# **2016** HOMECOMING

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## **BONFIRE & RALLY**

Thursday, October 6th Lighting of Bonfire 7:00 p.m. Followed by traditional bonfire activities.

**PARADE** Friday, October 7th Line up starts at 5:00 p.m. Parade starts at 6:00 p.m.

## **FOOTBALL GAME**

Friday, October 7th Kick off at 7:30 p.m. Grandview Eagles vs. St. Vincent Indians

### **COW PATTY PLOP** Saturday, October 8th



## HOMECOMING MASS

Saturday, October 8th St. Vincent de Paul Church Student and Alumni Mass 4:30 p.m. Call the Parish Center Office (547-4300) for seating and class reservations, provide graduation year and number attending.

## STUDENT DANCE Saturday, October 8th

Saturuay, October o SVHS Gymnasium 7:30 p.m. - 10:30p.m.

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## ALUMNI OFFICERS

President Tim Unterreiner (1991)

Vice President Clint Brown (2010)

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT, TIM UNTERREINER, (CLASS OF 1990)

Greetings from the St. Vincent Alumni Association Board of Directors! A new school year is upon us, and that means fall athletics are in full swing, and the Board is busy preparing for Homecoming Weekend! Thanks to the outgoing officers for their time and dedication to the Association over the past several years! I witnessed firsthand the hard work it takes to coordinate ALL of the Association's fundraisers and events. Without these people and the many other alumni that work behind the scenes, none of this would be possible. They have left us in a good place, and we incoming officers will do our best to make sure their hard work did not go to waste.

While the work and fundraising of the Alumni Association is important to the continued success of St. Vincent, we are also here for you, the graduates of SV High. The Alumni Association extends a special invitation to all Alumni to come home this year for Homecoming. Remember the excitement of the bonfire, parade and game? It still happens and we'd love for you to be a part of it. Even if you haven't been back in a while, we hope you know you're always welcome and we'd love to see you.

A big Thank You to all of the Blue and Gold Corporate Football Sponsors, all of the individuals and businesses who buy ads and patrons from the athletes, from the cooks and volunteers at Mayfest, and our annual golf tournament, to any and all boosters of St. Vincent High School! Without your continued support and generosity, we would not be able to help fund SV Athletics, and other projects and causes around campus. The price of competing in High School athletics continues to rise, with this year's sports budgets reaching \$40,000. That, combined with the upkeep and maintenance on the football field and stadium, is quite a hefty bill for the Alumni Association to pay! As many of you may know, the Father Meyer fundraiser was discontinued for lack of participation. Now, more than ever, the Association and SVHS needs its Alumni to become more involved and participate! We have a new Facebook page, "SV Alumni, Family, and Friends". Please like and share it with your friends and family. There is a lot of great information posted there by our social media secretary, Sonya (Nolen) Dobbelare (1989). There will also be information posted about upcoming events and fundraisers, requests for help or volunteers, and of course articles and information about our sports teams and other achievements of the SV students. It is an easy way to stay connected to the happenings of the Association throughout the year, as well as all things SV!

In closing, I invite all Alumni, young and seasoned, local or out of town, to become more involved! The Board meets on the last Monday of every month in the Marillac Room in the rectory at 7pm. Come to the meeting, sit in, and see what we are all about! We are always looking for volunteers and new ideas to help raise funds. You will be receiving an envelope from the Association for your Alumni dues. I encourage you to give. Every donation of any amount helps.

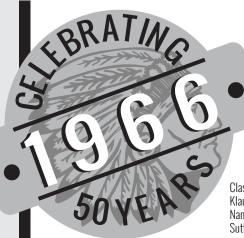
On behalf of the Board of Directors of the St. Vincent High School Alumni Association, we look forward to seeing you at Homecoming, and remember... "The object and purpose of the St. Vincent High School Alumni Association is to provide financial assistance to the sports programs at SVHS and to other projects of interest which further the sustainability of St. Vincent High School, as well as to encourage alumni unity through sponsorship and promotion of alumni events and activities." GO BIG BLUE!

## SV TRIVIA....?????

1. Have you met the new President and Vice-President of the SV Alumni Association?

- 2. What is "new" with the SVHS Football schedule for the 2016 season?
- 3. How many students are enrolled at St. Vincent, grades 7-12, for the 2016-2017 School year?
- 4. Do you know the new teachers for the 2016-2017 school year?
- 5. How many young men are practicing for the Football team for the 2016 season?
- 6. How many band members were there in 1966, 50 years ago?
- 7. Can you name the four young ladies that were in the Homecoming Court in 1966?
- 8. How many years was the Fr. Meyer Foundation fundraiser held?
- 9. Who are the new coaches for the 2016-2017 school year?
- 10. 10. Who was the top seller of Fr. Meyer tickets for many years?

