

119th Graduation Held at St. Bernard

The St. Bernard Class of 2018 officially joined the ranks of alumni from St. Bernard Preparatory School during the 119th Commencement Exercises held on Sunday, May 27, 2018 in the Abbey Church. Family and friends gathered in the capacityfilled church to honor the thirty-five seniors who had earned \$3.3 million in scholarship offers to college.

The Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree Honor Guard: Father Leo Carter Assembly 2624, led the procession into the church as organist Jannie Ratliff and trumpet player Barry Stoner filled it with the sound of "Pomp and Circumstance."

After the opening prayer, the National Anthem, and the Pledge of Allegiance, President Fr. Joel Martin, O.S.B. welcomed guests and introduced distinguished members of the board of directors, as well as the faculty and staff of the school.

The ceremonies began with the presentation of the St. Bernard Distinguished Alumnus Award by Fr. Marcus Voss, O.S.B., St. Bernard Alumni Director. The Young Distinguished Alumnus Award was presented to Gerald "Jeremy" Wootten, III, (PS'2001) who is currently the President and Chief Financial Officer for HomTex, Inc., headquartered in Cullman, Alabama. The distinction was given in recognition of his leadership in business, of his service for the common good of the community, and of his commitment to philanthropy.

The Distinguished Alumnus Award was presented to Col. Francis Leonard "Len" Loving (C'60), a 30year veteran of the United States Marine Corps. This distinction was given in recognition of his meritorious service to our country and (Continued on page 2)

St. Bernard Preparatory Class of 2018

1st Row: Irina Biedenstein, Thao Nguyen, Anna Faulk, Eva Barck, Isabel Santiago, Rita Guevara. 2nd Row: Avy Whaley, Cailin O'Donnell, Leahrose Mami, Olivia Tafazoli, Genevieve Griffin, Duy Nguyen. 3rd Row: Ben Swalley, Michael Bain Clemmons, Haohua Xiao, Josh Chiodo, Yu-yang Hsieh, Andrew Sweeney, Nicholas Gil, Sid Rivard, Chanh Pham. 4th Row: Christian Peterson, Luis Zatarain, Victor Fentanes, Lexiss Gallegos, Luke Marti, Blake Burman, Luis Sanchez. 5th Row: Elijah Price, Angus Wong, Alec von Thuelen, Austin Long.

2018 Summer Project

St. Bernard has undertaken a major project during the 2018 summer months. The project is the restoration of the central campus "quad," located between the front of the Abbey Church and the back of the Administration Building. Work in this area is proceeding in three phases. Cracked and undulating sidewalks are being replace, new outdoor lighting is being installed and new sod, landscaping, outdoor benches and picnic tables will be set in place by summer's end.

"This is a project we've been needing to do for a long time," said Fr. Marcus Voss, Director of Development. "The quad is at the very heart of our campus and is a popular gathering place for our students and the many guests who come to visit the Abbey Church."

"It's good to have this project underway for so many reasons," Fr. Marcus continued. "Most of the sidewalks were still aligned as if the buildings destroyed the tornado in the early 1980s were still standing. The lack of lighting at night has been an issue for our guests as they made their way from the retreat center to the dining hall. Plus, this restoration will greatly enhance the beauty of the central campus."

Fr. Marcus concluded by saying, "The project is ongoing and I cannot thank our alumni and benefactors enough for their support of this work. Their response to our summer appeal this year is making all this possible."

Kreps Concrete Construction, LLC, of Cullman is working on this project along with the St. Bernard Physical Plant under the direction of David Caples, Plant Manager. The young monks of the Abbey will be engaged to help with the landscaping phase. Thunderstorms in north Alabama have delayed progress in recent days but the construction schedule remains committed to a completion date before the opening of the school's fall term.

Second Annual Bernard Blues and BBQ Sept. 8-9

St. Bernard Prep School in Cullman announces the 2nd Annual Bernard Blues and BBQ Arts and Music Festival will be held on the campus of St. Bernard Abbey and Prep School, Saturday and Sunday, September 8-9, 2018.

Festival Director, Joyce Nix says the show promises a new twist on tradition at St. Bernard. In addition to the wonderful variety of handmade arts and crafts, live musical performances will take place throughout the entire weekend.

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Sweet Licks Dixieland Jazz Band

Sweet Licks Dixieland Jazz Band from Birmingham, AL to perform at the 2nd Annual Bernard Blues and BBQ on Sunday, September 9 from 10 a.m.-Noon.



(Continued from page 1) his commendable work, in recent years, on behalf of veterans and their families, especially in their hour of need.

Seymour Lenz, (HS '57, C'59), delivered the commencement address. A graduate from St. Bernard High School, he earned his bachelor's degree in engineering from Georgia Tech University and founded his own company. Recalling his days while enrolled at St. Bernard High School, he recounted many of the experiences that affected his success in life. He concluded his remarks by saying, "St. Bernard is a holy place and God has blessed each of you by guiding your parents and your families to support you during your time here. I know that God will go before each of you when you leave St. Bernard, just as He did for me, and He will bless your efforts to have exciting and successful lives of your own. With God's help, you can achieve anything that you put your mind to. Stay close to God and He will bless you in all that you do.'

Following the commencement address, Fr. Linus Klucsarits, O.S.B., Headmaster, presented two academic awards. Genevieve Grace Griffin received the valedictorian award for having the highest academic average in the senior class, while Andrew Liam Sweeney received the salutatorian award for having the second highest average.

Eva Marie Barck was named recipient of the General Excellence Award for the 119th Commencement. This award requires that the graduating senior display academic excellence, exercise leadership and represent the values of the school to the highest degree.

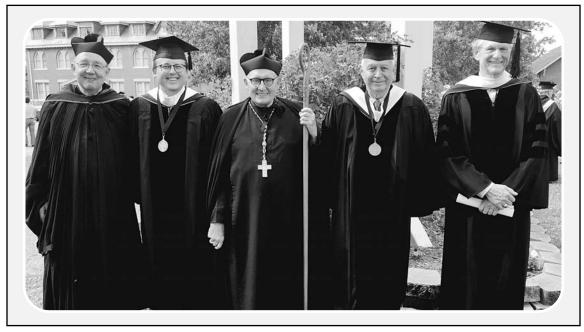
A highlight of the ceremony was the awarding of the St. Bernard diploma to each member of the graduating class. Fr. Linus called each graduate to come forward to receive a diploma from Abbot Cletus Meagher, O.S.B., Chairman of the Board, who was assisted by Fr. Joel Martin.

Following the valedictory address given by Genevieve Grace Griffin, Fr. Linus congratulated the class on their accomplishments and closed the ceremonies with the singing of the school's Alma Mater. Afterwards, the Abbey Church was filled with the sound of bagpipes and drums as the Alabama Pipe and Drum Band from Birmingham, Alabama, led the procession out of the church into the afternoon sun. A reception followed in the St. Bernard Dining Hall.



Graduate Honors

Fr. Linus Klucarits, Headmaster; Fr. Joel Martin, President; Eva Marie Barck, General Excellence Award; Genevieve Grace Griffin, Valedictorian; Andrew Liam Sweeney, Salutatorian and Abbot Cletus Meagher, Chairman of the Board of Directors for St. Bernard Preparatory School.





Honored St. Bernard Alumni

Fr. Joel Martin, President; Gerald "Jeremy" Wootten III, Abbot Cletus Meagher; Col. Francis Leonard "Len" Loving and Seymour Lenz.

St. Bernard Senior Class Officers

Class officers are Ben Swalley, President; Irina Biedenstein Vice-President; Olivia Tafazoli, Secretary; Leahrose Mami, Treasurer.

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Second Annual Bernard Blues and BBQ September 8-9, 2018

(Continued from page 1) The Blues Hammer Band will kick off the event on Saturday from noon to 3 p.m. On Sunday Sweet Licks Dixieland Jazz will perform from 10 am - Noon; Followed by De Ja' Blue Horns at noon and Cullman County's own Bama Blu-Grace at 2 p.m.

"The food is worth the drive from anywhere in the world," Nix says. "Whether you enjoy hickory smoked pulled pork, barbeque ribs pulled off the grill, hamburgers or hotdogs, you will love Bernard Blues and BBQ. Freddie Day and his crew at Freddie Day Catering will be onsite the entire weekend providing the best of pulled pork, ribs and chicken wings in the USA.

