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*Growing Forward Together*

*Achieving excellence in learning, service, and life.*

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Rom 12:5

“... so in

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the others.”



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### From the Editor:



Working for your high school can be a surreal experience. Just ask any of the nine alumni on the faculty and staff here at Bishop Kelly. Some days I am in awe of just how much has changed at BK since I was here in the early '90s. Other days I'm transported back to my sophomore year and all the teenaged angst that went with it. Like most alumni, I loved my time at BK. But growing older has been good for me. I'm a little wiser. A little more savvy. And a lot more sure of who I am and where I'm going. I think the same can be said

about the institution that shaped so many of us. BK is smarter. BK is stronger. BK is a lot more technologically savvy. At the same time, the strong Catholic values and nurturing family atmosphere that so many of us hold dear are still the glue that holds Bishop Kelly together.

I hope in the following pages you find examples of both the positive changes at Bishop Kelly, and the tradition and constancy that make this place home for so many. We have so much to celebrate!

Katie Kerby,  
Alumni Director

## Dear Friends of Bishop Kelly,

As our team here at Bishop Kelly of faculty, staff, and administration begins our 48th year as a school, we have much for which to be thankful. We welcomed 675 students to start the 2011/2012 school year, the highest enrollment since 2002. We just finished an \$8.7 million capital campaign, which allowed us to completely renovate the inside of our school and ensure access to all who wish to come. And, we began construction in June on the capstone piece of our renovation, our new Student Commons, which we will dedicate at our grand opening on March 14, 2012.

None of this would have been possible without the incredible support and efforts of our families, our alumni, and our entire Bishop Kelly community! We thank each of you for your commitment and dedication to our mission of “educating and developing the whole student in the Catholic tradition – spirit, mind and body”. The time, prayers, talents, and financial support I have witnessed and felt in my first year as President of Bishop Kelly have been truly awe-inspiring!

Equally impressive as the support we have experienced are the accomplishments of our students here at Bishop Kelly. Please allow me to brag a bit about the 156 graduates of the Class of 2011. Here are a few of their statistics:

- They contributed over 15,000 hours of service to their community.
- 98% of them went on to college, with 80% receiving merit-based college scholarships that totaled over \$14.5M
- And, in sports, they won 15 out of 18 possible district championships, eight state titles, and five academic state championships.

To ensure we continue to serve our community and help develop more future leaders such as our Class of 2011, we spent much of the past year as a community completing and beginning the implementation of our 2010 – 2015 BK Strategic Plan. This is our second strategic plan, the first one in 2005 having provided direction for the renovations and accomplishments of the past five

years under the leadership of our first President, Dr. David Lachiondo.

We gathered and analyzed an incredible amount of data as to where we are today and then aligned around a shared vision for 2015 of “a Catholic community achieving excellence in learning, service, and life.” We set eight goals we believe are critical to achieving this vision around learning environment, spiritual environment, curriculum and instruction, activities, professional development, managing our resources, partnerships, brand, and value. We have community-wide teams working hard on strategies and actions to move us forward in each of these goal areas. A copy of our plan is on the bk.org website if you wish to learn more.

As we approach our 50th anniversary celebration, please continue to stay connected and involved with Bishop Kelly. After working nearly 30 years at Hewlett-Packard and retiring in 2008, I can tell you there is no more important “business” than the mission we have here at Bishop Kelly. Preparing our students for “a lifetime quest to reach excellence in spirit, mind, and body” is our vision for each graduate. Your ongoing support in whatever ways possible will ensure we continue to improve in our service to each of them and their families.

In conclusion, I wish to thank you once again for your interest in and commitment to Bishop Kelly! *GO KNIGHTS!*

Kind regards,

Rich Raimondi  
President

Bishop Kelly High School



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BK Trivia: In 1967, which "talented, dedicated and spirited" student group performed in the Boise Holiday parade?

Answer: The Troopadors (BK's drill team)



Warmest Greetings to all Alumni and Friends,

Bishop Kelly High School continues to reach for excellence in learning, service, and life. This past year was another special tribute to the collective efforts of our students, faculty, staff, and administration. Our school participated in the "Focus on Learning" with the Western Catholic Education Accreditation process and received their highest recommendation, which means that BK will not need to go through this process again for six years. Bishop Kelly's test scores on the PSAT, Explore and Plan continue to improve, placing Bishop Kelly among the top schools nationwide.

Our outstanding students continue to shine with 67 members in National Honor Society, three National Merit Scholar finalists, and eight seniors being honored as class Valedictorians. The Class of 2011 was awarded more than \$14.5 million in scholarships to 143 colleges and universities in 34 different states. Over 70 students competed at the State Science Olympiad on six different teams, earning first place for the tenth straight year. On to nationals! Bishop Kelly qualified two student teams for the National Engineering Design Challenge semi-finals; from there one team was selected as one of the five national finalists. At the national competition in Washington D.C., they were awarded second place and a \$1,000 prize for Best Engineering Design. Bishop Kelly's Debate team won their second consecutive state championship title this past spring and our Economics team also took first place during the Idaho Economic Summit held at Boise State University.

Bishop Kelly Knights were just as busy in the area of athletics and activities this past year. We won IHSAA State Championships in Girls Cross Country, Cheerleading, Girls Lacrosse, Girls Soccer, Football, a Boys Individual Golf title, three Individual Girls Track titles, and Water Polo; also at the District level our students won 15 of 18 championships for the year. We are very proud of the achievements of our entire school, coaches, players, and parents.

The talented students in our theater department gave successful performances of the "The Martian Chronicles" and "The Importance of Being Earnest." We were treated to two outstanding concerts showcasing the talents of our student musicians from the Choir and Band programs.

In March, BK students, alumni, faculty, and staff participated in Service Learning Day. Our school community contributed to 19 service projects around the Treasure Valley. Among those was the Community Garden, which turned more than half an acre of land on the Bishop Kelly campus into 26 garden plots that are being farmed by refugee families. Additionally, BK Seniors tend the Legacy Garden here on campus. Last fall the garden generated significant produce for the local parish food banks.

We have continued to follow the Bishop Kelly Prayer "Help me to see Jesus in others and to have others see Jesus in me." The future looks very promising in fulfilling our mission at Bishop Kelly. I am so grateful to our entire school community, parents, faculty, staff, and inspiring student body. May we give thanks to God for our past and pray for a successful future.

Sincerely yours in Catholic Education,

Robert R. Wehde
Principal
Bishop Kelly High School

Go Knights!!!



# BK Then and Now

Bishop Kelly High School is an institution on the rise. Enrollment, financial stability, academic excellence, athletic achievements ... in every aspect of the school we are growing and strengthening our programs and numbers despite a national trend that's quite the opposite.

In 1960 there were five million students attending Catholic schools in the U.S. By 2000 that number had been cut in half. Since the millenium the erosion of the Catholic school system nationwide has continued, and today there are just 2.1 million students in Catholic school. More than 400 Catholic high schools have closed in the last decade, despite being outstanding schools in their markets.

Most high schools, private or public, would celebrate having achieved just one of Bishop Kelly's accomplishments. How did we do it? With several strategic changes to the way we run Idaho's only Catholic high school, and maybe just a little bit of divine intervention.

This isn't to say that BK has never seen hardship. Perhaps the most infamous story about these struggles, and the determination of the BK community to overcome them, is the legendary tale of Bishop Trinen calling Father Wilson with the news that BK's doors might soon be closed for good. It's reported Fr. Wilson didn't hesitate to share his disapproval stating, "Over my dead body!"

That conversation back in 1971 may well have spurred BK's most important initiative – the creation of the Bishop Kelly Foundation. The Foundation invests monies donated to the school and spins off interest to help fund the operational budget. This has allowed BK to keep tuition well below the average for private high schools in the Northwest, while providing financial stability for the school. The Foundation also funds financial aid programs for families in need, making Bishop Edward Kelly's vision of a diocesan high school that serves each member of our

community a reality.

No matter when you graduated, there are changes at BK that have taken place since you walked the halls as a student. The Class of 2011 would be surprised at the work done in just a few short months since they became our newest alumni. Even the "Old Gym" has been given a facelift since last spring. It looks beautiful. And to help it live up to its new look, we've given it a new name: The James "Reggie" Wilson Gymnasium. Or as our current students are calling it, "The Reg."

## *So what's new at BK since you were here? Plenty ...*

If you were a student in the '60s and '70s you probably remember uniforms, a faculty made up of mostly clergy, a shiny new building, and farm fields all around campus. In the '80s the uniforms were gone. there were fewer nuns teaching, everyone took typing and home economics, and the new Boise Towne Square Mall became BK's neighbor. In the '90s things really began to change. Typewriters were replaced by computers. Our enrollment surged to 700+ students, and much needed expansion and renovation of the main building began.

