



DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL  
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# PIONEER PRESS NEWSLETTER

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## THANK YOU PIONEER NATION!

Over \$340,000 raised through #iGiveCatholic



Staff and students wait with anticipation at the end of the 12 hour #iGiveCatholic stream-a-thon as President Paul Boschert '77 announces that Duchesne met and surpassed its Giving Tuesday goal for the 3rd year in a row. (PAGE 5)

## UPCOMING SCHOOL DATES

### December 17

All-School Mass  
Reading Day

### December 18-20

Final Exams

### December 23-January 3

Christmas Break



### January 6

First Day of Second Semester  
Half Day

### January 7

First Full Day of Classes

# From the Assistant Principal of Student Life



**Debi Turner '96**  
**Assistant Principal of**  
**Student Life**

Dear Duchesne Community,

As the calendar year comes to a close, I am filled with gratitude and pride reflecting on all

2024 has brought to Duchesne High School. It has been a truly momentous year, filled with accomplishments that showcase the spirit, talent, and heart of our students and community.

This year, we celebrated Duchesne's 100th anniversary, honoring a century of faith, tradition, and excellence. Alongside this milestone, our students achieved incredible success across many areas. Our Girls Golf, Boys Baseball, and Roller Hockey teams each brought home state championships, demonstrating their dedication and teamwork. Many of our individual athletes also competed at the state level, representing Duchesne

with pride and determination. In academics, Ailsa Ide earned the prestigious honor of being named a National Merit Scholar Semi-Finalist, a reflection of her hard work and the strength of our academic programs. Additionally, our community came together during the #iGiveCatholic Campaign to break a record in fundraising, ensuring that Duchesne's mission will continue to thrive for generations to come.

As I look back on these accomplishments, I am reminded of why Duchesne holds such a special place in my heart. These students are more than athletes, scholars, and performers—they are like family to me.

I love them as if they were my own, and it is an honor to walk beside them on their journeys. They inspire me with their resilience, kindness, and drive, and I am so proud to be part of their lives.

As we turn the page to 2025, I pray for health, joy, and success for all of you. Thank you for your unwavering support of Duchesne High School. Together, we are building a future as meaningful and impactful as our past.

Wishing you and your loved ones a joyful holiday season and a prosperous new year!

## NEW NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERS INDUCTED

The newest members of the National Honor Society were inducted on November 21. Congratulations to the following students!

Brendan Donovan  
Tori Edler  
Luke Fink  
Sammy Gold  
Drew Heischmidt  
Molly Hoffmann  
Alex Hopf  
Natalie Hubert  
Brooke Kammerer  
Will Kielhofner  
Reilly McCormack  
Jackson Nikodym  
Hannah Rimmey  
Caleb Schneider  
Mike Shaw  
Gabi Ulrich



*Photo by Carson Kuhn '25*



# Learning the importance of online safety

On November 11, marathon runner and online-safety speaker Ben Tracy gave an engaging talk to Duchesne students. Topics ranged from being aware of online predators to cyberbullying and included many examples from Tracy's own life.

The talk is a part of the Tracy Trek program, a 120-day run across the country. Less than 400 people have completed a coast-to-coast run. Through this and his talks, Ben hopes to raise awareness among students, parents, and lawmakers about the dangers that social media poses and possible solutions.

The event stems from Duchesne's current strategic planning process, specifically in the Student Life domain. Assistant Principal of Student Life Debi Turner is responsible for this particular goal, which is to evaluate student needs regarding mental health and life balance. With social media being the source of so many instances of mental illness among teens, Mrs. Turner thought Tracy's program would be perfect for Duchesne.

"Almost every disciplinary issue we see in the school stems from social media in some way, shape, or form," she said. "Every single one of them. It is everywhere, and it's not going away, so we need to be responsible and give our students the knowledge they need to be safe and smart."



Online-safety speaker Ben Tracy travels the country informing students on how to navigate the dangers of social media.

Tracy recounted his own story of how an old Tweet containing an insensitive joke cost him an important job in the administration of the Illinois Governor's Office.

"[It] was eye-opening," said senior Hunter Dodson. "He made me realize how dangerous social media can be and how important it is to think before posting."

Tracy gave a special presentation designed just for parents that evening.

"We had 88 people come to the parent portion of the presentation," said Mrs. Turner. "We opened it to our feeder schools, their families, and their faculty. We actually had families from Lutheran St. Charles, St. Dominic, and the St. Charles public schools attend, too."

Tracy's story impacted both students and parents alike, and it's clear to Mrs. Turner there is a real need for more talks like this.

"We have only scratched the surface of how to protect our community, but we are making a pledge to continue this effort!" she said.



# Navigating the college application process

## A Capstone Project helps provide guidance for Duchesne seniors

A student's Capstone Project allowed Duchesne seniors to learn more about the college application process and the confidence they need to make one of the most significant decisions of their lives.

Senior Faith Dunn's College Application Day was held on November 12 in the Performing Arts Center, where advisors from colleges met with over 25 seniors to answer questions.

"My inspiration for my Capstone Project was how little knowledge my friends and I had about the college application process," said Faith. "Thinking about that, I figured I could maybe do some type of project that revolved around college readiness and confidence, especially in seniors stressed out and anxious about applying."

Colleges in attendance included Missouri S&T, McKendree College, Maryville University, St. Charles Community College, and more.

"Faith wanted to do something related to college planning for her senior class," said



Senior Declan Fuchs meets with an advisor from McKendree University.

Brittany Grass '08, college and career counselor and Faith's mentor on the project. "She was a joy to work with and created an event that I hope to utilize with future classes."

Faith hopes the experience gave her fellow students more certainty as they embark on this new chapter of their lives.

"They might have learned

how to do something they didn't know before or gain useful knowledge on a new thing they can walk away with and use again," she said.

