

Bedan Record



Angelo Perino '80 and his wife Andrea, along with members of their family and St. Bede administration, officially cut the ribbon at the dedication of the Perino Science Center on August 19th.



2017-2018 Annual Fund

BUILDING BRUINS

FAITH & EDUCATION

Thank you for making this 2017-2018 fiscal year a great success!

Your contribution helped shape the characters of young men and women eager to embrace the values of a St. Bede education in the Benedictine tradition.

The St. Bede Annual Fund is a means of providing a steady stream of income to the school and the abbey. Yearly donated funds help with the day-today-costs of operating St. Bede to meet its annual budget. Gifts to the Annual Fund are vital to keep St. Bede tuition affordable by bridging the gap of more than 52%.

We thank you!

Dear Alumni, Family and Friends,



WOW! One word to sum up the 2017-2018 year at St. Bede. And what a year it's been. There has been so much progress, excitement and growth in just one year. We have "built Bruins through faith and education" on a number of levels and wish the Class of 2018 all the best as they continue onto their next journey.

Added physically to the campus is a new track in honor of 2002 graduate, Captain Thomas J. Heitmann, and the state-of-the-art Perino Science Center. A finishing touch to the grounds is repaying and the laying of new asphalt, adding beautification to the campus and making the entrance to St. Bede more easily accessible. We are

grateful for the tremendous generosity we have been blessed with to accomplish these projects.

Our students have again proven that they are some of the best and brightest, with bringing home numerous academic and athletic achievements. We are so excited to have them back and see them enjoying the campus' new addition thanks to the generous supporters of The Legacy Project.

We have been able to continue the mission set forth 126 years ago with the support of our alumni, family and friends. It has been a challenging year with the loss of the parish subsidy, but thanks to you, we continue to fund the gap, keeping tuition affordable for our students. We move forward with great enthusiasm and confidence.

I encourage everyone to make this the year to visit St. Bede and see the transformation that has taken place on campus. Stop by for a personal visit, join us at Homecoming and be sure to follow us on social media and our website. I have no doubt you will feel proud to be a Bruin and what we have accomplished as a family. Be a part of this exciting time and visit soon!

We have so much great news to share with you. Enjoy reading this issue, as it is thanks to you that we can tell these stories. It's a great day to be a Bruin!

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Thank you to everyone at the 35th Annual Auction who supported the Fund-A-Need.

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The Legacy Project

After many years and earnest attempts, St. Bede Academy has built an amazing addition to our campus and curriculum.





Dear Bruins and Friends,



SUCCESS! After many years and earnest attempts, St. Bede Academy has built an amazing addition to our campus and curriculum. We now have a state-of-the-art 17,500 square foot Science Center – and a distinctive, engaging Student Commons. This is an impactful accomplishment and shining example of our bright future. The building has been fully funded by gifts

and pledges. Many passionate, generous graduates and supporters made this a reality, coupled with outstanding work by our faculty, architect and construction partners. Bravo and thank you all! We are especially grateful to **Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Perino '80**, for their tremendous financial support and decades of service to St. Bede Academy.

The Perino Science Center is getting rave reviews. Please enjoy these pictures of the building and check out our website for more photos. Better yet, **take a tour of it at Homecoming** this year. Homecoming is a lot of fun...be a part of it! We are engaging the families of future Bruins, and college Admissions offices, to make them aware of our investment in the sciences. On a personal note, it makes me smile to think of how much Fr. Bernard, Fr. Eugene, Fr. Kevin et. al would enjoy teaching in the new laboratories. However, the openness and natural lighting of the classrooms would make unsanctioned experiments and hijinks difficult to conceal.

WHAT'S NEXT? Since the inception of the Legacy Project, we have raised over \$7.25 million to complete two of four phases.

More investments are absolutely necessary to modernize our facilities to continue our college preparatory mission. Alumni, Academy leaders and friends are discussing the priorities for Phase 3. Projects for athletics and the main school building are being assessed. We will announce our plans for Phase 3 at Homecoming.

I want to be clear about how the remaining construction and renovation projects will be funded. The Legacy Project has followed proven capital campaign practices to deliver results. Accordingly, most donations to date have been "major" gifts. The remaining improvements will be funded by a few more major gifts and hundreds of one-time gifts and multi-year pledges. We hope that in the near future, teams of alumni and friends will contact you to explain the soon to be determined next phase of our Legacy Project.

Those alumni teams will solicit gifts from all or most of the St. Bede family. We have over 6,000 living alumni. We can do this. We also invite classes from across the decades to follow the lead of the Class of 1961, which raised well over \$600,000 for the Legacy Project.

Let us celebrate our success and come together to build (and renovate) from it!

Best regards and Go Bruins!

Matt McGinnis '85

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Director, Legacy Project





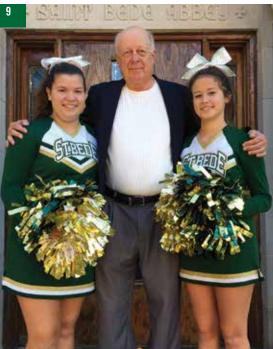


HOMECOMING 2017













STAY CONNECTED!

- Update your contact information online at www.st-bede.com under the Alumni tab.
- · Follow us on social media.
- · Share your class Facebook page with us.







Homecoming 2018

Remember ~ Reconnect ~ September 27-30

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Celebrating the classes ending on the "3" and "8" – 1943-2018

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

5:00 p.m. - Fan Gear Tent, Bedan Club Food Pavilion and Concessions open

5:45 p.m. - Homecoming Parade

Girls Powder Puff Football Game immediately following parade

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

7:30 p.m. - Student Variety Show

Evening Class Reunion Gatherings and Pictures with Abbot Philip

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

8:00 a.m. - Annual Jim Lattin 5K Run/Walk

9:00 a.m. - Alumni Association Open Meeting

10:00 a.m. - 2018 Athletic Hall of Fame Ceremony

10:30 a.m. - Tailgating & Reunion Gatherings Start

11:00 a.m. - Fan Gear Tent and Concessions Open

11:30 a.m. - Bedan Club Food Pavilion Open,

Unveiling of Br. George Statue & Perino Science Center Tours 12:00 p.m. - JV Football Game vs. Rockridge Rockets 2:00 p.m. - Varsity Football Game vs. Rockridge Rockets

Half-Time Show Honoring Our Golden Bedan Class of 1968 Evening Class Reunion Gatherings

BruinsJam 2018

Following the Varsity Football Game Several Bruins-filled bands will perform on two stages until 10:00 p.m. near the water tower.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

10:00 a.m. - Alumni Mass & Induction of Golden Bedans – Class of 1968

11:00 a.m. - Bruin Brunch \$12.00 per ticket

Pre-tickets available or payable at door

The Distinguished Alumnus Award – presented by the Alumni Association

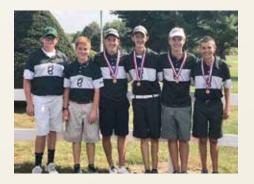
7:00-10:00 p.m. - Student Homecoming Dance

- 1 Ben Bernabei '19 and Caleb Boucher '20 make the tackle for a 12-5 Homecoming win!
- 2 Dr. Lyle Micheli '58 and Abbot Philip Davey, O.S.B. '65.
- 3 Zach Roebuck '21, Morgan Gray '20, Madyson Banasiak '20 and Joe Edwall '21.
- 4 Members of the Alumni Association: (front) Rich Pattarozzi '61 and Grant Bosnich '13 (back) David Porter '61 and Connie Wasielewski '90.
- **5** The varsity football team tosses candy during the parade.
- 6 BruinsJam Rocked the Academy.
- 7 Brooke Tonozzi '18, Andrea Medina Lopez '18 and Isabel Pozzi '18.
- **8** Fr. Ronald Margherio '68 with (*Front, L-R*) Will Van Daele '74, Steve Betts '77 and Cliff Shay '77 (*Back, L-R*) Mike Mulligan '77, Wayne Kenney '74, Ken Sluggo McCellan '77, Rick Halko '76 and Kevin Mac McCellan '76.
- 9 Mackenzie Mrowicki '20, Mike Schneider '67 and Olivia Quartucci '20. 10 The SBA Band gets ready to kick-off the parade.

