

Mack Messenger

NEWS FOR McDONELL CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI, FACULTY, STAFF, FAMILIES AND FRIENDS

Class of 2019 Senior Myles Fish is the fifth consecutive generation from his family to graduate from McDonell High School.

See legacy story on page 9.

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Cross country teams make Mack history

Both boys and girls teams qualify for WIAA D3 state competition in the same season.

See back cover for state coverage and page 4 for all fall sports summaries.



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The Church of Notre Dame

Rev. Jesse Burish

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Looking Forward

from President Jeffrey Heinzen



Jeffrey Heinzen

Reset our plans and goals for the year

Dear Staff, Families and Supporters;

This time of the year we have an opportunity to reset our plans and goals for the upcoming year. Corpus Christi Sunday signals a new year in the Church and an opportunity to make a "New Year's" faith resolution. In making resolutions it is good to look over our shoulder to see what we have done well and what we need to work on.

This letter will address two areas; first, the progress on our Strategic Plan and second, the update on our Witness the Difference Campaign.

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

We have five focus areas:

Education – Steeped in the Catholic Tradition we ensure, with the support of our parents, a safe learning environment in which all people flourish intellectually, socially and emotionally in Christ.

Our Progress – We updated our reading curriculum to a more robust program based on evidence of how our students were doing and on 'best practice' as to preparing students for "Life Long Learning."

In addition, we expanded our Student Support Program with new funding from the State of Wisconsin, which allowed an additional para-professional to work with our students at Holy Ghost School.

We have initiated an additional position for a Campus Minister. This position will provide collaboration with our Chaplain and continuity with our Catholic Identity between Chaplains.

Finally, we completed building upgrades for safety (See below in Finance & Facilities).

Enrollment and Retention – We will achieve a 10% increase in enrollment by 2021 through marketing and retention of 95% or higher of students from year to year.

Our Progress – This year we rolled out a Referral Credit Program which provided tuition credits of 25% per recruited student (not attending a Catholic school) for both the new student and the recruiting family. This was met with enthusiasm and for the academic year our enrollment increased by over 6% and we retained over 95% of our enrollment from the previous academic year of 2017-18.

Finance & Facilities – We will have processes and policies that ensure that we are strategic about our resource management to provide a safe and healthy environment in which students receive a quality education.

Our Progress – We have upgraded all of our school buildings with over \$120,000 of equipment including door hardware,

glass protection, cameras and additional staff training. To enter any of our buildings requires a FOB and camera identification along with sign in and badge for anyone who is not faculty, staff or student.

We were again able to keep tuition the same in consecutive years, and as noted above, approved a student referral tuition credit program. In addition, we have completed the necessary steps to consolidate our funds with the McDonell High School Foundation to have one set of local trustees providing oversight for the investments and to assure that funds stay local to support MACS.

Finally, we initiated our Witness the Difference Campaign (See below).

Recruitment, Retention and Capacity Building

We are focused on recruiting and retaining highly qualified employees that exemplify strong leadership and are committed to grow in excellence in the vision and mission of our Catholic schools.

Our Progress – We continue to provide professional development for our faculty and currently have four teachers in the Master's degree program and two teachers specializing in other topics.

We are studying our wage structure and through the Witness the Difference Campaign intend to provide competitive wages to retain our best teachers.

WITNESS THE DIFFERENCE CAMPAIGN

In the Mack Messenger Spring Edition 2018, I referred to the need to have a Campaign in order to meet the needs of the Strategic Plan. The feasibility study was completed and it was determined that we needed to seek \$3.7 million dollars. Having identified the need, which included building updates, salaries and scholarship assistance, it was also recognized that this could not fall on the backs of the local MACS families and stakeholders. We have approximately 4,000 Alumni and so the campaign will reach out to not only our local Alumni, but also to our Alumni across the United States. Campaigns are generally broken into two phases. One phase is called 'silent' and the second phase is called 'public'. The silent phase started at the end of October and will continue into March of 2019. At that time we will move into the public phase and share our progress and need with the larger MACS community.

If you are interested in being contacted during our silent phase, PLEASE call me at 715.723.7058 or email me: j.heinzen@macs.k12.wi.us . All gifts will be held at the local McDonell High School Foundation.

These are the updates and I close by simply saying, "May God continue to bless you and your families abundantly".

Jeffrey B Heinzen, President

From the Dean

Very Reverend Justin Kizewski



Fr. Justin Kizewski

Catholic Education has two arms – religious education and Catholic schools. The latter branch is far more reaching. Reaching into other academic disciplines, extra-curricular activities, sports, the arts, the community, and beyond. Catholic Education is the best tool of evangelization that we have. It is the best tool for sharing and spreading the Catholic faith and facilitating an encounter with Jesus Christ and His Church.