This information is correct according to our records. We apologize for any errors. If you have a question, or want a question published, contact an alumni officer.





Class of 1966 members celebrating their 50th Reunion at the Spring Alumni Banquet are pictured: Sitting L to R: Pat Thompson, Carol Klaus, Margie Brown, Sue Vogt, Cathy Brockmann, Mary Ellen Laurentius. Second row standing L to R: Dolores Krause, Jeanne Romann, Nancy Geiler, Brenda Buerck, Jeanette Hoch, Wanda Guth, Sandra Hudson, Margaret Hacker, Cathy Gagnepain, Joyce Hennemann, Peggie Sutterer, Larry Hoffman. Back row L to R: Carl Moore, Bob Guth, Wallie Breig, Norman Mattingly Joe Meyer, Jim Sutterer, and Tom Moore.

Judy (Hunt) Adams Cynthia (Hoffman) Algers **Richard Anderson** Roger Balsman Dan Beeson Tom Berkbigler Steve Besand Everett Boxdorfer Wallie Breig Cathy (Clifton) Brockmann Margie (Prost) Brown Mary Ellen (Hennemann) Brueggemann Melvin Buerck Brenda (Orth) Buerck Susan (Hagan) Busse Karen(Tucker) Cattoor Shirley (Hahn) Christisen Mary Jane (Buchheit) Cissell Barry DuBois Brenda (Williams) French Cathy (Brewer) Gagnepain Nancy (Leible) Geiler Bob Guth Wanda (Winkler) Guth Margaret (Pouyer) Hacker

Leila (Bohnert) Hayden Joyce (Wibbenmeyer) Heberlie Joyce (Layton) Hennemann Ginny (Killian) Herrick Jeanette (Kirn) Hoch Tom Hoeh Larry Hoffman Sandra (Franklin) Hudson Joann (Hoeckele) Jannin Louise (Buchheit) Jausel Ann (Besand) Kelly Earl Kirn Carol (Kirn) Klaus David Knott Dolores (Heberlie) Krause Ida Krieger Pat (Moll) Kutz Mary Ellen (Baer) Laurentius Lee Lottes Sharyn (Terbrak) Lueders Judy (Thieret) Lukefahr Norman Mattingly Joe Meyer Ray Miget Jeffrey Moll

Carl Moore Tom Moore Carol (Unterreiner) Moore Sue (Kiefer) Mueller Judy (Canter) Naeger Dale Peer Bob Ponder Elaine (Franklin) Pucong Carlene (Baudendistel) Rauh Jeanne (Laws) Romann Barbara (Schrumpf) Schaefer Gary Schnurbusch Kathleen (Zahner) Schnurbusch Linda (Hayden) Simpson Jean (Kutz) Smith Pat (Meyer) Stott Jim Sutterer Peggie (Prevallet) Sutterer Patricia (Cissell) Thompson Susan (Prost) Tibbs Sue (Gagnepain) Vogt Kenny Weibrecht Wayne Weinkein Connie (Hayden) Whitener Tom Young

Dianna (Renner) Yount Paul Zahner Frank Zoellner Gary Zoellner Mike Zoellner Donna (Whistler) Zoellner

#### **DECEASED MEMBERS:**

Richard Hansen Ann (Schweiss) Layton Jane (Van Doren) Lottes Thomas Loos Leslie Schindler Mike Schlattman Michael E. Schumer Gary Streiler Michael Vogel Alma (Kirn) Webb Allen Winkler

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Carla (Brown) Amschler Denise Brewer Diane Brewer Glennon Buchheit Eric Buerck Michel Cushman Susan (Tiehes) Davis Jennifer (Wibbenmeyer) Diebold Kevin Essner Richard Finger Mellissa (Chappius) Hemmann Angie (Brickhaus) Herman

Ed Huber Jennifer (Eberhardt) Inman Charles Kirn Jennifer (Klobe) Kirn Greg Kutz Chad Layton Brady Mattingly Charleen (Buchheit) Mattingly Pattany (Mahathath) Nations Jerri (Welker) Papin Laura Pingel Jennifer (Brown) Renner

Marcus Schumer Lisa (Martin) Selby Robin (Elder) Smith Sherry Staggs Julie Sutterer Timothy Unterreiner Travis Unterreiner Timothy Welker

#### DECEASED MEMBER

Phounesavath Mahathath

#### Dear Friends and Alumni,

May the Peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you always!

