

# Blanchet Catholic School

## *Cavalier Magazine*

Winter 2011



The boy's varsity basketball team is currently ranked first in state. Sophomore Brent Counts leads the team in blocked shots.

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# FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Blanchet Community,

Welcome to the *Cavalier Magazine*! This publication is an updated version of the Cavalier Quarterly newsletter. We will be sending out this publication twice each school year, once in January

and once in May. You will also continue to receive our year-end review, our President's Report, in August.

For the most current news about athletics and student activities, I encourage you to visit our newly redesigned website – [www.blanchetcatholicschool.com](http://www.blanchetcatholicschool.com). Here you can check our calendar, read about events, and follow our news through email or text alerts. In contrast, our new *Cavalier Magazine* is focused on providing more in-depth coverage about people, programs and activities that are central to our school's mission.

I'm very excited about 2011. We are making great progress towards the goals outlined in our Strategic Five-Year Plan and will be sharing some amazing news this spring. Stay tuned!

In this issue of the *Cavalier*, you will read about the expansion of our music program due to the hiring of the very talented Mrs. Kami Hettwer, a weekend host family experience that turned into a decade-long friendship, a profile of talented student make-up artist Myrrha Garcia and much more.

As always, we would appreciate your feedback. Please contact Development Director Brandy O'Bannon ([brandy@blanchetcatholicschool.com](mailto:brandy@blanchetcatholicschool.com)) if you have any comments about this magazine or have suggestions for future articles.

By Courage & Faith,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Charles E. Lee".

Charles E. Lee, President

P.S. We are expanding our Blanchet social networking presence. Become our "Fan" on Facebook! See the link on our website homepage.

## Save the Date!

Exciting announcement regarding our  
**Vision 2015 Strategic Plan.**

Join us for lunch and to hear this important news.

**Tuesday, May 3 ~ 11:30 a.m.**

More details coming soon.

**NEW APPLICANTS - APPLY BY MARCH 1 TO RECEIVE A DISCOUNT ON FEES**

## Accepting Applications for 2011-12

Students who apply for admission by March 1, 2011 receive a \$100 discount on comprehensive fees.

**Invite Your Friends!**  
**Spring Open House**  
**May 15, 2011**  
**2:00 p.m.**





# Instrumental Music

## KAMI HETTWER

Blanchet Catholic School is very proud to welcome the newest addition to its faculty, Instrumental Music Director Mrs. Kami Hettwer. Mrs. Hettwer has brought a life-long love of music and teaching to the students of Blanchet, and it shows in all that she has accomplished during her first five months on campus.

Mrs. Hettwer grew up in the Tacoma, Washington area where her favorite pastimes were horseback riding and water skiing. She has one brother who currently lives in Israel. Her love of music began early in life, and that interest brought her to the music program at Willamette University where she earned a Bachelor of Music in Piano Performance. She also met her husband Mike at Willamette. Mike teaches band in the Dallas School District and is a professional musician.

"I am very blessed to have a musical family that enjoys performing together. We have three kids who are very musical," says Mrs. Hettwer. Their son Matthew is majoring in trombone performance at the University of Oregon. He performed with many honor groups while in high school and placed first at the state solo competition last year. Son Joshua is a senior at West Salem High School where he is very active in the school music program. Joshua also placed at the state



solo competition last year on clarinet and performs with many honor groups throughout the northwest including the Portland Youth Philharmonic. Daughter Jenessa is in the sixth grade at Walker Middle School and plays french horn in the intermediate band.

Mrs. Hettwer has brought a wealth of teaching experience to Blanchet's instrumental music program. She has taught piano for twenty years and continues to hold private lessons in her small piano studio. For ten years she taught elementary music at Riviera Christian School and Salem Academy. She also directed two major school musicals each year and taught many band classes including beginning, intermediate and advanced band, percussion class, worship team and jazz band. Mrs. Hettwer has also enjoyed work as a collaborative pianist, accompanying music students for solo competitions and festivals and has also had the pleasure of directing a small women's choir.



