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Mrs. Gail Cushman, Principal, Bishop Kelly High School

# Three-Generation Families on the cover:

(Top) Jim Bruce, St. Teresa's '37, Danny Bruce '97, and Steve Bruce '68 Ben Donahue '06, Bene Donahue, St. Teresa's '45, and Tim Donahue '79 Also pictured: BK teacher Mrs. Lane Quinley Brown and daughter Larkin '03



Scott Coulter, Director of Alumni Relations, Bishop Kelly High School

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#### Dear Alumni and Friends of Bishop Kelly,

As I ponder the past year's events, many things come to mind: the high-achieving students; a dedicated faculty; the generous

Foundation; the spiritual Masses; numerous activities with positive outcomes; the many friends who come to our aid when we have a need; and yes, the Alumni.

People often ask me, "Isn't Bishop Kelly High School just a public school with prayer?" I assure them that it is not! Bishop Kelly provides an outstanding education centered by spirituality and a

tradition that you, the friends and alumni, have endowed. The Catholic tradition inspires these young men and women to demand knowledge and achieve superiority, whether it is in the classroom or on the playing field or in an extra-curricular activity.

Since opening its doors in 1964, over 4,000 students have passed through Bishop Kelly High School, each with hopes, dreams and aspirations. Those who have attended Bishop Kelly have been given that extra edge that it takes to succeed in today's competitive world. Bishop Kelly provides the bridge to those dreams of success.

As an alum and a friend of BK, you are an important part of the Bishop Kelly tradition of excellence. You provide the proof of success. You provide the impetus for our continuation. You are the gold at the end of the rainbow.

I invite you to help us to continue the tradition of excellence. Support BK!

Sincerely,

Gail Cushman

Gail Cushman

#### Welcome to our third annual newsletter!

Bishop Kelly High School and the BK Foundation are funding the position of Director of Alumni Relations and our principal, Mrs. Gail Cushman, asked me to fill that role as well as that of Registrar. To that end, I have taken over for Christine (Burke) Running '92. I hope to continue her work of organizing and updating the list of alumni and informing them of news and happenings at the school.

I recently visited alumni offices of three Catholic high schools in the Portland area to learn more about how they go about their business. In each of those schools, the alumni office helps the alumni stay connected to one another and the school. The alumni association works in a coordinated effort within an office of development to ensure a positive future for the school.

With that in mind, the Bishop Kelly Alumni Association is sponsoring a couple of new activities in the coming year to reach out to its membership. On August 14th, the AlumKnights are sponsoring the first Godspeed Mass to honor our most recent graduates, the class of 2002, as they prepare to leave for college. It is important for these young alumni to realize that they are now part of a much larger and supporting community. During Homecoming Week, the AlumKnights are hosting a wine tasting event following the annual Memorial Mass on Saturday afternoon. (See inside back cover for an events schedule.) The Alumni Board has also scheduled the Annual Alumni Golf Tournament on Friday

of Homecoming Week, as well as the Annual 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament during Christmas Break. They have plans to make these great events even bigger and better.

Another one of my goals is to engage a group of class "contact people" - active representatives from each graduating class to communicate with the Alumni Office about upcoming class reunions, as well as sharing current mailing lists. This is an essential part of a successful alumni association. In the upcoming fiscal year, we will be embarking on an alumni appeal campaign for contributions to the Alumni Scholarship Fund. In the 2002-03 budget, \$120,000 is earmarked for reduced tuition and financial aid to students who would not otherwise be able to attend Bishop Kelly. When you are contacted, it is our hope that you will be generous in helping someone share in the tradition and experiences of BK.

I encourage all of you to keep us informed with your latest news and happenings by using the Alumni website, www.alumknights.org, which is also accessible through Bishop Kelly High School's website, www.bk.org. One way to help us stay in touch with you is to register your e-mail address with me, scoulter@bk.org, or on the website. So please, get on board by registering that e-mail address today.

Go Knights,

Scott Coulter

Dear Bishop Kelly Alumni and Friends:

Thanks to the parents, faculty and administration of Bishop Kelly High School, the AlumKnights continues to grow as an organization with a fresh batch of graduates every year! Over 4,400 have graduated or attended BK, thanks to the additional 151 members of the class of 2002 who became AlumKnights this past May.

AlumKnights are spread throughout the globe, but most stay close to home in the Treasure Valley. For those who live away but want to stay in touch, the www.alumknights.org website is an effective tool to check in on old friends.

This annual newsletter also provides an up-date on the activities of the Bishop Kelly Alumni Association.

Each year the AlumKnights sponsor a number of events such as a Memorial Mass in memory of deceased alumni, a three-on-three basketball tournament at Christmas time, and the annual fall golf scramble. Last October's scramble was in memory of Rick Boyington '67, a loyal participant who passed away in the spring. We also support our alma mater with annual scholarships for freshmen, and many recipients are children of BK alumni!

Last fall the BKAA helped organize the dedication ceremony for the new Driscoll/Dooley track at the BK vs. Borah football game. The AlumKnights also took over the production of radio broadcasts of BK football games, and we will do so again this year. The school has also taken the initiative to help the AlumKnights with Scott Coulter assigned to the development of the BKAA.

Thanks for your continued interest and support of the Bishop Kelly community.

