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# FROM THE PRESIDENT

#### Dear Blanchet School Community,

Congratulations to the Blanchet Class of 2023. We are so proud to honor this amazing group of students for their growing list of accomplishments and the impact they have had as Cavaliers. From excellence in the classroom to memorable performances in music, drama, DECA, and standout athletic achievements, this class may be small in number but they were remarkable all-around standouts in the Blanchet community.

Here are some statistics from this year's class:

- 100% Graduation rate
- 100% Attending college

\$5.52 Million in scholarships awarded for 36 graduates

81% Of the students in the class earned at least one scholarship

The 2022-23 school year was one of the strongest in our school's history as we enjoyed a significant increase in enrollment, completed construction of our new science/stem wing, and celebrated a year of student accomplishments in academics, fine arts, and athletics at both the middle and high school levels. The six new classrooms in our science/stem wing will provide our students with the technology, classroom space, and materials to continue to grow our science program at all levels.

This past October we hosted our annual True Blue Gala at Blanchet. The event included more than 250 attendees and raised funds to help support our school and our students. Next year's event is already on the calendar for Saturday, October 21. Please mark this on your calendar and plan on attending our biggest event of the year.

The future continues to look bright for Blanchet as we currently anticipate that our enrollment for next year will be at or near 400 students for the first time in many years. Both the 6th and 9th grade classes, our two biggest entry points for admission, are expected to be full with waiting lists as we go through the summer. If you know families that are considering Blanchet, please have them reach out to arrange a tour of our school with me or one of our staff members.

Thank you for your continued support of Blanchet Catholic School. The coming years are sure to be exciting ones as we continue to grow our school and enhance our program for our families.

#ByCourage&Faith,

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Bob Weber, President



# "The future continues to look bright for Blanchet."

*Cover Photo: Valedictorians Ellie Fromwiller & Liam Stanley* 

Pictured Left: Senior Haley Satterfield celebrates at graduation.

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Yeonwoo Jeong **Milo Kingsley** Spencer Kowalski Yi-Chun "Jim " Liao Daniel Maza Evan McKane Nathalie Perez-Rocha Nathaniel Portillo Sam Rogers

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Haley Satterfield Liam Stanley Eliana Strasser Brianna Topete Camacho **Santos Torres** Sydney Wagner Abby Weber Anna Welter Eliora Yamoah













































# MEET OUR aledictorians



## ELLIE FROMWILLER Valedictorian

Montana State University Nutrition and Health Sciences & Human Development



LIAM STANLEY Valedictorian

Lewis & Clark College Philosophy & Mathematics



## ABBY WEBER Valedictorian

**Regis University** Health & Exercise Science

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SYDNEY WAGNER Salutatorian Oregon State University Crop & Soil Science



### ELLIE FROMWILLER Valedictorian

Ellie Fromwiller graduates as a DECA chapter president and a Student Body Vice President.

She is a twelve sport athlete, earning varsity letters in all four years of high school in volleyball, basketball, and softball. For her efforts on the court, Ellie was named Honorable Mention All-League for basketball (2023) and was a captain her senior season. She has helped the Lady Cavs softball team to two consecutive state appearances, including as a captain this 2023 season. She recently was named 2nd Team All-League for softball.

Ellie is involved in Outdoor Club, Friends of Benedictine Club, Spirituality Team, Student Council, National Honor Society, DECA, Campus Ambassadors, Spirit Club, Newspaper Club, and stage manager for four of Blanchet's drama productions and a backstage worker for the other three productions.

This year Ellie and her teammate Abby Weber made it to the international conference for DECA, where they competed in Sports and Entertainment Marketing Team Decision Making; in the competition, they qualified as finalists and won 7th place overall on the international level.

Ellie will attend Montana State University in the fall, where she will study a major of Nutrition and Health Sciences and a minor in Human Development in hopes of going on to either medical school or physician's assistant school.



LIAM STANLEY Valedictorian

Liam Stanley graduates as the president

of the National Honor Society and the Founder and Head Editor of the school newspaper. He is also an active member in Outdoor Club, DECA, Spirituality Team, and was a part of the Math Team and the Speech and Debate Team. He has participated in football and track and field, lettering in both all four years. In addition, he managed the boys basketball team for one season. In the 2021-2022 season, Liam earned the prestigious Schrodinger Award for throwing, and Most Inspirational Player for Football.

Liam will be attending Lewis and Clark College in the fall with the intent to study Philosophy and Mathematics. He will continue his athletic career as a member of the track and field team. After college, he hopes to become a rockstar.



Blanchet's DECA Chapter.

She is a thirteen-sport athlete, lettering all four years in volleyball, basketball, and softball, and senior year in tennis. For her efforts on the court and on the field, she received Second-Team All-League PacWest Conference (2021-22) and Honorable Mention All-League Tri-River Conference for volleyball (2022-23), Honorable Mention All-League PacWest Conference (2020-21 and 2021-22), and Second-Team All-League Tri-River Conference for basketball (2022-23). She was honored to be a captain her senior season for the varsity volleyball, basketball, and tennis teams. She also helped the Lady Cavs softball team to two state tournament appearances in the 2021-22 and 2022-23 seasons.

Abby is involved in National Honor Society, Spirit Club, Campus Ambassadors, Spirituality Team, DECA, and Girl Scouts of America. Abby served at the state level as Oregon DECA's Vice President of Hospitality for the 2021-22 term, as well as qualifying at State and competing at the International Career Development Conference all four years of high school. This last April, Abby and her partner Ellie Fromwiller placed 7th in the nation for their team DECA event, Sports and

#### ABBY WEBER Valedictorian

Abby graduates as the Student Body President and a Co-President for Entertainment Marketing Team Decision Making.

Abby will be attending Regis University in Denver, Colorado this fall to study Health and Exercise Science with hopes of attending medical school after to become a physical therapist.



### SYDENY WAGNER Salutatorian

Sydney Wagner graduates as a member of

the National Honor Society. She is an accomplished athlete and, throughout high school, has been involved in volleyball, swimming, and track and field. Her dedication earned her two coach's awards for swimming.

In addition to sports, she is a member of Caretakers of the Environment International, International Thespians Society (as well as various theater productions) and DECA. She was also in charge of the outdoor school for the sixth-grade class this year.

Sydney plans to attend Oregon State University where she will study Crop and Soil Science.





## MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 2023 WERE ACCEPTED TO THE FOLLOWING COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

**American University** Arizona State University **Boise State University Brigham Young University-Idaho Carroll College Catholic University of America** Centralia College **Chemeketa Community College Creighton University Eastern Oregon University George Fox University George Mason University Gonzaga University** Gordon College **Grand Canvon University Green River Community College** Lewis and Clark College Lewis University

Linfield University Linn Benton Community College **Marquette University** Montana State University Northern Arizona University **Ohio State University Oregon Institute of Technology Oregon State University Pacific University Portland State University Reed College Regis University** Seattle University **University of Arizona** University of California - Santa Cruz **University of Connecticut University of Dallas** University of Idaho

**University of Michigan University of Minnesota - Twin Cities University of Montana** University of Oregon **University of Pittsburgh University of Portland University of Pugent Sound** University of Redlands University of Utah **Utah State University Utah Tech University** Washington State University Western Oregon University Westmont College Whitman College Willamette University William and Mary College **Xavier University of Louisiana** 

#### NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERS

Carson Banning, Nyeelah Brown, Belen Cedillo, Erick Cervantes Hernandez, McKenna Eppley, Ellie Fromwiller, Matthew Ilg, Spencer Kowalski, Yi-Chun Liao, Daniel Maza, Evan McKane, Sam Rogers, Liam Stanley, Eliana Strasser, Santos Torres, Sydney Wagner, Abby Weber, Anna Welter, Eliora Yamoah

#### **BLANCHET INTERNATIONAL THESPIAN SOCIETY**

Nyeelah Brown (President), Kayla Chavez (Honorary Member), McKenna Eppley, Sydney Wagner, Abby Weber, Anna Welter, Eliorah Yamoah

#### **TRI-M MUSIC HONOR SOCIETY**

Nyeelah Brown, McKenna Eppley, Fabian Castaneda

#### **DECA HONOR CORDS**

Belen Cedillo, Kayla Chavez, Ellie Fromwiller, Kyla Gorrono, Eliana Strasser, Abby Weber, Anna Welter



12 Sport athlete recognition is reserved for graduating seniors who have competed in three sports each year for all four years of their high school career. These student-athletes commit to 12 seasons (Fall, Winter, Spring) of play without breaks between each season. We recognize the enormous amount of dedication, work ethic, and commitment that each of these three young adults have shown over the past four years. The coaches of these student-athletes have come to rely upon their leadership, outstanding performances, and positive attitudes. They are a great example of what a

Cavalier student-athlete should strive to achieve.



**EPPLEY** Volleyball **Basketball** Swim Track & Field

ELLIE

Volleyball

Softball













#### ATHLETES OF THE YEAR





Daniel Maza

#### **OSAA SENIOR SCHOLAR AWARDS**

The Scholar Program recognizes graduating seniors who have achieved a 3.50 or higher unweighted cumulative GPA and earned a varsity letter in an OSAA-sanctioned sport or competed in an OSAA-sanctioned activity.

#### **OSAA Scholar Athlete Award:**

Carson Banning, Belen Cedillo, Erick Cervantes Hernandez, McKenna Eppley, Ellie Fromwiller, Matthew Ila, Spencer Kowalski, Daniel Maza, Evan McKane, Liam Stanley, Santos Torres, Sydney Wagner, Abby Weber, Anna Welter, Eliora Yamoah

OSAA Scholar Activity Award: Nyeelah Brown, Liam Stanley, Yi-Chun Liao

#### **STUDENTS GOING ON TO PLAY COLLEGE SPORTS**

Isaac Edo - George Fox: Track & Field, McKenna Eppley - George Fox: Track & Field, Spencer Kowalski - Centralia College: Baseball, Liam Stanley - Lewis and Clark College: Track & Field



#### NFHS AWARD OF EXCELLENCE



McKenna Eppley, Ellie Fromwiller, Noe Contreras, Spencer Kowalski





Senior Awards

#### **ELLIE FROMWILLER**

St. Thomas Aquinas Award for Academic Excellence

Awarded to the student who has a high degree of intellectual curiosity and academic knowledge.

PAST WINNERS: 2022-Sam Schindler 2021-Claire Middendorf 2020-Katie Tuttle 2019-Nikhil Namburi 2018-Garret Duch 2017-Kevin McCarthy 2016-Boa Nguyen 2015-Mark Geisler 2014-Colleen Coen 2013-Kelsey Nanneman



2012-Tori Hittner 2011-Emily Hillmer 2010-Cleavan Whitnell 2009-Andre Wyatt 2008-Katie Grainey 2007-Kristin Crocker 2006-Daniel Howell 2005-Jessica Campbell 2004-William Howell 2003-Gretchen York

#### **ANNA WELTER**

Mother Teresa **Spirituality Award** 

Awarded to the student who demonstrates great character, service, and spirituality.

PAST WINNERS: 2022-Seira Kitagawa 2021-Clifford Heaney 2020-Alaina Trudeau 2019-Paul Heanev & Alex Kosiewicz 2018-Madolyn Kelm 2017-Analyssa Ruiz 2016-Charlie Marik 2015-Carolyn Beyer 2014-Jake Handran 2013-Maggie Conklin 2012-Megan Angstrom 2011-Tevin Gianella



2010- Morgan Clement 2009-Irene Walters 2008-Kristin Belleque 2007-Lou Conklin 2006-Thomas Belleque 2005-Mary Crocker 2004-Sean Courtney 2003-Moniaue Weaver

#### **ABBY WEBER**

**Archbishop Francis Norbert Blanchet Outstanding Leadership** Award

Awarded to the student who best demonstrates character and leadership and who is a great role model.

#### PAST WINNERS:

2022-Vanessa Cervantes Hernandez 2021-Lauren Kennedy 2020-James Moore 2019-Kalea Salang 2018-Aneesh Namburi 2017-Madison Barnes Nelson 2016-Nicole Halfman 2015-Alex Jones 2014-David Leonardo 2013- Caitlin Anglemier



2012-Daniel Smith 2011-Eric Brown 2010-Laura Ruggles 2009-Marava Sullivan 2008-Alexandria Johnson 2007-Sami Hopewell 2006-Kevin Grainey 2005-Karen Garaventa 2004-Pat Grainey 2003-Kate Nasset

#### LIAM STANLEY

Guido Caldarazzo **Principal's Award** 

In memory of Blanchet's first principal, this award honors a senior who most exemplifies Mr. Caldarazzo's commitment to education and love of learning.

PAST WINNERS: 2022-Brooklyn Buchheit 2021-Kayla Greenwood 2020-Andrew Hill 2019-Jason Liu 2018-Tessa Sullivan 2017-Tony Beyer 2016-Alex McArthur 2015-Trent Gianella 2014-Mason Fessler

2013-Trey Gianella 2012-Jordan Ruiz 2011-Kaitlin Counts 2010-Kenneth Shultz 2009-Tygh Gianella 2008-Nicholas Contreras



# **IN-PERSON LIVE AUCTION OCTOBER 21, 2023**

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO WWW.BLANCHETCATHOLICSCHOOL.COM/AUCTION



#### NYEELAH BROWN Charles E. Lee President's Award

This award is in memory of Blanchet Catholic School's longtime President Mr. Charles Lee and is presented to a senior that most exemplifies Mr. Lee's passion to excel, lead, serve and inspire.