The Hettwer family (from left to right) Matthew, Mrs. Hettwer, Jenessa, Joshua and Mr. Hettwer.

Mrs. Hettwer has faced several challenges in taking over Blanchet's instrumental music program. The first was getting students interested in joining the "zero period" class which meets each weekday morning at 7:15 a.m. Once the students were recruited, the next challenge was to figure out what to do with all ages, abilities, and instrumentation in the same class. Still another challenge was in locating the music library and getting it organized and catalogued along with the instruments in the storage room. "I am fortunate that the administration, staff and teachers here at Blanchet are well aware of the challenges and are eager to support the program," Mrs. Hettwer remarks.

Mrs. Hettwer spent the first few weeks of school building morale and creating Blanchet's very first pep band. In a short amount of time, the ensemble grew from nine to nineteen students. "I was blessed with quick-learning beginners and patient veterans," she says. Mrs. Hettwer has been able to pull even more Blanchet students into the program by creating a chamber ensemble that meets once or twice a month. She is also excited about her new mid high beginning band class that started spring semester.

When asked to summarize her goals for Blanchet's instrumental music program, Mrs. Hettwer answered, "It is my goal to build the program so that there are enough opportunities for all students of every level

to participate in music at Blanchet. It is also my goal to build the program from the bottom up, so starting beginning band and orchestra classes should be the next priority as well as reaching out to feeder schools. Competition fosters success, and I would love to see Blanchet competing at the mid-high and high school level in concert band, orchestra and jazz band. With the right support, instruction and motivation, I believe the instrumental music program at Blanchet can accomplish great things!"

President Lee comments, "One of the goals of our Strategic Five-Year Plan is to increase student participation in instrumental music. We are thrilled with Mrs. Hettwer's vast experience and enthusiasm for building our program. Our music students and Mrs. Hettwer have many reasons to be proud about their accomplishments."





# MYRRHA-ALEXIS GARCIA

Blanchet classes inspire students in many different ways. Some students are inspired by reading classic literature, some by solving complicated mathematical formulas and still others are inspired by the spiritual teachings of religion courses. But for junior Myrrha-Alexis Garcia, inspiration was found in the Blanchet drama department.

Myrrha joined the mid high drama class as a seventh grader, her first year at Blanchet. She was in the play that year and was intrigued by the work of the make-up artist, Ed Roberts. "I decided that I would love to give make-up a try, and I started that year and got to actually do make-up for the play. I have been doing it every year since for both the mid high and the high school productions, and I enjoy it very much," commented Myrrha. "Mr. Roberts taught me how to do make-up that year and I have continued to practice and hope to one day be an amazing artist just like



Myrrha poses with the Wolfe brothers at the West Coast Haunters Convention.

him," she added. Since beginning in the seventh grade, Myrrha has been a make-up artist for ten Blanchet productions and has even taught a course at the school's summer drama camp.

In August Myrrha and another Blanchet student, Amanda Maxwell, had the amazing opportunity to attend a make-up class at the West Coast Haunters Convention held at the Oregon School for the Deaf. The class was taught by the Wolfe brothers, world renowned face and body painters. Blanchet's Fine Arts Parents Group sponsored Myrrha and Amanda to attend this class. "I learned many important things, from how to hold the brush correctly to creating extreme designs in face make-up. We used make-up to make it appear as if someone had been in a fight and to create scars and we even had the opportunity to work with latex prosthetics," Myrrha explained.

Each October for the past twenty-one years, Oregon School for the Deaf has held its haunted house fundraiser and so was the perfect location to host the West Coast Haunters Convention. This year's haunted house was featured on ABC's Extreme Makeover Home Edition. Both Myrrha and Amanda had the opportunity to showcase their talents as make-up artists for the haunted house. Each night they helped to create the frightening and gruesome characters that lurked in the hallways and dark corners of the house.