St. Bernard Abbey Monk bread may be purchased in addition to funnel cakes, strawberry waffles, and fried apple and peach pies!

At the conclusion of the show, St. Bernard Prep will give away over \$10,000 in cash prizes. "All

the proceeds from Bernard Blues and Barbeque go to our work in educating today's young people,' said Fr. Marcus Voss, Director of Development. "People who support this event make it possible for us to offer the best education we can provide today's students."

Festival hours are 9 a.m. – 5p.m. each day, September 8th and 9th. Bring the whole family and invite all of your friends! Admission to the festival is only a \$5 donation; children 5 and under are free! Ave Maria Grotto is open for a reduced admission price of only \$3.

If your business would like to help us with a sponsorship, please contact Mrs. Joyce Nix directly at (256)255-5860.

Make plans to attend Bernard Blues and BBQ and spend time visiting in Cullman! Like us on Facebook; or visit our website at www.stbernardprep.com.

34th Bloomin' Festival Brings Record Crowds on Saturday

The threat of rain on Sunday brought a record crowd to the campus of St. Bernard Abbey and Prep School on Saturday April 21, 2018 for the 34th Annual Bloomin' Festival Arts and Crafts Fair

Visitors took advantage of the sunshine to experience a day of art at its finest at St. Bernard with more than 170 artisans

participating during the weekend. An estimated 20,000 people took part in the two-day event which showcased handmade artwork and great food on the campus of St. Bernard. School President, Fr. Joel Martin was extremely delighted with the event and praised everyone who pulled together to make it the best one yet!

"We can't thank everyone enough for making the weekend a huge success," Fr. Joel said. "Our parents, students, teachers, alumni and staff give up an entire weekend to volunteer their time to the festival. Without all of the community support, Bloomin' Festival would be impossible.'

While rain moved in and dampened the spirit of the festival on Sunday, the hearts and wallets of artisans were full. Festival Director, Joyce Nix said many of the artisans reported record sales in their history of participating in craft shows. "It's such a wonderful feeling to hear good feedback from participating artist. As I travel around visiting other shows, the ones who participated

are quick to tell me what a wonderful show they had on Saturday and not half-bad day on Sunday in the rain," Nix said.

Students were especially a big help during the weekend. "Our students received high praises for their assistance with unloading merchandise and assisting vendors with tent set-up. They were very polite and enjoyed great conversations with the artists about their work," continued Nix.

St. Bernard wishes to thank our sponsors for helping with promotional work as well as all the media outlets who shared air time with the school. Leaffilter. O.F.Richter & Sons, Cullman Chrysler Dodge, Billy Ray Taylor Auto Sales, Hendon & Huckstein Architects, Jet Pep, Pepsi, Merchants Bank, Richard Electric, Eidson & Associates; Cook's Pest Control, Cullman Jefferson Gas, Wal-Mart Distribution Center, and Regions Bank.

On Sunday at 5 p.m. St. Bernard Prep went Facebook live for the drawing of a 2018 Jeep Renegade and other valuable prizes. The prize winners were as follows: 2018 Jeep Renegade -Susan Thurman of Henderson, KY; Apple iPad was awarded to Jennifer Adams of Lawrenceville, GA; Go Pro Hero Camera was won by Ferne Wlodarski of Huntsville, AL; while a Google Home was claimed by Mark Keech of Muscle Shoals, AL; and the Nine West Ladies Sunglasses were won by James Dillard, Sr. of Hoover, AL.



Bama Blu-Grace To Perform at Second Annual Bernard Blues & BBO

Second Semester **High School Honor Roll**

Honor Roll 12th Grade

Eva Barck Blake Burman Josh Chiodo Anna Faulk Victor Fentanes Lexiss Gallegos Nicholas Gil Gigi Griffin Rosie Mami Duy Nguyen Thao Nguyen Cailin O'Donnell Chanh Pham Elijah Price Andrew Sweenev Olivia Tafazoli Avy Whaley Jesse Xiao

11th Grade Mya Agnello Elliot Deep Fulton Gil David Kim Joey McCarthy Alden Olyniec Emma Pierce Crystal Shi Adrian Smith

10th Grade Lauren Agnello Ella Buckingham Alison Gongre Caleb Gutherv

Daniela Hernandez Jay Kim Lizbeth Medina Lily Nassetta Mai Thy Nguyen Yessenia Pascual-Contreras Jenna Pechon John Christian Rose Emma Tafazoli William Tang Macy Whaley 9th Grade Justin Anders Jackelvn Arteaga Sara Barck Nik Borths David DeJesus Kathleen George Anna Beth Gutherv Alex Lewis Caleb Norman Samantha Stefani Chloe Tombo Merit Roll 12th Grade Irina Biedenstein Michael Bain Clemmons Leo Hsieh

Austin Long

Luke Marti

Sarah Peel

Sid Rivard

Christian Peterson

Angus Wong Luis Zatarain 11th Grade Gracie Loyd Zachary McClain Jacinta Tona Gin Zheng 10th Grade Gabrielle Bennett Olivia Brown Ashley Duke Yadira Echeverria Dee Gann Jordan McCormick Aria McMillan Jongha Park Lluvia Ponce-Marguez Claire Sanders Jimmy Schombura Carly Tombo 9th Grade Aiden Adcock Joseph Arriaga Conor Berry **Daniel Campos** Luis Garcia John David Grey Druss Hays Francis Mami Marianee Pichardo Lupe Ponce-Marquez Isabella Warden

Ben Swalley

Alec von Thuelen



Grand Prize Winner

Abbot Cletus Meager, O.S.B., presents Susan Thurman, Henderson, KY, the keys to the 2018 Jeep Renegade at the 34th Annual Bloomin' Festival Arts and Crafts Fair. Pictured I-r: Fr. Joel Martin, O.S.B, Michael and Susan Thurman, and Abbot Cletus.

St. Bernard SBP 2018 Academic Honors



ART AWARDS (L-R): Abigail Curtis, Luis Sanchez and Kim Gao.

St. Bernard Prep recognized students for their outstanding achievements during the 2017-18 academic year. Congratulations to all!

Aiden Adcock - St. Bernard Fitness Award Lauren Agnello – Outstanding Leadership Concert Band;

National Latin Award-Latin II - Magna Cum Laude Mya Agnello – Outstanding Performance in Church History; Academic Excellence in U.S. History II; Excellence in AP English 11

Rachel Agnello – 8th Grade Spanish Award of Participation; English Class Participation, St. Bernard Fitness Award – Middle School; Outstanding Achievement 8th Grade Religion; Best Class Participation 8th Grade Religion

Jiovany Arriaga Aguilar – 7th Grade Spanish Award of Excellence; Outstanding Achievement in Middle School Art; Middle School St. Bernard Outstanding Fitness Award; Academic Excellence in 7th Grade Math; Best Class Participation 7th Grade Religion

Justin Anders – National Latin Award-Latin I - Magna Cum Laude

Joseph Arriaga - St. Bernard Fitness Award; National Latin Award-Latin I - Cum Laude

Jacklyn Arteaga – Outstanding Leadership Concert Band; National Latin Award-Latin I - Summa Cum Laude Jaya Bahadurshingh – Middle School Choir Most Valuable

Singer Daniel Bamberry - St. Bernard Outstanding Fitness Award

Eva Barck – High School Choir Dedication Award; Academic Excellence in Senior AP English; Outstanding Performance in Government

Sara Barck – Class Participation in Pre-AP English 9; St. Bernard Fitness Award; National Latin Award-Latin I - Maxima Cum Laude

Gabrielle Bennett - Spanish II Award of Commitment Conor Berry – St. Bernard Fitness Award Irina Biedenstein – Hardest Worker in AP Biology

Cole Bissot - Academic Excellence in 7th Grade Math; 7th

Grade Spanish Award of Excellence; Overall Excellence in 7th Grade Civics/Geography; Outstanding Achievement 7th Grade Religion

Nic Borths - National Latin Award - Latin I - Summa Cum Laude

Ella Buckingham – Spanish III Award of Excellence; Academic Excellence in U.S. History I; Excellence in Pre-AP English 10 Arturo Calinao – Middle School Choir Most Valuable Singer Daniel Campos – National Latin Award - Latin I - Cum Laude Logan Crawford – St. Bernard Fitness Award

Caitlyn Cunningham - St. Bernard Fitness Award - Middle

School Abigail Curtis - Spanish II Award of Excellence; Outstanding

Achievement in Art Elliot Deep – Outstanding Performance in AP U.S. History; Outstanding Performance in Church History; National Latin Award - Latin III - Magna Cum Laude

Ashley Duke – Spanish II Commitment and Participation

Yadira Echeverria - Academic Excellence in U.S. History I; Hardest Working in Chemistry; National Latin Award - Latin II -Cum Laude

Claudia Fallin – 8th Grade Spanish Award of Excellence Highest Average in 8th Grade Literature; Excellence in Writing;



CHORAL AWARDS (L-R): Joshua Chiodo, Lexiss Gallegos, John Christian Rose, Jenna Pechon, Olivia Tafazoli, Eva Barck, and in the middle back, Fine Arts Director, Joshua Agnew.