PAST WINNERS: 2022-Ismael Lopez Manuel

## **Blanchet Catholic School's Annual Benefit Auction**







**VIRTUAL ONLINE SILENT AUCTION OCTOBER 16-20, 2023** 

# CONGRATULATIONS 8 TH GRADE CLASS











Abel Aguilar Angel Ambrosio Bejarano Annabelle Aranda Joseph Barra Hallie Beyer Janessa Carter Lauren Cravenho Nolan Crocker Renatta Diaz-Hermosillo Wyatt Duch Derek Fordwour

Angel Frausto Gaona Sawyer Freres Aiden Geibel Roman Geisler Valeria Gonzalez Hernandez Reese Johnson Alicia Kabore Julian Kaya Cheyenne Kuderer Xavier Laureano Islas Kinzie Lazarus Brielle Limont Isabel Lopez Jason Lopez Ethan Lutz Trey Mack Elizabeth Mancha Quetzalli Melendez-Alatorre Abagail Miller Samuel Mosar Vivian Nguyen Joshua Perez Casen Rasmussen Landen Ratajczak Eli San Juan Elyse Sanders Valentina Sandoval Romero Payton Scheidemantel Nazveer Singh Reagan Smith Isabella Soto Raquel Steinmetz Paavo Strother



Marie Tiscornia Gabriel Tolento Arechiga Eduardo Torres Luna Villegas-Tolento Max Weber Amelia Welter Carly Wise Henry Wort Jerek Zabala

#### POTTERY



ndall. Isavell Navas. Rilev Wiegal Gabby VaVerka

Paulina Gonzalez. Avana Karasav Max Quintero, Cynthia Gurrola



**BEST IN** SHOW Ayana Karasawa



RESPECT

Jav Naranio Duarte

Erick Frausto Gaona, Hallie Beyer

RESPECT

Elias Miranda, Grayson Hubbard,

Renatta Diaz Hermosillo

**CITIZENSHIP** 

Vi Nguyen











Madelyn Miller, Taevin Banda







Quetzi Briseno, Landon Guillorv. Josh Perez





**CLUB & ACTIVITY AWARDS** 





Golden Dumbbell Award







#### **SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS RECOGNITION** MacEwen MacEwen MacEwen

Ben Eugenic

**DEPARTMENT AWARDS** 

SCIENCE

Ellie Fromwille

Elyse Sanders

**OASSA AWARDS** 

Scholarshi

CLASS DAY

City of Salem Mayor's Service Award

Howard Family Scholarship

Paola Diaz

Hermosillo

SOCIAL STUDIES

Carson Wise

Vivian Nguyen

PHYSICAL ED.

Caleb Banning

Angel Frausto

LANGUAGE

ARTS

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ASB President's Gavel

Abby Weber

D.A.R. Award

THEOLOGY

McKenna Eppley, Sydney Wagner, Alicia Kabore

VOCAL

Nyeelah Brown Hallie Beyer

MacEwen

Scholarshi

Joseph Beyer



Paola Diaz

**ENGLISH** 

Ellie Frowiller

Hallie Beyer

SCIENCE

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CHARLES E. LEE SCHOLARS

Carson Wise

**SPANISH** 

Denavae Randall

Annabelle Aranda

Scholarshi

Joseph Sanche

Delilah Dang

ASL

Audrey Day

Checkal Scholarship

Joshua Perez



Jacqui Hendrix



Mr. Brooks

Scholarship





Jim Liao Tlaloc Briseno Paavo Strother

TECHNOLOGY



Avana Karasawa

Taevin Randall

ARTS

Claire Huynh Joe Barra

BUSINESS

MARKETING



Carter

Mucken























Lourenco



MATH



HEALTH/PE



ORCHESTRA

Eliora Yamoah

Joe Barra

FOREIGN

LANGUAGE

Hernandez

Erick Cervantes Svc

VISUAL ARTS PERFORMING

SOCIAL

SCIENCE

DRAMA

Nyeelah Brown Payton Scheidemantel

COMPUTER

SCIENCE

#### **VISUAL ARTS AWARDS**





Avana Karasawa, Emily Barnett Kyla Gorrono

DRAWING/PAINTING

#### PHOTOGRAPHY



Lucia Orozco

### **MID HIGH CAV WAY AWARDS**



INTEGRITY



John Basmussen, Meredith Morehead, Valentina Sandoval



INTEGRITY



Bridget Keane, Emery Yant, James Frey, Alicia Kabore

#### RESPONSIBILITY



Quinten Beyer, Riley Wiega Angel Frausto

#### GRIT



Jaden Basmussen, Cristian Gonzalez Hernandez, Wyatt Duch

#### RESPONSIBILITY



Emily Martin Webb, Kaden Orizotti, Reagan Smith



GRIT

Zarah Riecke, Genesis Cardenas, Angel Frausto

#### 7th Grade Cav Way Student of the Year

Gabby VaVerka



8th Grade Cav Way Student of the Year Abagail Miller



Deal





**DECA Students** 

of the Year

Ellie Fromwiller, Abby Weber

**Campus Ambassador** of the Year















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Liam Stanley Orry Stanley



# AWARDS & HONORS



#### **ATHLETIC HONORS**

#### **New School Records**

Jacob Fromwiller, Phalen Arnold, Ethan Nicoloff, Rafael Rodriguez - Track and Field, 4x100 (45.38 seconds)

Isaac Edo - Track & Field, Discus (150')

Jackson Mucken - Track & Field, Javelin (163' 7.5")

#### **District Championships**

1st Place - Girls Track and Field Team (13th consecutive District title)

1st Place - Boys Track and Field Team

1st Place - Varsity Baseball Team

2nd Place - Varsity Softball Team

3rd Place - Boys Golf Team

#### **District Champions**

Isaac Edo - Track and Field (Discus)

Lindsey Arritola, Valentina Milani, Scarlett Prine & Tatum Fleming - Track & Field (4x100 M Relay)

Jackson Mucken - Track & Field (Javelin)

Valentina Milani - Track & Field (100 M Hurdles)

#### **OSAA State Championships**

OSAA 2/1A Baseball - 2nd Place OSAA 2A/1A Softball - Ouarterfinalists OSAA Bovs Track and Field - 4th Place OSAA Girls Track and Field - 4th Place

#### **OSAA State Champions** Isaac Edo - Track and Field (Discus)

#### All-State Award Winners

1st Team All-State Isaac Edo - Track & Field (Discus) Spencer Kowalski - Baseball (Catcher) Griffen Mucken - Baseball (Outfielder)