## Duchesne welcomes new Director of Annual Giving



Duchesne High School is excited to welcome Jennifer (Gravemann) Krupich as the new Director of Annual Giving. The Director of Annual Giving is responsible for strategic planning, donor engagement, event management, and managing fundraising campaigns.

Krupich is a 1999 graduate of Duchesne. After high school, she attended Truman State University, where she received a Bachelor of Science in Accounting and a

Master of Accountancy. She spent 20 years at Kiefer Bonfanti & Co. LLP as a certified public accountant, starting as an associate and eventually becoming a partner.

"I am looking forward to using my skills in a more rewarding way at Duchesne," she said. "As an alum and current parent, I am enthusiastic about Duchesne's mission, and I am excited to help work on all the projects

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# WE DID IT!

Over \$340,000 raised through #iGiveCatholic

At 8pm on December 3, Duchesne President Paul Boschert '77, members of the Advancement Team, and students fired off streamers amid shouts of joy and gratitude as the school met and exceeded this year's goal of \$300,000 for its 3rd annual #iGiveCatholic Giving Tuesday campaign.

The 12-hour stream-a-thon celebrated all things Duchesne, with programming that included interviews with faculty, students, and alumni.

"To be a part of #iGive-



Catholic was such a blessing!" said Duchesne junior Eve McGowan. "Being a part of witnessing everyone working together in our community and seeing the money we were able to raise makes me eager for Duchesne's future, and I love seeing our Pioneer Nation grow."

As of December 12, donations have exceeded \$340,000, making Duchesne #1 in the state and #7 nationally among the 2000+ Catholic organizations participating in #iGiveCatholic 2025. Duchesne was awarded both \$1,000 grand prizes for Most Dollars Raised and Most Unique Donors.

"We are deeply grateful for this amazing show of support and belief in our mission of shaping leaders in mind, body, and spirit," said Director of Advancement Becky Williamson. "Every donation, no matter the size, is a step toward shaping the future of our school community."

The contributions will support capital improvements such as an upgrade to the school's varsity and PE locker rooms, educational enrichment, and the endowment fund.

## A Thank You from the President



**Paul Boschert '77**  
**President**

Pioneer Nation,

Thank you to all Duchesne Families, Alumni, Friends, and Community for your outpouring support for #iGiveCatholic. We exceeded our \$300,000 goal by eclipsing \$340,000 this past week and truly appreciate your generosity. Your gift will benefit Duchesne High School for years to come with Educational Enrichment, our newly created Endowment, and renovated locker rooms. For the 3rd consecutive year Duchesne finished 1st in the state and in the top seven nationally this Giving Season.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Paul Boschert '77  
President  
Duchesne High School

## Duchesne Welcomes New Director of Annual Giving (cont.)

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and events with the current administration, staff, and students.”

“We’re thrilled to welcome Jennifer Krupich back to Duchesne as our new Director of Annual Giving,” said Duchesne Director of Advancement Becky Williamson. “As an alum, Jen understands the spirit and mission of Duchesne in a truly unique way. We look forward to her passion for our school, commitment to our community, and vision for ensuring that

Duchesne continues to thrive for generations to come.”

Krupich will lead the planning of the Pioneer Expedition Gala, Dream Raffle, the Duchesne Alumni, Family, and Friends Golf Tournament and manage the Pioneer Fund.

In her free time, Krupich enjoys cheering on her daughters at school sporting events, golf, or taking on the challenge of a good jigsaw puzzle.



## Student Spotlight

Congratulations to our 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal Essay Winners Chris Hernandez '26 and Mia Young '26!

# 2025 Pioneer Expedition Gala

The 2025 Pioneer Expedition Gala will be held on Saturday, February 1, 2025, at Ameristar Casino at 6pm. Tickets are now available by scanning the QR code below. You may also register by mailing a check made out to Duchesne HS at 2550 Elm St, Saint Charles, MO 63301. Early bird ticket pricing is open through Friday, January 3, 2025, at \$150 per person, with 10 people per table. Tickets purchased after January 3 are \$175 per person.

Our 47th annual Gala will feature legendary St. Louis cover band Trixie Delight for entertainment after the live auction! You do not want to miss this AMAZING event!

Specially discounted Ameristar hotel rooms for the evening of the Gala are \$249 each if reserved by 8:00am on Wednesday, January 1, 2025. Hotel reservations can be made by calling 1-855-888-7273 and men-

tioning Duchesne High School Gala or code DHSB25C.

We are still looking for sponsors and live and silent auction items. If you would like to donate, please visit [one.bidpal.net/pioneer](https://one.bidpal.net/pioneer) and fill out a donation form or contact Jen Krupich at 636.757.6910 or [jkrupich@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:jkrupich@duchesne-hs.org).

**Duchesne High School**  
**PIONEER EXPEDITION GALA**  
Saturday, February 1, 2025

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## Frequently Asked Questions

Information for  
Eligible Schools



### WHAT SHOULD SCHOOLS DO NEXT?

#### Review Your Enrollment

Review current academic year enrollment *for qualifying students*.

- Elementary schools: focus on income-eligible kindergarten and 1st grade classes and transfer students -or- qualifying special needs students (IEP/ISP).
- High Schools: focus on income eligible transfers from public schools (9-12) -or- special needs students (IEP/ISP).

#### Develop Guidance for Tuition Payment

Scholarship funds from this program are directly administered to *families*. Schools should consider developing guidance for families as it pertains to accepting MOScholars scholarship payment to cover tuition/registration fees.

More information for schools can be found on treasure's website:  
[treasurer.mo.gov/MOScholars/Schools](https://treasurer.mo.gov/MOScholars/Schools)

#### Direct Families to TTEF

Direct families to visit [ttef-stl.org](https://ttef-stl.org) for more information, or email [MO-TTEF@archstl.org](mailto:MO-TTEF@archstl.org).