Shortly after the haunted house closed for the year, Myrrha went to work creating the right look for many of the characters in Blanchet's high school play, "Much Ado About Nothing." Two weeks later she could be found painting the faces of the stars of the mid high play, "The Best of the Bard."

This spring Myrrha will join twenty-three other Blanchet students on a two-day trip to the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland. The event, partly sponsored by the Fine Arts Parents Group, will give students the rare opportunity to experience some of the world's greatest plays, participate in workshops and



Myrrha modeling a make-up technique she learned at the West Coast Haunters Convention.

learn about the theatrical process. "I am mostly excited to meet all the backstage crew and see how everyone works together and if it is different than what we do at school. I would also like to meet the make-up artists to see how they work and maybe learn a few pointers," she says.

When asked about the future, Myrrha comments, "I want to continue doing make-up throughout my life. Make-up is a big part of my life now, and it's one of my biggest passions." High school drama director Kasey Roberts says, "There is so much to say about Myrrha. She is one of the most sincere and hard-working artists with whom I have had the privilege to work. She truly has a gift for transforming a face."



Myrrha uses make-up to transform Katherine Carey into a frightful creature for the Oregon School for the Deaf haunted house.



David Leonardo, Katherine Carey and Bryce Santibanez pose in make-up done by Myrrha for their roles in the 2010 mid high play *Alice in Wonderland*.



# SPIRITUALITY TEAM



Blanchet Catholic School's Spirituality Team is a service club composed of twenty-one seniors dedicated to connecting with the spiritual interests of the student body. Through retreats and prayer services, Spirituality Team leaders provide opportunities for Blanchet Catholic students to grow in their faith.

On December 9, Spirituality Team advisor Danielle Wise organized a special retreat just for team members. The morning began with a presentation by Rick Newton, Behavioral Specialist and Director of Practical Approaches to Autism and Associate Director of Mt. Angel Developmental Programs, an organization that offers residential and employment services for individuals with developmental disabilities. He offered unique insights into understanding and embracing individuals with developmental challenges, both from a professional perspective and as the sibling of a developmentally disabled sister.

The members dedicated the remainder of the morning to serving three important organizations in Mt. Angel.

One-third of the team headed to St. Joseph Shelter, a facility that provides emergency and transitional shelter for homeless families. The team members spent the morning making Christmas cards with several of the young children currently living at the shelter. A second group of team members offered their help to Habitat for Humanity's Re-Store, where they stocked shelves and organized a storage room. The third group worked with Mt. Angel Developmental Programs. The members spent the morning there moving storage boxes, organizing files and interacting with employees. "The day gave us all the opportunity to become aware of different components of ourselves that we may not usually spend time enriching," commented Mrs. Wise.

The team concluded their day with a labyrinth walk at the Queen of Angels Monastery. The labyrinth path is a metaphor for the path through life that we each walk. The time spent walking the labyrinth is a time of prayer, meditation and reflection. "The various organizations that we visited in the morning took us all out of our comfort zone and daily routine.



Experiencing a little bit of this displacement in the morning facilitated a more meaningful connection with the labyrinth in the afternoon. Being removed, even if it was for a brief amount of time, from what is comfortable actually allowed contemplation and self reflection during the walking meditation to be more valuable,” said Mrs. Wise.

Blanchet Catholic School’s Principal Tony Guevara, who also attended the retreat, remarked, “The students impressed me with their openness of spirit, attitude and participation. This was evident not only in the service portion of the day, but also in the labyrinth experience. The students engaged authentically, and each created a lasting memory.”

Blanchet senior and Spirituality Team member Kaitlin Counts also commented, “The Spirituality Team retreat was an eye-opening experience. Each one of us

looked deeply into our hearts to find what was truly important to us. Walking the labyrinth helped us to clear our minds and ‘see’ where we are going in life.”

The next project for the Spirituality Team is organizing an overnight retreat experience for juniors that will take place in March.

