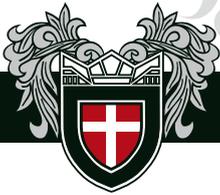




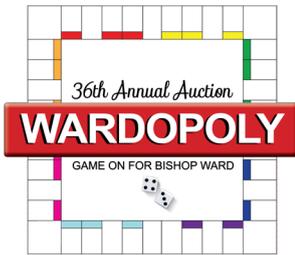
AFTER Ward

Winter 2014



BISHOP WARD HIGH SCHOOL

“Game On” For Bishop Ward 36th Annual Auction brings fun and raises funds.



Over 300 Bishop Ward alumni, friends and supporters rallied together to “Game On” for Bishop Ward at the 36th Annual Auction, Wardopoly, on Saturday, September 27 at Bishop Ward High School. The theme presented a fun atmosphere full of nostalgia for alumni and donors alike, providing

an evening of great entertainment.

Thanks to the hard work of the auction committee and attendees, whether they were gathering under the twinkle lighted white tent outside or sitting with family at a formally decorated table in the festive gym, they were able to enjoy donated foods and beverages from a variety of cultures.

Live music began and ended the night thanks to the performances of the Three Dollar Band, Jimmy Joe Collins '71, and DJ Louis Oropeza. Their performances set the mood for guests to bid on a variety of silent and live auction items.

Auction chair, Anne Mahoney '68, said, “It had the perfect balance between being a fund raiser and a “fun-raiser.” It really captured the spirit of Bishop Ward. Wardopoly connected with groups who had not been in the school for awhile and it was a great event to introduce the new president, Rev. Thomas Schrader, O. Carm. to the public.”



Thanks to the support of everyone involved, \$97,600 in net income was raised for the Student Scholarship Fund. This fund directly supports the students of Bishop Ward and provides a quality Catholic education to families that could not afford it otherwise. One hundred percent of students at Bishop Ward High School benefit from this fund, which makes the success of this event such a blessing. This event was for the students, who will become future Catholic leaders, and build the neighborhoods, lead their families, and grow the cities of tomorrow.

Mahoney credits the success of the event to everyone who put in the hard work.

“It was an honor to lead this group of volunteers – the auction committee, alumni, parents, teachers, staff and board members plus neighbors who helped to set up, take down and make the event safe, meaningful and memorable. They found and donated items, food, entertainment and professional decor. These are the people that made this possible, because of them this event mirrors the spirit of Bishop Ward.”



Missed the fun at Wardopoly? Come to next year's auction! The 37th Annual Auction will be held on Saturday September 26th, 2015. Save the date and watch for more information throughout the year.

Upcoming Class Reunions

Class of 1965 - 50th Reunion

Sep. 18-20, 2015 - More to Come!

If you have any questions or would like to help contact Jim Wasko at james.t.wasko@hotmail.com

Congratulations!

'50 Joseph and Virginia Kolich Orel Class of 1950 celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary with a Mass at Christ The King Church July 19 2014. The couple have 7 children and 22 grand-children and 3 great grand-daughters.

Time To Plan Your Reunion?

We know how hard it can be to plan a reunion! So please feel free to contact the Development Office for assistance. Contact Josh Sukraw at 913-371-6901 or jsukraw@wardhigh.org. We also love photos and to hear exciting news and updates from classmates!

What's Your Story?

Bishop Ward graduates have amazing lives, careers and stories to tell. The AfterWard would like to know about them! If you have a story to share (or know of someone who does!), please contact us at 913-371-6901 or at jsukraw@wardhigh.org.

Upcoming Events

Hall of Fame

Sunday, March 8, 2015

Tour De Cyclone

Saturday, May 3, 2015

Golf Classic

Friday, June 5, 2015

37th Annual Auction

Saturday, Sept. 26, 2015

If you enjoy this publication, please consider making a donation to ensure we can continue to connect to our loyal alumni supporters.