I am so grateful for the many initiatives going on at MACS. We have a renewed interest in campus ministry at the high school and middle schools. We've grown the Education Commission and will be providing formation in how to foster a culture of conversation in Catholic Schools. We will be continuing to work on Catholic Identity as the one thing that

we can offer which no one else can. We will continue to follow the paths of the strategic plan.

To be grateful for the many initiatives going on at MACS means that I am extremely grateful to one who is largely responsible. Since 2014, Jeff Heinzen has been a very important piece to the growth and development of our schools. Though he has decided nobly to focus more on his growing family, which has blossomed to nine grandchildren in the last five years, Jeff has played a critical role in the development and success of the school system. I am so grateful that he will stay on to work with the advancement office to help the Witness the Difference Campaign efforts through 2020 to ensure our continued success.

The Second Vatican Council stated that the purpose of Catholic Education is to "announce the mystery of salvation to all people and to renew all things in Christ". I am grateful to Jeff Heinzen for making this a focus of our schools. It is certainly the purpose and focus of the Church. *This purpose must be the focus of us all!*



Ambassador leaders are left to right :
front row: Mike Farrow, Oliver Shakal, Annabell Abbe
back row: Caleb Thornton, Anthony Roach and Rachel Smiskey

MACS students concerned about Foster Care

The McDonell Central and Notre Dame Middle School students held a fundraiser this school year to help purchase items for the foster care closet at the Chippewa Falls courthouse. Members of the Ambassador leadership team visited the closet over break to see where the funds would be used and to learn more about the foster care crisis in Chippewa County. In 2014, the number of children in foster care was less than 50. Today it is over 275.

For information on becoming a foster care parent, or helping with this crisis, view details on the Chippewa County website:
<https://bit.ly/2VWPJac>

Did you know?

The Education Commission meeting minutes are posted on our website at **McDonellAreaCatholicSchools.org** under the ABOUT - Education Commission.

MACS live streams school concerts, programs, and home sports games on our website at **MACSTV** as well as our MACS Facebook page. Follow us on Twitter.
@McDonell_HS #TheMackWay #GoMacks

The Purpose and Mission of Catholic Education

Saturday, February 23, 2019

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Charles Borromeo

Workshop following at

McDonell Central Catholic High School

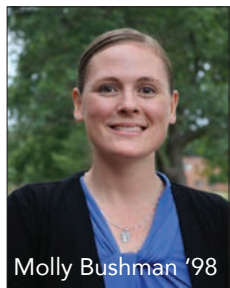
Presenter: **Dr. Ryan Hanning**

Professor of Theology and Catholic Studies at the University of St. Mary

No Cost Half Day Workshop

RSVP m.farrow@macs.k12.wi.us

Education Commission



Molly Bushman '98

As Education Commission Chair, it is my honor to serve the school system which has served my family for four generations. The Education Commission advises the Dean and President and is a key point of connection between the schools and supporting parishes. We currently have 14 Commissioners representing the majority of the Deanery parishes.

The Education Commission recognizes not only the academic rigor that the schools offer but, even more importantly, our Catholic identity.

Our schools form young men and women ready to live their faith in a challenging world. Catholic education imparts “the whole truth about man, God, and nature” and prepares students “for active participation in the life of the Church.” (Pope St. John Paul II, *Ex Corde Ecclesiae*) Catholic schools are tools of evangelization as “a living institutional witness to Christ and his message” which is “so vitally important in cultures marked by secularism.” Research from the University of Notre Dame demonstrates that investment in Catholic identity is correlated to increased enrollment. Our future depends on dedication to this mission.

One of our goals for 2018-19 has been to improve communication between the schools and parishes. Highlights since August include:

- (1) Publication of a “Meet Your Commissioner” insert in the parish bulletins
 - (2) Ensuring that every parish has one Commissioner reporting to its pastor and pastoral council
 - (3) Providing time at monthly meetings for “Parish Feedback.”
- We hope to continue to deepen the connections between MACS and our parishes. Our hope is that all parish families feel that our Catholic schools are the schools of choice for their children.

Another Commission priority is representation on our school system subcommittees. In recent years, the Catholic Identity Committee and the School Improvement Team (SIT) have been formed to ensure implementation of our strategic goals and support for our administrators and staff. Thus far in 2018-19, this review has included everything from English Language Arts (ELA) curriculum at St. Charles to campus ministry and cell phone initiatives at the high school.