Thank you for your love and support of St. Vincent Parish and Schools! Every day I am reminded of the ways we have been blessed by the faith and commitment of our friends and alumni. It is a privilege to serve you as pastor.



I have great news to share about the future of Catholic Education in Perry County! Archbishop Carlson has established a catholic education endowment fund called, Beyond Sunday. The endowment will be funded by all 184 parishes in the Archdiocese. The interest from this one hundred million dollar endowment will be used exclusively for parishes with schools.

These facts are important to consider:

- -St. Vincent is one of only two parishes in the Archdiocese of St. Louis that operate high schools.
- -Four thousand students have left Catholic Education in the diocese over the past ten years because of rising costs.
- -Most parishes in the Archdiocese do not have schools
- -Recent studies indicate that those who attend Catholic Schools are seven percent more likely to continue practicing their faith as adults.

Our parish goal is to raise \$1.5 million dollars for the Beyond Sunday Endowment. Over the next five to ten years our schools will easily receive three times that amount in tuition subsidies, but will more likely generate five to six times the \$1.5 million we contribute. Does this sound too good to be true? That's what I thought at first, but then I realized we have contributed nothing to the fund so far and the diocese has already given our schools \$95,000 from Beyond Sunday alone-not to mention the \$50,000 we received from Alive in Christ, and \$125,000 we received from ACA.

This windfall has come to us from other parishes in the archdiocese who have already contributed to Beyond Sunday. Now it is our turn. As the endowment grows, so will the affordability and effectiveness of our schools!

This coming year one St. Vincent family received nearly \$5,000 in Beyond Sunday tuition support. They will receive at least that amount and possibly more support every single year from kindergarten through twelfth grade! Now imagine the level of financial support we are poised to receive since over 200 school families qualify for Beyond Sunday scholarships!

The mission of St. Vincent Parish and Schools is being reenergized by the support of our Alumni, parishioners, friends, and 184 parishes of the diocese who are committed to spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ through catholic education. Because our \$1.5 million dollar goal will net at least \$3 million over the next five to ten years, Beyond Sunday offers the best hope for the financial viability of St. Vincent Schools.

St. Vincent Parish and Schools need you to pledge your financial support for Beyond Sunday. Very soon you will hear more from us regarding this extraordinary opportunity.

Pray always that God will bring success to the work of our hands as we serve Jesus Christ, His Son, in faith, hope, and love!

Sincerely, Father Milton Fleming Ryan, C.M.

#### SV EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION Changes Phone-A-Thon To Mail-A-Thon

With the intention of respecting your privacy, as well as your valuable Sunday, the St. Vincent Educational Foundation Board Members elected to change the annual Phone-a-thon to a Mail-a-thon. Please continue to guide the SV students in our Catholic Faith with your generous donations. Anyone wishing to make a donation may do so at: SV Educational Foundation, PO Box 203, Perryville, MO 63775, or on-line at www.svdepaul.org, Quick Links, Ed Foundation Mail-a-thon.

## FR. MEYER FOUNDATION

For the last several years, the Fr. Meyer Foundation has experienced financial difficulties. The Alumni Board has made the difficult decision to discontinue this fundraiser. The last monthly drawing will be in October, 2016.

Sincere thanks to all the sellers and loyal supporters to this program. Your generosity throughout the years has greatly helped further the Alumni's goals. Please continue to support your Alumni Association.

## **Fr. Meyer Winners** (August 2015- July 2016):

Laverne(Welker) Henneke (1957), Perryville, MO Kevin & Shirlee Lipp, Ste. Genevieve, MO Lindsey Dudek, Cape Girardeau, MO Wayne "Duke"(1959) & Alvera DuBois, Perryville, MO Dee Ditch, Ste Genevieve, MO Mike Johnson, Ste. Genevieve, MO Jeremy Meyer, Perryville, MO Chuck Rhinehart, Ste. Genevieve, MO Claire Versemann, Jackson, MO Joan(Emmendorfer) Borash (1968), Anchorage, AK Robert & Gail Abt, Ste. Genevieve, MO Jeremy Kertz, Ste. Genevieve, MO



### Dr. Pat Hensley

Congratulations are in order for the Class of 2016 who demonstrated our mission through their gift of service and representing the value of a Catholic education. Our thirty-five (35) graduates achieved \$2.1 million in academic scholarships, 8653 hours of service and attained an ACT average score of 23.1 (National average= 21.0, State average = 21.8). These SV young men and women are the future leaders of our world and are well prepared for the challenge of leading.

