallas, Texas and works for JP Morgan. My twins, Jack and Maggie, graduated this past May and are now freshmen at The University of Tennessee in Knoxville. Jack is pursuing a degree in Finance and Maggie has been accepted into the School of Nursing. Like every parent, I'm very proud of them and grateful for the solid educational foundation they received while at Notre Dame. As they move on to new experiences, I have started a new chapter as well.

A little bit about me: I moved to Chattanooga in the 6th grade from Memphis and attended St. Jude School. I was fortunate to attend Notre Dame High School in the 9th grade but transferred to Hixson High School after my father lost his job. At first, it was a change that I did not welcome, but I made lifelong friends while at Hixson. I also met my future husband, Doug Martin! Although I treasured my one year at Notre Dame, without the change in schools, my future would not be the same.

Not only have there been changes in my life, but here at Notre Dame as well! We have many new faces within the faculty and a new group of freshman students. Our future has also been brightened by the generous donation made by Michael Miller '59. In addition to the initial gift of $500,000, we have the opportunity to receive another $500,000 through his pledge to match our funds. Talk about change! We can "**Rise Together**" and use this donation to make many improvements on our campus.

While tailgating recently at a UT football game, a friend noticed the ND magnet on my car and asked if the date 1876 was the year the school was established. When I confirmed that yes, the school was over 140 years old, he remarked "that is pretty incredible." The support of alumni past and present has been "pretty incredible" and is vital to the future of the school. The changes will continue around here but the tradition of Notre Dame will remain the same. I am excited to be a part of this school and alumni community. Thank you for your prayers and continued support.

Rise Together,
Kathy A. Martin
Director of Advancement and Alumni Affairs



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In memory of Jan Hubbuch
Chris Brown '61
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Pierce S. Corden '59
In memory of Henry & Iris Corden
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Patrick Dorn
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(above, L to R) Bill Rosemann '89 (2019 Distinguished Alumnus Award) John Mullin '79 (2019 Jim Phifer Service Award)

Alumni Awards

Notre Dame High School hosted its annual Alumni Awards reception on July 25th, 2019. This annual event kicks off the Alumni weekend activities and honors alumni for exemplary service and distinguished accomplishments beyond high school. Honored at this year's awards were Bill Rosemann '89 and John Mullin '79.

Bill Rosemann received the Distiguished Alumnus Award and is currently Vice-President and Creative Director for Marvel. In 2008 he led a team of writers and artists to reimagine *The Guardians of the Galaxy*, which inspired a global franchise celebrated in film, animation, video games, consumer products and theme park attractions. As a brand ambassador, Bill has spread Marvel's history of positive social impact via inspirational talks at numerous universities and corporations. Upon receiving his award, Bill credited his educational foundation at Notre Dame High School for impacting his success. He currently resides in California with his wife, Ali Farrell and their 10-year-old son.

The Jim Phifer Service Award was presented by Tommy Phifer to John Mullin for his many years of support and service to Notre Dame High School. John has been a staff member of Notre Dame for 36 years serving as a teacher, Dean of Students, Facilities Manager and Wrestling Coach. He led teams to the State duals Championships three times and coached 22 individual State Championships. In addition to maintaining the school campus, John is also responsible for all maintenance on facilities outside of the Vermont Avenue campus. John and his wife Margaret are the proud parents of Marlee '16. He is part of his family's legacy including sister Kim '78, brothers David '81 and Chris '85, nephews Grayson '11, Patrick'15, Luke '16 and nieces Alexandra '11, Sophia '12 and Gaby '15.

Congratulations to Bill and John for upholding the tradition of integrity at Notre Dame High School.

Golden Grads Brunch

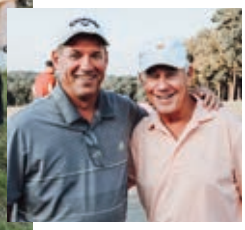
Members of the Class of 1969 gathered at their alma mater on Saturday, July 27, 2019 for the Golden Graduates Brunch sponsored by Ascension Living, a division of Alexian Village. Attendees enjoyed a delicious brunch buffet prepared by Karen Landry Loveless '77, co-owner of The Big Table Restaurant.

Members of the class of 1969 received their 50-year pin from Mr. George Valadie, President of Notre Dame High School. Memories and stories were shared during the brunch and the festivities continued to their individual reunion party that evening.

On **Saturday July 25, 2020**, this milestone event will be held for the Class of 1970. Graduates for the class of 1970 and prior are invited to attend, so make plans now to join us for the 2020 Golden Grads Brunch.

AND IT FEELS SO GOOD

ALUMNI Weekend 2019



35TH ANNUAL IRISH CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT

Tee Time!

Championship Team (l to r) Jared Nelson ('16) Zac Bombassi ('15), Zach Riddle ('14)

The players of the 35th edition of the Irish Classic golf tournament enjoyed a beautiful sunny day of golf and fellowship at the Windstone Golf Club. The tournament was once again a sellout, with 33 teams participating. In addition to the Championship team, the First Flight winners were Wes Gilliland, Eric Schexnaildre, Travis Burdette and Trey Burdette. The 2nd Flight winners were Richard Huggins, Richard Huggins Jr. Gregg Huggins and Garry Huggins. The Alumni Council would like to thank all the sponsors, golfers, and volunteers whose support made this tournament a success.

Mark your calendar for the **2020 Irish Classic** to be held on **Friday, July 24th** at Bear Trace golf course. Notre Dame alumni, family and friends are invited to play in the tournament. See you then!

