

School Year 2008-09

Service

- In April, BK sponsored the "Pennies from Heaven" campaign. \$7,700 was collected that will go towards drilling a well and rebuilding a school in Rebonka, Sierra Leone, Africa.
- Key Club won 1st Place in Single Service and was named an Outstanding Club at the Utah-Idaho District Convention.
- In February, BK participated in "Karnations for Kids" to provide funds for the St. Luke's Children's Hospital. We sold 1,640 "karnations" for a total contribution to St. Luke's of \$3,291.30.
- A special "Thank You" to Mr. Worrell and the many Bishop Kelly volunteers who helped with the 2009 Special Olympics Competition.
- Campus Ministry conducted a drive for coats, mittens, and hats for people living at Corpus Christi House.
- Our Principal, Mr. Wehde, proposed a new program for schools in the Treasure Valley designed to provide food to needy families throughout the entire school year, rather than just during the holidays. Bishop Kelly and Capital High School teamed up to bring in as much food as possible during the month of September. Bishop Kelly brought in a total of 17,374 items! Thank you!

Academics

- Jake Schmidt was selected by the Idaho Human Rights Education Center to travel in June with a delegation of students from Idaho to the country of Jordan. While in Jordan, Jake had the opportunity to meet with students his age and to participate in their classroom projects. In October, Idaho will host a similar delegation of students from Jordan and surrounding areas. These opportunities are funded through the "Project Citizen" program.
- Congratulations to the Science Olympiad team for representing Idaho so well at the national tournament in Augusta, Georgia. Jessica Zhu & Sam Kosydar placed second in the trajectory event, and Alfredo Bravo-Iniguez & Jessica Zha placed twelfth in Chemistry lab.
- BK's AP Physics students received the 2nd highest score for second year physics students in Divison 15 (9 states and provinces in U.S. and Canada) at the National Physics Bowl Competition. Alfredo Bravo-Iniguez was the 2nd highest scoring student!
- Congratulations to Jimmy Bertelsen who was given the United Dairyman's Distinguished Student Award on May 8, 2009. You can see a video clip of Jimmy at: <http://www.ktvb.com/video/index.html?nvid=359890>
- BK's 2009 Rotary Century Scholars, who are a part of Boise's top 100 graduating seniors, are: Mariah Adcox, Alfredo Bravo-Iniguez, Allison Burns, Matthew Cunningham, Codi Gifford, Rachel Krause, Cory Miller, and Samantha Sumpter.
- Alfredo Bravo-Iniguez, Pedro Rodriguez, and Jessica Jiang qualified to take the National American Chemical Society Chemistry Olympiad Exam at BSU.
- The Bishop Kelly Speech Team competed at the State Championships. Semifinalists were Katie Husk - Radio Speaking; Lukas Baker - Salesmanship; Lauren Currie - Panel. Taking 2nd Place overall in Duo Interpretation was the team of Allison Bryant and Eulalia Kafari.
- Mike Kalange, a junior, was selected as the 1st place, state-level winner in the National Peace Essay Contest. He will receive a \$1,000 scholarship and will represent Idaho at the Awards Program in Washington, D.C. in June.
- Trinda Taggart won 3rd place in the Boise Art Museum's high school exhibit.
- Cole Kosydar wrote the 1st Place winning essay in the Idaho Human Rights Education Center's "International Issues and Perspectives" annual essay contest. Cole was presented with a certificate and \$1,000.
- Individual winners at the State Academic Decathlon competition for overall performances were Alfredo Bravo-Iniguez with the Gold Medal, Chris Cunningham and Taylor Hawker with the Silver, and Andi Scanlan with the Bronze.

