

Saint Philip Catholic Central High School

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2015

St. Philip Catholic Central High School Alumni Association Proudly Welcomes





# Congratulations to the Class of 2015 Academic Top Ten



**Stephanie Chmiel** Stephanie attends Olivet College.



Kaylan Hayman Kaylan attends Michigan State University.



Donbosco Hein Donbosco attends Kellogg Community College.



Adrian Hibbard Adrian attends Kellogg Community College.



Kevin Greenman, Valedictorian Kevin attends the University of Michigan.



Olivia Ritsema, Salutatorian Olivia attends Calvin College.

Abby McClure Abby attends Grand Valley State University.



Annie Newton Annie attends Aquinas College.



Emily Schaub Emily attends Trine University.

Haley Swagler Haley attends Michigan State University.





# ALUMNI'S GUIDE TO WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN & WHY

TAKE A LOOK WITH YOUR CALENDAR BOOK





When do "YOU" want to REUNION?

## **19th Annual Alumni Homecoming Reunion**

All alumni and friends are invited October 10, 2015 to the 19th Annual Alumni Homecoming Reunion. You should have already received your invitations for this day of nostalgia, food and fun.

The day begins with a 10:00 a.m. Alumni Meeting and Continental Breakfast in the Alumni Room 101. The Tiger Tailgate starts at 12:00 noon and Big RED Football kicks off at 1:30 p.m. During the game, we will honor the 2015 Athletic Hall of Fame.

The festivities continue at the 4:30 Mass at St. Philip Church where we will honor all

the STP alumni and remember those who have gone before us. The Class of 1965 will be recognized as they mark their 50th Class Reunion.

A cocktail hour will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the St. Philip Parish Center, followed by dinner. The 2015 Distinguished Alumni will be honored and the school will be open for all alumni to explore. Reconnect and reminisce while wandering the hallways and classrooms of your alma mater. There is still time to sign up!



## **REUNION ROLLCALL**

Class of 1955's 60th Reunion October 9-10, 2015 **Contact Jim Baum** 

269-274-4325

### Class of 1965's 50th Reunion **October 9-10, 2015**

Contact Therese (Wildern) Miller 269-965-6735 luckyladyt94@yahoo.com or

Contact Nita (Borsch) Cretsinger 269-721-3792 nitacretbc@gmail.com

### Class of 1960's 55th Reunion October 9-10, 2015

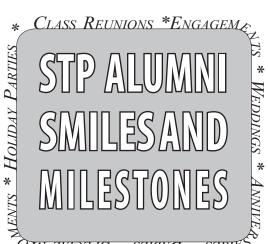
Contact Patsy (Bogosoff) Perry 269-968-6905 patsyp63@sbcglobal.net

### Class of 2005's 10th Reunion November 27, 2015 Dark Horse Brewery

**Contact Dario Ughetti** 269-317-4987 d.ughetti1@gmail.com or **Contact Riley Grosso** grosso.riley@gmail.com or Contact Jessie (Greene) Polnasek jpolnasek@properwell.com



Caden Riley McKnight was born on April 26, 2015. Caden is the son of Levinus and Allyson (Riley) McKnight, Class of 2003.



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Miles Murray was born on January 7, 2015. Miles is the son of Justin and Alana (Cracolici) Murray, Class of 2003.



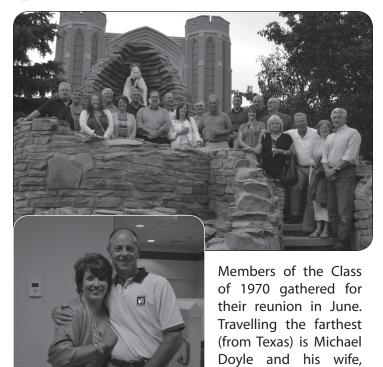
Nick Theis and Molly (Vaughn) Theis, Class of 2006, were united in marriage on May 2, 2015.



