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Fundraising Dinner

The Chuck Hagel Legacy Dinner held at Scotus on September 22nd was a tremendous success. More than 300 guests were in attendance for an event that provided Scotus Central Catholic the opportunity to raise funds for a new STEAM lab and to honor one of its most distinguished graduates, former U.S. Senator and Secretary of Defense, Chuck Hagel '64. The new Chuck Hagel STEAM Lab/Maker Space has been a long-term wish list goal of the school and school president, Jeff Ohnoutka, hopes that some elements of the new lab will be installed and ready for use by the next school year. Speaking about the lab, Mr. Ohnoutka commented, "...we are anxious to provide this new resource for all of our students to use but we will also take our time to make sure we do it right!"



Chuck Hagel '64 (left) received a Scotus recognition award from Scotus president, Jeff Ohnoutka (right)

STEAM is an acronym for Science–Technology–Engineering–Arts–Mathematics and will feature equipment such as 3-D printing, robotics, cybersecurity, biomechanics, graphic design, white boards, computers, video production, audio production, and a variety of material and experimental supplies. The lab will provide a "maker space" that will inspire students to integrate learning STEAM subject areas to foster inquiry, critical and innovative thinking, hands-on construction and testing of models and working together to solve problems.

Scotus also expects to work in partnership with the University of Nebraska at Omaha's STEM program to develop the curriculum and provide teacher training for the lab. To date we have raised more than \$281,000 for the project!

SEF 15 Update

We have received 851 pledges totaling \$1,149,762 or 88.8% of the campaign's \$1,295,000 goal. Pledge payments as of October 18 were: \$537,284. The campaign's main goals are: 1) \$975,000 in tuition assistance support for the next 3 school years, 2) \$135,000 to make our HVAC loan payments over the next 3 years and 3) \$125,000 to pave the new north parking lot. The school has received \$124,522 in pledges restricted for the parking lot portion so we are now \$145,238 short of the funding needed for planned tuition assistance over the school years 2016-17 through 2018-19. If you haven't made a pledge to the campaign we urge you to contact the development office!

You're Invited!

How can you make a difference at Scotus? Consider the opportunity through the Scotus *Annual Appeal* to add **air conditioning to the Dowd Activity Center!** You're invited to help put an end to the misery of volleyball fans and athletes in the fall, students and guests attending spring concerts and commencement and our many summer camp attendees! Scotus has received a cost estimate from local contractors of \$110,000 to add the Dowd Activity Center and the weight room to the school's HVAC system; and we've been informed that by adding this new "load" the HVAC system school-wide will operate more effectively. We can reach this goal if our school families, local parishioners, alumni and alumnae would make even a small donation to this worthy project. Send donations to the Scotus development office using the enclosed reply envelope or use your credit card and make an online donation using the donate button on the Scotus website: www.scotuscc.org. And we have wonderful news to share: the Knights of Columbus Council #938 of Columbus has provided a lead gift for the campaign of \$10,000!



Worth Noting

- Named as NSAA Academic All-State for the 2017 spring season in baseball was Trevor Kaslon '17. Trevor's name was inadvertently omitted from the listing provided in the summer 2017 edition of the Shamrock Alumni News.
- The Warren & Shirley McLaughlin Activity Field, located 1.5 blocks south of the school is getting a facelift! The 171' x 581' Scotus practice facility was dedicated on May 7, 2000 and was funded through the generosity of Warren and Shirley's children: Mark '68, John '69, Tim, Colleen '83 and Cathleen '83. Work will include sanding the surface to level the playing field, adjusting irrigation heads and grass reseeding.
- Railings are being added to the Memorial Hall gymnasium bleachers. The steep steps of the bleachers are difficult for fans to manage and the railings should be installed before the basketball season.
- The Scotus band earned a 2nd place finish in Class B and a Superior Rating at the Norfolk parade on September 30th.
- 48 Scotus students participated in the Life Chain on Sunday, October 1st peacefully demonstrating for an end to abortion.



• Scotus students donated \$834 to Catholic Charities to support hurricane relief.

• At the conclusion of Scotus Central Catholic's October 20th home football game with Hastings Adams Central, Gerry Engelbert and Dick Van Dyke retired from their 40 years of volunteer service as members of the sideline chain gang for Shamrock home football games. The two Shamrocks are life-long friends and model Catholic stewards--known for their extensive volunteer service for St. Bonaventure Parish, Scotus Central Catholic High School and the community of Columbus, NE. Their families each have four



sons and one daughter, all of whom attended Scotus and Gerry's wife, Kathy is also a Scotus alumna. Gerry Engelbert is married to Kathy (Kurtenbach '58) and their children and spouses are: Tim '80 (Julie Hajek '80), David '82 (Kristina), Alan '83 (Carin), Pat '87 (Jill Pilakowski '88), and Sarah '01

L-r: Gerry Engelbert and Dick Van Dyke retire after working 40 years on the Scotus football chain gang.

(Joel) Brett. Dick and Joan Van Dyke are the parents of: Linda '80 McGivern, Greg '83 (Karen Soulliere '84), Brian '85, Doug '88 (Teri) and Troy '98 (Megan.)

• The girls' golf team finished tied for sixth place at the state golf tourney. Leading the Shamrocks were senior Maddie Neville and sophomore Makenzie Enderlin who both finished tied for 31st place in the individual standings.

1967 Football Reunion



At half-time of Scotus Central Catholic's home game with David City Aquinas on Friday, September 15th, Scotus recognized the first Shamrock football team to bring a state title home to our school. The 1967 Scotus H. S. football squad, under the direction of head coach Claire Stramel, delivered a 7-2-1 record and a state Class C championship while competing against nine Class B teams. Bill Kosch '68 and

Mark McLaughlin '68 were named to the Omaha World Herald Class C All-State team. Bill, Mark and the late Joe Blahak '69 were named to the Centennial Conference all-star team.

Twenty-three members of the team's forty players and three coaches were able to attend the 50th reunion celebration—representing the states of: California, Connecticut, Florida, Kansas, Illinois, Missouri, Nebraska

and Texas. The players received a commemorative cap, free admission to the game and burger bash and enjoyed a post-game gathering at the Knights of Columbus Hall. The Shamrock football game was a thriller with the then 0-4 Shamrocks leading #1 ranked David City Aquinas 14-13 at halftime, only to lose to the Monarchs after a last second field goal, 17-16.

Here and There...

-- Tell us What's Happening in Your Life!

E-mail to: jschueth@scotuscc.org Photos encouraged!

COLLEEN (WIBBELS) BOTSIOS '72 – was recognized as one of eight “Educators of the Year” at the 40th annual Archbishop’s Dinner for Education held in September in Omaha. The event offers an opportunity for the Archdiocese of Omaha to celebrate the dedication of its Catholic school educators and to raise scholarship funds for low-income students to attend Catholic schools. Colleen was selected for her compassionate work as a pre-school teacher at All Saints School in Omaha—which is home to a large Sudanese population whose members are learning English and how to live in a new culture and country. Known as a “thrift-store guru,” Colleen frequents thrift stores to purchase clothing, and coats for students and she also provides transportation for students to attend after school activities when their parents have to work. She has been a teacher and librarian at All Saints for fifteen years and has a bachelor’s degree from the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Colleen and her husband, Bob, have been married for 39 years and have one daughter who is also involved in teaching. Colleen received a \$5,000 award from the Archdiocese as part of her award.



On the fourth day of the school year, the entire Scotus student body traveled in eight school buses to enjoy viewing the total solar eclipse on the campus of Concordia University in Seward. Students gathered in Bulldog Stadium where they viewed presentations from professors on the scoreboard screen and then viewed the eclipse with glasses given to each student. Shown, l-r: junior Abe Perault, senior Caitlin Steiner, senior Emily Carstens, and junior Isaac Ostdiek prepare for the big event. *Photo courtesy of Scotus journalism department.*

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Scotus’ Shamrock Singers under the direction of Laura Salyard ‘11 sing the National Anthem before a home volleyball match.

I PLAYED FOR SCOTUS

A great Christmas gift to include on your shopping list this year is the book, *I Played for Scotus*, available for purchase on-line! The 350-page book chronicles the history of St. Bonaventure and Scotus athletics as told by the players, coaches, and boosters. Stories, records, and photos are featured in the book as more than 70 players and coaches reflect on their days as a Shamrock. Shamrocks from the 1940’s through 2016 are featured in the book. This is the story of the Shamrocks ... by the Shamrocks.



The 6x9 book is more than 350 pages and is available for sale on the publisher’s website (iUniverse). The price is \$24.95 plus shipping. Half the proceeds of the sale of the books will go directly to Scotus. You may see the book available through other distributors such as Amazon or Barnes and Noble, but purchasing the book through iUniverse will maximize the profit that is returned to Scotus.

The link to the iUniverse website is:

<http://bookstore.iuniverse.com/Products/SKU-001041628/I-Played-for-Scotus-Volume-1.aspx>

Save on shipping costs by purchasing your copy for \$25.00 directly at the Scotus development office.

Charitable IRA Rollover

On December 18, 2015 the President signed a bill retroactively reinstating the Charitable IRA Rollover provision for all of 2015 and removing any expiration date on the provision, thereby permanently extending the Charitable IRA Rollover into the future. This law allows an individual who is 70½ or older to gift up to \$100,000 from his or her IRA directly to a qualified charity such as Scotus Central Catholic High School without having to recognize the IRA distribution as taxable income.

Alumni/Alumnae Soccer Tourney



The 10th Annual Scotus Alumni/nae Soccer Tournament was held on August 4 and 5, 2017 at the Warren and Shirley McLaughlin Activity Field. The tournament was another successful weekend gathering for Shamrock alumni, with 140 players attending and playing this year. In 2017, Scotus completed its 25th year of soccer for the athletic program, and in the 25 years, the boys and girls teams have a combined 9 state championships!

The 2017 tournament was won by the 3 oldest teams competing in their respective divisions. For the third year in a row, the Green Division was won by the 1998-99 team. They defeated the team of 2006-07, 3-1 in the finals. For the first time ever, the veteran team of 1988-97 won the Gold Division by defeating the 2017 team 6-5 in the finals. In the women's division, the team of 1994-02 went 3-0 to win the girls tournament for the second year in a row.

The weekend concluded with a social gathering at the Sahara. A special thank you goes out to the sponsors of the tournament for their support - Evan Trofholz '98, Jeff Thiele '81 and his staff at Sahara - Nicole Frauendorfer Saalfeld ('04) and Carly Foltz ('14) for their great service, Mike and LaVonne Kaup, and to Jackie Smith for taking photos during the weekend. Next year's tournament will be held August 3 and 4, 2018. If interested in playing or participating in the weekend, please contact Jon Brezenski ('98) at coachbrez@gmail.com



Gold Division Champions - 1988-97. (pictured above) Front Row, l-r: Chris Bettenhausen, Patrick Diederich '89, Doug Van Dyke '88, Denny Sliva '95, PJ Miller, Matt Nosal '97. Second row, l-r: Matt Evans '95, Jack Haenggi '95, Scott Rogers, Jason Brezenski '95, Shawn Diederich '92, Scott Harmeyer '92, Kyle Diederich '95, Brian Wessel '95. Not Pictured: Fr. Andrew Roza.



Green Division Champions - 1998/99. (pictured above) Front Row, l-r: Jon Brezenski '98, Robbie Diederich '99, Evan Trofholz '98, Aaron Legenza '98, Scott Kuehler '98, Sean Mohatt '98. Second row, l-r: Troy Van Dyke '98, Justin Fry '98, Jason Cieloha '99, Jason Herdzina '98, EJ Brezenski '99, Tom Rogers '99, Matt Mroczek '99, Adam Cieloha '98, Rocky Kudron.



Womens' Champions - 1994-2002. (pictured right) Front Row (l-r): Kim (Codling) Brandenburg '94, Kara Kudron '98, Rachel Grisham and Melissa (Nosal) Urbietta '98. Second row: Kristie (Korth) Brezenski '98, Holly (Van Ackeren) Sutter '98, Katie (Korth) Severa '02, Melanie (Bonk) Wimer '98, Heather (Van Ackeren) Diederich '00.

Reunions

Class of 1958. 60-Year Reunion. Members of Saint Bonaventure Class of 1958 who have an interest in holding a 60th reunion in 2018 should contact Jerry Kneifel at 402-564-6580. Your response is needed to determine if there is sufficient interest to have a reunion.

Class of 1968. 50-Year Reunion. Mark your calendars. Save the date. We have been invited by the CHS 1968 alumni to participate in a joint reunion. The Class of 1968's 50th reunion is being planned for August 17 & 18, 2018. They have secured the Isaak Walton and the VFW for those dates. Details on any activities have not been worked out. Wanted to get this in the Alumni newsletter to get the ball rolling. For now, you can contact Bill Legenza at nwlegenza@gmail.com.

Class of 1998. 20-Year Reunion. The Class of 1998 is having their reunion on Memorial Day Weekend, May 25-27, 2018.

Thank you Class of 1992. To the Class of 1992 for your reunion collection and donation of \$700 to Scotus Central Catholic. Your support was applied to the current annual appeal fund drive to add air conditioning to the Dowd Activity Center!



Class of 1962

The Class of 1962 celebrated their 55th class reunion in August. Attending, back row, l-r: Bob Legenza, Jim Mitera, Bob Gablenz, Denny Thraen, Joe Keuter, Judy (Coufal) Bixenman, Kathy (Mimick) Juracek, Norm Wemhoff, Dick Novotny, Ted Starostka and Mark Kudron. Front row, l-r: Carol (Zerr) Pollock, Joan (Ramaekers) Greisen, Pat (Daly) Franzen, Connie (Moersen) Hegarty, Jane Gregorius, Karen (Kuta) Ward and Kathy Stone-Neie. Harold Cockson attended the reunion but was absent when photo was taken.



Class of 1992

The Class of 1992 celebrated our 25th class reunion on July 21st and 22nd. Activities included a gathering at Maximus, a family picnic at Pawnee Park, and a fun evening at the home of Craig and Michelle Foreman. There were many more that attended other events, but this was the largest group together at one time. The Class also collected a total of \$700 to donate to Scotus Central Catholic.