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### What is MOScholars?

\$6,375 renewable scholarships for eligible K-12 students.

### Who is eligible for MOScholars?

All Missouri residents.

- Students with an established IEP or ISP **-OR-**
- Income eligible **and**  
Transferring from a public/charter school **-or-**  
Entering Kindergarten or first grade.

### How do students apply?

- TTEF offers a prescreening application available at [ttef-stl.org/moscholars](https://ttef-stl.org/moscholars). When a student "qualifies" they are automatically directed to the online application administered by FACTS.
- Upon approval from FACTS, TTEF will inform the families and school of choice of their award.
- Families may begin applying for the 2025 – 2026 academic year as of February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

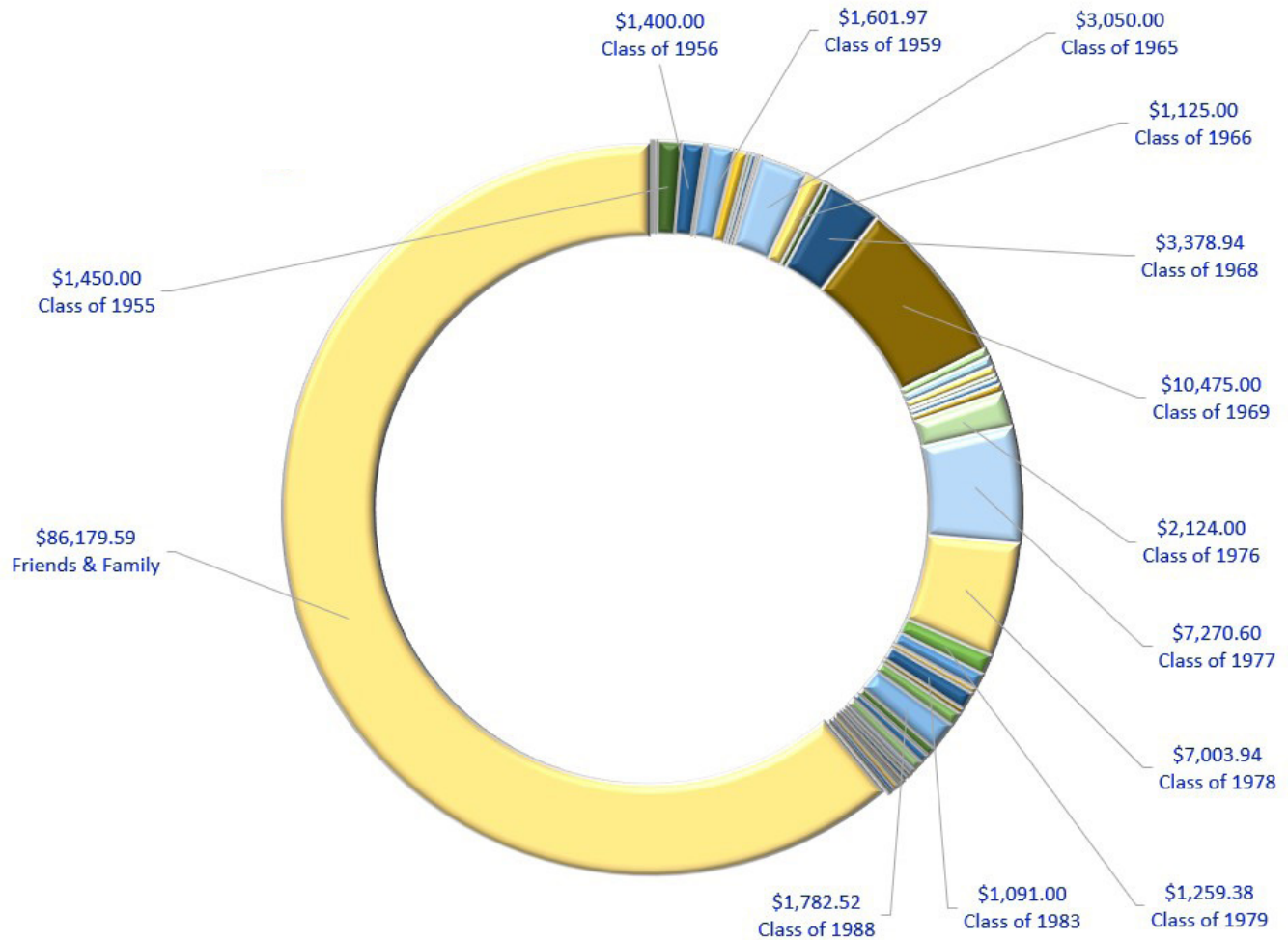
### How will my school be paid?

- MOScholars is awarded via ClassWallet to the student for approved educational expenses.
- TTEF encourages families to pay school tuition and fees with MOScholars awards.
- Schools will create a ClassWallet account to receive direct payments for tuition from MOScholars families.

### Should families continue to apply for other TTEF scholarships?

- Yes. Families should continue to apply for all TTEF's scholarships (both new and renewal).
- Should TTEF award a student and the same student earns a MOScholars award, TTEF will remove the TTEF scholarship.
- Siblings of MOScholars may continue on a TTEF award.