Chad Hart, Class of 2007, married Cassidy Perkins, Class of 2010, on May 9, 2015. They reside in Battle Creek, Michigan.



Sheridan Perkins, Class of 2012, became engaged to Jacob Leatherman on May 31, 2015. An October, 2017 wedding is planned.



Members of the Class of 1975 gathered for their reunion in August at the Battle Creek Country Club.

Rebecca [left].

## The Battle Creek Catholic Schools Foundation proudly announces the Class of 2015 scholarship awardees



Olivia Ritsema



The Carrie Adams Memorial Scholarship was established by Carrie's parents, Chuck and Cheryl Adams, in Carrie's memory. Carrie graduated in 1991, following a distinguished academic and athletic high school career. The 2015 recipient is Olivia Ritsema. Olivia is studying organizational/strategic communications at Calvin College.

The Sheila Guerra Memorial Scholarship honors the memory of Sheila Guerra, former St. Philip teacher and volleyball coach. Prior to her death in 2006, Sheila established this scholarship fund for students to pursue their secondary education goals. The 2015 recipient is Abby McClure. Abby is studying physical therapy at Grand Valley University.

The John B. and Margaret A. Ho-



Yacovoni



gan Medical Scholarship was established by John B. Hogan, Class of 1939 and Margaret (Skaggs) Hogan, Class of 1942. The 2015 recipient is Amanda Yacovoni. Amanda is attending Grand Valley State University for nursing.

The Al Leibert Family Scholarship was established by retired educator and longtime coach and mentor, Al Leibert. The 2015 recipient is Annie Newton. Annie attends Aquinas College and wants to eventually go into dentistry at Michigan State University.

The Howard M. and Edith M. Scholarship was established by Mrs. Edith List and her son, Charles List in memory of Mr. Howard M. List and Howard and Edith's daughter, Elizabeth. The 2015 recipient is Adrian Hibbard. Adrian attends Kellogg Community

Kevin Greenman Adrian Hibbard



Hunter Haley

College and is studying special education.

The Pete Franciso Memorial Scholarship was established in 2014 by Mrs. Jo Francisco and her sons Jason, Class of 2000, and Chad, Class of 1998 to honor the memory of Pete Francisco, husband, father, grandfather, coach, friend and mentor. The 2015 recipient is Kevin Greenman. Kevin attends the University of Michigan for materials science and engineering.

The Sonneborn Football Athlete Scholarship was established in 2015 by Dr. Arthur A. Sonneborn. The 2015 recipient is Hunter Haley. Hunter attends Trine University and is studying business.

## Awards, Honors and Distinctions



#### Kevin Greenman

Kevin Greenman was honored as a recipient of the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Scholar-Athlete Award at the 2015 MHSAA Boys' Basketball Finals at Michigan State University. Kevin received a \$1,000 scholarship from Farm Bureau Insurance to be used at the institution of higher learning he attends this fall. He is pictured with Jack Roberts, Executive Director of the MHSAA and Jim Robinson. Executive Vice President Farm Bureau Insurance.

Tyrus Sonneborn plays football at Siena Heights University. Tyrus was a

#### **Emily Schaub**



four-year starter on the offensive line and a three-year captain. Tyrus earned All-City title as well as All-League honors.

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**Tyrus Sonneborn** 

Hunter Haley attends Trine University. He will be a member of Trine basketball team. Hunter was a four-year member of the football, basketball and baseball teams. He was awarded First Team All-Conference and All-City Team in his respective sports two years in a row. He was also selected All-State Honorable Mention in 2014. Hunter is majoring in business at Trine University. Hunter Haley



Emily Schaub plays volleyball at Trine University. Emily was a four-year varsity player. Four-time state champ!! She earned All-City, 1st Team All-1st Team and All-State awards. She participated in the MIVCA All-Star game on July 31st. Emily is studying Exercise Science/Athletic Training while at Trine.