Sincerely,

Andy Brunelle, '78



Andy Brunelle, '78 President, Bishop Kelly Alumni Association

Advertising promotion
is now available on the live radio
broadcast of BK football games.
Contact Dave Skinner for
information: 375-4015 or
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# Bishop Kelly Foundation Begins Its 26th Year

With the return to Bishop Kelly of Father James R. "Reg" Wilson as the school's spiritual director, the Bishop Kelly Foundation has come full circle. In 1975, financial difficulties brought Idaho's only Catholic high school to the brink of closing after only eleven years of operation. Father Wilson, who was the school's principal at that time, proclaimed, "Over my dead body", and embarked on a mission to keep the school open. He persuaded twelve local businessmen, both Catholic and non-Catholic, to join him in establishing the Bishop Kelly Foundation. Since it was incorporated in 1976, the Foundation has contributed over 3.5 million dollars to Bishop Kelly High School for scholarships, operating expenses, capital improvements and special projects. This year the school will receive \$306,000 from the Foundation.

Providing financial support to Bishop Kelly is of paramount importance to the Foundation. Currently, funds for the annual subsidy to the high school are derived from the income from the Foundation's endowment of approximately 3.2 million dollars and from proceeds of a dinner and auction held each fall. These events have been very successful in raising dollars that go directly to the school and this year was no exception.

Over 500 people enjoyed the Bishop Kelly Foundation's fundraiser, "Starry, Starry Knight," at The Boise Centre on the Grove. Items up for bid included a pontoon boat, golf trips, remodeling services, and LASIK eye surgery. The event, also known as the Winner's Choice because it gives away an automobile of

the winner's choosing to one lucky ticket holder, raised \$150,000 for scholarships and operating expenses at Bishop Kelly High School.

Each year during the Winner's Choice, the Bishop Kelly Foundation presents its prestigious Order of the Knight award to two people who have gone above and beyond in furthering the interests of Bishop Kelly. This year's recipients were Father Patrick Russell (BK '77) and Dr. David Lachiondo (BK '65). Father Pat is the beloved chaplain at BK who has been involved with student liturgies for many years, as well as helping to begin the campus ministry program, and being a friend and counselor to many students. Dr. Lachiondo was the principal at Bishop Kelly for twelve years during which the school facility expanded, enrollment increased and new academic, athletic and arts programs were added to the curriculum.

The 2002 Winner's Choice dinner and auction will be held on November 2nd, at the Boise Centre on the Grove. The current Foundation Board of Directors is committed to the success of the event and to the continued support of BK for years to come. All alumni, family and friends are invited to join in ensuring that Bishop Kelly will continue to fulfill its mission of providing a quality education to all its students.

For information on the Winner's Choice or the BK Foundation, contact Executive Director, Julie Lliteras (BK '67) at 323-4789 or email her at jlliteras@bk.org.



Julie Lliteras, '67 Executive Director, Bishop Kelly Foundation



Father James R. "Reg" Wilson, Founder, Bishop Kelly Foundation

Lane Quinley Brown and her winning smile. Lane can be reached at Lane@bk.org



Lane and daughter Larkin, a Bishop Kelly senior.



Megan (Donahue) Overgaard, '80 teaches Biology at Weiser High School, and also coaches track. She was in Lane's first Biology class at BK in 1977. Meg is married to Wil Overgaard, former BK teacher and coach, and principal at Weiser High School. They have four children.

# Lane Quinley Brown Celebrates 25 Years at BK

— By Mike Pape '80 and John Bieter '80

In May, Lane Quinley Brown completed her 25th consecutive teaching year at Bishop Kelly. Lane, with her ever-present smile, thick, sandy colored hair and "very thirty-something" appearance, sat down with two of her graying and balding former students for a look at her long career at BK.

How did you arrive at Bishop Kelly?

Lane: I was a 22-year-old senior at College of Idaho in 1976, in addition to student teaching at Middleton. One day I received a note on my door that Fr. Wilson from Bishop Kelly would like me to call him right away. He invited me in for a job interview and when I asked him if he'd like me to fill out an application he said, "No, I've talked with everyone I need to and we'd like you to come sign a contract." Fr. Wilson found out that C of I had highly recommended me as this "great biology teacher," and I simply walked in and signed on the dotted line. It was a great offer as a senior in college since I thought I might to have to join the Peace Corps!

The last time I was here the sign over the door read "Miss Quinley." I guess you had some family changes.

Lane: I met Gary Brown in a bar in Cascade in 1979. I had been spending my summers at the YCC camp nearby. We were married in 1982. I have a daughter, Larkin, who will be a BK senior in the fall, and a son, Keaton, who will be a freshman. When we married, most people thought I'd stop teaching. In fact I was the only single female teacher the school had ever employed, except for the nuns. I kept working after our children were born because teaching has been a perfect job for us raising our kids.

What has not changed in the past 25 years at BK? Lane: The dress code. It's always the topic of conversation. When I came to observe here, I saw two boys wearing hooded sweatshirts over T-shirts in class. The teacher sent them home! It was first period! I thought from right there on, that it is more important for these kids to be in my class than to be worrying about what kind of shirts they have on.

What has changed at Bishop Kelly?

Lane: When I came here there were big families and Bishop Kelly held a strong "family attitude" and it was very prevalent. It was a community thing, a family thing. Today the families are smaller, but we still keep that close family attitude and I hope we never lose that. Also, the kids today really understand that it is a privilege to attend BK and there are real benefits to being here. College benefits, job benefits. These all remind the kids that they are here for the right reasons.

Bishop Kelly has doubled in size since you've been here, have you noticed that change?

Lane: Oh yes, I used to be able to teach every one of the sophomores. I knew every kid by name and I really liked that. Only in the last five years have I attended graduation and seen a few kids that I never got a chance to get to know. I felt horrible about that so I made a vow to skim the yearbooks, or at least just find out who those kids are because I just didn't want to miss out on that. One of the best parts of my

job is seeing the growth in the sophomore biology students when they return for advanced biology.