Cyclone Trivia

Just in time for the start of the Cyclone Hoops season, the family of Tom Ronan '38, who passed away on October 21, 2014, honored his memory through gifts to the scholarship fund. His daughter, Nancy, shared a bit of sports trivia. "My Dad shot the winning basket in the 1938 State Championship Game against arch rival Wyandotte."

What a great memory to share. Thank you, Ronan family!

Share your Cyclone trivia with jsukraw@wardhigh.org.

Class of '64 Reunion



Class of '84 Reunion



BECOME A CYCLONE

Bishop Ward is recruiting for the 2015-2016 school year! Do you know someone who would benefit from quality education, athletics and programs? Tell them to become a Cyclone! Contact Amanda Vega-Mavec at 913-371-6814 or avega@wardhigh.org for info.

JOIN THE LEGACY

Important Dates For Future Cyclones:

December 1, 2014 - Application Due for class of 2019

January 17, 2015 - Placement Test

February 6, 2015 - Middle School Night at Cyclone Basketball Game

Passion For Volleyball Lives On

Alumni helping alumni to keep dream alive



During her years at Bishop Ward High School, alumna Rachel Magana '87, discovered a passion for volleyball that would not only affect her high school years, but would define her for the rest of her life. After graduating from Bishop Ward, she attended William Woods University where she received a bachelor's degree in Biology. Although she enjoyed academia, she could not resist her love for volleyball that had been instilled during high school. In 1998, Magana founded the Southwind Rising Volleyball Club, a junior Olympic volleyball program that serves youth in the southern area of Johnson County. Despite the difficulty of starting and running such a venture, Magana always said that as long as she was pursuing her love for volleyball, she did not feel like she was working at all.

Magana soon discovered that her greatest challenge was yet to come. Four and a half years ago, she was diagnosed with stage 4 ovarian cancer. Magana prepared herself for the long and difficult battle ahead. Despite her best efforts, she lost her fight and passed away on July 29, 2014. Magana's brother, Bishop Ward alumnus Louis Galindo '81, took over the Southwind Rising Volleyball Club after her death. With the help of the directors of the club, CPA's, attorneys and several volunteers, he is ensuring that his sister's vision for the club carries on by making differences in the lives of all that are involved with the program.

Magana founded Southwind on the values she learned during her 12 years of Catholic education, as seen in the club's motto, "Integrity by Design, Excellence through Training". Now, her brother and everyone else involved at the club work to emulate those same values not just to honor Magana, but to have a positive and significant impact on the students they teach. Along with Galindo, Bishop Ward alumnus Brad Baska '93 helps to keep the club operational. These two men share a strong Catholic upbringing and are using what they learned not only to keep Southwind running, but to ensure it follows Magana's original vision and the values she used as the club's foundation.

If you are interested in learning more about Southwind, please visit their website at www.southwindvb.com

Legacy & Tradition Annual Fund



“Our diverse student body is a special gift. Having served all across our country, I know how unique it is to see such unity among students. They are so **very grateful** for the opportunity to be educated at Bishop Ward—preparing for college and deepening their faith in Christ.”

Rev. Thomas Schrader, O. Carm.

The Legacy & Tradition Annual Fund supports all students' educations at Bishop Ward. A gift from you will demonstrate your confidence in the value of a Bishop Ward education while providing the very resources that make it exceptional.

Please consider a sacrificial gift that invests in our students and future leaders. Sending a gift today will ensure that our students have the opportunity to grow. Make a gift online at www.wardhigh.org/donate or use the attached envelope.



HONORARY ENDOWMENTS

There are many ways to invest in the endowment. The easiest way is to include BWHS in your estate plan. Others have given cash or an appreciated asset. Some alumni choose to establish an endowment to honor a loved one or a teacher that has inspired them. Call Mrs. Mary Hurla '80 Spangler at 913-371-6901 or visit www.wardhigh.org/endowment.

IN MEMORIAM

We honor the memory of Bishop Ward Alumni and Friends. Please pray for those who have passed away this past year and their families. Visit www.cyclonecountry.org/memoriam to view a full list of those Alumni and Friends who have passed away. We apologize for any omissions. Kindly notify us of any individuals not noted on the website by calling 913.371.6901 or e-mailing jsukraw@wardhigh.org.