Outstanding Achievement 8th Grade Religion; Outstanding Achievement in Honors Algebra I

Victor Fentanes - Academic Excellence in Senior Honors

English; Outstanding Musician Jazz Band Lexiss Gallegos – High School Choir Most Valuable Bass Singer Dee Gann – National Latin Award - Latin II - Maxima Cum Laude

Kim Gao – Outstanding Achievement in Art Girvin Garcia – St. Bernard Fitness Award Luis Garcia - National Latin Award-Latin I - Cum Laude Natalie Garcia – Academic Excellence in 7th Grade Math; Highest Average in 7th Grade Grammar; Madam President Award in 7th Grade Civics/Geography

Kathleen George – Excellence in Latin I; Excellence in Pre-AP English 9; Academic Excellence in Religious Literature; Honors Biology Highest Average; Highest Average in World History; Outstanding Musician Concert Band; St. Bernard Fitness Award; National Latin Award-Latin I - Summa Cum Laude Kole Gentry - St. Bernard Fitness Award - Middle School



ENGLISH AWARDS First row (L-R): Mai Thy Nguyen, Daniela Hernandez, Emma Tafazoli, Ella Buckingham, Jordan McCormick, Jay Kim, Sara Barck, Anna Beth Guthery, and Kathleen George. Second row (L-R): Olivia Tafazoli, Andrew Sweeney, Thao Nguyen, Leahrose Mami, Genevieve Griffin, Eva Barck, Emma Pierce, and Crystal Shi. Third row (L-R): Luke Marti, Victor Fentanes Barajas, Avy Whaley, Chanh Pham, Alden Olyniec, and David Kim.

Fulton Gil – Outstanding Performance in Church History Katherina Gil – St. Bernard Fitness Award

Alison Gongre – Academic Excellence in U.S. History I; National Latin Award - Latin II - Magna Cum Laude Liz Medina Gonzalez – Spanish IV Award of Excellence and

Leadership John David Grey – National Latin Award - Latin I - Maxima

Cum Laude

Gigi Griffin - Excellence in Latin IV; Most Outstanding Student in AP Calculus BC; Most Outstanding Student in AP Physics C; Academic Excellence in Senior AP English; Outstanding Student in Economics; National Latin Award-Latin III - Summa Cum Laude

Roy Grimmett – St. Bernard Fitness Award – Middle School Rita Guevara - Outstanding Achievement in Art; Outstanding Student in Graphic Arts



LATIN AWARDS First row (L-R): Genevieve Griffin, Alden Olyniec, Daniela Hernandez, Kathleen George, and Anna Beth Guthery.

Anna Beth Guthery – Excellence in Latin I: Excellence in Writing Pre-AP English 9; St. Bernard Fitness Award; National Latin Award - Latin I- Summa Cum Laude **Evehan Hayes** – Academic Excellence in Algebra I (Middle School); Outstanding Musician Beginning Band; St. Bernard

Fitness Award – Middle School **Druss Hays** – St. Bernard Fitness Award **Elizabeth Hazard** – 7th Grade Spanish Award of Participation; Highest Average in 7th Grade Literature; 7th Grade Life Science Hardest Worker; Outstanding Achievement 7th Grade Religion **Daniela Hernandez** – Excellence in Latin II; Academic Excellence in Honors Algebra II; Outstanding Student in Pre-AP Chemistry; Excellence in Pre-AP English 10; National Latin Award - Latin II - Maxima Cum Laude



LATIN EXAM AWARDS First row (L-R): Elliot Deep, Daniela Hernandez, Alison Gongre, Lauren Agnello, Sara Barck, Samantha Stefani, Anna Beth Guthery, and Chloe Tombo. Second row (L-R): Andrew Sweeney, Genevieve Griffin, Yessenia Pascual-Contreras, Kathleen George, Marianee Pichardo, Justin Anders, Joshua Swalley, and Luis Garcia. Third row (L-R): Alden Olyniec, Joseph McCarthy, John Christian Rose, Jackelyn Arteaga, Richard Dee Gann, Nikolas Borths, and James Schomburg.

Jacob Hib - St. Bernard Fitness Award - Middle School; Best Class Participation 7th Grade Religion Jonah Hib - St. Bernard Fitness Award - Middle School Riley Holmes - 8th Grade Spanish Highest Average Joseph Keith - 8th Grade Spanish Award of Commitment; Outstanding Achievement in Middle School Art; Overall Excellence in 8th Grade Literature; Highest Average in Religions Josh Kennedy – 8th Grade Spanish Award of Perseverance; Most Improved in 8th Grade Religion

David Kim - Outstanding Performance in Church History; Academic Excellence in U.S. History II; Outstanding Student in AP Physics I; Excellence in Honors English 11

Helen Kim – Most Outstanding Student in Honors Algebra I Jay Kim – Achievement in Honors English 10

Chloe Lambert - Academic Excellence in 7th Grade Math; Highest Average in 7th Grade Literature

Grace LeBlanc – Outstanding Achievement in Middle School Art Gracie Loyd – Spanish II Award of Commitment

Arlene Maldonado - Outstanding Achievement in Art

Francis Mami - National Latin Award - Latin I - Magna Cum Laude

Rosie Mami - Academic Excellence in Senior AP English; Outstanding Performance in Government; Outstanding Student in Economics



MATHEMATICS AWARDS First Row (L-R): Mai Thy Nguyen, Caleb Norman, Olivia Tafazoli, Daniela Hernandez, and Gigi Griffin. Second Row (L-R): William Tang, Helen Kim, Alden Olyniec, and Emma Tafazoli.

Luke Marti – Academic Excellence in Senior Honors English **Joseph McCarthy** – Outstanding Performance in AP U.S. History; Outstanding Performance in Church History; National Latin Award - Latin III - Magna Cum Laude Zachary McClain – Outstanding Achievement in Art Jordan McCormick – Spanish IV Award of Commitment and Discipline; Achievement in Honors English 10 Aria McMillan - Spanish III Award of Leadership & Participation Jorja Meiners – St. Bernard Fitness Award

Brayam Morales - Outstanding Leadership Beginning Band Lilly Nassetta – Spanish II Award of Discipline Thao Nguyen – Academic Excellence in Senior AP English; Outstanding Performance in Government; AP Biology Highest Average; Outstanding Student in Anatomy and Physiology; Outstanding Student in All Life Sciences



PHYSICAL EDUCATION AWARDS First Row (L-R): Kathleen George, Sara Barck, and Jorja Meiners. Second Row (L-R): Anna Beth Guthery, Chloe Tombo, and Daniel Bamberry.



DORM LEADERS First Row (L-R): Duy Nguyen, Christian Peterson, Austin Long, Lexiss Gallegos, Thy Mai Nguyen, Thao Nguyen, and Gigi Griffin. Second Row (L-R): Andrew Sweeney, David Kim, Josh Spitzer, Ben Swalley, Crystal Shi, Ella Buckingham, and Aria McMillan.

Thy Mai Nguyen – Spanish III Award of Commitment; Academic Excellence in U.S. History I; Excellence in Pre-AP English 10; Most Outstanding Student in Pre-AP Precalculus Brian Nolasco - Aranda Outstanding Leadership Beginning Band

Caleb Norman – Hardest Worker in Honors Biology; Outstanding Leadership Concert Band; Most Outstanding Student in Honors Geometry



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SCIENCE AWARDS First Row (L-R): Thao Nguyen, irina Biedenstein, Caleb Norman, and Kathleen George. Second Row (L-R): Daniela Hernandez, Gigi Griffin, Alden Olyniec, and David Kim.

