



# BK Alive – March 1, 2010

## **This Week's Calendar:**

Tues. 2	Wed. 3	Thurs. 4	Fri. 5	Sat. 6	Sun. 7	Mon. 8
Student Reconciliation Service, 9:30 a.m.		<b>Half-Day 8:00 am-12:00</b>  <b>End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr.</b>  State BBB @ 1:15 p.m. @ Borah High	<b>No School! Service Learning Day!</b>  State BBB @ Borah High  Hockey vs. Borah/Capital 8:30	Booster Club Rummage Sale, 8:00 am-3:00 pm. BK Cafeteria  State BBB		Irish Fest Mtg. 7:00 pm, BK Library

## **BK Alive**

Each week, BK sends out a newsletter with important information regarding the activities going on at Bishop Kelly. If you have information you would like to have put in the BK Alive Newsletter, please email your requests to Mrs. Deana Braden at [dbraden@bk.org](mailto:dbraden@bk.org). **Information must be to Mrs. Braden by 3:00 p.m. on Monday's.** The Newsletter will be mailed out on Mondays after school

## **Announcements**

### **Changes to the Master Calendar –**

- **March 19 – WCEA Accreditation – No School for Students!**

For daily announcements, please check out the website at: <http://www.bk.org/Today.aspx>

For your convenience and planning, the February calendar is posted online at <http://www.bk.org/calendar.aspx>.

**Lent** – Everyone is invited to participate in Stations of the Cross during Lent on Thursday mornings at 6:45 a.m. in the BK Chapel.

**Lenten Reconciliation Service** – On Tuesday, **March 2, at 9:30 a.m.** in the Carley Center, BK will host our Lenten Reconciliation Service. All students, faculty and staff will attend the service. We will offer silent sustained reading during the service, so please have your child bring their reading material with them to the Carley Center.

**Service Learning Day** – Friday, **March 5**, from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. is our BK Service Learning Day. If you plan to do an individual project with your child on SL Day, please get an 'individual' permission slip from your child's first hour teacher and return it to that teacher letting them know that your child will not be with the 1<sup>st</sup> hour group project on that day. Transportation to and from the project location is the parent's responsibility, unless the 1<sup>st</sup> hour teacher has made other arrangements. Please direct specific project questions to your child's teacher, or you may email [jsiron@bk.org](mailto:jsiron@bk.org).

**Irish Fest** – The Irish Fest Planning Committee will meet on March 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the BK library. The Bishop Kelly Booster Club's Annual Irish Fest Dinner & Auction is Saturday, March 13, 2010, at 5:30 p.m. at

the Bishop Kelly High School Old Gymnasium! The evening includes dinner catered by Goodwood BBQ Company, no-host bar, silent and live auctions, and dancing. This is a great opportunity to rekindle old friendships or create new ones! If you are wondering what to donate to the Irish Fest, we have some suggestions. We are looking for family night baskets, nice kitchen items and jewelry of all kinds. Maybe you make jewelry or know someone that does, or have a good contact. We welcome all items. The Irish Fest continues to be a success year after year because of your continued generosity and support. Tickets are \$50 per person. Reservation forms are available at [www.bk.org](http://www.bk.org). If you have questions, please call Liska Foss at 658-6139.

**Adult and Student Volunteers Still Needed for Irish Fest** – Please contact Connie Liposchak at [r1c1lip@msn.com](mailto:r1c1lip@msn.com) or 939-8643 if you are interested in helping at the Irish Fest. Many opportunities are available. :) Students can also sign up to volunteer on the Service Learning Board outside Mrs. Siron's office.

**Irish Fest Bar Committee** – The Irish Fest Bar committee is woefully short on wine and dollar donations for this year's exciting Irish Fest event. We have received some wonderful donations, both checks and bottles of wine, from our generous BK parents and have also purchased some outstanding wines for your enjoyment that evening. However, donations still remain significantly below prior years. If any of our parents are able to help by donating money to offset the wine purchase or have wine in their collections that you might be willing to donate to the Irish Fest, we would deeply appreciate it. We can arrange for pick up, or you can drop them off at BK in the office. Thank YOU!