In the last decade several key gifts to the school have shaped the Bishop Kelly you see today. A gift from Mike and Anna Simunich in 1998 doubled the size of our campus from 30 to 60 acres, and gave BK the opportunity to realize \$1.5 million from the sale of excess land. From that, a half million dollars were invested in classroom renovations and \$1 million remains in a maintenance endowment that spins off revenue annually for infrastructure investment. Campus-wide wireless capability, technology in the classrooms, and energy efficiencies throughout our facility are just a few of the investments made possible because of this gift and the resulting endowments.

A \$1.2 million estate gift to Bishop Kelly Athletics from Mr. Harry Daum has



generated countless investments in our sports complex infrastructure. A half million dollars from that gift remain in an athletic endowment that generates monies dedicated for reinvestment in our student athletes. In a school where more than half of the student body participates in athletics, it is a blessing to be able to provide equipment and training facilities that help keep our athletes healthy and performing to the best of their abilities.

One such facility is our new gymnasium, the Carley Center. The Carley opened in 2000, giving us the space necessary to support our growing athletic programs. This state-of-the-art complex is used not only by sports teams and PE classes, but also serves as our church for all school Mass, and the gathering place for student assemblies and dances. The members of our community also use the Carley Center for events like the Idaho Catholic Youth Convention. At BK we know that great facilities don't necessarily make great athletes. But it's worth noting that more than half of the State Championships won by the Knights were won after the Carley Center's opening.

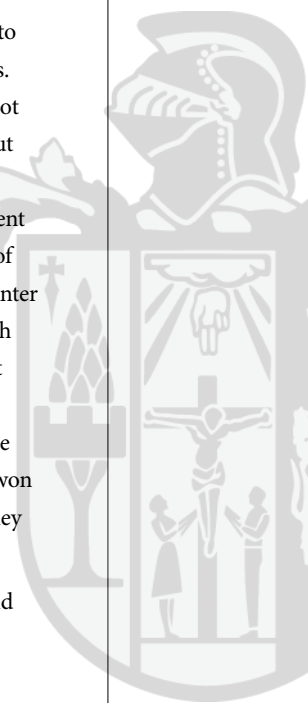
In 2006 Bishop Kelly ran the largest and most successful capital campaign in its history, raising \$8.6 million dollars. Half of the campaign proceeds went to infrastructure renovation and half went to increase the Bishop Kelly Foundation endowment from \$3.2 million to \$7 million. The Foundation grants more than



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*"It's great to  
look at  
your past. Just  
don't stare."*

*- Sr. Carol  
Cimino*



\$600k generated by the endowment and Winner's Choice Auction to Bishop Kelly each school year. These monies make up 15% of our operating budget and are a critical part of our long term financial stability. This annual grant from the Foundation helps keep tuition significantly below the actual cost to educate each student at Bishop Kelly. Additionally, the Foundation provides need based financial assistance to more than 25% of the families that attend BK.

Via the capital campaign and several other initiatives, we invested \$5 million in renovating and expanding our facility. Depending on when you last visited campus, some or all of these improvements might be new to you:

- All of BK's original classrooms have been renovated, and two new classroom wings added
- An "extreme makeover" has been completed in the biology and chemistry labs
- The art classroom has been expanded into a modern art complex
- Our campus is completely wireless with an upgraded network infrastructure that supports over 350 continuously operating computing devices
- Students and teachers use the Blackboard online course management system
- An impressive new weight room has been added to the Carley Center
- The Nick Ysursa Football Stadium was upgraded with stadium lights and new bleachers that seat 2100 fans.
- Our new baseball field is one of the very best in the state
- The baseball field now has an indoor batting cage and upgraded concessions area
- The front parking lot was upgraded to improve traffic flow and mitigate flooding on campus
- Our irrigation system has been upgraded to reduce the costs associated with care and upkeep of the expanded campus

- A through street was put in to connect the parking lots to Alumbaugh street to the East, allowing students to exit campus at a lighted intersection during heavy traffic times
- With the help of our hardworking students BK added two community gardens, one to supply local food banks with produce and one that is farmed by neighborhood refugee families

Capital improvements aren't the only things that have changed at BK in the last decade. Bishop Kelly has added several academic programs including an impressive list of AP classes, expanded science and engineering offerings, horticulture, music and theater arts, and strength and conditioning classes to name a few. By every metric of success Bishop Kelly is a leader in academic achievement in the State of Idaho.

In 2004 BK streamlined both the school's governance and administration with the adaptation of the President-Principal model and by combining our two governing boards into one. Our Board of Governance has the authority to steer the strategic leadership of the institution. The Principal runs the day to day operations of the school and reports to the President who runs the business side of the institution. These changes gave us the ability to focus talented leadership in an agile and functional structure.

In 2005 our new leadership team developed a strategic planning initiative that resulted in an ambitious five year vision for Bishop Kelly. By 2010, so much progress had been achieved that we developed a second strategic plan for 2010 to 2015. We are in the second year of that plan and working across a very broad spectrum to continue to strengthen academics, athletics and activities, our Catholic identity, community relationships and more. With broad input from the entire Bishop Kelly family and



beyond, we are setting impressive future goals and working as a team to realize them.

Looking ahead, our strategic plan keeps our focus on continuous improvement. We are moving forward with our thoughtful approach for implementing "blended learning" at Bishop Kelly. It won't be long before each student at BK will have and use their own computing device in the classroom. To realize that goal we continue to train faculty how to best use technology to augment their teaching and work to build the infrastructure necessary to deliver and receive distance learning. Currently we are working on a plan with the emerging Idaho Education Network that will allow BK students to connect with classrooms across the state.

In February, work will be complete on our new Student Commons. This is the final and capstone piece of infrastructure upgrades completed as part of the capital campaign. This project completely changes the front entrance, student services, and administrative spaces at BK, offering improved and expanded space for our students and community to work, learn, and gather together.

If you are in Boise on March 14th, we hope you'll plan to attend the ribbon cutting celebration for the Student Commons. If you've moved away from the Treasure Valley, please plan to come by Bishop Kelly next time you're in town. Our Alumni director Katie Kerby would love to meet you and take you on a tour of Bishop Kelly. Your trip down memory lane might look a little different, but the changes at BK are sure to inspire you!

# Profile of a BK Graduate

The Mission of Bishop Kelly High School has long been to “develop the total student in the Catholic tradition – spirit, mind, and body.” But what does that really mean? Our spirituality committee developed a graduate profile to put the mission statement into a more concrete vision of what a Bishop Kelly student should look like at graduation. This “Profile of a BK Graduate” guides us in developing our students mentally, emotionally, spiritually, physically, and socially. These broad principles apply to each member of our diverse student body at BK.

In 2010 the “Profile of a BK Graduate” became an important guide that helped the Bishop Kelly community shape our roadmap for the future. We began implementation of BK’s

second five-year strategic plan last fall. The Profile of the BK Graduate is reflected in every goal of our strategic plan.

From enhancing our spiritual and learning environment to creating opportunities for each of our students to participate in athletic and extracurricular activities, the development of our students in the Catholic tradition – spirit, mind, and body – drives us as we move forward.



## *The BK Graduate is prepared in the following areas:*

### *Spirit*

- a relationship with Jesus Christ which manifests itself through service and a personal commitment to social justice
- a knowledge of the Catholic Church’s teachings, as well as the compassion and dedication to live out those teachings
- an ability to evaluate moral choices and issues based on a well-formed conscience, the teachings of the Catholic Church, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit
- an awareness of world religions and an appropriate respect for the beliefs of others
- a deep sense of spirituality and a desire for spiritual growth, prayer, and personal reflection
- an ability to form strong, respectful and meaningful relationships based on Christian values

### *Mind*

- a capacity for creativity, critical thinking, questioning, and reflective problem solving
- an ability to analyze, synthesize, and evaluate information from different sources
- an exceptional academic foundation in a broad range of subjects



- an ability to effectively communicate in both written and oral forms
- a firm grasp of technology and its role in maximizing learning
- an appreciation for the power of positive self-expression through the arts and literature



### *Body*

- a recognition that one’s body is a gift from God
- an acceptance of the responsibility to treat one’s own body with modesty and respect
- an ability to establish physical, social, and emotional boundaries and respect for the boundaries of others
- a lifetime commitment to healthful nutrition and physical activity
- a dedication to physical balance, harmony and self-control
- an acknowledgement of discipline, perseverance, and courage as keys to success





# Father Justin Brady

In October of 1990 Father Justin Brady was a senior enjoying his last year at Bishop Kelly. He was barely giving thought to his future after high school, and the priesthood wasn't even on his radar. He describes his faith at that time as environmental. He was Catholic in name, and only because everyone around him was Catholic. But all that was about to change.

On a retreat weekend at Bishop Kelly, Father Justin had a change of heart. That retreat with friends turned into a youth prayer group. Youth prayer group turned into a year spent with the traveling Catholic Ministry REACH, and from there his path led to the Seminary at Mount Angel. Now, 20 years later, Father Justin sees the world through a lens of maturity, freedom and joy. “I’m still the same person who loves the outdoors, has a crazy sense of humor ... but my vocation has made me a more authentic version of myself. God took the things that were good in me before and magnified them.”