Alden Olyniec - Excellence in Latin III; Most Outstanding student in AP Calculus AB; Outstanding Student in AP Chemistry; Outstanding Student in AP Physics I; Outstanding Student in All Physical Sciences; Excellence in AP English 11; Outstanding Musician Concert Band; National Latin Award -Latin III - Maxima Cum Laude

Lee Osborne – Most Improved in 7th Grade Religion Jongha Park - Spanish I Award of Excellence; Most Improved Beginning Band

Yessi Pascual - National Latin Award - Latin II - Summa Cum Laude



SOCIAL STUDIES AWARDS First Row (L-R): Alison Gongre, Andrew Sweeney, Rosie Mami, Olivia Tafazoli, Kathleen George, and Thao Nguyen. Second Row (L-R): Thy Mai Nguyen, Rita Guevara, Emma Pierce, Elliot Deep, Gigi Griffin, and Eva Barck. Third Row (L-R): Ella Buckingham, Jesse Xiao, David Kim, Joey McCarthy, Ben Swalley, and Emma Tafazoli.

David Pascual - Contreras - Outstanding Achievement in Middle School Art

Jenna Pechon - High School Choir Most Valuable Alto Singer; Spanish II Award of Excellence

John Pechon – 8th Grade Spanish Award of Discipline; Outstanding Achievement in Middle School Art; English Class Participation; Outstanding Student in 8th Grade Physical Science; Future Historian Award in 8th Grade History; Outstanding Achievement 8th Grade Religion; Best Class Participation 8th Grade Religion

Chanh Pham – Academic Excellence in Senior AP English Marianee Pichardo - National Latin Award - Latin I - Maxima Cum Laude

Emma Pierce – Outstanding Performance in Church History; Excellence in AP English 11

Lluvia Ponce - National Latin Award - Latin II - Magna Cum Laude

Ethan Powell - St. Bernard Fitness Award - Middle School John Christian Rose – High School Choir Most Valuable Tenor Singer; National Latin Award - Latin II - Magna Cum Laude Nic Ruse - Academic Excellence in 7th Grade Math; 7th Grade Life Science Highest Average; Outstanding Achievement 7th Grade Religion

Luis Sanchez – Outstanding Achievement in Art Sophia Scott - Most Improved Student in 8th Grade Physical Science

Crystal Shi – Excellence in Honors English 11 Jimmy Schomburg - National Latin Award - Latin II - Maxima Cum Laude

Priscilla Silva - St. Bernard Fitness Award - Middle School Hailey Snapp – Spanish I Award of Excellence Josh Spitzer - Outstanding Achievement in Art



SPANISH AWARDS First Row (L-R): Brian Nolasco, Thy Mai Nguyen, Aria McMillan, and Ella Buckingham. Second Row (L-R): Jordan McCormick, Abigail Curtis, Jenna Pechon, and Jongha Park.

Samantha Stefani - National Latin Award - Latin I - Magna Cum Laude

Allison Stidham – Highest Average in 7th Grade Grammar; Overall Excellence in 7th Grade Civics/Geography; Outstanding Achievement 7th Grade Religion

Ben Swalley - Outstanding Student in Graphic Arts; Most Improved Jazz Band

Joseph Swalley - National Latin Award - Latin I - Cum Laude Andrew Sweeney - Academic Excellence in Senior AP English; Outstanding Performance in Government; National Latin Award-Latin III - Maxima Cum Laude

Emma Tafazoli - Most Outstanding Student in Pre-AP Algebra II; Academic Excellence in U.S. History I; Outstanding Student in Pre-AP Chemistry; Excellence in Pre-AP English 10; Outstanding Student in Graphic Arts

Olivia Tafazoli – High School Choir Most Valuable Soprano Singer; Academic Excellence in Senior AP English; Outstanding Performance in Government; Academic Excellence in Algebra III; Outstanding Student in Economics; Outstanding Student in Graphic Arts

William Tang – Most Outstanding Student in Pre-AP Precalculus Chloe Tombo – St. Bernard Fitness Award; National Latin Award-Latin I - Maxima Cum Laude

Francisco Tona - Class Participation in Honors English 9; St. Bernard Fitness Award

Jacinta Tona - Outstanding Achievement in Art; Highest Average in U.S. History II

Peter Tran - Outstanding Achievement in Middle School Art Isabella Warden – National Latin Award - Latin I - Cum Laude Piper Watson – Academic Excellence in 8th Grade Pre-Algebra; Overall Excellence in 8th Grade History; Outstanding Musician Concert Band (Middle School); Outstanding Achievement 8th Grade Religion

Avey Whaley - Academic Excellence in Senior AP English;

Outstanding Leadership Jazz Band Campbel Whaley – 8th Grade Spanish Award of Leadership; Highest Average in 8th Grade Literature; Outstanding Achievement 8th Grade Religion

Macy Whaley - Most Improved Concert Band

Mollie Woods – 8th Grade Spanish Highest Average Jose Zatarain – St. Bernard Fitness Award – Middle School Jessie Xiao - Outstanding Student in Graphic Arts



BAND AWARDS First row (L-R): Brayam Morales, Macy Whaley, Jackelyn Arteaga, and Kathleen George. Second row (L-R): Benjamin Swalley, Caleb Norman, Jongha Park, and Alden Olyniec. Third row (L-R): Brian Nolasco-Aranda, Avy Whaley, and Victor Fentanes Barajas.

st. Bernard Sponnes SBP Students Honored

Christian Service Award is the highest nonacademic award that Saint Bernard Preparatory School can bestow upon a student. Those nominated for the award were of outstanding character, striving to live according to the difficult way of Christ. The award recognizes a life characterized by Christian love shown through one's daily good example of true selflessness, working for the good of individuals and the community - of being a person for others. Important qualities: goodness of character, behavior; respect shown to all people; volunteers time, talent.



Eva Barck presented Christian Service Award by Fr. Bede Marcy



National Merit Scholarship Finalists Andrew Sweeney, Fr. Linus Klucarits, Genevieve Griffin



l Chamber of Commerce Award

Elliot Deep and Emma Pierce are recent graduates of the 2017-18 Youth Leadership Class offered by the Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce.



Andrew Sweeney Awarded Scholarship

Pictured with Sweeney are from left Fr. Joel Martin, Deacon Tim Vaughn, and Coach William Calvert.

Sweeney Awarded Bryant-Jordan Scholarship

St. Bernard Preparatory School's Andrew Sweeney was recently awarded a \$3,000.00 Scholarship at the 33rd Annual Bryant-Jordan Banquet held on April 9 in the Sheraton Ballroom at the Civic Center, Birmingham, AL.

The Bryant-Jordan Foundation and the Alabama Sports Hall of Fame are the co-sponsors for the awards ceremony each year. The foundation is named in honor of the legendary Alabama and Auburn football coaches, Paul "Bear" Bryant and Ralph "Shug" Jordan. Applicants are selected on the basis of athletic and academic excellence as well as perseverance under difficult circumstances.

Sweeney was one of 104 student athletes from the Alabama High School Athletic Association member schools (1A-7A) to be honored at the banquet. The AHSAA Executive Director, Steve Savarese, began the evening by saying, "These 104 student athletes are the best-of-the-best that our state has to offer. They are tomorrow's leaders. They were chosen from more than 150,000 athletes that participate in AHSAA athletics each year."

Andrew was nominated by St. Bernard Athletic Director and Cross Country / Track Coach William Calvert, with supporting letters from Father Joel Martin and Coach Deacon Tim Vaughn.

Sweeney is the 2017 1A -2A State Cross Country Champion and state record holder. He is currently ranked number one in the state 2A track rankings for the 1600 meter and 3200 meter runs. Sweeney is ranked in the top three for GPA in the SBP senior class and has scored a 33 on his ACT. A National Merit Scholar, Sweeney was awarded an academic and athletic scholarship to the University of Alabama at Huntsville. He will be continuing his running career as a member of the UAH Charger Cross Country / Track program.

Andrew is the nephew of his guardians, Mark and Jane Sweeney of Huntsville.

