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DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL *Leaves*

Duchesne High School publishes Leaves annually for alumni, current students, parents, parents of alumni, benefactors, and friends. The publication shares school events, highlights student and alumni achievements, celebrates educational excellence, and recognizes the generosity of our community. More than 8,000 readers enjoy each issue of Leaves.

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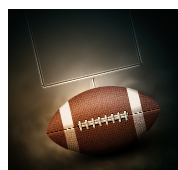
EVENTS



Aug 20 | **Trivia Night**

Aug 27 | **Middle School Mixer**

Sep 12 | **Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament**



Sep 17 | **All-Class Reunion**

Sep 23 | **Homecoming Football Game
vs. St. Dominic**

Oct 5 | **Moms' Shopping Night at DHS Trading Post**

Oct 6 | **Food Truck Fling/Kickin' It with the Pioneers**



Oct 11 | **High School Night at Duchesne**

Oct 27-29 | **Fall Play**

Nov 6 | **Open House**

Nov 11 | **Grandparents' Day**

Nov 18 | **Red, White & Brew**



Jan 27 | **Basketball Bash**

Feb 4 | **Cor Duchesne**

Feb 10 | **Coronation Basketball Game
vs. St. Mary's**

Feb 23-25 | **Spring Musical**

Mar TBD | **Pioneer for a Day**



Mar 4 | **Pioneer Trail Blazer 5K Run/Walk**



Apr 29 | **Pioneer Expedition Auction
& Dream Home Sweepstakes
Drawing**



FROM THE PRESIDENT

The hat I am wearing is not a political endorsement. However, it is an attempt to use humor to market a great institution of Catholic secondary education. Regardless of our political persuasion, hopefully all of us recognize the need to "Keep Duchesne Great" in mind, body, and spirit.



Of course, my wearing a hat with this motto on it will not get the job done on its own.

We need all of our alumni to believe that Duchesne's greatness is not a thing of the past, but a promise of the future. When I say we need you, please understand we need all of you to help in some way. Perhaps you don't

have the ability to make a major gift to the school. Having worked in Catholic education these many years, I am not a wealthy man, but I try to give ½ of 1% of my gross earnings to the annual Pioneer Fund. I try to sell as many Dream Home Sweepstakes tickets as I can (25 tickets this past year). Can you make a small gift to this year's annual fund? Can you help with Dream Home ticket sales? Our alumni participation in the Pioneer Fund last year was 3%. Can we at least double that participation this year? Won't you help me "Keep Duchesne Great"?

I have given most of my life to Catholic education – 40 years now, with 19 of them at Duchesne. Some of you I taught in my English class or coached in basketball or tennis. Duchesne

High School means everything to me. You and your families are important to me. I am asking that you consider giving back to Duchesne so that we can "Keep Duchesne Great."

If you are an experienced alumni, over the age of 55, have you considered putting Duchesne in your will or trust? This past year, we received a generous bequest of over \$200,000. We need more of these types of gifts.

But don't get me wrong. It's not all about money. Duchesne will not remain a great school without your prayers. We need, I need, your prayers. Every morning when my feet hit the floor, I ask the Lord for the strength and stamina to do my best as president of Duchesne. I ask you to please add me and the rest of the faculty and staff to your daily prayers.

It is my fervent hope that you see our school organizing more activities on campus for our alumni. Whether it is the Red, White and Brew; 5K; Trivia Night; or the All-Class Reunion that interests you, we have something for everyone. We want you to come back home. We need your support. We need you in order to "Keep Duchesne Great!"

God Bless you and yours,

Chuck Nolan

Chuck Nolan, President

For your very own "Keep Duchesne Great" hat, please see the order form on page 46.

BILLBOARD CAMPAIGN

The Duchesne Delivers message is being displayed in our billboard campaign for Fall 2016.



DUCHESNE
Delivers

Schedule Your
Shadow Visit Today!



A SAFE ENVIRONMENT WHERE
everybody knows your name



DUCHESNE
Delivers



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Shadow Visit Today!

**SOCCER
STATE CHAMPS**
4 Times in a Row

ATHLETIC & ARTS
success



DUCHESNE
Delivers



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Julie & Russ Clever '87
DHS Parents

A NURTURING FACULTY WITH
academic excellence

During recruitment season this fall, Duchesne had three strategically located billboards: "everybody knows your name" was located at 270 and McDonnell Boulevard in North St. Louis County; "success" was located at T.R. Hughes Road and I-70 in St. Charles County; and "academic excellence" was located at 270 and Olive Street Road in West St. Louis County. 🌿

TOP 10

Enrollment efforts were even more robust this past school year, resulting in a 25% increase in our incoming freshman class. This success has been built on enhanced community outreach and consistent communication of the Top 10 Reasons how Duchesne Delivers:



Director of Performing Arts Kay Johnson takes a selfie with Stephen Baker; Dominic Walton managed a nice photo bomb.



President Chuck Nolan is committed to learning every DHS student's name.

School Statistics

- 9:1 student-teacher ratio
- 18 average class size
- 70% faculty with advanced degrees
- 33% faculty and staff who are DHS alumni
- 86% faculty involved with student co-curriculars

DUCHESNE *Delivers*

1. Faith-based, Catholic education
(see Junior Week of Service on page 14)
2. Academic excellence, second to none
(see Scholars Academy on page 6)
3. Safe, welcoming, family environment
(see Pioneer for a Day on page 4)
4. Tuition reasonable — frozen for 2016-2017
(see related stories on pages 38-39)
5. Athletic and performing arts opportunities and success
(see stories on page 12, 16 and more)
6. Co-ed, real life
(see Pioneer Prayer on page 18 as an example)
7. 9:1 student-teacher ratio
8. Ideal school size – “everybody knows your name”
9. 100% college acceptance/high ACTs
(see related stories on page 8-9)
10. Nurturing, vibrant faculty
(see School Statistics box below)



PIONEER FOR A DAY



Duchesne High School hosted its FIRST EVER Pioneer for a Day on Thursday, March 3, 2016. This new event was implemented to bring 7th grade students to Duchesne's campus for a fun-filled day of exciting activities, including robotics, athletics, music, prayer, experiments, and more. According to a survey returned by a 7th grade student in attendance, one of the most special parts of the day was what the DHS student body did at the conclusion of the event: "I most enjoyed the surprise pep rally because it made me feel like I was actually in high school."

Seventy-three 7th grade students attended Pioneer for a Day, making it a great success. Duchesne would like to thank all the students and schools who participated, with a special shout out to St. Peter and St. Cletus grade schools, both of which made the day into a class field trip. Additionally, Academy of the Sacred Heart, Annunziata, Holy Spirit, Sacred Heart of Florissant, St. Elizabeth/St. Robert, St. Ferdinand, Sts. Joachim & Ann, St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, and Ft. Zumwalt South Middle were represented. Special thanks to alumna **Deb (Hiatt) Bishop '77** for partnering with us on this event by providing McDonald's for lunch.

Pioneer for a Day filled the full school day. The visiting 7th graders were placed into small groups and led by Duchesne's very own Link Crew. Link Crew members are Duchesne upperclassmen, paired in groups of two, who serve as the welcoming leaders

for freshman class advisories throughout the school year. Our Link Crew did an amazing job of welcoming the 7th grade students to Pioneer for a Day, sharing the family feeling that makes us Pioneer Proud, and telling them about Duchesne's exceptional education experience.

Pioneer for a Day was planned and led by **Lindsay (Lammert) McCullough '09**, director of admissions and marketing, as well as **Renee (Reimer) Moore '86**, DHS faculty member. Other faculty and staff members who assisted with the day included: **Melissa DeCosty '09**, **Nancy (Rothermich) Kohl '78**, **Joe Lampe '08**, **Debi (Westhues) Turner '96**, **Kris (Birk) Witzel '83**, Alicia Bungum, Wade Bouslog, Kay Johnson, Fritz Long, Kris Nienhaus, and Mark Wilhite. "The event would not have been possible without the help of each and every one of these people, as they each brought their own individual talents and skills to make it a true success," Mrs. McCullough said.

"The goal of this event was to give 7th grade students a chance to experience the energy at Duchesne and see what makes being a Pioneer so special before they come to shadow visit in the classroom during their 8th grade year," Mrs. McCullough continued. "I think the 7th grade students really enjoyed the preview and the first-hand opportunity to feel like part of our Duchesne family." 🌿



DUCHESNE SUNDAY

Resurrected from Mr. Nolan's earlier days at Duchesne, Duchesne Sunday gives students the opportunity to share their personal experiences and Pioneer Pride with short presentations during Sunday Masses at their home parishes. Thanks to these Duchesne students for helping to spread our positive message, and thank you to the pastors at these parishes for their warm hospitality during the 2015-2016 school year:



Lilia Fuentes
St. Charles Borromeo



Shane Loewenstein
St. Cletus



Hannah Shambro
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton



Nick Thiele
St. Peter



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

'Problem-solving skills

'Scholars Academy' at Duchesne High School lets student

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Duchesne High School won't start its scholars academy until next school year, six months down the road, but enthusiasm already is building for the new program.

At the school's open house in November, rising juniors and seniors expressed interest in the academy but lamented that it's open to only freshmen and sophomores next year.

One student "was a little bummed," said lead teacher Dominic D'Urso, noting that students are "really excited about it."

Are they ever. Current freshmen Ethan Ankenbrandt, Emily Noonan and Connor Hopkins already have been accepted into the Duchesne Scholars Academy next year and are enrolling now for class, which for sophomores is a STEM class (science, technology, engineering and math).

In a couple of weeks, they'll be joined by incoming freshmen receiving invitations to apply for the academy in their school acceptance letters, which go out Friday, Feb. 5. The application process consists of reading, essay and interview components.

The freshman class is The Big History, a study about the history of science from the very beginning — aka the Big Bang. Fittingly, a Catholic priest — Fa-



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Duchesne High School is starting a 'Scholars Academy' for top-flight students, under the tutelage of 2014 Emerson Excellence in Teaching award-winner, Dominic D'Urso. The academy will build up to student-driven learning.

ther Georges Lemaître — developed the theory of an expanding universe, later known as the Big Bang Theory.

Ankenbrandt called the academy "a really good opportunity" for students.

"They'll be doing project-based learning where you're working toward solving a problem with a project, so that's really giving you the problem-solving skills you need for real life," said Ankenbrandt, who came from a public school system. In his short time at Duchesne, he appreciates

that the smaller class sizes "give teachers a lot more opportunity for individual attention."

Classes for the Scholars Academy will range from 12 to 15 students. After learning the history of science as freshmen and problem-solving skills as sophomores, students will drive the learning as juniors in a humanities course. They'll collaborate with the teacher to design the syllabus, with a voice in the questions addressed and the texts used.

"Which is really quite advanced," said D'Urso, a 2014

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winner of an Emerson Excellence in Teaching award.

As seniors, the students will create a "capstone project," which the school describes as "a high school version of a university-level thesis." For this, they might draw on the humanities class or use an aspect of the STEM class, but they'll make the call.

The academy's approach to learning will be decidedly student-centric, as opposed to teacher-centric. Long gone are the days of teachers leading the learning by standing before students and lecturing. More and more, sophisticated teenagers today drive the learning process.

Hopkins contrasted the old-school way of learning with the new way.

"Say, you have a problem, but there's a certain way to solve it; they give you that way and you memorize it," he said. "Instead, you choose a problem and you figure out how to solve it, which is more relatable to real life.

"It feels like it's a more practical kind of learning rather than just academic learning. It's more hands on and figuring things out."

The new way "allows students to take control of their learning themselves," Noonan said. "Even the honors program is like that, but this expands on it."

Akenbrandt agreed, saying, "This takes it further."

Which has been the idea all

along. The scholars academy developed over the past several years, with a goal of challenging top-flight students and pushing them to bigger and better things.

"The freshman and sophomore courses build up to the humanities and the capstone project," D'Urso said. "The students choose the work, and teachers guide them. We believe that this will encourage them to learn on their own.

"High school students have the same questions as college students have, but they don't have access to how to go about finding the answers. I see us as teachers as a means of helping them find answers. We let them drive the questions, and we give them avenues to pursue answers to those questions."


Thus, teachers will offer bright students the quality of "deeper learning," as principal Fritz Long calls it, versus merely heaping on the quantity of just more work.

"It isn't a matter of doing more math problems," Long said. "They don't need more work. They need a different kind of work where they take what they've learned and use it in different ways."

The benefit of this approach goes far beyond the classroom and education.

"This will help you do more with what you have later in life," Noonan said.

