

AFTER Ward

Winter 2017



BISHOP WARD HIGH SCHOOL

Archbishop Naumann Blesses Gym; Celebrates Departed



On November 1st His Excellency Archbishop Joseph Naumann joined us for two very special events on the Bishop Ward campus. First, the student body gathered in the gym for the Christening and reveal of

the new gym floor. His Excellency, attended by Monsignor Gary Applegate, said a blessing over the new floor and consecrated it to health, recreation, and camaraderie of our students. "There is a special blessing for everything," said Archbishop Naumann.

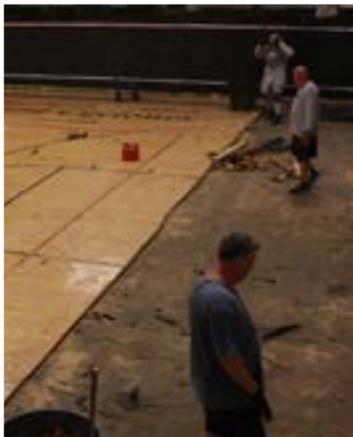
Thanks to the generosity of 120 donors, we were able to raise more than \$71,000 to replace the floor for our students, as well as hundreds of children in Catholic Youth Organization sports programs! Over the summer, the 37 year-old gym floor was removed and replaced with a Connor Rezill Panel Gym Floor System. It was then sealed, striped, coated, and painted to make it ready for gym class, volleyball, wrestling, and other activities for which it will be used on a daily basis.

Following the Gym Floor Christening, students adjourned to the chapel for the Commemoration of All the Faithfully Departed (All Souls & All Saints) Mass. This Mass has become a very special tradition at the school. A Litany of the names of 67 deceased alumni, who have passed within



the last year, were read before Archbishop Naumann began the celebration of the Mass, with Monsignor Applegate, Father Anthony Ouellette, and Father Beyuo Kuukole.

In addition, special intentions were prayed for friends of Bishop Ward who had passed this last year, such as beloved coach Tim Dorian. Friends and family of those who had recently passed were invited to attend the , and were received in the library by Archbishop for lunch.



Tesla and the Columbus Box



The Bishop Ward Drama Department debuted their Fall performance of “Columbus and the Tesla Box,” a mystery with elements of romantic comedy and science fiction. The play starred Katie Breitenstein and Eric Vega, who play a couple unexpectedly thrown together by a time-traveling mishap at the 1893 Columbian Exposition in Chicago. 271 were in attendance from November 9th-11th.

Kansas City playwright Lezlie Revelle-Zucker wrote the quirky play for the Bishop Ward Drama Department, and was warmly applauded by the crowd after the show. Ms. Devon Whitton, Bishop Ward drama teacher, reached out to Revelle-Zucker to see if she would be interested in writing a play commissioned by the students. She agreed and met with the students several times over the summer and wrote the play based on the direction and sensibilities of the students. The students were really inspired by the idea of time-travel and wanted something unique that spoke their language.

“Having the play written for them was really helpful in memorizing lines and the fluidity of action was natural for them,” said Whitton. Throughout the rehearsal process, they warmed up by doing their scenes in various styles, like an improv skit. “We did it one time in the telenovela style, and we were all just dying laughing. It even inspired the action of two of the characters in the final performance.”

The drama department decided to stick with the time-traveling theme with their upcoming Spring musical, “Whenever” by Alan Ayckbourn. The Brit-lit musical is about a young Victorian girl named Emily who travels back and forth in time to avert disaster. “This one will be a little short and have easier music than last year’s *Homework Eats Dog*,” says Whitton. They invite you to attend March 1-3 at the Bishop Ward Auditorium.