# Pioneer Class Challenge



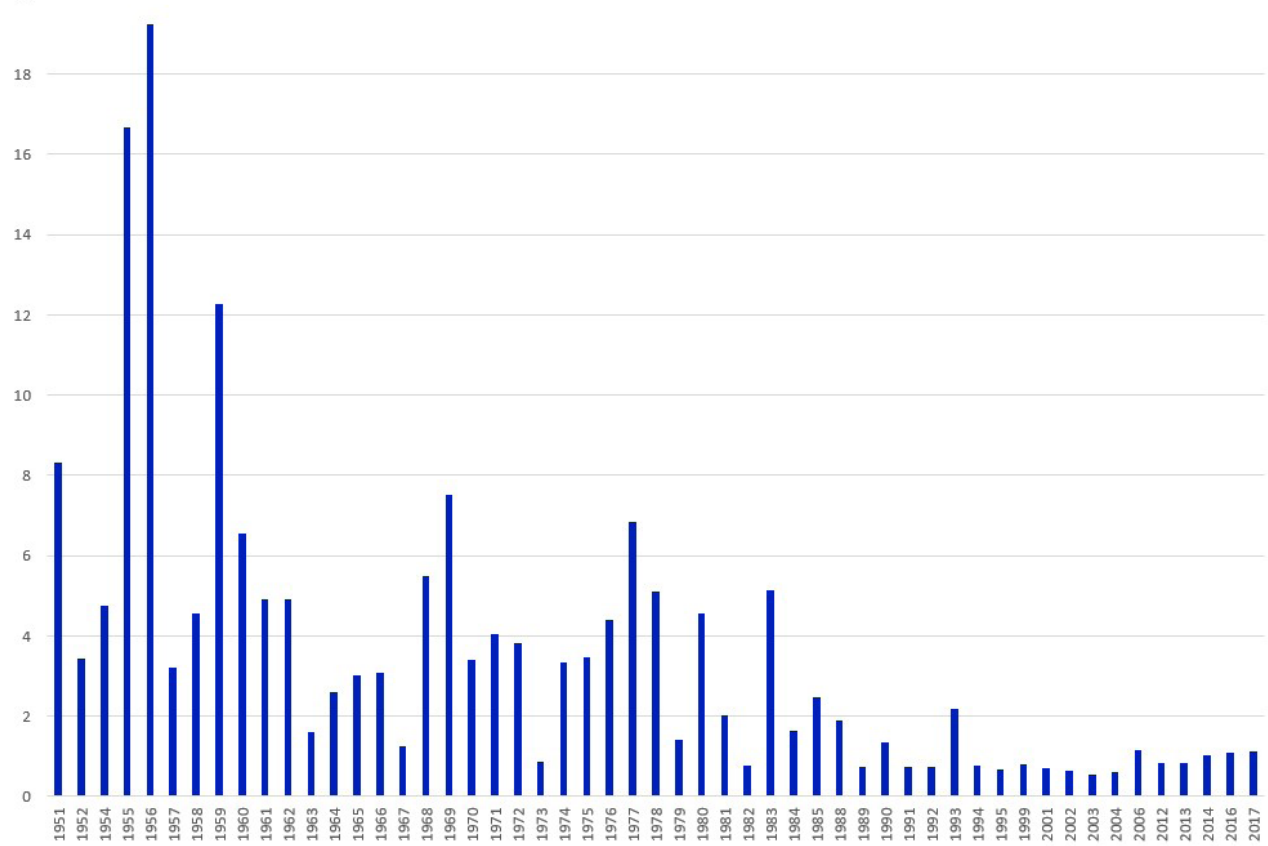
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1957	\$100.00	1972	\$500.00	1990	\$529.00	2004	\$103.94
1958	\$151.97	1973	\$259.38	1991	\$500.00	2006	\$350.00
1960	\$825.00	1974	\$428.94	1992	\$50.00	2012	\$38.50
1961	\$275.00	1975	\$478.94	1993	\$659.20	2013	\$312.72
1962	\$300.00	1980	\$964.95	1994	\$295.88	2014	\$50.00
1963	\$100.00	1981	\$328.94	1995	\$50.00	2016	\$50.00
1964	\$125.00	1982	\$51.97	1999	\$250.00	2017	\$50.00

These totals are of gifts received as of 12.6.2024.

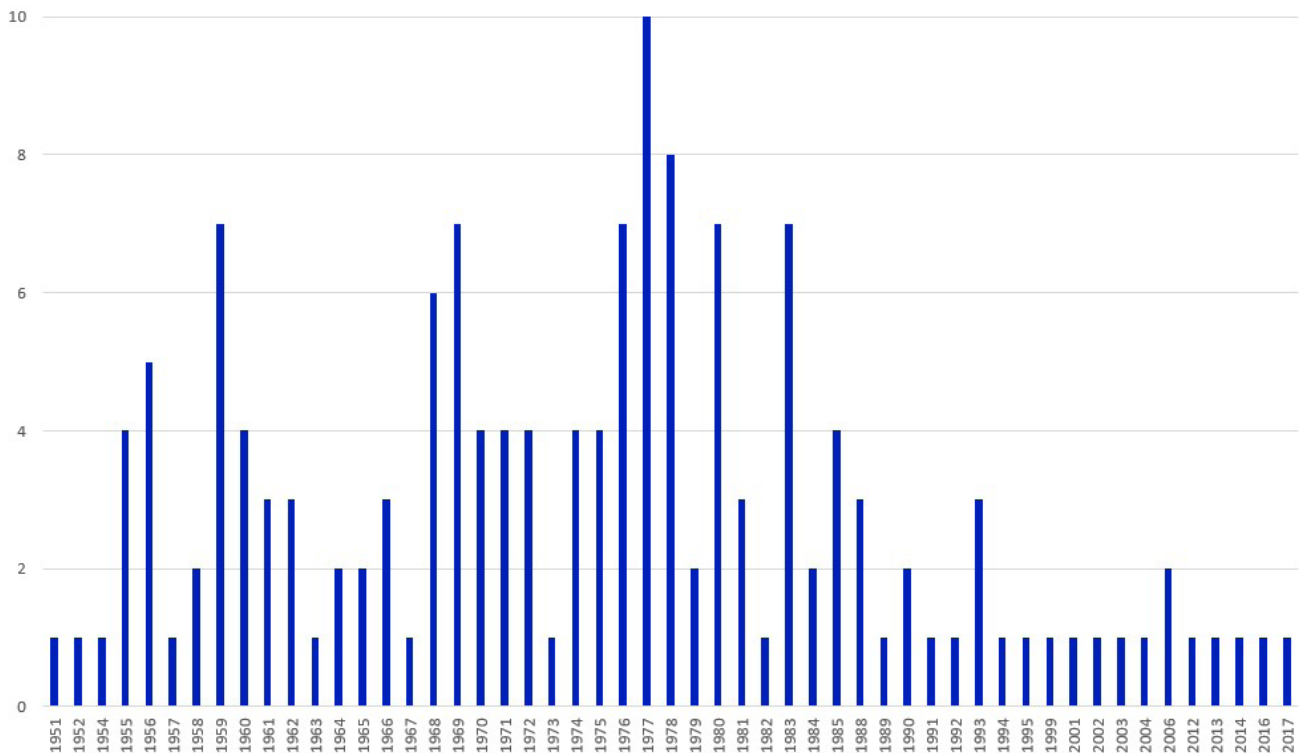
\$141,230.92 raised so far!