The only program of it's kind in our metro area Catholic schools, Duchesne's Scholars Academy got underway in the 2016-2017 school year, starting with freshmen and sophomores.

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DUCHESNE STUDENTS SOAR WITH BRIGHT FLIGHT SCHOLARSHIPS



Corrine Stulce, Kaitlynn Dutzy, Jake Hearst, and Brittany Krafft were among Duchesne's Bright Flight scholarship recipients for the 2015-2016 school year. Other DHS graduates who received this honor included: Kathy Condon, Will Fairless, Erin Hannegan McKee, Sebastian Macedo, Joe Phillips, Lee Swearingen, and Nick Thiele.

Students receiving Bright Flight scholarships must receive a 31 or higher on the ACT test, for which they are each awarded a \$3,000 renewable scholarship. Duchesne's Class of 2016 had 12% of their members named as Bright Flight scholars. This 12% is three to four times higher than the public schools in St. Charles County, which saw 3-5% of their seniors receiving the award. 🌿

DUCHESNE STUDENTS ARE WYSE WINNERS AS DHS = SCIENCE SUCCESS!



After winning the small school division at the Worldwide Youth in Science and Engineering (WYSE) regionals in February, Duchesne's team went on to compete at the sectionals in March. From there, three students moved on to the statewide WYSE competition in April at Missouri University of Science and Technology in Rolla, where Brittany Krafft took 1st place in Biology, Andrew Sweeso earned 1st place in English, and Nathan Logan finished in the Top 10 in Chemistry.

The WYSE small schools division first place team included these Duchesne High School students (first row) Brittany Krafft, Kaitlynn Dutzy, Veronica Swearingen, Abby Breyer, Erin Hannegan McKee, Renate Mueller, Liz Buchholz, and (second row) Nick Thiele, Jake Hearst, Ethan Wetter, Tim Stremlau, Nathan Logan, Jake Krussel, and Andrew Sweeso. 🌿

DUCHESNE WAS THE ONLY ARCHDIOCESAN HIGH SCHOOL WITH NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS



Among the St. Louis archdiocesan high schools, Duchesne was the only one this past year to have students recognized by the National Merit Scholars program – with not just one, but three students, all seniors. Will Fairless and Joe Phillips were each awarded \$2,500 National Merit Scholarships to the schools of their choosing. Erin Hannegan McKee was named as a commended student. 🌿

50 YEARS OF PIONEER FOOTBALL



Pioneer Varsity Football began 50 years ago in 1967. We will celebrate the 50 years of Duchesne Pioneer Football next season, with the celebration beginning at the home game on Friday, September 29, 2017. Final plans will be announced soon.

I have been trying to find all the rosters, statistics, and schedule results for each of the 50 years. I have also been compiling a contact list of who was involved in Pioneer Football since the beginning. I need your help in finding some of the missing information. If you have any of the following information somewhere (in a box, scrapbook or folder) please contact me so that I can get a copy from you. We are missing rosters from 1967, 1968, 1969, 1972, 1977, 1978, 1979,

1980, and 1987. We are missing statistics from 1972, 1976, 1977, 1978, and 1980. Schedule results are missing for 1978, 1979, and 1980.

Please send me any email addresses, phone numbers, and/or home addresses for any of the players from your class or team. I hope to have a complete list in order to contact as many players as possible this coming spring and summer with more information about the celebration. Check the Duchesne web site at www.duchesne-hs.org and go to the Football page in Athletics for more information. I have had several people volunteer to help with planning the anniversary celebration. If you would like to help as well, please call or email me as soon as possible. I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the 50 years of Pioneer Football anniversary celebration. 🌿

Coach Charlie Elmendorf '76, celmendorf@duchesne-hs.org, 636.757.6914 office



#16 Don Schulteheinrich '68 was the first senior player on the Duchesne Pioneers Football team 50 years ago.

GREETINGS FROM THE DUCHESNE ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB (DAB)!

The Duchesne Athletic Boosters (DAB) is excited to support another year of successful and exciting Pioneer athletics. The DAB was formed in the 1960s to raise financial support for the school's athletic program, which at that time consisted of three varsity men's sports: football, basketball and baseball.

Currently, the Duchesne athletic program includes 18 varsity and 16 JV men's and women's teams participating in 12 different sports, a club hockey team, two cheerleading squads, and the Diamondline dance team. We continue to assist with funding a portion of the growing financial needs for Duchesne athletics. The DAB's financial support is obtained through a number of avenues, including DAB memberships, concessions, the football lottery, Oktoberfest, the grade school basketball tournament, and donations.

In just the past few months, the DAB has provided: \$650 for new golf cart batteries; a new one-man football blocking sled; new blocking pads for the larger blocking sled; a newly installed press box floor; \$6,000 for permanent highway signage listing our 4-peat consecutive state championship girls soccer teams; \$15,000 toward the purchase of new fitness equipment; souvenirs for the girls soccer team to throw out from their float in the St. Charles Fourth of July parade; and new volleyball nets and standards. In addition, the DAB organized a crew to paint the new All-Student Fitness Center, saving Duchesne thousands of dollars in labor. Many thanks to the 25 different individuals who pitched in over three evenings to complete a job well done!

Currently, the DAB is working to establish a scholarship in the memory of one of Duchesne's most ardent supporters, Mr. Mel Plackemeier. This scholarship is to be funded through donations made in Mel's honor as well as contributions from the Plackemeier family and the DAB. Also, the former concessions manager, **TJ Slattery** '88, and the new concessions manager, Mark Meixner, have

recently performed an audit of both concession stands. Mark is undertaking the process of deep cleaning both areas and is repairing or replacing equipment as needed. Another project underway

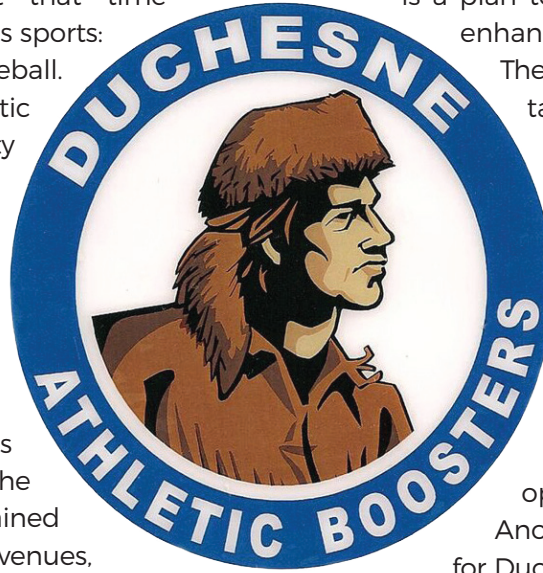
is a plan to upgrade our DAB website to enhance the user's online experience.

These are just a few of the important tasks that we are looking forward to completing in the coming months.

Lastly, the DAB's single largest fundraiser, our football lottery, is in full swing. The annual football lottery goes a long way toward supporting our Pioneer athletes. It's fun, it's easy, and it provides 238 opportunities for you to win!

Another way the DAB raises funds for Duchesne's athletes is by working a booth at the annual Oktoberfest in downtown St. Charles. This year, we doubled our booth space, which means we needed twice as many volunteers (and hopefully raised twice as much money for our cause). Next up will be the grade school basketball tournament in December.

If you're interested in joining the Duchesne Athletic Booster club, please visit our web site at www.duchesneboosters.org or reach out to any of our current board members (**Jeff Goetges** '85, Gretchen Thro, Mike Budrovich, Matt Schmidt, **Ken Struckhoff** '85, **Mike Boschert** '80, Mark Meixner, Sam Suthoff, **Debi (Westhues) Turner** '96, or **Mike Ryan** '77). Thanks to everyone who buys a lottery ticket, sells those lottery tickets, volunteers your time, buys a membership, or contributes to the DAB in any other way. Your support of our organization helps us lend more support to Duchesne's athletic programs. Keep bleeding blue and show your Pioneer spirit. We look forward to seeing you in the stands! — Mike Ryan, DAB President 🌟



ALL-STUDENT FITNESS CENTER

This project started in April 2015, when "upgrading our weight room equipment" was named as a "fund-a-need" item at our annual auction. The project was so well received that it grew into a doubling of our old weight room space and changing of the project scope to become what is now our All-Student Fitness Center.



We raised about \$22,500 at the auction for improvement of the weight room. Then the Dempsey family made a donation of over \$20,000 toward the project, to honor the memory of their mother, **Peggy (Pedrucci) Dempsey '63** who passed away in 2013. Peggy was devoted to her faith, her family, and the community she cared for through her career as a nurse and later through Volunteers in Medicine. The Dempsey family thought the Fitness Center would be a fitting way to honor her memory, by promoting health and wellness and at the same time benefitting Duchesne High School, her alma mater. Subsequent to that significant donation, the family made additional contributions, as did others in our Duchesne community, bringing the total to over \$60,000, which allowed us to turn the space into a fitness center for all of our students.

Changing the project from new equipment to dou-

bling the space involved obtaining permits and moving walls. A general contractor was hired and professional services were donated by alumni **Steve Hollander '75** and **Dan Plackemeier '76**, as well as by Duchesne parents Chris DeGuentz and Matt Schmidt. Over 25 volunteers also lent assistance. These contributions from our loyal Pioneer Nation helped to bring the

project to fruition, well exceeding our original hopes.

Our students are using the fitness center during and after school. They demonstrated the new equipment at an October 12, 2016, event which included a blessing of the space by Fr. Bob Burkemper of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parish, a ribbon cutting by the Greater St. Charles Chamber of Commerce, and an official dedication with the unveiling of a plaque that acknowledges the contributions of Peggy Dempsey and her family, as well as those of our Duchesne Athletic Boosters and greater Duchesne community, all of whom helped to make the All-Student Fitness Center possible.

The All-Student Fitness Center is a great story of our Duchesne community coming together to fill a need and delivering beyond expectations. 🌿

COACH PATRICK TURNER – SOCCER SUCCESS AND HONORS ABOUNDING



As Duchesne High School's varsity boys and girls soccer coach since 2013, **Patrick Turner '03**, has met with an unprecedented amount of success in such a short time. In the four seasons he's coached

them, the lady Pioneers have won the state championship each time. The team's "4peat" performance set a state record as well as a school one.

Under Coach Turner's leadership, the Duchesne boys soccer program has thrived as well, winning two district titles and making one state quarterfinal appearance in his first three years as coach. In the 2015-2016 school

year, Coach Turner's boys were the AAA Conference champions, won their district championship, and went on to the Elite 8 in the state championship competition.

These coaching achievements have not gone unnoticed. Coach Turner was recognized as the private and parochial schools 2015 Girls High School Regional Coach of the Year at the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) national convention in Baltimore last January. Subsequent to that recognition, Coach Turner was named the Jimmy Dunn Memorial High School Coach of the Year by the St. Louis Soccer Hall of Fame. As last school year ended, Coach Turner received yet three more awards: Coach of the Year from the Archdiocesan Athletic Association; Coach of the Year for Missouri Class 2 soccer; and Coach of the Year from the National Federation of State High School Associations. 🌿

2015-2016 ATHLETIC ACCOLADES



Senior captains Ryan Kielty and Courtney Reimer proudly hoist the Missouri Class 2 girls soccer state championship trophy as their teammates and coaches applaud the victory. Other members of this history-making group include: Coach Pat Turner, Assistant Coach Jen Kinworthy, Emily Bennett, Payton Bodden, Anna Breneman, Maddie Goeke, Mary Gould, Courtney Hagerty, Amy Jung, Rebecca Linck, Taylor McCarthy, Megan McDonald, Meghan Neuner, Shannon Ryan, Hannah Shambro, Katie Sportsman, McKenzie Struckhoff, and Maria Wilder. Shane Glatz and Natalie Schroeder served as team managers. Duchesne girls soccer teams have won state championships in 2009, 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016.

Team Accomplishments

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

- AAA Conference Champions
- District Champs (5 years straight)

BOYS SOCCER

- AAA Conference Champions
- District Champions (2 years in a row)
- State Elite 8

GIRLS BASKETBALL

- AAA Conference Champions
- District Champions (2 years in a row)
- State Free Throw Record

GIRLS SWIM

- State Qualifiers in 3 events
 - Marisa Barton in the 100-meter Breast Stroke
 - Dolores Boschert in the 50-meter Freestyle and the 100-meter Freestyle
- AAA Conference and DHS School Records
 - Dolores Boschert with a time of :25.68 in the 50-meter Freestyle!