Bishop Kelly has nearly 30% non-Catholic students and faculty. As a non-Catholic, have you ever found it difficult adjusting to BK?

Lane: Not really, everyone here displays good Christian values. We have some great kids. I think compared to public schools our kids have a lot more maturity, class and know how to handle themselves in social situations. I don't know if we teach that or the parents do, but I know that the best part of what we have here is that the parents are involved and stand behind the teachers all the way. I really appreciate the parents' support; it's just hard for me to admit I'm now their age! Some of these parents were my students! I do remember my first year here when I was called into the library and scolded by two nuns for sitting on a top of a student's desk. I quickly learned what Catholic guilt was all about!

What do you really like about teaching at BK? Lane: I love the freedoms that teaching here allows. After talking with my public school friends I marvel at their restrictions. I can ask questions that don't have answers or have moral angles, and hold discussions that public schools wouldn't even approach. Our classes can address important current event subjects like cloning, evolution and Papal encyclicals.

You always seemed to have a knack for teaching the young women. Why is that?

Lane: I was quite an outcast in high school, a geek in the marching band. So when I began teaching I made a genuine vow to find something to compliment in every kid. I knew they needed that no matter how much biology they retained or what GPA they had. Maybe that's why you saw it as connecting with girls.

Rumor has it that a lot of the guys had crushes on you. Lane: I don't know, did they?

Well, some of us were more legitimate than others. Have you set the record for teaching longevity here? Lane: Well, Neil McCarthy and I started the same year, (fall 1977) but officially, he was a student teacher here the spring beforehand.

Any final thoughts on yourself and Bishop Kelly? Lane: Our teachers teach. They all would stay overtime for a student. We're all goal oriented here and we have high expectations. The students care and the parents care and that's 90% of the success. I know I don't connect with every kid, but I still want to. I still touch kids, I can be physical, even though many teachers aren't like that, but it makes a difference in my classroom. I'll laugh with them, ask them about their games (even though I don't know much about sports), and ask if they had fun.

Sometimes I think I could work for free just to be here and have my kids with me and get to know all their friends. I also really like to go to the alumni website and see what all my former students have to say. I'm afraid to post anything but I find some things there that are just so funny! Curt Hopfenbeck hasn't changed a bit! I really love what I do!

Dave Bieter: Shaking Things Up at the Statehouse

— by Mike Zuzel '78

For a member of the minority party in the most politically lopsided statehouse in the nation, Dave Bieter '78 doesn't sound like an underdog.

Or act like one. As one of only a dozen Democrats in the 105-member Idaho Legislature, Bieter could simply resign himself to the role of the hopelessly outgunned — lying low, marking time, perhaps mounting the occasional meek counteroffensive with the expectation of getting mowed down by the majority again and again. It ain't pretty, but it's democracy.

Bieter, though, isn't content to be the doormat. Politics, someone once said, is the art of the possible. And in two terms representing Boise's North End as one of two state representatives from District 19, Bieter has been expanding the definition of what's possible for a backbencher.

"It's fascinating and engaging," Bieter says.
"Even being the loyal opposition can be a lot of fun."

Especially when the loyal opposition actually wins. Case in point: the farmworker minimumwage bill that Bieter helped shepherd into law in 2001. What are the odds that a legislature dominated by farmers and business people, in a state that's highly conservative and heavily agricultural, would vote to treat farm laborers the same as other workers in guaranteeing fair compensation — after stiff-arming similar bills in five previous sessions, sometimes without so much as a hearing?

Not good, obviously. Yet, on March 21, 2001, Gov. Dirk Kempthorne signed House Bill 71 at a farm labor housing complex in Wilder, with Rep. Dave Bieter looking on. The victory was particularly sweet for Bieter; with the farmworker minimum-wage law, he finished what had been started six years earlier by his predecessor in the District 19 House seat: his father, Pat Bieter.

Bieter had a long-standing interest in politics, including serving as student body president at Bishop Kelly High School in 1977-78. But when Pat and his wife, Eloise, died in a January 1999 auto accident, Bieter was appointed to his father's seat and picked up where Pat left off.

"The way that it happened ... to be able to serve then, was priceless," Bieter says. Clearly, his constituents think he's doing a fine job of filling Dad's shoes. Bieter won easy re-election to the post in 2000, capturing almost 67 percent of the vote. And this fall the Republicans didn't even field a candidate, although Bieter will face off against a Libertarian.

Even without daunting opposition, Bieter

says, the two-year terms for Idaho lawmakers mean "you're running all the time." And even though the state Legislature is formally in session only three months of the year, the job is close to year-round, with interim committees, task forces, research and calls from constituents filling the off-season. All that, in addition to attorney Bieter's full-time job as a partner in Bieter, Werth & Walker, and the time he spends with his wife, Julie Nemeth '80.

"The job is more time-consuming than I expected," he says. "That was the biggest surprise."

Yet Bieter still finds time to shake things up. When Kempthorne ordered the closure of streets near the state Capitol, Bieter hosted a town hall meeting to hear from local residents, a clear majority of whom viewed the closures as an unnecessary overreaction to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Within two days of the meeting being announced, one of the streets was reopened, and a few months later the rest of the barricades came down.

The wildest ride of all, though, came with a bit of legislation that had no force of law—a resolution supporting the right of self-determination for the Basques in Spain. For Bieter, whose mother Eloise was Basque and who has visited the Basque country several times, the issue was a no-brainer. But it drew an angry retort from Spain's ambassador to the United States, Javier Ruperez, and prompted criticism from the White House, which seemed unable to separate Basque statehood from terrorism.