*2010-2011 Team Members: Meredith Adams, William Barnes, Elyzabeth Brooks, Kaitlin Counts, Amanda Davidson, Sam Estes, Ryan Garaventa, Tevin Gianella, Jacob Gries, Kyla Hale, Margaret Hansen, Emily Hillmer, Monica Huster, Nick Johnson, Katelyn Miller, Morgan Miller, Rebecca Moore, Katie Ott, Colby Schlechter, Ted Stuckart, Noelle Weathers*

Left: Ryan Garaventa and Will Barnes make Christmas cards with two young residents of St. Joseph Shelter.  
Below: Members of Blanchet’s Spirituality Team walk the labyrinth at the Queen of Angels Monastery in Mt. Angel.



# MARSHA LYONS



On November 27 Marsha Lyons and her husband Al were honored to be guests at the marriage of Hitomi Yamazaki and Kenji Akimoto in Tokyo, Japan. Hitomi is a former student of Blanchet's sister school, Shukutoku Yono High School in Saitama, Japan. She and her classmates visited Blanchet in the fall of 1999 during the school's annual September Weekend Experience. The experience, organized by Azumano International, offers these students the opportunity to visit an American school and to spend the weekend with a local family. Hitomi Yamazaki and her friend Machiko Yamamoto were guests in the Lyons' home during that weekend in 1999.

"We really bonded with Hitomi and Machiko during the weekend stay and have continued to communicate through letters and emails," comments Mrs. Lyons. "When they graduated from high school in 2002, Hitomi and Machiko came back to Oregon and spent part of the summer with us," she adds.

Officially, Hitomi and Kenji took their vows in September during a traditional Japanese wedding. The ceremony in November was their "Western" or "Christian" celebration, a practice that is gaining popularity in Japan. The wedding looked very much like a traditional American wedding, with the father escorting the bride down the aisle, Bible readings in

English and the exchange of rings. The reception featured a Disney theme and the bride changed from her wedding gown into a Disney princess gown (Belle from *Beauty and the Beast*). There were also speeches from guests, slide shows and skits from friends of the bride and groom.

"We are looking forward to future visits, which we believe will be soon, and a future trip to Japan for us. The girls are anxious to see our family and our granddaughter Elizabeth again, plus meet our newest grandchildren," remarks Mrs. Lyons. Kenji, Hitomi's new husband, is a huge NBA fan and avid basketball player. He hopes to one day sit courtside at the Rose Garden during a match-up between his two favorite NBA teams, the Portland Trailblazers versus the Boston Celtics.

Over the past eleven years Hitomi (who now teaches English at Dokkyo University in Saitama) and Machiko have shared their lives with the Lyons and now, after their visit to Japan, the couple feels even closer to the girls and to their families. "Both girls have always called us 'mom' and 'dad', and we have called them our Japanese 'daughters' and now we have a Japanese 'son-in-law'," says Mrs. Lyons.



Mr. & Mrs. Lyons pose with Hitomi (left) and Machiko (right) at the outer moat of the Imperial Palace grounds in Tokyo.



# NEWSBRIEFS

## AMANDA DAVIDSON & TESSA THURSTON- OPTIMIST STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Senior Amanda Davidson and eighth grader Tessa Thurston were recently named Blanchet Optimist Students of the Month by the Salem Optimist Club.



### Amanda

**Davidson** is recognized for her accomplishments and dedicated involvement in Blanchet's fine arts program. "Amanda is the most dedicated, hard-working woman with whom I have had the pleasure to work. She is a very talented young actress with incredible depth of character," remarks Blanchet's high school drama director, Kasey Roberts. When being coached, Amanda is able to hear, assimilate and respond accordingly, as was evidenced in her last two performances of *Into The Woods* last spring and *Much Ado About Nothing* last fall. Amanda portrayed the character of Jack in the Beanstalk's mother in the first and then portrayed a much younger character, Beatrice, in the fall production. "She is at the point where she is stepping in and out of character like she is putting on a different shirt. As a coach, I can watch Amanda disappear and 'shape-shift' into someone else right before my eyes," says Mrs. Roberts.