Homecoming 2014

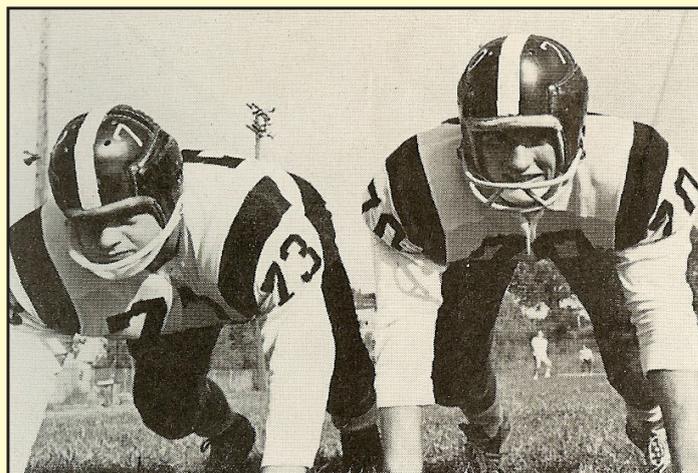
Cyclone spirit was alive and well during Homecoming week! Students enjoyed the “Cyclones All Around the World” Spirit Week full of dress down days, mid-week Pep Rally and presentation of the floats, Homecoming Parade and the Powder Puff ladies football game.

On Friday, the students and faculty celebrated all-school Mass. Then the school came out in full spirit for the Homecoming Football game, where the 2014 Homecoming Queen, Olivia Quijas, was crowned at half time, and the Junior Class was announced as the winner of the floats competition. Congrats!



Above from Left to Right: Anthony Cerda, Oliva Quijas, & Carlos Quijas.

800th Football Game!



For the 2014 season opener on Friday, September 5th at 7:00 p.m. fans had the privilege of watching the 800th all-time football game played by the Bishop Ward Cyclones. The Cyclones played on the historic Dorney Field, sharing the very same field that hosted the first game in 1925.

Football has a long tradition at Bishop Ward High School, with only Wyandotte High School having a longer history in the sport. Since their first season they have accumulated 432 wins, 336 losses and 31 ties since 1925. The Cyclones have an overall school winning percentage of .541 percent and it will be exciting to see where the Cyclones go in the next 800 games.

Science Series Kicks Off Alumnus featured in Science Lecture Series



Dr. Nathaniel Rebeck '02, delivered the first St. Albert the Great Science Lecture of the year at Bishop Ward High School.

Dr. Rebeck is combining his entrepreneurial spirit with his knowledge of science to start a micro-brewery in Houston, TX called Town in City Brewing Company. He used this as a platform to explain to students “science degrees offer many career options. Be curious, ask questions and explore everything to find out what you really enjoy.”

Good luck to Dr. Rebeck!

Congratulations! Bishop Ward Soccer finishes strong and four Seniors honored

“Eight wins in the first ten games is unprecedented in the last decade of Ward soccer,” commented Coach Dan Shaver.

This year’s team had twelve seniors leading the team. Coach Shaver credits this for allowing the team to “click” early on in the season and providing the leadership the team needed.

Cyclone senior, Mark Lopez, said he credits Coach Shaver for their success. “Thanks to Coach Shaver really pushing us to do our best, we achieved success,” he commented.

According to Coach Shaver, he is not the only one doing the pushing, “We had a lot of returners that pushed their teammates to remain focused game after game, especially in our stretch run.”

The Cyclones finished the season with an 11-6 record. Seniors Trent Jones, Teo Subasic, Jesus Herrera, and Trenton Sadrakula made the All-KVL Soccer Team.

Bishop Ward Recognized for Endowment Growth

Legacy giving drives progress

Legacy (noun): *Something that is handed down or remains from a previous generation or time.*

Continuing the legacy of Bishop Ward High School is a priority for many alumni and friends in life and death.