This was, as The Idaho Statesman described it, "Idaho's shot heard round the world." "It was amazing how much play it got," Bieter says. The Basque Parliament passed a resolution in support of the Idaho measure, and every Basque political party endorsed it. And, with an added provision condemning the separatist group ETA for acts of violence, the measure passed unanimously in both the Idaho House and Senate.

In at least one respect, Bieter says, serving as a state lawmaker isn't that much different from being BK's student body president: "You want to accomplish things. You want to have something concrete to point to. And in both gigs, that's tough."

Michael Zuzel '78 is an editorial writer and columnist for The Columbian in Vancouver, WA. In the spring of his junior year at Bishop Kelly High School, he managed Dave Bieter's campaign for student body president. Bieter won anyway.



Representative Dave Bieter '78

# The Election Connection



Ben Ysursa, class of '67, is on the brink of becoming Idaho's Secretary of State in the election this fall. Ben has been a fixture in the Secretary of State's office, serving as Chief Deputy for over 25 years to long-time office holder Pete Cenarrusa.

Cennarrusa is stepping down after 35 years in office and Ben is a natural to succeed him. Apparently most Idahoans agree because Ben garnered over 66 percent of the vote in the Republican primary against his opponent, and then in early July the Democrat opponent dropped out of the race, virtually guaranteeing the election for Ysursa.

Meanwhile ... Craig
McCurry, class of '85, will
waltz into office in the general
election for a House seat in the
Idaho Legislature in Legislative
District 22. Craig also ran
unopposed in the primary
election. He has served as an
Elmore County Commissioner
before entering this race
for office.

Incumbent Congressman Butch Otter, St. Teresa's class of '62, will be tested in his reelection bid for Idaho's First Congressional District against former US Attorney Betty Richardson. Otter was first elected in 2000.

This Congressional seat was the same one held from 1991-94 by Larry LaRocco, father of Anna ('87) and Matt ('88) LaRocco.

# Lives Changed, South of the Border

— by Scott Curtis '90

And may God bless you with the foolishness to think that you can make a difference in the world, so you will do the things which others say cannot be done.

source unknown

As Bishop Kelly continues to develop its commitment to student acts of service, the goal

is to produce young men and women who have an awareness of the realities of others in the world and search their hearts for the gifts that they may best be able to share. The statement above comes from a blessing that has been used over the last four years with the students and chaperones from Bishop Kelly on the Mexico Service Trip, an opportunity to be exposed to the realities of life among the poor of rural Mexico.

For each of the past four summers, groups of about 30 students plus adult chaperones have had the privilege

of working with the people in and around Vicente Guerrero, a small town in Baja California, approximately five hours south of the Mexico-US border at Tijuana. The four tenets of the program simple living, community, service, and spirituality are lived out for seven days in ways that are new for many of the travelers. Attempts are made to live like the people with whom we are working, so, we eat simple Mexican meals (frijoles and tortillas at every meal) prepared by a woman

from the community, we take no spending money in order to avoid slipping into the role of tourists, and we sleep on a concrete floor in the Franciscan parish. Manual labor takes up the bulk of the mornings and afternoons. Our groups have helped mix and pour concrete, build the foundation for a parish center, basketball court, and chapels, dug enormous

holes to create septic systems, filled countless wheelbarrows with dirt and sand, and many

other projects. Perhaps most importantly, we do not go to Mexico with our own agenda to accomplish certain projects for the people but allow the Franciscan community and the Mexican maestros to show us what they want us to do with them. Furthermore, as much as we have tried to go to Mexico and teach, we have been the ones that have learned, hopefully bringing those lessons back to the United States.

While our physical labor is valuable, the greatest strength of the program is that contact with the people of Mexico is given the highest priority. Many of our afternoons and evenings are used to visit the people in the migrant camps and neighborhoods around Vicente Guerrero. Many of us were not aware that Mexico has a migrant population that comes from its southern states to work the fields in Baja and live in squalor. Our greatest lessons have come from these people, as they have consistently

> shown joy, openness, faith, and generosity in the midst of hunger and abject poverty. To watch Bishop Kelly

> > students and poor migrant children overcome language barriers, play games, and laugh for hours is, we hope, a glimpse of a future filled with greater understanding and justice. Additionally, the hospitality and gratitude shown by our hosts, the Franciscan friars and seminarians, has inspired us.

While the students are able to raise much of the money for the trip (roughly \$600 per person) through fundraisers, we

always run on a tight budget. If you would like more information about the Mexico Service Trip or would consider donating to a scholarship for a student who may otherwise be unable to participate, please contact the BK community service office.



BK service trip participants Kyle Grode and Amy Lee. (center) Emma Murray and a new friend.

BK offers AP courses in Art, Biology, Calculus, English, Physics, Spanish, Statistics & U.S. History

> There are five BK graduates teaching at the school.

The student to teacher ratio is 16.6 to 1.

Average class size is 20 students.

State championships were won in Boys and Girls Cross Country, Girls Soccer, Lacrosse & Boys Track

# Father Patrick Russell & Bishop Kelly High School: Another Win Win Situation!

Anyone who has celebrated Mass with Father Patrick Russell knows well his list of passions. That famous list includes: his love of the Church and his relationship with God, the love of theatre, especially Broadway musicals, Bishop Kelly High School, foods like chocolate and pizza, and not least on the list, Ireland.

When Mary Crum, Bishop Kelly Campus Minister, was asked to describe Father Pat, she said, "Fr. Pat has a great rapport with the students. He has an e-mail list of over 100 current and former students that he regularly communicates with. Although Fr. Pat has found it frustrating not to be out here at Bishop Kelly more often, he has still found a way to maintain his relationship with the students."