# A dozen cheers for a dozen years -

Front Row: Abby McClure, Maria Bridges, Megan Parker, Stephanie Chmiel, Tyler Bailey

Second Row: Katie Mickunas, Mac Flook, Hunter Haley, Hayleigh Duff

Third Row: Jordon Scovie, Haley Swagler, Annie Newton, Emily Schaub

> Fourth Row: Kevin Greenman, Michael Sweeney, Matthew Kincaid, Lucas Saye



Class of 2015 graduates who attended BCACS all 12 years

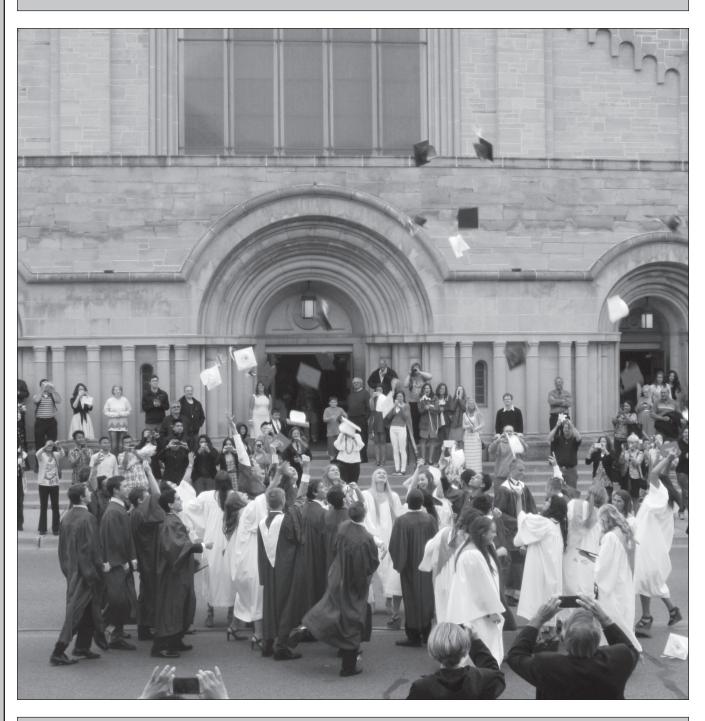
# **Celebrating an STP family tradition**



Class of 2015 graduates of St. Philip Alumni

Front Row: Teddy McNeir (Catherine Reid – '73), Hunter Haley (Carrie (Cole) Haley – 81', Mary Ann (Clay) Cole – '44)), Megan Parker (Sarah (Kalinosky) and Greg Parker – '85, Kathryn (Eberhardt) Kalinosky – '64, Marjorie (Jacob) Eberhardt – '33) Annie Newton (Barb (Newman) Newton – '72, Betty (Hayes) Newman – '48 and George Newman – '36)

Second Row: Blake Groat (Vicky (Guerra) Groat) – '85, Kevin Greenman (Beth (Bauman) and Ed Greenman – '79, Paul Bauman – '44, Anne (Smith) Greenman – '57, Noreen (Tobin) – '36 and John Smith – '34, John Tobin – St. Philip Elementary School Alumni), Haley Swagler (Ginger (Martin) Swagler – '80), Victoria Monaghan (Angela (Monaghan) Micaud – '94), Emily Schaub (Amy (Nelson) and Bryan Schaub – '90)



# VALEDICTORIAN & SALUTATORIAN SPEECHES



### <u>Kevin Greenman</u> Valedictorian

Well guys, we did it. We're finally here. But we didn't get here on our own. I need to thank the people who helped us get here. First, our parents. Thank you for making

the sacrifices to send us to this school, for realizing the value of a faithbased education. Thank you also to our teachers and administrators, for giving us the quality education that will shape the rest of our lives. Thank you especially to Mr. May. You touched each and every one of us during your time at St. Philip, and you still continue to watch over us. Lastly, I want to thank all of you. Whether you've been here for the last thirteen years, or you've just joined us in high school, every one of you has had an impact on me and on all of your other classmates.