#### 2nd Team All-State

Drew Bartels - Baseball (Pitcher) Noah Hancock - Baseball (Infield) Lindsey Arritola - Track & Field (4 x 100) Scarlet Prine - Track & Field (4 x 100) Tatum Fleming - Track & Field (4 x 100) Valentina Milani - Track & Field (4 x 100)

#### 3rd Team All-State

Noe Contreras - Track & Field (110 M Hurdles) Dylan Cuff - Baseball (Infield) Isaac Edo - Track & Field (Shot Put) Carson McNally - Baseball (Pitcher), Molly Mucken - Track & Field (Discus),

#### Honorable Mention All-State

Ben Alley - Soccer Eilee Mucken - Track & Field (Pole Vault) Sarah Naegeli - Track & Field (Pole Vault, Javelin) Noe Contreras - Track & Field (300M Hurdles, Long Jump) Carson Smith - Track & Field (High Jump) Jackson Mucken - Track & Field (Javelin) Molly Mucken - Track & Field (Shot Put)

Jacob Fromwiller - Track & Field (4x100) Rafael Rodriguez - Track & Field (4x100) Phalen Arnold - Track & Field (4x100) Ethan Nicoloff - Track & Field (4x100) Evan McKane - Track & Field (Shot Put), James Barnett - Track & Field (Discus) Valentina Milani - Track & Field (100 M, 300 M Hurdles)

Horte Gemedo - Track & Field (High Jump) Rafael Rodriguez - Track & Field (200 M) Tatum Fleming - Track & Field (100 M)

#### All Conference Coach of the Year

David Winstead-Baseball David Mucken - Girls and Boys Track and Field Jeff Jones - Boys Golf

#### **All Conference Teams**

#### 1st Team All-Conference

Noe Contreras - Football (DB) Ben Alley - Soccer John Kelty - Soccer Thalia Lazarus - Soccer Daniel Maza - Basketball Zoe Moore - Softball (Catcher) Regan Rasmussen - Softball (Pitcher) Drew Bartels - Baseball (Pitcher) Dvlan Cuff - Baseball (Infield) Noah Hancock - Baseball (Infield) Spencer Kowalski - Baseball (Catcher) Carson McNally - Baseball (Pitcher) Griffen Mucken - Baseball (Outfield) Joseph Bever - Golf

#### 2nd Team All-Conference

Spencer Kowalski - Football (OB) Griffen Mucken - Football (Receiver) Isaac Santillan - Football (DL, OL) Zac Szymakowski - Football (Kicker) Joseph Bever - Soccer Daniel Maza - Soccer Kevvi Rocha-Alonso - Soccer Fatima Jimenez - Soccer Katrina Lourenco - Soccer Lily Castaneda - Volleyball Irene Rocha Ibarra - Volleyball Abby Weber - Basketball Landon Gerig - Baseball (Utility) Tyson Smith - Baseball (Outfield) Ellie Fromwiller - Softball (Outfield) Alana Jensen - Softball (Infield)

#### Honorable Mention All-Conference

Phalen Arnold - Football (Receiver) Carson Banning - Soccer & Basketball Christian Orozco - Soccer Audrey Day - Soccer Paola Diaz-Hermosillo - Soccer Sophie Schindler - Soccer Grace Weber - Soccer & Basketball Lindsey Arritola - Volleyball Abby Weber - Volleyball Ellie Fromwiller - Basketball Matthew Ilg - Basketball Jacqui Hendrix - Softball (Outfield) Raquel Hendrix - Softball (Infield) Olivia Kansky - Softball (1st Base) Ellie Martin Lanzer - Softball (Infield) Lilv Castenada - Girls Golf Denavae Randall - Girls Golf

#### OSAA Academic All-State

Boys Basketball - 2nd Place - 3.72 G.P.A. Boys Baseball - 3rd Place - 3.71 G.P.A. Choir - 3rd Place - 3.53 G.P.A. Football - 5th Place - 3.04 G.P.A. Volleyball - 5th Place - 3.74 G.P.A. Boys Track & Field - 8th Place - 3.31 G.P.A. Girls Basketball - 9th Place - 3.61 G.P.A. Boys Golf - 10th Place - 3.59 G.P.A.

#### Salem Breakfast Club Athletes of the Week

#### Athlete of the Week Daniel Maza, Basketball

Isaac Edo, Track and Field Griffen Mucken, Baseball Joseph Beyer, Boys Golf Drew Bartels, Baseball Abby Weber, Basketball

Athlete of the Year Spencer Kowalski, Baseball Noe Contreras, Track & Field

8th Grade Boys Basketball - 3rd Place 8th Grade Girls Basketball - Sportsmanship Award Sam Mosar - All Tournament Boys Team Renatta Diaz-Hermosillo - All Tournament Girls *Team, 1st place in three-point contest* Carly Wise - 3rd Place in free-throw contest

#### **CLUB HONORS**

Tyler Millican

**Oregon Battle of the Books** 

Randall, Sophie Schindler

#### eSports Regional Championships

Fall 2022 Season: 7th in Western Region

#### 2023 DECA State Career Development Conference

Six Blanchet students earned guaranteed spots at the International Career Development Conference (ICDC). DECA national championships: Tanveer Singh, Nhi Huynh, Paola Diaz-Hermosillo. Holden Prine, Max Quintero, and Koren Ickes Amend. Blanchet's Community Outreach Project, The Open Minded Project, led by Paola, Tanveer, and Nhi, earned a first place spot. Holden and Max also stood atop the podium with their business development project for a total of five Cavalier state champions. Twenty Cavaliers finished in the top 10 in the state of Oregon in their respective competitions, ten Cavaliers placed 4th through 8th in their events and were honored with a medal, and *thirty-eight placed in the top 25 competitors for* their event(s).

Junior Tanveer Singh was re-elected as Oregon DECA's President for 2023-2024.

#### St. Paul Basketball Tournament

#### Speech & Debate State Competitors

Degree of Honor - Earned at Least 76 Points Cooper Brown, Lily Castanada, Ben Eugenio,

#### Degree of Merit - Earned at Least 30 Points

Paola Diaz Hermosilla, Elijah Halfman. Raquelle Hendrix, Kat Lourenco, Ethan Nicoloff, Claire Raffensperger, Jaquie Hendrix, Tanveer Singh

5th in State: Audrey Day, Rachel Estrabo, Valentina Milani, Denavae Randall, Rieve

Spring 2023 Season: 5th in Western Region

#### 2023 DECA International Career **Development Conference**

The Cavalier contingent to ICDC included Ellie Fromwiller, Abby Weber, Holden Prine, Max Quintero, Claire Raffensperger, Raquelle Hendrix, Ben Alley, Nhi Huynh, Carter Mucken, Tanveer Singh, Brooklyn Ries, Grace Weber and Koren Ickes-Amend.