Class of 1967

The Class of 1967's 50th reunion was packed full of events including: the Columbus Races, followed by socializing at Maximus on Friday; Saturday tours of St. Anthony & St. Bonaventure grade schools and Scotus, a Mass together in the Scotus chapel, then socializing and dinner at the VFW. On Sunday, they boarded a Scotus bus to take a 2-hour tour of Columbus--visiting the old neighborhoods and homes where they grew up. And the weekend concluded with a picnic lunch at the Isaac Walton with the CHS Class of 1967 invited to attend. Shown front row, l-r: Larry Ciecior, Dan Witt, Steve Shadle and Gregg Albracht. Second row, l-r: Sharon (Slovinski) Whitefoot, Mary (Mimick) Thomason, Patti (Peterson) Loeffler, Helen (Staroscik) Neemeyer, Joan (Buggi) Treadway, Mary (Brudney) Reimers, Diane (Mielak) Langan, Peggy (Starostka) Pfeifer, Tom Micek. Third Row, l-r: Carole (Bogus) Willis, Barb (Wennenkamp) Clark, Carol (Weilgus) Lopez, Linda (Mimick) Korgie, Leslie (Altmanshofer) DeMattie, Claudia (Haferland) Burch, Sue (Melcher) Vavak, Mary (Dvorak) Oltmans, Cathy (Hoffman) Wiehn, Tom Hagel, Bill German, Dan Casey, George Kretz. Back row: l-r: Rich Wolpert, Bill Jaworski, Tom Schaecher, DiAnn (Williams) White, Don Rowlands, Jim Legenza, Jim Shank, Chuck Siegel, Gene Konwinski, John Buggi, Dave Scharff and Louie Cattau.



Class of 1977

The Class of 1977 had their 40th reunion on the weekend of August 12. It was a fun filled weekend. On Friday several went to lunch and then that night they went to the horse races and then to Glurs. On Saturday morning several played golf at Van Berg Golf Course. Later that morning several went to a brunch at Maximus, then a tour of Scotus, Mass and then a Husker House catered dinner. All in all over half of the class came to one or several of the events. We had great weather and it was a fun time reminiscing and sharing memories. This photo is from those that attended the Scotus tour. Shown, front row, sitting l-r: Mary (Heimann) Bruns, Connie (Bert) Teece, Julene (Woerth) Bailie, Bev (Ebner) Lesac, Susie (Korger) Spulak and Connie (Maslonka) Labenz. Middle row, l-r: Terry Zuerlein, Cindy (Mimick) Schuster, Tami (Bogus) Buntgen, Jacki (Melliger) Ryba, Tammy (Obal) Zimmerman, Ann (Pile) Lueke, Linda (Savage) Becker, Diane (Schrad) Magill and Susie (Czapla) Reichmuth. Back row, l-r: Don Green, Bob Weiser, Ron Reilly, Tim Harrington, Mike Ciecior, Jim Feehan and Dennis Ryba. Classmates that attended one or more of the events but are not pictured here are: Mark Bartholomew, Jeff Bruegger, Diane (Duren) Collier, Dave Ebner, Ruth (Bruner) Foltz, Judy (Jarecke) Gates, Chris Hoffman, Greg Jochum, Mike Krings, Ann (Placzek) Lindquist, Tonja (Dreifurst) Lusche, Gary Micek, Annette (Ebel) Miller, Mike Novicki, Brian Oppliger, Kate (Gallo) Paprocki and Deb (Thiele) Escher.



In Sympathy

We extend our sincere sympathy to the families of the following deceased alumni, alumnae and friends of Scotus Central Catholic.

Darlene (Savage) Bart '48 – survived by daughter, Cindy (Robert) Billinger; son, Michael (Connie); brothers Gene '53 (Jan), Richard (Barbara); sisters-in-law, Marian (Maggie) Savage, Ludmilla Bart, Elma Bart, Vlasta Roubal; brother-in-law, Jim Bart, seven grandchildren, one great-grandchild and many nieces, nephews and friends.

Bradley Baumgart '75 – survived by his wife, Patti; daughter, Taylor '10 (RJ) Amsler; son, Ian '13; mother, Celia Ann Baumgart; sister, Carol '66 (Joe) Maltacea; brother, Dan (Bonnie); and many nieces and nephews.

Mary Bierman – survived by her husband, Gene; daughters, Marie '79 (Jim) Hoppenstedt, Karen '82 (Pat) Merrill, Laura '83 (Dean) Engquist, Donna '86 (Mark '86) Love; sons, Doug '77 (Evelyn), Jerry (Kathy), John (Kamie), Mark '87 (Sue), Steve '89, Tony '99 (Kristin); brothers, Dennis Bud Steiner, Joe (Mary Ann) Steiner; sister, Rose (Steiner '59) Wahlgren; sister-in-law, Val Steiner; thirty-five grandchildren; nineteen great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Dave Blahak – survived by his wife, Evelyn "Ev"; sons, Jeremy '98, Jordan; sister, Teena Rawhouser; brothers Herman '51 (Angela), John '52 (Shirley); sister-in-law, Diane (Melliger '68) Blahak; and two grandchildren.

Evelyn Bruegger – survived by daughters, Barb (Jerry) Friesth, Cindy '75 (John) Kubisch, Norma (James) Kauffmann, Mary Jo (Dwight) Loseke; sons, Steve '73 (Dianne), Jeff '77 (Marie); sister, Betty Lile; eighteen grandchildren and nineteen great-grandchildren.

Mark Johnson – survived by his wife, JoAnn; daughters, Andrea '03, Becky '05 (Ben '05) Beller; son, Danny '07; mother, Carolyn Johnson; sister, Ruth (Ron) Ring; brother, Steve (Jeanne); four grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Diane (Kosiba) Keeshan '58 – survived by her husband, Gary; daughters, Kim (Tim) Arlt, Karla (Joe) Pensick, Kris (Charles Brookhart) Wortman, Kary '90 (Dan) Huffman; son, Corbin "CJ" Keeshan; sister, Phyllis Kush; sisters-in-law, Mary Ann Keeshan, Jan Meyers; brother-in-law, Bill Keeshan; ten grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Linda (Kush) Legenza '69 – survived by her husband, Jim '67; daughters, Cory '90 (Jared) Roberts, Chandra '95 (Kevin Voecks) Roberts; son, Aaron '98 (Megan); mother Phyllis Kush; sister, Aimee Kush; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Joan '60 (Gene) Wiebelhaus; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Bob '62 (Carolyn) Legenza, Bill '68 (Nancy) Legenza; and five grandchildren.

Ethan Shunk '95 – survived by his mother, Patty Portman; father, Tom (Julee); special friend, Stacie Rainey and her three children; brother, Aaron '91 (Shanna); grandmother, Gladys Hladik; step-sister, Erin Lightner; step brother, Matt Portman; one niece, one step-niece, one step-nephew and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Mary Ann (Neurohr) Sus '51 – survived by daughters, Kathy Spitsen and Nancy Sus-Langefeld.

Jolene Svehla – survived by daughter, Julie (Mike) Voichoskie; sons, Jeff (Deb Kouma '86), Jerry (Kim Kouma '89), Jay (Michelle Guernsey '89), Joey (Jenni), Jim, John (Kristen); three sisters; seven brothers and seventeen grandchildren.

Dorothy Swierczek-Evans – survived by daughter, Janet (Cecil) Gumm; sons, David '70 (Mary Murphy '70); John '83 (Susan); sisters, Helen Ziembra, Theresa Swierczek; step-daughter, Ardis (Dave) Buckner; step-sons, Russ (Sue) Evans, Roger (Renee) Evans; eleven grandchildren; twenty great-grandchildren and numerous step-great-grandchildren.

Theresa Wieser – survived by daughters, Diane '69 (Don) Vanecek, Joan '69 (Scott) Wrobel, Rose '77 (Bill '75) Held, Sandy '79 (Joe) DiSomma, Genene '83 (Doug) Hayden, Jayne '84 (Ed) Martin; sons, Ted '72 (Theresa), Paul (Stacy), Andy (Paulette), Bill '80 (Sandy), Bob '82 (Cindy), Joe (Sonya); son-in-law, George Menke; sisters, Colette Paprocki, Frances (Allan) Beller; brothers, Dick (Henrietta) Zach, Erv Zach; forty-five grandchildren; fifty-nine great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.



SCOTUS CHRISTMAS CRAFT & GIFT BOUTIQUE

Sunday, December 3, 2017

Scotus Central Catholic High School

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Adults \$4.00 ~ Grades 1-6 \$2.00

More than 100 table vendors selling homemade, handmade and upcycled crafts.

- 4 areas of Shopping including the Cafeteria, Memorial Hall Gym, Dowd Activity Center and the school's South Hallway.
- Free shuttle service from and to your car.
- Breakfast and lunch served in the cafeteria.

All proceeds go to Scotus Central Catholic.

Find us on Facebook: Scotus Mothers' Craft Boutique or contact: scotuscrafboutique@gmail.com.



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Milton Baumgart

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Dan McNair '48

Coni Dowd-Molvig

John "Jack" Reuss '62

Class of 1962

Richard "Dick" Reuss '62

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Friends & Family

Class of 1962

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Carrol Ebner

MM Ray Staroscik

MM Ron Stempck

Lucille Torczon

Norman Witt

Dorothy Swierczek-Evans

MM Tracy Grubaugh

Kate Jones

Harriet (Reifenrath) '49)
Thomas

Rosella Santopietro

Keith Thraen

Louis Kosiba



The school's new parking lot was open for use on October 20th providing 46 stalls for students to use during the school day and for guests to use for events. Landscape work has yet to be finished but the facility is now providing safe, off-street parking. The project was 16 years in the making with the first house purchased in 2001 for the new facility.

Mark Your Calendars!

The 37th annual Gala dinner/auction will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2018. This is the school's largest annual fundraiser and all proceeds are used to balance the annual budget—yes the Gala is a line item in the annual budget and that is why we are so grateful that it is successful each year! Every year the Gala effectively provides a \$550 tuition scholarship for each student attending our school.

We are blessed with many wonderful donors and volunteers including 2018 co-chairs: Kevin & Heather Bridger, Chris & Cathy (Avery '97) Hutchinson and Bill & Michell Ruskamp. And our 2018 vice-chairs are: Mark & Nicole Lindhorst, Scott & Amy Schaecher and Mark & Andrea Schumacher.

If you would like to participate by donating an item for the silent or oral auctions, volunteer to help, or if you wish to receive an invitation to attend please contact our co-chairs, vice-chairs or Janice Rosenquist in the Scotus development office: 402 564 7165 ext. 154 or jrosenquist@scotuscc.org. Your involvement will be key to our event's success and that's why we urge you to mark your calendars today!

NSAA Cup

Scotus once again won the 2016-17 combined boys and girls Nebraska School Activities Association Cup for Class C. This NSAA honor is awarded based on schools' success over the past year in athletics and fine arts programs. Individually, the boys finished in 3rd place and



Merlin Lahm, Scotus Activities Director and vice-principal proudly accepts the school's thirteenth NSAA Cup.

the girls in 2nd place. 90% of all Scotus students participated in at least one NSAA activity and many more students were involved in non-NSAA activities such as mock trial, musical, etc.

Tired of Getting your Kids' Mail?

Mom and dad, are you receiving multiple copies of the *Shamrock Alumni News* because your children have not given Scotus their updated mailing addresses? Have you been invited to three different Shamrock alumni reunions in the same year? Do you have a shoebox full of Scotus mail for your kids to read when they make it home again someday? Why not send us their current US mail and Email addresses so we can send our mail directly to them! Go to: <https://scotuscc.org/alumni-information-and-activities/> and complete the simple update form on the Scotus website. Or update addresses by phoning the development office at 402-564-7165 ext. 109 or Email us directly at: jschueth@scotuscc.org. And mom and dad, if you like receiving your children's *Shamrock Alumni Newsletter*, you can request to have your own personal copy mailed or emailed to you four times a year!

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Wills and Wishing Wells

Toss a coin in a fountain and make a wish. If you're thinking about your future and what would happen should you die, you might say: "I wish that my brother, Tom, would handle my estate." Or perhaps, "I wish Aunt Etta would take care of my daughter." Or maybe, "I wish that any estate taxes would be kept to a minimum." You might also say, "I wish to give a portion of my estate to Scotus Central Catholic and other charities I care about."

Wishes, wishes, wishes – that's all they are. And tossing coins into a wishing well won't help. The only way you can be sure of these things – to change them from wishes to certainties – is to prepare a will or other appropriate estate-planning document.

A will is a way to make your wishes come true. In it, you list what you want to happen: Who will represent you through the process of probate? Who will care for any minor children? Who will look after any trusts? Who will receive your estate? What charities will benefit from your estate?

A will, properly prepared, lets you sleep better at night. It makes your family rest better, too.

Wishing wells may be fun for some things, but not when it comes to estate planning. When you're dealing with your estate assets and family responsibilities, it's far better to "toss a coin" toward a qualified attorney who can help you do things right. Granted it will take more than a penny or two, but the certainty and satisfaction you receive will far outweigh any cost.

We hope you'll have a will that is valid and consistent with your wishes. And if you wish to include your alma mater in your planning, our school's legal name is: **Scotus Central Catholic Secondary School of Columbus, Nebr.** Contact the Scotus development office for more suggestions about how you might craft your planned gift.



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Gala Masquerade: Unmasking the Future

The Gala was a tremendous success in spite of a blizzard warning that lasted all day! The event theme this year was “Masquerade” and more than five hundred guests attended—many dressed to fit the theme. An early estimate places the event net at more than \$230,000.



Pictured above: Gala Committee, l-r: Nicole & Mark Lindhorst, Amy & Scott Schaecher, Andrea & Mark Schumacher, Michell & Bill Ruskamp, Heather & Kevin Bridger and Cathy (Avery '97) & Chris Hutchinson.



Pictured left: We were so grateful that Governor Pete Ricketts was able to attend the Scotus Gala this year--even with a blizzard warning in effect. Shown with the Governor is Scotus president, Jeff Ohmoutka. Governor Ricketts tossed the coin for our Gala heads & tails game, and two winners split the \$1,000 cash prize!

COLUMBUS BIG GIVE

Through this year’s 24-hour Columbus Big Give event, set for May 10th, Scotus Central Catholic hopes to replace two exterior doors located by our concessions booth and our maintenance garage. These two doors are notorious energy wasters—allowing cold air into the school’s hallways during the winter and hot air into the school during the summer.

Matching gift dollars are again available this year for the Big Give and new this year, donors may send a gift up to 7 days before the event and have their donation count to the charity’s Big Give total. Online donations on the day of the Big Give will be easy to make, secure, and donors can support multiple charities at the same time with a single entry. Go to: www.columbusbiggive.org and make an online donation on May 10th. Before the event date go to the Scotus website, www.scotuscc.org and click on the donate button to make a contribution on May 3 through May 10. Donations can also be dropped off at Scotus from May 3 through May 10.

On May 10th in-person donations can also be made at Scotus, Hy-Vee, Super Saver and many other Columbus area donation stations. And most importantly, tell your family, friends and business associates about this wonderful opportunity to support Scotus and 35 other Columbus area nonprofits! (Online donations are secure and made through the school’s PayPal Account.)