DIAMONDLINE

- AAA Conference Champions

CHEER

- 3rd Place in AAA Conference Competition

BOYS TENNIS

- AAA Conference Champions
- District Champions (2 years in a row)
- District Singles Champion — Justin Bennett
- District Singles 2nd Place — Jake Hearst
- District Doubles Champions — Nick Thiele and Matt Thiele (This is the Thiele brothers' 2nd district title in a row!)

BASEBALL

- District Champions
- State Quarterfinals (1st time in 32 years!)

GIRLS SOCCER

- AAA Conference Champions
- Class 2 State Champions (4 years straight)

TRACK & FIELD

- 2nd in State, Individual High Jump — Mitch Fairless
- 4th in State, Individual High Jump — Will Fairless

Archdiocesan Athletic Association (AAA) Conference Coach of the Year

BOYS SOCCER

Pat Turner

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Mark Wilhite

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Ron Twichell

GIRLS SOCCER

Pat Turner

Archdiocesan Athletic Association (AAA) Conference Player of the Year

BOYS SOCCER

Juan Garcia

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Katie Sportsman

BOYS BASKETBALL

Ryan Briscoe

GIRLS SOCCER

Courtney Reimer

Girls Soccer All-State, Class 2

PRIVATE SCHOOL COACH OF THE YEAR

Class 2 — Pat Turner

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Courtney Reimer

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Katie Sportsman

ALL-STATE 1ST TEAM

Emily Bennett

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Courtney Reimer

Katie Sportsman

ALL-STATE 2ND TEAM

Payton Bodden

Maddie Goeke

Megan McDonald

ALL-STATE HONORABLE MENTION

Hannah Shambro

Maria Wilder



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Football Homecoming 2016

National Federation of State High School Associations

COACH OF THE YEAR (all classes)

Pat Turner

National Soccer Coaches Association of America

REGIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR

Pat Turner

ALL-METRO TEAM

Courtney Reimer

Basketball All-State Class 3

FIRST TEAM BOYS

Ryan Briscoe

FIRST TEAM GIRLS

Katie Sportsman

St. Louis Soccer Hall of Fame

JIMMY DUNN MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL COACH OF THE YEAR

Pat Turner

International Association of Approved Basketball Officials

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Boys Basketball — Ryan Briscoe

Girls Basketball — Katie Sportsman

(1st time Duchesne has had both recipients in the same year!) 🌿

JUNIOR WEEK OF SERVICE



Meghan Neuner, Peter Tollefson and Anna Broyles help wash wheelchairs at Mount Carmel Senior Living in St. Charles.

The Duchesne Christian Service Program has evolved significantly over the last few years. In 2014, for the first time, 100 hours of service were required for graduation, and then during the 2015-2016 school year, we began a Junior Week of Service with the graduating class of 2017.

In January, Alicia Bungum, our former director of campus ministry, matched junior students with 30 organizations that had committed to hosting our students for a week in May. Ending the school year early with the seniors, the juniors spent one whole week, Monday through Thursday, six hours a day, at a non-profit organization in the St. Charles/St. Louis area. The goal of the week was for the students to experience the challenging and

rewarding day-to-day work of service and have the opportunity to interact with those who are in true need, following the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. It was a happy coincidence that we launched this program during the Year of Mercy declared by Pope Francis.

Throughout the week, every location was visited and evaluated by a faculty or staff member, for our students' accountability as well as for considering organizations for future years. Overwhelmingly, our faculty

was very impressed by the organizations and the thought they had put into giving our students an authentic service experience.

The Monday after the week of service, the juniors returned to Duchesne for a half-day of refectio-



DHS students Renate Mueller, John Reilly and Ian Daly take a break from their home building to pose with Habitat for Humanity's St. Charles Wednesday Crew, which includes Don Messner '68, on Renate's right.

Duchesne alumnus **Dan Huss** '92, a youth minister at Incarnate Word Parish in Chesterfield, came to speak to the students about how service is an important piece of becoming selfless for others and for God, even when it does not feel meaningful or seem meaningful. We concluded the morning of reflection with an all-school Mass celebrated by Bishop Edward Rice, one of his last Masses in St. Louis before he assumed his new role as bishop of the Springfield-Cape Girardeau diocese. During his homily, Bishop Rice reinforced with the whole school that in service, we serve Christ.

Having always had a strong service ethic among our students, that commitment continues to grow. Many of our students decided to go back to their assigned organizations to volunteer on their own over the summer.

Some comments from the service coordinators at the various locations include:

Thank you for including LifeBridge Partnership in the Duchesne Week of Service. The volunteers were excellent and helped us accomplish our mission of inclusion. – Austin Chambliss, Development Specialist at LifeBridge Partnership

The students worked very hard at our agency. They stocked, sorted, organized, and sanitized during the week they served. In one day they sorted over 14 large trash bags of donations! This was truly impressive. – Melanie Matthew, Volunteer Coordinator, Room at the Inn

It was wonderful to have Tim, Nathan and Liz with us that week. It was inspiring to see their interest and commitment to the pro-life mission. We are definitely interested in participating next year! – Sheri Petruso, Executive Director, Birthright St. Charles

If you have a relationship with any of the organizations that hosted our students, please thank them for this wonderful learning opportunity in service. If you have any recommendations for organizations that would be great host sites in the future, please contact Shane VanDiest, our new director of campus ministry. 🌿

The following locations partnered with Duchesne to host between one to four students each:

Birthright
Boys and Girls Clubs of St. Charles
Bridgeway Health Center
Coalition for Life
Community Living
Crisis Nursery
Emmaus Homes
Every Child's Hope
Ferguson Public Library
Five Acres Animal Shelter
Habitat for Humanity
LifeBridge Partnership
Love in the Name of Christ (LINC)
Little Sisters of the Poor
Lydia's House
Mercy Hospital
Missouri Veterans Home
Moog Center St. Louis
Mount Carmel Nursing Home
Our Ladies Inn
Ranken Jordan Pediatric Hospital
Room at the Inn
SSM Health DePaul Hospital
SSM Health St. Joseph Hospital
St. Agnes Home
St. Louis Arc
St. Patrick Center
St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store
Westchester House
Willows Way



Connor Osthoff plays frisbee with Willows Way clients at Webster Park in St. Charles.



Danny Garcia, Matt Lauer and Eric Lurtz build a porch swing for residents at Community Living in St. Peters.



Dukesne High School students and chaperones enjoyed Universal Theme Parks after sweeping the competition at "Orlandofest" in April 2016. Under the tutelage of Kay Johnson, DHS director of performing arts, 44 Dukesne students competed in four different categories and took first place in each one: Chamber Choir, Concert Choir, Concert Band, and Jazz Band. Participating students included: Adam Armbruster, Stephen Baker, Payton Bodden, Michael Brennan, Sophie Capra, Joey Ciaramitaro, Henry Clark, Madeline Clemens, Chandie Colclasure, Chloe Colclasure, Kyle Compton, Brigid Cooper, Tony Deluvia, John DiFatta, Katie Coeke, Cody Going, Mary Gould, Donnie Hargate, Drew Hollandsworth, Allison Huff, Brianna King, David Kinnison, Alex Kleitz, Matt Klekar, Danny Lampkin, Rebecca Linck, Sabby Macedo, Erin Hannigan McKee, Emily McMillin, Peter Michalak, Renate Mueller, Gabe Murphy, Ashley Norviel, Gloria Owen, Abby Rothweiler, Kevin Sallwasser, Tim Sallwasser, James Schneider, John Schneider, Mary Stenger, Jonathan Stoecker, Jack Stremlau, Sophie Tollefson, and Dominic Walton.

Senior class members of Dukesne High School's music programs display the four first-place trophies won at the April 2016 Orlandofest music competition in Orlando, FL. Front row: Stephen Baker, Adam Armbruster, Madeline Clemens, Meghan Mahaffy. Back row: Dominic Walton, Erin Hannegan McKee, Emily McMillin, Sophie Tollefson, Gabe Murphy.



Students get in the spirit for Decking the Halls. New carpet squares enhanced Dukesne Hall just in time for Open House in November 2015. Our August 2016 Trivia Night raised funds to help carpet the Performing Arts hallway before Open House in November 2016. Front row: Jake Hearst '16, Isabella Jacobi '16, Payton Bodden '17, Will Fairless '16, Sharon Dosland '17, Erin Hannegan McKee '16, Lee Swearingen '16. Back row: Hannah Shambro '16, Annie Benne '17, Katie Sportsman '16.



Duchesne's 2016 spring play was *The Wizard of Oz*, complete with 21 munchkins from nine area grade schools and Dorothy's dog, Toto (aka Swayze Turner). The spring 2017 musical will be *Do Black Patent Leather Shoes Really Reflect Up?*



The fall 2015 play was *Harvey*, starring Andrew Sweeso '17. *Pride and Prejudice* is our fall play for 2016.



Everyone got into the game when the student body celebrated the "3peat" girls state soccer championship with an afternoon of bubble soccer at the beginning of the 2015-2016 school year. (We've since won one more!) St. Charles Mayor Sally Faith kicked off the festivities with a proclamation to honor our team and Coach Pat Turner.



Mrs. Beth Steagall has retired after 39 years of teaching, 32 of those at DHS. Her many accomplishments included the Emerson Excellence in Teaching Award, leading Duchesne through the AdvancEd accreditation process, and serving as academic dean of the science department. Congratulations and Thank You, Mrs. Steagall!! Three other teachers' lives took them elsewhere after last year as well - Alicia Bungam, Melissa DeCosty '09, and Mark Wilhite. Best wishes and God's blessings to all!

Our new teachers have already made an impact at our school. Brandon Stringer teaches computer applications, programming, robotics, and web design, and is coaching girls varsity basketball. Shane VanDiest is our director of campus ministry, teaches religion classes, and is an assistant coach for our football team. Theresa Semmelmayr teaches science, engineering and robotics. Ryan Doyle teaches English and video production, and is the film production club moderator. Both Theresa and Ryan are coaching cross country and track.



Shane Loewenstein '16 was elected by his classmates to give the graduation commencement speech, which can be found on YouTube.



PIONEER PRAYER

First featured in the 2015-2016 school year, Pioneer Prayer strengthens the connection between our alumni and our students and helps to build Pioneer Pride all around! Most Fridays when school is in session, an alumni guest is invited to read a special prayer written by our patron saint and then give a brief bio and share some personal comments.

We invite you to listen to our guests on the DHS PA system in the podcasts found under Alumni/Pioneer Prayer on our web site. They are all categorized by month. A sampling is below.

If you are interested in participating in Pioneer Prayer, please contact **Nancy (Rothermich) Kohl '78** at nkohl@duchesne-hs.org or 636.946.2603. 🌿

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August 2015

Ellie Conoyer '00



October 2015

Carie (Covilli) Brown '95



January 2016

Terry Gravemann '68



January 2016

Betty (Bethmann) Elmendorf '56



March 2016

Mike Ryan '77



March 2016

Maddie Wappelhorst '15

Class of 1955 - 56

These 10 St. Peter HS grads have been friends since some of them walked to school together, over 60 years ago. The ladies lunch at one of the friends' home each year when Barb Linhoff comes for a visit from California.



Pictured, from left: Mary (Thomas) Brown, RaeDell (Hoffman) Sturmon, Joyce (Monroe) Ohlms, Marlene (Schulteheinrich) Schneider, Nancy (Maas) Schulteheinrich, Jeneanne (Ohrman) Niggemeier, Barb (March) Linhoff, Nancy (Achelpohl) Hollaway, Doris (Ell) Ohlms, and Darlene (Henkel) Noah. All are from the Class of 1955, except for Marlene, who graduated with St. Peter's last high school class in 1956. This photo was taken on September 26, 2015.

Class of 1956



Betty (Bethmann) Elmendorf organized the 60-year reunion for the Class of 1956 within Duchesne's All-Class Reunion, which was held in the PAC on September 17, 2016. Seated are Nancy (Thro) Page, Rita (Curfman) Doza, Mary Lou (Jacobsen) Keely, Betty (Bethmann) Elmendorf, and Dee (Kennedy) Schipper. Standing are Colette Sebachner, Ralph Hellweg, Marlene (Schulteheinrich) Schneider, Tom Boschert, Cleo (Leverenz) Hubert, Ken Zerr, Carol (Kampman) Ryan, Richard Wempe, Frannie (Weber) Fuest, Ken Kapeller, Joan Nohova, Roger Gronefeld, and Harriet (Orf) Pallardy.