We live in a world of change. This is no secret, nor has it ever been. The Ancient Greek philosopher Heraclitus proposed a theory that all of reality is change and that anything we perceive as permanent is nothing more than an illusion. A lot has changed since the time of the Ancient Greeks, and a lot has changed even in our four years that we've spent here at St. Philip.

Amidst these waves of change that have happened around us, there are constants that have stood firm through it all. First, there is Mary Rabbitt, who we all know has been at St. Philip since its founding. Our faith has also been with us all along. I think I speak for all of us when I say that our faith has grown during our time here at St. Philip. With the opportunities to pray in our classrooms, the role models we have and our other teachers, and the support of each other, we have grown in our faith in a way that we could not have done anywhere else.

We are all on the verge of a monumental change in our lives. Our paths, on which we have traveled side-by-side for many years, are about to diverge. We will become scientists, artists, engineers, lawyers, teachers, writers, and doctors, just to name a few. And as we near this point where our paths will diverge, I thought of what advice I might give to all of you.

First, I will tell you that change is not something to be feared. I think our experience in the last four years demonstrates that clearly. Be open to change, and you will find success. You may stumble, or you may fall flat on your face. But don't be afraid of that, because fear of failure is what limits potential.

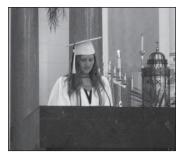
Second, I will tell you that there is something you should never change: your faith. You may have no need to remember calculus or chemistry when you walk out the doors of our school for the last time, but I assure you that keeping your faith will serve you in every facet of life, regardless of what you choose to do.

There is one more thing, something that you cannot change, even if you try. You will always be a member of this family, the St. Philip graduating Class of 2015. Look around you. Wherever you go and whatever you do, remember that these people will always be here for you. We have supported each other through triumph and tragedy in our time here together, but that does not stop when we leave here with our diplomas today.

For today, goodbye. For tomorrow, good luck, and forever, Go Tigers!

### <u>Olivia Ritsema</u> Salutatorian

Hello to my fellow graduates, friends, and family, and to all of the students here today. I am so honored to have the chance to speak to you.



I came to St. Philip as an awkward little freshman who only knew about 2 and half of you guys. I was scared and excited because I didn't really know what to expect. You welcomed me with open arms and for that I am truly grateful.

The whole reason that I am up here is because I am supposed to give you some advice and tell you to go chase your dreams. However, I do not feel particularly qualified or capable of giving you advice that could be any better than anything Dr. Seuss wrote. So instead of trying to find a new rendition of "Oh the Places You Go", I decided what better place to look for advice than from the people around you?

The most important person that I think we have all learned so much from is Mr. May. Our class had the privilege of spending two years with him: laughing with him, cheering with him at pep rallies, receiving endless support from him, and also listening to his 5 minute announcements that should have only taken 1 minute. There are numerous things that we can learn from Mr. May, but one of the things that I'll remember most about him is that he taught me to always smile. Every morning walking into school, as I passed his office he'd be sitting in there as happy as anyone could be before 8 AM. He'd always tell me "Olivia! Smile, it's gonna be a great day !!" or "Smile! It looks good on you!" He always seemed to brighten my day with just one little thing like that. He was able to touch so many lives with the "little things" that he did every day. I share this little piece of advice from him often. Remember the little things, like always trying to smile, because smiling is great. We definitely have a lot to smile about today.

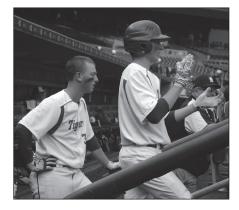
We've had some amazing memories as a class, and we are going to have many more in the weeks and years to come. We have all been so fortunate to be educated in this school and to have grown in our faith together. We've had each other's backs in the hard times, and we've also been able to share in celebration of our many achievements that we have made together. We have also been able to come together in the more difficult times this school year in particular and lean on each other and God for strength to "Carry On" as Mr. May would have wanted us to. It is the big things like that make St. Philip a very special place that we have been able to call our home for the past 2, 3, or 4 years.