PERCENTAGE OF LIVING CLASSMATES WHO HAVE DONATED TO PIONEER FUND TO DATE



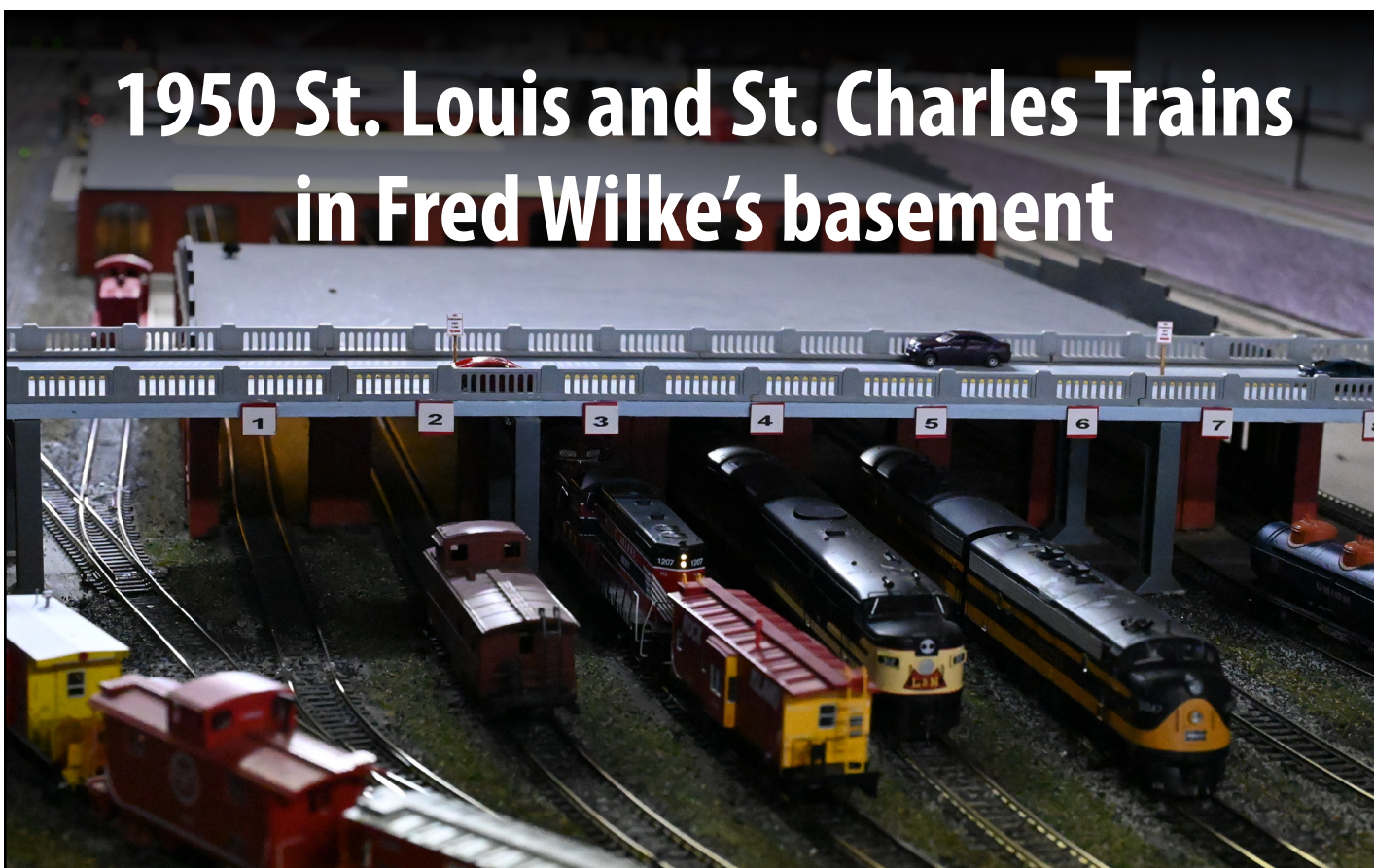
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# LEAVES

ALUMNI FEATURES AND UPDATES

## 1950 St. Louis and St. Charles Trains in Fred Wilke's basement



**By Fred Wilke '66**

Model trains arrived under my Christmas tree in 1948 and they have been my hobby for 77 years. I had a lapse while attending Duchesne and College in the 60s, but started new in the early 70s. While attending an Army

Logistics class at Fort Lee Virginia, I lived with my new wife in a basement with no TV, radio, phone, or activity. My wife had one record that played Camelot over and over. I abandoned the music and found a hobby shop buying an engine and some cars.

