



# Alumni NEWS

Summer 2019



## Congratulations Graduates!

**Bottom Row** (L to R): Fr. Chuck Edwards, Pastor, Sydney Gibson (*University of Mississippi*), Regan Koester (*Lake Land College*), Sophie Moore (*University of Illinois-Springfield*), Kaitlyn Dust (*Lake Land College*), Carly Spraul (*University of Notre Dame*), Hannah Buenker (*Lake Land College*), Cailin Gilpin (*Eastern Illinois University*), Katie Kabbes (*University of Illinois-Champaign*), Kristy Hom (*Baylor University*), Clare McHugh (*University of Illinois-Champaign*), Annika Koester (*University of Illinois-Champaign*), Chaplain Fr. Michal Rosa.

**Row 2** (L to R): Allie Day (*MacMurray College*), Liz Day (*MacMurray College*), Moises Lemus Paneda (*undecided*), Suhyun Moon (*Lake Land College*), Allie Dasenbrock (*Maryville University*), Ava Wegman (*University of Illinois-Champaign*), Sarah Carr (*Eastern Illinois University*), Abby Stock (*Butler University*), Nathan Schultz (*McKendree University*), Isaiah Daiber (*Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville*), Quinton Milleville (*Lake Land College*), Zach Wortman (*University of Illinois-Champaign*).

**Row 3** (L to R): Harrison Fitzjarrald (*undecided*), Abigail Repking (*University of Evansville*), Anna Jones (*Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville*), A. J. Zaccari (*Pace University*), Ben Strullmyer (*Purdue University*), Alex Brandenburger (*Lewis & Clark Community College*), Jared Hoene (*Lake Land College*), Colin Koester (*Lincoln Land College*), Will Lawrence (*Lake Land College*), Dylan Guy (*undecided*), Alex Erickson (*University of Kentucky*), Wade Wenthe (*Lake Land College*).

**Top Row** (L to R): Principal Mr. Greg Fearday, Shea Kinkelaar (*Lake Land College*), Makenna Thomas (*Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville*), Meg Richards (*University of Arizona*), Kaitlyn Zeller (*Butler University*), Bryson Wall (*University of Illinois-Champaign*), Blake Niebrugge (*Illinois Wesleyan University*), Luke Ludwig (*Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville*), Hunter Stephens (*Parkland College*), Will Niebrugge (*Murray State University*), Ollie Kingery (*Loyola University-Chicago*), Will Kabbes (*Lake Land College*), Braeden Quandt (*Murray State University*), Jacob Blanchette (*Parkland College*), Liam Hammer (*Lake Land College*) (not pictured in photo-Dylan Ferguson)



# From the Principal



Dear St. Anthony Alumni,

On behalf of our school and parish faculty and administration, we are proud to celebrate another group of students graduating from St. Anthony High School. Their future certainly looks bright!

This year we wrapped up our celebrations of 150 years of Catholic Education and Formation. As I reflect on this major milestone, I have every confidence that the Catholic education at St. Anthony High School provides our students a strong foundation in faith and morality. All of us, new graduates, alumni, parishioners, family and friends, experience moral challenges every day. I hope that all of our alumni can fall back on the Catholic education they received at St. Anthony High School.

As we strive to follow in the footsteps of Jesus, let us always stand firm in our faith.