Class of 1960

The Class of 1960 celebrated their 55th class reunion on September 19, 2015, at Pio's Restaurant.



Row 1: Bill Goellner, Jerry Kleeschulte, Erv Ermeling, Jane (Goodnick) Haas, Lois (Pedrucci) Toigo, Mary (Schneider) Wienrich.
Row 2: Dave Schaeffer, Brenda (Wetter) Witte, Dale Kirchner, Mary Lou (Plume) Kleeschulte, Jerry Prinster, Janice (Olendorff) Bross, Barb (Brucker) Niedling, Mary (Potts) Sabourin, Sandi (Dodsworth) Broeker, Carol (Rothermich) Prinster, Jim Deveraux.
Row 3: Charlie Moellering, Dick Dickherber, Vince Koester, Tom Slattery, Gary Rehm, John Boerding, Lenny Schulte, Dave Hanslick, Rita (Phillips) Kirchner, Bob Reimer, Nancy (Redell) Trautman, Frank Netsch, Mary (Overkamp) Reimer, Bob Watts, Mary (Witte) Boschert, Dan Simon, Mary Ann (Achelpohl) Ell, Noel Wilson, Ann (Pickering) Ginniver, Bob Wilson, Tom Wapelhorst.

Class of 1962

Alums from the Class of 1962 met for a reunion-planning lunch in June 2016. "It's always great fun to see high school friends and catch up on what is happening in our lives," said Judy Seifert.



Front Row: Mary (Leonard) Stack, Mary Alice (Hollander) Baumann, Jeanette (Schulthehenrich) Garrison, Sandy (Saettler) Erwin, Berniece (Hogan) Ecton, Anita (Baumann) Pickle.
Back Row: Judy (Boswell) Seifert, Mary Ann (Schaeffer) Baz-Dresch, Ginny (Mattie) Kopfinger, Susan Voigt, Mary (Buehrle) Smith.

Class of 1964

Thanks to Mary Lee (Hoelting) Johnson who shared this photo from the Class of 1964's 50th reunion, which was on July 12-13, 2014. This photo was taken on Friday night at Pio's Restaurant. The group also gathered at Tubby's on Saturday night. "We had a great turnout and a wonderful, wonderful time. Being with everyone was a blessing!" Mary Lee commented.



Class of 1965

The Class of 1965 held their 50th class reunion on the weekend of May 1-2, 2015, at Tony's on Main Street, Duchesne High School, and Pio's Restaurant. Most of the group went on an afternoon tour of Duchesne, guided by Principal Fritz Long, before heading on to Pio's, where more of their classmates joined them.



Pictured left to right are: Front Row: Nancy (Carbrey) Kuberski, Judith (Allen) Donovan, Josette Doerhoff, Elaine (Zerr) Richardson, Gloria (Haislip) Hadley, Kathy Williams, Diane (Choromanski) Carbrey, Cynthia Burckhardt, Marilyn (Podhorsky) Geery.

Middle Row: Carolyn (Menze) Kelly, Joann (Roesslein) Houser, Margaret (Wuelling) Schulte, Anne (Zeisler) Becker, Barbara (Pagel) Brantley, Kathleen (Krull) Schneider, Mary (Tackett) Brinkmann, Terry Moran.

Back Row: Jean (Goellner) Ruest, Mary Jo (Pagano) Isler, Sheila (Honerkamp) Eckstein, Richard Buehrle, C. Robert Nacke, Robert Schaberg, William Voigt, Edward Pugh, Dave Vadnais, Michael Ludwig, Patricia Penkoske, Deborah (Tintera) McCampbell, Marilyn Boerding, Larry Kuberski, Marge (Feldewerth) Pugh, Judith (Hiatt) Faulkenberry.

Class of 1966

The Class of 1966 Reunion was held at Tubby's Pub & Grub on Saturday, August 6, 2016. Jamie (Schott) Newsham reported, "We had good attendance — about 52 classmates and 30 spouses/guests — and everyone seemed to have an awesome time."



Class of 1970

The Class of 1970 celebrated their 45th (+1) reunion at 2865 Brewhouse on May 14, 2016.



Those photographed include:

Front Row: Donna (Elmendorf) Roettger, Cindy (Heck) Sebach, Steve Swann, Kathy (Boehmer) Genz, Mary (Robohn) Alsup-Niedergerke, Darla (Henderson) Wertenberger, Brenda (Steinhoff) Hollander.

Back Row: Tom Genz, Gary Ostmann, Linda (Hutchcraft) Ostmann, Bruce Brokaw, Terry Hollander, Dave Schuster, Fred Schoder, Beth (Jackson) Collins.

Class of 1975

The Class of 1975 held their 40th Reunion on September 19, 2015. The day's festivities began with a golf outing that morning at Bear Creek in Wentzville. Many more gathered at Llywelyn's on Main Street in the evening.



Pictured outside the restaurant are (from left): Thurman Leuchtman, Daryl Hercules, Steve Reiling, Art Hollrah, Dwayne Meyer, John Richardson, MaryBeth (Ogden) Smith, Dennis Roth, Susan (Borgmeyer) Garland, Jim Muenster, John Orf, Roseann (Clever) Ogden, Dan Drees, MaryEllen (Becker) Scheel, Bob Allman, Debbie (Cissell) Kleinschmidt, Lisa (Ohlms) Crayon, Theresa Thro, Steve Hollander, Dale Weseman, Patti (Echele) Bolton, Cecilia (Loeffler) Haverstick, Todd Genz, Rick Lauer, Debra (Weber) Lagerman, Tom Thro, Greg Bunk, Gary Beilsmith, Dennis Meinert, Phyllis (Brune) Kern, MaryLou (Ostmann) Mellish, John Thomson, Paul Lammert, Judy (Fleming) Meinert, Cindy (Mackey) Essner, Debbie (Keane) Heath, Nancy (Elmendorf) Calvert, Joan (Haake) Koechig, Glen Koenen, Pat (Eckelkamp) Meyer, Tom Besselman, Brian Klutenkamper.

Also in attendance but not pictured: Steve Blase, Nancy (Callier) Binsbacher, Kevin Kinney, Kevin Knoblauch, Mike McColloch, Ken Nacke, Bruce Naeger, Rock Olendorff, Debbie (Yahn) Pape, John Richardson, Paul Sudbrock.

Class of 1976

The Class of 1976 had their 40th reunion at the Gould Building in Wapelhorst Park on June 25, 2016. In addition to visiting with one another, class members also remembered their friends who've passed away.



Class of 1986



Front Row: Ann (De Vos) Tolley, Bill Seamon, DHS President Chuck Nolan.

Middle Row: Jimmy McCullough and Sadie, Stan Endraski, Karen (Netsch) Timmons, Tracy (Weber) Bowler, Melissa (Blancarte) Farroll, Kelli (Cronk) Bergman, Pam (Baumann) Snyder, Scott Shelp.

Back Row: Jeffrey Hanslick, Patty (De Vos) Burke, Jennifer (Horton) Conway-Silvestri, Debbie (Garrison) Howell, Steve Lucido, Chris Ringwald.

The Class of 1986 started their 30-year reunion on August 27, 2016, with a school tour and then tried to replicate their senior class pose on the front steps. Additional classmates joined these at the Moonrise Hotel in the St. Louis Loop that evening for a rooftop celebration.

Class of 1991



Those in attendance included:

Jennifer (Baumann) Beger
Christy Beilsmith
Kevin Borisenko
Judy Bronson
Brian Coldren
Jeremy Davinroy
Amy (Schnarr) Delaney
Shannon (Strick) Dolrenry
Heather Evans
Amie (Spies) Feuerstein

Pete Feuerstein
Bob Friedel
Kristin (Schneider) Genovese
Brad Greene
Bill Hunter
Pete Hurlbert
Yvonne (Flavin) Hurlbert
Toni (Keinrath) Kalish
Mike Kantz
Tim Keeven

Jason Lammert
Chris Mauer
Melissa (Schmidt) Moxley
Nicole (Petzold) Nation
Molly (Farrell) Orlando
Heather Pund
Kara (Rufkahr) Reynolds
Jeff Rothermich
Becky (Martin) Sanchez
Tanya (Christensen) Sefrit

Jeff Simon
Becky (Boschert) Snyder
Stacie (Scola) Spies
Michelle (Hackenberger) Stallings
Amie (Ross) Stein
Sara Struckhoff
Sheryl (Chaney) Tretter
Scott Turan
David Yates

Kara (Rufkahr) Reynolds had the 25-year reunion for the Class of 1991 all planned for September 17, 2016, before she learned that the All-Class Reunion was to be held at Duchesne on the same day. Kara and her class had a great turnout.

Class of 1996



Friends from the Class of 1996 joined the All-Class Reunion at Duchesne on September 17, 2016 — Debi (Westhues) and Patrick '03 Turner, Kristi (McClintock) Shaw and Tom Hurlbert.

Class of 2011

The Class of 2011 had their first, 5-year reunion at Llywelyn's Pub on Main Street in St. Charles on Friday, August 26, 2016.



Those in attendance included:

Zach Bohr
Chloe Borgmeyer
Teresa Boschert
Meagan Brady
Kevin Brennan
Theresa Brickman
Kara Busken
David Dobbs
Emilie Dougherty
Angie Durham

Jordan Eilers
Parisa Faramarzi
Sean Flynn
Robbie Fritz
Emily Geringer
Ryan Goewert
Theresa Hamilton
Drew Hill
Sean Hogan
Jenny Howard

Matt Howard
Amanda Hubble
Chloe Laramie
Brett Lewis
Will Linck
Jake Loewenstein
Wendy Macias
Audrey Mecklenburg
Lauren Meyer
Kristin Montgomery

Grace Moynihan
Stephanie Mullen
Sarah Muscott
George Nellesen-Erhard
Amy O'Brien
Abbie O'Mara
Katy Phillips
John Preis
John Radamacher

Jessi Reimer
Amber Riley
Ashley Riley
Nathan Rohe
Blake Rosner
Kenny Schroeder
Sarah Skaggs
Michelle Speak
Priscilla Steimel

Ally Strunk
Matt Ule
Ali Weber
Hannah West
Adam Whiteside
Melanie Winfield
Katie Winterowd
Jake Woltering
Nick Zahner



SCHEDULED REUNIONS

Class of 1971

Save the date for the 45th anniversary reunion for the Class of 1971 on Saturday, November 5, 2016. It will be held at McGurks Public House at 108 South Main Street, O'Fallon, MO 63366. Please contact Michele (Malette) Sherman at mm.sherman1952@gmail.com or 314-772-5565 for more information.

Class of 1981

If you weren't aware of the Class of 1981's 35-year reunion at The Tap on Elm on Saturday, October 8, 2016, but want to get in on Facebook and email messages and photos, please send Peggy (Ell) Skaggs an email (pegell3@hotmail.com) and she will add you to the list!



Look for photos
from the
September 17
St. Peter / Duchesne

ALL-CLASS REUNION
in an upcoming issue of

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To review and order photos from the
St. Peter/Duchesne High School
All-Class Reunion, please visit:
<https://pamsphotography.shootproof.com/DHSReunion>.

Thank you

to Duchesne parent Pam Huff for helping us with this event!



DHS senior David Kinnison (right) and his friend Blake Bellinger

To Whom It May Concern,

My hat is off to the young musicians who played at the Duchesne Dream Home party on Saturday, April 30. I thought they were very talented, and their music was played at the perfect decibel level: not too soft or too loud. They were a good addition to the event.

Sincerely,

A Happy Duchesne Patron

Thanks to Dave & Blake for adding a nice touch — and a great sound — to our event!

Welcome to our Events pages! Please note that due to staffing changes in 2015, we were able to get Leaves out in March of that year but haven't had an issue out since then. For that reason, some of the event photos in this section go back a little more than a year. Going forward, Leaves will be coming out annually. Thanks for reading!

The last year has seen the addition of numerous new alumni events and activities — Pioneer Prayer; Red, White & Brew wine and beer tasting; Pioneer Trail Blazer 5K; "Deck the Halls" Trivia Night; and All-Class Reunion — along with the tried and true events that our Pioneers from the past continue to enjoy. We need your involvement and we hope you come back to Duchesne's campus often, so we will continue to look for ways to engage and show our appreciation of you. These photos are just a sampling of what's been going on. Please see the inside cover for more information.