We are truly going to do some very great things. We are each going to meet some wonderful people in the years to come. Take the time to appreciate the people in your life and the little things that they do. We were blessed to be surrounded by a caring community of staff and classmates in the past four years, so make sure that you bring that same sense of community out into the real world, because a lot of people could use it.

# TRACKING TODAY'S TIGERS



## **STP Tigers at home in Comerica Park**



On May 15, the St. Philip Tigers played at Comerica Park in the Detroit Catholic League Baseball Championships and Showcase. Junior Abby Mullis led athletes and spectators in the National Anthem. The following is an excerpt from an article by Nick Buckley, Class of 2003, that appeared in the Battle Creek Enquirer.

"It was a dream come true," said St. Philip senior Hunter Haley, who was 2-for-2 with a pair of singles. "Five years from now I'll say I hit a home run — 10 years from now I'll say I hit a walk-off home run. It's just something I can tell my kids and tell my grandkids."

St. Philip head coach Andrew Criswell was disappointed with the outcome, but happy with how his team played and that his players had the rare opportunity to take the field at a big league ballpark. "We were excited all day — got here a couple hours early so we could watch a few of the other games," Criswell said. "Just glad the weather held off. We got everyone in. We played hard, didn't come out on the right end, but we had fun and we'll remember it forever."

Tigers' senior pitcher Blake Groat was given the starting nod, cruising through the first three innings before St. Mary's got to him for two runs in the top of the fourth.

"I was so nervous going out there. I thought I was going to pass out, my whole body went numb," Groat said. "It was a great experience and a great feeling — it's something I'm going to remember for the rest of my life. Whenever I watch Tiger games now I'm going to be thinking how I was out there — it's crazy."

Senior Brendan Gausselin tallied one of the Tigers' six hits, while fellow senior Nick Hurst had two hits including a double. Junior Evan Hanna singled while senior Brayden Darr scored the team's lone run on a wild pitch in the bottom of the fourth inning.

As the home team, St. Philip occupied the third base dugout — the same one the Detroit Tigers use on game days.

"As soon as we got in the dugout, everybody found Miggy's (Miguel Cabrera's) cubby and threw their bat in it," Gausselin said. "In a few weeks, few months or a couple years — I can watch a Tigers' game and look at the field and say I played there, I fielded a ground ball there, I got a hit there... To play at Comerica Park is a once in a lifetime thing."



# MUSIC, ART & HEART

## St. Philip students participate in Model United Nations



Model United Nations is a great experience for high school students to get immersed and engage in global politics. Our last conference, Mid-America Model United Nations, took place at the Radisson Hotel in Kalamazoo. Here, students met over the course of five days, in specialized committees for an average

of nine hours a day, trying to resolve numerous world issues. St. Philip took 16 students from all grades to take part in these debates. This year, the number of club members has grown to a record high. Each student will participate in various activities during the year, however not every student can attend the debate.

## A musical update from the BCACS bands

Thank you for your support of the Battle Creek Area Catholic Schools' Band Programs. Your generous support has given our students in grades 5-12 the wonderful opportunity to learn to play a musical instrument and to be part of an award winning band program.

We are celebrating the end of a very successful year. Highlights include 102 students in grades 5-12 being enrolled in band, the Marching Tigers participating in Battle Creek Central Marching Band Invitational for the first time in school history, and the St. Philip Catholic Central Concert Band being one of only two bands from Battle Creek to receive a Division I rating (Superior) at the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association (MSBOA) District Band and Orchestra Festival.

We were the only Battle Creek band to move on to the MSBOA State Band Festival where we received a Division II (Very Good).

St. Philip Concert Band provided the opening prelude music for the Battle Creek Community Prayer Breakfast to rave reviews.

Parents and students alike are very thankful to our alumni for helping to fund BCACS Fine Arts Programs that provide these amazing musical experiences.