ATHLETICS

BOYS GOLF

Peyton Pyszka and John Potthoff qualified for the IHSA Sectional in Rockford after scoring 80 and 88 at the SBA 1A Golf Regional in October.



GIRLS GOLF

Antonia Cattani and Emily Fess advanced in the 1A Girls Golf

In the IA Girls Go Sectional after qualifying at the Putnam County Regional.



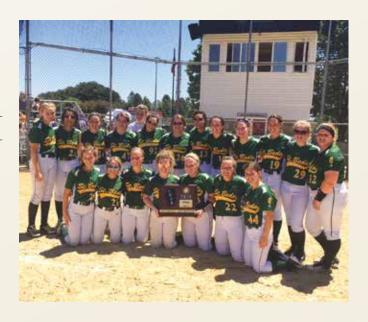
WRESTLING

The SBA wrestling team had 7 members go to the IHSA sectionals this year; **Dominic Bima, Beau Gerber, Charles Korey** (1st place winner), **Noah Setser, Beau Bonnell, Daryl Senica** and **Logan Ulrich**.



SOFTBALL

Our Lady Bruins Softball Team won the IHSA Softball Regional and Sectional Championship, ending their season at 18-8.



GIRLS TRACK & FIELD

Our Lady Bruins Relay Team; Hallie McGuire, Antonia Cattani, Anna Postula and Kaelyn Condon took home 3rd place in the 4x1 and 5th place in the 4x2 at the Peoria Journal Star Honor Roll Track & Field Meet.





Senior **Kaelyn Condon** placed 1st at sectionals in the long jump with a leap of 16 feet, 3 inches.

BOYS BOWLING



Senior **Tyler Marcinkus** received the IHSFCA Academic All-State Student/Athlete Award for 2 years in a row and bowled a 1,195 at the Joliet West Regional to advance to the DeKalb Sectional.

GIRLS BOWLING

Hailey Ator advanced from the Joliet West Regional with a 1,103 six-game series and bowled a 1,051 at the La Salle-Peru Sectional. She held the team's top average with a series high of 563.



ARTS

FALL THEATER



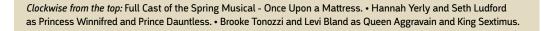




Clockwise from the top: (L-R) Maggie Smith, Olivia Wojcik, Ryan Gee, Allie Hernandez, Cierra Espinoza and Levi Bland. • Full Cast and Crew of Fall Theatre 2018 • (L-R) Maggie Smith, Ryan Gee and Cierra Espinoza.

SPRING MUSICAL









student travel



Several students, accompanied by Mrs. Jobst and Mrs. Cox, traveled to China during their spring break. What began as a highly anticipated adventure into the unknown ended with an awareness of the unique beauty, history, culture, values, and lifestyle of the Chinese. Hosted by families who welcomed them into their homes in Changzhou, students experienced living in a Chinese home and becoming part of a Chinese family. In addition, students attended a Chinese school and participated in curricular activities essential to the Chinese culture: calligraphy, traditional Chinese instruments, language class, and Chinese cooking.

Sightseeing in Changzhou included a visit to the Red Plum Park, Tianning Temple, and Changzhou Dinosaur Theme Park. In Wuxi students took a boat tour along the longest canal in the world, and a ferry ride to Turtle Island to view the cherry blossoms and Chinese temples. The trip ended with a two day stay in Shanghai where students strolled along the Bund, shopped along Nanjing Road, and visited the Shanghai Science and Technology Museum.

The memories and experiences defy description, but one factor remains constant. Students continue to realize how significant their experiences were and to share them with others.



Top: SBA students Mackenzie Brady '18, Mary Kate Jagiella '19, Allison Borkowski '18 and Andrea Medina Diaz '18 in front of a popular Chinese landmark.

Above: Collen Cox, SBA Faculty Member, and several students learned the Chinese writing system, which is called Hanzi.



THE TERRAIN, RICH HISTORY, AND HERITAGE **OF THE DOMINICAN** REPUBLIC

A group of thirteen St. Bede students enrolled in Spanish 3 or 4 have taken the trip of their lives this year! The eight day trip began in the capital, Santo Domingo, led by Spanish teacher, Señora Gonzalez; students travelled from city to city by bus and were able to get a first-hand look of what life is like in the perspective of the Dominican locals. They explored the colorful island from a local perspective and gained a sense of community as they visited an environmental school, nonprofit organizations, spoke to representatives of the Dominican reforestation efforts and participated in a pottery workshop that hands its profits towards stoves for the community at no cost to locals.

"I am extremely proud of our students," said Señora Gonzalez. "Our Bruins always stood out from the crowd with their positive energy and willingness to appreciate the cultural differences. I was honored to hold up our St. Bede flag because I knew our group represented the true Spirit of St. Bede."

This was a truly remarkable experience for our Bruins. In order to continue to promote bilingual education, travel must always be a huge component of our foreign language program. Finding an open community that fosters opportunities to practice and strengthen language and customs is important for becoming and or remaining bilingual. It is fundamental that St. Bede provides

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a strong bridge that promotes open opportunities for both native speakers and language learners without judgment or reservations.

If you would like to help defray the cost of our study aboard trip, our Special Gifts Form can be located under the support tab, on our school website, at www.st-bede.com.

Above: The 2018 Spanish Study Abroad Trip allowed students to visit the amazing Salto Jimenoa Uno waterfall

Left: Lauren Pillion '19 on a nature hike in the Dominican

HONOR AWARDS

2018 ILLINOIS STATE SCHOLARS

Standing: (L-R) Hailey Ator, Magdalen Daluga, Rory Dirks, Kaelyn Condon, Kenneth Wiltse, Alec Kunkel, Christopher Sanchez, Luke Wamhoff, Joseph Peacock and Jacob Jagiella; Seated: Natalie Vaessen, Marina Mitchell and Madeline Vaessen

CLASS OF 2018 TOP TEN

Back row: (L-R) Luke Wamhoff, Jacob Jagiella, Magdalen Daluga, Kaelyn Condon, Natalie Vaessen; Front row: Kenneth Wiltse, Allison Borkowski, Joseph Peacock, Hailey Ator and Marina Mitchell







SENIOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

Mackenzie Brady

ACADEMIC AWARD

Back row: (L-R) Jacob Marcinkus, Audrey Lopez, Elaina Wamhoff and Jacob Schirz; Front row: Macy Bosnich, Magdalen Daluga, Gianna Elias and Kassidy Brady