Father Justin loves being a priest. He’s clear that it’s more than just a job. More than just an opportunity to help people. “This vocation is a gift. It was given freely to me. I can’t buy it, or even own it. It is truly a gift from God. “

He feels very honored and blessed to be part of every important moment in people’s lives. Birth, marriage, conversion, confession, and of course death. “Because people trust in God and extend that trust to me, I’m able to see in a very intimate and mysterious way how God loves his people. It’s perfect love. Equal, constant and unconditional.”



Father Justin is the pastor of St. Nicholas Parish in Rupert, Idaho. When he talks about his parishioners he speaks of being like a father, and also a son. But most of all he speaks of reflecting God’s love. “I want to love like God loves. And God loves us even when we’ve been a mess.” That’s not easy to do, even for a priest. But Father Justin clearly strives to love not sentimentally, but sacramentally. “Godly love is poured out, lavished on us,” he says with a smile. It’s a lofty goal, but everything about Father Justin indicates that he is enjoying its pursuit.

Whenever there is an opportunity, we invite Father Justin to campus to spend time with BK students. His ability to relate to teens and engage them with his unique sense of humor and unending energy is a blessing to the diocese and Bishop Kelly.





# Ellie Boldman Hill

In November of 2010, Ellen “Ellie” Boldman Hill, Bishop Kelly Class of ’93, was named by Time Magazine as one of the “40 Under 40 Political Rising Stars” in the nation. The recognition came as quite a surprise to Ellie, who had recently been elected to serve in the Montana House of Representatives, but had not yet taken office.

Ellie is an attorney and well known public figure in Montana. She is the Executive Director of the Poverello Center, an organization that provides shelter, food, and health care to the homeless, poor, and veterans in Montana. Ellie has successfully kept the center going through the tough economy, a task that earned her the title of “Missoula’s Best Activist” from *the Missoula Independent* for five years running. The newspaper’s editors have also named her as one of the seventeen people you should know in Western Montana.

Ellie is one of Montana’s leading scholars on homelessness, poverty, and food insecurity issues. In 2009 she was invited to speak on Capitol Hill about the plight of homeless veterans. Prior to that, she lobbied successfully at the Montana Legislature for passage of the “Good Samaritan Law for Retired Doctors,” which limits liability on doctors, dentists, and dental hygienists who provide medical services to community-based health programs without compensation.

Formerly a district attorney, Ellie never expected her career path to take this turn. She points out, however, that the word “lawyer” translates to “advocate” in most other languages. “I’m still a lawyer in a lot of ways,” she says. “I consider myself an advocate for the poor.”

Ellie first found her passion for helping the poor and disenfranchised while at St. Mark’s Catholic elementary school in Boise. “Catholic social justice doctrine relates to the collective aspects of humanity with a preferential option for the poor and

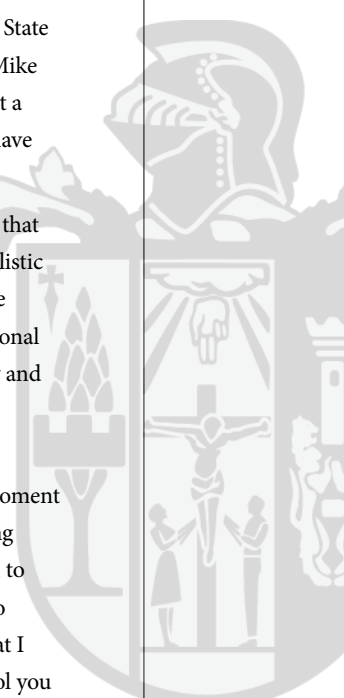


vulnerable. So working with the homeless came naturally,” she says. She credits her Catholic education with encouraging her to take an active role in public life, and contribute to the common good of all people. “At Bishop Kelly, I was taught to believe that the moral test of any society is how it treats its most vulnerable members. I fight for those values today.”

Ellie is also passionate about education. She says the proudest moment in her life came the day she graduated from Boise State University with her father by her side – literally. Her dad, Mike Boldman, had been chipping away at his degree one class at a time for 26 years. “It sounds simple, but the greatest gift I have ever been given is my education.”

“Bishop Kelly is blessed to have the common denominator that every parent is inherently interested and invested in the holistic education of their children. As an adult I know how unique this is, and how much it fundamentally changes an educational environment. Learning is the priority, but so is community and service.”

When asked what advice a successful leader would give to Bishop Kelly’s current students, Ellie responded, “Take a moment to thank your parents or grandparents or whoever is writing that check to pay for your tuition. It is a deliberate decision to send you there and it is a sacrifice for many to do it. It’s also the greatest gift you will ever receive. I would also share that I hope when you go out into the great world after high school you remember that a majority of Americans do not have the same opportunities we have been so blessed to receive. As Bishop Kelly students, we are incredibly lucky but we are also well prepared to make a difference for the least among us. The gift becomes your responsibility, so go out and do it!”





*“Work hard.  
You aren’t  
going to reach  
your full  
potential by  
cutting corners  
and trying to  
rely solely on  
your talent.”*

*–Nick  
Symmonds*



## Nick Symmonds

Bishop Kelly grad Nick Symmonds, '02 is fast. Really fast. Nick is a professional distance runner who competes internationally for the Oregon Track Club Elite and for the USA. In June he won his fourth consecutive title in the men's 800 meter at the USA Outdoor Championship. That finish won him a spot on Team USA for the IAAF World Championships in Athletics in Daegu, Korea, in August where he finished in fifth place.

Although he was disappointed with his finish in Daegu, Nick quickly set his sights higher – a trip to the Olympics in 2012. He hopes to bring home a medal in the men's 800m, which would be the first medal in that event for an American since Johnny Gray's bronze in the 1992 games.

Nick started running while he was a student at Bishop Kelly, but it wasn't exactly by choice. "I wanted to be a soccer player. But my freshman year I stood just over five feet tall and weighed a whopping 95 pounds. There was very little interest from the head soccer coach in putting a pre-pubescent 14-year old anywhere near the playing field." It was suggested that Nick spend a season with the cross country team where he could improve his fitness and strength. Nick was less than thrilled with the idea. In his mind, running laps was punishment. In fact, the practice shirts the cross country team wore had the words "Our sport is your sport's punishment" emblazoned on the back.

BK Track Coach Tom Shanahan remembers telling Nick to stick with cross country for two weeks. If he didn't like it, he was free to leave the team. Nick soon found that the thrill of competition kept him motivated to run. He credits coach Shanahan with nurturing his love for the sport and teaching him how to race. "Nick is the fiercest competitor I've ever been around," says coach Shanahan. "The bigger the occasion, the better he ran."



After high school Nick attended Willamette University where he ran track and earned a degree in Biochemistry. "After graduation, my classmates were eager to pursue careers in medicine or sciences," Nick says. "I was more interested in seeing how far my running talent could take me on the track." That fall Nick joined the OTCE. He has been running professionally ever since.

In 2008 Nick went to the Olympics in Beijing. It was there that he got his first real taste of international championship racing. "In Beijing I failed to make the finals, but found in that failure a renewed dedication to my sport and a powerful sense of purpose in trying again for an Olympic medal."

In preparation for the 2012 games in London, Nick spends most of his time training and traveling to competitions across the globe. Nick is clear that hard work is what got him to the world stage. "I remember a coach once told me that when he recruited kids there were four things he looked for: talent, durability, dedication, and attitude. There is not a lot you can do about the first two, but the last two are all up to you. If you want to reach your potential, then you need to make sure you are putting in the work and living the life that is conducive to running fast when you are off the track"

While most of us will never compete at the same level as Nick, his passion and dedication are something that everyone can strive to emulate. Your Bishop Kelly family is cheering for you and praying for you Nick. Good luck in 2012!

# Engineering Design

Bishop Kelly students who participate in the Engineering Design Program recently learned that they are the recipients of a Lemelson-MIT InvenTeam grant in the amount of \$9,110. The grant will allow the students to create the MagWrite, a tremor damping device for writing. Bishop Kelly is one of 16 teams nationwide to be selected as an InvenTeam this year.

InvenTeams are teams of high school students, teachers, and mentors that receive grants up to \$10,000 each to invent technological solutions to real-world problems. The primary goal of InvenTeams is to foster high school students' passion for invention and innovation, in turn inspiring them to consider careers in science, technology, engineering, or math.

Dr. Guy Hudson initiated the InvenTeam application process last spring and attended training at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in June to help prepare the final proposal. A prestigious panel of judges composed of educators, researchers, staff, and alumni from MIT as well as representatives from the industry and former Lemelson-MIT Award winners assembled this fall and selected Bishop Kelly to receive one of this year's InvenTeam grants.

The concept isn't new to BK. Bishop Kelly first entered a team in the National Engineering Design Challenge three years ago. The NEDC was an annual competition that invited teens in grades 9 – 12 to put their creativity and problem-solving skills to use designing a workplace assistive device that helps people with physical challenges. BK students quickly went to work designing a device that helped a local businessman who suffers from tremors. His uncontrolled shaking prevented him from performing writing tasks and impacted his ability to work. The BK team and their assistive device, called P.A.W.D., won first place in the NEDC that year.