Sincerely in Christ,  
**Greg Fearday,**  
Principal

*Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong.*

- 1 Corinthians 16:13

## Calendar of Events



Parish Picnic



School Resumes

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Class of 2019

# Senior Scholarships & Awards

**Jacob Blanchette** - Bernie & Amy Blanchette  
Parkland Theatre Scholarship

**Alex Brandenburger** - Noah & Holly Brandenburger  
Ray, Mary and Tim Niebrugge Scholarship

**Hannah Buenker** - Todd & **Kathryn ('86)** Buenker  
Lake Land College Storm Family Scholarship

**Sarah Carr** - Craig & **Amy ('91)** Carr  
Knights of Columbus Christian Athlete Award

**Isaiah Daiber** - Tim & Gena Daiber  
Shelter Insurance Scholarship

**Allie Dasenbrock** - **Steve ('76)** & Karen Dasenbrock  
Maryville University Merit Scholarship

**Liam Hammer** - Jim & **Leigh ('88)** Hammer  
Lake Land College Presidential Scholarship

**Jared Hoene** - Kevin & Sara Hoene  
Lake Land College Presidential Scholarship

**Anna Jones** - **Randy ('73)** & Kathy Jones  
Effingham Knights of Columbus Scholarship & SIUE  
Provost Scholarship

**Katie Kabbes** - **Craig ('84)** & Tessie Kabbes  
Effingham Knights of Columbus Scholarship & NTC  
Scholarship

**Ollie Kingery** - Brett & Stef Kingery  
Loyola Chicago Trustee Scholarship

**Annika Koester** - **Greg ('87)** & Kara Koester  
Federal ROTC Scholarship

**Colin Koester** - **Carl ('83)** & Deanna Koester  
Lincoln Land College Athletic Scholarship

**Luke Ludwig** - Jeff & **Jami ('92)** Ludwig  
SIUE Athletic Scholarship and SIUE Academic Scholarship

**Quinton Milleville** - Glen & Lorrie Milleville  
Tom Bryant Memorial Scholarship

**Suhyun Moon** - Troy & Sarah Gilpin  
Lake Land College Presidential Scholarship

**Sophie Moore** - Ian & Aimee Moore  
U of I Child of Veteran Scholarship & UIS Dean Scholarship

**Blake Niebrugge** - **Dan ('87)** & Toni Niebrugge  
St. Anthony Booster Club Scholarship & IWU Alumni  
Scholarship

**Will Niebrugge** - **Mark ('86)** & Amy Niebrugge  
Effingham Knights of Columbus Scholarship

**Abby Repking** - Doug Repking & Aimee Repking  
University of Evansville Faculty Scholarship

**Meg Richards** - **Jeff ('86)** & **Julie ('86)** Richards  
Arizona Distinction Award

**Abby Stock** - Mel & Elaine Stock  
Butler University Academic Merit Scholarship, Butler  
University Business Scholarship, Effingham Knights of  
Columbus Scholarship, The Oberlin Charitable Trust  
Scholarship, Springfield Diocese Council of Catholic Women  
Scholarship, St. Anthony Booster Club Scholarship

**Ben Strullmyer** - **Kurt ('88)** & **Lisa ('92)** Strullmyer  
Gleaner Life Insurance Society Scholarship, Effingham County  
Farm Bureau Foundation Scholarship, IL All-State Academic  
Team

**Makenna Thomas** - Michael & Kristie Thomas  
Cougar Pride Scholarship

**Bryson Wall** - Michael & Sallie Wall  
The Oberlin Charitable Trust Scholarship, Effingham Noon  
Rotary Scholarship, Vantage Outsourcing Scholarship

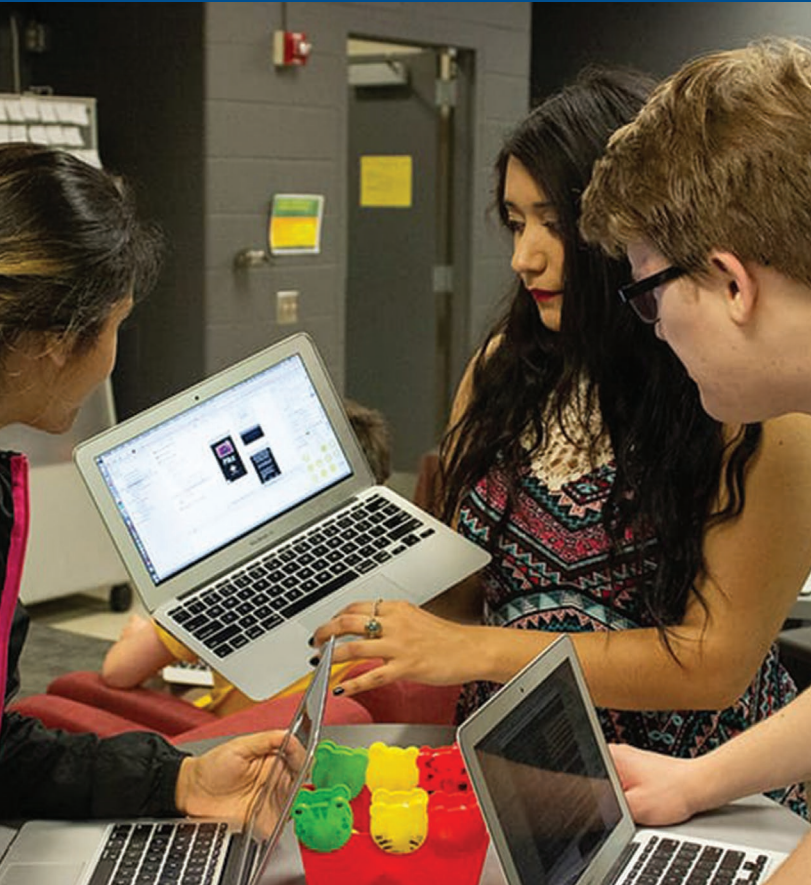
**Ava Wegman** - **Todd ('89)** & Carrie Wegman  
Effingham Knights of Columbus Scholarship, U of I Dorothy  
Steir Memorial Scholarship, PEO Scholarship