FR. KEVIN GORMAN AWARD

Back row: (L-R) Mackenzie Brady, Camren Barto and Gabriella Garcia; Front row: Lillian Moskalewicz, Hailey Ator and Cierra Espinoza

CITIZENSHIP AWARD

Macy Bosnich, Pamela Needs, Allison Borkowski and Jacob Schirz seated with Senior of the Year, Mackenzie Brady



Bruins Reach Academic Success with WYSE



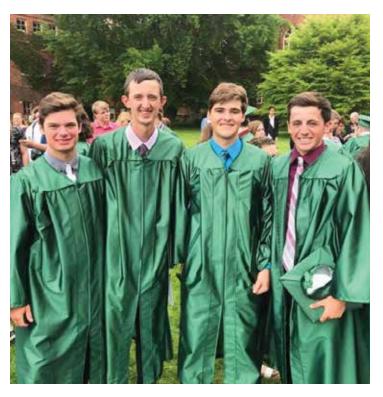
t. Bede's WYSE team took 1st place for the second year in a row. The Worldwide Youth in Science and Engineering competition is a series of tests meant to determine the best and smartest youth in science and engineering. Test material is drawn from senior high school and freshman level college curricula. Written by teams of college and university faculty, subjects include biology, chemistry, computer science, engineering graphics, English, mathematics, and physics. Each test production team produces three tests of increasing levels of difficulty, for regional, sectional and state finals.

There are 50 community colleges across the state that hosts this competition; St. Bede competed with schools in Division 300. Schools compete for the best scores with teams of 12 students and also for individual student scores. The top two scores are taken in each category to move to regionals as is the top two scoring teams. As a school, St. Bede once again placed first in our section. Our team won a 1st place trophy for the top cumulative score and they took home 10 medals for individuals placing 1st–3rd in chemistry, English, math, computer science, and physics.

After the regional competition, 1st and 2nd place teams from each area compete in a sectional competition. Our team of 14 students had the best score at this competition receiving a 1st place trophy and placed 1st and 2nd in chemistry, 3rd in English and 3rd in computer science. We still held the 1st place spot in the region and advanced to the state level of competition. At the state completion our team of students ranked 12 out of 24 teams and our best score was a 3rd place in chemistry.

These students are the best in their categories out of the five schools in our region. "It's very exciting to have students from such great academic environments competing at this level," stated St. Bede chemistry instructor Dan Fitzpatrick. "I have been participating in this for 14 years and St. Bede is always first or second in the region and has made it to state 2/3 years that I have been teaching here with their team and as individual top scores. It is a big accomplishment to get top scores as the tests are very hard. Unfortunately the academic challenge has been de-funded, and 2018 was the final year that this Academic Challenge was offered."

126TH ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT







Pictured top to bottom: (L-R) Jerrick Kapraun, Peyton Pyszka, Devin Cook and Tyler Marcinkus; Valedictorian, Magdalen Daluga; Lillian Moskalewicz, Maya Mueller and Joseph Peacock



The Class of 2018 Legacies

Camren Barto James Barto '89	
Dominic BernabeiDouglas Bernabei '78	
Mackenzie BradyThomas Brady '89	
Simon BrolleyFran Brolley '78	
Devin Cook Shelley (Ugasco) '88 Cook	
Matthew DunsethBrian Dunseth '86	
Alec KunkelKent Kunkel '83	
Lillian Moskalewicz Jim '82 & Amy (Dobovsky) '86 Moskalewicz	
Maya MuellerScott Mueller '83 & Ellen (Jasiek) '93 Mueller	
Isabel Pozzi Amanda Pozzi '97	
Torrie UlrichLaurie (Yanke) '84 Ulrich	
Bailey ZmudkaJeff Zmudka '78	



Hailey Ator - Iowa State University Camren Barto - Illinois Valley Community College Zachary Belan - Illinois Valley Community College Dominic Bernabei - Illinois Valley Community College Allison Borkowski - Miami University Mackenzie Brady - Illinois Valley Community College Simon Brolley - Illinois Valley Community College Ava Cattani - Illinois Valley Community College Kaelyn Condon - Illinois State University Devin Cook - Illinois Valley Community College Bella Cosimi - University of Kentucky Jacob Croissant - Illinois Valley Community College Magdalen Daluga - University of Pittsburgh Alexa Damerell - Illinois Central College Krystal Daniels - St. Ambrose University Bret Dannis - University of Illinois Rory Dirks - Loyola University Mengxi Linda Du - Pratt Institute Matthew Dunseth - Illinois Valley Community College Cierra Espinoza - Illinois Valley Community College Jackson Funfsinn - Illinois Valley Community College Gabriella Garcia - Iowa State University Ryan Gee - Valparaiso University Hannah Gerber - Lindenwood University

Ashley Grunloh - Illinois Valley Community College Bailey Hamer - Illinois Valley Community College Xuan Rose He - Pennsylvania State University-

Mary Jean and Frank P. Smeal College of Business Annabelle Heitz - Illinois Valley Community College Hung His Kevin Hsiao - Auburn University Karissa Insco - Tyler Junior College Jacob Jagiella - Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology Isaac Janssen - University of Kentucky Jerrick Kapraun - Illinois State University Jordan Kraml - Illinois Valley Community College Alec Kunkel - University of South Florida Han Sherry Li - Simon Fraser University Veronica Lopez - Northern Illinois University Tyler Marcinkus - Illinois State University Ethan Mathias - Lindenwood University Andrea Medina Diaz - Illinois Valley Community College Roger Miskell III - Illinois Valley Community College Marina Mitchell - Benedictine University Lillian Moskalewicz - Illinois Valley Community College Maya Mueller - Illinois Valley Community College Joseph Peacock - United States Air Force Isabel Pozzi - Illinois Valley Community College Peyton Pyszka - Illinois Valley Community College

Katrina Raymer - St. Ambrose University Kaitlyn Ruppert - Illinois Valley Community College Morgan Sadnick - Illinois Valley Community College Christopher Sanchez - Bradley University Aubrey Schramm - Illinois Valley Community College Daryl Senica - University of Illinois in Chicago Maggie Smith - Marquette University Tao Rita Tang - University of California Jacob Theesfeld - Illinois Valley Community College Brooke Tonozzi - Northern Illinois University Torrie Ulrich - University of Kentucky Madeline Vaessen - Sauk Valley Community College Natalie Vaessen - Sauk Valley Community College Rodrigo Villalobos - Illinois State University Luke Wamhoff - University of Alabama Yuancankun Ken Wang - University of Colorado Kenneth Wiltse - University of Illinois Xuelun Kassie Yu - School of Visual Arts Jifan Jackson Zhou - undecided Haige Evan Zhu - College of Lake County Bailey Zmudka - Illinois Valley Community College



35th Annual St. Bede Auction "Takes a Seat" with record numbers

The 35th Annual St. Bede Auction closed out another fabulous night on April 28, 2018.

Our Fund-A-Need, renamed "Take-A-Seat" this year, topped the charts and made history. It exceeded our goal of \$75,000, raising \$83,000, with a generous \$10,000 lead gift from the Miller Group Charitable Trust. Further excitement was added with a \$15,000 anonymous donation received just hours before the auction. During the Fund-A-Need, the Class of 1982 presented Bonnie Prokup a check for \$3,500 in honor of their 35th reunion and in memory of their classmate Bill Prokup. With all the excitement in the room and paddles raised at dollar levels ranging from \$100-\$10,000, our St. Bede family broke an all-time Fund-A-Need record!