BK's engineering design teams have continued to design and build devices each year that help a local patient affected by tremors. As they learn about engineering, this dedicated group of teens is changing lives. In 2009 the students created a syringe filling system that allowed a nurse with tremors return to work. In 2010 two teams from Bishop Kelly designed devices that allowed a young woman with severe tremors to feed herself, draw, and write. One of those devices, the MagWrite, is the winner of the Lemelson-MIT grant.

The MagWrite uses magnets to steady a handheld writing interface on a writing surface.

The team envisions the MagWrite as a tabletop unit that could be used at home, at school, or as a stand-alone workstation where many clients could share one device (such as in an assisted-living facility).

Team advisor and Science Department Chair, Dr. Guy Husdon, is thrilled about the grant and its impact on BK's growing engineering program. "This project is a perfect fit for BK. Our students are gaining real world engineering skills while living out Bishop Kelly's mission to help our students use their gifts and talents to serve our community. It is an honor to have been recognized by the Lemelson Foundation and MIT for our previous successes, and we are grateful for this grant which will enable us to further refine our ideas over the coming year."

Over the next nine months, Doc Hudson and the Bishop Kelly InvenTeam will continue to develop the MagWrite with some help from community and industry mentors. Dr. Larry Neznanski, who pioneered the engineering program at BK, will once again be instrumental to the students' success. He will be joined by Mr. Peter Thimm, patent attorney, Dr. Lauren Seeberger, M.D., Medical Director of the Movement Disorders Center at the Elks Rehab Hospital in Boise, and Mr. Gary Carlson, a retired HP engineer and adjunct faculty member at Boise State University.

In June the students will showcase a prototype of their invention at EurekaFest at MIT in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Until then the students will be hard at work perfecting their invention. We wish them the best of luck!





# Service Learning

The Service Learning program at Bishop Kelly allows our students to put their classroom discussions about ministry and the Christian lifestyle into real life instances of service and mercy. We view service learning as a gift, not simply a graduation requirement. Each year our students complete thousands of hours of service in our parishes, and around the Treasure Valley, many of them going above and beyond what is required of them to help those among us in need.

Seniors at BK take service learning to the next level by engaging with a specific organization over the course of their last year here. At the end of their commitment, they are asked to reflect on the experience. Two members of the Class of 2011 have graciously agreed to share their service learning stories.

## John Langfield



John Langfield wanted to spend his senior year helping poor families in our community.

This desire to help people led him to Habitat for Humanity where he was moved by their mission to develop communities by providing “decent houses in decent communities in which every person can experience God’s love and can live and grow into all that God intends.”

John chose to work on a home in Canyon County that was being built for, and with, a family with two young children. Before long, he was swinging a hammer alongside Victor, who would become the home’s owner when it was finished. John spent his summer framing, hanging sheetrock, installing siding, and landscaping the new home.

“I was part of a group of volunteers who shared the work, and the pride we felt as we watched the little house take form,” John said. “Victor and his wife Violet are now raising their children in a safe and comfortable neighborhood.”

John feels that it’s important to evaluate service to ensure that we are acting out of social justice by sharing our blessings with others, and out of dignity by helping others become as self sufficient as possible. He states that “Habitat for Humanity

projects are the strong and loving arm of social justice. Inspiring many volunteers worldwide to work as conservationists and as humanitarians in the effort to eliminate poverty housing one step at a time.” He plans to continue his work with Habitat for Humanity and asks each of us, “What will you build?”

## Hannah Jones



Hannah Jones began her service project with a desire to serve others. In the end, she realized that her own life had been enriched because of the experience.

Hanna volunteered in the Women’s Class through the International Rescue Committee’s Boise office. The Women’s Class promotes self reliance by coaching economically vulnerable refugee women to meet basic needs, access community services, and improve their job skills. Many refugee women arrive in the U.S with minimal English fluency and face tremendous hurdles when entering the American workforce. As part of her volunteer experience Hannah helped women practice their English skills and learn about American culture.

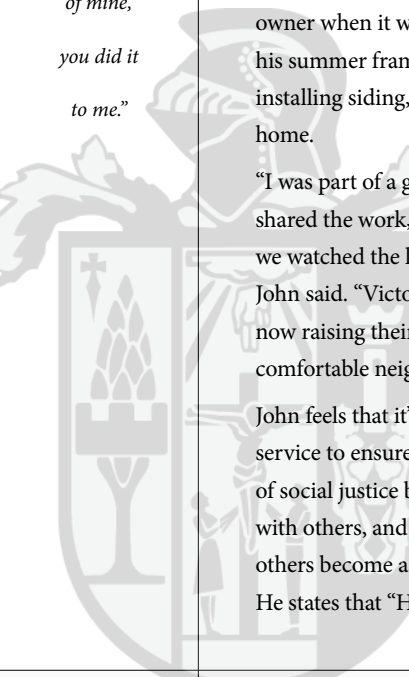
“They were excited to learn about our holidays, and everyday life here in the US. It made me realize that you can serve others no matter where you are in

your life.”

As Hanna got to know some of the women in the class, she learned of the circumstances that brought them to Boise. Most of the women had fled their own countries to escape persecution, war, or disaster. They arrived here with nothing, and yet Hannah noted that they were happy and grateful to be living in Idaho. “They have figured out that no matter what happens in your life there are still good things to come,” said Hannah.

When Hannah reached the end of her required 30 service hours she realized she wasn’t ready to stop volunteering. She plans to continue giving of her time, and eventually hopes to become an audiologist working with kids with hearing loss. “Someday I would like to travel to other parts of the world helping kids get the hearing loss tools that they need.”

John and Hanna are two of dozens of BK kids who are living out their faith through service. We encourage our BK community to follow their example by sharing your gifts in your community. If you still live in the Treasure Valley we invite you to participate alongside our students for Service Learning Day this spring. On Friday, March 9th, Bishop Kelly will be participating in service projects throughout town. Contact the Alumni Office at [alumni@bk.org](mailto:alumni@bk.org) or 947-1325 for more information or to sign up.





# Who is the Class of 2015?

## Welcome to the Newest Knights!

By Kelly Shockey, Director of Admissions at Bishop Kelly

On August 14, Bishop Kelly celebrated its first ever Freshman Convocation. This was an opportunity to welcome the nearly 200 incoming freshman of the Class of 2015 and their parents to the Bishop Kelly community. Students learned what it means to be a Bishop Kelly Knight and signed their Knights' Honor Code banner that will hang in the Carley Center. Students were introduced to upperclassmen in the Challenger program, who will work with the freshmen throughout the year to ease the transition to high school.

As the Class of 2015 begins its journey to Knighthood, they will continue to find out what they share in common. This is what we know so far:

- They are graduates of 40 different middle, junior high, and elementary schools.
- 63% of freshman students live in Boise, and the next largest population, 19%, lives in Eagle. Students are also coming from Meridian, Nampa, Kuna, Middleton, and Caldwell.
- 44 students play a musical instrument. Most either play the piano or the guitar, though other instruments include the clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, violin, flute, and the drums.
- This class participates in 22 different sports. The most popular sports in this class are basketball, volleyball, and cross country. The Class of 2015 also likes all of the usual sports you would expect; however, some that you may not expect include archery, jin jitsu, tae kwon do, and frisbee.
- These students have already volunteered at 46 different organizations and events.
- The Class of 2015 has many different interests. The most popular activity of all is reading, followed by "hanging out with friends." Some of the unexpected activities include, film making, robotics, environmental activist, gardening, surfing, debate, and chess.
- Over the summer this class traveled to four different continents, six different countries, and 26 different states. They traveled to Europe, Mexico, Australia, and Belize and have seen London, Paris, and Montreal as well as most of

the best known cities of the United States. The most popular destination of the Class of 2015 was California.

- 21 of the incoming freshmen already have their driver's permit.
- This class has a combined 52 siblings that have attended or are attending Bishop Kelly.

We enthusiastically welcome this diverse and talented Class of 2015. We are honored that they have enrolled at Bishop Kelly High School. May they enjoy great friends and much support in our BK community!





# BK Athletics and Activities



Sixteen Bishop Kelly athletic teams won district championships for the 2010-2011 school year: Volleyball, Boys and Girls Soccer, Boys and Girls Cross Country, Football, Boys Varsity Basketball, Cheerleading, Boys and Girls Golf, Boys and Girls

Track, Baseball, Boys and Girls Tennis, and Girls Lacrosse. No less than six of those teams went on to win state championships last year: Girls Cross Country, Girls Soccer, Football, Water Polo, Cheerleading, and Girls Lacrosse. Additionally, senior Taylor Judy won the Boys individual state title in Golf. Junior Emily Nist won an individual state 3200m Track title, while senior Ali Eisenbeiss won individual state titles in the 200m and 400m, and was a part of two BK relay state titles.