HOMECOMING 2015



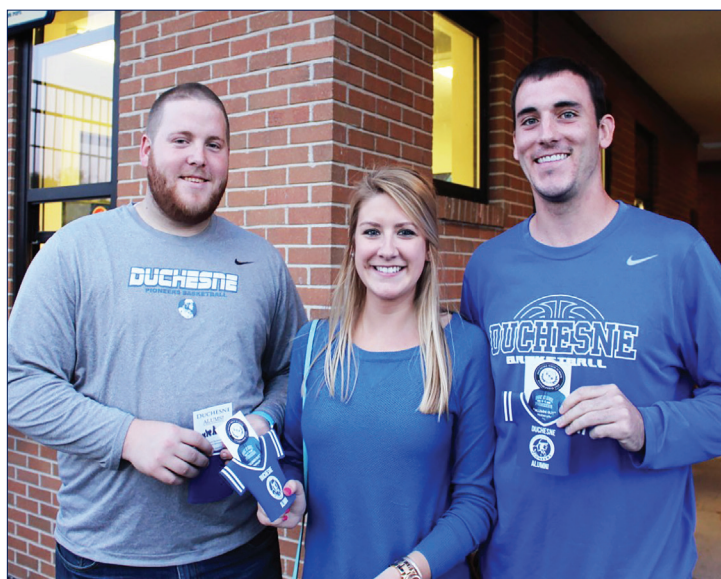
Ralph '55 and Betty (Bethmann) '56 Elmendorf
never miss a game!



Denise (Westhues) Loewenstein '83



Alli '09 and Terri (Schultehenrich) '88 Reimer



Jordan Genenbacher '10, Andrea Saettele '11, and Tyler Loewenstein '10

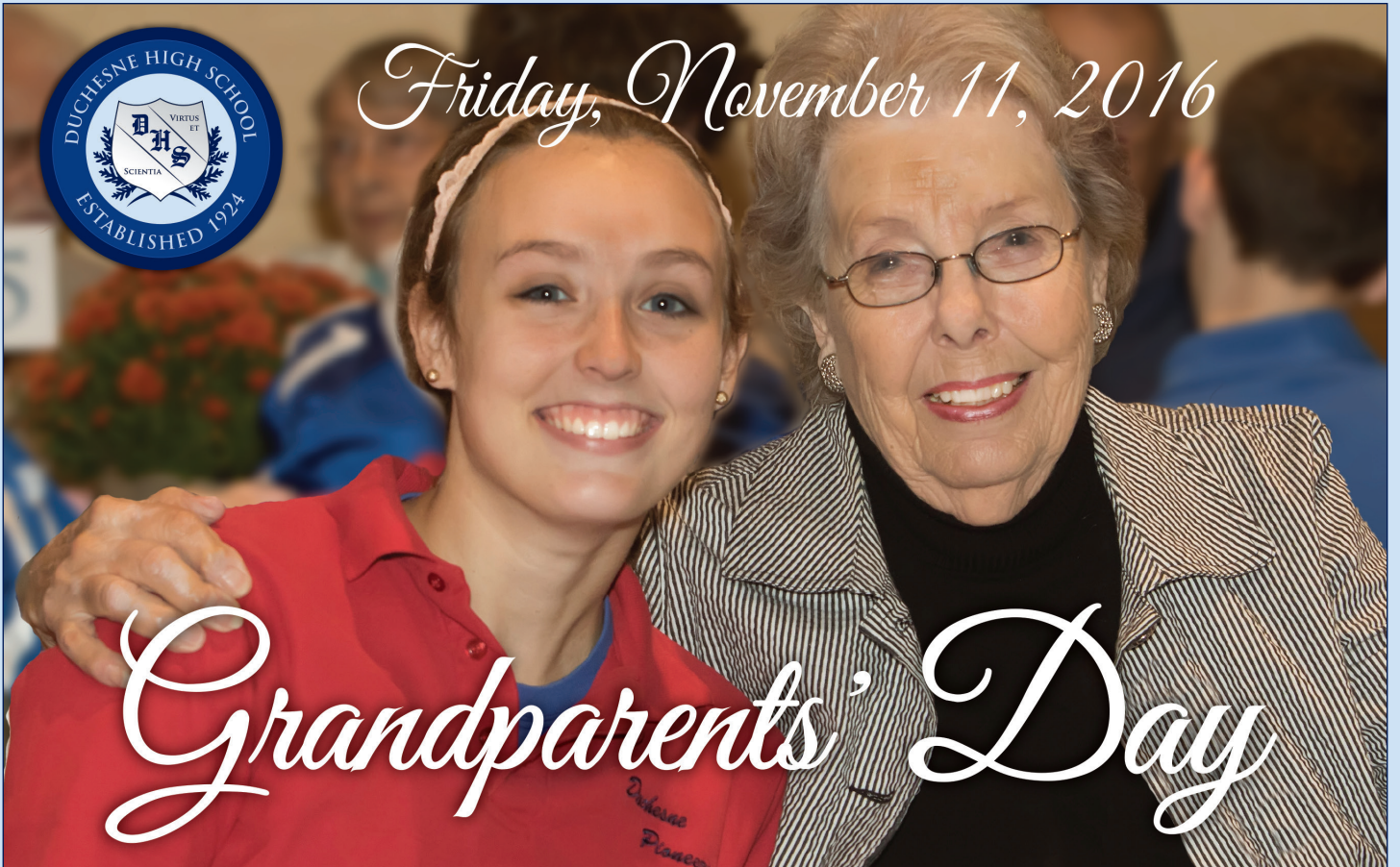


DHS parent Bill Schroeder with **Chris (Feuerstein) '78** and **Mike '77 Ryan**



Angela and **TJ '88 Slattery**

Please Join Us!



CORONATION 2016



Coronation 2016 was a celebration of family and friends. Former queens who returned to be honored included **Marianne (Faerber) Rauch** '46, **Mildred (Feldmann) Kuester** '43, **Nancy (Maas) Schulteheinrich** '55, **Carmen (Buse) Rothermich Weber** '37, **Marlene (Schulteheinrich) Schneider** '56, **Cindy (Niggemeier) Davis** '79, and **Patty (Watts) Fleschner** '84. **Terri (Schulteheinrich) Reimer** '88 also attended the reception for returning queens.



2016 Coronation queen **Erica Maloney** '16, daughter of **Doug and Michelle (Schneider)** '82 and granddaughter of 1956 Coronation queen **Marlene (Schulteheinrich)** '56 and Don Schneider, was escorted by **Tom Olson** '16, son of Pat and **Peggy (Suellentrop)** '83 **Oleson** and grandson of Betty and the late **Jim** '49 **Suellentrop**, with flower girl Sophia Willbrand, who is a future and 5th-generation Pioneer.

PIONEER EXPEDITION 2016



Molly (O'Brien) '76 and **Mike Reilly** are 7-time Duchesne parents who continue to enjoy our annual auction.

"DECK THE HALLS" TRIVIA NIGHT 2016



Duchesne alumni and friends got in the Christmas spirit at our August 20th Trivia Night, where we raised our glasses and raised our knowledge while raising money to carpet the fine arts hallway.



Brandi Reichert, Lori Shipman, Leslie Payne, Heather Gould

ANNUAL ALUMNI, PARENTS & FRIENDS GOLF TOURNAMENT

Our annual golf tournament was held at Bogey Hills Country Club for the last two years. We were blessed with beautiful weather both times! This year's event, on September 12, was even more successful than last's. Thank you to our players, our sponsors, and all who made the day a wonderful gathering of golf and good fellowship. A special thank you goes out to our two \$1,000 sponsors — Safety National Insurance (**Duane Hercules** '78) and Worldwide Technology (past parent Tom Strunk).

Team captains were emailed group photos. If you haven't seen yours, please contact us with your email address (knienhaus@duchesne-hs.org or 636-946-2603). Thank you for your participation and support!



Many alumni and friends make the golf tournament an annual event. This loyal group paused at last year's tourney to remember their friend **Tom Nacke** '68. They include **Terry** '68 and **JoAnn (Lammert)** '72 **Cravemann**, Mike and Janet Hauskins, Anita and Gary Heimbarger, **Bob Boschert** '68, Phyllis and Dennis Scally, and **Tim Smith** '68.



DHS friend Jeff Rupp; and Dan Rupp, D.J. Breyer, and Bill McMillan, all current DHS parents



DHS friends Greg Antal and Jonathan Wilson; and alums **Jared Hu** and **Nick Pryor**, both Class of 2007



Past parent Mark Wandersee; friend of Duchesne Don Broadway; and father/son alums **Terry** '83 and **Jeremy Elmendorf** '06



Ben Giessman '99; friend Heather Behrmann; and **Brie (Giessman)** and **John Sprengnether**, both Class of 1999



Father/son alums **Tim** '72 and **Chad Burkemper** '05; DHS friend Rusty Shelley; and **Mike McClintock** '69



A.J. Felder '98; **Jim Lloyd** '80; **Matt Johannesman** '85; and **Tom Lloyd** '90



Cody '05 and **Aryn (Kielty)** '05 **Koepke**; and Kyle and Jaime (Burkemper) '98 Burrows



Friend Joe Golembeski; parents Jay Bergman and Rick Colclasure; and friend Alan Dickherber



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SR. BETTY BRUCKER, HEALTH CARE HERO AND ST. PETER H.S. ALUM



Sister Betty Brucker, who served 16 years as president of SSM St. Mary's Health Center in Richmond Heights, died June 30, 2015, at The Sarah Community in Bridgeton at the age of 90.

She joined the order of Franciscan Sisters of Mary in the fall of 1942, after graduating from St. Peter High School, which was then across from St. Joseph Hospital in St. Charles. She received a bachelor's degree in nursing from Saint Louis University in 1951, and, while moving up the ladder to nurse administrator and later hospital administrator, she earned a master's in nursing education in 1959 and a master's in health administration in 1972, both from SLU.

She became president of St. Mary's Health Center in 1975. There, she helped establish the Doorways Interfaith AIDS Residence Program, a living area on the hospital's campus for people with AIDS who weren't well enough to go home.

In a 2004 interview with the Business Journal, Brucker said of the decision, "People said, 'You'll be known as an AIDS hospital.' I said, 'It doesn't matter. We saw a need.'"

After retiring in 1991 as head of St. Mary's Health Center, she was named executive director of Catholic Community Services for Catholic Charities of St. Louis by then-Archbishop John May. Before retiring from that role in 2003 after 11 years, she expanded the community service centers operated locally by the organization from eight to 11, added a health-care component and made sure they were fully funded.

She also was a former head of the Hospital Association of St. Louis, and served as a mission associate at SSM St. Joseph's Health Center and SSM St. Mary's Health Center, and on the SSM St. Mary's Health Center Foundation board, St. Louis City Health and Hospitals Board and Regional Health Commission.

Among the honors she received, in May 2003, Aquinas Institute of Theology awarded Brucker its Doctor of Humanities Honoris Causa.

She received a lifetime achievement award as one of the Business Journal's inaugural Health Care Heroes in 2004.

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1959

David Goslik and his wife, Donna, report that after living in Bridgeton for years, they have moved to St. Peters and are enjoying living on this "side of the river."

1972

Rita (Rood) Monat and her husband, Bob, retired in 2003, sold their home of 25 years in Austin, TX, and went on the road full-time in a 35-foot RV. "We love our gypsy lifestyle and have enjoyed traveling this great country of ours."

1973

Sister Cynthia “Cindy” Brune, SSND, returned to Missouri in early August 2016 after 18 years in the Milwaukee area, where she received her MS in Art Therapy and ministered in various related capacities. She is presently residing at the School Sisters of Notre Dame motherhouse on Ripa Avenue in St. Louis.

1974

Steve Debrecht is recently retired and living in Olney, MD, with his wife, Mary Pat. They have two daughters and two grandsons. The young cousins were born less than a day apart!

Linda (Darling) Young and husband Gary are still enjoying retirement and the arrival of their first granddaughter, Mackenzie, on June 8, 2016. Mackenzie joins her older brother, Ryan, and her cousin, Maxximus, the Youngs’ other grandson. Linda celebrated her 60th this past summer on a New England cruise with Kathy (Eckler) Gross and Sue (Brune) Hogenmiller.

1979

Lisa (Blanchette) Eaton lives in Valley Center, CA, and has taken up running. She has placed first in her division in some recent races. Lisa is working on adding a credential to teach business at the high school level.

1981

Dr. David Winston heard “you should write a book” for years. A forensic pathologist who lives in Tucson, David reports that he gave into peer pressure and has co-authored a murder mystery set in the Sonoran Desert. “Crossing the Line” under the pen name of A.L. Gomortis is available as an e-book via Amazon, Barnes & Noble, iTunes, and Kobo.