At the end of this year, we initiated the "Grad Walk" through the halls of St. Vincent Elementary and Junior High Schools, with our pre-school students providing an honor guard as the grads entered our school. Of course, students were in their caps and gowns, parents were enjoying "their" grad's moment of glory, and the students in our schools cheered as they walked proudly through SV for the last time as a class. A new tradition has been born.

Bill Fischer, our band director for nine (9) years is moving to semi-retirement. He will work with band sections to help our new director, Ms. Magan Tarr. Magan has worked through the summer to become acquainted with students and direct our Band Camp 2016. Additionally, Mr. Newman Fair, who has served as a part-time teacher in the English Department will now serve as a full-time member of our SV faculty. Mr. David Hudson, who has served in the military for the last several years, is now our part-time P.E. teacher at SV.

As a school, our recent AdvancED Accreditation has given SV accreditation with distinction, which is quite an honor. Over the last years, our faculty has focused on rigor and relevance in the curriculum, student engagement in the classroom, and will continue to work on curriculum mapping process (grades K-12) to ensure continuity in our educational programming.

Again, we look forward to another great year with students, faculty, parents, alumni and our SV community. Thanks for your continued support of our programs and endeavors.

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August is here! That means it is time to gear up once more for another exciting school year. Let's face it, they fly by so we must enjoy the time we get to share with students and watch them as they flourish. The 2016-2017 school year includes staff changes in the Elementary School, with some familiar faces in new positions as well as a brand new member. With the departure of Coach Cindy Cissell, Mr. Nathan Rowland will be taking over K-6 P.E. and Computer Applications. Mr. Tyler Search is moving down a grade and will be the new 5th Grade Teacher. The brand new member joining our team is Mrs. Amanda Pecaut who will be teaching 6th Grade. Mrs. Pecaut has been an active member in the St. Vincent Parish for a while and has previous full time teaching experience at St. Agnes, teaching 6th Grade.



Dr. Ben Johnson

SV Elementary is has surging forward in the use of technology in the classroom with the introduction of last year's new reading program for K-2 grades. This year, the reading program was expanded to include grades 3-6 and the teacher's will be working hard to learn the new program for classroom implementation. The website is also in the middle of being upgraded and we thank our Technology Director, Mr. Todd McDonald for his extra effort and work into improving user ability on our site, which includes downloadable forms and more up-to-date access to information and messaging.

Our enrollment remains on par from last year and we have our doors open for all new families and students who wish to join us. We keep our dream of providing a gymnasium for the Elementary School very much alive as well as smaller items on our dream sheet like the expansion of our computer lab to include laptops which we could use to download textbooks at a fraction of the cost of having to purchase regular textbooks. The Beyond Sunday Capital Campaign issued by Bishop Carlson has been a wonderful and successful addition this year as it has allowed more families than ever before, the opportunity for tuition assistance and scholarships to alleviate the costs of education.

None of our dreams and goals would be possible if it was not for our Alumni and community members who have always answered the call and supported our mission and our students. Thank you so much for your continued support and feel free to stop by SV Elementary School and visit anytime. Take care and God Bless.

## **TRIVIA ANSWERS**

1. At the end of July 2016, the new President of the Alumni is Tim Unterreiner (1991) and the Vice-President is Clint Brown (2010).