The Knights took home honors off the athletic field as well. Our Debate team won their second consecutive state championship in March. The BK Quiz Bowl team qualified for the state championship, the Science Olympiad team went to nationals after their first place win here in Idaho, and our Engineering Design Team (see feature on page 11) took second place at their national competition. National accolades also went to the BK Yearbook staff. The 2011 Kelligan won a first place award from the American Scholastic Press Association for excellence in writing, photography and page design.

Bishop Kelly is very proud of the students, faculty advisors and coaching staff who worked so hard to achieve these successes.

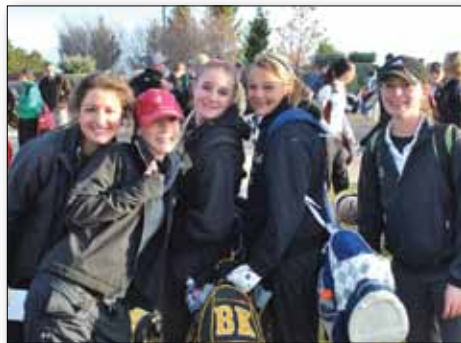
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If we should win, may it be by the code, with faith and honor held high. If we should lose, we'll stand by the road and watch as the winners go by.

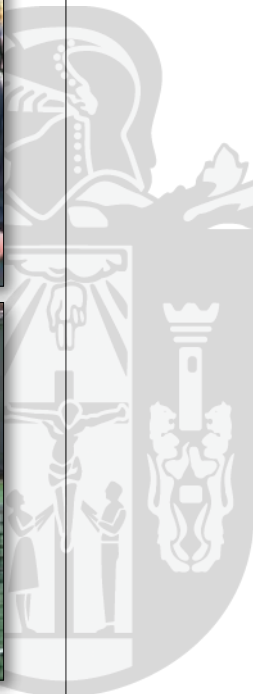
## Go Knights!





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# Bishop Kelly Arts



Performing and visual arts are an integral part of Bishop Kelly culture. Our student body awes and inspires with their creativity and talent. Student art lines the hallways at BK.

From paintings and drawings to sculpture and graphic arts, BK students are sharing their talents and making our campus an interesting and beautiful place to learn.

Our Theater Arts program puts on two shows for the community each school year. The Sci-Fi thriller, *The Martian Chronicles*, based on the classic science fiction novel by Ray Bradbury, kept fall theatergoers on the edge of their seats with twists and turns. An austere set and over-the-top costumes and makeup made for an

eye-popping performance by our talented cast.

In the spring we were transported to the Victorian world of Irish writer and poet Oscar Wilde for a top-notch performance of *The Importance of Being Earnest*. BK actors showcased their comedic timing, love of baked goods, and impeccable British accents in this beloved classic.

As *The Roundtable* goes to press our talented kids are on stage once again. This year's fall performance of *Gaslight* is a spooky tale of deception that is getting rave reviews.

Talented Bishop Kelly musicians have been busy this year with concerts, competitions, pep assemblies and music ministry for all school masses. In addition to providing music for our assemblies and keeping the crowd on their feet at home sporting events, the BK marching band has brought home a few trophies this semester, a deserving reward for a tremendous amount of work.

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"Art washes from the soul the dust of everyday life."

- Pablo

Picasso







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# Student Commons

In August, Bishop Kelly High School broke ground on an extensive and exciting construction project here on campus. The project, known as the Student Commons Project, is the final and capstone phase of building and renovations planned in BK's capital campaign, which began in 2006. It is the first major addition to the school since 2000 when the Carley Athletic Center was built.

The Student Commons Project is comprised of three distinct spaces. 1) The E.L. Wiegand Convocation Atrium, 2) a 100 person wireless multipurpose room, and 3) a refurbished student services, administrative and counseling wing.

The Commons Project will modernize the exterior appearance of Bishop Kelly and create a campus environment that complements our academic excellence. Additionally, this new space will address several programmatic needs at the school:

- Adds convocation space for student and community gatherings.
- Adds a 100 person, wireless, multipurpose room for large group instruction, video conferencing, presentations, club and activity meetings, college visits, testing, and other large common gatherings.
- Provides a space for students to study before and after school.
- Adds a sculpture that reflects our Catholic identity.
- Co-locates the counselors and provides a counselor waiting area and college resource area.
- Enhances security by creating visitor control and monitoring at the front entrance.
- Provides an adequate nursing station with privacy, an isolation area, and security.
- Organizes administrative areas by function and recovers unusable space.
- Provides a restroom on the south side of the school adjacent to the cafeteria and chapel.

Construction of the new space is progressing at a rapid pace! The changes happening daily are exciting for everyone on campus. As the building takes shape we are able to truly see the future at Bishop Kelly.

A signature piece of the project is an original sculpture titled, "Beginning the Journey" which will be the focal point of the E.L. Wiegand Convocation Atrium. The original sculpture has been commissioned by BK from our own sculptor in residence and art faculty member, Michael Dente. Mr. Dente is an internationally exhibited and collected sculptor and muralist.

"Beginning the Journey" depicts the figures of Jesus and St. John the Baptist in the Jordan River. The seven-foot figure of Jesus stands on a two-foot base, making him a looming nine feet tall! The kneeling figure of St. John the Baptist is also larger than life. When they are permanently installed in the atrium the two bronze figures will be surrounded by running water and rocks from the Jordan River. A dove will be suspended above them, representing the Holy Spirit.

"This is the moment when St. John looks up and sees his cousin ... his friend, Jesus walking toward him. John is beginning to stand up to greet Jesus," explains Mr. Dente.

We know that what happens next is a pivotal moment in scripture. Jesus of Nazareth began his adult mission as Jesus the Christ with his baptism. This piece metaphorically encourages our students to accept their spiritual mission as they graduate and begin their adult lives. Conceptually, this sculpture reflects a longstanding Bishop Kelly belief that; "Jesus Christ is our ultimate teacher and role model."

Our students and other members of the BK community have been instrumental to making "Beginning the Journey" come to life. Throughout the summer and early fall, Mr. Dente opened the



Matthew 3:16

"And when  
Jesus had been  
baptized he  
at once came  
up from the  
water, and  
suddenly  
the heavens  
opened and he  
saw the Spirit  
of God  
descending  
like a dove  
and coming  
down on him."

doors of his studio and invited people to add a bit of clay to the forms. Literally hundreds of people have left their fingerprints on this signature piece of art.

The Student Commons Project is underwritten with major grants from the E.L. Wiegand Foundation and the J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Foundation. Other funding sources include Building Committee funds, existing capital campaign pledges, and new pledges to the project.

When BK first started planning for this project in 2007 the estimated cost to build was \$3.2 million. In today's soft building market our cost has been reduced to \$2.4 million dollars. That gave the project a sense of urgency, and our early fundraising efforts gave us the confidence to move forward. We are continuing to successfully raise money for the project, with \$550k still needed to have it fully funded upon completion in February.

A Grand Opening celebration is scheduled for March 14th in the new space. More information about the event will be in your

email or mailbox soon. We hope that all our BK alumni and friends will be celebrating with us that day, either in person or in prayer.



# Do you have a Plan?

By Mark Jaszowski, BK Director of Development

In Matthew's Gospel, we hear a pious man ask Jesus what he must do to obtain eternal life. Since the pious man had observed all the commandments since birth, Jesus tells him to sell everything and follow me, at which the man goes away sad. While this story seems distant from us today, we will actually all arrive at a day when we rid ourselves of all our worldly possessions and follow Him. And from scripture, we know not the day or the hour, but we know for certain that this day will come.

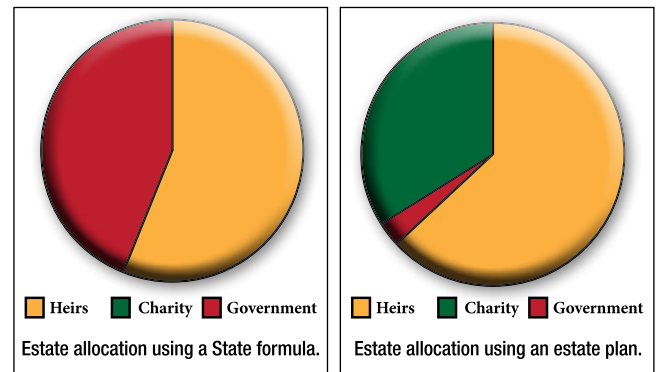
Are we prepared? What is the legacy that we want to create during our lifetime to continue after us? How will we choose to steward the resources we were blessed with in our lifetime? Statistically, most of us are not prepared for that day, so that question is answered by others.

Consider the following points:

- More than 80% of us will die with no (or an out-of-date) estate plan.
- Tax laws are dynamic, unpredictable, and difficult to keep up with.
- On your death, a significant portion of your assets does not have to go to taxes.
- Through an estate plan, you can choose to redirect a significant portion of your estate's tax liability to your favorite charities instead.
- Charitable giving, through proper estate planning techniques, can actually increase the amount you leave to your family.
- A variety of estate planning tools is available, no matter the value or nature of your assets. It is important to consult with an estate planning professional to help create options that meet your goals.
- There is peace of mind in knowing that a plan is in place to ensure your wishes and goals are carried out.