Ellie Fromwiller and Abby Weber finished in the top 10 at nationals.

#### **FINE ARTS HONORS**

**OMEA All-State High School Choir** Thalia Lazarus, Josh Nelson

#### **OMEA All-State Middle School Choir**

Audrie Hanson, Kinzie Lazarus, Brielle Rodli, Izzy Sanders

NafME All-National Mixed Choir Thalia Lazarus

#### International Thespian Society **Regional Showcase**

1st Place - Rachel Estrabo & Josh Nelson (Duo Comedic Acting)

#### International Thespian Society State **Showcase Competition** 1st Place - Rachel Estrabo & Josh Nelson

(Duo Comedic Acting)

#### **OTHER HONORS**

**National Merit Scholar** Sophie Schindler

**1000 Soles Shoe Battle of the Schools** Blanchet Catholic School won the 5th consecutive Shoe Battle of the Schools trophy.

Salem Rotary Students of the Month Nveelah Brown, Belen Cedillo, Ellie Fromwiller, Matthew Ilg, Liam Stanley, Sydney Wagner, Eliora Yamoah

Salem Optimist Students of Merit Fabian Castaneda, Isaac Edo, McKenna Epplev, Kyla Goronno

Turn Around Student of the Year Brianna Topete Camacho



#### BLANCHET CATHOLIC SCHOOL ANNOUNCES 2023 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

Blanchet Catholic School is pleased to announce its fifth class of Hall of Fame inductees who will be recognized in a ceremony at Blanchet on Saturday, October 7 beginning at 2:00 pm. The Blanchet Hall of Fame was founded in September 2014 to honor and preserve the memory of Blanchet Catholic School students, administrators, and community members for outstanding and extraordinary contributions. By induction into the Blanchet Catholic School Hall of Fame, these individuals will forever be recognized as representing our best.

#### BEN BARTCH - '16



Bartch grew up in McMinnville, Oregon, and attended Blanchet Catholic School where he played tight end on the football team and graduated in 2016. As a student at Blanchet, Ben was involved in drama, DECA, Outdoor Club, FFA, and Friends of Benedictine. He was awarded third place in state and was a national qualifier in DECA and FFA. Ben also competed in basketball and football, achieving all-league honors in

football. He was very active in his community by participating in the Adopt a Highway program, the Northeast Salem Community Christmas Party, and church cleaning. He was also inducted into the National Honor Society his junior year.

After high school, Ben went on to St John's College to play football and track and field in shot put and discus throw events. He began his collegiate football career playing tight end. He played in one game as a freshman and was the team's third tight end as a sophomore, catching four passes for 43 yards and one touchdown. His coaches liked his blocking ability and suggested he move to the offensive line going into his junior season. In order to gain weight, Bartch consumed a protein shake daily consisting of 7 scrambled eggs, a tub of cottage cheese, quick grits, peanut butter, bananas, and Gatorade and went up from 250 pounds to 275 by summer training camp before eventually reaching 305 pounds. Bartch became the Johnnies, starting left tackle and was named second-team All-Minnesota

Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) and to the Allstate AFCA Good Works Team at the end of the season. As a senior. Bartch was named first-team All-MIAC and a consensus firstteam All-American by D3Football.com. Considered a prospect in the 2020 NFL Draft, Bartch was invited to participate in the 2020 Senior Bowl. He also continued to give back to his community. In college. Ben was nominated for the 2019 Allstate AFCA Good Works Team, an annual award that honors deserving studentathletes across the country for their dedication to community service.

Ben was selected in the fourth round of the 2020 NFL Draft by the Jacksonville Jaguars and made his NFL debut on September 13, 2020, in the season opener against the Indianapolis Colts, playing five snaps on special teams. As a professional athlete, he participates with the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast Florida in Jacksonville. Bartch has already begun mentoring young people, even meeting his "little" at TIAA Bank Field over the offseason. For two straight years, he participated in a community Virtual Walk to School Day, teaching children about the safety of walking to school and listening to the crossing guards.

#### WILLIAM (BILL) J. COSTE



Bill Coste attended Lewis and Clark College where he earned a degree in Finance. He also received a Bachelor of Science in Education and Administration from Western Oregon State University as well as an Education Business Endorsement.

Bill taught and coached basketball at Alsea High School from 1988 to 1999 before moving on to Blanchet. He was a high school Business teacher, varsity boys basketball coach and an Assistant Principal while at Blanchet. He was recognized as a Distinguished Educator in 2003. As a basketball coach he received many accolades including Oregon State Basketball Coach of the Year and Far West States Coach of the Year in 1998 and National Basketball Coach of the Year in 1999. He led the

Blanchet Boys basketball team to the District Championships in 2001, 2002 and 2003. They won the District Championship in 2002. Bill also built shot put and discus rings for the track and field and painted the gym floor.

BIll is an author of 'Basketball Plays, Tricks and Gimmicks,' a book that offers basketball tricks and gimmicks that are aimed to supplement team deficiencies and help form some steps for personal success. Included are numerous forms and letters for neophyte coaches. From building a program to practicing tips and hints, from mastering zone defense and man-to-man defense to creating tactics, this book presents tips that will save time and research for those new to coaching basketball.

BIll is also a proud member of the Subway Alumni; a group of Notre Dame Fighting Irish fans who are known for their strict allegiance to the school although never attending or graduating from the school.

Bill has been married to his lovely wife Bette for 58 years and they live in Corvallis, Oregon. Together they have three children, Sean, Kelly and Blanchet's own Corina Moore! Bill has been a member of St. Mary's Parish in Corvallis for 54 years, is a 1st Degree Knights of Columbus and volunteers at the St Mary's soup kitchen.

#### KARRIE HAGEDORN - '04



Karrie Hagedorn graduated from Blanchet in 2004. While at Blanchet she was very active in varsity soccer, track, tennis, basketball and drama. She also served in student government as the Student Body Activities Director. Karrie was an All State player in soccer and All Conference in both soccer and track. She was recognized by Salem Breakfast Club and the Statesman Journal for

soccer as well.

After Blanchet, Kim received her Bachelor of Education in Special Education and Elementary Education from Gonzaga University, a Master of Education in special education from the University After Blanchet, Karrie attended Saint Mary's College of California. of Kansas, and a Ph.D. in special education and policy from While at St. Mary's she ran Cross Country and broke school the University of Kansas. In 2010, she married Joe Knackstedt records doing so. She was recognized as an All Conference whom she met while at Gonzaga University. Together they live Athlete of the Week and Academic All Conference award winner. in Washington, DC, where she still rides horses, explores the Karrie graduated from St. Mary's in 2008 with a Bachelor of coffee shops around DC and is working on building an extensive Arts in politics, communications and Spanish. She received the collection of houseplants. Thomas Jefferson Award for graduating at the top of her class in the Politics Department.