Behind stage Amanda is a loyal team player as well. She has yet to miss a day of set construction and is capable of imaginative painting techniques. She has



become a leader in the theater department and sets a great example for the underclassmen.

**Tessa Thurston** was nominated for the Optimist award by her music teachers, Mrs. Hettwer and Mr. LaCombe, as the student most improved in music. "Tessa is a dedicated student whose

commitment and hard work has resulted not only in significant improvements in her own individual musical talents, but also in her contributions to the musical groups that she is a member of," says Mrs. Hettwer. Tessa began playing oboe this year and quickly became one of the strongest members of the Instrumental Music class. Tessa is also a talented member of the instrumental chamber ensemble, choir and pep band.

## ASHLEY OWEN - BLANCHET'S NEW SWIM COACH

Coach Owen is new to Blanchet this season, taking over the Cavalier swim program from Kyla Bond. Owen has five years coaching experience, including teaching in summer swimming leagues for three years and coaching YMCA's swim



program for two. She has participated in aquatics her whole life and started competitive swimming in high school. She began her coaching career as a junior in high school and went on to coach smaller summer league teams.

The season is off to a great start, and swimmers are expected to place well in districts and also to compete in state.

"We are working hard to build endurance. Every swimmer this year has improved their times and is working hard to meet their personal goals. I am excited to have been given this opportunity to coach this great team," comments Coach Owen.

Outside of coaching, Owen is a Certified Nursing Assistant. She and her husband Josh are parents of two children, Michael and Nathan, and will add number three to the family in May.

## YOUTH JUNK 2 FASHION FUNK



Left to right: Lauren Eliason, Sarah Darst and Daniell Tea-Pelley.

Blanchet students Sarah Darst, Lauren Eliason and Daniell Tea-Pelley put their business management and marketing talents to good work as they created, organized and implemented the “Youth Junk 2 Fashion Funk” fashion show on Sunday, January 9 at the Mission Mill Museum. The show was an elaborate DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America) project that not only showcased the gift for business that these three girls possess but also called attention to the issue of youth homelessness in Salem. All proceeds from the event benefitted the HOME Youth Shelter and Resource Center for local at-risk and homeless youths.

The project began with a call to local students for donations of used clothing. Next came the recruitment of fashion design students from O.S.U. and the Art Institute of Portland as well as a designer from Nike. In all, fifteen designers showcased their original fashions during the evening’s event. Models from several local high schools rocked the runway wearing these fashions as well as the re-designed fashions made from the donated clothing.

The Youth Junk 2 Fashion Funk show raised over \$1,700 and a large collection of gently used clothing for the HOME shelter. Blanchet’s DECA advisor and English teacher Eileen Virden commented, “The project managers did a fantastic job organizing and publicizing this event. During the months leading up to the show, it became clear that this was much more than a DECA project. HOME is lucky to have Daniell, Lauren, and Sarah working for them, and our chapter has been inspired by their efforts.”

## EARTH CLUB MEMBERS CLEAN WATERSHED

Members of Blanchet’s Earth Club recently dedicated a day to cleaning up the Pudding River Watershed, which is where the school resides. The team of eight club members, Mr. LaCombe and Earth Club advisor Mr. Mucken stopped at six different locations, mostly bridge crossings, to clean up garbage and improve the riparian zones of the Pudding River. “We were able to recycle 120 pounds of materials and dispose of 1,800 pounds of waste taken from our watershed. This included a love seat, mattress, 21 tires and hundreds of dirty diapers!” remarked Mr. Mucken.

Marion County Public Waste sponsored this clean-up project and allowed the club to dump the waste entirely free of charge.