Again this year, back by popular demand, is the Irish Fest's cellar tagged wine purchase. We will be offering our cellar tagged wines, chilled and delivered to your table in grand style, for a pre-purchase price of \$20. You can choose your own bottle from a local wine shop or from your own collection at home, or we can choose one for you. Cellar tags ensure that your wine purchase is waiting for you at the Irish Fest. Buy a special wine for yourself, a great gift for that special BK teacher or coach or as a wonderful gift for your friends or guests attending that evening. Such a nice surprise! Please email your order to the email addresses listed below. The deadline for all cellar-tagged wine purchases is Thursday, March 11th.

We are proud to offer our Knight's Reserve wines again this year. We have chosen two fabulous wines, one red and one white. Available for purchase the night of the event will be a Chardonnay for \$23/bottle and a Cabernet Sauvignon for \$28/bottle and tasting notes will be available for your review. Knight's Reserve wines will also be tagged for you and delivered to your table. If you are looking for that "something extra" in your wine selection for the evening, you will not be disappointed!

Finally, if anyone is interested in volunteering the night of the event to be one of our wonderful and fun bartenders, please email us at the addresses listed below. We have a few time slots still available and would love to have you join us! Please contact either Patty Husk ([Pattyinidaho@msn.com](mailto:Pattyinidaho@msn.com)) or Robin Navert ([Rnavert@gmail.com](mailto:Rnavert@gmail.com)) with donations, orders, questions, or to volunteer. Irish Fest is a long-standing tradition at BK, and we guarantee a good time for all! Please make your reservations right away as a limited number of tickets are still available. See you there!

**The 46th annual St. Joseph's School Crab Feed** will be held on Saturday, March 6th, at the beautiful Steuckle Sky Center. Reservations are being accepted now—just go to the school website, [www.stjoes.com](http://www.stjoes.com) and click on the Crab Feed button.

**BK Rummage Sale!** THIS IS IT!!! This is the final week to donate any items to the Rummage Sale. The sale is on Saturday, March 6, in the cafeteria from 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. We still need volunteers to help on Saturday. Please call Barbara Letsinger at 939-4449 to help out or to make drop off arrangements. Collection is at the portable (across from the greenhouse) on Monday, March 1, or I'll be at the school Thursday and Friday part of the day.

**St. Mark's Annual Golf Classic** – Attached to this email is the form for the St. Mark's Annual Golf Classic Scholarship Opportunities. The Golf Classic will take place on Friday, May 7, 1:30 p.m., at the Eagle Hills Golf Course. See the attachment for more information.

**School Nurse** – MaryLou Cunningham, our school nurse, would like to **ask all BK parents** to please complete a short survey, directed by the School Health Program from St. Al's Hospital. Consult with your BK student and take the survey at the following link: <a href="http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/B2FPQBX">Click here to take survey</a>. Thank you!

**Advanced Placement news** – If your child is in an AP class, they should have received a *Bulletin for AP Students and Parents, 2000-10*. Please take a moment to look over this publication and speak to your child about taking AP exams. Registration for AP exams is due March 15. Please discuss the merits of taking these tests with your child. The AP website can give you information regarding the AP credit policies at most colleges and universities. Please note that there is a \$13 fee for exams which are ordered but not taken. The cost of each AP exam is \$86 this year. If you have questions, please contact Mary Crum at [mcrum@bk.org](mailto:mcrum@bk.org). The administration of these exams requires extensive preparation, so please check exam dates for possible conflicts with outside activities before registering for the exam.

If your student did not receive this publication, you can access it at the following link:  
<http://professionals.collegeboard.com/profdownload/ap-student-parent-bulletin-2009-10.pdf>

For general information about AP exams, please go to the following website.  
<http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/ap/about.html>

**Host a Student** – There are several students who would like to attend BK, but they need a host family. Support Bishop Kelly by hosting a foreign exchange student through EF Foundation. For more information, contact Angie Redford at 890-3502 or visit [www.efdoundation.org](http://www.efdoundation.org).

**ACT/SAT** – Test Preparation Classes are held at a variety of locations in the Boise area. For more information, check the Bishop Kelly website under the ACT & SAT section of the Guidance and Counseling information - <http://www.bk.org/ActSat.aspx>.

**BK Spotlight** – Make sure to check out this week's BK Spotlight, which features Katie's Husk's "Guide Dog—Ajax—Puppy in Training" and a "State Sports Update."