Every Class Bash

Several hundred Notre Dame Alumni and their guests came back to their alma mater for the Annual Alumni Weekend Every Class Bash. The unique event allows our alumni to reunite with not only their classmates from their graduation year, but also friends who graduated before and after them.

This year's alumni attendance ranged over 60 years of graduating classes! Many thanks to all the volunteers and members of the Alumni Council who helped make this a great event. We look forward to the Bash next year on **Friday, July 24th.** Don't forget to mark your calendars!

AND IT FEELS SO GOOD

ALUMNI Weekend 2019

Class Reunions

Individual class reunions were held on Saturday, July 27th. Over 10 classes had gatherings where classmates enjoyed food, drink, and fellowship. Many thanks to all who helped organize these memorable reunions.

(L to R) Father Christopher Manning, Father Mike Johnston, Monsignor Pat Connor, and Deacon Hicks Armor

All Alumni Mass

The weekend culminated on Sunday, July 28th with an All Alumni Mass in the Notre Dame auditorium. A very special thanks to Monsignor Pat Connor, Father Mike Johnston, Father Christopher Manning, and Deacon Hicks Armor for being our celebrants and offering intentions for those alumni who are deceased.

SAVE THE DATES FOR ALUMNI WEEKEND 2020!

Thursday, July 23 Alumni Awards

Friday, July 24
36th Annual Irish Classic Golf Tournament & Every Class Bash

Saturday, July 25
Golden Graduates Ceremony & ND Class Reunions

Sunday, July 26
All Alumni Mass

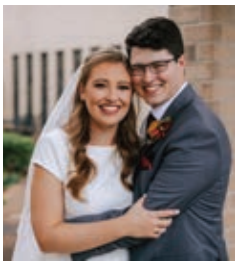
ALUMNI NEWS

Keep us in the loop! **Send your Alumni News to martink@myndhs.com**

Allan Dunlay '16 has been named Youth Volunteer of the Year at the Chambliss Center for Children, for his time spent with the Pre-K classrooms.

Charles Jabaley '15 recently got his real estate license and is affiliated with Keller Williams Realty of Greater Chattanooga.

Rhys Miller '15 recently got engaged to Sierra Ann Ford. The couple plans to get married in August 2020.



Meghan Lamsey '12 and **Sheldon Palmer '11** got married on October 19th at St. Jude Church. Both graduated from the University of Tennessee, with Meghan receiving a Masters in Speech Pathology and Sheldon receiving a degree in Supply Chain Management. Meghan is currently employed as a Speech Pathologist with Hamilton County schools and Sheldon is a Sourcing Specialist at Unum.

Mary Cabell Kelly '11 and **Michael McCutcheon '11** recently got married on November 23, 2019 at the Gray Dove in Ooltewah, Tennessee.

Emily Champion '10 received her Doctor of Optometry at the Illinois College of Optometry.

Janette Potts Hickey '09 recently got married on October 18th at OLPH to Quinn Hickey.

Kirsten Fox Ellzey '05, husband Courtland and son Courtland Jr. welcomed Bo Clifton Ellzey on August 12, 2019

Meagan Fox Gentry '04, husband Brad and daughter Arden welcomed Barrett Ward Gentry on August 16, 2019

Lauren Fox Huddleston '01, husband Brandon and son Austin welcomed Peyton Alexandra Huddleston on May 1, 2019

Sally Haynes Katz '97 and her family have moved back to the area. She is teaching special education at Lafayette Middle School. Her children (Ben & Emily) are the 3rd generation of her family in attendance at OLPH. Her husband, Seth Katz, has his own private legal practice and is teaching Persuasive Arguing as an elective at OLPH two days a week.

Brian Schoonover, Ph.D. '93 is now residing in St. Augustine Beach, Florida with his wife Elizabeth and their three girls – Natalie (6), Darcy (4) and Mary Clare (2). After teaching in Toyko public schools for over 15 years, he is now the Director of Missions and Business Administrator for St. Anastasia Catholic Church located on Anastasia Island. He leads mission trips throughout the world and his girls attend Cathedral Parish School in St. Augustine.

In May, **Michael Horner '92** became the first Executive Director of Middle Georgia Justice. This non-profit startup is located in Macon, Georgia, and is dedicated to helping resolve legal problems for individuals who cannot afford legal counsel.

In October **Gary "Tramble" McClendon '80** celebrated twenty one years as the CEO of People Staff, Inc.

Father Mike Nolan '78 was named Dean of the Chattanooga Deanery in October 2019.

REMEMBERING

Frank "Skip" Brannen, 1968

Elaine Mansfield Cash, 1975

Sherlin Ann Erwin Clark, 1976

Dorothy Day Cunningham '45

Frank Davey, former NDHS teacher

Lois Ann Shipley Easter, 1942

Craig Ellis, 1985

Terry Lynn Enos, 1954

David P. Fonseca Jr., 1949

Robert Eric Haggard, 2010

Lanny Haynes '65

Leesa Collier Hicks-Mohler, 1974

Jim Keane, 1979

Richard Thomas Klinger, former Notre Dame School Board & Finance Committee member

Joseph T. Terrell, 1928

Stephen Edward "Steve" Varner, 1959

Homecoming Alumni Cookout

Many thanks to all who braved the scorching heat to attend the 2019 Homecoming Alumni Cookout. A delicious meal was provided by Bones Smokehouse and the St. Jude School Beta Club was on hand to help serve drinks and cleanup. A special thanks to the Notre Dame cheerleaders and band who entertained the crowd and got everyone ready for some football!

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