**Wade Wenthe** - Kevin & **Becky ('87)** Wenthe  
Lake Land College Presidential Scholarship

**AJ Zaccari** - **Phil ('80)** & Cathy Zaccari  
Academic Scholarship

**Kaitlyn Zeller** - **Eric ('91)** & Nicole Zeller  
Tom Bryant Memorial Scholarship

# Mobile Makers



## Mobile App Coding Course Made Possible Through Alumni Donation

Thanks to the generosity of Mr. & Mrs. **John Keenan ('56)**, St. Anthony High School will be offering a coding course, Mobile Makers, designed to teach students how to create mobile apps. Throughout this mobile app coding course, students build working apps for Apple's mobile devices using the language and tools of professionals – Swift and Xcode. Students will be able to experience an authentic workplace environment by applying the methodologies and practices of real-world developers, and acquire skills around teamwork, problem-solving, collaboration, and communication.

As a result of the Keenan donation, students will engage with a dynamic curriculum and utilize a redesigned lab with new Mac computers. We are so grateful to Mr. & Mrs. John Keenan!

If you are interested in learning more about the program, visit <https://www.unchartedlearning.org/student-programs/mobilemakersedu>

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# Window to the Womb Program

HSHS St. Anthony's Memorial Hospital and St. Anthony High School partnered this year for the "Window to the Womb" program, an annual event that provides students the opportunity to witness the beauty and value of pre-born life.

Held at HSHS St. Anthony's Health Center in Effingham, the "Window to the Womb" program allowed students to observe the ultrasounds of four different mothers in various stages of pregnancy and hold fetal models of babies at different gestational ages.

Of the experience, student Will Swingler said, "It is absolutely mind-boggling to see a child react and move around with such grace. Overall the experience was one that I'll never forget and I hope and pray to God that one day all will see that life begins at conception."





# Spring Sports Scoreboard



## Baseball

The Bulldogs spring season ended with a 21-7 record, reaching 20 wins for the first time since 2011. They were defeated by Altamont in the regional championship.

The Bulldogs will be sending two players to play college baseball - Blake Niebrugge, who has signed with Illinois Wesleyan and Colin Koester, who has signed with Lincoln Land Community College.

The team was led by 8 seniors - Colin Koester, Dylan Guy, Blake Niebrugge, Braeden Quandt, Jared Hoene, Ben Strullmyer, Hunter Stephens, and Bryson Wall. We wish those seniors nothing but the best in their future endeavors and we thank them for being great role models for the younger players in the program.



## Softball

Softball finished at 19-9 on the season and ended their season to Windsor Stew-Straws in Sectional play.

Winning the Regional Championship and finishing second in the NTC this year were some of the season highlights for the Bulldogs.

The softball team was led by 5 experienced and competitive seniors, who will be missed greatly next year! Good luck to our seniors Sydney Gibson, Shea Kinkelaar, Katie Kabbes, Ali Day & Liz Day.



## Boys Tennis

The St. Anthony Boys' Varsity Tennis Team finished with a 2-9 record this past spring.

End of year awards went to Will Kabbes - #1 doubles and varsity letter, Noah Tegeler - #1 doubles and varsity letter, Michael Kaldas - #1 singles and varsity letter, Henry Kemme - outstanding freshman and varsity letter, Hunter Stephens - varsity letter, and Bryson Wall - varsity letter.

The team graduates three seniors: Will Kabbes, Hunter Stephens, and Bryson Wall. Congratulations guys!



## Boys Track

The 22 boys on the high school track team had a very successful season. The Bulldogs placed well as a team in 5 of their invitationals. At the

Cumberland Invite the finish was 5th out of 10 teams, at Newton the finish was a 4th place tie out of 15 teams, at the Altamont Open we finished 2nd out of 10 teams, and finished 3rd out of 23 teams in the Shelbyville open. The Bulldogs also placed 2nd at the National Trail Conference meet.