**Memories in Motion Video Yearbook** – Have you ordered your video yearbook yet? Time is running out. LIVE ACTION FOOTAGE of the entire 2009-2010 school year. A SPECIAL SENIOR VIDEO is included FREE. Order forms available on BK web page at <http://www.bk.org/clubs.aspx>. The weekly BK Spotlight can be viewed at [www.bkspotlight.com](http://www.bkspotlight.com).

**YEARBOOK:** The price of the yearbook is now **\$76**, plus tax. The absolute **last date to order a book is April 30** (this ordering deadline has been extended from the offer presented at the beginning of the '09 school year). There may be a few books available for sale in May during distribution---cost will be **\$76 plus 6% tax**. Order online at [www.jostensyearbooks.com](http://www.jostensyearbooks.com) or call 1-866-282-1516.

## **Student Accolades**

**SEMIFINALIST FOR THE U.S. PHYSICS TEAM** - The American Association of Physics Teachers (AAPT) recently announced the top students chosen to advance to the Semifinal Round for the U.S. Physics Team. Bishop Kelly senior, **Pedro Rodriguez**, was one of the 300 students chosen from among the 3,200 students who participated in the first phase of the selection process, the Fnet=ma Exam given in January. The semifinal exam is used as a basis for selection of the 24 members of the U.S. Physics Team. In May, those selected will travel to the University of Maryland for a nine day Physics Team Training Camp. Five students will be selected as the "Traveling Team" to represent the U.S. at the International Physics Olympiad to be held in Zagreb, Croatia in July. For more about AAPT, go to [www.aapt.org](http://www.aapt.org).

**BK National Champions in JETS/AbilityOne National Engineering Design Challenge!** - The BK Engineering Design Class traveled to Washington, DC to compete as one of the five national finalists in the National Engineering Design Challenge sponsored by the JETS (Junior Engineering Technical Society). The

challenge was to research, design, and build a working prototype device to help people with disabilities succeed in the workplace. BK was awarded 1<sup>st</sup> Place and a \$3000 prize for The Best Overall Design. In addition, the team received three additional awards: Best Presentation (sponsored by National Society for Precision Engineering), The Best Application of Rehabilitation Engineering Design Principles (sponsored by the Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of North America), and Best Application of Universal Design Principles (sponsored by Center of Assistive Technology and Environmental Access). BK's device, The PAWD (Personal Assistive Writing Device), was designed to help persons with Intention Tremors to be able to write freehand, a task not possible without some sort of assistive device. While the engineering design team was overseen by the teachers/coaches, the invention and engineering process was driven by the students. The team members were Dominic Chumich, Jerry Ding, Karl Schutz, Kate Franklin, Lauren Naughton, Nick Wendt, Sam Kosydar and Zi Yi Li. The team was coached by Dr. Guy Hudson and Dr. Larry Neznanski. The team would also like to express their gratitude to the Micron Foundation for financial support.

If you would like to see TV coverage of the event, use this link:

[http://www.myfoxdc.com/dpp/mornings/holly\\_live/holly-morris-engineering-challenge-022510](http://www.myfoxdc.com/dpp/mornings/holly_live/holly-morris-engineering-challenge-022510)

**Community Service** – Graham Ashby, a freshman at BK, was named as one of two top Idaho youth volunteers for 2010 by The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards. Graham launched a book campaign for schools on the Caribbean island of Carriacou. Her award includes \$1,000 and a trip to Washington, D.C., where she is in the running for a national honor.

**Fullbright Scholar** – Colin Irvine, former BK grad, BK teacher and son of Chuck & Maggie Irvine, received notice that he will be a Fullbright Scholar in Norway, starting in August 2010.

**800 Meter Champion** – Nick Symmonds, former BK grad, 2008 Olympian and son of Jeff & Andrea Symmonds, won the U.S. Indoor Championships in the 800 meters on Sunday.

**State Champion** – Josh Schaffeld won 1st place in the 189 lb. category at the State Wrestling Tournament; Butch Hyder took 6th place in the 145 lb. category.

**Main Event** - Prior to the 4A District 3 Wrestling Tournament, the first match, or "Main Event", was announced. This was a match between two special needs boys, one of which was William Scanlon, a freshman from Bishop Kelly. It proved to be the best match of the evening! (Thank you Bill Gerke)

**Bishop Kelly Debate Team** – At Friday's District Championship, 16 members of the team qualified for the Idaho State Debate competition. In Public Forum, the teams of Rachel Flachbart and Courtney Goldy and David McGonigal and John Langfield qualified. In Lincoln Douglas, Griffin Morris, Lukas Baker, Cydney Middleton and Audrey Thimm qualified; and in Policy debate, four teams are in, including Scott Navert and Katie Husk, Conor Harris and Alixx Aarons, Stephen Friedrich and Matt Goodwin, and Lauren Currie and Allyson Bryant. Awesome work everybody.