St. Bernard Reunion Alumni Gather June 21-24

More than 250 alumni from across the United States made their way back to St. Bernard to celebrate the annual Alumni Reunion held in Cullman, Alabama, on the last full weekend in June. On Thursday evening, June 21 alumni golfers gathered for a golf reception sponsored in part by Kassouf & Company and Richard Electric in the Brahma Room. Thirty golfers readied themselves

for the course at Chesley Oaks with an early tee time on Friday morning. Though the forecast called for heavy rain, Friday began bright and sunny and remained so until early afternoon. With a shotgun start at 8:00 am, all teams were able to complete their rounds by early afternoon. Winners were announced during the luncheon sponsored by First Community Bank and ADS Security that followed the tournament. The team members of Jack Voelmle, Joe Cunius, John Tiesing and Paul Smith were the overall winners of the golf scramble tournament with the team of Charlie Maples, Ricky Bowling and Ottis Fairbanks coming in second.

Friday evening a social was held in the St. Bernard Abbey Byre where a buffet dinner was served. The overflow crowd enjoyed the evening despite the sound of tornado sirens as storms passed through the northern part of Cullman county.

Though rain and storms continued much of the day on Saturday, it did not dampen the spirit of the Saints on campus. Rising for an early start at 7:00 am, a small group of alumni participated in the 5K walk/run along the trails in the St. Bernard forests. Later that morning, many alumni took advantage of the free admission to see Ave Maria Grotto.

At 11:00 am, Fr. Marcus Voss and Abbot Cletus Meagher held a Town Hall Meeting in the Swisher Classroom Building. After the Headmaster, Fr. Linus Klucsarits, was introduced to the alumni, he gave a brief report of the activities of the school during the recent academic year. Following his report, Fr. Marcus gave an update on the various projects underway on the campus this summer. These included the restoration of the Quad located at the center of the campus, as well as the upgrade to the campus WiFi System. Abbot Cletus concluded the meeting by speaking about the growth of the monastic community and the upcoming ordination of Br. Bernard to priestly orders.

After lunch, an Irish Wake was held at 2:00 pm in the Abbey Byre to celebrate the life of Br. Augustine Campion, who died last September 8, 2017. Br. Augustine, who made monastic vows in 1964, was in integral part of St. Bernard having served as the St. Bernard Post Master, a college Dorm Director and manager of Ave Maria Grotto. John King, college class of 1973, helped to organize the event and served as the master of ceremonies. After a short video recounting the events of Br. Augustine's life, many alumni shared their memories of him during their years at St. Bernard.

Mass was celebrated in the Abbey Church at 5:30 pm with Abbot Cletus serving as the main celebrant. During his homily, he thanked the alumni for their dedication and support to their Alma Mater.

Immediately after Mass, the annual Alumni Reception and Dinner was held in the St. Bernard Dining Hall. Catered by Flik School Dining, the dinner was served by the young monks of St. Bernard Abbey. In his remarks after the meal, Fr. Marcus said, "Wonderful things are happening at St. Bernard, needed improvements are being made, and plans are being made for the future – in many ways, all this is possible because of you who are our alumni. Thank you for your financial support to us. Because of you, St. Bernard can look forward to a strong and healthy future."

support to us. Because of you, St. Bernard can look forward to a strong and healthy future." Special recognitions concluded the evening. Special lapel pins where presented to the members of the High School Class of 1958 who were celebrating their 60th anniversary. Members of the College Class of 1968, who had 35 members in attendance, were presented pins recognizing the celebration of their 50th anniversary this year. And the Prep School Class of 1993 also received pins recognizing their 25th anniversary.

A highlight of the evening was the recognition of the members of the 1968 basketball team who won the Alabama Collegiate Conference (ACC) Championship during the 1968 season. Fr. Marcus called the team forward and presented to them the same trophy they had won at their championship game. With almost the entire team present, Joe LeMieux served as their spokesman and called each member forward to tell their own personal story. Joe Franey, their assistant coach under Coach Charlie Richard, was also present and added his memory of the events of those days. At the conclusion, the team led the assembled alumni in a rousing rendition of "O When the Saints



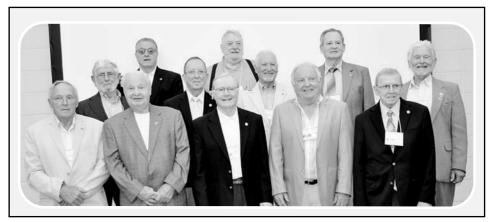
Class of 1968

Front row (I-r): Jim Troy, John Wojcik, Chuck Rae, Pat Foster, Bill Smith, Michael Doyle, Douglas Breeckner, Paul Fracchia and Frank Morello. Middle row (I-r) Fred Schelver, Leo Finn, Chick Loftus, Nick Marinelli, Tony Morris, Tom Quinlivan, Lou Gana, Larry Lenzi, Shawn Hickey, Manny Martinez, Phil Hill, Bob Bennett, and John Adair. Back row (I-r): Joe Lemieux, Mario Monte, Gerald Johnson, Jim Arban, Bob O'Connor and Bob Donahue.

Go Marching In."

After the dinner, alumni gathered for class photos in the Brahma Room, and reminisced about their "good ole days at St. Bernard."

St. Bernard annually hosts its Alumni Reunion and invites all alumni to mark their calendars for next year's reunion which will be held the weekend of June 27 - 30, 2019.



Class of 1958

Front Row (I-r): Paul Boike, Robert Christy, Bob Keighery, Phil Cabri, and Michael Duffy. Back row (I-r): James Richmond, Martin Poe, Jim Alexander, Richard Frassrand, Weir Alexander, Richard Barbieri, and Ken Friedrich.



ACC 1968 Champs

(L-R) Ralph Stanfield, Chick Loftus, Paul Gomulinski, John Kreger, Gerald Johnson, Mario Monte, Roddy Morgan, Don Laney, Dale Hardiman, Dennis Meinert, and Joe Lemieux.



Class of 1998

(L-R) Nate Cunningham, Craig Williams, Gene Saab, Jason Meikus, Daniel Hutchinson and Kevin Fortner.

St. Bernard Prep Spring Sports Highlights

By Coach Willliam Calvert Soccer - The St. Bernard Boys Soccer Team coached by Mike Clemmons and Randall Walker won the 1A-3A Area 7 Championship by finishing a perfect 8-0 in area games. It was the first area championship for the Saints in 15 years. The Saints advanced to the "Elite 8" in the state play-offs by defeating Elkmont at

home 3-1 before falling to perennial state power Altamont 4-0 on the road. The Saints finished with an overall record of 12-4-1. Top players for the Saints included leading scorer Christian Peterson with 23 goals and Michael Bain Clemmons with 19 goals and 19 assists. SBP scored 67 goals on the season. John Christian Rose and goal keeper Anthony Diaz. (65 saves)

led the defense, holding opponents to

only 15 goals for the season. The girls soccer team coached by John Drake and Katie Clemmons was very young with many sophomores, Freshmen and 8th graders playing major roles. The girls improved tremendously and played a lot of close games losing by 1 goal on several occasions. The Lady Saints were led by leading scorers Dani Hernandez, Yessi Pascual, Bridget Gallegos and defenseman Emma Tafazoli.

Tennis - The Boys Tennis team coached by Roger Pierce advanced to the State 1A-3A State Tournament for the 2nd straight year. Winning matches in the state tournament were William Tang, David Kim and David Yi.

The much improved girls tennis team won their first ever area match over Lindsey Lane 5-4.

Baseball - Coach Tyler Ayers Baseball Saints had a tough year on the scoreboard but laid the foundation for good things to come. The team roster consisted of no seniors, only two juniors and several junior high players. The boys improved and played with enthusiasm throughout the season. Leading hitter and pitcher for the Saints was Gavin Whaley, an All-Area selection.