Catholic Schools Week

Gathering during Catholic Schools Week to celebrate Mass together in Scotus' Memorial Hall were the 4th-6th graders from the three Columbus Catholic elementary schools (St. Anthony, St. Bonaventure & St. Isidore) and the students from Scotus Central Catholic Jr/Sr High School. Celebrants were Fr. Capadano, Scotus campus minister; Fr. Ross Burkhalter, Pastor at St. Anthony Parish and Fr. Mike Swanton, Pastor at St. Bonaventure Parish.

Alumni Basketball Tourney 2018

The thirty-fifth annual Scotus Central Catholic Men's Alumni Basketball Tournament was held on Friday and Saturday, March 23-24. 22 teams comprised of 175 players from graduation years ranging from 1968 to 2017 competed this year in four separate divisions. Also for the first time a ladies game was also featured in the tourney with fourteen ladies participating.



ALUMNI BASKETBALL “B” DIVISION CHAMPIONS
Winning the B Division in the alumni hoops tourney was the **2012-2013 team** who defeated 2007, 40-35. The winners, front row, l-r: Brennan Brockhaus, Zach Zarek, Taylor Johnson; back row, l-4: Nick Pandorf, Marshal Obal, Aaron Alexander, Ian Baumgart, Austin Wendt and Jake Huss.



LADIES DIVISION PARTICIPANTS

Scotus hosted another successful alumni basketball tourney last weekend with 22 men's teams and for the first time, 2 women's teams who played one game! Here are the talented ladies who participated--the white team captured the win!

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Click on the “Donate” button
Complete the simple form and you’ve made your gift to accomplish so much for our students!



ALUMNI BASKETBALL “A” DIVISION CHAMPIONS
In Scotus alumni tourney hoops action, the **2016 Team** won the A Division Game with a 50-30 score over the 2010 team! Shown are the victors, front row, l-r: Jackson Kumpf, Cole Harrington, Tanner Spencer, Jacob Wright, back row, l-r: Justin Brockhaus, Miles Putnam, Sam Novicki and Caleb Ostdiek. Not shown is Coach Marshall Dreifurst.



ALUMNI BASKETBALL “C” DIVISION CHAMPIONS
Shamrock alumni tourney C Division champions, **Classes of 74,78,79,80,81,82,83**, winning in a round robin were, front row, l-r: Bill Kurtenbach, Bob Heimann, Mike Cielocha; back row, l-r: Rex Kumpf, Scott Spencer, Clete Arasmith, Bret Kumpf and Joe Pensick. Team members not shown: Glen Kucera, Doug Duren and Ron Starzec.

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Scotus Central Catholic High School assures all students the opportunity to receive a faith-based Catholic education through academic excellence and diverse extracurricular activities.

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Worth Noting

- On February 19th from 1:45 pm-3:25 pm, the Scotus Dowd Activity Center was “jumping” with 140 3rd and 4th graders from our three Catholic elementary schools. The students were doing their part to raise \$7,683.32 for the American Heart Association and to fight heart disease in America. The following students raised more than \$150 each: Aiden Meers, Lindsay Gokie, Emma Wangler, Maia Foreman, Libby Langan, Lily Lancaster, Kennedy Krueger, Eli Olsufka, Kade Sliva, Sophia Langan, Ava Sokol, Michael Brandt and Samantha Filipi. The top fundraiser this year was Sophia Belina. She raised \$532.25!!
- Seniors Wren Allen and Landon Sokol both participated in the State Wrestling Tournament in Omaha. After wrestling only a couple years, heavyweight Landon Sokol finished 1-2 scoring 4 team points and finishing the year at 21-11. And in his first trip to state, Wren Allen went 2-3 and finished at 195 pounds in 6th place, scoring 11 team points.
- The Scotus cheerleaders were runners up in Sideline and took 3rd in Gameday at the state cheerleading contest. Members of the 2017-2018 Scotus Cheer Team are (alphabetically) Shelby Bridger, Natalie Brutty, Haylee Cielocha, Alli Demuth, Kelsey Faust, Rebekah Hergott, Mattie Johnson, Kendra Korger, Brea Lassek, Tanley Miller, Jaelyn Podolak, Faith Przymus, Jenna Salerno, Julia Salerno, Kate Smith, McKenna Spenceri, Grace Wickham and Liza Zaruba. The competition was sponsored by the Nebraska Coaches Association and Nebraska State Athletic Administrators’ Association.
- Scotus band members selected into the Conference Honor Band were: Emily Carstens, Isaac McPhillips, Tara Kamrath, Abigail Stuart, Braden Labenz, Sam Blaser, Isaac Ostdiek, Elliott Thomazin, Debanhi Adame, Tim Ehlers, Katie Stachura, Emily Ferguson, and Keira Feehan.
- Selected into the Conference Honor Choir were: Caitlin Steiner, Jayden Heng, Josh Styskal and Noah Korth.
- NSAA Academic All-State winners for the 2018 winter season were: Basketball - Maggie Feehan, Trevor Kaslon, Caden Pelan, Kendra Wiese; Speech - Patrick Herchenbach, Alaina Wallick; Wrestling - Wren Allen and Kade Wiese.
- 33 cast and crew members presented the musical, “Sister Act” February 16-18 in Scotus’ Memorial Hall. Directors were Scotus faculty, Ms. Laura Salyard ’11 and Ms. Helen Schumacher.



- The Scotus girls’ basketball team advanced to the state tourney for the first time since 2004 after defeating top-ranked Lincoln Christian in the district finals. In the quarter finals the #5 Shamrocks defeated #4 seeded Wahoo, and in the semifinals we defeated #1 seed and undefeated Mitchell to face #2 Bishop Neumann in the finals. The Shamrocks continued their winning ways defeating Neumann 40-37 in overtime and finishing the season with a 22-5 mark. This was the Shamrocks 5th state title in girls’ basketball.



- The school’s annual Red Cross blood drive coordinated by Scotus faculty member Jane Dusel-Misfeldt produced 97 whole blood units and a record 14 double red donor units for a total of 119 productive units.
- In powerlifting competition, Scotus brought home 3 trophies at the Power Lifting State Competition in Beatrice - Girls, 3rd place; Boys, 3rd place; and Coed, 3rd place. Tyler Miksch was named Lightweight Lifter of the Meet. Girls individual medalists were Katelyn Bayer, 2nd, 114; Alli Demuth, 4th, 114; Gillian Brandt, 4th, 123; Emma Brandt, 2nd, 132; Madison Wittwer, 2nd, 148; Ashtyn Preister, 2nd, 165; Allie Mielak 2nd 181; and Michaela Kresha, 3rd, 198. Boys individual medalists were Daniel Tworek, 2nd, 114; Jared Gaspers, 3rd, 114; Collin Dreher, 2nd, 123; Tyler Miksch, 1st, 148; Alex Preister, 1st, 165; Logan Mueller, 3rd, 181; Wren Allen, 5th, 198; and Abe Perault, 4th, 220. Sixteen of the 27 participating Shamrock athletes medaled.



Powerlifting. Scotus Senior Tyler Miksch

- The senior high Quiz Bowl Team placed second in the ESU 7 competition and qualified for state. Team members were: Winston Obal, Kendra Wiese, Abe Perault, Nathan Schumacher, Elliott Thomazin, Tyler Palmer and Abaigeal Aydt.
- Scotus seniors Bryan Littlefield and Trevor Vaught were recognized for their enlistment in the U.S. Army.
- Bailey Lehr, Jr. earned all-state second team recognition in girls’ basketball. Selected to honorable mention were: Marika

Spencer, Maggie Feehan, Kendra Wiese, Shania Borchers and Grace Wickham. Earning honorable mention in boys' basketball were: Trevor Kaslon, Caden Pelan and Grant Shanle.

- Sophomore Lauren Ostdiek led Scotus at the state speech tourney placing fourth in Entertainment Speaking. Others qualifying for the state tourney were: Hannah Allen, Brandon Huynh, Alaina Wallick, Logan Zanardi, Isaac McPhillips and Isaac Ostdiek.



Lauren Ostdiek placed 4th at State Speech

- Maggie Feehan was selected to play in the 2018 Nebraska Coaches Association Girls Basketball All-Star Game on July 23 in Lincoln.

- Kendra Wiese received a surprise while attending class in March. College of Saint Mary enrollment director, Patricia Saavedra, stopped in to present an \$80,000 academic scholarship entitled the "Marie Curie Scholarship." Only five such awards are offered each year by the college and it is partially funded by the National Science Foundation. The award is presented to students majoring in either biology, chemistry or mathematics.

- Scotus students Cassie Kouma and Patrick Herchenbach, placed 6th in Middle Level Business Math & Financial Literacy, and received Honorable Mention in Advertising, respectively, at the FBLA State Leadership Conference.



Shamrock senior, Wren Allen, signed to play football for the Hastings College Broncos. Wren will study physics and pre-engineering at the school. In the photo, seated with Wren are his parents, Dr. Kim & Mike Allen. And standing is Wren's sister, Hannah and Scotus head football coach, Tyler Linder.



Shamrock senior, Logan Mueller signed to play baseball for Buena Vista University in Storm Lake Iowa. Logan also plans to major in Business Administration at the school. Shown in the photo with Logan are his parents, Matt and Staci.

Here and There...

-- Tell us What's Happening in Your Life!
E-mail to: jschueth@scotuscc.org Photos encouraged!

DANA HOPPE '16 – is one of four University of Nebraska at Lincoln undergraduates comprising the inaugural class of "Innovation Fellows." Dana will work with the other fellows to develop Think, Make, Create Labs for elementary and middle school students to use across the state. The labs and associated curricula will be in mobile trailers and will encourage children to develop their skills in problem-solving, creativity and exploration through hands-on activities offered through after school and summer programs. Dana will also work with leading educational professionals from Beyond School Bells (a network of advocates that works to promote Expanded Learning Opportunities in the state) to create the labs and to develop curricula that combines science, engineering, math, technology and art. The fellowship was made possible by a partnership between Nebraska Innovation Studio and Beyond School Bells and includes a \$5,000 stipend.



Shamrock senior, Chase Andresen, accepted a track scholarship to attend Midland University. Chase plans to study physical therapy at the school. In the photo seated with Chase are his parents, Kris & Bruce. Standing are Midland U. head track coach Mark Kostek and Chase's sister Kara.

Save the Dates!!
Scotus Central Catholic High School
1968
50th Class Reunion



Look for detailed information including list of events, costs, and a reservation form in the mail, that is – 1960's style mail.

If you do not receive the mailing, or have questions, please contact Linda Kresha Wibbels at Linda.Wibbels@woodsbro.com or call or text at 402-730-0203.

Your Scotus Reunion Committee: Diane Melliger Blahak, Mary Keuter Carraher, Barbara Gerber, Linda Voboril Kosch, Joanie Swanson Laird, Bill Legenza, Frank Skorupa, Linda Kresha Wibbels



Shamrock senior, Emily Carstens, signed to accept a music scholarship and attend Benedictine College in Atchison, KS. Emily plans to study music education at the school. In the photo seated with Emily are her parents, Beth and Kent and standing are Scotus instrumental music instructor, Kristen Cox, Isaac Carstens and Molly Carstens.



Shamrock senior Maggie Feehan signed to play soccer for the College of St. Mary in Omaha. Maggie plans to study Occupational Therapy at the school. Seated with Maggie are her parents, Kelly and Patrick and sister, Keira. Standing are Scotus soccer coach Kristie (Korth '98) Brezenski and CSM head soccer coach, Jordan Irsik.



Shamrock senior Madison Kerkman signed to play volleyball for Southeast Community College-Beatrice. Madison plans to study elementary education at the college. Seated with Madison is her father, Doug and Southeast Community College head volleyball coach, Carrie Puhalla. Standing is Madison's sister, Katelyn Merritt '10 and little Ellie.



Shamrock senior Kendra Wiese signed to play soccer and golf for the College of St. Mary in Omaha. Kendra plans to study Biology at the school. Seated with Kendra are Scotus soccer coach Kristie (Korth '98) Brezenski and CSM head soccer coach, Jordan Irsik. Standing are parents Christi and Gerry and brothers Kade and Kaleb.

Reunions

Class representatives: We haven't heard yet from the Classes of 1973 (45th Reunion) and 2008 (10th Reunion.)

Class of 1958 – 60-Year Reunion. Due to the encouraging response from our previous question in the newsletter, of whether to have a reunion or not, the Saint Bonaventure Class of 1958 will hold their 60th Class Reunion on Saturday, August 18, 2018 at the Ramada Inn in Columbus (402-564-1492.) Mark your calendar now to save the date. If you have any questions, contact Jerry Kneifel at 402-564- 6580 or Email to kneifel@frontiernet.net. Note this is during the 2018 Columbus Days Celebration so there will be a lot of special activities going on from the 17th through the 19th in Columbus. Plan to attend!

Class of 1963 – 55-Year Reunion. The Class of 1963 will gather in Columbus, NE on September 21, 2018 to share their 55th reunion. More details to follow. For information or to assist with planning, contact Jane Tooley at 402-367-2319 or Email: DeputyTooley@hotmail.com.

Class of 1968 – 50-Year Reunion. see ad to the left.

Class of 1978 – 40-Year Reunion. The Class of 1978 is having their 40th reunion on August 10-11. We're planning on joining the CHS Class of 1978 Friday night at the horse races. On Saturday, Pat and Anne Novicki will host reunion guests at their acreage outside of Genoa with food and drinks—dress is casual so plan on a fun evening! The committee is also considering adding a school tour and four-wheeling on the Loup River; and more information will be sent at a later date. Rex Kumpf, rexpumpf@gmail.com.

Class of 1988 – 30-Year Reunion. The class of 1988 is having their 30th reunion during the Platte County Fair weekend, July 13-14, 2018. For more information contact: Joe Korgie, jkorgie@cox.net.

Class of 1993 – 25-Year Reunion. The Class of 1993 will have their reunion during the Platte County Fair on July 13-14. Details to follow. For more information contact Nicole (Sand) Vossen at nicolevossen@cox.net.

Class of 1998 – 20-Year Reunion. The Class of 1998 is having their reunion on September 21-22, 2018. For information contact Jon Brezenski at: coachbrez@gmail.com.



In Sympathy

We extend our sincere sympathy to the families of the following deceased alumni, alumnae and friends of Scotus Central Catholic.

Karen Afsharimehr – survived by her mother, Jane (Smith '58) Buresh; sisters, Lynn (Jeff) Kuhnel, Debbie (Carlos) Gutierrez; brother, Michael Buresh; and many nieces and nephews.

Erma Boro – survived by daughter, Diane '71 (Jim) Kouma; sisters-in-law, Mary Ann Henggeler '51, Dorothy Cutsor, Betty Cave, Eleanor Boro; one grandchild and many nieces and nephews.