THE COACH DON STUMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND



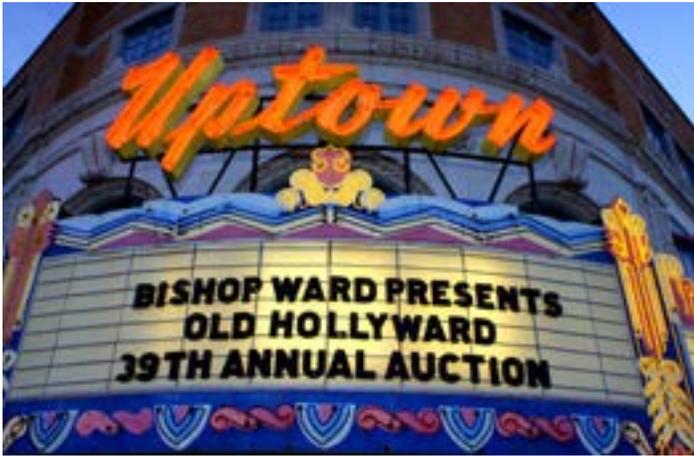
Coach Don Stump was the Head Varsity Football Coach at Bishop Ward High School from 1956-1965 leading the Cyclones to a 59-25-4 record. He not only led the Football team, he also coached Basketball from 1956-1963, along with Track and Field from 1956-1964. Coach Stump’s dedication to the students carried over to the classroom. He was an American History and Physical Education Instructor for the school and an instrumental role model in the success of students, on and off the field.

Coach Stump is respected by many for his competitiveness, respect for academics and athletics, and his continued support of Bishop Ward High School. Coach Stump had a positive impact on those students he coached, and taught in the classroom. The Coach Stump Scholarship Fund will continue his passion for assisting kids with their education. The Coach Stump Scholarship Fund is just over \$83,000, and with your help, we would love to see this fund grow to \$100,000 for a permanent, endowed scholarship that will provide future education for our Bishop Ward Cyclone students for many generations.



You can donate online at wardhigh.org/endowment.

Auction 2017 - Old HollyWARD



A Bishop Ward themed marquee guided guests to the foyer of the historic Uptown Theater for the 39th Annual Auction on September 30th. Guests enjoyed the new venue and dressed in their Old HollyWARD best for the themed event. By the end of the evening, more than \$80,000 was raised to benefit the students of Bishop Ward High School!



Thanks to the Nigro Brothers and our generous audience, the Fund-A-Need campaign successfully secured funding needed to complete the 'face-lift' and other upgrades planned for the front of the school.

The auction committee, led by Aaron Roberts '96, Jennifer Slaughter '96, and Nancy Wilson, donated their time and efforts to organizing this special event. Aaron said, "Because of the generosity of our vendors and donors, and the tireless dedication exhibited by our many volunteers, this year's auction turned out to be an unqualified success. I want to thank everyone who worked so hard to make this event happen."



We are once again reminded of the generosity and kindness of the Bishop Ward family and all those who continue to support Bishop Ward with true Cyclone pride! Thank you for supporting our students!



Spirit of Bishop Ward Scholarship Dinner *Preserving a legacy... Building a future*

Save the Date

Join us on **April 7th 2018** for the Spirit of Bishop Ward Scholarship Dinner and Hall of Fame induction ceremony.

2018 inductee announcement coming soon!

Interested in sponsoring the event?
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2017 Reunions

Congratulations to the Class of 1967 on their 50th Reunion! They had several fun events lined up for their reunion weekend in September including a casual gathering at the Bishop Ward Cafe, dinner at the Union Horse Distillery and a breakfast event the following morning at Sigler's Farm.



The Class of 1982 had their 35th Class reunion on Sept. 8th at St. John's Catholic Club/Bowling Alley.



The Class of 1977 held their 40th reunion the weekend of Oct. 6th and 7th including a golf tournament and dinner at BWHS.



The class of 1972 held their 45th reunion on Oct. 14th at Breit's Bar and Stein.

Career Day 2017

On October 13th, 32 speakers, including 21 BWHS alumni, visited Bishop Ward to speak to our students about a variety of careers including: Public Service, IT, Medicine, Small Business, Banking, Vocations, and Law.

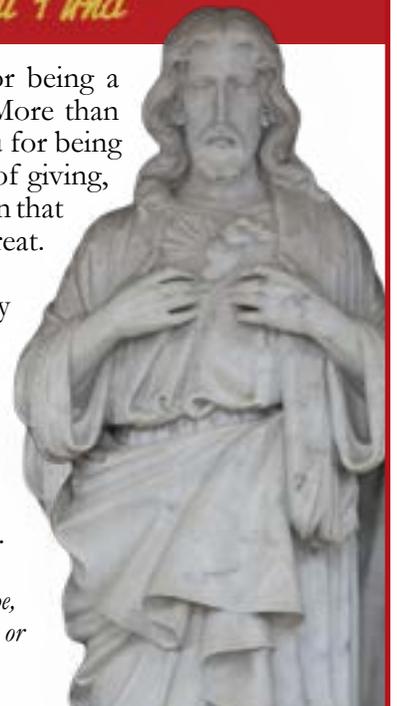


Legacy & Tradition Annual Fund

We want to thank you for being a part of our community. More than that, we want to thank you for being a part of the Sacred Circle of giving, receiving, prayer, and action that makes this community great.