On June 6, 2002, Father Pat celebrated his 16th year as a priest of the Diocese of Boise. He was ordained at Sacred Heart Church — the family parish where he and his sisters attended grade school — by the Most Reverend Bishop Sylvester W. Treinen. Father Pat is the first vocation from Sacred Heart Church to be ordained and the first graduate of Bishop Kelly High School (infamous class of '77) to become a priest. Since 1991, Father Pat has been at Bishop Kelly, helping John Bieter and Tony Lemon design and implement the current "Campus Ministry" model, and for the past three years he has been assigned by Bishop Michael Driscoll as Chaplain of Bishop Kelly High School. He plans on staying awhile.

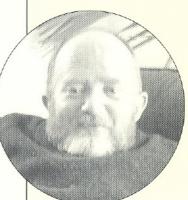
In the summer of 2000, Father Pat, his sister Kelli, and fellow priest and seminarian classmate from San Diego, Rev. Chuck L. Fuld, traveled to Ireland. Since Father Pat and his sisters are third generation Irish, this trip held very special meaning to them as they visited the homeland of their great-grandparents. On their last day in Dublin, they were joined by A.J. Brioschi and Josh Kannenberg (both members of the BK class of 2000) for a week in Galway and the area around Blarney Castle and Connemara. Following Josh and A.J.'s departure, the group visited Cork City, the city of their ancestors. Walking the streets and shopping the same markets of Cork as their great-grandparents had walked so many years ago was a most moving and memorable experience for the group.

Being Irish, Father Pat was raised with a deep appreciation for the performing arts, music, family and food. From his love for the theatre, and subsequent involvement in the Boise Little Theatre, Knock 'Em Dead Productions, and the first Idaho Shakespeare Festival, Father Pat co-directed several BK productions with Mark Hoffman. If you ever take in a play at the Morrison Center there is a very good chance that you will see Father Pat and his mother in attendance.

Father Pat suffers from a debilitating condition which limits his activities. He describes in his own words the condition of his health:

"When I was born, there was very little known about my 'Brittle Bone Disease', except that I would have frequent fractures, and would probably not live to see five years old. After making it through puberty, and a major back surgery to straighten my spine, the doctors quit trying to guess when I would leave this world; they had no idea how stubborn I was/am! Actually, my parents taught me from an early age not to focus on my disabilities, but rather, my abilities. I remember my earliest prayers, because they are the same ones I use to this day; that in whatever I do, and whomever I meet, I should always be happy and kind because I am loved, and that regardless of my physical condition (which is always changing after all), I always represent God's love to me and on to others. It is a great life, and though I am not always able to accomplish both of these goals, they are what I always aspire towards. After nearly 40 surgeries, and countless health challenges, I have learned that we all have our battles in life, mine are just more apparent; and none of us are here except through the grace of God and the love of our family and friends. That is why I am a priest - to help others find that faith and love in their lives while I am still on my own faith-journey. We can all help one another with our crosses."

What a great win-win situation!



Fr. Pat Russell '77, Bishop Kelly chaplain.

90% of BK students go on to college and 85% graduate in 5 years.

The class of 2002 earned nearly \$5 million in college scholarships.

Three classroom teachers have doctorates.

47 classroom teachers have Master's degrees.

The Fr. William Dodgson Scholarship Fund has reached over \$75,000; four scholarships were awarded this past spring.

year BK
math teacher
Mr. John Mitchell
passed away in June at
his home in Boise. Who can
forget the annual day when his
students learned how to spell isosceles
with a cheer that rang through the halls
each class period? Visit www.alumknights.org
for his obituary. He is survived by wife Rena and
their children: Bill '70, Mike '72, Terri '73 & Susan '75.

# Mark Your Calendar for Saturday, October 6th

#### Friend Raiser, Wine Taster

Bishop Kelly High School has a long and proud history, dating back to the graduating class of 1965. We are most proud of the thousands of students who are now alumni of Bishop Kelly High School. It has been a grace of God that we were privileged to be a part of their life and formation. Jesus told Peter to "tend my sheep."

The flock is scattered! We need to bring in the sheep! And we're planning an event to do just that.

Homecoming weekend 2002 will feature what we hope will become a long standing, well-attended event for BK alumni and friends — The First Friend Raiser, Wine Taster.

The Friend Raiser, Wine Taster is an opportunity to come back to Bishop Kelly and revisit the faith, good friends and fond memories that sustained us through our time there, whether we participated as parents, students or avid supporters of BK. These are the common elements that continue to connect us through the passing generations. Our school motto, "Everyone Belongs" doesn't change or fade away with the playing of Pomp and Circumstance.

We want to hear from you. We want to laugh with you. We want to drink wine with you! Besides, our class reunions are too few and far between. None of us should wait 10 years to come back to BK. And, there are no better reasons to get together than old friends and good wine.

We're calling you back during Homecoming weekend following the Memorial Mass on Saturday, October 5, from approximately 6-9pm on the second level of the Carley Center gymnasium.

The event organizing committee is currently securing the participation of local wineries for the event. The experts will be there to show off some of their most popular selections and we hope you'll be there to taste them! Great wine and good company will be accompanied by delicious light fare, live entertainment and raffle items. Continue to check your parish bulletins and the BK alumni website www.alumknights.org for updates.

Tickets for the event will be \$20 prior to the actual event and \$30 at the door, so please plan to purchase your tickets early. Tickets should be available on-line at the BK Alumni website by early September. All proceeds will be donated to the Bishop Kelly Scholarship Fund to secure the success of future BK alumni.