Left to right: Earth Club members Monica Huster, Katie Lavery, Rose Lustbader, Katie Moyano, Alex Hoy and Morgan Ryan.

## JAKE MYERS A TOP FINISHER AT SUNSET SPEEDWAY



Freshman Jake Myers finished in sixth place overall in the Pure Stock Division at Sunset Speedway in Banks, Oregon. Jake competed from April through September with men and women in this class whose average age is 40 years old. Jake took first place in several Trophy Dashes as well. These are races that are composed of the top four best qualifying cars each week. Jake began racing quarter midget cars at the age of seven and has been racing full-sized cars since he was twelve.





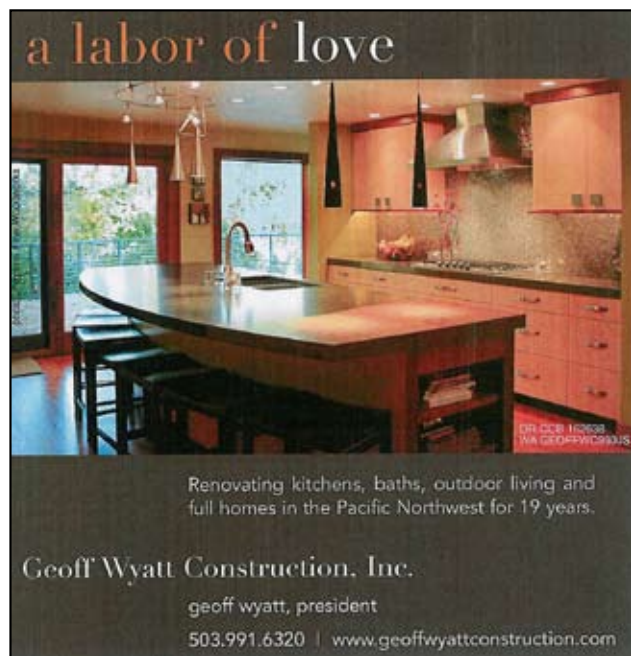
# Alumni

Where are they now?

## Alumni Updates

**Meredith Connolly** is a 2002 valedictorian graduate of Blanchet. Meredith completed her undergraduate studies at Santa Clara University, graduating cum laude as a Political Science and French Major. She then went on to graduate cum laude from Boston College Law School in 2009, and was Senior Editor for the Boston College Law Review. After graduation she joined the leading global law firm Ropes & Gray in the Corporate Department of their San Francisco office and has been practicing corporate mergers and acquisitions and corporate governance. Meredith lives in Cole Valley, San Francisco with her husband Tony and their two Siamese cats.

**Caitlyn Connolly** is a 2004 graduate of Blanchet. She completed her undergraduate studies at Santa Clara University in 2008 with a B.A. in History (Emphasis in European Studies) with a minor in Political Science and a second minor in Urban Education. Caitlyn completed a two year post-graduate joint program for a Master of Arts in Teaching degree and a California multiple subject Teaching Credential, graduating with a 4.0 GPA from the University of San Francisco School of Education in June 2010. Caitlyn is currently a teacher with the San Francisco public school system and lives in the Russian Hill District of San Francisco.



## Alumni Day 2011

Juniors and seniors had the opportunity to hear from five Blanchet alumni during the school's annual Alumni Day event held on January 3. This year's panel included Nick and Ryan Herb - class of 2010, Alex Nanneman - class of 2009 and Laura (Milne) Dix and Scott Wiegall - both members of the class of 2002.

Nick Herb is a freshman at the University of Portland and is studying to be a teacher. Ryan Herb is also a freshman at the University of Portland and is studying business and accounting. Alex Nanneman is a sophomore at Pacific University and is a creative writing major. Laura Dix graduated from Willamette University, works as a financial planner for her family-owned business and is pursuing a master's degree from Boston University. Scott Wiegall is a graduate of Oregon State University and is employed as the Marketing Director for World Financial Group.