Track and Field - The Girls Track team provided a great finish to the spring sports season by winning the runner up trophy at the 2A State Track Meet held at Cullman High School on May 4th and 5th. The Lady Saints scored 79 points, 12 points ahead of 3rd place Lafayette. Altamont won the meet with 109. Senior Leahrose Mami led the way for the Lady Saints with an incredible 4 gold medals worth 40 points. She won first place in the 1600m (5:34), 3200m (12:14), and 800m (2:29) runs. She also anchored the 1st place 4 x 800m Relay. Gracie Loyd scored some big-time points by winning a bronze medal in the 100m hurdles (16.79). She also placed 4th in the long jump, 5th in the triple jump and 6th in the 200m dash. Claire Sanders placed 3rd in the 800m run (2:35) and ran a leg on the first place 4 x 800m relay along with Adrian Smith, Eva Barck and Leahrose Mami (10:52) . Senior Anna Faulk won a bronze

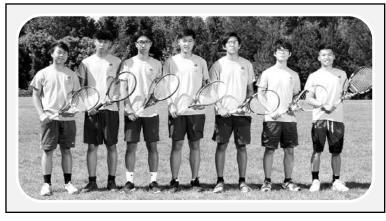
medal in the pole vault with a vault of 8'6'. She also finished 8th place in the 300 hurdles. Ashley Duke placed 5th in the javelin and 8th in the discus. Eva Barck was 8th in the 3200m run.

The boys track team had a great state meet, placing 5th overall with 53 points. The Saints were state runners up in 2017 and state champions in 2016. Senior Andrew Sweeney finished his high school career in style with three gold medals and one bronze medal. He won the 3200m (10:18) and 1600m (4:35) runs and placed 3rd in the 800m (2:03) run. Sweeney teamed up with Caleb Guthery, Joseph McCarthy and Joseph Arriaga to win the 4 x 800m relay (8:46) as well. Senior Elijah Price won gold in the high jump with a leap of 6'2. Caleb Guthery placed 6th in the 1600m run.

The track and field coaches are William Calvert, Sean Moriarty and Tim Vaughn.



Tennis Girls Left to right: Kim Gao, Marianee Pichardo, Helen Alex Lewis, Helen Kim, Crystal Shi, Kathleen George, Ella Buckingham.



Tennis Boys Left to right: Duy Nguyen, David Yi, David Kim, William Tang, Angus Wong, Gin Zheng, Chanh Pham.



Baseball Left to right back row: Coach Ayers, Aaiyden Hayes, Evehan Hayes, Campbel Whaley, Gavin Whaley, Logan Crawford, Thomas Fortson, John Pechon, Coach Calinao. Front row: Daniel Campos, Ethan Powell, Jiovany Arriaga, Aiden Adcock, Arturo Bonilla Calinao, Kole Gentry, Jose Zatarain Orona.



Diamond Dolls Left to right: Gabrielle Bennett, Claudia Fallin, Emma Pierce, Ashley Morris



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Soccer Boys Left to right back row: Coach Walker, Carson Holmes, Jongha Park, James Alexander Shoaff, Christian Peterson, Luis Anthony Diaz, Alec von Thuelen, John Christian Rose, Michael Bain Clemmons, Coach Clemmons. Front row: Lexiss Gallegos, Daniel Bamberry, Joshua Swalley, Fulton Gil, Jose Zatarain Orona, Jay Kim, Gary Contreras.



JV Soccer Boys Left to right back row: Coach Bissot, Joshua Swalley, David Pascual-Contreras, Luis Garcia, Jongha Park, Gary Contreras, Coach Clemmons. Front row: Ethan Powell, Cole Bissot, Daniel Bamberry, Enrique Gutierrez, Jiovany Arriaga.



Soccer Girls

Left to right back row: Piper Watson, Lauren Agnello, Daniela Hernandez, Irina Biedenstein, Emma Tafazoli, Olivia Brown, Helen Kim, Rachael Agnello, Priscila Silva, Coach Clemmons. Front row: Mya Agnello, Aria McMillan, Bridget Gallegos, Hailey Marie Snapp, Jaya Bahadursingh, Carly Tombo, Chloe Tombo, Yessenia Pascual-Contreras.

2018 St. Bernard Prep Spring Athletic Honors

Joseph Arriaga – Boys Track 2A State Champion 4 x 800m Relay

Eva Barck - Girls Track Senior Award -6 years; Girls Track 2A State Champions 4 x 800m Relay Irina Biedenstein - Girls Soccer Senior Award Olivia Brown - Girls Soccer Most Valuable Player Ella Buckingham – Best Team Performance in Doubles Daniel Campos - Baseball Coach's Award Josh Chiodo – Boys Track Senior Award -3 Years Michael Bain Clemmons Boys Soccer Silver Boot Award (19 Assists & 12 Goals); Boys Soccer #10 Senior Award-Varsity Soccer- 6 years; Team Captain 3 years; Silver Boot Award 4 years; Career Goals-33; and Career Assists - 66. Anthony Diaz – Boys Soccer Golden Glove Award (65 Saves & 7 Shut-Outs) Anna Faulk – Girls Track

Senior Award - 6 years; Class 2A Track and Field, 1st Place Pole Vault

Bridget Gallegos - Girls Soccer Silver Boot Award (5 goals) Lexiss Gallegos – Boys Soccer Senior Award #9- Varisty Soccer - 2 years; Team Captain - 1 year; Career Goals - 11 and Career Assists – 3. **Kim Gao** – Girls Tennis – Most Improved Player Caleb Guthery - Boys Track 2A State Champion 4 x 800m Relay Dani Hernandez - Girls Soccer - Captains Award; Girls Soccer Silver Boot Award (5 goals); Girls Soccer Bronze Booth Award (3 assists) **David Kim** – Boys Tennis – Best State Tournament Performance Alex Lewis - Girls Tennis-Leadership Award Gracie Loyd – Girls Track Most Outstanding Performer – Field Events; Class 2A Track & Field 1st Place Long Jump

Leahrose Mami - Girls Track-Most Outstanding Performer; Girls Track Senior Award - 6 years; Girls Track 2A State Champions 4 x 800m Relay; 1st Place (800 Meter Run, 1600 Meter Run, and 3200 Run) and the Luke Fazi Award Joseph McCarthy – Boys Track 2A State Champion 4 x 800m Relay

Duy Nguyen - Boys Tennis -Leadership Award Christian Peterson - Boys Soccer Golden Boot Award (23 Goals & 2 Assists); Boys Soccer Senior Award #15 – Varsity Soccer- 4years; Team Captain – 1 year; Golden Boot Award – 3 years; Career Goals -51; and Career Assists - 8; Boys Track Senior Award – 2 years; and the Luke Fazi Award **Chanh Pham** – Boys Tennis Most Valuable Player Elijah Price – Boys Track Most Outstanding Performer-Field Events; Boys Track Senior Award – 2 years; Class 2A Track & Field 1st Place High Jump John Christian Rose - Boys Soccer Most Valuable Defensive Player

Luis Sanchez – Boys Soccer Senior Award #18 – Varsity Soccer – 1 Year Claire Sanders – Girls Track 2A State Champions 4 x 800m Relay Crystal Shi – Girls Tennis – Best Team Performance in Doubles; Girls Tennis - Most Valuable Player Adrian Smith – Girls Track 2A State Champions 4 x 800m Relay Andrew Sweeney – Boys Track Most Outstanding Performer -Running Events; Boys Track



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Luke Fazi Award

Leahrose Mami, Christian Peterson

Senior Award - 4 years; Boys Track 2A State Champion 4 x 800m Relay; 1st Place 1600 Meter Run and 3200 Meter Run Emma Tafazoli – Girls Soccer – Captains Award; Girls Soccer-Most Valuable Player; Girls Soccer Silver Boot Award (5 goals)

Senior Award #23 - Varsity Soccer - 3 years; Career Goals -3; and Career Assists - 1 **David Yi** – Boys Tennis – Best Gin Zheng – Boys Tennis Most

Most Valuable Player Improved Player

Alec von Thuelen – Boys Soccer

Gavin Whaley - Baseball -State Tournament Performance

Loyd named "Athlete of the Week"

Congratulations to SBP track team runner Gracie Loyd for being named "The Cullman Times Athlete of the Week" for her performances at the Cold Springs April Fools Invitational and the Corner Invitational. At the Cold springs Invite, she scored first place finishes in the 100 and 200 meter dashes as well as the long jump. She also took 2nd place in the triple jump setting a new SBP record. The girls team won first place over 19 other schools. At Corner she had a 2nd place in long jump and 4th place in the 200 m dash, setting new SBP records in both events. The girls took first place over 19 schools at Corner

Andrew Sweeney and Leahrose Mami received strong consideration for the award as well according to the Cullman Times Sports editor Jake Winfrey. Andrew earned first place finishes in the 3200 meter, and 4 x 800 meter relay at Cold Springs. He also claimed 4 first place finishes at Corner - 3200m, 1600m, 800m, and 4 x 800m relay. The boys team finished a respectable 4th place out of 20 schools at both meets.