**BSU Science Competition Day** – BK students Samuel Kosydar and Nicholas Wendt placed first in physics and engineering, respectively, at the 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Science Day Competition held on the BSU Campus Saturday, February 27, 2010. This popular competition typically brings approximately 300 high school students together for a ninety minute exam on science, mathematics, and engineering. Sam Kosydar was also honored as having the sixth highest overall score among all the students taking the exam.

## **Sports**

**Junior and Senior student athletes** who register with the NCAA Clearinghouse, please submit a request for transcripts to Mr. Coulter.

**Varsity Boy's Basketball** – The BK Boy's Basketball team beat Skyview to win the **District Championship!** The State Tournament begins on Thursday, March 4, vs. Twin Falls at 1:15 p.m. at Borah High School.

**BK Hockey** – Both the Varsity and Junior Varsity teams had a bye this past weekend. Upcoming this Friday, March 5th, the Varsity hockey team will play the Borah/Capital combined team at 8:30 p.m. at Idaho Ice World. The Junior Varsity plays Boise in their first playoff game on Saturday, March 6th, at 6:45 pm at IIW. Come out and cheer! It's quite an exciting sport to watch.

### ***Date Manager***

**Mar. 2** – Lenten Reconciliation Service, 9:30 a.m.

**Mar. 4** – End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter

**Mar. 5** – Service Learning Day, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. No regular school.

**Mar. 10** – Senior Out-to-Lunch, 6<sup>th</sup> period

**Mar. 11** – 2:20 p.m. Dismissal; Parent/Teacher Conferences, 4-6 p.m. and 6:30-8:00 p.m.

**Mar. 12** – No School! Parent/Teacher Conferences, 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon

**Mar. 13** – Irish Fest, 5:30 – 11:30 p.m., BK Old Gym

To add, remove, or change your email address from our mailing list, please e-mail Brenda at [biazzetta@bk.org](mailto:biazzetta@bk.org).

### ***If Your Child is Absent from School***

If your student is not coming to school due to illness or an appointment, parents are required to call the school's Attendance Office by 9:30 am, 377-9928. Parents may also e-mail or fax notes to Mrs. Lisa Kelly for excused absences at [lkelly@bk.org](mailto:lkelly@bk.org). The BK fax is 375-3626. If your child is going to be absent from school for an extended amount of time, please contact the attendance office as soon as possible **prior** to the absence. Pre-arranged absence forms are available from Mr. Coulter for Juniors/Seniors and Mrs. Quilici for Freshman/Sophomores. These will allow students to notify teachers and to receive homework assignments before the absence. Note: Students leaving school for professional appointments must notify the Attendance Office **before** school, when they leave, and again when they return. They will be asked for verification of that appointment upon returning to school. \*\*\*All students are required to sign in and out when coming late or leaving early.

### ***How Can I Access My Child's Grades?***

You can access your student's grades and other information on the Internet. You need your student's ID number and PIN number. Your child's PIN and ID are located on the class schedule they received the first day of school. The PIN number is assigned throughout our Schoolmaster Program. It's important to keep this number confidential. If you would like to get your student's PIN number, please e-mail [administrator@bk.org](mailto:administrator@bk.org) with the student's full name. Go to the BK web page at [www.bk.org](http://www.bk.org) and access Schoolmaster; use your student's ID number and PIN, and you will have his/her grades and records. Our teachers upgrade their records regularly, but not nightly. To access current grades on Schoolmaster, please follow these instructions.

1. Go to the Bishop Kelly website, [www.bk.org](http://www.bk.org).
2. Select **Schoolmaster** from the menu choices.
3. Enter your student's ID and PIN numbers in the appropriate boxes.
4. Click **Current Marks** in the list of choices.

5. If you want to see a progress report and more detailed information, follow steps 1, 2 and 3, then select **Schedule/Progress** from the list of choices. Teachers update these marks approximately every two weeks. Some teachers may update more frequently than others.