1982

Kerry Iffrig and wife, Sue, along with Karin (Bock) Nuernberger ’83, and her husband, Mark, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Chelsea. All are extremely excited for the wedding in fall of 2017, when Chelsea will marry Chris Jimenez. The new couple will most likely live in Kansas City.

1983

Susan (Schierding) Eilers and her husband, Adam, are the proud parents of three Duchesne graduates and now have three grandchildren. Susan and Adam love spending their summers at the Lake of the Ozarks.

Rick Mueller and his wife, Karen, recently relocated to Phoenix to be with their four grandchildren and in-laws. They are loving the Southwest. It’s a “dry” heat!

1964 & 1997



Dan Borgmeyer '64 and his son **Jack Borgmeyer** '97 recently moved Borgmeyer Marketing Group from their long-time Main Street location to the old Vic Tanny building at 1540 Country Club Plaza in St. Charles. Now in completely renovated space that reflects the cutting edge automotive marketing services they provide, the agency continues its growth in serving nationwide retail automotive clients with full service, full spectrum marketing, advertising, public relations, and interactive media.

1985

Liz (Lottman) Hensley has relocated to the Greater Atlanta area. She is working as a realtor with Coldwell Banker and is in her 10th year in the real estate business.

1987

Rich Hamilton just celebrated his three-year wedding anniversary with **Melissa (Akers) Hamilton** '91. Melissa's daughter and Rich's stepdaughter, Claire Janson, will be in the DHS Class of 2021.

Tim Powers sends word that he is still in Hollywood being funny. "If I get my big break, you'll be the first to know." His follow up note assured us that he is "still as cute as ever. Hubba. Hubba."

1990

Jennifer (Wapelhorst) Sisom graduated from Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield, MO (now Missouri State University), with a degree in Business Administration and Legal Studies. She now resides in Charlotte, NC, with her husband, David, and two children, Katie (9) and Matthew (7). Jennifer currently holds the position of assistant treasurer with TIAA-CREF.

1991

Brian Coldren and family moved to Atlanta about two and a half years ago, after a little over a decade in Terre Haute, IN. He is working as the Assistant Provost and Registrar at Oglethorpe University in Atlanta.

1994

Mike Sonderegger has had an incredibly blessed and amazing year performing part time with The Well Hungarians, working full time at Metro Community Church in Edwardsville, releasing new singles on iTunes, and starring in SIUE's Summer

Showbiz production of "Pump Boys and Dinettes." It's a busy schedule but he still is working at keeping God first, family second, and work third!

1995

Tim Maus, MD is affiliated with UC San Diego and specializes in Anesthesiology in La Jolla, CA. He just published an eBook entitled, "Essential Echocardiography — Transesophageal Echocardiography for Non-Cardiac Anesthesiologists."

1996

Erin (George) Beckemeier is now teaching 4th grade at St. Charles Borromeo.

Jennifer Chitwood got married! Her groom on October 1, 2016, was Andrew Stearns from Perryville, MO. Jennifer and Andrew live in St. Louis.

John Garwacki is the chef at All Occasion Banquet Center in St. Charles and invites fellow DHS alums to consider that venue for future reunions. Their two rooms can accommodate up to 160 and 300, respectively.

Sarah (Hoette) Heiney and her husband, Josh, welcomed a new daughter on August 29, 2015. Mary Vivienne joins big sister, Greta, and big brothers Griffin, Henry and Teddy.

1997

Valari (Quarando) Harrison and her husband, Grant, have two little boys. Ryan turned 3 in September and Connor turned 1 in September.

Bridget (Shea) Westfall was promoted to a supervisor at the Administration for Children and Families at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) in Washington, D.C. She is a grants management officer, overseeing the fiscal and administrative aspects of discretionary grants for the Administration on Children; Youth and Families; Children's Bureau; Office of Child Support Enforcement; Office of Community Services; and Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation,

Giving Back Phillip Lee

Mentor appreciated the value of what he could do

When people volunteer, they can change lives — including their own. Each week in Reason, we will highlight a volunteer's story of giving back and how that selfless act was a true revelation. The volunteer project is a collaboration among the Times-Union, the University of North Florida, the United Way of Northeast Florida and HandsOn Jacksonville.

By Nancy Winckler-Zuniga
United Way of Northeast Florida



Glenn Noyles

Achievers For Life mentor Phillip Lee and his mentee, Darion Moore

Phillip Lee remembers eighth grade. Slipping grades in an A-level math class had him ready to give up.

"It was a struggle. It would have been easier to drop down," Lee said. "But my father and my teacher, Mrs. McConowitz, said no. She met me before school, taking time out of the rest of her day."

Lee was able to continue in his A-level classes, thanks to her help. He credits her encouraging him to do well.

"Fifteen years later, I think, what if I'd taken the easy way out?" Lee said. "I wonder if I'd have been as successful. Done as well in college? I met my wife in college. Would I have known her?"

Understanding the value of mentoring made Lee sign up for the Stein Fel-

lowship. Accepted into the multigenerational mentoring program two years ago, Lee was matched with a seasoned community leader as his mentor and Darion Moore as his Achievers For Life mentee.

With both his family and his employer, Florida Blue, deeply committed to community involvement, Lee had the encouragement and flexibility to give one hour a week to a middle school student.

What Lee didn't know was that the matchup with Darion would become a tight partnership.

"The first year at Butler, we met about every week at school," Lee said. "I went in thinking that the program was about academics, but I learned that it wasn't always.

Sometimes, it was about listening and being an advocate."

"He helped me to get better grades. I wasn't focused a lot," Darion said. He took Lee's encouragement to heart and is now on the A/B Honor Roll with civics as his favorite class.

When the school year ended, Lee extended his involvement with Darion through Big Brothers, Big Sisters, which allowed them to do different events outside of school.

"My favorite time was when we went to Dave & Buster's," said Darion.

"Do you remember what we talked about there?" Lee questioned.

"How to earn money for a game," Darion answered, smiling.

CHANGE A LIFE – AND YOURS

If you would like to volunteer for United Way's Achievers For Life initiative like Phillip Lee, contact Charis Scurry, manager of education strategies, at (904) 390-4004.

Here are some other volunteer opportunities:

■ The 2015 St. Augustine Amateur golf tournament, scheduled for Oct. 16-18 at the St. Johns Golf Club in Elkton, needs volunteers for one-, two-, or three-day shifts to staff a variety of key positions and perform valuable services including scoring, reporting, spotting, welcoming and preparations. If interested, contact btwardy@flagler.edu. Volunteers will receive a snack and a shirt.

■ PACE Center for Girls has various needs for volunteers to work with the girls on projects. For more information, call (904) 421-8585.

They had worked together on budgeting and saving money and Darion was proud to say that after saving his money he was able to buy the game that he wanted.

"I can't go places with my Dad; he's in South Carolina," Darion said. "I get to do things with Mr. Phillip."

Darion's mother encourages their work together, knowing that having fun and getting an education are important.

Lee involves Darion in family gatherings and introduces him to as many opportunities as possible.

With Lee's encouragement, Darion had the chance to join Dan Hicken and Jeff Prosser on the 1010XL sports radio show, "The Drill." Together, they recorded public radio

spots and presented them to numerous local and national groups.

Between the civics classes and learning to advocate, Darion now has interest in law school. It's a ways off, but he knows that he has to stick with his studies to get where he wants to go.

"I found out recently that there are 45 students at Butler who qualify for a mentor but don't have anyone," Lee said. "There are a number of things that happened to me. Friends, family and my high school football coach made a difference."

He knows firsthand what a difference mentoring can mean, and he is encouraging others to change the lives of children, like Darion, and make that difference.

totaling over \$375 million. Bridget was recognized for 10 years of public service at HHS, where she previously served as a federal project officer, traveling to grantees in 47 states. She and her husband, Rick, and their two-year-old son, Jameson, live in Alexandria, VA, in a historic house that they are restoring.

1998

Todd and Andrea (Ledwon) Covilli welcomed their third child last summer. Dylan Edward is now 1. He is the little brother of Bradley (age 6) and Natalie (age 4).

1999

Angela (Trotter) Solomon and her husband, Scott, welcomed their second son, Andrew James, on March 27, 2015. He joins big brother Jack Richard. The family resides in Lawrence, KS.

2001

Samantha (Bowen) Barranger and her family have relocated to Center Point, IA. Samantha's husband, Brandon, recently accepted a promotion as district manager for Hunt Brothers Pizza in Cedar Rapids. They have two girls: Presley is 3 and Harper is 1.

2002

Two Grads from 2002 Achieving Amazing Success in the Big Apple

Maria (Muich) and John Hollenberg, both DHS grads from the Class of 2002, are happily living in New York City and working at their dream jobs.

After high school Maria wasn't sure what she wanted to do, but during a year at St. Charles Community College, she discovered her passion. She transferred to Mizzou for their T.A.M. (Textile and Apparel Management) program and received a B.A. in 2006.

Maria jump-started her career in fashion through a study abroad internship with Diane von Furstenberg in London, working in their sales division. She was asked to work in their Manhattan office after graduation. This opportunity led to many other positions with several other prominent fashion brands, including Tommy Hilfiger and Oscar de la Renta. She went on to become co-owner of PRIM New York, which was a contemporary women's brand that had a short lifespan of two years. All of Maria's experience formed her for her current role as lead product developer for Jason Wu's New York Atelier at Hugo Boss. This position works specifically on the Boss women's runway division and celebrity clientele.

John graduated from KU with a master's degree in architecture in 2007. He began his career through an internship with well-known French architect Claude Vasconi in his Paris



office. John's internship experience led him to follow his dreams in New York City, where he now works for the world-renowned architecture firm of SOM (Skidmore, Owings & Merrill). SOM is known for their commercial and mixed-use high-rise towers such as Burj Khalifa,

the tallest building in the world, as well as One World Trade Center, Willis Tower, and the John Hancock building. John's experience over the years has been both international and domestic.

He has two projects currently under construction. One is a mixed-use high-rise building in Singapore, called Tanjong Pagar Center, which is slated for completion yet this year. The other project underway is a 70-story tower in Manhattan called the Manhattan West: North Tower. This project will become part of the New York skyline after its completion in 2020.

While at Duchesne, John and Maria were involved in various sports and both loved attending school events. "Those were the days!!," Maria said. "We have very fond memories of our time at Duchesne."

Now Maria and John reside in Manhattan, along with their adorable Yorkie, Lilah Hollenberg. They enjoy traveling and cooking together, along with outdoor activities such as snowboarding and hiking.



2002

Lesley (Wetter) Clark and her husband, Dan, welcomed their first child on March 8, 2016. Carter and his parents are enjoying every moment at their home in St. Charles.

2003

Sara (Burkemper) Chaney married Chris Chaney on October 10, 2015, at St. Peter Catholic Church in St. Charles.

Emily (Moisan) Jaumard and her husband, Nicolas, welcomed their second daughter, Aurore Rose, on January 7, 2015. She joins her older sister, Estelle Marie (4). The family moved to Warsaw, IN, at the end of February 2015.

2004

Nikki (Lawrence) Brown and her husband, Sam, are happy to announce the birth of their first baby, Max Henry, born on March 1, 2015.

Amanda (Latham) Camarillo recently married Vincent Camarillo. They live in Kansas City, MO.

2005

Angie (Weber) Stockel married Matt Stockel in August 2015. She is a physical education teacher at St. Catherine Laboure in South County.

2006

Craig Deken recently graduated from the University of Missouri with his master's in Counseling Psychology. He began his doctoral studies in Counseling Psychology at Ball State University in Muncie, IN, in August 2015.

Paul Leuck married Samantha (Sisskind) Leuck on Saturday, October 24, 2015, in Washington, D.C. Paul recently graduated with his master's degree in International Economics and Middle East Studies from Johns Hopkins University.

Kristen (Smith) Nedev married George Nedev on Saturday, July 11, 2015, in St. Louis. Kristen is currently the executive assistant of Casino Operations at Ameristar Casino in St. Charles.

2007

Brittany (St. John) Dollar married Scott Dollar in September 2014. They live in Chesterfield, and Brittany is working on her master's degree in Health Administration at Webster University.

Chelsea (Huesemann) Patt graduated with her Master of Science in Nursing degree from the University of Missouri—Kansas City in May 2015. She is now a neonatal nurse practitioner at St. Louis Children's Hospital. Chelsea is married to **Brian Patt '06**, and they have a daughter, Shelby, who will be a year in December.