- Information from the Athletic Director Bruce Valleroy(1981), is that new on the Football schedule for the 2016 season is the SVHS Indians will be playing the Perryville High School Pirates on September 16, 2016 at the PHS Stadium. In 2017, they will meet again at the SVHS Stadium. Other teams on the 2016 season schedule are Valle, Scott City, Kelly, Herculaneum, Crystal City, St. Pius, Grandview (Homecoming October 7, 2016), and Jefferson R-7. District playoffs start October 21, 2016.
- 3. From the SVHS Secretary Ms. Jenni Wheeler, the school will be expecting 227 students for the 2016-2017 school year in grades 7-12.
- 4. The new teachers at SVHS for the 2016-2017 school year are: Band Instructor Megan Tarr, Music teacher Vic Martin, and Part-time PE teacher will be David Hudson. Mr. Bill Fischer will be a Part-time music teacher and also assist the band after retiring from the full-time position last year. Leaving will English teacher Julie Lansing. Her replacements will be Newman Fair and Theresa Wengert.
- 5. The number of Football players for the 2016 season is up this year to 40 young men ready to play.
- 6. In 1966, 50 years ago, there were 42 band members. The band was directed by Leo "Bud" Miget.
- 7. The four young ladies in the Homecoming Court in 1966, and celebrating their 50th year anniversary this year were, Queen Cathy (Brewer) Gagnepain, Virginia (Killian) Herrick, Sue (Hagan) Busse, and Mary Ellen (Hennemann) Brueggeman.
- 8. Information from the Alumni News dated October 1960 states "Six months ago Fr. Otto Meyer came to the Alumni with an idea of a Booster Club for a fundraiser." That would be 56 years ago. Fr. Otto Meyer was a Vincentian priest and Perryville native.
- 9. We have 3 new coaches at SVHS for the 2016-2017 school year. The new Volleyball coach is Amy Umfleet, who was the Assistant coach with Cindy Cissell the past two years. The new Cheerleading coach is Sara Richter, and the new Girls Basketball Coach is Tim Winkler (1979). Coach Winkler taught in both the elementary and high school many years ago. He also coached boys basketball 30 years ago and at least one of his former players, outgoing Alumni President, Craig Brewer (1990), has a daughter on this year's team. Welcome back Coach Winkler to the next generation of athletes!
- 10. We have had many dedicated sellers over the last 56 years, but the top seller in recent years has been Donald "Popeye" Schremp (Honorary), who sold an average of 300-400 tickets per month.

## ALUMNI GOLF TOURNAMENT



Winners of the Championship flight are pictured above, L to R: Brian Holligan, Tim Schumer, Jimmy Smith, and Eric Warren.

Oldest and youngest participant pictured to the right are Leroy "Willie" Elder (1956) and his grandson Trent Elder (2013).



On April 29, 2016, alumni from all over the area convened at the Ste. Genevieve Country Club for the annual SV Alumni Golf Tournament. The weather was questionable at the start of the day but only a few raindrops fell, allowing the completion of another successful tournament!

As always, the Alumni Golf Tournament could not happen without the important work of Gerald Hoffman (1961) and Ken Schumer (1978). They have organized this event many years so if you get a chance to say "Thank You" to either of them, they certainly deserve it. This year the Alumni Association netted just under \$18,000. Every dollar that is raised helps offset the SVHS sports budgets, which grows every year.

Thank you to the major corporate sponsors of Lakenan Insurance and Lee Lottes (1966), and Kohlfeld Distributing. Beverage sponsors included River Eagle Distributing, Bluff City Beer, Kohlfeld Distributing, and Pepsi MidAmerica. A great meal was prepared with the assistance of the food sponsors, Roziers in Perryville and Roziers Country Mart in Chester, IL. Schemel/Tarrillion donated the coolers with the assistance of Brewer Graphics who did the lettering. The hole sponsorship signs were donated by Main Street Signs. And the coolie cup sponsors were Sauer Woodworks and Lundy Heating & Cooling. THANK YOU to each and every one of these sponsors, as well as the many \$100 hole sponsors who are vital to the success of our tournament.

Finally, thank you to the alumni and others that participate in the tournament. It is a great way to support SVHS, but at the same time catch up with fellow alumni. As usual, the competition is friendly yet spirited, and for possibly the first time the blue vests for low score of the tournament went to a group that are not SV Alumni. We are very fortunate to have local supporters like these in additional to all our dedicated Alumni to participate in this event! Also noteworthy this year were the oldest and youngest participant awards, which were presented to Leroy "Willie" Elder (1956) and his grandson Trent Elder (2013).

Make plans now to get your classmates together and play in next year's tournament on **April 28, 2017**!

## **SPRING SPORTS WRAP UP**

#### by: Bruce Valleroy

When you are reading this, the 2016-17 school and Fall Sports season has already begin. Where does time go?

We have a new volleyball coach, Amy Umfleet. We have a new cheerleading coac, Sara Richter. We have a new girls basketball coach, Tim Winkler(1979). We are looking forward to great seasons in all our Fall sports.