After starting a career in non-profit fundraising, Karrie made a career transition into High Tech in the San Francisco Bay Area / Silicon Valley. She is now based out of New York City and going on 6 years at Salesforce, where she is in Strategic Enterprise Sales in Financial Services vertical, working with clients who are among the largest banks and wealth management firms in the world.

Karrie volunteered as mentor and donor with Saint Mary's College Athletics and Events Committee at NYC-based (opportunitynetwork.org). She is an original member of the Blanchet Alumni Association and helped to create the William Brooks Memorial Scholarship. She is currently living in New York

City and will married love of her life, Stephen Turchan, on August 12.2023.

#### KIMBERLY KNACKSTEDT (HOPEWELL) - '05



Kim Knackstedt is a senior fellow and director of The Century Foundation's Disability Economic Justice Collaborative, where her work focuses on economic justice for people with disabilities and their families. She previously has served in disability policy positions in Congress and the White House. She brings experience as a classroom teacher of students with disabilities and as a person with chronic illness to her

- policy perspectives. In 2016, Kim was the Joseph P. Kennedy Jr. Public Policy Fellow, serving on the Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee. From 2017 to 2019, she served as the disability policy advisor for Chairman Bobby Scott on
- the Committee on Education and Labor in the U.S. House of Representatives. From 2019 to 2021, she was the senior disability policy advisor for Senator Patty Murray on the Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee in the U.S. Senate. In January 2021, Kim was appointed as the first director of disability policy for the Domestic Policy Council for the Biden–Harris administration.
- Kimberly graduated from Blanchet Catholic School in 2005. While at Blanchet, she was the manager for the girls' basketball team and the cross country team and participated in several musicals. She also helped start a spirit club her senior year. The spirit club decorated the halls for the various sports events and put posters around the school. And because riding her horse was more than an extracurricular activity, Kim lettered in horseback riding while at Blanchet.

#### DR. MARTHA A. MONSON (CHOATE) - '03

Dr. Martha A. Monson is a Maternal-Fetal Medicine Specialist/ Obstetrician-Gynecologist. She attended medical school at



the University of Vermont College of Medicine, after which she completed residency training in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Utah, where she developed a passion for high-risk pregnancy care and quality improvement. Dr. Monson completed a Maternal Fetal Medicine Fellowship as well as a Masters Degree in Clinical Science and Investigation at the

#### University of Utah.

During her tenure as a resident and fellow at the University of Utah, Dr. Monson's research and quality improvement efforts involved developing new obstetric safety bundles, enhancing obstetric team training/simulation drills, and participating in clinical research to improve patient safety on the labor unit. During her training at the University of Utah, Dr. Monson and her team were awarded the 2nd place prize in the National Improvement Challenge in Postpartum Hemorrhage sponsored by the Council on Patient Safety in Women's Health Care. Dr. Monson has also had the opportunity to present her research at several national meetings and received the Award of Research Excellence in the Obstetric Quality and Safety category at the 2019 Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine Pregnancy Meeting.

After completion of her Maternal-Fetal Fellowship training at the University of Utah, Dr. Monson accepted an opportunity to pursue a training fellowship in Fetal Surgery at Keck School of Medicine at USC in Los Angeles, California. During this fellowship training, Dr. Monson refined her skills in needle-based procedures and received formal training in fetal shunt placement and operative fetoscopy for the treatment of complicated monochorionic twins and fetoscopic spina bifida repair. Dr. Monson returned to Utah in early 2022 to join the Grant Scott Bonham Fetal Center team at Primary Children's Hospital as Co-Director of Fetal Surgery. In addition to performing consultative services at the Fetal Center at Primary Children's Hospital, Dr. Monson provides Fetal Surgery and complex delivery care at the University of Utah Health. Finally, Dr. Monson continues to practice comprehensive Maternal-Fetal Medicine Care as a part of the Maternal-Fetal Medicine Division at Intermountain Healthcare.

Martha graduated from Blanchet in 2003 and is married to her high school sweetheart, Joe Monson, also a 2003 graduate. Martha and Joe have three children, Pearl who is 6, William who is almost 4 and baby Robert who is 7 months old. Together, they live in Salt Lake City, UT. Their oldest daughter is finishing kindergarten at Madeleine Choir School at Cathedral of the Madeleine and William (Bill) starts in PreK there this fall. They knew when they started their family that they wanted to continue the tradition of raising their children in the Catholic school system. They couldn't be more pleased with their experience so far.



The inductees will be honored at the 2023 Homecoming Football game on Friday, October 6 as well as at a ceremony at Blanchet on Saturday, October 7 beginning at 2:00 p.m.. The event is casual and there is no charge to attend; however, guests are asked to register in advance to provide a count for dessert and beverages.

Class of 2019

• Donna Garaventa

Mary Hollinger

Tygh Gianella, '09

Barbara Schreiber

• Dr. Gretchen York. '03

For more information go to <u>http://www.blanchetcatholicschool.com/bcshof/</u> or contact Blanchet Development Manager Toni Nanneman at 503-391-2639 or toninanneman@blanchetcatholicschool.com.

#### BLANCHET HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



#### Class of 2015

- 2008 State Champion Volleyball Team
- Walter Dawson, '00
- Guido Caldarrazo
- Larry Epping
- James Kreitzberg
- Bob Weber



#### Class of 2017

- William BrooksPatrick Grainey, '04
- Richard Kreitzberg
- Charles E. Lee
- Kevin Mannix
- Monsignor Charles Taaffe



#### Class of 2021

- 2012 State Champion Softball Team
- Dr. Shawn Lonergan, '01
- Sherrie Moran
- Brandy O'Bannon
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Earlier this year, Blanchet Catholic School received a generous grant from the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust of Vancouver, Washington, to support the construction of our new STEM wing and to purchase supplies to outfit these classrooms. With the help of Mountain West Investments, the Larry and Jeanette Epping Family Foundation, and the entire Blanchet community, construction on the additional science classrooms began in the fall of 2021. The M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust of Vancouver grant of \$483,500 allowed us to complete the project.

We now have six additional classrooms, four of which are dedicated science labs/classrooms. With the final inspection completed earlier this spring, staff and students began moving in. The new classrooms are appropriately outfitted in Blanchet royal blue, grey and white. Cupboards and shelves are now full of microscopes, beakers, and books, and both teachers and students are loving the new space.