Katherine (Krumei) Clements '42 – survived by her daughters, Karen (Gary) Bennett, Christine Clements; son, David (Angela); five grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

David Czaplá '67 – survived by his wife, Gina; daughter, Courtney (Greg) Hamik; son, Josh (Kirsten); brother, Larry '66; and two grandchildren.

David Gaspers – survived by his wife, Kathleen; daughters, Christine Bartlett-Wilsey, Margaret Bartlett, Ann (Dan) Gdowski, Denise (Byron) Diamond, Jean (Tobias) Kiuntke, Rachel Strong; sons, Richard (Karla) Bartlett, David Aaron (Katie) Gaspers; sisters, Patricia '60 (Dene) Barrett, Emily '65 Amaral; twenty-two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Gene (Wieser) Hayden '83 – survived by her husband, Doug; daughter, Meghan; son, Kyle; sisters, Diane '69 (Don) Vanecek, Joan '69 (Scott) Wrobel, Rose '77 (Bill '75) Held, Sandy '79 (Joe) DiSomma, Jayne '84 (Ed) Martin; brothers, Ted '72 (Theresa), Paul (Stacy), Andy (Paulette), Bill '80 (Sandy), Bob '82 (Cindy), Joe (Sonya); sisters-in-law, Brenda (Tim) Williams, Connie (Mark) Lamanske; brothers-in-law, George Menke, Chris (Lynita) Hayden; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Geraldine (Moersen) Higgins '37 – daughters, Winnie '65 Olson, Pat '66 Puetz, Jeanne (Jerry) Paposki; son, Frank; sisters, Camilla '43 Nelson, Sr. Winifred Moersen, OSF '45; sister-in-law, Lois Moersen; brother-in-law, Tony Augustine '53, eleven grandchildren; fifteen great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Donald Hoffman – survived by his wife, Rose Marie; daughters, Deanna '76, Heidi '83 (Joe) Plance; sons Steve '75, Chris '77 (Julie Sokol '89), Tom '79; and six grandchildren.

Pat Keitges – survived by his children, step-children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He taught geography and physical education and coached football and track at St. Bonaventure HS/Scotus Central Catholic HS for five years 1962-1967. He served as the head football and track coach for the 1965-66 and 1966-67 years. As head coach his Shamrock football record was 12-6.

Mark Kobus '56 – survived by his wife, Connie; daughters, Tracy (Keith) Duncan, Melinda (special friend Melissa Merrill); son, Todd (Gillian); sisters, Therese '55 (Don) Eversoll, Mary '65 (Tom '65) Gablenz; seven grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

Paula (Pfeifer) Kohl '42 – survived by daughters, Paulette (Robert) Fultz, Marcia (Nick) Miloslavich; sons, John Jr. (Barb), Tom, Jeff (Melody), Brad (Lorrie), Cam (Joni); sister, Y'Vonne Pfeifer '48 (John) Dineen; sister-in-law, Bess Peterson; sixteen grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren.

Paul Konecky – survived by wife, Patsy; daughter Trish '94 (Jonathan) Russon; son, Trent (Jennifer); aunts, LaVerne Knecht, Peg Konecky; ten grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews, cousins, brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law.

Arlene Koziol – survived by sisters, Alice Kobza '66, Kathy Kudron '69, Bonnie Kudron '74, Janet '60 (Mark) Morris; brothers, Adolph (Janet Zoucha '60) Kudron, Paul '59 (Margaret) Kudron, Mark '62 (Diane Bartholomew '65) Kudron, Philip '63 (Alice) Kudron; sisters-in-law, Virginia Kudron, Joyce Kudron, Kimiko Koziol, Evelyn (Koziol '57) Bosak; and many nieces and nephews.

Eleanor Kucera – survived by her sons, Mel (Karen), Daryl '80 (Pattie), Glen '81 (Diane); sister, Mary Ann Manak; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Carroll Melliger '41 – survived by his wife, Doris; daughters, Diane Blahak '68, Kate '70 (Boyd) Jones, Jacki '77 (Dennis '77) Ryba; sons, Dave '72 (Susie Mrzlak '76), Gregg '75 (Cindy); sister, Margaret '46 (Richard) Nosal; fifteen grandchildren and thirty-one great-grandchildren.

Honorita "Rita" Ann Micek – survived by daughters, Charlotte '68 (Paul) Beran, Anita '69 (Russ) Aguilar, Karen '71 (Dave) Maurstad, Janet '75 (Brian) Kleveland; sons, Kurt (Chrissy), Gary '77 (Kaye), Jon (fiance' Cindy), Brian (Jeanne); sister, Joan Belitz, sister-in-law and brother-in-law MaryAnn Micek '53 (Ed) Donatelli; brother-in-law and sister-in-law Jerry '56 (Sherri) Micek; twenty-two grandchildren; thirty-five great-grandchildren and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Jean Pensick – survived by daughters, Deb '85 (Troy '87) Hiemer, Pam '88 (Russ) Eihausen; sister, Joyce (Bob) Hoffman; brother, Ron (Carol) Witte and five grandchildren

Julie (Litjen) Peterson '60 – survived by cousin, Elizabeth Bjorling; second cousin, Vince Bjorling; sisters-in-law, Jan Haggard, Sandy Peterson; and many close friends.

Delores "Dee" Prosocki – survived by sons, Raymond '82, Larry '84, Daniel '86; sister, Carolyn Lassek; brothers, Eugene (Dorothy) Lassek, Virgil (Rosemary) Lassek; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Del Rae Schieffer – survived by her husband, Anthony "Tony"; daughters, Cheryl '79 (Jeff '79) Abegglen, Julie '81 (Rick) Haney, Donna '85 (Robert) Kennedy, Rachelle '91 (Chris) Wehner; sons, Gary '78 (Theresa), Tony '82 (Diana), James '88 (Kristin); sisters, Lucille (Dick) Rye, Judy (Pat) Murphy; brothers, Dick (Nancy) Wortmann, James (Mary Ann) Wortmann, Bob (Barbara) Wortmann; twelve grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Donald Schrad – survived by his wife, Dorie; daughters, Linda '75 (Milan) Levos, Diane '77 (Dave) Magill; son, Kenneth (Dana); brothers, Walter, Leonard; sister-in-law, Joyce Schrad; brothers-in-law, Del (Avis) Heithoff, JD Thomas; eleven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Joan Sokol – survived by daughters, Lori '86 (Ryan Jones), Julie '89 (Chris '77) Hoffman, Jolene '89 (Travis '89) Bock, Cheryl '90 (Larry) Sibley; sons, Doug '88 (Amy Hefti '87), Pat '96 (Annie); sister, Dorothy (Gary) Jones; brother, Richard (Charlene) Stachura; and fourteen grandchildren.

+ Memorials +

(Received between 1/21/2018 and 4/19/2018)

- Alfred Beiermann**
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- Virginia Mae (Kluck) Cassidy '40**
Angela Swanson
- Ken Cielocha '54**
Jeff & Gaylene Johnson
- Michael Costello '63**
MM Ted Starostka
- John Determan**
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- Genene (Wieser) Hayden '83**
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MM Gerry Wiese
Joan Witt
Norman Witt
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MM Gary Zywiec
- Honorita "Rita" Ann Micek**
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MM Tim Tooley
MM Dick Tooley
- Raphael "Ray" Micek '60**
MM Ray Staroscik
- Jean Pensick**
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MM Larry Sleddens
MM Pat Sokol
Alice Staroscik-Chleboun
- Dee Prosocki**
MM Todd Duren
MM Vern Younger
Sherri Zywiec
- Jack Reuss '62**
MM Ted Starostka
- Angela Sand**
Rick Grubaugh
- Del Rae Schieffer**
MM KC Belitz
MM Ron Bogus
Jeanne Burbach
Carolyn Cielocha
MM Darin Cielocha
MM Mike Cielocha
MM Tim Cielocha
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MM Terry Hash
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Jeff & Gaylene Johnson
MM Bruce Karges
MM Nathan Karges
Irene Kresha
Janet LaFleur
MM Milan Levos
LaVerna Malmstrom
MM Joseph Matejka
MM Don Mroczek
MM Robert Petersen
Wilfred Pitz
Donna Ritter
Elizabeth Ruiterman
Joyce Runge
Dana Schrad
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Joyce Schrad
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MM Ray Staroscik
- Gregory Voboril '78**
Rick Grubaugh
- Theresa Wieser**
MM Claude Badura
MM Bob Rickert
MM Ray Staroscik
- Richard Zach**
Friends and Family
- Kenny Zoucha '78**
MM Dean Cerny
Bonnie Kudron
MM Tom Malmstrom
MM Mike Novicki
MM Jeff Pekarek

Thank You Scotus Mothers!

Thank you Scotus Mothers for your \$8,000 of support and for your fundraising work through the annual craft boutique and sale of Scotus gear! The Scotus Mothers agreed to sponsor the following faculty and staff wish list items:

- Family and Consumer Science - Air fryer, instant pot for Culinary Arts, Nutrition/Foods
- Religion - Classroom set of Bibles for Religion 9 and 10
- Earth Science/Physical Science - 6 iPads for Earth Science and Physical Science
- Speech - 1 iPad for Speech competitions
- Physical Education - Hardware for plt4m (platform) workout performance and recording for all Physical Education classes
- STEAM Lab - \$5,000 for the Scotus STEAM initiative

25th Anniversary of Football State Championship

Plans have tentatively been set to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the 1993 Shamrock football team's State Football Championship. Members of the team will be recognized at half-time of the Shamrocks September 7, 2018 home game against visiting West Point-Beemer. Post-game festivities and reminiscing will be at the KC Hall. **NOTE:** we are missing mailing addresses for the following team members: Derek Bonk '95, Brett Smith, Scott Stenger and Josh Vavricek.

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2018 Alumnae Volleyball Tourney

Mark your calendars! The 16th Bi-Annual Alumnae Volleyball Tourney is set for Saturday, November 24, 2018 at Scotus. More details will be available in later newsletter editions.

11th Annual Shamrock Open Golf Tourney

**Saturday, June 2, 2018 • 1:00 p.m. Shotgun Start
Tiburon Golf Course - Omaha**

It's time to register for one of the best golf tournaments in the state! This year's tourney is on Saturday, June 2, 2018 with a shotgun start at 1:00 pm. We will again be at Tiburon Golf Course in Omaha and everyone is welcome to participate—you don't have to be a Scotus graduate! Sponsorships are available and especially encouraged from class years. If members of a class would like to pool money together to sponsor a hole or purchase prizes, please let us know.

**Early Bird Registration: \$75 / participant
(Checks must be mailed by May 11th)**

Checks should be made out to Scotus Central Catholic and mailed to: SCC Development Office, 1554 18th Avenue, Columbus NE 68601

Entry fee includes greens fees, prizes, 2 drink tickets, and dinner (barbeque chicken and pork). This is a scramble style tournament; each team will have four members. In addition to pin prizes, prizes will be given to the top three

**Entry Fee:
\$90 / participant
(Entry deadline
May 25)**



teams in each of the two flights. And flag prizes for the ladies are also provided.

**To register or to become a tourney sponsor, contact:
Nick Puetz at: shamrockopen@gmail.com
or Joe Puetz at: 402-203-6945
or John Schueth in the Scotus development office at:
jschueth@scotuscc.org or 402-564-7165 ext 109.**

A registration form and sponsor information form are both available on the Scotus web site under "Development" then "Fundraising" and "Shamrock Open" tabs.

Last year's tourney provided several thousand dollars of flight cash and flag prizes and it also raised \$12,960 for athletic facility improvements. This year's tourney goal is to help purchase additional ventilation for the boys' locker room along with new football lockers.



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Alumnus of the Year

Recognized as the 19th annual Alumnus of the Year at commencement was Aaron Dowd '99. In his announcement of the award, Scotus president Jeff Ohnoutka said, "We want to recognize the extraordinary efforts Aaron has put forth to make our Secretary Chuck Hagel STEAM Lab project a tremendous success. Aaron guided Scotus with the initiation and development of the concept for the Hagel STEAM Lab established in honor of our esteemed alumnus, Chuck Hagel '64, former Secretary of Defense and U.S. Senator. Aaron served as the liaison with Secretary Hagel, personally reached out to a majority of the donors, and facilitated introductions

for collaboration with the University of Nebraska-Omaha's STEM program, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Girls Who Code, and others. He continues to selflessly volunteer his time to advocate for the project that inspires integrative learning in Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM). Aaron has spearheaded a welcome strategic outlook toward the future needs and direction of Scotus in a changing world to help ensure future generations continue to experience and receive a first-class education." Aaron worked for more than ten years for Secretary Hagel. He currently works with an international diversified holding



Scotus president, Jeff Ohnoutka presents the Alumnus of the Year award to Aaron Dowd '99.

company in Washington, DC. Aaron is married to Anna Dowd who serves at NATO; and has one daughter.

Alumnus/na of the Year Inductees

Alumnus/na of the Year Inductees	Induction Year	Graduation Year
Fr. Damian Zuerlein	2000	1973
Carroll Melliger +	2001	1941
Sr. Christine Hayes +	2002	1951
Joe Tooley	2003	1955
Mike Moser	2004	1969
Karen (Gdowski) Mroczek	2005	1973
Fr. Jeff Loseke	2006	1992
Gregg Melliger	2007	1975
Al Niedbalski	2008	1971
Linda (Schrad) Levos	2009	1975
Tony + & Phyl (Foltz) Zabawa	2010	1942, 1942
Mike & Agnes (Pickhinke) Placzek	2011	Honorary, 1950
Bill & Linda (Voboril) Kosch	2012	1968, 1968
Tim & Amy (Maguire) Harrington	2013	1977, 1978
Jeanne (Kopetzky) DeRuyscher +	2014	1971
Gerry & Kathy (Kurtenbach) Engelbert	2015	Honorary, 1958
Rick Zoucha	2016	1986
Todd & Lisa (Cielocha) Duren	2017	1985, 1985
Aaron Dowd	2018	1999

+ Deceased

Columbus Big Give

The Columbus Big Give was a 24-hour fundraising event with thirty-seven Columbus area non-profits participating. Scotus Central Catholic's goal for this year was to replace two exterior doors by the school's concessions area.

Overall, the event attracted 2,304 donations totaling \$62,067.27. Scotus received \$2,200.20 from 23 donors (also included in the total was Scotus' share of bonus dollars and undesignated gifts amounting to \$483.20.) Through the event, Scotus was able to replace one of the targeted exterior doors to improve energy efficiency.

Outstanding Service Award

Selected as the 2018 Outstanding Service Award winners were Mike and Dr. Kim Allen. Mike and Kim have been loyal volunteers for Scotus fundraisers including the last five SEF Fund Drives, and for many Gala dinner/auctions. In 2014 they served as a vice-chair couple for the Gala and in 2015 they were a Gala co-chair couple. As advocates for Catholic education, Mike and Kim have been ambassadors for the Columbus Catholic schools in their parish, St. Bonaventure and in the Columbus community.