Looking back at the Spring Sports of 2016, our Girls Soccer team lost a heartbreaker in the District Championship to State Champions Saxony Lutheran. The girls lost in overtime in penalty kicks. That seemed to be the theme of their season. A lot of close games decided by overtime and penalty kicks. The Track Team was very successful this year. They had 14 athletes qualify for the state meet and brought many medals home. Medalists included Levi Krauss, son of Andy and Susan (Huber) Krauss (1986), who placed 3rd in the 1600 and 3rd in the 3200; Layne Hlavek, son of Steve and Amy (Lukefahr) Hlavek (1990), who placed 5th in the Javelin: Andrew Lipe, son of Ben(1993) and Theresa (Martens) Lipe (1993), who placed 8th in the 800 M: and Delia Lowman, daughter of Jerry and Jeanne Gerstenberger , who placed 4th in the 300 Hurdles. The Baseball Team had one of the most successful records 18-7 in school history this past year ending with a disappointing loss in the district semi-finals. The Golf Team was very young with no Seniors so their future looks bright.



Track team as they get ready to load the vans headed to the State Track Meet (L to R): Coach David Hudson, Kassidy Kassel, Andrew Lipe, Zach Johnson, Layne Hlavek, Isaac Baer, Joseph Baer, Levi Krauss, Jackie Verseman, Kara Kassel, Delia Lowman, Mikayla Schumer, Jordin Wingerter, Katie Verseman, Austin Dauster, Coach Terry Wood

The float MUST have the school colors (blue and gold) somewhere on it.

The year of graduation must be on the float somewhere (it is not required in the theme).

Point system for judging the floats: Beauty of the float (40 pts), Artistic Effort (30 pts) - if two floats are tied overall, the one with moving parts would be judged higher.

Drinking on or around a float will automatically disqualify that class from the competition.

Monetary prizes will be awarded at half time of the football game. 1st prize is \$150, 2nd prize is \$100, 3rd prize is \$75, Honorable Mention prize is \$50. Decision of the judges is final.

Float dimensions are as follows: Width 13' maximum, Length - No limit.

All drivers of floats must remain with the float until after halftime. Failure to stay with float will disqualify your class float from competition.

## ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Congratulations goes out to the Class of 2016 Scholarship Recipients. The total amount of scholarship monies offered by colleges, universities, businesses and organizations to the SVHS Class of 2016 reached just over \$2.1 million. Of the 35 graduates, 24 plan to attend a 4-year college, six plan to attend a 2-year college, one will attend a trade/technical school, one will enter a military service and three are going directly into the workforce. Our generous alumni have supported the graduates by offering the following scholarships:

#### JOHN L. MERTZ (1957)

\$1,000 - Samantha Pritchard, daughter of Dana (Ballman-1987) and Mark Pritchard

#### BUDDY (HONORARY MEMBER) DAVE WINKLER (1983)

\$1,000 - Courtney Kline, daughter of David(1989) and Tammie Kline

#### FIRST STATE COMMUNITY BANK GARY WENGERT (1969)

\$500 - Trevor Leible, son of Brian (1997) and Stephanie Leible

#### PINNACLE RESEARCH GROUP (TANYA (BISHOP-1985) MINGIONE)

- \$1,000 Emily King, daughter of Steve and Julie King
- \$1,000 Courtney Kline, daughter of David(1989) and Tammie Kline
- \$1,000 Samantha Pritchard, daughter of Mark and Dana (Ballman-1987) Pritchard
- \$1,000 Chase Schumer, grandson of Gary (1969) and Norma Schumer
- \$1,000 Kathryn Verseman, daughter of Darren and Susan (Klump-1990) Verseman

#### KACEY BERKBUEGLER (2014) MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

\$385 - Danielle Preston, daughter of Randy and Dena (Abernathy-1988) Preston

\$385 - Ericha Mueller, daughter of Tim and Tina Mueller

#### DOLLY MAE WELKER(HONORARY MEMBER) SCHOLARSHIP

\$ 1,000 - Trevor Leible, son of Brian(1987) and Stephanie Leible

#### ED (1972) AND KATHY (BROWN-1973) Robinson Endowed Scholarship for Perryville Higher Education

\$ 520.25 - Jordan Buchheit, son of Bill (1987) and Suzanne Buchheit



We would like to apologize for printing the following error and omission from the 2015 fall newsletter:

Dolly Mae Welker(Honorary Alumni) Scholarship presented to Nick Mingione, son of Santo and Tanya (Bishop-1985) Mingione, was incorrectly reported as \$500, but was actually \$1,000.