Generally speaking, there are three potential benefactors of an estate; our heirs, our government, and our favorite charities. We have the opportunity to choose, to some extent, what portion each receives, but two of them will normally receive the bulk of our estate. These graphs illustrate a typical estate distribution, the first with no estate plan using the formula provided by your state legislature. Not surprisingly, that formula generates significant revenue for the state and federal government via taxes. The second graph depicts a typical estate after the benefits of some estate

planning techniques. Notice our heirs can usually receive more, and we can also make legacy gifts to charities that do work about which we are passionate. Unused portions of IRA holdings in particular are heavily taxed and pose great opportunity.



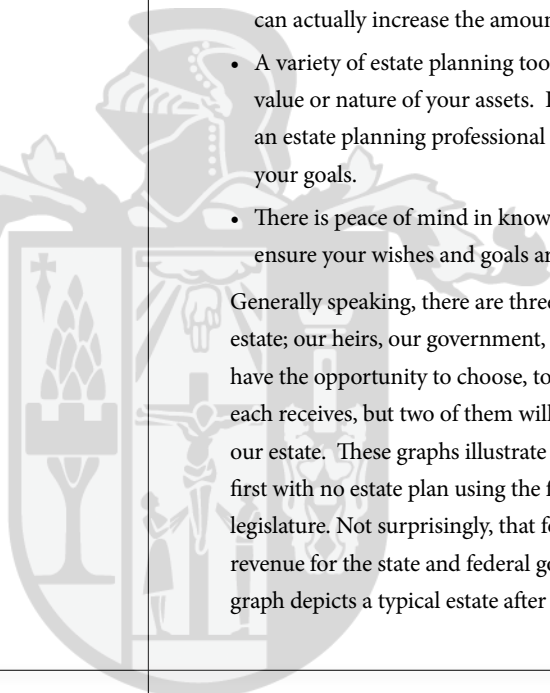
In spite of our ability to decide how our assets are distributed, IRS records show that in 2010, only one in five estates included charitable giving and only 58 percent of estates valued at over \$20 million included charitable giving.

Beyond just estate planning, wealth managers often use charitable giving and the associated tax advantages to help meet a number of financial goals.



Consider, for example, a retired couple who invested \$100,000 several years ago in a certificate of deposit (CD) at a rate of 4.5%. If the CD were to roll over today, the couple could more realistically expect a 1.3% yield. The lower rate would reduce the couple's annual return by approximately one-third of what the CD provided when the couple originally invested.

Alternatively, the couple could choose to gift \$100,000, using a Charitable Gift Annuity in exchange for a lifetime of fixed annuity payments. Tax law establishes the yield based on age, currently 4.7% for a 65 year-old couple and 5.7% for a couple who is 75 years of age. Charitable Gift Annuities offer several benefits:



- A charitable tax deduction in the year made
- Donation to an organization or entity valued by the donor
- Provides a fixed income that is very attractive compared to current CD rates
- A majority of the annuity payment is tax free up to the person's expected lifetime as calculated when the Charitable Gift Annuity is established.

Tax law recognizes the value of work performed by charitable organizations and allows you to redirect potential tax proceeds to charitable organizations whose goals reflect yours.

If your estate planning involves Bishop Kelly, talk to us about options so we can help you realize your legacy by investing in what is important to you. Gifts may be targeted to a specific program, an infrastructure project, endowment growth, or for

scholarships, to name just a few options. If you have not yet created a plan, our extended BK family has a wide variety of wealth managers, tax professionals, CPAs, and attorneys who can help you construct a personalized strategy to effectively reflect your goals. In many situations, we can reduce or eliminate the cost of making your plan.

Please call Mark Jaszowski at 947-1325 for Bishop Kelly High School or Rita Franklin at 323-4789 for the Bishop Kelly Foundation if we can help in any way.

**If your estate plan remembers Bishop Kelly High School or the Bishop Kelly Foundation please use the following legal description:** Bishop Kelly Foundation Inc. EIN 82-0332399 or Bishop Kelly High School EIN 82-0200748. See our web site at: [www.bk.org](http://www.bk.org) for specific information regarding language for wills or trusts.



## Dr. Fran Wickham Memorial Scholarship

Bishop Kelly lost a beloved faculty member and dear friend in January when Dr. Fran Wickham passed away after a long battle with cancer. Dr. Wickham taught at Bishop Kelly for more than twenty years. She was a friend and mentor to many of the students who passed through her classroom. Her theology classes were always interesting, never easy, and filled with moments when her students were brought to a deeper awareness of God's word. She is, and will continue to be, deeply missed at BK.

To honor her life and the impact she had on a generation of Bishop Kelly students, Dr. Wickham's friends and family have established a scholarship fund in her name. To that end, all gifts received in Dr. Wickham's memory will be applied to the fund to endow a scholarship that will provide faith-blind, need-based assistance for BK students.

To learn more or to contribute to this fund contact Rita Franklin at the Bishop Kelly Foundation at (208) 323-4789 or [rfranklin@bk.org](mailto:rfranklin@bk.org).

One of  
Dr. Wickham's  
favorite quotes:

*"For all that  
has been ...  
thanks.*

*For all that  
will be ... yes."*

- Dag

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*"One hundred  
hearts would  
be too few  
to carry  
all my love  
for you."*

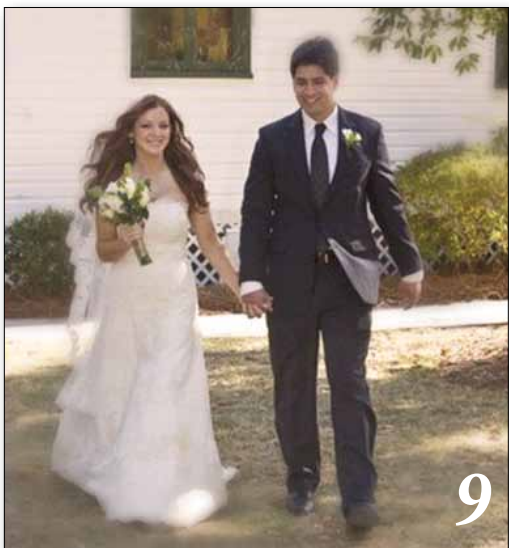
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## Wedding Bells

- 1. Maddison (Harris) Voshell, '05 and Alex Voshell
- 2. Kriston (Konzek) Britton, '05 and Shawn Britton

- 3. Iliana (Monforte) Smith, '03 and Josh Smith, '03
- 4. Kathryn (LaMott) Barker, '07 and Tucker Barker



- 5. Anna (Sansotta) Bruno, '05 and John Bruno
- 6. Rob McQuade was married in December 2010 in Virginia. This is a photo of all the BK friends and family at the wedding. From left: Peter McQuade, '72; Andrew Williamson, '04; Paul Carlson, '04; Will Richardson '04; Jeff Brunelle '04; Rob McQuade, '04; Tim Hedrick, '04; Brandon Aldecoa, '04; a friend who is not a BK grad, and Sam Eaton, '04.
- 7. Stefanie (Loisate) Deeds, '07 and Brian Deeds
- 8. Belinda Gamboa, '05 and Sean Dalrymple, '05
- 9. Jennie (Hiatt) Johnson, '06 and Charles Johnson





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1. Steven M. Bruce, DMD, '68 was awarded the President's Award at the Idaho State Dental Association's (ISDA) annual meeting. The award is given annually to a dentist who in the previous year has made extraordinary contributions to the Idaho State Dental Association and the Profession of Dentistry in the State of Idaho.
2. Lieutenant Colonel Michael "Craig" McCurry (BK Class of '85) is shown in front of his OH58D Kiowa Warrior helicopter before a mission in Northern Iraq. He currently commands an Army Air Cavalry Task Force of over 500 Soldiers and 46 helicopters. He has been married to Sara (Goodwin) of Fort Rucker, Alabama for over 16 years and they have six children who love BK.

3. Lisa (Williamson) Duplessie, '95 and her daughters Maddie and Kate on a trip to the coast. Lisa and her husband Jake live in Boise, where Lisa is the Assistant Director of the Capital City Public Market.
4. Jed, '99 and Meghann (Kirk), '00 Splittgerber with their son Milo
5. Morgan, '89 and Susie (Hoffman), '87 Hicks with their children and future Alumknights Hayden, '19, and Mikayla Sue, '15
6. Jaxson, Brittany (Hawkins), '04, Tim, '04 and Amari Brady live in Boise. The Brady family can often be spotted in the stands at BK football games.





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7. Scarlett and Vivian, twin daughters of Patrick, '95 and Suzanne Chetwood

8. Alison (Hardesty) Berriochoa, '92 and her husband Morrie live in Boise with their three children Adriana, Maia, and David. Alison is a paralegal at a law firm in Boise and a busy mother with two kids already at St. Joe's. Her youngest will be starting school next year.