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# TRACKING TODAY'S TIGERS





## TIGERS ON THE FAST TRACK

The St. Philip Boys track team went undefeated in dual and league meets in 2015. They finished third at both the Catholic Indoor meet and at the Litchfield Invitational and 4th at All-City. David Downey was the All-City Long Jump champion. The boys defended their SCAA West Division title, and for the first time in 33 years won the SCAA League Championship. The boys also qualified for the MITCA Team State Championship and placed tenth. They earned Academic All-State as a team finishing second. David Downey and Kevin Greenman also earned individual Academic All-State. David Downey set a new school record in the 300m Hurdles with a time of 40.12 seconds.

The girls team finished third at the league meet, Meagan Casterline was

League Champion in the 400m, and Ava Strenge League Champion in the 3200m. Ava Strenge was also the All-City Champion in the 1600 and 3200m run. The girls finished second at Regionals, with Riley Rutherford (800m, 4x800m relay) Ava Strenge (3200m, 4x800m relay), Olivia Ritsema (4x800m relay) and Julia Slatterly (4x800m relay) being Regional Champions and qualifying for the State Meet. Taylor Pessetti also qualified for the State meet in the Pole Vault. At State, Riley Rutherford finished eighth in the 800m, Ava Strenge finished fifth in the 1600m run, Taylor Pessetti finished eighth in the Pole Vault and the 4x800m relay team finished eleventh. Taylor Pessetti also set a new school record in the Pole Vault with a vault of 9'0.00.

 $\sim$ By: Jeff Minier, Track Coach

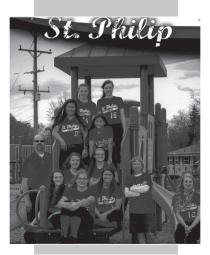
## Tennis



This year was a developmental year for the St. Philip Girls Varsity Tennis Team. The girls worked well as a team and everyone had fun. We did well at our All-City Tournament. We joined a league this year and had a strong showing at the league conference. We had some good wins at regionals and lost some very hard fought matches. We graduated only two seniors so we have a good start on getting players for next season.

~BY: CRAIG DOLBEE, TENNIS COACH

SOFTBALL



The Tigers improved their record this year and had Abby Mullis make the All-League and All-City team, with Abby McClure getting an All-City honorable mention. We beat Battle Creek Central in the quarterfinals of the All-City Tournament. ~By: PEGGY BOUCHER, SOFTBALL COACH BASEBALL



The Tigers earned first place in the Southern Central Athletic Association, sharing the league title with a Climax-Scotts. They finished with a 21-1 record in league play and a 23-7 record overall. St. Philip had five players make All-City, including Brendan Gausselin, Blake Groat, Hunter Haley, Nick Hurst and Zach Spiegla. Andrew Criswell, Class of 2005, was named All-City Coach of the Year.

# BODY, MIND & SOUL

# St. Philip Honored During United Way 'Philanthropy Week'







**S**t. Philip students had the opportunity to compete as a school during United Way's Philanthropy Week. High schools from around the area collected donations for different causes. St. Philip was in charge of collecting canned goods and other food items. Each item the school collected counted for points. St. Philip earned the most points and was honored during the Youth Day of Caring, which capped the week. During the Youth Day of Caring, St. Philip students joined other area high school students in volunteering around the city.







# ROTARY CLUB OF BATTLE CREEK SPONSORS THE FORMATION OF THE INTERACT CLUB AT ST. PHILIP

The first Interact Club in Battle Creek was established in the spring. Interact is a club for young people, ages 12 through 18 who want to join together to tackle the issues in their community that they care most about. Through Interact, you can carry out hands-on service projects, make regional and international connections, develop leadership skills, and have fun.

The Interact Club at St. Philip launched its recycling program as its local service project. As its international project, the club will assist "a.k.a. Hope," an organization dedicated to assisting orphaned children in the Naguru slums on the outskirts of Kampala, Uganda. Members met with Lindsay (Jusick) Thomas, Class of 2001, who served in Africa with the Peace Corps. Lindsay talked about her experience and this initiative to build a home and school for 80-orphaned children in Fort Portal, Uganda. The Interacters chose to collect school supplies along with articles of clothing for Lindsay to take with her when she travels to Uganda in December.