If you are inspired to help with event organization, please feel to contact: Jody Witmer-Hinton ('79) 336-1929 hm, 685-6202 wk, jhinton@powereng.com

## **Benedictine Sisters Celebrate 120 Years In The Northwest**

- By Sister Mary Kay Henry, OSB

As part of our celebration of 120 years since our three foundresses came to the Northwest from Switzerland, we Benedictine sisters say Thank You for the opportunity to be part of your story at Bishop Kelly for 25 of those years. We appreciate our on-going connections with many of you, and enjoy the newsy updates in the AlumKnights newsletters. We'd love to hear your stories about our sisters who served at BK between 1964 and 1989. Write or e-mail us with your memories of funny and/or profound experiences. You can take your lead from the accompanying story by Judy Kroos. Please indicate whether it is OK with you for us to use your story on our webpage at www.stgertrudes.org, in our newsletter or other publicity.

Where are our sisters who served at Bishop Kelly now? Sr. Jean Lalande, prioress (leader) at St. Gertrude's; Sr. Carm Ternes, outgoing archivist at St. Gertrude's; Sr. Benita Hassler, teacher in our Benedictine outreach program in Caldwell; Sr. Claudia Rae Braun, director of mission services at St. Benedicts Family Medical Center in Jerome; Sr. Barbara Gonzales, outreach and clerical worker for Idaho Legal Aid Services in Twin Falls; Sr. Connie Sonnen, incoming archivist at St. Gertrude's; and Sr. Lillian Englert, retreat director and spiritual director for the Spirituality Ministry at St. Gertrude's. Of course, many of you remember Sr. Maryclare Kelly who died in 1995.

Presently 67 sisters and two postulants comprise our community. Forty-five of us reside at the monastery in Cottonwood and serve through prayer, retreat ministry, our historical museum, administration, and stewardship of our land. Twenty-four live in 15 other locations where we minister through education, healthcare, pastoral and parish ministry, social services, and counseling.

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and/or to give a gift, please return this form to: Development Office, Monastery of St. Gertrude, HC3 Box 121, Cottonwood, ID 83522-9408, call us at 208-962-3224, or email us at develop@camasnet.com. Name Address City\_\_\_\_\_State\_\_\_\_ Zip + 4\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_Office Cell Fax E-mail Please direct my gift in honor/memory of: ☐ Greatest need ■ Vocations Promotion ☐ Care of elder sisters ☐ Land Management Program ☐ Retreat Ministry Payable to: ☐ Endowment Fund Idaho Corporation of Benedictine Sisters Thank you!

# Well Done, Dear Sisters

— by Judy Kroos

In the spring of 2000, I concluded the AlumKnight Beat section of this newsletter with a category titled, "In A Class By Themselves." Paying particular honor to Sister Lillian and Sister Constance, the Benedictines with whom I had had the most personal and professional contact, I thought even then of the years and years of the labor of love and service provided by all those women of that prairie home.

Today I am given the great pleasure of wandering down the memories of names and times to which all in Catholic education in Idaho owe such a debt of gratitude, but I am thinking most particularly of my own loving obligation.

Sister Constance Sonnen was the librarian when I arrived at Bishop Kelly in the fall of 1979. I was there for the collapse of the library roof and a first-hand observer of the hours of herculean work needed to salvage all possible. I was there for the dedication of the new gold velour drapes for the stage in the old gym, a much needed and truly beautiful addition to all dramatic productions and accomplished by the sales of candy in the library during the morning break. I was there when both my daughters wanted to participate in Drill Team for the very specific reason that Sister always took the team to Portland for a basketball game at the University of Portland, but, of even greater note, she always arranged for a pilgrimage to the Portland Grotto. I was there when my youngest daughter wrote in an essay for Sister Lillian's English class, that she had observed Sister Constance, at an assembly at which the Benedictines were being especially recognized, wiggling her toes with excitement, a trait she had herself. I was there when we cleaned out the old closets and found the old black velvet drill ream uniforms that Sister had saved for and had protected so dearly, and you could smell a fall Friday night in the air!

Sister Lillian Englert was both a teacher of American Literature to Juniors and a teacher of Scripture to Seniors when I arrived. I was there when a young man who wrote a column for the Idaho Statesman in later years told me that he thanked God for Sister every time he considered the semi-colon. I was there, also, when another young man stated, with nothing to gain for he had graduated years before, that the Scripture class changed his entire thinking. He had

produced a paper in which he had denigrated many things using the accusatory "you." Sister very quietly gave it back to him and asked him to substitute the inclusive "we." I was there when faculty members of all ages would seek out Sister for solace or guidance. I was there when Sister provided a unique and private retreat for a daughter, but, then, she had done it for many before. And I was not there but I know of the time a daughter loaded a very ill and very good friend into the old Buick that had made so many trips to Bishop Kelly, and they left Moscow to drive to Cottonwood on a beautiful spring day. And they talked with Sister and climbed that hill that seems to march straight up to Heaven, and everybody cried. Then they climbed back into the old Buick and drove back to Moscow. She could think of nothing more healing and good that she could do for this friend.

And I knew Sister Felicity Huerlimann who has been laid to rest at the top of that straight-to-Heaven hill. But both Bob and I were with her and a full car full of sisters on a very cold and very, very snowy Thanksgiving vacation when we were all returning to Boise from points north. We made it to Hoots at the bottom of Whitebird Hill and had to unclench the knuckles. As we all entered the warmth of the restaurant, there was an immediate chorus of "Sister!" At that time Sister had to be in her late, very late 80s, but she was traveling to Boise to "take care" of the "older" sisters! Sister began to work the room like a seasoned old politician with the aplomb of one who is blissfully unaware that her habit has been secured with giant pins to avoid the snow and that perched on the top of her veil is a Chicago Bears stocking cap! She could have been elected to anything!