Leahrose Mami raced to 4 first place finishes at Cold Springs - 1600m, 3200m, 4 x 400m relay and 4 x 800m relay. She won four races again at Corner - 800m, 1600m, 3200m, and 4 x 800m relay, leading the girls to the team titles in both meets.



Gracie Loyd



Track Girls Left to right back row: Coach Calvert, Gracie Loyd, Claire Sanders, Ashley Duke, Macy Whaley, Jenna Pechon, Kathleen George, Isabella Warden, Coach Moriarty. Front row: Caitlin Cunningham, Sara Barck, Leahrose Mami, Anna Faulk, Eva Barck, Lizbeth Medina, Adrian Smith.

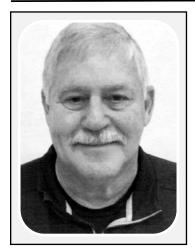


Track Boys Left to right back row: Coach Calvert, Leo Hsieh, Nicholas Gil, John Christian Rose, Joseph McCarthy, Elijah Price, Christian Peterson, John-David Grey, Blake Burman, Caleb Guthery, Coach Moriarty. Front row: Joshua Chiodo, Thomas Ian Sidley, Nikolas Borths, Joseph Arriaga, Francisco Tona, Francis Mami, Andrew Sweeney, Justin Anders, David DeJesus.

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Congratulations



Windell Calloway Windell Calloway (C'74) was inducted into the Cullman County Sports Hall of Fame at its annual banquet held on April 28, 2018 at the Cullman Civic Center. For 30 years, Windell coached basketball, football, track and baseball at Fairview High School. He also initiated the first cross country team at Fairview High School. After retiring from Fairview High School, he accepted the position of Assistant Basketball Coach at St. Bernard Prep School.

Donald Reid (C'70) was inducted into the Cullman County Sports Hall of Fame at its annual banquet held at the Cullman Civic Center on April 28, 2018. At Holly Pond High School and Calhoun Junior College, Donald had a stellar carrier on the track team, excelling in pole vault, javelin throw, broad jump, high jump and



Donald Reid

triple jump. He received a baseball scholarship from St. Bernard College where he played in the outfield and batted in the lead off position under the watchful eye of Coach Charlie Richard.

Will Thornton (PS'2010-11) attends Beacon College and is majoring in Anthrozoology.

Wren Thornton (PS'16) is attending the University of North Alabama and is majoring in Social Work.



Mr. & Mrs. Terry Wendel Laura (Prouhet) (PS '08) and Terry Wendel were married on April 7, 2018 at St. Bernard Abbey Church. Fr. Joel Martin officiated the ceremony. The couple resides in Ackworth, GA.

Weddings



Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Cross

Emily Wells (PS '05) and Joseph Cross were married on May 5th, 2018 at Saint Paul's Catholic Church in Pensacola, FL. Father Joel Martin presided over the ceremony. The couple resides in Pensacola where Emily is a pediatric pharmacist at the Studer Family Children's Hospital and Joseph is an IT consultant for Onix, a company based out of Cleveland, OH.

Brigid (Russell) (PS '08) and Karl Rauch were married on June 11, 2018 in Ireland on the Cliffs of Moher.



Jenna and Tyler Welch

Jena (Hallmark) Welch (PS '06) graduated from Samford University with a Master's Degree in the field of Family Nurse Practitioner on May 4th, 2018. She resides in Birmingham with her husband Tyler.

Boys Dorm Director Passes

St. Bernard Prep students were saddened at the loss of their Director of Residential Life and Boys Dorm Director, Rock Christopher Turner. A graduate of John Carrol High School in Birmingham and St. Louis University, Rock was a devoted Catholic, who spent his life dedicated to the lives of young people. His motto was "Carpe Diem," Seize the Day. Indeed he lived life to the fullest and was a mentor to young people all over the U.S. and around the world. The wonderful effect of his life will endure for generations to come. He loved his family and was a joy to everyone who knew him

Before arriving at St. Bernard as boys dorm director three years ago, Rock had served for some years in a similar position at

Pendergrass Children

another Benedictine school in Atchison, Kansas, Maur Hill -Mount Academy. Preceded in death by his mother, and his grandmother, He is survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends stretching across three continents, but Rock's second home, after the boys dorm at St. Bernard, was with his sister Michelle McClinton and her husband and their son and daughter in his hometown, Birmingham.

Rock Turner's Funeral Mass was held on April 26, 2018, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Ensley, his family's parish. The Mass was celebrated by Fr. Joel Martin, O.S.B., president of St. Bernard Prep; and he was buried at nearby Forest Grove Cemetery. Most of the boys of his dorm were able to be present to pray for the "father" of their dorm, and to thank God for a man who worked hard that they would live happy, responsible lives, being the best version of themselves.



Rock Turner

New Arrivals

and Allen MacDonald announce the birth of their daughter, Abigail Marie MacDonald who was born on April 9, 2018. Abigail weighed 8lbs 1.4oz and measured 21 inches. The MacDonald family lives in Chesapeake, Virginia.

Amanda (Daniel) (PS '99) and Jason Pendergrass announce the birth of their daughter Sadie Lanier Pendergrass who was born February 12, 2018 weighing 7lbs 4 ounces and measured 19 inches long. She joins her siblings Anna Lynn and Thomas Pendergrass at their home in Demopolis, AL.

Cristy (Castillo) (PS '02) and Chris Branch, along with big sister, Cory are very pleased to welcome Cathryn Marie to their family. She was born on May 17 weighing 6lbs 4 oz and was 19 1/4 in long. They currently reside in Madison, AL.



Cathryn Marie Branch



In Memoriam

Paul James Acerra, 94, passed away April 24, 2018. He was a retired Captain with the Memphis Police Department, Detective Division, a United States Navy Veteran having served during WW II on the submarine tender Euryale and the submarine Cavalla in the South Pacific.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Paul and Jeanette Acerra; sisters, Mary Frances Acerra Lovell and Margaret Acerra Dries; brothers, Bishop Angelo (Tom) Acerra,O.S.B., and Jack Acerra. He is survived by many nieces and nephews.

William "Bill" Baune (HS'60) passed away on Monday, June 11, 2018, at the age of 75. Bill was a design engineer and was a resident of Huntsville, Alabama at the time of passing. He is preceded in death by his wife, Kathy Haughn. He is survived by his step-son, John Haughn (PS'84-85).

Thomas John Curtin, Sr., a long-time benefactor of St. Bernard, passed away on June 9, 2018, after a long, hardfought battle with cancer. A native of Waukon, Iowa, Tom joined the Air Force after high school and served during the Vietnam War. Upon receiving his Bachelor's Degree from the University of Alabama, he began his career in the insurance business. In 1982, Tom co-partnered to form Cooney, Rikard & Curtin. CRC rose to be one of the leading wholesale insurance brokerage firms in the U.S. before being sold to BB&T in 2002. Tom's humanitarian career was just as impressive as his professional one. Over the years, he served on countless boards and worked tirelessly to serve the needs of others. Tom will be lovingly remembered by his wife of over 42 years, Susan and his children Peter, Thomas (Laddawan) and Will. Tom will also be fondly remembered by his siblings Kathy Cope (Don), Judy Dicken (Dave), Dan (Jenni), Don (Cindy) and Ann Marie Curtin (Steve Blatnik) as well as numerous nieces and nephews

William "Billy" Derrick (JC'50), who was born in Nashville, on 10/10/1929, passed away on May 18, 2018. After he graduated from Fr. Ryan High School, he attended St. Bernard Junior College before enrolling at Middle Tennessee State University. He received his M.A. from Peabody College. He was a commissioned officer in the Army during the Korean War. He was a lifetime teacher and coach for over 50 years, with 27 at Fr. Ryan. He was a devout Catholic and parishioner of Christ the King, St. Matthew and then St. Henry Catholic Churches. He was a member of TSSAA Hall of Fame, Tennessee Fellowship of Christian Athletes and an inaugural member of the Tennessee Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame. He is survived by his wife, Connie of 64 years and his children Mary Ray, Ann (Clarence) Strode, Theresa (Sam) Andrews, Margaret

(Frank) Simpson, John (Kim) Derrick, Ruthie (Scott) Glover, Daughterin-law, Janie Derrick, and 45 grandchildren and 45 great-grandchildren.