## **2015 SENIOR MEMORIES**

# LIFE STARTED TOGETHER IN FAITH CLASS OF 2015



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## **2015 SENIOR TRIP TO ROME**

# Reflections

### Maria Bridges

"Everywhere I looked I saw beauty. We were so happy and shared great times. This pilgrimage brought us closer together. We all connected like family."

### Stephanie Chmiel

"Rome was truly an experience of a lifetime! It's a trip I will never forget!"

### Mac Flook

"After getting back from our Senior Class Pilgrimage to Italy, I realized yet again how blessed I was to have parents who put me through the Catholic school system. I was able to see things in both Assisi and Rome that I had only dreamed of before. I was able to appreciate not only the most famous historical and religious sites in the world, but to do so with my closest friends. This trip took my faith to the next level; I can't even put into words what happens when you actually get to see these sites in person. I can't thank BCACS or my parents enough for not only this trip but also the past 13 years of my life. Thank you."

### Beth (Bauman) Greenman

"Not many people can say they were married at the altar of St. Peter's Tomb in the Basilica of St. Peter! Definitely the highlight of our trip was for Ed and me to renew our vows on our 30th wedding anniversary with Fr. Marotti and many friends."

### Elizabeth Sweeney

"After participating in the Rome pilgrimage four times, I can honestly say I have been spiritually moved each time! Having observed these wonderful young people, I feel the world is in good hands!"

### *Tim and Kathy Wanner*

"The pilgrimage to Rome was a great trip, a once in a lifetime experience highlighted by attending Mass at the tomb of St. Francis, the tomb of St. Peter, and in the catacombs. Thank you for letting us tag along even though we didn't have anyone in the senior class."



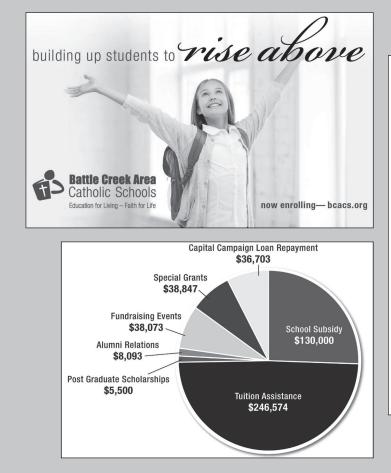






### **BCACS FOUNDATION NEWS**

# Your support of our Catholic schools through your gifts to the BCACS Foundation are helping our students to Rise Above!



For over three decades our parishioners, staff, parents, students, alumni and friends have generously supported our Catholic schools through the BCACS Foundation. It is the epitome of a community supporting the mission of the church with the promise of providing a Catholic education for our future leaders. Your support has enabled the BCACS Foundation to provide over \$500,000 to our Catholic schools for this past 2014-2015 school year.

Whether your gift is \$20, \$150, \$1500 or more, every dollar contributed ensures the financial viability of our Catholic schools and the continuation of this important mission of the church. Thank you for working together with the BCACS Foundation to support Catholic education for our Leaders of Tomorrow! For more information, contact development director, Louanne McIntyre at (269) 963-4771 or lmcintyre@ bcacs.org.

# BCACS Foundation Helps to "Raise the Roof"

The BCACS Foundation received a matching grant of up to \$75,000, thanks to the generosity of two St. Philip alumni, who choose to remain anonymous. Every dollar that the BCACS Foundation raises to support the replacement of the roof at St. Philip School will be matched, dollar for dollar.

We are thankful for the support from alumni, parents of alumni and school parents who contributed over \$50,000 towards this goal, so far. We were able to begin this project during the summer and have completely replaced the roof on the Tiger Den/Sheila Guerra Gymnasium, along with some adjacent classrooms.

The entire project includes "Raising the Roof" on the original section of the school and the 1955 addition to St. Philip School.