Dr. Theresa M Bert (1967) Environmental Sciences Scholarship in the amount of \$500 was presented to Brett Schario, daughter of Edwin Jr. and Tess Schario. THANKS AGAIN TO ALL OF OUR GENEROUS ALUMNI WHO SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS BOTH DURING AND AFTER HIGH SCHOOL!

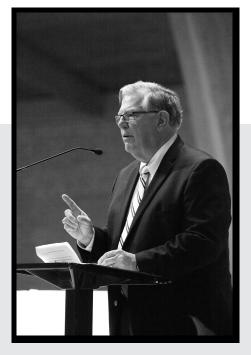
## thank you!

## **Commencement Speaker Mr. Timothy Drone**

BIO: Saint Louis University, Mr. Drone's alma mater, granted both his undergraduate and graduate degrees. With his Masters in hand, he became a banker with Bank of America for 40 years; most of this time as Senior Vice President. For the last 4 years Mr. Drone has been with Commerce Bank, Saint Louis as Executive Vice President.

Of Tim's many hobbies, the one that consumes him the most is "fine art" with a specialty concentrating on Missouri artists and on the Native American heritage that was so prominent in both Missouri and Illinois. Works by Thomas Hart Benton, Joe Jones, George Caleb Bingham and Karl Bodmer are a part of Painting the Midwest: Selections from the Collection of Timothy and Jeanne Drone Collection, a recent exhibition held in Perryville at the Frank Robinson Event Center at Robinson Construction.

Tim and his wife, Jeanne, have had a second home at Lake Perry for the last 10 years which has been a true blessing, as they have met so many great people from Perryville/Perry County.

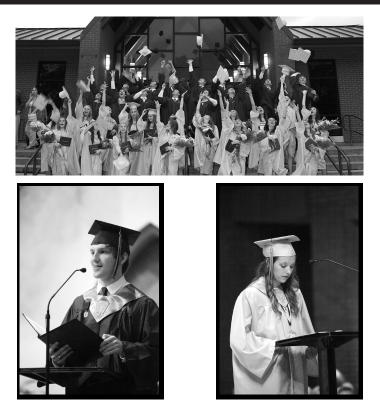


# **CLASS OF 2016**





**1st Row, L to R**: Samantha Pritchard, Ericha Mueller, Jordin Wingerter, Emma Janet, April Lefler, Courtney Kline, Emily King, Jessica Unterreiner, Emily Welker, Sydney Schabbing. **2nd Row L to R**: Mrs. Mindy (Cattoor) House (2002), Mrs. Louise (Besand) Wibbenmeyer(1980), Abby Pecaut, Allison McDonald, Karly Huber, Kassidy Kassel, Faith Kluender, Delia Lowman, Kathryn Verseman, Danielle Preston, Sr. Marilyn Schneider, Mrs. Angie Hudson, Ms. Cathryn Hoppe. **3rd Row L to R**: Ms. Sara Richter, Tom Julian, Tyler Francis, Zachary Johnson, Landon Schnurbusch, Levi Krauss, Isaac Baer, Joey Herzog, Chase Schumer, Mr. Bill Fischer, Sr. Rosemary Oellermann, Mr. Tom Prost **4th Row L to R**: Mr. John McLain, Mr. Tim Weilert, Noah Niswonger, Jordan Buchheit, Joe Whistler, Lance Chapman, Trevor Leible, Seth Pingel, Mr. Liam Hoeh (2008).**5th Row L to R**: Mr. Bruce Valleroy (1981), Mr. Brad Proctor, Jordan Rellergert, Kyle Brown, Fr. Milton Ryan, Lance Neumann, Nick Cissell, Dr. Pat Hensley, Mr. Newman Fair, Mr. Terry Wood.