Mike and Dr. Kim Allen were honored with the 2018 Outstanding Service Award.

Individually, Mike has been involved in the Shamrock Athletic Booster Club for many years and is currently serving as the Club's president. Mike has also been a volunteer coach for Jr high football and track for more than 12 years. Kim served on the Scotus Board of Education for five years from 2010 through 2016 and served as the board president during the 2013-14 school year.

In his presentation of the award at commencement, Scotus president Jeff Ohnoutka shared, "I personally value the wonderful example of faith and Catholic stewardship that these two individuals offer freely to our community; and I know that I can count on their personal advice as seasoned Scotus parents!"

The Allen's have five children, Emily who is a 2014 Scotus graduate, Abigail who graduated in 2015, Wren 2018, Hannah who will be a senior at Scotus this fall and Ryan who attends St. Bonaventure School. The Outstanding Service Award was established 37 years ago to recognize individuals who have served Scotus Central Catholic High School with particular distinction.

Welcome Class of 2018!

Joining the ranks of Scotus alumni and alumnae this spring were 64 graduates who participated in the commencement. Jenna Salerno, senior class president, provided the senior welcome; Faith Przymus was lector; campus minister Fr. Matthew Capadano provided a greeting and homily; and Nathan Donoghue, NHS President, read the intercessions.

The Class of 2018:

Wren Michael Allen	Jadyn Josie Larsen
Chase Patrick Andresen	Shixiang "Duke" Lin
Elley Kay Beaver	Bryan Mark Littlefield
Grant Daniel Bettenhausen	Tyler Joseph Miksch
Matthew John Bichlmeier	Jacob Ernest Morse
Ellie Ashton Bock	Alyssa Kay Morton
Shania Marie Borchers	Logan Matthew Mueller
Tessa Grace Bridger	Madeline Jean Neville
Natalie Christine Brutto	Adelynn Elyse Newman
Emily Maria Carstens	Jacob Timothy Novicki
Charles Darwin Case III	Winston Thomas Obal
Trey Jeffrey Dallman	Stefanie Grace Odbert
Nathan Mark Donoghue	Thiago Ferreira Pereira
Kaitlyn Ann Enderlin	Alex Ronald Preister
Maggie Xiu Ping Feehan	Faith Vivian Przymus
Austyn James Follette	Matthew James Quinn
Jared Michael Gaspers	Morgan Whitney Rinkol
Aaron Matthew Gonka	Kaylie Jo Rosa Rocha III
Noah Anthony Greisen	Jenna Kay Salerno
Kayla Ann Hall	Landon Donald Sokol
Macy Ann Hamling	Marika Ann Spencer
Qin "Flora" He	McKenna Marie Spenceri
Joshua Donald Hergott	Allison Nichole Starzec
Calen Michael Hinze	Caitlin Marie Steiner
Carson Joe Hottovy	Matthew Joseph Strecker
Brandon Huu Tri Huynh	Jadyn Marie Taylor
Tisa Mariah Kasik	Trevor Michael Vaught
Trevor Eric Kaslon	Alaina Catherine Wallick
Madison Ellen Kerkman	Grace Ellen Wickham
Kyle Jared Kobza	Kendra Marie-Ren Wiese
Colson Thomas Kosch	Kelli Marie Williams
Brock Daniel Kracman	Logan Patrick Zanardi

🍀 🍀 🍀 🍀 🍀 🍀 11th Annual Shamrock Open 🍀 🍀 🍀 🍀 🍀 🍀

The eleventh annual Shamrock Open was held at Tiburon Golf Course in Omaha on June 2nd with 84 golfers participating. The event netted \$10,171 which will be invested in the Scotus locker rooms. In the event's 11 year history more than \$76,350 has been raised to improve athletic facilities at SCC.

2018 Tourney Title Sponsor

Northwestern Mutual (*Nate Karges '96 and Joe Dierks '96*)

Platinum Sponsors

BD Construction (*Chris Langan '96*)

Exit Big (*Jeff Herdzina '94*)

First National Bank Omaha (*Stacy Auman*)

Fusion Medical (*Dan Beller '97*)

Malibu Homes (*Mike Shotkoski '94*)

Northwest Electric (*Kyle Fritz '03*)

Green Sponsors

Bull Moose (*Neal Suess*)

Children's Dentistry of Council Bluffs
(*Joe Quattrocchi '91*)

Elks Country Club (*Mike VanCannon*)

Liberty Mutual (*Joe Puetz '01*)

Lutz Financial (*Justin Vossen*)

Mahan Family (*Bill Mahan and Alex Mahan*)

Obrist & Company (*John Obrist '96*)

Puetz Family (*Gary & Judy Puetz*)

CBS Reality (*Matt Beers*)

Chip Kaup '97 Classic Golf Tourney.

This year's first flight, first place winners were given the opportunity to have their photo taken with the coveted Shamrock Open jackets (reused each year).

The Shamrock Open originally began



Winners sporting the Shamrock Open jackets are (l-r) Aaron Gardner, Jeff Wessell, Bob Klopniwski '86 and Matt Jilek '86.

in the year 2000, was held in Columbus annually and was known as the Alumni & Friends Golf Tourney. The event was moved to Omaha in 2008 and under new event directors, Nick Puetz '97 and Joe Puetz '01—who both continue to lead the "FUNraiser" to an annual success.

Worth Noting

- The 2018 Gala had a net revenue for the annual budget of \$206,740. In addition, Gala guests contributed \$33,474 to support planned renovations in the school's media center. Gala 2019 is set for April 6.
- The Scotus Journalism students and their sponsor, Angie (Naughtin) Rusher '95 captured their second straight Class B State Journalism Championship. Scotus defeated 28 other teams on their way to claiming the 2018 Class B State title. Receiving first place individual finishes were Caitlin Steiner (newspaper feature), Abe Perault (newspaper layout), and Ellie Bock (sports action photography.) Other Scotus point scorers included Emily Carstens, Kaylie Rocha, Ellie Bock, Brandon Huynh, Kendra Wiese, Hallie Parker, Nathan Schumacher, Grace Wickham, Kayla Hall, Matt Strecker, Chase Andresen, Abe Perault, Alaina Wallick, Maggie Feehan, Caitlin Steiner, and Faith Przymus. State journalism is a Nebraska School Activities Association sponsored competition and therefore Scotus now has two journalism banners displayed in the Dowd Activity Center. In 2016 the Scotus team finished in 3rd place at state. Other 2018 facts: Scotus had 25 qualifying students competing in 35 categories and medaled 25 of those categories. Scotus swept Newspaper Layout: 1st (Abe Perault), 2nd (Alaina Wallick), 3rd (Maggie Feehan) and this was the first time Scotus had anyone qualify in Advertising and Yearbook Theme Copy—with all four students placing. Scotus medaled more than one person in 9 different events and captured the title without any entries in Broadcasting, a new event with four categories. Both the 2nd and 3rd place teams had 8 medals each in Broadcasting and with the new STEAM lab additions, Scotus will definitely compete in broadcasting next year.



State Journalism Champions.

- The NSAA Academic All-State winners for the 2018 spring season at Scotus were: Baseball – Trevor Kaslon; Golf – Colson Kosch, Bryce VunCannon; Journalism – Maggie Feehan, Matt Strecker; Music – Isaac McPhillips, Caitlin Steiner; Soccer – Wren Allen, Maggie Feehan, Braden Labenz, Kendra Wiese; Track & Field – Elley Beaver, Kelsey Faust, Grant Shanle, Matt Strecker.
- In District Music Competition, Scotus students earned 18 Superior ratings. Band: Trumpet Quartet, Flute Ensemble, Clarinet Ensemble, Mixed Saxophone Ensemble, Flute Duet,

Flute Solo--Katie Stachura, Alto Sax Solo--Emily Carstens, Tenor Sax Solo--Matt Strecker, Tenor Sax Solo--Isaac Ostdiek, Trumpet Solo--Ben Merrill and Tuba Solo--Isaac McPhillips. Choir: Shamrock Singers, Boys Quartet, Girls Quartet, Freshmen Sextet, Girls Ensemble, Bass Solo--Isaac McPhillips and Alto Solo--Jenna Salerno. Eleven other band and choir entries received II ratings.

Here and There...

-- Tell us What's Happening in Your Life!

E-mail to: jschueth@scotuscc.org Photos encouraged!

CHRIS GANNON '99 – was named last spring as head coach of the Creighton University men's and women's cross country programs. Chris coached Skutt Catholic High School to a Boys Cross Country state title in 2017 and a runner-up finish on the Girls side in his only year at Skutt HS. He also served as head coach of the track program while at Skutt. Prior to a brief stay at Skutt, Chris was the head track & field coach at Gross Catholic HS in Omaha from 2007-14, and was running coach and co-founder of Run Omaha Coaching. Chris was a three-time all-conference performer in the triple jump while competing for the University of Nebraska Kearney and Fort Hays State University. He obtained his BS in Sports Administration from UNK in 2003 and a MS in Health and Human Performance in 2006 from Fort Hays State University. Chris and his wife, Maggie and daughter Adison reside in the Omaha area.

DEREK LAHM '13 – set a new Wayne State College school record with 6,951 points to capture first place in the NSIC Men's Decathlon. Derek shattered his old school record of 6,638 points set in 2015 in the 10-event decathlon and his point total is an NCAA provisional qualifying mark that at the time ranked ninth in NCAA Division II. He captured first place in the long jump (24' 3 ¾") and was second in the 100-meter dash (10.74) and javelin (186' 6"). The Wildcat senior was also named the Cunningham Male Scholar Athlete of the Year for WSC. In June, Derek was named to the 2018 Google Cloud Academic All-American First Team for Men's Track and Field/Cross Country. The award is selected by CoSIDA (College Sports Information Directors of America) and recognizes the nation's top student-athletes for their combined performances on the field and in the classroom. It's the third time in his Wildcat career that Lahm has been selected as an Academic All-American after earning Third Team honors in 2015 and 2017.

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1993 Football State Title Reunion

Plans are set to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the 1993 Shamrock football team's State Class B Football Championship. Members of the team will be recognized at half-time of the Shamrocks September 7, 2018 home game against visiting West Point-Beemer. Post-game festivities and

reminiscing will be held at the Columbus KC Hall. The 1993 team completed a perfect 13-0 season with a potent offense and an "Iron Curtain" defense—scoring 439 points over the season compared with the opponent total of just 114 points.



1993 Class B State Champion Football Team

Jeff Beiermann '95
Mike Blum '95
Derek Bonk '95
Jeff Brakenhoff '95
Jason Brezenski '95
Dustin Buggi '95
Jeff Cieloha '95
Jason Cumberland '96
Joe Dierks '96
Tom Dobesh '94
Brandon Drum '95
Luke Fendrick '96
Ryan Fleischer '95
Chad Gonka '96
Sam Graus '96
Mark Henggeler '94
Jeff Herdzina '94

Matt Honke '95
Luke Jackson '94
Chris Kinnison '94
Eric Kluever '95
Kelcey Krings '96
Greg Krzycki '96
Chris Langan '96
Ryan Liebig '95
Nate Marik '95
Matt McGuire '95
Rich McPhillips '95
Ryan Medinger '94
Jason Mielak '94
Travis Morris '95
Matt Moseman '95
Chad Mustard '96
Travis Patocka '97

Joey Pilakowski '95
Gary Rief '94
Eric Sansoni '96 +
Mike Shotkoski '94
Ethan Shunk '95 +
Denny Sliva '95
Scott Sobota '94
Pat Sokol '96
Scott Stenger
Andy Sueper '94
Dave Svatora '96
Dan Swoboda '95
Tony Thomas '94
Josh Vavricek ^{LL}
John Vyhlidal '96
Cal Wemhoff '96
Roger Wemhoff '96

Wayne Wemhoff '95
Brian Wessel '95
Ryan Wondercheck '95

Fr. Wayne Pavela
Coach Ed Goerlinger
Coach Rick Grubaugh
Coach Scott Miller
Head Coach Jim Puetz
Coach Gary Puetz
Trainer Brett Smith ^{LL}
Coach Vern Younger

^{LL} *Scotus does not have mailing address*
+ - deceased

SEASON RECORD	SCOTUS	OPPONENT
Elkhorn Mt. Michael	27	0
Columbus Lakeview	63	6
Schuyler	48	6
Omaha Roncalli	20	0
Omaha Cathedral	57	7
Wahoo Neumann	31	0
Battle Creek	40	16
David City Aquinas	14	7
Fremont Bergan	33	7
Auburn	27	8
Beatrice	24	23
Gretna	13	10
Hastings Adams Central	42	24

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Reunions

Class of 1958. 60-Year Reunion. Due to the encouraging response from our previous question in the newsletter, of whether to have a reunion or not, the Saint Bonaventure Class of 1958 will hold their 60th Class Reunion on Saturday, August 18, 2018 at the Ramada Inn in Columbus (402 564-1492.) Mark your calendar now to save the date. If you have any questions, contact Jerry Kneifel at 402-564-6580 or Email to kneifel@frontiernet.net. Note this is during the 2018 Columbus Days Celebration so there will be a lot of special activities going on from the 17th through the 19th in Columbus. Plan to attend!

Class of 1963 – 55-Year Reunion. The Class of 1963 will gather in Columbus, NE on September 21, 2018 to share their 55th reunion. More details to follow. For information or to assist with planning, contact Jane Tooley at 402-367-2319 or Email: DeputyTooley@hotmail.com.

Class of 1968 – 50-Year Reunion. It seems impossible 50 years have gone by – that's half a century – so definitely time for a "trip down memory lane"! Do you remember Mrs. Fletcher's sloppy joes, chili, and cinnamon rolls, your pep club uniform – green suit and white gloves, waiting for the boys' team bus to return, chemistry class with Sr. Colette, and of course, Latin class! Also, remember you had the unique experience of attending two different high schools without leaving the building!?!

The 1968 Classes of Scotus Central Catholic and Columbus High School are combining some events during our 50th Reunion Weekend: August 17-18-19. Look for detailed information including list of events, costs, and a reservation form in the mail, that is – 1960's style mail.

Your Scotus Reunion Committee: Frank Skorupa, Diane Melliger Blahak, Mary Keuter Carraher, Barbara Gerber, Linda Voboril Kosch, Joanie Swanson Laird, Linda Kresha Wibbels, Bill Legenza

Please call or text Linda Kresha Wibbels with any questions at 402-730-0203 or Email Linda.Wibbels@woodsbro.com

Send any copies of photos K-12 to above Email or mail to Linda at 2740 Royal Court, Lincoln, Nebraska 68502

Class of 1978. 40-Year Reunion. The Class of 1978 is having their 40th reunion on August 10-11. For more information contact Rex Kumpf, rexkumpf@gmail.com.