The Catholic Foundation of Northeast Kansas (CFNEK) celebrated its 25th anniversary at the annual Deo Gratias Awards Dinner on November 6. Bishop Ward is one of the top fund holders at the CFNEK. The school was recognized for its progress in growing the endowment (\$5 million current market value) and increasing the number of alumni and friends in its Cyclone Legacy Society.

Cyclone Legacy Society members have either included Bishop Ward High School in their estate plans or established permanent funds through gifts while they are living. Members experience the joy of giving now and seeing firsthand the difference their gifts are making at their alma mater.

A benefit of membership includes invitations to recognition luncheons with fellow alumni, Church leaders and Bishop Ward students. An alumna legacy member recently visited the school and noted how she “loved celebrating Mass with the students because it connects me with the ultimate beneficiaries of my gift. There’s no better feeling.”

Please notify Bishop Ward High School if you have designated Bishop Ward High School as a beneficiary of a bequest or other planned gift. Anonymous gifts are treated with confidentiality.

When in Rome

Alumni travel Europe and see Pope Francis

A group of 21 Bishop Ward High School alumni traversed through Munich, Germany; Dubrovnik, Croatia; Venice, Florence and finally, visited the original “City of Fountains,” Rome. This trip was part of the Sister City Trips that visits the countries of Kansas City, Kansas sister cities.

The group flew into Munich, Germany and from there went to Dubrovnik, Croatia. Dubrovnik is a small medieval city on the Adriatic Sea. The group visited the city because of Kansas City’s ties to Croatia and Croatian culture.



Class of 1970 members in Rome the day they saw Pope Francis and received his blessing in Vatican Square. From left to right, Dennis Browne, Janet (Breitenstein) Roberts, Tom Roberts, Patty (Leverich) Orth, Jim Orth, Carma (King) Nowak, Joe Sachen, and Tony Kovach.

Save these Important Legacy Dates!

Are you already a Cyclone Legacy Society Member?

Mark your calendars for the Legacy Recognition Luncheon. Tuesday, April 7, 2015

10:00 a.m. Mass with Archbishop Naumann in the Willard Phillips '22 Memorial Auditorium

11 a.m. Luncheon and Program in the St. Jerome Media Center

Are you considering a Legacy Gift?

Alumni and friends are invited to attend a free Estate Planning Workshop sponsored by Evans & Mullinix, P.A. Local experts donate their time for this free and informative session for alumni and friends of Bishop Ward High School.

Saturday, March 28, 2015

Evans & Mullinix, P.A.
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9:30 a.m. to Noon

Bishop Ward High School Cyclone Cafe

Call 913.371.6901 to reserve your spot today!



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EDUCATION OF THE BODY, MIND AND SPIRIT THROUGH CHRIST

First All School Mass



Bishop Ward celebrated its first all school Mass on Tuesday, September 9. Students were greeted with the new and familiar. This was the first Mass for freshmen and the first time students got to use the newly renovated auditorium. A passerby would quickly note that something was adorning the necks of all the students. "Scapulars is what have been bestowed upon each of you. It is a tradition among my order, Our Lady of Mount Carmel," said Rev. Thomas Schrader, O. Carm when explaining what adorned the necks of everyone in the room. "The action of bestowing a scapular on a student of Bishop Ward would grant them veneration, confidence, love and the protection of Mary."

Adoration With Archbishop



Bishop Ward Students had the unique opportunity of attending Adoration with Archbishop Naumann at the Cathedral of St. Peter's on Tuesday, Nov. 4. Students were then welcomed to the church by Jessica Luna '16. Jessica explained "We come up to the altar to adore the monstrance. The monstrance is a vessel that contains the already consecrated Eucharist, which means that Jesus himself is on the altar. When we come up to the altar and kneel before it, holding onto the cloths that extend from the altar, we do not adore a symbol or image of Jesus. We adore Jesus himself." Jessica closed by encouraging students to hear God's call for them, saying "If you are inspired by what I have said, know that it is not I who said it, but God who is spoken to you through me".