These five panelists gave advice on how best to prepare for college by taking full advantage of Blanchet's college prep curriculum. The panelists agreed that Mr. Brooks' English class and Mr. Roberts' A.P. history class were an excellent way to prepare for the reading and writing requirements in college. "Above all, become self dependent while you are here because you will have to push yourself in college. There won't be teachers and parents there to push you," remarked Alex.

The panelists went on to discuss finances and scholarships, extracurricular activities, peer pressure, religious practices, dorm life and friendships.



Mr. Lee and Mr. Guevara greet Blanchet alumni at the annual Alumni Day. Left to right: Nick Herb, Ryan Herb, Alex Nanneman, Laura Dix and Scott Wiegall.



### Stewart & Mona Hayes

Stewart and Mona Hayes are busy parents and community volunteers. Stewart is a partner with Fischer, Hayes & Associates, CPA's. His favorite volunteer role is coaching baseball and basketball. Mona volunteers and serves on the boards of several community organizations, including the Salem Multicultural Institute and World Beat Festival, which she co-founded with friend and fellow Blanchet parent Kathleen Fish. Their children, Clarissa (junior) and Matt (7th grader), are involved in a number of school activities including basketball and Friends of Benedictine.

The Hayes family has made Blanchet Catholic School a charitable priority. They are one of 42 members of our **Archbishop Blanchet Society**. Below they share their reasons for giving.

#### *Why do you support the Archbishop Blanchet Society?*

We really do believe in Blanchet, so we try to do what we can to keep it going strong. We know it's no small task to deliver the kind of quality education that Blanchet delivers for the price we pay.

#### *What do you appreciate most about the education your children receive at Blanchet?*

The teachers at Blanchet make all the difference. They expect a lot, but they are always ready to go the extra mile to help students succeed, for example by offering

Saturday math help. It is a supportive, wholesome environment that provides many opportunities to excel academically and athletically and to grow spiritually through service to others.

*You are involved in many local organizations and have been supportive of Blanchet since it began. What motivates you to continue investing your time and funds in our school?*

Blanchet is a special place. In addition to the great faculty, the community service activities are wonderful, and we would like to help that program continue to grow.

One thing we always say to people who ask about Blanchet is that the school's administration is always working to improve the school and expand its offerings. We have been involved since before our kids got to Blanchet, and we have seen so many successful new programs unfold.

No place is perfect, but we feel the environment at Blanchet has to be close to as good as it gets as far as a cooperative, supportive environment for students, parents, faculty and administration.

We can see ourselves always feeling connected with this school, and the **Archbishop Blanchet Society** is an excellent way to contribute.

**Archbishop Blanchet Society** members make a multi-year financial pledge to support students who otherwise would be unable to attend our school. To learn more about the tuition assistance fund and how you can join the Blanchet Society, contact President Lee or Development Director Brandy O'Bannon.

*Beyond*  
**Blanchet**  
2010-11 Annual Fund

*Reminder: Please make your 2010-2011 Annual Fund donation/pledge by March 15!*  
*Thank you for your support of students and programs.*  
*Donations can be made online.*





Left: Dean Duncan and Beth Vargas Duncan visit with Michael and Mary Grainey at Blanchet's annual donor Christmas party.



Below left: President's Advisory Board member Gerry Frank and Cameron McCarthy enjoy conversation at Blanchet's annual donor Christmas party.



## Strategic Five-Year Plan Update

This is the first year of our new Strategic Five-Year Plan - *Vision 2015*. To date we have:

- Purchased laptops for teachers so they can post grades and homework online.
- Redesigned the school website.
- Expanded our music program.
- Installed new bleachers, drinking fountains and completed facility projects such as replacing exterior doors and repairing siding.

Read the entire plan online - [www.blanchetcatholicschool.com](http://www.blanchetcatholicschool.com) located under the "About Us" tab.