The return of mobile bidding for the fourth year continues to be a great success. Our doors opened with almost \$20,000 in bids, exceeding the \$12,000 in 2017. The impact of mobile bidding on the auction has been a winner. Everyone loves how easy it is and that they can get involved in the night no matter where they live. Results were evident as mobile bidding alone reached over \$41,000.

Master of Ceremonies John Spencer and Catholic Charity Auctioneer Greg Dillinger teamed up again this year for the live auction. Highlights

included villas in both Tuscany and Costa Rica, cruises on the Adriatic Sea and Croatia, a fishing trip in Canada, and several special parties with our monks. St. Bede once again was fortunate to offer the Rich Harvest Farms weekend which the winning bid was then generously by Jerry Rich.

Thanks to the generosity of our amazing St. Bede family, we had another phenomenal night and met our goal of a Four-Peat, record-breaking auction. This generosity is what makes it possible to keep tuition affordable. We are grateful to all our sponsors and underwriters for the auction.

A special thanks to our Spirit of St. Bede Sponsors; Allegion and Geneva International and our Green and White Sponsors; Cawley Chicago, Dr. Edward and Mrs. Gina Doran, Imperial Crane and the J.A. Happ Family Foundation.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mexican Fiesta - Saturday, September 15 at the home of Dave and Ginger Ludford

Silver and Gold - Saturday, October 21 100 seat celebration marking the 25 and 50 years of Brother Luke McLachlan's and Abbot Philip Davey's monastic vows

Tickets are available through our website or by calling Bonnie Prokup at 815-250-0342.

\$275,000

\$83,000

Fund-A-Need

Alumni classes represented including 8 Golden Bedan classes

134 New attendees

\$10,000 Lead Gift by Miller Group

Charitable Trust

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36th Annual St. Bede Auction

Pictured above:

Abbot Philip Davey, O.S.B. '65 kicked off the night with an opening prayer.

Anna Postula, Payton Linnig, Emily Fess, Madeline-Rose Mudge and Kassidy Brady greeted guests as they arrived.







SPECIAL EVENTS

Fish Fry at the Academy

This SOLD OUT event was a huge success! The refectory was filled with energy as we had people make their way through the buffet and visit with family and friends. We fed 500 people throughout the course of the evening, thanks in large part to our remarkable volunteers who worked so hard to make this night special for everyone.

Jingle & Mingle 2017

What a wonderful night with everyone dancing, clapping and singing along to music from the Windy City Dueling Pianos. Thanks to everyone who helped make the night such a success! This musical event is such a fun way to start the holiday season, SAVE THE DATE and join us December 1 for Jingle & Mingle 2018.

Pictured above: (L-R) SBA students Lucy Kleczewski, Jordan Kraml, Grace Spoleck and Addison Lee welcomed guests and showcased our raffle items.

Kathleen '86 and Julie '87 Wayland enjoyed time with Abbot Philip.

Abbot Philip stopped by the Potthoff family table for a group photo.



Join hosts Dave and Ginger Ludford poolside at their backyard hacienda for a giant Mexican Fiesta.

Saturday, September 15, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Dance under the stars to Steve and Steve and indulge on Mexican cerveza and food. Mingle with friends and St. Bede supporters.

Buy your ticket to attend. Send in \$50 per person to St. Bede Academy Attn: Bonnie, 24 West US Highway 6, Peru, IL 61354 or purchase online via our website www.st-bede.com.

Act now to avoid disappointment as this Fiesta will surely sell out!

2018-2019 UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST 31 Jr. High Tailgate Party

SEPTEMBER 8 Capt. T.J. Heitmann "Swing for a Dream" Golf Outing

SEPTEMBER 27-30 Homecoming & Reunions

NOVEMBER 16-17 Fall Theatre

DECEMBER 1 Breakfast with Santa

DECEMBER 1 Jingle & Mingle

MARCH 22-24 Spring Musical

APRIL 27 36th Annual St. Bede Auction

MAY 19 127th Commencement

JUNE 8 23rd Annual Bedan Club Golf Classic

JUNE 21-30 Off the Bedan Path: Ireland Trip

school news



St. Bede reaches \$100,000!

On November, 29, the outpouring of generosity from our St. Bede family shinned through as we broke another #GivingTuesday record. For a third year St. Bede Academy joined #GIVINGTUESDAY, a global day of giving that harnesses the collective power of individuals, communities and organizations to encourage philanthropy and to celebrate generosity worldwide.

We set a #GivingTuesday goal of \$67,000, an increase of \$1,000 from 2016, and with the support of our generous matching donors well surpassed our goal. David Porter, '61, and Angelo Perino, '80, each with matching gifts of \$5,000, a \$3,000 match from Mike Rossiter '61, a \$2,000 match from John Walsh '53 and Catherine and Christopher Campbell '96, and LaSalle State Bank with a match of \$1,500. Topped off with two \$10,000 matches from an anonymous donor and Daubert Chemical and St. Bede not only met their goal, but set a new #GivingTuesday record total of over \$100,000. Donations were primarily received online which allowed for a gift to be made immediately and most of all conveniently. With the ease to make donations right from your smartphone the day was a huge success and through the kindness of our St. Bede family, the response was incredibly generous.

Our total at nearly 35 percent more than last year is incredibly moving. The outpouring of generosity and overwhelming kindness from our St. Bede family with over 190 donations made an incredible impact to the St. Bede Annual Fund. We well exceeded our goal and are doubly grateful to our donors that provided the matches of \$38,500 to help us get there.

"Giving Tuesday is always an exciting and motivating day.

The increase of gifts in number and amount every year demonstrates the commitment of our alumni and friends to support our important mission of preparing our students for their future education and their role in making the church and the world a better place. At the same time peoples' support and generosity motivates us to continue to improve our program and facilities. We are truly blessed."

—Abbot Philip, O.S.B. '65



IRELAND

In October 2017, St. Bede introduced its first international travel program called Off the Bedan Path. Abbot Philip Davey, O.S.B. '65 along with SBA staff member Bonnie Prokup and 22 travelers embarked on a European tour that took them through some of the most beautiful places in Germany, Slovenia, and Austria. Visit www.st-bede.com and click on Off the Bedan Path under the Support Tab to take a look at some of the amazing places we visited throughout our journey, and see the old-world charm that mesmerized us, from the world famous Hofbrauhaus Brewery in Munich to the Benedictine walls of the Ettal Monastery in Oberammergau. This was more than a trip of a lifetime; it was a bonding experience with new friendships and unforgettable memories.

Keep your calendar open as we get ready for another Off the Bedan Path experience to the lush countryside of Ireland. Join us on a 10 day journey from **June 21-30, 2019** as we explore this mystical land filled with ancient castles and charming villages steeped in history and old-world traditions. Our journey brings together the best of Ireland with these amazing destinations; Dublin, Meath, Donegal, Galway, Killarney, Dingle and Kilkenny.

This is such a fun way to travel and create memories; it's open to all travel enthusiasts, so tell your friends and family! This is a trip you won't want to miss and is limited to 43 travelers, so don't wait too long to reserve your spot.