Class of 1983. 35-Year Reunion. The Class of 1983 is having their reunion on Friday, September 7, 2018. Details will be announced.

Class of 1998. 20-Year Reunion. The Class of 1998 is having their reunion on September 21-22, 2018. For information contact Jon Brezenski at: coachbrez@gmail.com.

Chip Kaup Classic

The 3rd Annual Chip Kaup '97 Classic was held on April 28th at the Elks Country Club in Columbus. More than 100 golfers participated in this year's event, which featured a \$10,000 hole-in-one contest and a helicopter flyover, which also provided a courtesy ride to raffle winners. There was also overwhelming support from the community, with nearly 50 sponsors for the event.

The tournament is an effort to celebrate Chip Kaup's life and to raise money for the Chip Kaup Memorial Scholarships, a character based scholarship awarded to a senior boy and girl soccer player that best exhibits Chip's outstanding personality. Chip was a member of the 1997 State Championship soccer team,

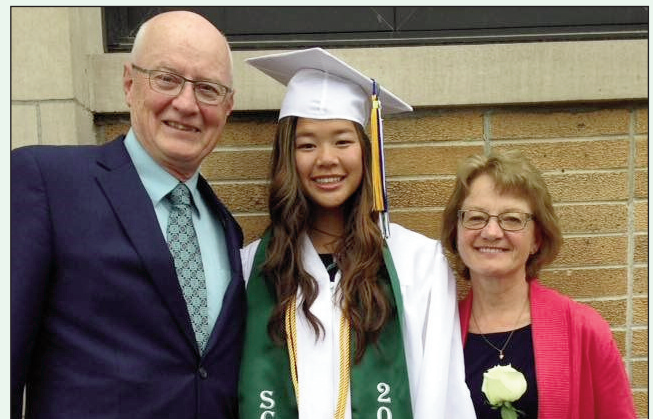


Wren Allen and Grace Wickham

homecoming king, and most importantly, a great human being. He was unselfish, loyal, compassionate, and determined in everything that he did. His outgoing personality and open-mindedness allowed him to get along with everyone he met. He made a point of seeing the good in everyone and went out of his way to make sure that nobody felt left out. The scholarships are intended to encourage others to strive to be more like Chip and to recognize those that have already exhibited his personality traits. This year's scholarship winners were each awarded \$1500 to help further their education. This year's scholarship winners were Grace Wickham and Wren Allen.

Winners of the Chipper Flight were Mike Allen and Neal Suess. Winners of the Hacker Flight were Aaron Rickert '90 and Matt Dinslage. Winners of the Ladies' Flight were Erin Miles '97 and Kristen Kuhlen. The Fourth Annual Chip Kaup Classic is set for April 27, 2019 at The Elks. To sign up or to become a sponsor, please e-mail ChipKaupClassic@gmail.com. Story submitted by Kyle Diederich '95

Spirit of Scotus



Receiving the Spirit of Scotus Award at commencement was Maggie Feehan '18 daughter of Pat and Kelly Feehan.





In Sympathy

We extend our sincere sympathy to the families of the following deceased alumni, alumnae and friends of Scotus Central Catholic.

Carl DeRuyscher – survived by sons, Chris (Paige), Simon (Cydni), Alex '01; mother, Marge DeRuyscher; sister, Sue (Doug) Keller; five grandchildren and many nieces, nephews, cousins and in-laws.

Cyril “Moon” Dreifurst – survived by his wife, Charlotte; daughter Shelley '83 (Ron) Brougham; sons, Steve (Darcie) Blomberg, Chris '80 (Lynette), Ben (Vernalie), Mike, Joey (Jeannie), Mark; sisters, Rosie Hall, Donna (Frank) Laska, Jane (Bob) Pensick; brother, Bill (Bev); sister-in-law, Velma Shupe; brother-in-law Dale Holley; eighteen grandchildren; sixteen great-grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Dennis Duffy – survived by his wife, Barbara; daughters, Erin '97 (Kirk) Malzer, Michaela '07 (Austin '07) Kuta; sister, Dorothy (Delton) Sebenaler; and three grandchildren.

Leon Ebel – survived by his wife, Dorothy; daughters, Kelly (Matthew), Lisa; sisters, Sharon Reisdorff, Genevieve '63 (Bill) Smejkal; brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces and nephews.

Virginia Ann (Krzycki) Ernst '40 – survived by daughters, Judy (Tim) Morrison, Barbara Repking, Patti (Bill) Sindelar, Denise (Steve) Cremer, Mary (Preston) Tracy, Jenny (Steve) Earley; son, Mike; daughter-in-law, Vicky Ernst; brother, Harold Kreski '45; twenty-three grandchildren and twenty-one great-grandchildren.

John Hentges, Jr '52 – survived by daughters, Cheri (Greg) McMath, Christine; son, Kenneth; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Theonilla Jareske – survived by daughters, Phyllis Wulf, Mary Ann (Tom) Coday, Susan (John) Donoghue, Elaine (Gene) Drozd; sons, Martin (special friend Diane Leick), Ben (Charlene), Jerry (Kathy), Allan; brothers, Raymond (Virginia Hembd '60) Staroscik, Adrian '55 (Marie) Staroscik; sister-in-law, Alice Staroscik-Chleboun; special friend of the family, Mary Jareske; twenty-one grandchildren and forty great-grandchildren.

Norma Jean (Irwin) Kirkland '56 – survived by her husband, Donald; sons, Scott (Barbie) Saxer, Rich (Jody) Saxer; two step-sons and two step-daughters; sisters, Rosemary '53 Brunkhorst, Lois '56 (Jim) Skalak, Connie '70 Rasmussen; brother, Jim (Debbie); five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.



Inducted into the Shamrock Athletic Hall of Fame as Boosters at the spring athletic banquet were, l-r: Gerry Engelbert and Dick Van Dyke. These Catholic gentlemen served on the chain gang for home football games for more than 40 years, and have been active supporters in other sports and many school fundraisers for decades.

Maxine (Poeffel) Krings '46 – survived by daughters, Linda (Gene) Liebig, Debbie (Tom) Pillen, Kelli (Rory) Went; sons, Don (Brenda), Tony (Diane); fourteen grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren.

Dolores Lower – survived her husband, Lyle; daughters, Deb (Tom '64) Romanek, DaMaris Lower, Pam (Bill) Long; sons, Greg '69 (Sandi), Rick; sister-in-law, Gerry Groeger; seventeen grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren.

Lois (Skorupa) Miller '64 – survived by her daughter, Stephanie (Tom) Gosselin; sister, Marian '57 (Bill) Dostal; brothers, Jim (Cissy), Frank '68 (Peggy), Joe '70 (Dorothy); two grandchildren and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Donald Newman – survived by his wife, Marietta (Liebig '57); sons, Donald (Cheryl), William “Bill”; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Nancy (Korgie) Osantowski – survived by daughter, Torri; sisters, Kim (Terry) Campbell, Jean (Buck) Jones, Sheri '85 (Sam) Giustra; brothers, Michael (Janine), Bill (Cindy) and Joe '88 (Tammy).

David “Jiver” Robak '66 – survived by brothers Dan '67 (Marilyn), Steve, Mike (Jan), John (Angell), Jim, Mark (Kris), Tim; and sixteen nephews and nieces.

Terrence Robb '46 – survived by his daughter, Kelly (Kevin); sons, Ken (Deta), Kevin (Cathy); sister, Patricia Johnson '48; brothers, Jon '53, Joseph; six grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

Stanley Staroscik – survived by sisters, Theresa '65 Smith, Helen '67 Neemeyer, Barb '69 Glaser; brothers, Berney '64 (Shona) and John.

Randy Wieser '75 – survived by his wife, Lora; daughter, Katey (Dan) Schwarzlander; sons, David (Andrea), Lucas (Kay); mother, Joyce Wieser; sisters, Cathy (Dan) Martin, Jacki (Greg) Inman; brothers, Pat '80 (Janet), Mike '81 (Mary); two grandchildren and many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.



Shamrock senior, Jadyn Taylor, signed to join the equestrian team at South Dakota State University. Jadyn will participate in the Western Horsemanship component of the NCAA Division I program and she will study pre-medicine at the school. Seated with Jadyn are her parents, Kay & Larry.



Scotus Athletes of the Year were Chase Andresen and Marika Spencer.

Memorials

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Don Adkisson Mel Heimann	Eleanor Kucera Rick Grubaugh	MM Bill Dostal Bill Dostal, Jr.	Esther Tarnick John Tarnick	Rick Grubaugh MM Terry Grubaugh
Bernard Brezenski MM Ed Brezenski MM Phil Kudron Family & Friends	Carroll Melliger '41 MM Jerald Barkmeier Karen Beck MM Mark Brandt Evangeline Chlopek MM Joseph Cocozzella	MM John Dostal MM Kevin Dostal DR Patrick Dostal MM Rick Dostal Rick Dostal DRM Robert Dostal	Denis Torczon MM Andy Anderson MM Lee Baumgart Karen Beck MM Jim Bogus MM Larry Bruns	MM Kurt Hall MM Tim Harrington Bob Heimann MM Paul Jazwick MM Jerry Jilek Kurt Kline
Katherine (Krumei) Clements '42 Gloria Messing	MM John Codling MM Jeff Cox Coni Dowd-Molvig & Charles Molvig	Coni Dowd-Molvig Stephanie Gosselin MM Robert Mimick William Nafziger Jamie Pepper Lenore Pokorny MM Edward Rutten MM Frank Skorupa	MM Jeff Christensen Tim Christensen Roberta Christiancy MM Tim Cielocha JoAnn Cremers Norma Cremers MM Larry Dohmen MM Gary Ewers MM Al Foltz MM Ben Foreman Cheryl Haiar MM Terry Hash MM Chris Houfek MM Paul Jazwick Jean Kamrath MM Mike Krzycki MM Jack Nienaber MM Duane Ostdiek MM Tim Parker Pat Parry MM Randy Perault MM Ray Pilakowski MM Bill Policky MM Gene Schumacher MM Kevin Schumacher MM John Thomazin Lu Torczon MM Tim Wallick MM Steve Zach DRM Milton Zadina MM Rick Zoucha	Gene Konwinski MM Rob Korgie Theresa Kumpf MM Richard Kunneman MM Tom Lange MM Joel Long MM Rich McPhillips MM Dave Melliger Doris Melliger MM Mark Morris MM Don Mroczek MM Mike Novicki MM Pat Novicki MM Jeff Pekarek Marylin Pekar MM Gary Puetz MM Jim Puetz MM Tom Rogers MM Jeff Schumacher MM John Shadle MM Frank Skorupa MM Fred Spies MM Neal Suess MM Tim Tooley MM Vern Younger MM Dave Zabawa MM Tony Zabawa MM Gary Zywiec
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Gerald Hinze MM John Whitehead	Don Hoffman Rick Grubaugh MM Boyd Jones DRM Larry Malicky			
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Mark Kobus '56 Alice Staroscik- Chleboun	Paula (Pfeifer) Kohl '42 Gloria Messing			
Arlene Koziol Family & Friends	Burdette Miller Class of 1985			
Maxine (Hookstra) Krings '46 Rick Grubaugh	Lois (Skorupa) Miller '64 MM Jim Bator Kathryn Chavez			

Annual Appeal 2018

How can you continue to make a difference at Scotus? Consider the opportunity through this fall's Annual Appeal to help Scotus make significant improvements to our school's classrooms. The appeal's goal is to raise \$105,000 to make the following improvements in our classrooms: replace 54-year old fluorescent light fixtures with efficient LED lighting, paint walls, replace flooring, add storage furniture such as bookshelves or cabinets, install new HVAC controllers (like thermostats) in each room and replace some of the faculty desks.

We are most excited about the LED lighting and controllers since they will both improve the environment in our classrooms. LED lighting is not only more energy efficient but it makes the printed word easier to read, and the new controllers will provide faculty greater control of the temperature in their classrooms.

Last fall's annual appeal was a tremendous success and we exceeded our \$100,000 goal! Scotus received 624 donations totaling \$123,075.92 to support the addition of air conditioning in the Dowd Activity Center and in the weight room. And because of your extra support, we were also able to install LED lighting in the main office hallway. For the 2018 appeal, we are off to a nice start with \$1,200 in donations that were made at the end of calendar year 2017 and directed to this fall's effort. Thank you in advance for your support, and watch for the appeal mailing that will be sent in October!

2018 Alumni/Alumnae Soccer Tournament

The 11th Annual Alumni/Alumnae Soccer Tourney will be held on August 3-4 at the Warren & Shirley McLaughlin Activity Field. Questions should be directed to tourney organizer, Jon Brezenski '98 at: coachbrez@gmail.com.



16th Biennial Alumnae Volleyball Tourney

The sixteenth biennial Shamrock Alumnae Volleyball Tournament will be held on Saturday, November 24, 2018. Registration deadline is November 1. All Scotus alumnae are welcome to register! Cost is \$35 (checks may be made out to: Jamie Heine.) For more information, contact Kim (Rickert) Dreesen at 402-290-6529, kkdreesen@yahoo.com; Jamie (Tooley) Heine at 402-779-1744, jtooley@regis.edu; Shanna (Melliger) Niedbalski at 402-276-4071, smniedbalski@gmail.com. *See sign up form below.*

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Jamie (Tooley) Heine, 414 5th St. Columbus 402-779-1744 OR email: jtooley@regis.edu

Shanna (Melliger) Niedbalski, 3478 25th Ave, Columbus 402-276-4071 OR email: smniedbalski@gmail.com

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At the conclusion of the tournament, a party will follow for all the players & significant others at
Scotus Memorial Hall cafeteria – Time TBA



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Full STEAM Ahead

Preparations are underway to introduce the STEAM Lab experience to Scotus students, thanks to the successful Chuck Hagel STEAM Lab fund drive. I wish to express my sincerest gratitude for the many individuals, businesses and foundations that have contributed nearly \$300,000 towards the *Chuck Hagel STEAM Lab & Maker Space* project. Special thanks goes to Chuck Hagel '64 and our campaign lead fundraiser, Aaron Dowd '99.

We are currently building partnerships with the University of Nebraska at Omaha and Central Community College-Columbus for both new course development and Scotus faculty professional development in the area of STEAM education.

Most people understand STEAM to be Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math. I also envision STEAM being Soft Skills, Traditional Academics, Entrepreneur, Articulation and Maker. As you know, we had a very successful fundraiser, and we will be purchasing technology to enhance our school. I want to emphasize though that the technology is just a tool the teacher uses to enhance his/her curriculum and engage students. The real shift is to get students to work more collaboratively. We also want our students to continue to develop critical thinking skills and be innovative and creative in areas that require problem solving. These skills are just as essential to their success as the knowledge they gain from our outstanding curriculum.