Returning to St. Louis, my duty station was in the Federal Building in downtown St. Louis overlooking the train yard. The

idea of building a Union Station and the yards around them got stronger every day. The train shed would be the centerpiece and I hoped to reach St. Charles as the railroad expanded over the last 20 years. I selected 1950 as era since I could run Steam and Diesel engines. The fact that in 1950, Union Station had over 100 passenger trains departing each day, further determined the era I would model.

The railroad expanded to the present size of 30 by 50 feet. I have added many St. Louis building but also created the towns of Ferguson, Webster, Kirkwood, Pacific, St. Charles, Wentzville, and Kansas City. Finding the historical use of building in each town adds to the enjoyment and accuracy. I especially enjoyed building St. Charles. I have the old St. Charles Rock Road bridge

which leads you past ACF. As you go up the Missouri river along the KATY trail (previously KATY Railroad), you see 1 st , 2 nd , and 3 rd Street buildings. High on the bluff is the county seat and some of the old St. Charles houses.

Yearly, we have an open house on the first Sunday of December. The theme is the Polar Express and one of the trains is the Polar Express. Many of the 100 engines, passenger cars, and freight cars catch your eye. Hot chocolate and cookies are served in the dining car and the movie plays on the big screen TV. My wife Marilyn decorates 15 trees and every inch of the house. Adults are children again and children laugh and play.





St. Louis Union Station as it appeared in 1950 (above) Fred Wilke with wife, Marilyn (bottom, left) Trains making their way to and from downtown St. Louis.





# Scholarship Winners

Our **2024-2025 Timothy O. Hill Memorial Scholarship** winner had the opportunity to meet with members of the Hill family last month. From left: President Paul Boschert '77, Bill Hill '77, Dale Hill, Ava Smith '28, and Ava's mom, Alanna Hardwick. Ava was selected as this year's awardee due to her history of service and dedication to others, which are reflective of the late Tim Hill '84.



Representatives of the **Mel Plackemeier/DAB Memorial Scholarship** met this year's two senior winners recently. From left: President Paul Boschert '77; Mike, Angie, and Katie '25 Stockhausen; Duchesne Athletic Booster President Jason Boschert '98; Kathy (Plackemeier) Schmidt '88 and Jill (Plackemeier) Tune '83; and Taylor '25 and Joe Potter. Named in memory of active DHS parent Mel Plackemeier and supported by the DAB and Mel's five children (all DHS graduates), this scholarship recognizes two seniors based on their essay response to the prompt "How my participation in co-curriculars has enhanced my years at Duchesne."

This year's winner of the **Anita Venventloh Memorial Art Scholarship**, Johnny Ferguson '28, created a lovely sketch of Christ, which he framed and presented as a gift to the Venvertloh family. Pictured are: Mrs. Mary Kay Venvertloh, Johnny, and Rylee Knobbe, DHS art teacher.



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## ALUMNI REUNIONS

Are you a current Class Rep or a past Class Officer? Is your class approaching an anniversary year ending in 0 or 5 (such as 20th or 25th)? Contact Nancy Kohl at [nkohl@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:nkohl@duchesne-hs.org) to begin a conversation about your class reunion!

### CLASS OF 1975

Plans have started for a Class of 1975 50th Reunion in August or September 2025. Brian Klutenkamper, Theresa Thro, and Geri (Henderson) Willbrand are organizing. If you would like to reach out, call Brian at 314.570.0576.

### CLASS OF 1985

Eric Kozak has begun plans for the Class of 1985's 40th Reunion at DHS in the fall. More info to come. If you are interested in being on the committee, please email [nkohl@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:nkohl@duchesne-hs.org).

### LAST CALL for Alumni Restaurateurs and Caterers

There's nothing like reconnecting with your alma mater and classmates! -- and where

better to do that than at DHS? We are working on a Reunion Package for classes that hold their reunion at Duchesne, to include catering and bar service, decorations, a possible Mass option, tours, and more.

If you are an alum who owns or manages a restaurant or catering service and would like to discuss a Duchesne Reunion package, please contact [nkohl@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:nkohl@duchesne-hs.org).

### CLASS REPS

Our Class Reps help us with communications to classmates and spreading the news about all we are doing and planning for Pioneer Nation. Reps are needed for the classes of 1959, 1969, 1977, 1978, 1984, and 2024. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please email [nkohl@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:nkohl@duchesne-hs.org) with the individual's name and cell number.

### PIONEER NATION INFO UPDATES

Alumni! Family! Friends! Help us keep you updated by making sure we have your best contact information! And please share this link with

friends and family members who may not be receiving our communications. Thank you!

<https://www.duchesne-hs.org/alumniupdate.html>

## Planned Giving and RMDs



Our Duchesne students have benefited greatly from major gifts provided by our alumni, parents, and friends through planned giving bequests, RMDs (retired minimum distributions), and other significant donations. Please talk with

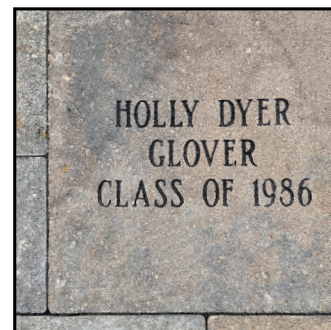
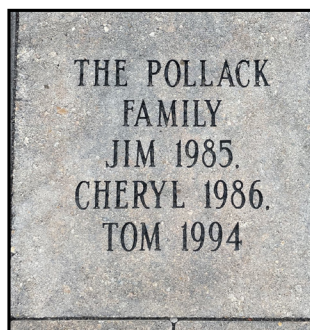
your advisor and consider including Duchesne in your financial plans, now as well as later.

For more information about how to coordinate your planned gift-giving to support Duchesne, please contact [nkohl@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:nkohl@duchesne-hs.org).