To view the full itinerary and pricing, visit the St. Bede website at www.st-bede.com

For more information contact Bonnie Prokup at 815-250-0342 / bprokup@st-bede.com or Julia Yaklich at 815-250-0359 /jyaklich@st-bede.com

CAPT. THOMAS J. HEITMANN MEMORIAL TRACK

A DREAM COME TRUE

On April 15, 2018 St. Bede was proud to share the completion of Phase One of the Capt. Thomas J. Heitmann Memorial Track. After a targeted 5-year fundraising campaign, planning and nearly six months of construction, the blessing and dedication began with a mass, followed by the dedication program. Remarks were made by Tom Heitmann, members of the track team, Abbot Philip Davey, O.S.B. and others.

Present was Tom and Mary Heitmann, parents of Capt. Thomas J. Heitmann and his siblings, Aaron, Rachel, Hannah, Sarah and Mary, all graduates of St. Bede. Also in attendance were several members of the military including Thomas' Commanding



Office, Col. Robert Morgan. Members of the local media covered all the fundraising efforts throughout the campaign helping to contribute to its success. The dedication even reached the front page of the *Chicago Tribune* on April 16.

Nearly \$500,000 was needed to fund the first phase of the project which included construction of the track, fencing, seeding and equipment. The Heitmann family, through fundraising and donations which included their annual "Swing for a Dream" golf outing, contributed a lead gift of \$200,000 along with a \$250,000 gift from St. Bede that included the site and value of initial site work necessary to construct the track. Special gifts from donors made directly to St. Bede for the track added an additional \$40,000 to complete the phase. Generous donations were received from military veterans, families of fallen marines, alumni and friends. Thomas' personal story touched and inspired donors that had never heard of St. Bede to generously support his dream.

We are blessed and grateful to all those who supported Thomas' dream in helping make this track become a reality."

-Abbot Philip Davey, O.S.B. '65



Rachel Heitmann Christensen presented special, custom made batons for those involved with making her brother's dream come true.

The new 400 meter track is located north of the girl's boarding house and includes two long jump/triple runways with four sand pits, one pole vault runway, and a shot put and discus area. The track also includes a soccer field inside with natural grass.

Fundraising continues on for Phase Two which will complete the project and includes spectator seating and a storage building with concessions and bathrooms. To contribute to Phase Two and view all those that contributed to Phase One please visit www.st-bede.com.

Join us for the Capt. T.J. Heitmann -Swing for a Dream Golf Outing September 8, 2018 Spring Creek Golf Course



Top: Members of the Heitmann family walked a lap on Thomas' dream track. Above: Official Ribbon Cutting for the Capt. Thomas J. Heitmann Memorial Track.



REUNIONS

Class of '67 Golden Bedans with Abbot Philip Davey, O.S.B. '65 after Mass.

REUNIONS BY CLASS













Start planning for your 2018 reunions now! Class of 1968: Prepare to be this year's Golden Bedans!

Contact the Development Department for Class Lists and Hotel/Restaurant Information.









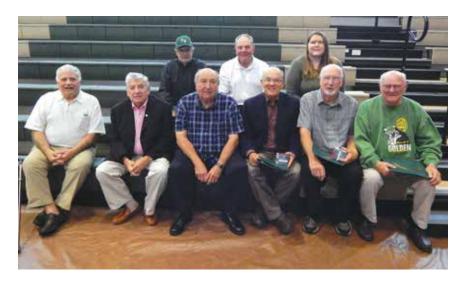








Hall of Fame



Inductees included: Greg Basalay, Jack Donaldson, Nicole Pozzi, 1957 Baseball Team, 1924 Football Team, Leroy Herrmann (posthumously) and Edward Pfeffer (posthumously).

ALUMNI REGIONAL EVENTS

Abbot Philip Davey, O.S.B. '65 traveled around the country to share what's new at St. Bede and enjoy the company of fellow Bruins. **Thank you to all who hosted and attended!**



Jupiter, Florida – January 30, 2018 Hosted by James '55 Hamlin

James '55 and Carol Hamlin, Jim Maher '64, Abbot Philip Davey, O.S.B. '65, Craig McIntyre '87, Julia Yaklich and Salvatore Cirasudo '71



The Villages, Florida – January 30, 2018
The St. Bede Alumni Association

Jim Wujek '68, Abbot Philip Davey, O.S.B., '65 and Roger Hanely '61



North Chicago – August 18, 2017

Hosted by Angelo '80, Andrea and Anna '09 Perino (L-R) Anna Perino '09, Abbot Philip Davey, O.S.B. '65 and Angelo Perino '80



Naples, Florida - January 26, 2018

Hosted by Dr. Jim Mini '57

Front row: Bill Senica '58, Atty. Paul Perona '56, Abbot Philip Davey, O.S.B. '65 and Rich Pattarozzi '61

Back row: Bill Murphy '61, Jim Brady '86, Matt McGinnis '85, Peter Koyak '64, Norm Neidersang '71, Dr. Jim Mini '57, Judge Jim Wimbiscus '55, Cierra Espinoza '18, Nicole Yaklich ' 13 and Terry Judd '69



St. Louis, Missouri - April 20, 2018

Hosted by Ed Pattarozzi '74

(L-R) Conde Candy '57, Mike Pattarozzi '68, Art Pattarozzi '57 and Abbot Philip Davey, O.S.B. '65

Milwaukee, Wisconsin – August 25, 2017 Hosted by David Porter '61

San Antonio, Texas - November 10, 2017 Hosted by John Holcomb '57

Miami, Florida- January 26, 2018

Hosted by Atty. Don Hayden '78

Distinguished Alumnus Awards

The St. Bede Alumni Association is pleased to announce the recipients of the Distinguished Alumnus Award for 2018.

Christopher J. Welch, Ph.D. '78

Christopher J. Welch, Ph.D. excelled in the study of science at St. Bede and then went on to earn his Ph.D. degree in Organic Chemistry from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. As a renowned scientist in the fields of Chemistry and Pharmaceuticals, he worked with leading companies like Abbot Laboratories and Merck & Co. He has authored more than 275 peer-reviewed scientific publications and patents and has received numerous awards from very prestigious organizations recognizing his many accomplishments.

In 2017, Dr. Welch retired from Merck where he held the title of Distinguished Scientist coordinating the work of over 100 scientists focused on identifying and evaluating new technologies with the potential to be useful for drug discovery and development. At that time, he started Welch Innovations, LLC, an independent research and consulting firm. At the end of 2017 he entered into a significant agreement with Notre Dame. Purdue and Indiana

University to create the Indiana

Consortium for Analytical Science & Engineering. This project brings together some of the top research departments in measurement science to tackle a variety of important projects centered around the development of new analytical instrumentation and experimental techniques.

When advised of the award, Dr. Welch said: "I will always be grateful to St. Bede for providing me with an educational experience that was challenging, fun and eye opening. In particular, I will always remember Fr. Eugene's introduction to math and chemistry - I still use his 'factor label method' on a daily basis!"

His mother, Rita Fitzgerald Welch, is 93 and living in Canton, IL and grew up in the Illinois Valley. She moved her children to La Salle so they could all attend and graduate from St. Bede; Franklin '76, Lisa '79, Elena '81, Benita '82.

Dr. Welch splits his time between Cranbury, NJ and Indianapolis, IN where he lives with his wife, Renee, and daughters, Celeste (22) and Maggie (20).