An additional benefit is being able to share our new space with the community. We've used the space to host a regional Battle of the Books tournament and are looking forward to more opportunities to share it with the wider Blanchet community. We are also working to build partnerships with local colleges and universities in the area of science and technology to connect our students through shared programs, dual credit classes, and faculty co-op opportunities.

The STEM Wing addition will help Blanchet continue to grow as a school and enhance the rigorous academic program we already have in the area of science. It fits perfectly with our mission statement which calls for our students to be challenged by an academically rigorous curriculum. We are so very blessed and thankful for the support of Mountain West Investments, the Jeanette Epping Family Foundation, the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust, and the entire Blanchet community for the support of this project. #bycourageandfaith

#### About M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust

M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust was created through the will of the late Melvin J. (Jack) Murdock, who was a co-founder of Tektronix, Inc. in Beaverton, Oregon, and a resident of Vancouver, Washington. Since its establishment on June 30, 1975, with a bequest of about \$90 million, the Trust has focused its grantmaking efforts primarily in five states of the Pacific Northwest: Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington. The Trust's current assets are valued at about \$1 billion, and over the life of the Trust, more than \$900 million has been distributed through more than 6,000 grants.

The Trust's mission is to enrich the quality of life in the Pacific Northwest by providing grants to organizations that seek to strengthen the region's educational, social, cultural, and spiritual base in creative and sustainable ways. Grants are awarded to a wide variety of organizations, including those that serve the arts, public affairs, education, scientific research, health and medicine, human services, and people with disabilities.

The Trust's staff brings a wide range of experiences in the subject areas and activities necessary for thoughtful grantmaking and the investment of Trust assets. In addition to grantmaking activities, it is common Trust practice to convene groups of people to discuss issues of mutual interest. This practice is of great assistance to the Trust in exploring ways of responding to new grantmaking opportunities consistent with its mission, promoting a sharing of ideas and networking among

participants, and understanding new developments and best practices in the various sectors in which the Trust works.

#### About Melvin J. (Jack) Murdock

Jack Murdock was born in Portland, Oregon, on August 15, 1917. Upon graduating from Franklin High School, and with help from his parents, Jack chose to go into business rather than pursue a college education. He purchased a shop for the sale and service of radios and electrical appliances. There, in 1936, he began a long-term working relationship with his technician, Howard Vollum. Both served in WWII, where they gained additional education and experience in technology and electronics. Following the war, the men renewed their business partnership and, in 1946, became the principal co-founders of Tektronix.

Jack first served as vice president and general manager of Tektronix. In 1960 he was elected chairman of the board, a position he held until his untimely death on May 16, 1971, as a result of a float plane accident on the Columbia River. Tektronix has become one of the world's prominent electronic instrumentation companies and has spun off dozens of related companies. While the Trust is proud of its Tektronix heritage, it is an independent private foundation having no connection with the company.

Jack was an idealist as well as a realist and a life-long seeker of new insights. He believed in science as a main source of knowledge and knowledge as key to resolving issues and addressing the needs of the world. He was thoroughly unpretentious, soft spoken, and a listener. He possessed a rare combination of good judgment, hard work, tolerance, and scrupulous honesty. He practiced philanthropy through his own private foundation that existed until the Murdock Trust was formed. More on Jack's story is available in both video and written format at murdocktrust.org.





# TRACKING THE CAVALIERS

# **Check out these Cavalier Couples!**

This past Valentine's Day, we asked alumni who met at Blanchet and are currently married or engaged to send us photos and updates. We loved the response!



Michael Trevino '07 & Alex (Johnson) Trevino '08 started dating in 2007. They married in 2019.





Zach Pelley '12 & Maddie (Hoy) Pelley '12 actually met in 1st grade! They took their son to Hawaii in 2002 (see picture left) and recently welcomed their daughter to the world.



Dominic Ruggles '13 & Ashley Scanlan '14 had their first class together and became friends in 2012. They started dating in 2015. They recently got engaged and will be married this fall.







Taylor Bay '09 & Candice (Hopper) Bay '09 technically met in 1997, however they started dating at Blanchet. They recently moved to Astoria, OR with their three year old, Roman. Taylor works as an SEO manager and Candice works in medical insurance.





Sean McAndrew '08 & Natasha (Sullivan) McAndrew '08 started dating in 2007. They have been together for nearly 16 years! Natasha works as a Registered Nurse at Salem Hospital. She specializes in vascular access. Seasn is currently in an electrician apprentice program and hopes to open his own business. They welcomed a new addition to their family in December of 2022. They are smitten with Ms. Remy Rose and excited about the new chapter of life with a little one at home.



Jake Handran '14 & Kara (VanZandt) Handran '14 started dating their freshman year at Blanchet. They were married in 2021



Trey Gianella '14 and Sami (Bellegue) Gianella '14 started dating as freshmen. They got married after college in 2017.





Carl Beyer '07 and Kelsey (Bashaw) Beyer '07 met in 2004. Here they are with their littles: Connor, Travis, Hailey and their newest addition Justin.



Cameron Elmore '17 and Bretton Ostby '14 met when Cameron was a 7th grader and Bretton was a sophomore. They became friends but lost touch sometime after Bretton's graduation. They reconnected in 2019 and started dating. The two were married in June of 2022.



#### Are you a Cavalier Couple?

We're looking for Cavalier Couples: Blanchet alumni who met at Blanchet and are married or engaged.

Send an email to alumni@blanchetcatholicschool.com with the following:

a current photo a photo from high school and the year you met

### WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Blanchet is proud of our alumni. We want to hear about all the great things the Cavaliers are doing in the world. Help us spread the word about your news by sending us updates about your life.

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#### Homecoming Football Game *Come cheer on the team and join us for the 2023* Homecoming football game. Alumni and their family get free admission to all regular season *Cavalier home athletic contests!* Hall of Fame Induction **0**(T Join us for the induction of our newest Hall of 7 Fame members on Oct. 7. This is a casual event and there is no charge to attend. See more info on page 18 0(1 **True Blue Gala - Benefit Auction**

Join us for our annual benefit live auction. Tickets are discounted for all Cavalier alumni.

# Young Alumni Panel

*Blanchet welcomes recent Cavalier graduates* (1-4 years out of high school) to visit the school and speak with our current junior and senior students about their college experiences.

#### **Open House**

Blanchet will host an Open House for interested prospective families on Sunday, March 3 at 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Join us to learn about all the great opportunities and programs Blanchet Catholic School has to offer.



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#### **Baccalaureate Mass**

Join us to celebrate the Class of 2024 at our Baccalaureate Mass. Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m. Location TBA

#### Graduation JUN 08

Join us to celebrate the Class of 2024 at the commencement ceremony on June 8 on Mountain West Field at Blanchet Catholic School.