And so, what am I remembering: strength, love, fidelity, conscience, humor, and always the knowledge of their great faith and that monastery rising up through the trees. It is said that when Queen Victoria celebrated her 60th year as monarch, the citizens lined the streets and cheered her carriage with "Well done, Old Girl, well done," Since we are at least of the same age I can stand and cheer, "Well done, Dear Sisters, well done!"



Sr. Lillian Englert



Sr. Constance Sonnen



Sr. Benita Hassler



Sr. Jean Lelande



Sr. Barbara Gonzales

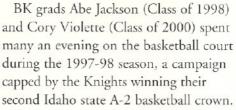


Sr. Carm Tennes

# **BK Alums Shine in NCAA Division I Hoops**

Abe Jackson '98 is honored at the Carley Center.

(below) Cory Violette 'oo is approaching his junior year for the Gonzaga Bulldogs.



Nearly three years later it happened again when the two met at the Boise State University Pavilion, December 9,

2000. What made this an historic meeting on the hardwood was the fact that both Abe and Cory were playing Division One NCAA basketball, a rarity not only for BK alums, but also for any Idaho high school alumni. Indeed, no other Idaho school has had two alumni playing Division One men's basketball. Or at least we can't think of any.

Since the fall of 2000, these two BK grads

have made history with Abe leading Boise State University as an all-time three-point shooter for the

school. Cory meanwhile vaulted to starting center for the Gonzaga University Bulldogs and has just completed his second season for the Spokane school. While Abe's college career is over, Cory still has two more years to thrill fans in The Kennel.

As the BSU basketball season neared completion this winter, Abe received some deserving recognition at an unofficial "Abe Jackson Night" at the BSU vs. Tulsa game February 23rd. Nearly 1,000 tickets were distributed to BK teachers, alumni, and students in Boise's Catholic grade schools. (In accordance with NCAA rules, BK students did not get free tickets, but were admitted to the game.)

A strong presence of black and gold prowled the Pavillion that evening.

A special school assembly was held in honor of Abe Jackson the day before at Bishop Kelly High. An enthusiastic student body welcomed their alum. Boise's acting Mayor, Mike Wetherell, read a proclamation declaring February 23rd "Abe Jackson Day" in Boise.

Farther to the north, Cory Violette has emerged as a key big man for a nationally-ranked Gonzaga program. Following a season of pushing other big men around in the paint, Cory racked up honors as a first team West Coast Conference player. Many BK alumni followed Cory's achievements as ESPN and FOX Sports televised numerous Gonzaga games. Enthusiasm for Cory was evident when an autographed Gonzaga program and Kennel Club t-shirt sold for \$100 at a BK baseball fundraiser in February! With two more seasons in front of him, anything can happen for Cory and the Gonzaga Bulldogs.



Andy Brunelle '78, Larry Crump '82, Dave Skinner '70, Abe Jackson '98, Mike Wetherell, Gail Cushman, and Neil McCarthy pose for a shot at the Abe Jackson assembly organized by Dave "Voice of the Knights" Skinner.

### The Envelope, Please ...

Pull out the envelope inserted in the middle of this newsletter. Take a few minutes to send us some news on yourself or a family member. We'd love to hear from you and so would your classmates. Job promotion, new baby, advanced degree, marriage ... send us a brief message as you'd like it to appear in our next newsletter.

There is also an opportunity to make a tax-deductible donation to the BK scholarship fund. Rest assured, the money will be well spent, as the need for tuition aid greatly exceeds the school's ability to meet all the needs.

Thank you for your consideration and generosity.

# **Bishop Kelly Needs You!**

One of the primary reasons for Bishop Kelly High School's many years of success is the generosity of the dedicated friends and alumni who support it. Over and over, people have come through with time, talent, and treasure, to allow BK to continue the national reputation that it has today.

This tradition of excellence, including an enhanced curriculum, a superior faculty, and support and maintenance of a 35-year old facility, comes with a price. We offer some suggestions for our friends and alumni to help us grow:

 Support the Foundation Dinner (November 2, 2002)

- · Be a walking billboard with a BK sweatshirt
- Volunteer at a pancake breakfast, sponsored by Booster Club, or come enjoy the meal
- Provide a partial or whole scholarship for a needy student to attend BK
- Encourage others to enroll
- · Attend a game or activity
- · Sponsor a student
- Donate a new computer for our growing demands of technology
- Endow a Chair for a teacher in your field
- A donation of any type is appreciated!

Quality comes with a price!

# Class of 2002 Pledges \$4500 to Alumni Scholarship Fund

We know that money is tight and paying for college is a financial challenge but, if everyone gives a little it will have a very positive impact on students who might not otherwise be able to attend Bishop Kelly and receive the same education that you have. That was the message in early May to the Class of 2002. The young AlumKnights were asked to pledge one hour of wages per year over each of the next five years. The result of that appeal is just over \$900 per year for each of the next five years. The generosity of this class and future graduating classes will have a huge impact on many students.