9. Lauren (Basel) Moore, '98 is a Branch Manager and Assistant Vice President for U.S. Bank. She is pictured with her husband Ben, son Luke, and their dog Hogan.

10. Alenna (2) and Ian (3 mos.), children of Alicia (Dennis) Knox, '97

11. Bishop Kelly Theology faculty member Chuck Tacke, was recently awarded the Marie D. Hoff Social Justice Award by Catholic Charities of Idaho. Chuck is pictured here with his wife Nancy and their four children Nick, '09; Emma, '11; Joe; and Lily.

12. Ryan Browning, '06 graduated from Montana State University with a Bachelors Degree in Film Production and joined the Peace Corp in May 2011. He is currently living in a remote community in the province of Montecristi, Dominican Republic and will serve for two years. Pictured above holding his host brother Pichi.





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Mark your  
calendars!

BK Reunion

Weekend:

August 10-12,

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Celebrating  
the Classes of

1972, 1982,

1992, and

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## Alumni Events

- 1 & 2. Winners of the Alumnight 3-on-3 basketball tournament pose with their trophies.
- 3. Members of the Class of 1986 posed together at their 25 Year Reunion BBQ at Hillcrest Country Club.
- 4 & 5. The Class of 1991 celebrated their 20 Year Reunion with a brunch at BK.
- 6 - 12. 10 Year Reunion attendees from the Class of 2001 reconnected at BK and the Basque Center.



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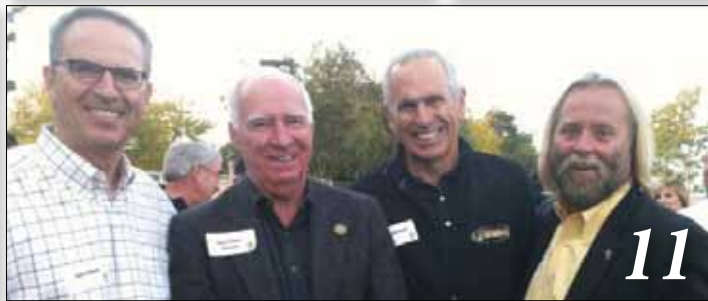
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**Irish Fest**

1. BK past parent and Board of Governance member Dan Long gets his shamrock on.
2. Tom, '82 and Maria, '82 Heffner and Dan and Peggy Minnaert take a break from dancing at Irish Fest.
3. Amanda (Jaszkowski) LaMott, '05 and her mother Monica are pretty in green.
4. Brad Dillon, '92 enjoys a beverage fit for a leprechaun.
5. Kenny Matthews and his wife dance the night away.

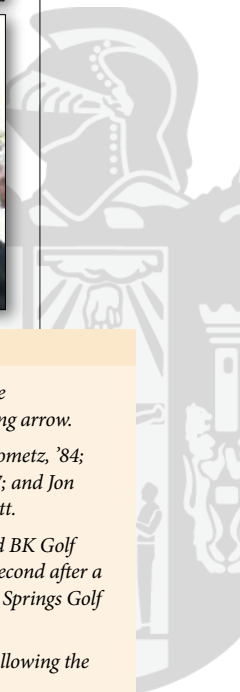
**Homecoming**

6. Lori Dente stirs the pot at the first Homecoming Chili Cook-off. Nearly three hundred attendees sampled 26 different kinds of chili. The winning recipe was prepared by Team Bertelson/Kirby for their cauldron of "Cowboy Chili."

7. BK Icon Kenny Matthews lights the Homecoming Bonfire with a flaming arrow.
8. Golf Tournament winners Tim Thometz, '84; Brian Dingel, '84; Mike Dingel, '87; and Jon Skinner, '84 react after an eagle putt.
9. Nicko Brady tees up at the the 33rd BK Golf Scramble. Brady's Team came in second after a chip and putt tie breaker at Warm Springs Golf Course.
10. BK girls celebrate at the Bonfire following the Powder Puff Games.
11. Players and fans honored BK's first football coach, Chuck Forrestal, at Nick Yursa Field. Pictured are Dave Skinner, '71; Coach Forrestal, BK President Rich Raimondi; and Barry Zamzow, '71.

**Pasta Festa**

- 12 & 13. Crowds of BK supporters enjoyed a gourmet dinner by Chef Lou, '80 at Pasta Festa.





Order of the Knight Award was presented to Larry and Shirley Chetwood and Harvey and Margo Neef.



Chad and Amber Blue enjoy the night out.

## Winner's Choice

On November 5, 2011, the Bishop Kelly Foundation hosted its 35th annual Winner's Choice Dinner and Auction, "A Knight to Remember," at the Boise Centre. More than 280 tickets sold, which is a record number of parents, alumni, faculty, staff, and friends supporting Bishop Kelly on this very special night. Tables were beautifully decorated by the BK Horticulture Class, and guests sat under a ceiling lit with twinkling stars.

Everyone was there to support Bishop Kelly High School, and did so in a variety of ways. Some bid on the wide variety of silent auction items and others bid on exciting live auction items, which included a Super Bowl XLVI package, stylish cruiser bicycles, a trip package to the Notre Dame vs. USC game, amazing dinner packages, a trip to Washington wine country, an adorable black Labrador retriever puppy, and much more. Tuition raffle tickets were available, and attendees also showed their support by donating a record amount to the scholarship fund.

Two highlights of the evening were the presentation of the Order of the Knight Awards to Larry and Shirley Chetwood and Harvey and Margo Neef for their long-time support of the Foundation's efforts, and the infamous car drawing. This year's lucky winners, Tom and Mary Schmidt, have their choice of four

cars from Meridian Ford.

The Foundation office is still calculating how much was raised at this year's Winner's Choice event. Those monies comprise approximately 40% of the Foundation's two annual gifts to the school, a \$430,000 operational grant, which lowers tuition for all families, and \$220,000 in tuition-assistance scholarships.

Thank you to all those who made the 2012 Winner's Choice Dinner and Auction such a success!



Bidders can't resist a sweet face.



Tim, '84 and Susan Thometz and Dave, '75 and Terri Bruce browsed the silent auction items.

**Founded in 1976**, the Bishop Kelly Foundation was created to provide additional non-tuition financial support to Bishop Kelly High School. It accomplishes this goal via:

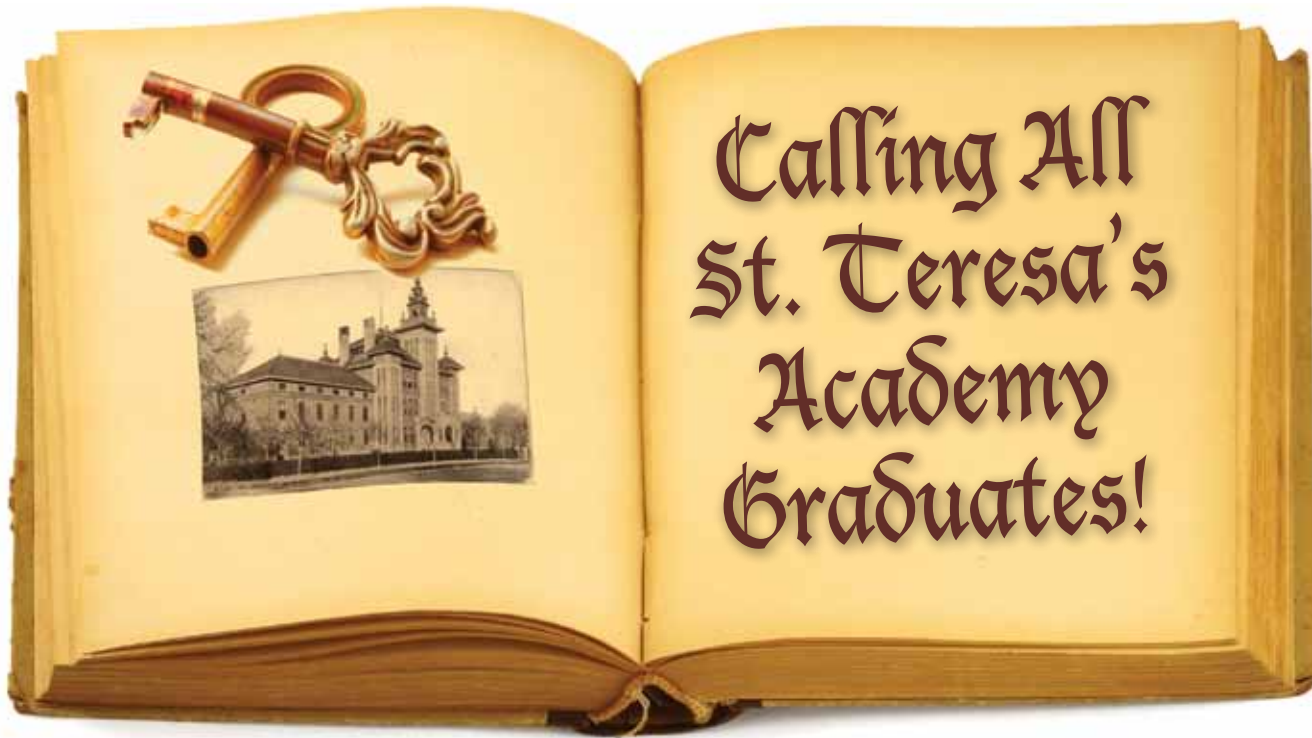
- Income from the Foundation endowment
- Gifts, donations, bequeaths, and memorials to the endowment
- Annual proceeds from the Winner's Choice Annual Dinner and Auction.