2010

Rachel (Schuler) Eise was married to Daniel Eise in June 2016. She graduated magna cum laude with a double major from Lindenwood University in May 2014. In December 2015, Rachel received her Master of Arts degree in Mass Communication from Lindenwood as well. Rachel currently works as a social media coordinator at Enterprise Holdings in Clayton.

2011

Brittany Jasin graduated from the Maryland Institute College of Art in Baltimore on May 18, 2015, with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree, majoring in General Fine Arts with a concentration in Curatorial Studies. She was accepted to the Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts at Washington University in St. Louis and began attending in August 2015. Check out her artwork at her website: brittanyjasin.com.

2016

J.T. Schwarzbauer's grandfather, Frank Scheetner, shared kudos to J.T. for his induction into the Eagle Scout Court of Honor at St. Sabina Catholic Church on May 23, 2015. 🌿

PIONEER FUND

Duchesne's annual Pioneer Fund was given a boost this past school year, thanks to the Alumni Challenge Matching Grant funded by an anonymous donor. Every new or increased alumni donation was equaled. The result of the challenge did not rise above its \$30,000 cap, but we were able to garner an additional \$22,969 in matching funds that we would not have had without this extra support. God bless that alumnus!

The 2015-2016 Pioneer Fund yielded a total of \$108,747 from all sources – the Alumni Challenge Matching Grant, alumni, faculty and staff, advisory board members, parents, grandparents, and friends. Of that total, a little over one-third came directly from alumni, notwithstanding the challenge. While much appreciated, that \$39,000 represents only 3% of our total alumni from St. Peter/Duchesne High School.

President Chuck Nolan has issued a new challenge for the 2016-2017 school year: to double alumni participation in the Pioneer Fund. Dollar amounts from almost all constituency groups doubled last year, which was wonderful. Now it's time to double the number of people supporting Duchesne. No matter the level, we need your financial support. Imagine what we could do with twice as many contributors! 🌿

FAMILIES HELPING FAMILIES

Duchesne's new Families Helping Families Tuition Assistance Program is a major gift outreach designed to address the major need for tuition assistance. With our tuition of \$9,500 frozen for the 2016-2017 school year, Duchesne's tuition is among the lowest for Catholic high schools in the St. Louis Archdiocese. Still, meeting the challenge of tuition continues to be a hurdle for many.

The Archdiocese's Beyond Sunday campaign is trying to address that. With \$59 million of the \$100 million goal raised, Beyond Sunday is starting to make a real difference. More than 1,100 students are receiving financial assistance to attend Catholic schools during 2016-2017, thanks to the generosity of those who have supported Beyond Sunday.



Three generations of the Burns/Daugherty family support Duchesne: Bob, Julia (with future Pioneer Amelia), David, Judy, and Patrick.

At Duchesne, nearly one-fourth of our families applied for tuition assistance through Beyond Sunday. However, only 16 students were given financial aid through that program. Because the need for tuition assistance is so much greater than the available aid, we at Duchesne have invited alumni and parent families to pay it forward through a program we are calling Families Helping Families. FHF provides tuition assistance directly to current students whose families need some help.

To date, a dozen families have been approached. Half of those have answered our call, pledging between \$1,000 and \$5,000 per year for commitments ranging from one to 10 years. On behalf of our students, their parents, and our faculty and staff, we say Thank You to:

The Burns Family (Bob and Judy Burns, **David Burns** '03, and **Julia (Burns)** '05 and **Patrick Daugherty** '05)
J. Michael '68 and **Carol (Wappelhorst)** '68 **Conoyer**
Duane '78 and Joy **Hercules**
Roger '70 and Lisa **Orf**
The Strunk Family (Tom and Angela, **Allyson** '11, and **Shane** '15)

We also have a mother and daughter who have asked to remain anonymous participating in this effort.

Without the additional monies provided by these generous families, we would be losing students who desperately want to be part of the exceptional education experience that is Duchesne.

Our administration will continue to look for tuition assistance through sources both established and new. Please give prayerful consideration to whether your family could participate in Families Helping Families, and contact President Chuck Nolan or Nancy Kohl in the Office of Advancement if you would like more information. 🌿

A snapshot of Duchesne's financial statement from 60 school years ago

<u>APPROXIMATE EXPENDITURES TO OPERATE DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL</u>	
1956-1957	
Teachers (Sisters)	\$6,000.00
Athletic Coach and Physical Education Teacher	4,000.00
Woman Physical Ed. Teacher	3,000.00
Priest (Administrative Duties and Teacher)	1,000.00
Priest (Board and Lodging)	400.00
Maintenance Men	6,000.00
Fuel Oil and Gas	1,500.00
Light	750.00
Water	250.00
Telephone	75.00
Insurance, Fire and Extended Coverage	1,200.00
Insurance, Boiler	175.00
Insurance, Liability	75.00
Insurance, Workmens' Compensation	100.00
Insurance, Burglary	45.00
Insurance, Bus	90.00
Bus Maintenance	250.00
Band and Glee Club	500.00
Office Supplies	68.00
Stationery, Filing System etc.	35.00
Educational Ass'n and Library Association	20.00
Educational Films	75.00
Teachers Text and Auxiliary Books	50.00
Maps, Charts and Aids	50.00
Tests	50.00
Social Science, Supplementary Material	25.00
Commercial Supplies, Typewriters, Mimeograph	200.00
Janitor Supplies	300.00
Retreat Master	125.00
Physical Ed. Supplies	300.00
	<u>\$26,700.00</u>
The Athletic Program (Basketball, Baseball) will be taken care of by the High School Athletic Association.	
<u>ATTENDANCE 1955 to 1956</u>	
St. Peter	148
St. Charles Borromeo	72
	<u>220</u>
Students from other parishes	72
	<u>292</u>
	x \$50.00 Tuition - \$11,000.00
	x \$60.00 Tuition - 4,320.00
	Total Tuition \$15,320.00
Estimated Expenditures to operate school	\$26,700.00
Deduct Tuition	15,320.00
Deficit	\$11,380.00
292 Students deficit averages \$38.97 per student.	
This average will differ from year to year according to attendance and expenditures.	



In addition to our Families Helping Families tuition assistance, Duchesne students continue to rely on these previously established scholarships. Our school community thanks the various long-time supporters who make these scholarships possible. (More information about each of these scholarships can be found on our web site under Admissions/ Tuition & Financial Aid.)

Alumni Association
Scholarship

Anita Venvertloh Memorial
Art Scholarship

Dr. Henry & Roseann Clever
Scholarship

Frank Kister Family
Foundation Scholarship

Jan Schulteheinrich
Scholarship

Lay Family Foundation
Scholarship

Mary Lou Hannegan
Scholarship

Ron Kjar Service &
Scholarship Award

Scheidegger Challenge
Fund for Tuition Aid

Timothy O. Hill Memorial
Scholarship

Victoria Reid Scholarship

DREAM HOME SWEEPSTAKES MAKES A DIFFERENCE BEYOND DHS



Benny Leonhard, Jill Goeke, Jan Leonhard, and DHS President Chuck Nolan celebrate Jill's grand prize drawing win in Duchesne's Dream Home Sweepstakes. Benny and Jan purchased the ticket on behalf of Jill, whose late husband was Benny's good friend.

To the Duchesne Community,

I think we have all heard the story of the "Greatest Commandment of All." Someone tried to trick Jesus by asking him, "What is the greatest commandment of all?" Jesus simply said, "Love God above all things, and love your neighbor as you love yourself." That simple sentence sums up the entire 10 Commandments.

If you buy a ticket to the Dream Home Sweepstakes, you are supporting a faith-based Christian school, and that is a wonderful thing. And if you buy a ticket in your neighbor's name, aren't you embracing what Jesus said about "loving your neighbor as you love yourself"?

Jan and I have been buying tickets for neighbors who have lost loved ones or are going through severe illnesses for years now. Sure, it hurts to write those \$100 checks for other people's benefit, but when December 31st rolls around, we both realize that it was the most rewarding money we spent all year.

When you buy a Dream Home ticket for someone who is going through a difficult time, you are giving that person two important gifts. Gift #1 is that you let them know they are not facing their situation alone, that you are thinking of them and you care.

Gift #2 is the gift of hope that the ticket may be a winner and might help improve their life a little.

Those two gifts that we give our neighbors are far more important than the money we spend on the tickets. And when Jill Goeke won the 2016 grand prize on the ticket we had bought for her, well, that made memories Jan and I will never forget.

So here's hoping that next year, more people in the Duchesne community will seek out someone who is having troubles and buy a Dream Home ticket in that person's name. Maybe you can do it for several people. If you do, you won't regret it. That "loving your neighbor" thing is a very rewarding experience.

Editor's Note: Benny '71 and Jan (Meyer) Leonhard '76 are consistently among our top Dream Home Sweepstakes ticket sellers each year. In just the last five years, they were directly involved in the purchase of over 140 tickets. Included in that are the double digit numbers of tickets Benny and Jan buy on behalf of friends and relatives every year. We thank them for their efforts and energy in support of their alma mater. We thank them for sharing their heart and compassion with so many people who needed to feel loved through the years. Additional thanks go out to Benny for penning the inspirational words above. 🌸

ALUMNI AND FACULTY HONORED AT COR DUCHESNE DINNER



2016 Cor Duchesne speakers and award winners: Ken "Boogie" Borgmeyer '50, Robbie Lawson '13, Donna (Luetkenhaus) Owen '85, Mike Boschert '80, and Joe Lampe '08

The Cor Duchesne dinner is held each winter to celebrate Duchesne's educational mission and to thank donors who have made significant financial contributions to the school throughout the years. In addition to an update on Duchesne's achievements in academics, athletics and the arts, the event features special award presentations, inspiring and entertaining speeches, and lots of good laughs and good will.

Cor Duchesne 2016 was held at Bogey Hills Country Club on January 30. Before dinner, Mass was celebrated by Fr. John-Paul Hopping, a dear family friend of Spirit of Duchesne honoree **Donna (Luetkenhaus) Owen '85**. Donna has a dynamic and rewarding career as both a math and music teacher. She and Greg '80 have four children, all of whom have, are, or will be attending Duchesne. **Ken "Boogie" Borgmeyer '50** was also recognized with a Spirit of Duchesne Alumni Achievement Award. Boogie has been a fixture at DHS football and basketball games for over 50 years, dedicating uncountable hours to our student athletes and Duchesne community. Boogie and his late wife, Anna Mae, had three children graduate from Duchesne.

Joe Lampe '08 was the recipient of this year's Teacher Excellence Award. Joe's "Genius Hour" project for the sophomore World History classes was inspired

by a program Google has in place for their employees. Genius Hour is an independent study program which challenges student teams to invest in a complex social sciences problem of their particular interest, using research, critical thinking, and creativity to propose a solution.

Mike Boschert '80 was presented with the St. Rose Philippine Duchesne Service Award in appreciation for his volunteerism as both an alum and parent. Mike's many activities at and for Duchesne include organizing the annual 7th and 8th grade basketball tournament, playing trumpet at games and for our musical productions, consistently being a top Dream Home Sweepstakes ticket seller, and much more. Mike and **Julie (Luetkenhaus) '80** have seven daughters: one a DHS senior, five DHS graduates, and one a member of the DHS Class of 2023.

Also featured at the dinner was Robbie Lawson '13, a Kenrick-Glennon Seminary student who provided Reflections from a Young Alumnus. While at Duchesne, Robbie was a member of many clubs, groups and activities involving science, the arts, and campus ministry, for which he was a leader of the Radiate prayer group. 🌿

Alumni are invited to submit nominations for our 2017 Spirit of Duchesne Alumni Achievement Award online under the Alumni tab on our web site (duchesne-hs.org). The deadline for submissions is November 23, 2016. For more information, please contact Kris Nienhaus at 636.946.2603 or knienhaus@duchesne-hs.org.

A gift to Duchesne High School in memory of a loved one or in honor of a birthday, anniversary, retirement, or other notable achievement is a unique and special way to celebrate a life well lived. With each gift, the honorees or their surviving family members receive an acknowledgement card (the amount is not mentioned unless requested). Those for whom we receive memorial and tribute gifts are also remembered in the prayers of the Duchesne community at school Masses.

If you would like to honor or memorialize someone with a tax-deductible gift to Duchesne High School, simply contact the DHS Office of Advancement at 2550 Elm Street, St. Charles, MO 63301 or 636-946-2603.

Below are the memorial and tribute gifts received since the last listing of gifts in the Duchesne Leaves.