The Class of 1961

It is very unusual to recognize a group or class with an award that is set up to recognize and honor individual achievement but this is a special case and worth this special recognition.

The accomplishments of this class that we want to recognize began with a subset of the class made up of seven classmates that tongue in cheek are referred to by St. Bede as "The Magnificent Seven." Their efforts began in 2012 with a meeting with Dr. Struck and Abbot Philip about the future of St. Bede and ended up as a rewarding journey. This group provided their knowledge, experience and expertise over several years to help lay

the groundwork and keep the momentum going for the Legacy Project. The success of their efforts can be seen today with the opening of the Perino Science Center. One additional outcome of these meetings was the decision to establish the St. Bede Alumni Association which has now been in place for four years.

The efforts of this group not only supported St. Bede and the Legacy Project with their time and talent, but their treasure. They have jointly contributed over \$600,000 to the Legacy Project as a class. The efforts of the Class of '61 have been significant and helped to make the Legacy Project a reality.

HELLO BRUINS,

As we look to the future of the St. Bede Alumni Association (SBAA), it is well that we take a moment to thank the Class of '61 for their leadership in helping create the SBAA as well as their guidance and direction for the Legacy Project. At the initial meeting of the SBAA we established our primary goal was to bring together classmates from all graduating classes, not just our own. It is easy to get together for those of us who live near and around the Academy; however, those that are distant find it difficult to share the camaraderie that is "St. Bede." Different classes have different ways of gathering together, be it at homecoming, breakfasts, lunches, dinners on a monthly, quarterly or semiannually basis. We need to share the highlights of those gatherings with other classes and in the coming month's we will be contacting those classmates that help organize and plan activities for each class with the goal of sharing their highlights with the rest of us.

As we celebrate the successes of our classes and the many personal achievements of our classmates, the SBAA looks forward to being the focal point for the fostering of greater interaction between classes.

The "Spirit of St. Bede" lives within each of us and is our legacy to

John Yerly '64 President

St. Bede Alumni Association

future generations of Bedans.

Interested in making an Distinguished Alumnus Award nomination for 2019? The nomination form can be found on our website under Alumni Association.

CLASS NOTES

Hugo Hoerdeman '46 his wife Doris and daughters Jenny and Margaret stopped by to visit St. Bede and Abbot Philip, O.S.B. '65 in October. Hugo went to St. Bede through 1945 before being drafted for WWII. During his time at St. Bede he was a Golden Glove Boxer and took care of the rabbits.



Joseph J.P. Rund '47 and wife Lorraine celebrated their 66th anniversary on October 6. Son Pat '70 assists with the care of his parents.

Leo Dunseth '50 has been volunteering at St. Mary's hospital in Kewanee for 15 years.

Ed Krolak '50 remains rejoicing about the 2016 Chicago Cubs and is looking forward to next year.

Ken Krogulski '55 is the proud great-grandpa of Brody Taylor Bean, born October 20, 2017.

James A. Foley '57 received the Lifetime Achievement Award from Marquette University, Department of Intercollegiate Athletics National Awards Ceremony.

Dr. Jim Mini '57 is so very proud of his daughter, Catherine Mini Hetrick, for receiving the Service Award from the College of Business Administration at Marquette University.



John Link JC '62 has been serving as Mayor of Edgewood, KY for 23 years.

Dr. William Pettit JC '62 and his wife Linda moved to Phoenix, AZ and continues the Three Universal Principles of Mind, Consciousness and Thought with individuals and organizations nationally and internationally.

Dr. William Wrobel '66 retired in December 2017 after 40 years practicing children's dentistry in Ottawa.

Bob Jeffery '66 is enjoying retirement after 33 years as a Sr. Customer Service Representative at LCN Door Closers.

Rev. John Harth '68 is the co-chaplain of Notre Dame Regional High School in Cape Girardeau, MO.

Joseph Taliano '69 is looking forward to his 50th Reunion and hopes to see everybody there! God Bless all of those from the Class of '69.

Dick Haas '70 retired in 2015. He has two granddaughters with one on the way and is looking forward to becoming a Golden Bedan in 2020.

John Porter '70 (Zionsville) has retired after a career in the restaurant business and 15 years at Bishop Wenger High School as coach and transportation director. He has 8 children and 8 grandchildren.

Gregory J. Doyle '71 traveled to Phuket and Khao Lak Thailand in May 2017.

Greg Vaccaro '72 was elected as the Circuit Clerk of LaSalle County and recently sold his business Apple Press after 33 years of business.

Mark Funfsinn '72 recently moved to Rockford from St. Louis to be closer to family and friends. In April, two more grandchildren, identical twins were born to his son Doug and Ericka and another grandchild in November 2017.

Rich Koehler '72 and Mike Gaughan '72 at the Smithsonian's Air & Space Museum in front of a Vietnam-era Navy fighter jet.



Robert Grivetti '72 has skipped retirement and started his own company called Machinery Parts Warehouse selling used and after-market heavy equipment parts worldwide.

John LaVanway '72 and wife Laura became first-time grandparents to Theo Louis Wilson who was born on December 23, 2017 to Jackie LaVanway and Timothy Wilson.

John Braida '73 is proud of his sons. Jack is a third year student at UCLA and Luke a freshmen at Cal State University. John Winkelmann '74 has just retired after 35 years as Associate Dean and Director of Residence Life at Beloit College.

Stephen Betts '77 drove down from Chicago to show his grandson Jalen Greer around St. Bede.



Dave Hancock '77, Tim Postula '86, Zoe Postula '16, and Anna Postula '19 earned some hardware at the 2018 St. Bede 3-mile Family Fun Run this summer.



Members of the Class of '78 took their 4th annual spring trip together; Bill Ebener, Rich Dudek, John Toraason, Fran Brolley and Tim Murphy went to Eagles Mere, PA.



John Brolley '80 competed at the Amateur American Powerlifting Federation's national meet on May 28, 2017 where he qualified for the world championships.

Laurie Ulrich '84 and her husband Tim at The Palm in Dubai.



Class of '86 alumni, Jay Koyak, Mary Jo (Ketter) Koyak and David Bartley attended a J.A. Happ '01 game at Rodgers Centre with several friends.



Bridget Walsh '87 recently became Vice President, Government Affairs and Public Policy at Boehringer Ingelheim in Washington, D.C.

Heidi Fiek Dlubac '87 moved to Astoria, Oregon with her husband Dan and opened their own business; a to-go soup, salad, sandwich and pastry shop called Good to Go.



Jim Perona '88, pictured with his children, Jimmy '17 and Emma '15 during Dad's Weekend at the U of I.



Coach **Tom McGunnigal '88** scored his 400th career win on December 13, 2017.



Qunita Naffziger '90 opened a flower shop in Princeton, IL called Blooms on Elm.

Daniel Marenda '92 is currently working at the National Science Foundation directing the Postdoctoral Research Program in Biology.

Carrie White '97 and husband Darrell attended the Sydney Opera House and hung out with kangaroos at the Koala Sanctuary in Brisbane.

Scott Wollack '00 is the Executive VP of Operations and Applications for Newlight which was a finalist in the Carbon X-Prize.



J.A. Happ '01 played in his first All-Star game and recorded his first MLB save, which helped the American League All-Stars defeat the National League All-Stars, 8-6.