## Looking for Class Representatives

We are looking for individuals from each of Blanchet's graduating classes from 1999 through 2023 to serve as class representatives!

Class representatives help to promote and support the efforts of Blanchet with the alumni community. They help by communicating with fellow classmates regarding all activities of the Alumni Association and by collecting and sharing newsworthy information to share with Blanchet community.

If you're interested, please send an email to alumni@blanchetcatholicschool.com.



## **20 YEAR REUNION CLASS OF: 2003**

### **10 YEAR REUNION CLASS OF: 2013**

Class of 2003 & 2013 Ugly Christmas Sweater Reunion Party Friday, December 22, 2023 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Blanchet

Registration and more details will be sent by email. Contact alumni@blanchetcatholicschool.com for questions.

# Scholarships @ blanchet



#### **BILL BROOKS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

#### About the Scholarship:

Mr. Bill Brooks spent a lifetime as a devoted learner and educator. In over a decade in the classroom at Blanchet Catholic School, he inspired a generation of students to write, read, and think critically (in several languages!). This

scholarship was established by the Blanchet alumni with the support of the Blanchet community. The scholarship awards up to \$1,000 annually.

#### **Qualifications:**

Annually, 8th grade Blanchet students who plan to attend Blanchet in 9th grade will be invited to submit an essay each spring. The essay topic is selected each year by a group of Blanchet alumni and staff. This group also selects the winner or winners amongst the essays submitted. The winner of the Bill Brooks Memorial scholarship is announced at our annual Class Day assembly.

#### Contributions

If you would like to donate to the Bill Brooks Memorial Scholarship, you can:

- Make a one-time online donation or pledge on Blanchet's website at www.blanchetcatholicschool.com/brooks
- Mail a check to Blanchet Catholic School at 4373 Market St NE, Salem, OR 97301 and let us know you want it applied to the Brooks scholarship.



#### **STEPHEN SACCHI SCHOLARSHIP**

About the Scholarship: Stephen Sacchi graduated from Blanchet Catholic School in 2008. While attending Blanchet, Stephen was one of those students who took advantage of all that Blanchet offered. He was a standout on the football team, a solid student in the

classroom, a star performer in various drama productions, and a leader among his peers.

Stephen's love of sports and theater gave him great joy through coaching middle and high school athletes in football, track & field, and directing many school plays. He made lifelong friends everywhere he went.

Stephen passed away in a tragic accident in December 2022. A scholarship has been created in honor of Stephen's memory. All donations to the Stephen Sacchi Scholarship will help Blanchet students.

#### **Qualifications:**

This is a newly established scholarship and we are working with Stephen's family to identify how the funds will be awarded to Blanchet students.

#### Contributions:

If you would like to donate to the Stephen Sacchi Scholarship, you can:

- Make a one-time online donation or pledge on Blanchet's website at www.blanchetcatholicschool.com/sacchi
- Mail a check to Blanchet Catholic School at 4373 Market St NE, Salem, OR 97301 and let us know you want it applied to the Sacchi scholarship.

#### **ROBERT MACEWEN SCHOLARSHIP**

#### About the Scholarship:

Alumni parents Stan and Pattie Milne have established a meritbased Blanchet Catholic School scholarship named in memory of Mrs. Milne's father, Robert MacEwen. Patti's father was a strong supporter of Catholic education, although he was a lifelong Episcopalian. He had a deep faith and close personal relationship with God, in spite of horrific experiences serving in World War II and numerous personal tragedies in his life. A piece of advice he passed on to Patti, her brothers, and their children was, "Always keep a place for Christ in your heart."

They started the scholarship to keep Mr. MacEwen's exemplary spirit alive after he passed away. At the same time they were looking for a way to continue supporting Blanchet Catholic School. Stan and Pattie's daughter, Laura, graduated from Blanchet in 2002.

#### **Qualifications:**

All Blanchet students (grades 6-11) are invited to submit an essay based on a current topical guestion selected by Mr. and Mrs. Milne. Their personal involvement provides a connection as to how Mr. MacEwen might have looked at the students' essays as well as a connection to the students who apply for the scholarship. They seek students who are well-rounded, model Christian values, and enjoy campus and community involvement. The only academic criterion is that students challenge themselves, regardless of their grade point average.

#### **Contributions:**

The Milnes support this scholarship each year.

#### **Contributions or New Scholarships**

If you would like to contribute to a scholarship or would be interested in creating a new scholarship in the name of a loved one, please contact:

Toni Nanneman, Development Director at 503-391-2639 x240 or email toninanneman@blanchetcatholicschool.com.



**Blanchet Catholic School is pleased to** continue the Charles E. Lee Scholarship Program. This scholarship program offers financial assistance to deserving students attending Blanchet Catholic School and to support Blanchet's mission to ensure that students are prepared to excel, to lead, to serve and to inspire.

Mr. Lee's dedication to his responsibilities as President of Blanchet is the ultimate standard for service and dedication. He led by example with courage and faith.

#### How to Give

If you would like to donate to the Charles E. Lee Scholarship program, you can:

- Make a one-time online donation at www.blanchetcatholicschool.com/MrLee or mail a check to Blanchet Catholic School at 4373 Market St. NE, Salem, OR 97301
- Make a pledge to donate \$1000 or more a year for 5 years at www.blanchetcatholicschool.com/MrLee
- If you have any questions or need more information, pleae call Blanchet President Bob Weber at 503-391-2639 x224.



# Charles E Lee Scholarship Program

#### About Mr. Lee

Born and raised in Seattle, Chuck Lee graduated from the Seattle Public Schools and the University of Washington where he majored in journalism. After graduation he taught in the Edmonds School District and received his Master's Degree in Education Administration from Seattle University. At the age of 25 he became the Principal of an inner city Catholic school and began a 40 year career as the Principal or President of five different Catholic schools. During his 16 years at Blanchet, Chuck led the effort to raise over \$17 million to purchase and renovate the facility and provide millions of dollars in financial aid. In 2013, Chuck was hired by Mountain West to help create Career Technical Education Center in Salem.

Together, he and his wife Krina had six children and eleven grandchildren. Mr. Lee was elected to the Keizer City Council in 2001 and 2005, served three terms on the Salem/Keizer School Board and was also appointed by the Governor to the State Ethics Commission. Chuck received the National Catholic Education Award in 2009.

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2001 - Ruth Lacy Gloe	2007 - Sara Davenport	2014 - Malvika Ramesh
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2003 - Maura Flaherty	2009 - Andre Wyatt	2018 - Garret Duch
2004 - Pat Grainey	2010 - Maria Hanawalt	2019 - Nikhil Namburi
2004 - William Howell	2011 - Anna Davenport	2022 - Sam Schindler
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