Your gift to the Legacy & Tradition annual fund helps our students to develop a sense of everlasting gratitude and become personally prepared for a life of service.

To donate use the attached envelope, visit wardhigh.org/ssl/donate, or call 913-371-6901 today!



New Faces at Bishop Ward

Several new administrative staff members have joined us since the beginning of the school year. In case you have not had the chance to meet them, find out a little bit about the new faces around Bishop Ward.



Mr. Mark Madsen has joined us as Interim President of Bishop Ward High School. Mr. Madsen comes to us with a depth of Catholic school leadership experience in the Kansas City and Topeka areas. He has served successfully as a principal of both a Catholic high school and elementary school for the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, as well as the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas. Mark retired last year after serving sixteen years as principal at Hayden Catholic High School in Topeka. Mark and his wife, Ann, have 3 children who attend Hayden. They are active members of Christ the King Parish in Topeka.

Mark's special gifts and his desire to serve Bishop Ward and the Church for this school year will help us maintain and build on our past accomplishments. If you come to school activities, you will see him in the halls and in the stands at the athletic field. He is available for meeting with members of the Bishop Ward community. He is eager to get to know you!

Dr. Emily Saatcioglu has joined this year in the role of Instructional Coach. Teachers participate in the Observation Feedback Cycle (OFC) every two weeks with Dr. Saatcioglu. She observes each classroom for 20 minutes then follows up with a 20 minute face-to-face feedback meeting. Observations focus on excellent instruction and student engagement, pushing teachers to think about delivering high quality instruction that will prepare students for college and careers.

Prior to joining Bishop Ward's staff, Dr. Saatcioglu earned a Ph.D. in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies, University of Kansas, an MAEd. in Learning and Teaching at the University of San Diego, and a B.S. in Education from Loyola University New Orleans. She also was a member of the Peace Corps in South Africa for 2 years.



Fr. Beyuo Kuukole joins us this year as Campus Minister. He recently



graduated with a Masters in School Leadership and Educational Administration from Benedictine College. Fr. Beyuo hails from Ghana where he worked in a remote village that has a 90% illiteracy rate among women and 80% among men. In Ghana, he served as a Parish Pastor, local manager of Catholic schools, and Seminary Formator. During his tenure, he helped organize the construction of a junior high school and an elementary school and taught as well. Because of Fr. Beyuo's passion for education, he was sent him to the United States to study Education.

Since joining the Bishop Ward staff, he has instituted a daily mass in the BWHS chapel at 7:00 a.m.



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Adrian DeHaro Receives NCEA Honor in Washington D.C.

Bishop Ward Senior Adrian DeHaro was named an NCEA Seton Scholar and presented with a scholarship at the NCEA Seton Awards in Washington D.C. on October 3rd. Adrian was selected to receive this award by Rita and Lamar Hunt Jr., who were named NCEA Seton Award Honorees along with three other honorees at the gala in our nation's capitol. Adrian was one of five scholars selected from across the nation for this year's scholarship honor.

Founders of the Loretto Foundation, the Hunts work with Catholic elementary schools and high schools in the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas as well as in the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. For them, faith and family come first, and the foundation works to promote the dignity of all persons with special concern for the poor and under-served. Their commitment to Catholic education in Wyandotte County is strong, with major contributions to Resurrection Catholic School infrastructure as well as long term financial support of Bishop Ward. Mr. Hunt states, the Loretto Foundation reflects his and Mrs. Hunt's desire to be "responsible and just stewards and support strategies that reflect Christian ethical principles faithful to Catholic social teaching."



Named after Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton in recognition of her lifelong dedication to teaching, Seton honorees are able to select a deserving Catholic school student, in their local community, to be presented with a scholarship in their honor. Today, NCEA Seton Scholars represent more than 2 million students attending Catholic elementary and secondary schools nationwide. The scholarships they receive are named in honor of the Seton honorees.