## Blanchet CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2011 Raffle

Raffle tickets are now on sale for a chance to win one of ten prizes including a San Francisco vacation, iPad 64 GB 3G, Xbox 360 Kinect, \$1,000 cash and more!

Only 7,500 tickets will be sold. Drawing will be held at the annual Founders Day event.

Purchase tickets from a student or call the business office.

## You are cordially invited to Founders Day

Monday, February 28, 2011  
Wiegand Arts Center - 6 p.m.

Raffle Drawings • Student Entertainment • Awards  
National Honor Society Induction • Refreshments

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## Varsity Football

3A All-State Selections

*1st Team*

Nick Johnson - Defensive Back

*2nd Team*

Ryan Bain - Defensive Line

*Honorable Mention*

Alex Hoy - Linebacker

Pac West All League Selections

*1st Team*

Ryan Bain - Defensive Line

Alex Hoy - Linebacker

Nick Johnson - Defensive Back

*2nd Team*

Taylor Romero - Running Back

Grayson Francke - Wide Receiver

Jesse Green - Defensive Back & Punter

William VanSmoorenburg - Defensive Line

Eric Brown - Offensive Line

*Honorable Mention*

Nick Cantonwine - Quarterback

Nick Johnson - Wide Receiver

Andrew Sampang - Linebacker



Varsity football advanced to the quarterfinals of state play-offs.

## Girls Varsity Soccer

**District 3 Champions 2010**

All-League Selections

*1st Team:*

Carmen Martinez

Malissa Katich

Karlee Collier

*2nd Team:*

Caitlyn Buswell

Bianca Russell

Alexa Weathers

*Honorable Mention*

Cassie Farrell

Daniell Tea-Pelley

Katie Moyano

Makayla Hari

2nd Team All Mid-Valley

Carmen Martinez

Tina Pearson - Coach of the Year



Girls cross country finished in 11th place at the state meet.







Girls varsity soccer advanced to the quarterfinals of state play-offs.

### **Varsity Volleyball**

PAC West All-Conference Selections

*1st Team*

Morgan Miller

Sami Belleque

*2nd Team*

Katelyn Miller

*Honorable Mention*

Kaitlin Counts

1st Team All-State

Sami Belleque

1st Team All Mid-Valley

Morgan Miller



Varsity volleyball advanced to the 1st round of state play-offs.

### **Girls Cross Country**

#### **Special District 3 League Champions**

Eliza Smith - 9th Place State Meet,  
2nd Team All-State, District 3 Runner of the  
Year, 1st Team All-League

Emily Hillmer - 15th Place State Meet,  
3rd Team All-State

Danielle Wise - District 3 Coach of the Year



Boys varsity soccer wins the 2010 District 4 Sportsmanship Award.

### **Boys Varsity Soccer**

All-League Selections

Matt Moyano - *2nd Team*

*Honorable Mention*

Victor Hakim

Dillon Juhring

Ryan Orlandini

Erik Adelman





# BCS *Productions*



## *"Much Ado About Nothing"*

### **Save the Date:**

Spring Musical ~

*"The Sound of Music"*

May 6 ~ 7:00 p.m.

May 7 ~ 2:00 & 7:00 p.m.

May 13 ~ 7:00 p.m.

May 14 ~ 2:00 & 7:00 p.m.







## Mid High Drama

### *"Best of the Bard"*



#### **Save the Date:**

Spring Musical ~

May 20 ~ 7:00 p.m.

May 21 ~ 7:00 p.m.

May 28 ~ 2:00 p.m.





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Mrs. Lemmon uses ice cream to teach a science lesson to the sixth graders.



Senior Skyler Bassett and Mrs. Wise at All Saints Mass.



Mr. Dowell helps junior Trent Peerenboom in Geometry class.

## Mission Statement

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- Be challenged by an academically rigorous curriculum;
- Grow toward maturity in Christ;
- Contribute to the enrichment of society; and
- Participate in the traditions of the Catholic Church.

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