## Gift a Garden Paver!

Here's a great gift idea! Make your family, your loved one, or yourself a part of DHS history with a message of honor or memory. Our beautiful new Garden Courtyard has paver engraving available at half-price for the holidays, \$250 through 12/31/24. Pavers measure 12x12. Please see these samples for an idea of how many letters fit well.

Email [nkohl@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:nkohl@duchesne-hs.org) if you are interested, and please include the message you have in mind. Engraving will be done in early spring due to temperature requirements.







SaVaughn Pickett '25 meets with a college advisor.

## COLLEGE APPLICATION DAY

Faith Dunn '25 hosted a College Application Day for her Senior Capstone Project. Her aim was to provide an opportunity for seniors to apply to their college(s) of choice and gain confidence and clarification on the college application process.



## WATNow? CAREER PATH SPEAKER SERIES

Our WATNow panel series continued in November with panel alums Shelby Graves '92, Sarah (Leach) Worth '05, and Brian Adams '07. They answered questions about how Duchesne has shaped their career paths and how they ended up in their chosen professions.

We will continue this speaker series in Fall 2025. Please email DHS School Counselor Brittany (Reimer) Grass '08 at [bgrass@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:bgrass@duchesne-hs.org) if you are interested in participating.



**SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE**

Looking for Scholarships? Visit [myscholarshipcentral.org](https://myscholarshipcentral.org) and scroll down to the map. Click our region on the map, and then click "View Scholarship Providers." You will see organizations in our area that offer scholarships. Click through to apply directly with the organization.

**REMINDERS**

Planning a college visit? Don't forget to turn in your College Visit Permission Form to Mrs. Grass one week prior to scheduled visit.

[https://www.duchesne-hs.org/cmss\\_files/attachmen-tlibrary/Forms/College-Visit-Permission-Form.pdf](https://www.duchesne-hs.org/cmss_files/attachmen-tlibrary/Forms/College-Visit-Permission-Form.pdf)

SENIORS—Need your transcripts sent or a letter of recommendation???

Complete your request via Naviance. See Mrs. Grass for questions.

**LOOKING AHEAD****FALL 2024**

December

FAFSA is Open!

**HELPFUL LINKS**

DUCHESNE  
COUNSELING

<https://www.duchesne-hs.org/counseling.html>

FAFSA

<https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>

SCHOLARSHIPS

<https://www.fastweb.com/>  
<https://myscholly.com/>

<https://myscholarshipcentral.org/>

NAVIANCE

<https://student.naviance.com/main>

COMMON APP

<https://www.commonapp.org/>

NCAA ELIGIBILITY

<https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/>

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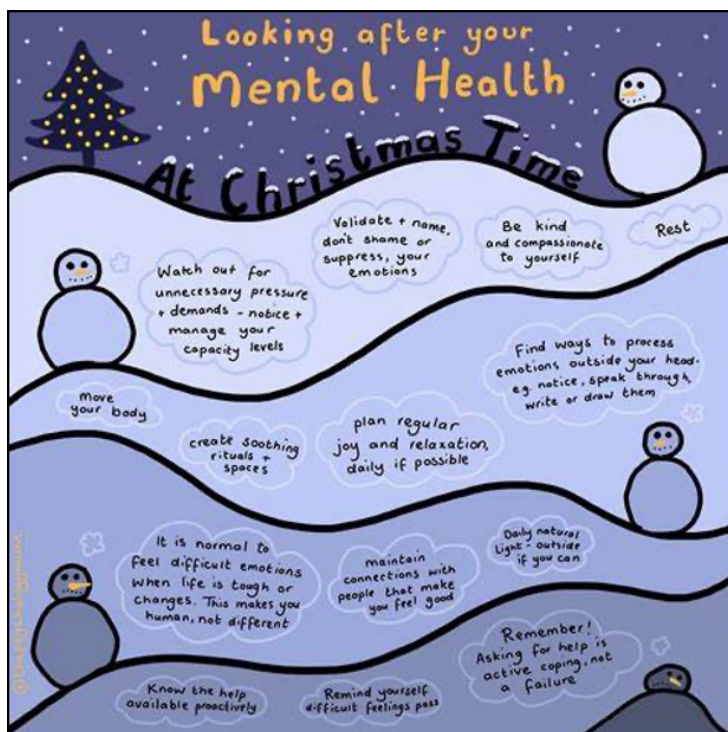
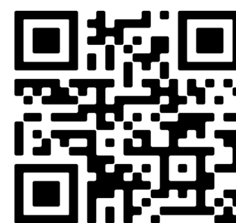
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INFORMATION



Our Counseling Department is on socials! Give us a follow to stay up to date on everything happening. You can find us on Instagram and X (Twitter) @dhs\_counseldept.

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Learning Consultant



**Renee Moore '86**  
**Athletic Director**

December is a time of excitement for the holiday season, but in my world, this month means Basketball Season! Both our boys and girls teams return a veteran core mixed with some very talented underclassmen, which is a recipe for some great basketball! Coach Bouslog and Coach Taylor will no doubt have the teams ready to compete every evening; Pioneer Nation is in for some thrilling basketball nights ahead! Additionally, we look forward to supporting our wrestlers and hockey team as their competitions ramp up in the coming months. Finally, we are happy to share that Duchesne has been chosen to host BOTH the boys and girls MSHSAA District Basketball Tournaments! This is a great opportunity for our basketball teams and our community to share that Duchesne is alive and well!

Over Christmas break come out and support our boys and girls basketball teams in their tournaments. The boys

will be competing in the MICDS Holiday Tournament from December 23-30, and the girls will be competing in our very own 48th Annual Holiday Hoops tournament on December 26, 27, and 28.