In regard to our curriculum, we will begin offering a STEAM I and STEAM II class. STEAM I will provide students the opportunity to get involved in programming and computer hardware. They will work on a variety of projects that will require that they follow directions. As they transition into STEAM II, the student will have the chance to go deeper into one of the projects they had in STEAM I or create an individual project. They will be required to keep an engineer's notebook for their creation. We will also begin to offer Computer Science as an elective for grades 10-12. Our Modern Technology and Media classes will combine to form one class, and with the help of Columbus News Team, they will learn video editing techniques. New



technology including high quality cameras will be purchased for video editing. Look for a Scotus YouTube channel later this year. We will also be allowing our 8th graders the opportunity to learn more computer coding and programming. And, we will be revamping some of our Art curriculum to include Graphic Design.

During this summer, we will also be repurposing two classrooms to create the *Chuck Hagel STEAM Lab & Maker Space*. This facility will provide a resource for both students and faculty and will be available beyond normal school hours. As I mentioned before, we hope that the STEAM experience goes beyond just this special facility and that it will be found in nearly all of our classrooms. I promise that we will not rush into buying equipment for the new lab just to say we have it—every purchase will be made with the intent of immediate use in our curriculum. This lab will become an evolving resource and we will also plan to ensure that it is financially supported for the years to come.

I truly believe these changes and the relationships we will develop with institutions of higher learning and businesses in our community will make Scotus Central Catholic an even stronger academic institution for the students and families we serve; and I look forward to offering you progress updates in the months and years to come!

Jeff Ohnoutka, Scotus President



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Teacher of the Year

The recipient of the 20th annual *William and Barbara Gerhold Family Teacher of the Year Award* for a Columbus Catholic Schools teacher is St. Bonaventure School teacher, Jill Erickson. Jill is a 4th grade classroom teacher during the morning and a K-4 Reading Specialist for the school in the afternoon. She has served St. Bonaventure since the fall of 2008. She has a Bachelor of Arts in Education degree in Elementary Education K-6 from the University of Nebraska-Kearney, a Masters of Education in Curriculum and Instruction from Doane College, and a Reading Specialist K-12 endorsement also from Doane College.



Jill has presented in-services for her Columbus Catholic school colleagues on guided reading and is actively involved in St. Bonaventure Parish. She has assisted with the parish's summer bible school, was a chairperson for the parish's Night of Entertainment fundraiser, cleans the church, is an EMHC, and helped with the Archdiocesan Ignite the Faith Campaign. For the parish's recent capital campaign, she helped write the 2020 prayer.

Jill plans to invest all of the award's \$5,000 prize money for guided reading materials, online reading programs, and Chromebooks for use in her school. Jill and her husband, Tyler, are members of St. Bonaventure Parish. Tyler is a project manager at Central Confinement Service. They are the parents of Grant, Noah, Eli, and Emma.



Our Senior Mock Trial Team placed second at state, competing in the finals against Class A Creighton Prep. Pictured, back row from left, are Matthew Bichlmeier, Brock Kracman, Jenna Salerno, Caitlin Steiner and Trey Dallman and, front row, teacher-coach Kelly Koranda, attorney-coach Tonia Soukup, Alaina Wallick, Faith Przymus, Natalie Brutty and attorney-coach Breanna Anderson. Unlike some schools, Scotus doesn't offer mock trial as a class but as an extracurricular activity. Attorney advisors for the Shamrocks were attorneys Breanna Anderson and Tonia Soukup, who helped the team with legal and courtroom procedures. The Shamrocks advanced to the final round at the state competition after winning their rounds against Ainsworth, York, and Ogallala.

Annual Appeal Update

Kudos to the more than 615 supporters who helped us exceed our \$110,000 goal to add air conditioning to the Dowd Activity Center and weight room! Current plans are to begin installation in early March and complete work by March 31—in time for the Gala and for this spring's Graduation program. As of January 21st we have raised \$119,611.92! Campaign expenses included: \$644.29 for postage, \$833.00 for envelopes and letterhead and \$76.36 in PayPal fees (from online donations) for a total of \$1,553.65.

Any funds not applied to the air conditioning project will be invested in: 1) new exterior doors to the courtyard and next to the maintenance shop (to more effectively keep the winter chill out of the building) and 2) applied to next fall's annual appeal goals: a new roof for Memorial Hall and a new full-size bus for student activities. Yes the current mission is accomplished but if you have not given yet and wish to participate in the annual appeal, please do! We have two large projects to fund next fall. Again, thank you Shamrocks for your prayerful support!

Finally, a special thank you to the 76 Scotus student volunteers who contributed a total of 115 hours to make calls for this year's annual appeal phonathon.



10th Annual Shamrock Open Golf Tourney

The date for the 11th Annual Shamrock Open has been set for Saturday, June 2, 2018 with a shotgun start at 1:00 pm. The tournament, to be held at Tiburon GC in Omaha, is open to all Shamrock graduates, supporters and friends and is known for its excellent flight and flag prizes, good food and exceptional camaraderie!

Sponsorships are available and especially encouraged from class years. If members of a class would like to pool money together to sponsor a hole or purchase prizes, please let us know. This year's tourney goal is to help purchase additional ventilation for the boys' locker room along with new football lockers.

For more information about registration or becoming a tourney sponsor, contact Nick Puetz at: shamrockopen@gmail.com or Joe Puetz at puetzfinancial@gmail.com or John Schueth in the Scotus development office at jschueth@scotuscc.org 402 564 7165 ext. 109.



Scotus eighth graders, Kyanne Casperson and Hannah Pflum, hold a basket of "Portacath Pillows" that they and members of the SCC Junior High FBLA made for cancer patients. The pillows each have a prayer attached and they are used to hold a car's seatbelt off of the cancer patient's port while they are traveling in their car. The annual project's work will be delivered to the Columbus Community Hospital for distribution.

35th Annual Alumni Basketball Tourney



Mark your calendars now for the thirty-fourth annual Scotus Central Catholic Men's Alumni Basketball Tournament to be held on Friday and Saturday, March 23-24, 2018.

Mark Your Calendars!



The 37th annual Gala dinner/auction will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2018. This is the school's largest annual fundraiser and all proceeds are used to balance the annual budget—yes, the

Gala is a line item in the annual budget and that is why we work hard to make this event successful every year! In effect, the Gala provides a \$550 annual tuition scholarship for each student attending our school.

This year's theme is "Unmasking the Future" and we are blessed with many wonderful donors and volunteers including co-chairs: Kevin & Heather Bridger, Chris & Cathy (Avery '97) Hutchinson and Bill & Michell Ruskamp. And our 2018 vice-chairs are: Mark & Nicole Lindhorst, Scott & Amy Schaecher and Mark & Andrea Schumacher.

Here's a sample list of the items we plan to offer this year at the Gala oral auction: Nebraska football package for 4 at Northwestern, pizza party w/Fr. Dave Korth at the Allen's, Lake Tahoe condo plus air fare, Chicago Cubs Dream Day package for four, Husker Suite for 4 at Sept 15 home game, catered business party at Henry on 11th, Pheasant Hunt at Bunker Hill for 14, Snake Falls Fishing for 2, Prairie Club Golf for 4, Las Vegas NFR & Cirque du Soleil for 4, two excellent NE season football tickets, ladies weekend to Chicago for 4, "Wicked" for 4 & dinner at Flat Iron, Mountain Thunder Lodge in Breckenridge, Rustic River Dinner Retreat, Napa Valley Trip for 4, Tanking Trip for 12, UNO Maverick hockey at Baxter, Culligan Aqua-clear drinking water system, Shamrock away game bus trip for 18 football fans, Okobojo condo vacation, Broncos at Chiefs for 4, 2019 Sweet 16/Elite Eight, Vineyard wine tasting/dinner for 10, Brisket Meal for 40 at the Evan's House, Cancun Resort, and much more!

If you would like to participate by donating an item for the silent or oral auctions, volunteer to help, or if you wish to receive an invitation to attend please contact our co-chairs, vice-chairs or Janice Rosenquist in the Scotus development office: 402-564-7165 ext. 154 or jrosenquist@scotuscc.org. Your involvement will be key to our event's success and that's why we urge you to mark your calendars today!

Special Gala Fundraiser

Each year we ask our Gala supporters to consider funding a special capital improvement for the school. This year we hope to raise funds to support the remodeling of the Media Center—creating additional meeting room space and provide a more functional space for both study and student gatherings. A look at some of the recent Gala-sponsored special projects:

216 Lenovo tablets for students	Gala 2017
78 Lenovo tablets for students	Gala 2016
New cafeteria tables	Gala 2015
New junior high hall lockers	Gala 2014
New classroom desks	Gala 2013
New Scotus bus	Gala 2012
70 new tables for the Gala	Gala 2011
New student computer lab	Gala 2010
150 locker room lockers	Gala 2009
New windows for the cafeteria	Gala 2008



A big thank you to all of our supporters—you continue to accomplish so much through your philanthropy! And please contact the Scotus development office if you would like to support the Media Center remodel project or any of the special requests on the Faculty/Staff Wish List posted on the school's website!

Worth Noting

- This past fall, the Scotus Band earned a Superior rating at the Harvest of Harmony parade in Grand Island.
- NSAA Academic All-State winners for the 2017 fall season: Cross Country - Kelsey Faust, Olivia Fehringer, Michael Gasper, Elliott Thomazin; Football - Colson Kosch, Jake Novicki; Golf - MaKenzie Enderlin, Kendra Wiese; Play Production - Jared Gaspers, Caitlin Steiner; Volleyball - Elley Beaver, Kayla Hall.
- Scotus Volleyball award winners this fall were: Elley Beaver and Courtney Kosch, All-Conference Tourney Team; Kayla Hall, All-Conference Tourney honorable mention; Shania Borchers and Abbie Zoucha, All-Conference Season; and Madison Kerkman, All-Conference Season honorable mention.
- The Dash for Holiday Cash Lottery had sales of \$10,730 compared with \$8,330 last year and should net \$8,981.74. The winner of the \$1,000 prize was Tom Settje. Thanks to everyone who participated in the lottery; all proceeds from the fundraiser will go to support tuition assistance scholarships for Scotus students. Thanks also to St. Joseph Parish in Platte Center who was our lottery sponsor.
- Congratulations to Shamrock junior Isaac McPhillips who participated in the All-State Choir in Lincoln.
- Two new endowed scholarships were recently established for the benefit of Scotus students. Through a \$5,000 gift to the Scotus endowment, Marvin Styskal established an annual scholarship entitled, The Marvin and Marlene Styskal Family Scholarship. And a \$25,000 donation to the Scotus endowment from Kevin and Jacquie Ingemansen created the annual Kevin and Jacqueline Ingemansen Family Scholarships. This endowed fund will provide two annual scholarships. Both the Styskal and Ingemansen scholarships will be awarded to students at the spring achievement program and will be directed to provide tuition assistance to attend Scotus for the following school year. Since the corpus value of each scholarship fund, \$5,000 and \$25,000 respectively is never spent; and only the annual earnings from each fund will be distributed as scholarships, these two gifts will provide perpetual assistance to students attending Scotus Central Catholic and celebrate a legacy of support from the two families. Scotus now has seventeen endowed scholarship funds along with another 16 scholarships that are annually funded by the donor families.
- Copies of the 2016-17 Annual Report are available at all three Columbus Catholic parish rectories and in the Scotus development office. Or view the color version of the annual report online at the Scotus website under the "Publications" tab: https://scotuscc.files.wordpress.com/2017/11/scotusannualreport_16-17_web.pdf.
- The fifteenth edition of the SEF drive, kicked off in the fall of 2016 seeking pledges of support (for calendar years 2017-2019) and with an overall goal of \$1,295,000. After the conclusion of the first pledge payment year (2017) pledges total \$1,149,762 or 88.8% of the goal. Pledge payments as of January 21 totaled \$740,787.68.
- The Gala Lottery is featuring \$14,000 in cash prizes and only 600 - \$100 tickets have been printed. The drawing will take place at the Gala on April 14, 2018. Contact Scotus for more details.



- The Scotus one-act team performed "Freak" and placed second in Class B district competition just three points behind first place Pierce HS. The team was comprised of 37 students and was coached by Scotus English teacher, Helen Schumacher.



Shamrock senior Elley Beaver signed to study and play volleyball at Northeast Community College, Norfolk NE. Shown with Elley are her parents, Tim & Jenny, Scotus head volleyball coach Janet Tooley, Jared Beaver (SCC sophomore) and Northeast Community College head volleyball coach, Amanda Schulte.



Scotus senior, Shania Borchers signed to play volleyball for Coach Mary Young and the Central Community College Raiders. Shown in the photo with Shania are her parents, Lisa and Cletus.

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Here and There...

RENEE BEIERMANN WINKEL '03 – was named the *Sioux City Journal's* Volleyball Coach of the Year. A third-year head coach for Sergeant Bluff-Luton High School, Renee directed her team to a 42-4 season which ended with an unfortunate loss in the state tournament 4A finals in five sets to Dubuque Wahlert. Renee has coached Sergeant Bluff-Luton to two MRAC regular season and tournament championships and along with two state tourney appearances she has collected 106 career wins.



Congratulations to Shamrock senior Tyler Miksch who signed a letter of intent to join the track team at Nebraska Wesleyan University in Lincoln. Tyler plans to study athletic training and physical therapy at the school. Seated with Tyler are his parents, Melvin and Karen.



Scotus senior, Marika Spencer signed to accept a track & field scholarship with the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. Seated with Marika are her parents, Steve and Juli and standing are Scotus coaches, Janet Tooley and Roger Krienke.



Congratulations to Shamrock senior Matt Strecker who signed to play football for Morningside College in Sioux City, IA. Matt plans to study Biology at the school and then earn a degree in exercise science. Seated with Matt are his parents, Don and Kay.



Congrats!

Reunions

Class representatives: We haven't heard yet from the Classes of 1973 (45th Reunion) 1978 (40th Reunion), 1993 (25th Reunion) and 2008 (10th Reunion.)

Class of 1958. 60-Year Reunion. Due to the encouraging response from our previous question in the newsletter, of whether to have a reunion or not, the Saint Bonaventure Class of 1958 will hold their 60th Class Reunion on Saturday, August 18, 2018 at the Ramada Inn in Columbus (402-564-1492.) More details will be coming around March 1st in the mail. Mark your calendar now to save the date. If you have any questions, contact Jerry Kneifel at 402-564-6580 or Email to kneifel@frontiernet.net. Note this is during the 2018 Columbus Days Celebration so there will be a lot of special activities going on from the 17th through the 19th in Columbus. Plan to attend!