According to Louanne McIntyre, development director, "We are very thankful for the support that we are receiving for this critical need. The sections that remain to be completed will cost \$73,000. We humbly invite your support for this vital renovation to your alma mater."



## **REMEMBRANCE & GRATITUDE**

## IN MEMORIAM

The following members of the STP Family have passed from this life to the next. Please remember them in your thoughts and prayers. We extend our sincere condolences to their loved ones.

> Sister Josephine Karas, Class of 1939 Robert Dugan, Class of 1945 Lillian (Charette) Smith, Class of 1945 Mary (Kelly) Maher, Class of 1947 Norine (Secord) Norburg, Class of 1949 Leo Stevens, Class of 1951 Sister Joyce Anderson, Class of 1953 Marie M. (Miller) Slayton, Class of 1955 Jim Reece, Class of 1955 Sister Roseann Rice, Class of 1955 Joanne (Wolney) Bagwell, Class of 1963 John "Jack" Schoder, Class of 1965 Mark Galloup, Class of 1967 Philip Lussier, Class of 1972 Elizabeth (Girardot) Smoot, Class of 1976

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

### IN THANKSGIVING

St. Philip Catholic Central High School and the BCACS Foundation extend their deep appreciation for recent gifts received in memory or in honor of these STP Alumni.

#### GIFTS GIVEN IN MEMORY OF ALUMNI:

John Hogan, Class of 1939 Paul Bauman, Class of 1944 W. Fred Mangan, Class of 1944 Henry "Hank" Dobbertien, Class of 1945 Robert Dugan, Class of 1945 Norman "Norm" Schmitzer, Class of 1944 Helen (Bauman) Schoder, Class of 1946 Mary (Kelly) Maher, Class of 1947 Norman "Bud" Lawrence, Class of 1951 Walter "Ed" Lawrence, Class of 1952 Joe Markovich, Class of 1961 Carrie Adams, Class of 1991

#### **GIFTS GIVEN IN HONOR OF ALUMNI:**

Joan (McIntyre) Lawrence, Class of 1952 Sandi (O'Connell) Summers, Class of 1964



# HIS LEGACY LIVES FOREVER

We mourn the loss of Monsignor William Fitzgerald, our beloved former St. Philip pastor, friend and mentor. Father "Fitz" passed away July 14 and we ask that families continue to pray for his soul. He brought countless people closer to God, inspired faith, and has been referred to as the kindest and most Christ-like person known.

The Reverend William Fitzgerald Endowment for Tuition Assistance honors a special man who deserves a special legacy. Under the guidance of the Battle Creek Area Catholic Schools Foundation and with the blessing of Father Fitz, The Reverend William Fitzgerald Endowment for Tuition Assistance was established in 2001. An appreciation of his own education instilled a mission within Fitz's heart that remained throughout his twenty-one year tenure as pastor at St. Philip Catholic Church. He was determined that Catholic education be accessible to all families...and not be hindered by unaffordable tuition. Proceeds from this fund provide Catholic education to those who, like young William Fitzgerald, sought the programs available in Catholic schools. Father Fitz shared,

"Thank you especially for being of one heart with me in our passion for Catholic education. There is nothing more exciting than to be part of the way children and young people learn, especially when the Teacher is Jesus Himself in the Power of the Holy Spirit. You have been a partner with me, and have honored my years of priesthood, in helping families who cannot by themselves afford to send their children to the schools they desperately desire for them. Together, we have made it possible for dozens of families and hundreds of children to be an essential part of that education enterprise. Thank you." St. Philip Alumni AssociationBCACS Foundation20 Cherry StreetBattle Creek, MI 49017

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## Keeping our STP Alumni, their Friends, and Family connected with Tiger Pride!

# The BCACS Foundation extends its profound appreciation for the benevolence of the St. Philip Alumni.

BCACS All-School Mass with Bishop Bradley



St. Joseph Church September 3, 2015

## Without YOU there would be no US