Isabel Hough received a St. Bede lunchbox from her mom **Abbie Margherio Hough '01** and grandpa **Dave Margherio '74** to start off 3rd grade.



Anna Perino '09 is engaged to Alex Boll from Dubuque, IA. They will be married on August 17, 2019.

Michael Mason '09 is a Corporate Support Recruiter at Infinity Consulting Solutions in Chicago.

Katherine Torasson '09 is engaged to marry Andrew Koyak '10 on October 27, 2018.

Aston Shaw '12 became engaged to Clay Kasperski in November 2017.



Neil Knauf '13 and Tara Kunkel '14 are engaged to be married on June 29, 2019.



Abbey Nowakowski '13 and John Bender '13 are engaged to be married on June 8, 2019.



Megan Cain '13 graduated from Rockford Career College with an Associate of Applied Science with Honors. She is employed at Progress Park Veterinary Hospital as a Vet Tech.

Michael Slingsby '14 graduated with a Bachelor of Science from Eureka College and was a UMAC Football Champion. Pictured with Mike Girton and Jodi Slingsby.





Dani Claggett '14 graduated with a Bachelors in Business Administration; Human Resources and Business Management from Loyola University and is a technical

recruiter for Harvey Nash in Chicago.

Sarah Bolelli '15 passed her Basic Operations Firefighter Class and is part of the Spring Valley Fire Department.



CLASS NOTES continued

Julia Pohar '16 scored her 1000th game point playing for IVCC, received the Steve Crick Award and made the 3rd Team for the NJCAA Women's All-America Basketball Team.



Alex McCloskey '16 joined the ranks of the Spring Valley Fire Department this summer and will be working alongside his brother Nick McCloskey '09.



Brett Knoblauch '17, U.S. Air Force Airman, completed an intensive eight-week training program to graduate from basic military training in San Antonio where he earned the distinction as an honor graduate.



Elisha Li '17 received 2nd place in her solo division at the 47th Granquist Music Competition and received 1st place in the duet division with Lucy Kleczewski '21.



Members of the Bedan Club proudly showed Abbot Philip '65 the newly painted walls in the Abbey Church. The Bedan Club has supported the interest of St. Bede Abbey & Academy for over 50 years. Learn more about The Bedan Club at www.bedanclub.com.



Brian Hanson, SBA Varsity Basketball Coach and wife Christina at Erin Hills, WI enjoying the US Open Package they won at the St. Bede Annual Auction.



ST. BEDE WEDDINGS



Christina Inciong '05 and Eric Costa were married on October 21, 2017 at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Walnut Creek, CA with a reception at Casa Real at Ruby Hill Winery in Pleasanton, CA.



John Bellino '06 and Lacey Kasap were married on September 2, 2017 at Oglesby Union Church. Parents of the couple are John '68 and Susan Bellino of Standard and George and Kathy Kasap of Oglesby.



Brielle Hackman '06 married Stephen Johnson on May 12, 2018 in Oswego, IL.

ST. BEDE BABIES



Sara (Ford) Gross '98 and husband, Brian welcomed William Francis Gross on June 25, 2017 and baptized on July 30, 2017. His siblings are Mia (7), Noah (6), Mary (4), Samuel (3) and Elijah (2).



Marissa (Piacenti) Jobe '99 and husband Taylor baptized their daughter Waverly Rose Jobe on Sunday, May 20, 2018 at St. Patrick's Church in LaSalle.



Bella James Happ, daughter of Morgan (Cawley) '00 and J.A. Happ '01 was born on November 20, 2017.



(L-R) Courtney Polster Ator '02 holding Jack James after his baptism, Fr. Dominic Garramone, Antoinette Truckenbrod, Edward Ator holding Alice Catherine and James Polster Jr. '07.



Holly Antkowiak Faletti '04 and Peter Faletti '05 had their first child, Julia Susanne on September 6, 2017.



Ben Read '11 and his wife Mary welcomed their first son Maximus Patrick Read on November 8, 2017.



Mary Clare O'Sadnick '06 and Michael Kelley '06 were united in marriage on June 29, 2018 at the Greenpoint Lofts in Brooklyn, NY. Parents of the couple are Rick '77 and Traci O'Sadnick of Peru and Dr. Mark and Michelle (Stuart) '77 Kelley of Hancock, MI.



Kayla Snell '07 and Shane Swords '07 were married on May 28, 2017 at the Historic Travellers Rest Plantation in Nashville, TN. The couple lives in Bellevue, WA.



Samantha Sons '09 and Kevin Blair '09 were married March 10, 2018 and live in Texas.



Nathaniel Kapraun '11 and Claira Sieverding were married on June 16, 2018 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Bellevue, IA. The couple lives in Dubuque, IA.



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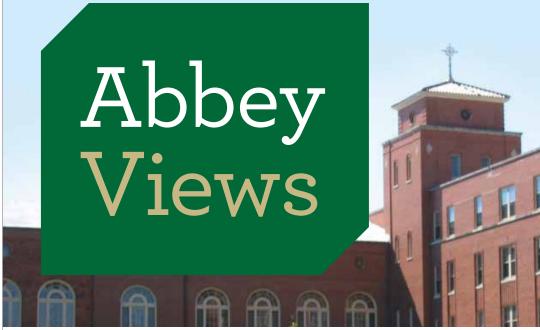


- 1 Don '54 and Marlene Klug have now visited all 50 states, with the final one being Vermont.
- 2 Susan and Mark Van De Wyngaerde at the Basilica De La Sagrada Familia in Barcelona.
- 3 Jim '62 and Mary Donnelly on the dock in Venice, Italy.
- 4 Jim Maher '64 and Kathy Bianchi, the niece of Bob Bianchi '65 met in the Philippines
- 5 Tim Postula '86 and Fr. Ronald Margherio '68, with their instructor Jeremy, spent a day in Wisconsin at Skydive the Rock.

- **6** Jeff Hayden '92, Shawn Koehler '94, Arun Jagasia '95 and Eric Arkins '95 on the Swilcan Bridge at the Old Course in St. Andrews, Scotland.
- 7 Collen Cox and Joan Jobst, SBA Faculty Members chaperoned a study program in China with Mary Kate Jagiella '19, Mackenzie Brady '18, Allison Borkowski '18 and Andrea Medina Diaz '18.
- 8 Abbot Philip stopped at the Burgy's Tiki Hut in Daytona Beach, owned by SBA Alumni Adam '12 and Brittney '11 Burgess.
- 9 Emily Fess '19 is with SBA Faculty Member, Lindsey Olivero-Gong in the Dominican Republic on the second Spanish Study Abroad Trip.









IN MY YEARS AT ST. BEDE, WE HAVE HAD MANY DREAMS FOR ST. BEDE ABBEY AND ACADEMY.

We have reached the point in our history where some of the dreams and visions have become a reality. And so it is with great joy on August 19, we celebrated the completion of the Perino Science Center. We are immensely grateful to the Perino family for this latest example of their extraordinary

support of St. Bede Academy and for all the generous supporters of Phase Two of the Legacy Project. These donors, through their loyal friendship and leadership have helped to secure St. Bede's future.

So many people on the staff at St. Bede have been relentless and gone way beyond the call of duty. Our success is energizing us to plan for the next steps in our process. We are grateful for your help and with your support and prayers there will be a lot more good news. We will be better able to help our students grow in faith that they will be able to live in the future.