- Jessica Lipschultz, BK English teacher, was selected to travel to Germany to participate in a study tour sponsored by the Goethe-Institut and the Idaho Human Rights Education Center. The delegation focused on environmental justice issues.
- Dr. Larry Neznanski, BK Physics teacher, has been awarded the 2009 Siemens Foundation Award for Advanced Placement Physics due to his dedication and exemplary teaching and the success rate of BK students on the AP exam.
- BK won 1st Place in the large school division at the BSU Science Competition Day. Alfredo Bravo-Iniguez was the top student of all 270 students competing and was awarded an \$18,000 scholarship. Mark Merkley took 5th Place. In Physics, Sam Kosydar and Alfredo Bravo-Iniguez took 1st and 2nd places respectively. In Engineering, Pedro Rodriguez, Mark Merkley, and Sam Kosydar took 1st through 3rd places. Mark Merkley also took 3rd place in Biology.
- Congratulations! The BK Engineering Design class won 2nd Place and a \$1,500 award for Outstanding Engineering Design in the national JETS-NEDC Ability One Competition in Washington, D.C.! Students winning this prestigious award are: Alfredo Bravo-Iniguez, Jessica Burlile, John Feusi, Sam Kosydar, Josh Letsinger, Cory Miller, Lauren Naughton, Ryan Schmidt, Clint Taipale, and Dan White. They are led by Dr. Larry Neznanski and Dr. Guy Hudson. Additional awards were: Most Innovative Use of Technology and Best Use of Rehabilitation Design Principles. Their winning video entry can be viewed at www.bkspotlight.com/jets.html. The competition's video entries can be viewed at <http://jets.org/programs/nedc/semifinals/index.cfm>.
- The BK Speech and Debate team competed in the National Forensics League Qualifier. Two teams qualified for the national tournament in Birmingham, Alabama, this summer--Eulalia Kafari and Allison Bryant in Duo Interpretation; Nick Tunison and Tim Goldy in Policy Debate.
- Senior wins National Essay Contest! Dylan Jones was chosen as the 1st Place Winner in the national InterWrite Essay Contest. Dylan's essay was selected from over 740,000 essays submitted nationally. He will receive a new Apple computer and will visit NYC this summer with his parents and Mrs. Watson, his Economics teacher.
- January 30, 2009: Jessica Burlile was selected by the Idaho Dairyman's Association and Channel 7 as the Distinguished Student of the Week. The video can be viewed at: <http://www.ktvb.com/news/sevens-hero/index.html?nvid=327305>
- The following BK students were selected for the Treasure Valley Honor Choir: Taylor Hawker, Joie Florence, Tony Rogers, Greg Housley, and Peter Murphy.
- The Girls Soccer Team was awarded the IHSAA State Academic Champions for the 4A Division.
- Oct. 1, 2008: Jordan Langfield received the Distinguished Student Award presented by the Idaho Dairyman's Association and Channel 7. You can view the segment at: <http://www.ktvb.com/video/dsa-index.html?nvid=288344&shu=1>
- Sept. 12, 2008: Joie Florence received the Distinguished Student Award presented by the Idaho Dairyman's Association and Channel 7. You can view the segment at: <http://www.ktvb.com/video/?z=y&nvid=282125>

Athletics

- Maddie Shiels, a 2008 BK grad, has won the 2009 IGA Women's Amateur title. Maddie is a former 4A individual State Champion, a four-time team champion with the BK Knights, and the 2007 Big I Junior Classic winner. She will be a sophomore at the University of Nebraska this fall.
- Recent BK graduate, Cassie Brunelle, has been named to the first team of the U.S. Lacrosse National Girls' High School All-American Team. Cassie is a midfielder who will play college lacrosse at Saint Mary's College this fall. She is BK's all-time scoring leader with 129 goals and 68 assists in three seasons on offense, after starting on defense as a freshman.
- STATE CHAMPIONS! The Girl's Lacrosse Team is the new Lacrosse State Champions with a win over Eagle High School. They had a perfect 19-0 season!
- The Boy's and Girl's Golf Teams each brought home a 3rd Place State Trophy.
- Senior Elise Talbot has accepted an offer to play lacrosse at Pacific University in Forest Grove, OR. Elise is a member of the undefeated Girl's Lacrosse Team at BK.

- Joseph Eck has accepted an offer to play lacrosse at NCAA Div. III Washington and Jefferson University.
- The Girls Lacrosse Team won 1st Place at the Beetdigger Tournament in Salt Lake City. This is the first time a non-Utah team has won the girls' side of the tournament.
- Jeannie Bixby competed in the World Irish Dance Championships in Philadelphia on April 8th. Jeannie is a two-time World qualifier and the first from Idaho to qualify for both the World and National Championships.
- Cassie Brunelle became the first Idaho high school athlete (boys or girls) to ever sign an NCAA Division I Lacrosse "National Letter of Intent." Cassie accepted an offer from St. Mary's College in Moraga, CA.
- The Girls Volleyball Team won the State IHSAA 4A Sportsmanship Award. We're proud of you!
- STATE CHAMPIONS! The Water Polo Team won 1st Place against Moscow.
- The Boys Swim Team took 2nd Place, out of 40 teams, at the State Swim Meet. Rick Chopp is the State Champion in the 100m Butterfly and won 2nd Place in the 200m Individual Medley Race.
- STATE CHAMPIONS! The Boys Cross Country Team won 1st Place at the State Meet, led by Travis Milburn with the best time for the team.
- STATE CHAMPION! Freshman, Emily Nist, won 1st Place at the State Cross Country Meet. She ran the 5K run in 18:20.30. The BK Girls Cross Country Team took 3rd Place at the Meet.
- STATE CHAMPIONS! The Girls' Soccer Team won the State Championship, 3-2, against Skyview!