At the Sectional in Altamont, the team finished 3rd overall and advanced 5 people to the State track meet. Brian Dust qualified in the 800m run. Jack Elder qualified in the 110M Hurdles, 300M Hurdles, and the 200M Dash. He finished 7th place in the state in the 300M Hurdles. The 3200M Relay team of Ty Wiedman, Brian Dust, Noah Tegeler, and Ollie Kingery also qualified.

Lastly, 2 relay teams broke schools records that have been in place since 1979. Drew Dust, Mick Willenborg, Kennan Walsh and Jack Elder broke the 400M Relay record. The 800M relay was broken by Jack Elder, Mick Willenborg, Ty Wiedman, and Kennan Walsh.

The track program would like to thank, and will miss, seniors Ollie Kingery and Moises Lemus.



## Girls Track

We say goodbye to one senior this year, Sarah Carr. Sarah was a great leader and inspiration to all her teammates.

Sarah finished her senior year by qualifying for the state finals in the 800. She also teamed up with junior Jessica Wilson, and two freshmen, Ada Rozene and Riley Guy, to qualify for the state prelims in the 4X800.

While we lose one very talented senior, we will return 13 quality young ladies next year, and should see continued success in track and field.

# SAVE THE DATE



## 2020 St. Anthony Spring Gala

featuring your 2019 Hall of Fame Inductions

### Saturday, March 28, 2020

Thelma Keller Convention Center

Join us for dinner and cocktails to celebrate those individuals who have made a real difference in the lives they encountered during their time at St. Anthony.

More info will be posted at:

[stanthony.com/halloffame](http://stanthony.com/halloffame)

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# PARISH PICNIC

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**Saturday & Sunday**

**Aug 10th-11th**



## 7th Annual Field Day

St. Anthony High School students capped off the school year with some friendly competition between classes. The Junior class was once again victorious on the day, winning bragging rights for the following year.





After graduating, Kyle worked for Merrill Lynch in New York City where he worked with fellow St. Anthony alumnus John Hartke in the Mergers & Acquisitions group. He left Merrill Lynch just before the 2008 financial crisis to join private equity firm Platte River Equity in Denver, CO. Here he partnered with business owners to invest in and grow mid-sized companies in the natural resources and energy services industries. It was through this work with business owners that Kyle came to recognize and appreciate his favorite attribute of the St. Anthony community - its entrepreneurial blood. "I believe the St. Anthony community is unique to have so many successful entrepreneurs who are committed to their business, their church and their community. I have always felt a pull to follow that example and live up to a certain expectation."

With this realization, Kyle committed to becoming a business owner himself. He then earned an MBA at Northwestern's Kellogg School of Management and began searching for a business he could grow and that would align with his values. In 2015 he acquired EcoEnclose ([www.ecoenclose.com](http://www.ecoenclose.com)), a packaging business that supplies environmentally thoughtful solutions for thousands of ecommerce businesses in the US and internationally. Kyle and his wife, Saloni, run the business which is located in Louisville, CO. With their three kids, they live in Niwot, CO, a small community about 40 minutes north of Denver, CO.

# Alumni Spotlight

## Kyle Wente ('99)

Kyle Wente graduated from St. Anthony High school in 1999. In high school, he was a First Team All- State Basketball player. He continued his education and basketball career at Princeton University, where he earned a degree in Economics and was Captain of the varsity basketball team.

# Alumni Updates

## In Memoriam

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**Ursula (Having) Barker ('50)** passed away November 8, 2018

**Steven Bovard ('79)** passed away February 13, 2019

**Donald Bloemer ('72)** passed away March 1, 2019

**Richard Stephan ('57)** passed away March 10, 2019

**Normalie (Richards) Strickland ('56)** passed away May 7, 2019

**Robert Pike ('77)** passed away May 20, 2019

## Births

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**Jordan ('08) and Jenny (Brown '09) Schmidt**

are the proud parents of a baby girl, Tessa Kay Schmidt, born February 9, 2019.

## Reunion News

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**The SAHS Class of 1969** will celebrate their 50 year reunion on Saturday, August 31, 2019, beginning with 4:30 pm Mass at St. Anthony Church, followed by a gathering at the Effingham Event Center (formerly Effingham Knights of Columbus). Contact Patti (Emmerich) Devall for more information.



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