Valedictorian Landon Schnurbusch, son of Larry (1965) and Jane Schnurbusch Salutatorian Emily King, daughter of Steven and Julie King The 2016 SVHS Commencement Exercises were held on Friday evening May 27 at the St. Vincent de Paul Church. Fr. Milton Ryan greeted those in attendance followed by Dr. Pat Hensley who introduced the speakers for the night. The first speaker of the evening was Salutatorian Emily King, daughter of Steve and Julie King. Emily welcomed the class and addressed their fears of what their future may hold by mentioning several famous people, including Oprah, Charles Darwin and Steven Spielberg, all who failed miserably before reaching each of their individual success stories. She urged them to take the time to use all of the tools that SVHS had given them to reach their full potential. The next speaker of the night was Commencement Speaker Timothy Drone. Tim talked to the class about the new "freedom" they would each soon experience once they leave home. He urged them to make the most of their freedom and make good choices. Tim also told them not to fear "failure" but rather learn from it to create your own success. He made reference to Thomas Edison who was questioned about his many failures before inventing the lightbulb and commented, " I found 900 ways how NOT to invent the light bulb". Perseverance is the key to turn your failures into success. He ended his speech by urging them each to never forget "home" as there will always be someone here that will welcome you back, and God will always be there for you. After the diplomas were handed out, Valedictorian Landon Schnurbusch, addressed the crowd. Landon revealed his humorous side to the crowd by opening with an apology to his father, Coach Larry Schnurbusch (1965), for not being named Athlete of the Year. Despite Larry's encouragement to play several sports as a child, Landon chose to follow in his mother's footsteps, and became a very talented musician, already composing piano music for himself and arrangements for the SV high school band. Landon thanked all of those that helped him to this day including his parents, his sister and the many teachers and music and drama professionals in the school. He shared several high school memories and ended with a quote from Dr Seuss, "You're off to Great Places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting, so get on your way!"

5 YEAR	Class of 2011 will ride in the parade together on Friday night. The Class will attend the Saturday Alumni mass at 4:30 with a barbecue to follow at a private residence. Classmates may call Emily (Cissell) Kapp at (573) 517-2822 for more information.
10 YEAR	Class of 2006 will have both a float and wagon for their class in the parade. After the Alumni Mass on Saturday, they will be celebrating joining the Class of 2001 for a dinner and dance at the KC Clubroom. See below for dance details.
15 YEAR	Class of 2001 will gather at the park to ride in the parade. They have decided not to build a float, but to make a donation to SV Schools. On Saturday, the class will gather for dinner with a dance following at the KC clubroom. Four Years Apart, a local band with several SV Alumni, will provide music for the dance, which will be open to the public.
20 YEAR	Class of 1996 will have both a float and wagon in the parade on Friday night with a possible gathering after the game as well. They will meet at the Alumni mass on Saturday and then head to the Barrens for the class reunion.
25 YEAR	Class of 1991 will be riding together in the parade on Friday. Instead of a float, they plan to make a donation to the Alumni Association. After the mass on Saturday, they will have a private gathering and meal.
30 YEAR	Class of 1986 will possibly have a float and a truck in the parade. Saturday the class will attend the 4:30 Alumni Mass and a dinner to follow. Location of dinner is yet to be determined.
35 YEAR	Class of 1981 is currently working on a float for the parade. They have a private gathering planned for Friday night after the game. On Saturday they will attend the Alumni mass followed by a dinner at Mary Jane's Vintage Room at 6:00pm.
40 YEAR	Celebrating their 40th anniversary, the Class of 1976 will have a float entry in the parade. Saturday the class plans on attending 4:30 Alumni Mass and will follow with an evening of socializing and dinner.
45 YEAR	Class of 1971 will have a wagon in the parade. After attending the football game the classmates and guests will gather at a classmate's home. Saturday they will attend the SV Alumni mass at 4:30. After mass the will go to the Perryville Country Club for dinner.
50 YEAR	The Golden Anniversary Class of 1966 will have a wagon in the parade. Saturday they will attend the SV Alumni Mass at 4:30 with a dinner to follow at the American Legion Colonnade Room.
55 YEAR	Class of 1961 will have a float & wagon in the parade. On Saturday, they will attend 4:30 Alumni Mass and then gather at the KC Sideroom for dinner.
60 YEAR	Class of 1956 has not finalized their plans yet, but hopefully will have a truck in the parade. On Saturday, they will meet at Ponderosa around 2:00 for a meal and then go to the SV Alumni Mass at 4:30.
61 YEAR	On Friday evening, the Class of 1955 will have an entry in the parade as they have never missed one! On Saturday, they will attend the Alumni mass and meet after at the American Legion Walnut Room to eat dinner and visit.
65 YEAR	Class of 1951 will have a luncheon on Saturday at Ponderosa.
69 YEAR	Class of 1947 will have an entry in the parade on Friday evening. In 69 years, they too have been represented at every SVHS Homecoming parade since they graduated. Quite an impressive record!









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