### CONGRATULATIONS

On Friday, December 6, senior Will Kielhofner traveled to Union, MO, to participate in the Esports State Competition. He competed in Super Smash Brothers Solo. Will finished with a record of 1-2. Great season, Will!

On Saturday, December 7, our Diamondline competed in the Lindbergh High School Invitational dance competition. The girls competed in two high-level categories with many large schools and finished 4th in Pom. Great Job, Ladies!

As we concluded our Fall season, we had several Pioneer athletes receive post-season recognition. We are proud of all our student-athletes, but we would like to give a special Congratulations to the following:

#### CROSS COUNTRY

Audrey Hoffmann '27  
Class 2 First Team All-State

#### SOCCER

Scottie Alberson '25  
Class 2 Region 2 First Team Defense

Cole Brockmeyer '25  
Class 2 Second Team All-State  
Class 2 Region 2 First Team Offense

Brendan Donovan '25  
Class 2 First Team All-State  
Class 2 Region 2 Offensive  
Player of the Year  
Class 2 Region 2 First Team Midfielder

Coach Patrick Turner  
Class 2 Region 2  
Coach of the Year – Private

#### GOLF

Maddie Denker '25  
Class 1 First Team All-State

Reagan Potts '25  
Class 1 First Team All-State

**VOLLEYBALL**  
Claire Burks '25  
First Team All-District

Lexi Conti '25  
Second Team All-District

Molly Glosier '27  
First Team All-District

Daley Meyer '27  
Second Team All-District

Mia Piskulich '28  
First Team All-District

### WINTER CONCESSION STAND

Thank you in advance to our winter sports parents for your assistance in running our concession stand during basketball season. The revenue from your efforts goes straight back to our athletic programs!



As a reminder here are the links for Sign-Up Genius:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B44A8AB2EA5F4C07-53196977-boys>

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B44A8AB2EA5F4C07-53119623-girls>

### LOOKING AHEAD

• **Thursday, December 26 – Saturday, December 27:** Duchesne hosts the 48th Annual Girls Duchesne Holiday Basketball Tournament – Come join us and support our Lady Pioneers!

• **Friday, January 24:** Boys Basketball Coronation Game at 7pm vs Bishop DuBourg

• **Monday, January 27:** Duchesne Athletic Boosters Post-Holiday/Meet the Coaches Night. 6pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Westbury Dr in St. Charles. Come enjoy food and fellowship and meet the new DAB Executive Board.

Questions? Contact Jason or Kevin at [duchesnebooster@gmail.com](mailto:duchesnebooster@gmail.com)

• **Friday, January 31:** We will honor our Girls State Golf Team for their outstanding achievements at halftime of the varsity boys basketball game. Halftime entertainment will be provided by DHS Diamondline and Alumni Pommers.

• **Wednesday, February 5:** National Signing Day for high school athletes committing to play in college. We will hold a ceremony for all Duchesne athletes and their families at 8am in the gym. More information to come. Athletes, please be sure to reach out to Mrs. Moore at [rmoore@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:rmoore@duchesne-hs.org) and share your information about plans to play in college!

• **Friday, February 7:** It's Senior Night for Boys Basketball, Cheer, Dance, Wrestling, and Pep Band.

• **Tuesday, February 11:** Join us for Senior Night for Girls Basketball.

ter school from 3:00pm until the workout is complete. Additionally, he will be offering a yoga class periodically on Fridays. Coach Morris will instruct and oversee proper lifting techniques and safe lifting procedures. Please encourage your son or daughter to take advantage of our FREE workout center and instruction.

Athletes should scan the QR code to join the BAND App to follow Coach Morris and his workouts as well as additional days and times for workouts.



### FINALLY

Coach Morris is inviting ALL Pioneer Athletes – boys, girls, fall, winter, spring, veteran, or novice – to take advantage of his unified lifting program. He will be in the fitness center/weight room Monday-Thursday af-

*Happy Holidays! I hope Santa brings everyone new workout clothes and a new pair of athletic shoes!*

## ALL YOUR DHS SPORTS INFO... ONE LOCATION

Scan or click this QR code and you'll have quick and easy access to Duchesne's athletics web page, forms, schedules, and Twitter accounts for every sport.



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# JOIN OUR FUNDRAISER *at*

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*Prayer Tree*

Email your prayer intentions to: [bwilliamson@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:bwilliamson@duchesne-hs.org)  
For where two or three are gathered together  
in my name, I am there among them. — Matthew 18:20

## SCHEDULE YOUR SHADOW VISIT



REGISTER TODAY!



### 7th grade shadows start next semester!

Discover our Pioneer Family and how our students build their futures as they grow in mind, body, and spirit!  
Contact Dana Bryan at [dbryan@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:dbryan@duchesne-hs.org) for more information.

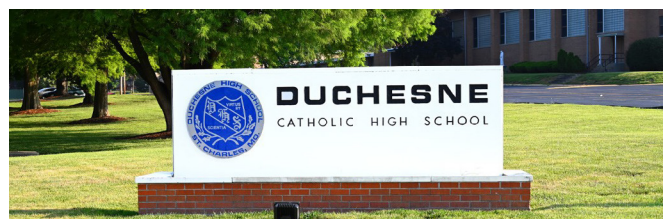


### *Call for Pioneer Nation Masonry and Stone Companies*

Thanks to the generosity of Mike Didion '77,  
Duchesne will soon be installing an  
**ELECTRONIC MESSAGE BOARD**  
opposite our school's monument sign  
at the corner of Elm Street and Duchesne Drive.

We are looking for DHS community members who have  
expertise in the area of masonry and stone to  
**BUILD AN ENCASEMENT FOR THE MESSAGE BOARD**  
that will match or compliment the sign shown below.

Please email [pboschert@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:pboschert@duchesne-hs.org) if you are interested  
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