Brief Note: Br. Markus, our new member of the monastic community will begin training to teach English as a second language. Br. Markus brings a lot of gifts and work experience to the community. Pray for him and the other two men what have recently contacted St. Bede about joining us. Keep them in your prayers.

God Bless,

Abbot Phily Davy as

Abbot Philip Davey, O.S.B. '65 frphilip@st-bede.com



Monk's Market, the sales outlet of St. Bede Abbey, offers many items produced by St. Bede monks such as handmade candles by Fr. Patrick and cookbooks written by Fr. Dominic, as well as a number of items for resale from other religious communities.

Shop online at www.monksmarket.com.

Monks on the Move

'For in him we live and move and have our being.'
As some of your own poets have said, 'We are his offspring.'
ACTS 17:28

And so we capture here, just a few of the many places our monks have been. Would you like to know more about the places our monks are going and the projects they are involved in? Drop an email to them by locating their name on the Abbey website at www.stbedeabbey.org.



Abbot Philip walking with Maureen Kaza in Austria on our 2017 Off the Bedan Path trip.



Fr. Ron and his brother Dave Margherio '74 enjoyed whitewater rafting in Chattanooga, TN.



Fr. Dominic and Msgr. Richard Soseman showed students from our international summer camps the stained glass windows at St. Mary's Church in Peru.



Fr. Ron with (L-R) Perla DeLa Torre, Maria Orozco, Allie Hernandez, Mackenzie Brady, Berklee Linnig, Antonia Cattani, Kassidy Brady, Tim Daluga and Gunnar Jauch joined several thousands of people in the Federal Plaza for the 2018 March for Life Campaign in Chicago.



SBA alumni and friends enjoyed a special dinner at Verucchi's to celebrate Br. George's 96th birthday.

abbey views



Every 4 years, Abbot Philip Davey, O.S.B. '65 attends a workshop at St. Mary's Abbey at Delbarton in Morristown, NJ to learn how to conduct a visitation of another monastery.



Fr. Dominic filmed his second baking segment with Craftsy at their Denver headquarters. View his online baking classes at www.craftsy.com



Fr. Gregory Jarzombek served mass at St. Valentine's Church in Peru with altar boys Gavin Bratkovich and Nick Hachenberger.



Fr. Harold Datzman '56 and friends traveled to the Gothic Cathedral in Cologne, Germany.



Fr. Ron with *(L-R)* Jerrick Kapraun, Mackenzie Brady, Rory Dirks and Cierra Espinoza attended the National Benedictine Youth Congress in Atchison, Kansas.



Fr. Dominic and his "stage rats," Nicholas Vandervort, Jordan Kraml, Zander Sampo, Ryan Gee, Lillian Moskalewicz, Mackenzie Brady, Maddie Hewitt and Frank Siebert, took a trip to the Peoria Players Theatre to see the Hunchback of Notre Dame and enjoyed a backstage tour after the show.

WELCOME Br. Markus Dicosola, O.S.B.

St. Bede Abbey & Academy is proud to welcome the newest member of our community,

Br. Markus Dicosola, O.S.B. Br. Markus is currently a junior monk in temporary vows; he was born on September 19, 1970 in Flint, Michigan. He professed his fidelity and obedience to our monastic life on July 11, 2016 and transferred his vows from St. Procopius Abbey in Lisle, Illinois, to St. Bede Abbey on January 2, 2018.

Br. Markus graduated from the University of Utah with a Bachelor in Fine Arts with a minor in English and Spanish, and was able to study abroad in Salamanca, Spain. He also operated and owned his own custom embroidery and design business in Salt Lake City. His life has lead him to many different places from Alabama, Buffalo, NY; Denver, Co; Michigan, Caracas & Valencia, Venezuela and even Bangkok, Thailand.

Br. Markus is grateful and humbled by these experiences he has had in his life and is now looking forward to the Benedictine vow of stability. He will continue his monastic formation by taking classes at the abbey in Scripture, in the Rule of Saint Benedict, and in Monastic Spirituality, bringing him alongside everyone to pray and work, while doing the best he can to serve the Bedan community.

Join us for daily mass at the Abbey Church on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. and Monday through Saturday at 7:45 a.m., or watch a live stream at www.stbedeabbey.org.



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In Memoriam

July 15, 2016 Virginia Funfsinn

Mother of Mark '72 November 5, 2017

Laurence Sondgeroth '60

December 4, 2017 Zenon Andracki '50

December 18, 2017

Marty Sliva '65

December 24, 2017 James Boyle '56

Father of Jim '68 - Michael '69

January 8, 2018 Gerald Lorenzi

Father of Gerry '91 - Maria Moody '94

January 11, 2018

Mary "Rita" Kunkel '87

Wife of Al '42

Mother of John '69 - George '70 -

Thomas '72 - Andrew '72 -

Rosemary Wall '73 -

Virginia Jesiolowski '75 - Stephen '76 -

Charles '77 - Paul '78 -

Christina Corcoran '79 - Daniel '81 -

Elizabeth Emmerling '83 - Dennis '87

January 11, 2018

John "Jack" Tieman '44

March 20, 2018

John Utz '64

March 21, 2018

JoAnn Daley

Wife of Arnold '58

Mother of Daniel '79 - Ronald '82

March 23, 2018

Paul Kmitta '46, JC'48

April 5, 2018

Donald Bernardi '41

April 9, 2018

Ronald Gorman '72

Husband of Sabrina,

employee of St. Bede Academy

April 10, 2018

John Gedraitis

Father of John '69 - Mark '71 -

Christopher '74

April 30, 2018

Robert Ankiewicz, Sr.

Father of Robert '86 -

Lisa Huettemann '91

June 13, 2018

Robert "Bob" Bernabei '61

June 18, 2018

Harry E. Rohlfs

Father of Msgr. Steven Rohlfs '68

June 27, 2018

Brycelyn Johnson

Daughter of Grant Johnson '04

June 30, 2018

Edward J. "Duke" Schreiner '61

July 2, 2018

Michael Fahey '61

July 6, 2018



January 23, 2018

Leo Kirwan '77

January 27, 2018

Richard Smelz '43

February 6, 2018 Robert Terracina '51, JC'53

February 17, 2018

James Porter '73

February 21, 2018

Jim Ruggerio '56

February 28, 2018

Gary Carey '57

March 3, 2018

Jeanette Sexton

Mother Robert '88, Brian '90

March 17, 2018

Lorraine Basalay

Mother of Greg '66 - Jay '68

May 4, 2018

Lucile Considine

Mother of Michael Brandt '70 -

Jonathan Brandt '76 - Ann Pusharich '78 -Joe Considine '82

May 8, 2018

Greg Millman '62

May 17, 2018

Jonathon Draper '83

June 2, 2018

Dr. Carl Mattioda '47-JC'49

Father of Maureen Polster '76 -Molliann Gualandri '79 - Mark '78

June 5, 2018

Doris Baggesen

Mother of Julia Yaklich,

employee of St. Bede Academy

June 8, 2018

Shirley Hayden

Mother of Donald '78 - John '80 -

Jacqueline '81



Memorials

Joseph Brummel

Linda Bulak

Marylyn Donahue

Terry & Marie Emmerling

Jim & Shirley Fusinetti

Robert Ankiewicz, Sr.

Mark Credi

Betty Kunkel

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