Class of 1963 – 55-Year Reunion. The Class of 1963 will gather in Columbus, NE on September 21, 2018 to share their 55th reunion. More details to follow. For information or to assist with planning, contact Jane Tooley at 402-367-2319 or Email: DeputyTooley@hotmail.com.

Class of 1968 – 50-Year Reunion. Mark your calendars. Save the date. We have been invited by the CHS 1968 alumni to participate in a joint reunion. The Class of 1968's 50th reunion is being planned for August 17 & 18, 2018. They have secured the Isaak Walton and the VFW for those dates. Details on any activities have not been worked out. Wanted to get this in the Alumni newsletter to get the ball rolling. For now, you can contact Bill Legenza at nwlegenza@gmail.com.

Class of 1988. 30-Year Reunion. The class of 1988 is having their 30th reunion during the Platte County Fair weekend, July 13-14, 2018. For more information contact: Joe Korgie, jkorgie@cox.net.

Class of 1998. 20-Year Reunion. The Class of 1998 is having their reunion on Memorial Day Weekend, May 25-27, 2018.



In Sympathy

We extend our sincere sympathy to the families of the following deceased alumni, alumnae and friends of Scotus Central Catholic.

Julia “Judy” (Jarecki) Alt ’49 – survived by her husband, Raymond; daughters, Susan (Doug) Anno, Michelle (Doug) Hunter; son, Ron (Laura); sisters, Dorothy ’54 (Ron) Shotkoski, Lorraine ’59 (Jim) Gourka, Margaret ’60 (Richard) Borer; brother, Alois ’58 (Sue) Jarecki; sister-in-law, Karen Jarecki; brother-in-law, Ralph Wemhoff; eight grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Alfred Beiermann – survived by his wife, Norma Jean; daughters, Susan ’68 (Paul) Weeder, Linda ’69 (Pat) Wemhoff, Marlene ’72, Cindy ’74 (Dennis) DeWispelare; sons, Alan ’76 (Kelly), Mike ’78 (Sandi), Tom ’86 (Pam); twenty-two grandchildren and twenty-three great-grandchildren.

Richard Briggs – survived by sons, Ben (Vanessa), Beau (Amy), Luke (fiancé Amanda); sisters, Mary Ellen ’67 (Kip) Emerson, Patty (Tom) Niebauer; sister-in-law, Gail (Kosiba ’72) Briggs; and two grandchildren.

Virginia Mae (Kluck) Cassidy ’40 – survived by daughters, Maureen Sewall, Kathleen (Paul) Azkoul; sons, John (Joyce), Gerald “Jerry”; son-in-law, August Heck, Jr; sister, Dorothy Scanland, brother-in-law, James Hennessey; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; many cousins; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Kenneth Cielocha ’54 – survived by his wife, Carolyn (Backes ’59); daughter, Lisa ’85 (Todd ’85) Duren; sons, Mike ’79 (Kelli Lippstreu ’79), Tim ’81 (Caree), Darin ’88 (Sheila); sisters, Joann ’54 (Joe) Schuele, Barbara ’56 Adamy; sisters-in-law, Elaine Cielocha, Jean Cielocha; ten grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mildred “Millie” Cimpl – survived by daughter, Lori ’86 (Peter) Roberts; sons John (Marlene), Dr. Richard (Nicole), David ’76 (Laura Foley); twelve grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

John Determan – survived by daughters, Deborah ’76 Tolle, Denise ’76 Pecks; sons, John ’81 (Paula), Joe ’87; step-son, Tom Bierchfield; sisters, Carole Larkin, Delores Rotto; brothers Paul, Larry, Don; four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Mary Jane (Schaefer) Fairbanks ’51 – survived by her daughters, Trish, Carol (Rick) Anderson; sons, Barry, Bob (Kathy), Rick (Mary Kay); sisters, Arlene Preister, Joan (Bud) Sackett, Joyce ’56 (Allen) Cooley, Sherry ’61 (Bob) Howell; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Jim and Elaine Fairbanks; fifteen grandchildren; twenty-five great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Beverly Jean Gates – survived by her husband, Clinton ’55; son, Don ’82 (Rola); sisters, Jane Schoening, Norma Case; brothers, Samuel (Jane) Case, Charles (Delores Zywiec ’58) Case, Michael (Phyllis) Case; three grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Pauline “Polly” Hadcock – survived by her husband, Myrle ’51; daughter, Linda (Ronald) Stone; sons, Mike (Linda), Scott (Holly), Greg (Donna); sisters Ada Coulter, Sally Lewis; ten grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Don Henggeler – survived by his wife, Mary Ann (Tworek ’51); sons, Ron, Jay, David, Doug, Tom and their spouses and partners; sister, Erma Boro; nine grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Janice (Slusarski) Hueschen – survived by her husband, Lee; daughter Amy (Bob ’02) Soulliere; sons, Quinn (Sarah), Scott (Brooke), Derek; sisters, Barbara ’72 (Michael) Metzger, Paula ’76 (Tim ’76) Kelly; brothers, Richard (Joyce) Slusarski, Jerome (Peg) Slusarski; two grandchildren and one expected grandchild.

Raphael “Ray” Micek ’60 – survived by his wife, Marge; daughters, Renee (Michael) Keese, Deanna (Chris) Bodine, Kassia, Marissa; son, Jerred (Beth); and eight grandchildren.

Milton Melliger – survived by sister, Margaret ’46 (Richard) Nosal; brother, Carroll ’41 (Doris); their children and families and numerous nieces and nephews.

Beulah O’Hare – survived by daughters, Jean ’69 Kobus, Rita ’72 (Mark) Simon; sons, Jim ’68 (Cyndi), Jerry ’76 (Lori); seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Robert “Bob” Poe – survived by daughters, Colleen ’89 (Marc) Gilson, Kelli Poe; sons, Michael ’75, Mark; sisters, Donna Way, Sharon (Dave) Zellinger; brother, Bill; significant other, Gretchen Arndt; and four grandchildren.

Lowell “Coach” Rounph – survived by his wife, Judy; daughters, Diane, Tessa; sons, Eric (Aimee), Mike, Sam, Austin; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Coach Rounph taught biology and Physical Education at St. Bonaventure/Scotus Central Catholic HS for five years (1962-63 through 1966-67.) During his tenure he also was an assistant coach for football and track and the head coach for boys’ basketball.

Jack Schwank – survived by his wife, Teresa (Tworek ’45); daughter, Jennifer (Marc) Desaulniers; sons Todd (Diane), Tom (Jenny), Fred “Fritz” ’73 (Nancy); sister-in-law Angie (Tworek ’40) Slovinski; nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Connie (Shemek) Seymour ’62 – survived by daughter, Kim (Larry) Rice; sister, Jolene ’59 (Gordon) Glock; brother, Maynard; two grandchildren; several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Robert Storz ’61 – survived by his wife, Andrea; daughter Lori Storz; son, James Storz; and two grandchildren.

John “Jack” Van Berg – survived by daughters, Traci (Rich) Hoops, Tami (Rick) Hoegerl, Tori ’80; son, Tom (Angi); daughter-in-law, Sandy; ex-wife and friend, Helen; stepdaughter, Tonya Hass; stepson, Billy Fieselman; sister Virginia Smith; twelve grandchildren; three great-grandchildren and one step-son.

Gregory Voboril ’76 – survived by his wife, Patti; daughters, Amy (Paul) Kohlhepp, Holly (Sean) Anderson; sons, Stuart (Becky), James; sisters, Linda ’68 (Bill ’68) Kosch, Colleen ’72 Milligan; six grandchildren and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Kenneth Zoucha ’78 – survived by his wife, Joan; daughters, Heather (Nicholas) Hauder, Heidi (Ben) Wilshusen; sisters, Jan ’60 (Adolph) Kudron, Mary Magnuson, Carol ’67 (Don) Meysenburg, Chris ’71 (Jim) Krause, Betty ’74 (Orwin) Olson; four grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

✠ Memorials ✠

(Received between 10/20/2017 and 1/21/2018)

Alfred Beiermann

MM Ron Bogus
Janet Brezinski
MM Mike Coday
MM Rex Davies
Millie Eckholt
Bob Heimann
Bonnie Hostetter
MM Tom Jarecke
MM Tim Kelly
MM Vern Kwapnioski
MM Mike Novicki
MM Pat Novicki
MM Jeff Pekarek
MM Randy Schaecher
MM Rick Schumacher
Steve Starzec
Angela Swanson
MM Tim Tooley
MM Gene Trouba
MM Roger Wiese
MM Tom Zabawa
Randy Zoucha
MM Rick Zoucha
MM Gary Zywiec

Arlyn Borchers

MM Paul Jazwick
MM Mark Lindhorst

Evelyn Bruegger

Kurt Kline

Ken Cielocha '54

Barb Adamy
MM K.C. Belitz
MM Jim Beller
MM Richard Borer
Janet Brezinski
MM Dean Cerny
Elaine Cielocha Family
MM Paul Dohmen
Dan Duren
MM Dave Duren
Diane Duren & Drew Collier
MM Jerry Duren
MM Mark Duren
MM Gerry Engelbert

MM Pat Engelbert
MM Heath Fiala
Sharon Fischer
MM Jim Gourka
Rick Grubaugh
MM Kurt Hall
DRM Rick Haney
Bob Heimann
Susie Henggeler
MM Ed Herdzina
MM John Hoebing
MM Roger Iwansky
MM Tom Jarecke
MM Dwayne Johnson
Brian Kochanowicz
Gary Kruse
MM Dave Kudron
MM Paul Kudron
DRM Rex Kumpf
Mary Lippstreu
MM Joel Long
MM Dan Lyons
DRM Larry Malicky
MM Don Mroczek
MM Jack Nosal
MM Mike Novicki
MM Pat Novicki
MM Jeff Pekarek
MM Gary Puetz
MM Jim Puetz
DRM Dan Rosenquist
Clarisse Schnitzler
MM Paul Shotkoski
MM John Schueth
MM James Schumacher
MM Rick Schumacher
MM Dean Soulliere
MM Fred Spies
Alice Staroscik-Chleboun
MM Ray Staroscik
Dave Steiner
MM Neal Suess
MM Larry Svoboda
Angela Swanson
MM Tim Tooley
MM Bob Wemhoff

MM John Whitehead
MM Terry Wulf
MM Vern Younger
MM Gary Zywiec
Class of 1985

Mildred "Millie" Cimpl

MM Todd Duren

John Determan

MM John Determan, Jr
MM Gary Puetz

Beverly Gates

Friends & Family

Peg (Gregorius) Gaver '60

Jane Gregorius

Jean Gerber '49

Gloria Messing

William James Gregorius '59

Janice Gregorius

Tim Kneifel

MM Boyd Jones

David Kopetzky '62

Tim Pariso

Linda (Kush) Legenza '69

DRM Larry Malicky

Kathy (Gregorius) Lilly '69

Jane Gregorius

Bob Lindhorst

MM Mike Dreesen
MM Paul Jazwick
MM Bob Rickert
MM Larry Sleddens

Milton Melliger

Diane Blahak
MM Boyd Jones
MM Carroll Melliger
MM Dave Melliger
MM Gregg Melliger
MM Dennis Ryba

Jim Mimick '62

Tim Pariso

Jack Schwank

Gary Kruse

MM Gregg Melliger
MM Jeff Pekarek
MM Dick Tooley
MM Tom Zabawa

Robert Storz '61

Class of 1961 including
Susie Dorland
Darlene Emanuel
Rich Fleischer
Luke Hanke
MM Art Hastings
Faye Keller
Neil Kuhlman
MM Joe Kutlas
Don Nosal
MM Bill Young
MM Rich Willms

Greg Voboril '76

Diane Blahak
Natalie Busta
MM David Cimpl
DRM Joseph Cocozzella
MM Dave Goeller
Jeannette Jambor Family
Kathryn Johnson
MM Tim Kelly
Kurt Kline
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MM Jesse Kosch
MM Mark Morris
MM RG Myers
Chris Niedbalski
MM Phil O'Donnell
MM Samuel Prososki
MM Tom Sobotka
MM Gary Speicher
MM Fred Spies
MM Dave Stickman
Trudy Stodola
MM Tim Tooley
Bob Voboril
MM Rob Voigtlander
Al Wunderlich
Kris Yungdahl

Why Write a Will?

The planning and writing of a will is both a family obligation and a personal privilege.

We live in a nation of laws. During our lives, different laws apply to us. When we are born, our birth is registered as required by law. As adults, we comply with legal requirements in purchasing a home, in paying taxes, in securing a passport and in many more of life's activities. When we die, our life's passing is noted in securing a death certificate and in the probate process. In all of life's activities, the law is there.

One of the most important legal opportunities each of us face pertains to the future ownership of our possessions. Before we die, we can make a will that determines who will receive our estates.

In the event we do not have a will, the court or others will decide for us, often ignoring our important preferences. Deciding not to write a will suggests a lack of civic responsibility and a lost opportunity to demonstrate our love to those whom we cherish.

Every person has the legal right to make a will. Details of your will

include the naming of an executor, deciding who will serve as guardians of minor children, providing guidelines concerning how the children will be raised, determining the use of accumulated wealth, and expressing gratitude for all of life's blessings by giving to the charity or charities of your choice. Life involves a string of choices, and the most important choices we make involve the use and disposition of what we have. This is called stewardship, the management of our resources.

Our acts during our lifetime become a statement of our faith. Our last act, our will, serves as a final testimony of our faith-journey in life. We exercise a spiritual privilege when we plan and write a will.

For additional assistance, you may want to contact your attorney. And we hope you'll include your alma mater in your planning! Our school's legal name is: Scotus Central Catholic Secondary School of Columbus, Nebr. Contact the Scotus development office for suggestions about how you might craft your planned gift.

Matching Gift Reminder

If you have made a donation to Scotus Central Catholic or plan to make a donation to the school, remember to ask your company if it matches gifts to nonprofit institutions. Our legal name is Scotus Central Catholic Secondary School of Columbus, Nebr. and our school is a 501 (c) 3 nonprofit corporation. Our federal tax ID number is 47-0483045.

Charitable IRA Rollover

On December 18, 2015 the President signed a bill retroactively reinstating the Charitable IRA Rollover provision for all of 2015 and removing any expiration date on the provision, thereby permanently extending the Charitable IRA Rollover into the future. This law allows an individual who is 70½ or older to gift up to \$100,000 from his or her IRA directly to a qualified charity such as Scotus Central Catholic High School without having to recognize the IRA distribution as taxable income.

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35 Scotus students along with campus minister Fr. Capadano and several adult sponsors participated in the 2018 Right to Life March in Washington D.C. Everyone involved said it was an amazing experience and a true celebration of Faith! Photos courtesy of Scotus Journalism