In Memory of Norbert C. Borgmeyer

Mr. and Mrs. David Romeo

In Memory of Joe Boschert

Mr. and Mrs. Jim R. Friedel

In Memory of Virginia Boschert

Mr. and Mrs. Rhys M. Boschert

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Piper

Mr. and Mrs. Rick Roy

In Memory of Thomas Bredensteiner

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn F. Barteau

Mr. Norbert A. Bornhop

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Mr. and Mrs. Alan P. Walters

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas N.

Wapelhorst

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Whiteside

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Willbrand Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Witte

In Memory of Cindy Brooks

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kohl

In Memory of Sr. Betty Brucker

Mr. and Mrs. Pogo McKay

In Memory of Suzanne Carroll

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Graveman

In Memory of Virginia Debrecht

Miss Marcella Boerding

Miss Mildred Boerding

In Memory of Marcia Dennigmann

Mr. and Mrs. William Kaufmann

In Memory of Dr. James Felder

Mrs. Marlene Moore

In Memory of Orielda Kuester Fetsch

St. Peter High School Class
of 1948

In Memory of Harold Fischer

Mr. and Mrs. Jim R. Friedel

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In Memory of Virginia Griesenauer

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 James Wilmes '47
 John '58 and Brenda (Wetter) '60 Witte
 Steve '61 and Mary Catherine Witte
 John and Kris (Birk) '83 Witzel
 Dolores Woodward
 Gregg '52 and Janet Zeisler
 James '53 and JoAnn (Heinsz) '57 Zeisler
 Thomas '58 and Barbara (Keithly) '59 Zeisler
 John '59 and Karen (Wilke) '59 Zerr
 Glennis Ziegler
 James '59 and Karen Zoll

REVENUE & EXPENSES

REVENUE

Tuition and Student Fees	\$2,821,642
Archdiocesan Grants	348,700
Other Grants	740
Investment Income	(11,375)
Other Revenue	20,183
Fees and Services	81,717
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	68,341
Endowment Related	(52)
Contributions	522,752
Total Revenues	\$3,852,648

EXPENSES

Personnel Cost	\$2,845,983
Supplies and Equipment	221,612
Insurance	69,383
Fees and Services	160,857
Other Expenses	22,295
Depreciation	258,977
Assessments	164,540
Facility Costs	190,210
Total Operating Expenses	\$3,933,857

Condensed financial statement for year ending June 30, 2016, as supplied by the Archdiocese of Saint Louis, unaudited.

PLANNED GIVING

Debrecht Family Charitable Remainder Trust

FUNDING FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS

All-Student Fitness Center

Anonymous (2 donors)
 Archdiocese of Saint Louis
 Jay and Kelli (Cronk) '86 Bergman
 Ben and Wendy Birgen
 Jack '97 and Anita (Maskey) '97 Borgmeyer
 D.J. and Eydie Breyer
 Kenneth '83 and Susan (Fleming) '83 Choinka
 Tom '84 and Sheri Clark
 Class of 1980
 Russell '87 and Julie Clever
 Kurt and Beth Clodius
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 Chris and Jenni DeGuentz
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 In Loving Memory of Peggy (Pedrucci) Dempsey '63
 Tom and Molly Dempsey
 John '80 and Rose Dougherty
 Duchesne Athletic Boosters
 Daniel '98 and Katie Emrick
 John and Julie (Thro) '84 Fitts
 Terry '68 and Jo Ann (Lammert) '72 Gravemann
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 Zach '07 and Emily (Wandersee) '07 Plackemeier
 Michael and Molly (O'Brien) '76 Reilly
 David '77 and Candy (Suchman) '78 Romeo
 Matthew and Kathy (Plackemeier) '88 Schmidt
 Donald and Marlene (Schultehenrich) '56 Schneider
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 Paul and Juliette Travous
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 Patrick and Kathie Turner
 Pat '03 and Debi (Westhues) '96 Turner
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Robotics/STEM Lab

Anonymous
 Ben and Wendy Birgen
 Donald and Tricia Bouton
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 RJ and Traci Grisoff
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 Will and Shannon (Miller) '88 Killeen
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 Fritz and Paula Long
 Vince and Kathy Michalak
 Michael and Sandy Mohrmann
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 Charles and Donna Nolan
 David '77 and Roseann (Clever) '75 Ogden
 Pat and Peggy (Suellentrop) '83 Oleson
 John '81 and Mary (Walsh) '83 Orf
 Michael and Molly (O'Brien) '76 Reilly
 Ted and Theresa (Lynch) '78 Ruzicka
 Matthew and Kathy (Plackemeier) '88 Schmidt
 Scott '85 and Noreen Schneider
 Kurt '93 and Katie (O'Brien) '94 Schneider
 Scott and Melissa Shockley
 Bronson Smith
 Paul and Juliette Travous
 Bryan and Jill (Plackemeier) '83 Tune
 Al and Nancy Vigland
 Paul '78 and Carla Wappelhorst

Don '77 and Ann Wappelhorst
John and Kristine (Birk) '83 Witzel
John '59 and Karen (Wilke) '59 Zerr

Senior Courtyard

Class of 2015

Richard '65 and Donna Buehrle
Ronald '65 and Deronnda Griesenauer
Harry and JoAnn (Roesslein) '65 Houser
Terrence and Carolyn (Menze) '65 Kelly
Lawrence '65 and Nancy (Carbrey) '65 Kuberski

Harold and Deborah (Tintera) '65 McCampbell
C. Robert '65 and Annette Nacke
Sharon (Shipley) Pearia '65
Robert and Jean (Goellner) '65 Reust
Elaine (Zerr) Richardson '65
Judy (Cotner) Riley '65
Richard Rothermich '65
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James '61 and Kathleen (Krull) '65 Schneider
William Voigt '65
Kathleen Williams '65 and Dan Shea

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Patrick '05 and Julia (Burns) '05 Daugherty
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(Matching Gifts received between 7/1/15 and 6/30/16)

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Bill and Kathie Davis
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John Fink
Jim '80 and Judy (Eckelkamp) '80 Friedel
John Goldbeck
Thomas '57 and Barbara (Slattery) '58 Goodnick
Ronald Grahn
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Ernest and Christine Henderson
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Richard Kaemmerer
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Kenneth '56 and Constance Kapeller
Charles and Martha Korba
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Mike and Patty Mecklenburg
Robert '47 and Evelyn Mertens
Vince and Kathy Michalak
John and Norma Miller
Benjamin Moore
David '77 and Roseann (Clever) '75 Ogden
Pat and Peggy (Suellentrop) '83 Oleson
Steve and Carol Pappas
Matt Pate
Linda Pendel
Robert Peniston
George and Kathy Phillips
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Robert Pollman
Jeff Purvis
David '85 and Alison Raymo
Frank and Madonna Ringwald
Daniel '04 and Amelia Saettele
John Saparito

Scott '85 and Noreen Schneider
 Mark and Susan (McCoy) '78 Schneider
 Charles and Patricia Schroeder
 James and Kim Setzekorn
 Mark Shirley
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 Dan '76 and Dawn (Burkemper) '77 Plackemeier
 Paul '78 and Carla Wappelhorst
 John '59 and Karen (Wilke) '59 Zerr

THE PASSING OF A LEGEND – MR. RON KJAR, DUCHESNE FACULTY MEMBER 1964-2007



Ron Kjar came to St. Charles in 1964, intending to pass through on his way to Chicago. When letting his dog out of the car, it ran into Duchesne High School and cornered the principal of the school. Fr. John

Hickel and Ron got into a discussion that led to him accepting a position as a teacher at Duchesne, where he taught American History, Political Science, Economics, and Western Civilization for college credit until his retirement in 2007. Mr. Kjar passed away on August 26, 2016.

Despite being a memorable teacher for five decades, Ron was best known for starting and moderating the Duchesne Key Club, a service organization affiliated with Kiwanis. During his long leadership of the group, Ron helped guide over 1,000 high school "Key Clubbers," inspiring them as to the importance of serving others. Due to his influence, the Duchesne Key Club has regularly been recognized as one of the top Key Clubs in the country. Ron was awarded the Key of Honor (the highest recognition possible for a club leader) in 1995. Ron also served as golf coach at Duchesne, where the team won three state championships during his tenure.

A memorial Mass and reception was held at Duchesne on September 8, 2016. More than 200 former students, colleagues, friends and community members celebrated Ron's unique personality and the contributions he made to so many students' success.

An anonymous donor would like our Duchesne community to raise \$100,000 to honor Ron and benefit the Ron Kjar Service & Scholarship Award, which was founded by Dr. Tom Schneider '80 about 20 years ago. With tuition assistance being our greatest need, increasing our funds for the Ron Kjar scholarship will enhance our ability to help more students at a higher level, and assure that we can continue to honor Mr. Kjar's memory with this scholarship well into the future.

The anonymous donor has challenged our Duchesne community to raise \$90,000; they will donate the remaining \$10,000 once that \$90,000 is met. All donations made as a memoriam to Ron Kjar will go toward this donor-initiated memoriam challenge. Thank you. 🌿



RON KJAR SERVICE & SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

In loving memory of Mr. Rolland "Ron" Kjar, Esteemed Duchesne High School Faculty Member 1964-2007

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On behalf of Duchesne's students, we express our most sincere gratitude for your generosity.

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Received with Gratitude

Last fall, Duchesne was the beneficiary of a \$205,000 planned gift from the Debrecht Family Charitable Remainder Unitrust, established by the late **Glennon (Fritz) Debrecht** '45 over 20 years ago. This wonderful gift is a prime example of how planned giving can make a difference to an organization that has made a difference in the life of a family.

Fritz and his sisters, **Sr. Rose Duchesne Debrecht** '40, **Virginia (Jean) Debrecht** '42, and **Mildred (Debrecht) Ochs**, attended Duchesne's predecessor, St. Peter High School. He and his wife, Rosemary, (pictured at left with daughter Joan Gallagher and Fritz Long, Nancy Kohl, and Chuck Nolan of DHS) sent all six of their children to Duchesne: **Dennis** '72, **Steve** '74, **Julie McKinney** '77, **Rob** '81, **Joan Gallagher** '83, and **Amy** '91. Mr. and Mrs. Debrecht also had four grandchildren graduate from Duchesne: **Carolyn** '05 and **Ryan** '08 **McKinney**, and **Darin** '07 and **Darrell** '08 **Debrecht**, as well as their nephew **Brian Ochs** '69 and niece **DJ (Ochs) Westling** '72.



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YOUR GOAL

Make a gift to the Roman Catholic Foundation, benefiting your favorite school, parish, or ministry's future, that costs you nothing now.

Avoid capital gains liability and take an income tax deduction.

Leave more of your estate to your heirs.

Continue to receive benefits back from the assets you give to the Roman Catholic Foundation, benefiting your favorite school, parish, or ministry — and thus make a larger gift.

Reduce high tax liability now; gain additional income later.

Create a long-term gift that won't draw funds from your estate.

Reduce gift and estate taxes and leave more of your assets to your heirs.

Tap one of the most valuable assets in your portfolio to make a gift to the Roman Catholic Foundation, benefiting your favorite school, parish, or ministry.

YOUR STRATEGY

Include a gift from your will or trust (cash, specific property, or a share of the estate).

Use appreciated securities instead of cash to make your gift.

Name the Roman Catholic Foundation, benefiting your favorite school, parish, or ministry, as beneficiary of your retirement plan, and leave less-taxed assets to family.

Create a life-income plan like a charitable gift annuity or a charitable remainder annuity trust or charitable remainder unitrust.

Establish a deferred gift annuity.

Create a new life insurance policy, or donate a paid-up policy of coverage you no longer need.

Create a charitable lead trust to pay income to the Roman Catholic Foundation, benefiting your favorite school, parish, or ministry, for a fixed time, then pay the remainder to your heirs.

Use real estate to make your gift to the Roman Catholic Foundation, benefiting your school, parish, or ministry.

YOUR BENEFITS

A great way to help your favorite school, parish, or ministry build financial strength and provide resources that maintain its traditions.

Buy low and give high — while avoiding capital gains tax.

Eliminate income tax on retirement plan assets, and free up other property to pass to your heirs.

Receive income for your lifetime, receive a charitable deduction, and diversify your holdings.

Receive a larger deduction and a higher income rate than an immediate payment annuity.

Increase your ability to make a significant gift to your favorite school, parish, or ministry through a life insurance policy to the Roman Catholic Foundation.

Reduce gift and estate taxes, and freeze the taxable value of growing assets before they pass to your family.

Avoid capital gains tax, receive an income tax deduction — and have the option of a gift that doesn't affect your lifestyle.



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