### Thank you and congratulations to the Class of 2002.

Joria Lucas Ackers Amy Ann Alvord Emily Kathleen Anderson Robert Sterman Anderson David Hughes Arkoosh Ann Victoria Rose Barton Dana Janet Beechie Kathryn Regina Behrend Kimberly Ann Bergey Jacob Paul Berriochoa Lauren Frances Blaesing Claire Rose Bleymaier Britni Ann Borgna Colton Coty Brooks Holly Marie Brown Amy Elizabeth Budzianowski Seffan Palmer Bune Curtis Gabriel Burch Robert Warren Bush Hayley Jo Butler Chelsea Jean Cammann Petra Jin Ah Carlson Mary Rochelle Carpenter Nicole Marie Casabonne Alexander Britt Cate John Lloyd Chalfant Justin Andrew Chown Nicole Francisca Coleman Andrew Paul Collins Christopher Isaac Conner Molly Cecile Corbari Wesley Zupan Coulter Adrianne Lee Margaret Crozier Thomas John Czarniecki Annette Cherie Dalton Byron Joseph Davis Emily Suzanne Davis James Jacob deGlee William Michael Dillon Camellia Kim Doan Mary Margaret Downey Allison Marie Dwyer Joseph Alfred Eiguren Anthony Michael Ekman Talia Marie Flagan Amy Lynn Foster Eric Remington Frisk Sarah Irene Gallant Blake Heiden Gaudet John William Geyer John Alden Gibson

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# **Calendar of Events**

CLASS OF '92 10-YEAR REUNION August 9-11 • Contact Katie Kirby: bkclassof92@yahoo.com, 288-2148

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CLASS OF 2002 GODSPEED MASS August 14, 7pm, Carley Center

CLASS OF '82 20-YEAR REUNION August 16-18 • Contact Larry Crump: lcrump@bk.org, 342-3939

(CLASS OF '72 30-YEAR REUNION was held in July)

### SEPTEMBER

Fall Season Underway: Football, Men's & Women's Soccer, Men's & Women's Cross Country, Volleyball, and Swimming

# KNIGHTS!

#### **HOMECOMING 2002**

ALUMKNIGHTS GOLF SCRAMBLE Friday, October 4, 11am, Quail Hollow Contact: Dave Bruce, 383-7321 or www.alumknights.org

Friday, October 4 • Nick Ysursa Field

MEMORIAL MASS
Saturday, October 5, 4:30pm • BK Chapel

WINE TASTER, FRIEND RAISER Saturday, October 5, 5:30pm Carley Center (new gym), 2nd floor

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BISHOP KELLY FOUNDATION'S
ANNUAL WINNER'S CHOICE
DINNER & AUCTION
Saturday, November 2
Contact: Julie Lliteras
at the Foundation office:
323-4789

#### ALUMKNIGHTS 15TH ANNUAL 3-On-3 Hoopfest

Saturday, December 29 9am at the Carley Center Open to Men & Women alums Contact: Bill Fritz at 342-0395

Defending Their Titles:

Dan Bruce '97, Dave Bruce '75, Bob Bruce '70, Steve Bruce '68, John Brady '75 & Mike Burke '83 Tiffany Holtz, Laura Skinner, Meghann Kirk – all '00, & Sami Jo Fritz '01

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Amy Foster, daughter of John Foster '68 Angela Gribble, daughter of Vicki House Gribble '74 Kaitlyn Hicks, stepdaughter of Mary Ann Sestero Hicks '71

Jeffrey Holm, son of Rodney Holm '67 Alicia Lachiondo, daughter of David Lachiondo '65 Tim McEntee, son of Mike McEntee '69 Robert Pankowski, son of Robert Pankowski, St. Teresa's '58

Benjamin Schaffner, son of Gary Schaffner '68 Christopher P. Williamson, son of Patrick Williamson '69

#### Class of 2003

Naiara Arozamena, daughter of Miren Arrubarrena Arozamena '78

Amy Barrutia, daughter of John Barrutia '77
Thomas Baumann, son of Joseph Baumann '74
Brian Bixby, son of David Bixby '68
Kaylyn Brennan, daughter of Tim Brennan '77
Melissa Brown, daughter of Ron Brown. St. Teresa's '62 and Cathy O'Halloran Brown, St. Teresa's '63
Elizabeth Coughlin, daughter of Michael Coughlin '66
Francis Fritz, son of Bill Fritz '69 and Joanne
Brady Fritz '72

Robert Geile, son of Randall Geile '73

Jamie Goicoechea, daughter of Jerry Goicoechea '68 Jacqueline Hickman, daughter of Marianne Anderson Hickman '75

Jennifer Hickox, daughter of Diane Thornton Hickox '74 Megan Hill, daughter of Terri Peterson Hill '70

Tyler Holtz, son of Colleen Brady Holtz '78
Danielle McCormick, daughter of Tim McCormick
'76 and Christy McAfec McCormick '76
Morgan Osich, son of Michael Osich '79
Branden Rudd, son of Valerie Schneider Rudd '79
Patricia Schnupp, daughter of Jacqueline Munio
Schnupp '80

Melissa Smith and Michelle Smith, daughters of Cindy Allumbaugh Smith '77

Thomas Smith, son of Mary Ann Sestero Hicks '71 Tara Talboy, daughter of Frank Talboy '66 Matthew Whipps, son of Tricia Rourke Whipps '78 LeAnne Zamzow, daughter of Doug Zamzow '69 Clare Zamzow, daughter of Barry Zamzow '71

#### Class of 2004

Tony Abajian, son of Edward Abajian '67 Meghan Anderson, daughter of Margaret Huerta Anderson '78

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Katie O'Neil, daughter of Shirley Lyons O'Neil '78 Carmen Weber, daughter of Debbie Drost Weber '72 and Mike Weber '71 Andrew Williamson, son of Pat Williamson '69

Joseph Young, son of Prudence King Young '72

#### Class of 2005

Ryan Brennan, son of Tim Brennan '77
Krista Brunelle, daughter of Nicholas Brunelle
'75 and Laurie Bresnahan '75
Cody Enrico, son of Cindy Schaffeld '76
Michael Geile, son of Randall Geile '73
Brian Holm, son of Rodney Holm '67
Brandon Koomler, son of Larry Koomler '75
Julie Meek, daughter of Janis Wroten '69
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