Larry Charles DeWine (C'63) age 76, died on the birthday of his first child, Jennifer, June 5, 2018. He grew up in Knoxville, TN, and came to St. Bernard College where he received his Bacholor's Degree in 1963. He married Kathy Wilbanks DeWine on Labor Day,



Larry Dewine

1963. Throughout his life, he enjoyed a happy career in the education and healthcare fields including the years he was the Public Relations and Admissions Director of St. Bernard College. Over the years, Larry was a member of three parishes in Knoxville: Holy Ghost Catholic Church, Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, and the Cathedral of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, all in Knoxville. Since retirement, he had been, until recently, a daily communicant. Larry is survived by his beloved wife, Kathy, and his children, Jennifer Borek (Brian), John DeWine (Vanna), Kathryn Perry (David), and David DeWine (Mary Susan), as well as 10 grandchildren.

Opal Montez Hart Hardiman, age 98, a lifelong resident of Trafford AL, passed away on June 4th, 2018. She was born on December 27th, 1919 to Joseph and Mary Hart in Niota, Alabama. She took pride in being a mother, while being employed in various positions over her lifetime to help support her family. She was a wonderful cook, gardener, lover of animals, and a member of Elvester Baptist Church. Opal was the proud mother and basically a single parent of six sons. She was considered the matriarch of her family and embodied all of the qualities of an outstanding mother who always thought of others. A beloved mother, grandmother, great grandmother, great-great grandmother, and aunt, she is survived by her sons, Bobby (Jane) of Trafford, Tony (Carole Jo) of Tallahassee, Dennis (Gail) of Buford, Dale (C'69) (Xonnie) of Hayden, Kirby (C'72) (Rhonda) of Warrior. In addition, she is survived by thirteen grandchildren, twenty four great grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren, along with numerous cherished nieces, nephews, and friends.

Elizabeth M Kelly of Morristown, New Jersey, died on April 7th 2018 at the age 94. She was predeceased by her husband John L. Kelly and her son William (Billy) Kelly (C'77). She is survived by her sons Kevin Wm. Kelly (C'68), John L. Kelly Jr. (C'76), and Paul Joseph Kelly as well as her daughters Karin Kelly-Weisert (C'75) and Maura E. Rogers.

Marian Therese Lami passed away on April 14, 2018. A resident of Fairhope, AL, she was a graduate of Spring Hill College, with degrees in Math and Spanish. She taught graduate level courses at the University of Alabama before being employed by the federal service, as a computer programmer at Pensacola NAS. She was a gifted pianist and a John Denver and Barry Manilow enthusiast. Marian was a long time resident of Lillian, AL., an organist at St. Joseph's Church, and presided as a member of the Parish Council when Abbot Hilary Dreaper, O.S.B., served as pastor. A long-time friend of St. Bernard, she is survived by brothers Gene (Lorene) Lami, Dennis (Patti), Joseph (Elsa), Vince (Rosa), Chris (Laurie), and Art (Bev); and sisters Rose Lami (Bill) Tynes, Cathy (Raymond) Long, and Michele (Wilson) Barrow; cherished first cousin, Linda Lee Richardson of Grand Bay AL, numerous nieces, nephews, and close friends.

Susan Linn passed away on Sunday, July 1, 2018. She was born in Toledo, Ohio and grew up in Winter Haven, Florida. She graduated from the University of Florida with a Bachelor of Science Degree with Honors in Psychology and a Master's Degree in Rehabilitation Counseling, 1972. After graduation, she began her counseling career in Huntsville, Alabama at the Huntsville-Madison County Mental Health Center as a state certified counselor in the Outpatient Center and Drug Treatment Services. She was state psychologist at North Alabama Regional Hospital in Decatur. Later, she owned a counseling clinic in Huntsville, AL. When she mar-

ried in 1981, she began working in her husband's manufacturing/importing business (Floral Design, Inc.) in Arab, Alabama. Soon they started a company (and later other companies) in Hong Kong and worked in several Asian countries-manufacturing and exporting to countries around the world. They continued these businesses until retirement in 2009. Throughout the years she served on several organizational boards, including the St. Bernard Preparatory



Susan Linn

School Board of Directors. She is survived by her two sons, Taylor James Chancellor Linn (PS'08) and James Randolph Linn III; sister, Deborah Leigh Arnold Taylor, brother-in-law Hugh Vernon Taylor; and fiancé', Joseph M Walter, Jr.

Thomas Hare McCaffrey (C'67) died on February 26, 2018. Growing up in his hometown of Drexel Hill, he found his way to Alabama and enrolled at and graduated from St. Bernard College. He was drafted and fought in the Vietnam War. He received five medals and commendations including the Air Medal for meritorious achievement during 25 aerial missions over enemy territory. It was conjectured that his lifelong health issues, which Tom addressed with his matter of fact aplomb, were related to combat environments. After his Army discharge, he served as a probation officer for over twenty-five years, primarily in north Philadelphia. He was a good husband to Carol Jones, his wife of 46 years who died in 2016. He will be greatly missed by his five siblings, Jean Kirkaldie, Ed McCaffrey (Kathy Dwyer), Joan O'Mara (Tom), Kas Kennedy (Rick) and Jim McCaffrey and his fifteen nieces and nephew.

Paul J. Murphy (C'70) age 69, of Plymouth Meeting, passed away peacefully Wednesday, September 20, 2017. Paul was employed as a store manager for the former Kelly-Springfield Tire Company and Macy's, previously Strawbridge's, in fine jewelry, both in Plymouth Meeting. He was the beloved husband of Andrea Zaso Murphy.Survivors include children, Bridget Murphy Vorderwuelbecke (Kay David) of Brooklyn, and Patrick J. Murphy of Norristown; three brothers, Michael J. Murphy of Parkville, Maryland, Philip T. Murphy (Linda) of Tolland, Connecticut, and James C. Murphy (Lois) of Niagara Falls, New York; and three grandchildren.

Rev. Robert "Bob" O'Neill (HS'54, JC'56, Sem'58) died on April 9, 2018 surrounded by his family. Bob came to St. Bernard as a high school student and "tried his vocation" as a seminary before leaving the campus. Settling in California, he enrolled at the University of San Francisco where he met Mariquita Gomez. They were married in 1960 and became the proud parents of four children. For most of his career, Bob was employed by the California Youth Authority at O.H. Close School. Sadly, in 1987, Mariquita lost her brief battle with cancer. In 1990, Bob decided to finish what he started over 30 years earlier: he returned to the seminary and was eventually ordained a Catholic priest for the Diocese of Stockton. After several years in parish ministry, Fr. Bob became the chaplain for Hacienda De Colores, a school and home for developmentally disabled children in the Diocese of Sacramento. There, Fr. Bob found a second family, and he spent the final 17 years of his life ministering to them. He is survived by his children Patrick J. O'Neill of Sacramento, California, Kelli S. O'Neill of Davis, California, David J. O'Neill of Lodi California, and Beth O'Neill of Sacramento, California, and his grandson, Aiden R. O'Neill of Lodi, California.

St. Bernard St. Bernard Alumni Reunion Golf Tourney Winners



2018 Alumni Golf Team First Place Overall

Fr. Marcus Voss presents awards to the overall winners of the St. Bernard Prep Golf Tournament. Picture from left with Fr. Marcus are Jack Voelmle, Joe Cunius, John Tiesing, and Paul Smith.



2018 Alumni Golf Team Second Place Overall Fr. Marcus Voss presents the second place team awards to Charlie Maples, Ricky Bowling, and Ottis Fairbanks.



2018 Alumni Golf First Place Class Award

Fr. Marcus presents First Place Class Award to the Class of '58 Team: Dennis Henley, Bob Keighery, Phil Cabri and John Cabri.



2018 Alumni Golf Tournament Standouts

Fr. Marcus presented the Long Drive #18 Award to Cheryl Kreger; Long Drive #7 Award to Dave Wasilewski; Closest to the Pin #3 to Charlie Maples; and the Longest Putt Made #9 to Br. Benedict Dyar.

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Boike and LaRussa Families represent the second and third generations to graduate from St. Bernard. Pictured are from left: Paul Boike and daughter, Jessica Boike, Katie (LaRussa)Henderson, and father, Frank LaRussa.