These three sources of income provide a significant gift to Bishop Kelly students. The Foundation gift to our school for the 2011-2012 school year will be \$650,000 – an operating grant of \$430,000 and \$220,000 in need-based scholarship.

For more information contact Rita Franklin in the Foundation office at 323-4789, or e-mail [rfranklin@bk.org](mailto:rfranklin@bk.org).



One lucky couple wins their choice of car from Meridian Ford.



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When the Holy Cross Sisters arrived in Boise City in August of 1889 to open a teaching academy adjacent to their hospital, they also opened the first high school in Boise. St. Teresa's Academy operated first as an all girls' school, and then as a co-ed high school until 1964 when the sisters returned to South Bend, Indiana. With the closing of St. Teresa's, Bishop Kelly was born. Our community shares a 122 year history of Catholic high school education in the Treasure Valley. We are all one family!

Bishop Kelly is preparing for our 50th Anniversary in 2015. It just wouldn't be a celebration without our parents and grandparents who attended St. Teresa's Academy. To help us reach out and reconnect alumni from St. Teresa's, we are planning an All Class Reunion for St. Teresa's graduates during the summer of 2012.

Please help us spread the word to St. Teresa's alumni by filling out this contact information form for yourself, your family and your friends who attended St. Teresa's. Another option is to contact the Bishop Kelly Alumni Office directly at (208) 947-1325 or alumni@bk.org. If you would be willing to be a class liaison let us know. This is long overdue and we are very excited to get started!



SEATED: ALTA COSTON, 1899 - REBECCA HAYS, 1897 - SADIE REBER, 1898 - MARIE BURKE, 1899 - HELEN COSTON, 1894 - STANDING: ANNA COSTON, 1896

Photo left:  
Graduates  
from the first  
five classes  
of St. Teresa's  
Academy pose  
in their  
graduation  
gowns.

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First Name (Maiden Name) Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Year: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to serve as a class liaison, helping to reconnect my classmates to Bishop Kelly and each other!

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# Show your Knight Pride with BK Spiritwear!

The Spiritwear Store is open at Bishop Kelly Tuesday, Thursday and Friday during the lunch hour and Wednesdays after school until 3:45. Spiritwear is also available for purchase at many home sporting events and large Booster Club events like the Christmas Extravaganza on December 3rd, Pasta Festa on January 8th, and the Hallissey Tournament on February 12th. If you live out of the area and would like to purchase something from the Spiritwear Store, contact the Alumni Office at (208) 947-1325. Katie Kerby will be happy to help find the perfect item to show off your Knight Pride!

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Ooh Ahh BK!



# Growing Forward Together

## Your Help Gives Our Future Hope

Our history has been written by each person who walked our halls. Now our future depends on you as well.

In the coming weeks, Bishop Kelly will launch what's known in the fundraising world as an annual appeal. We will be reaching out to you, our community, and asking you to give back to your alma mater.

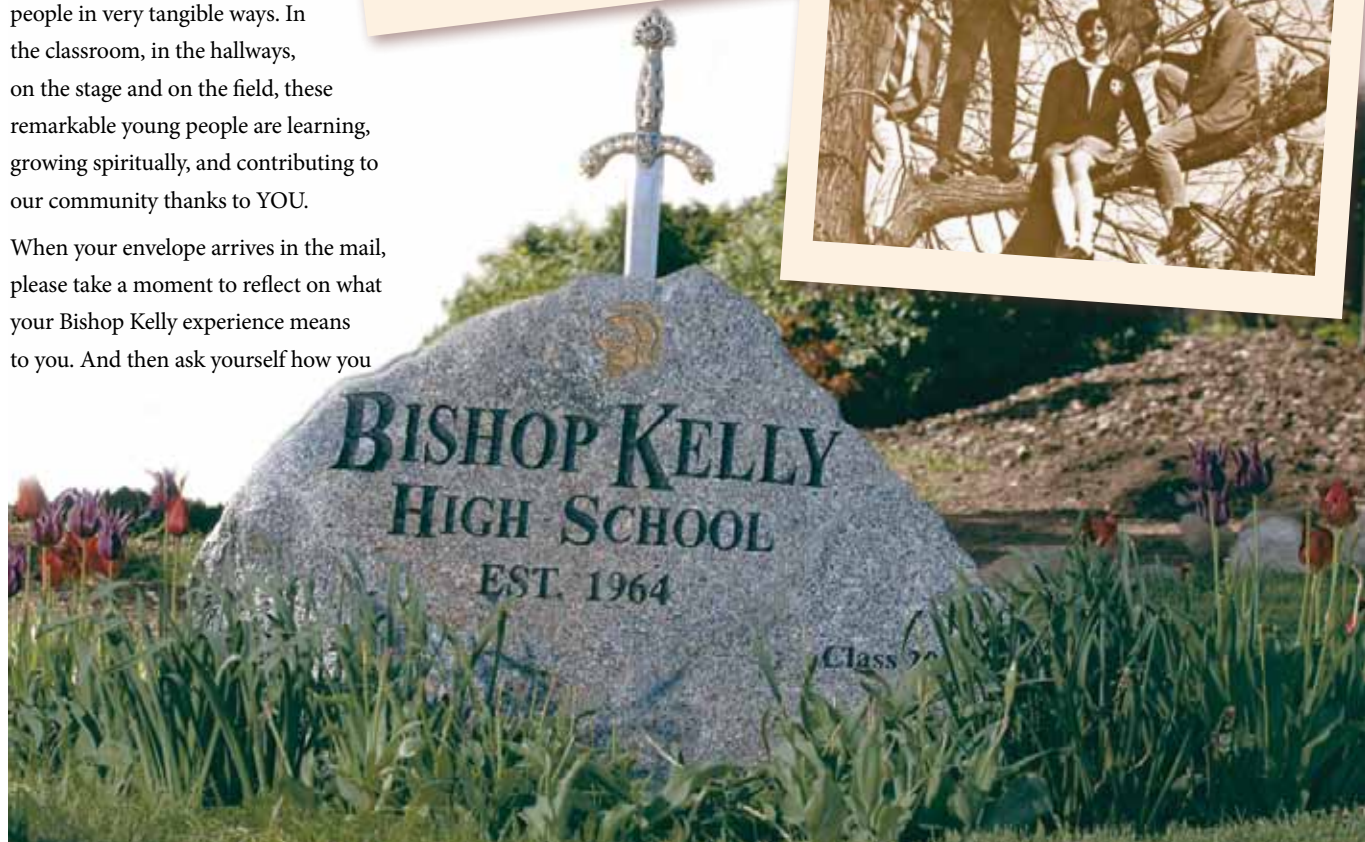
This is a critical piece of fundraising for BK. It helps to provide funds for our operating budget, which in turn keeps tuition at BK the lowest of any Catholic high school in the northwest. Significantly lower, in fact. And that allows us to keep Bishop Edward Kelly's dream of accessible Catholic education alive.

Every day at Bishop Kelly, we are blessed by the generosity of our community. Every day your gifts touch the lives of young people in very tangible ways. In the classroom, in the hallways, on the stage and on the field, these remarkable young people are learning, growing spiritually, and contributing to our community thanks to YOU.

When your envelope arrives in the mail, please take a moment to reflect on what your Bishop Kelly experience means to you. And then ask yourself how you

can positively impact the life of another young person. Can you contribute the equivalent of a latte each week? Can you give an hour's wages, or maybe one day's? Can you make a leadership gift that will dramatically impact Bishop Kelly's future? Can you say a prayer for our continued success?

If each member of the Bishop Kelly community makes their best gift, just think of what we can accomplish!



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Psalm 116:12

*"What return  
can I make to  
the Lord, for  
all that the  
Lord has given  
to me?"*



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## *Calendar of Events*

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| 12/3: Christmas Shopping Extravaganza<br>and photos with Santa at BK | 3/14: Grand Opening Celebration for<br>the Student Commons Project                            |
| 12/26: Alumknights 3-on-3 Basketball<br>Tournament                   | 3/17: Irish Fest  |
| 1/8: Pasta Festa   | 4/19 – 4/22: BK Theater Arts Spring<br>Production   |
| 2/12: Booster Club Hallissey Pancake<br>Breakfast                    | 5/27: Graduation  |
| 2/15: New Student Information Night                                  | 8/10 – 8/12: BK Class Reunion Weekend<br>honoring the classes of 1972, 1982,<br>1992 and 2002 |
| 3/9: Service Learning Day  |   |

For detailed information about any of the events you see  
here check out the Alumni Calendar at

[www.bk.org](http://www.bk.org)

or call the Alumni Office at

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