Finally, we have committed to formation as a Commission as well as sharing our mission with the community. On February 23 we will hold an event “The Purpose and Mission of Catholic Education” to reflect:

- (1) Inspired by a Supernatural Vision
- (2) Founded on a Christian Anthropology
- (3) Animated by Communion and Community
- (4) Imbued with a Catholic Worldview throughout its Curriculum
- (5) Sustained by Gospel Witness

In addition to these initiatives, our annual duties include a Community Listening Session, joint meeting with the public school board, and review and approval of tuition and budget. I am grateful for the servant leadership of my Commission colleagues, the Deanery pastors, our MACS administrators, staff, and a multitude of volunteers and supporters.

Thank you and may God bless our McDonell Area Catholic Schools.



DEANERY REPRESENTATIVES 2018-19

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St. Charles Borromeo

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St. Charles Borromeo

Gina Smiskey

St. Peter the Apostle, Tilden

Chad Bormann

St. Bridget, Springfield

Ann Mitchell

St. John the Baptist, Cooks Valley

Diane Boettcher

St. Paul's, Bloomer

Brian & Kendra Eslinger

All Saints, Stanley-Boyd-Cadott

MACS is seeking representatives from these Chippewa Falls Deanery Parishes:

Holy Cross, Cornell
Sacred Heart, Jim Falls

St. Anthony, Drywood

Approved meeting minutes are posted on our website at McDonellAreaCatholicSchools.org under the ABOUT - Education Commission.

McDonell Central Catholic High School 2017-2018 Awards

CROSS COUNTRY

Head Coach Marty Bushland '16H

Boys team was Western Cloverbelt Champs – 34 points – 76 ahead of second place!

Boys placed 6th at WIAA State Meet

Conference Champion – Isaac Bohaty

All-Conference – Isaac Bohaty (4th straight year)

Charlie Bleskachek, Sean Craker, Joe Thaler, Peyton Tozer

Elise Bormann, Ann David, Ellie Eckes

State Medalist Isaac Bohaty (9th) 16:42

VOLLEYBALL

Head Coaches Kari Roesler '00 Stepp & Kat Roesler '03 Hanson

All-Conference

1st Team - Megan Baier, Abby Opsal, Grace Mrozinski

2nd Team - Maggie Craker

Honorable Mention - Rachel Smiskey

All-County

Players of the Year - Megan Baier, Abby Opsal,
Grace Mrozinski

1st Team - Megan Baier, Abby Opsal, Grace Mrozinski,
Maggie Craker

2nd Team - Rachel Smiskey

Honorable Mention - Shannon Horan, Amber Thaler

All-State

Honorable Mention - Megan Baier

BOYS BASKETBALL

Head Coach Archie Sherbinow

All-Conference

1st Team - Hayden Baughman

2nd Team - Cory Hoglund

Honorable Mention - Charlie Bleskachek

All-County

1st Team - Hayden Baughman

2nd Team - Cory Hoglund, Charlie Bleskachek

Honorable Mention - Joey Huffcutt

All-Northwest

1st Team - Hayden Baughman

Honorable Mention - Joey Huffcutt, Cory Hoglund

All-State

Honorable Mention - Hayden Baughman

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Head Coach Don Cooper

All-Conference

1st Team - Abby Opsal

2nd Team - Megan Baier, Abby Wampler

Honorable Mention - Grace Mrozinski, Payton Swoboda

All-County

1st Team - Abby Opsal

2nd Team - Megan Baier

Honorable Mention - Grace Mrozinski, Payton Swoboda

All-Northwest

5th Team - Abby Opsal

Honorable Mention - Megan Baier

All-State

Honorable Mention - Abby Opsal

TRACK AND FIELD

Head Coach Marty Bushland '16H

Conference Champion

Isaac Bohaty- All Conference 4th straight year, and
State Medalist (9th) 16:42

Conference Runners Up

4x800m Relay – Sean Craker, Joey Huffcutt,

Luke Newton, Joe Thaler

Shot Put – Hannah Ullom

800m Run – Charlie Bleskachek

3200m Run – Joe Thaler

High Jump – Isaac Bohaty

Triple Jump – Joey Huffcutt

State qualifiers

Isaac Bohaty - 800m State Runner Up – (1:56.34),

400m Dash - 9th (51.65)

Charlie Bleskachek – 800m Run – 5th – (1:58.68)

Joseph Thaler – 3200m Run – 12th (10:13.93)

Peyton Tozer, Isaac Bohaty, Sean Craker, Charlie

Bleskachek, alternates Joey Huffcutt, Joe Thaler

in the 3200m Relay – 7th (8:27.27)

BASEBALL

Head Coach Mitch Jacobson '07

All-Conference

Honorable Mention - John Lyberg, Kendren Gullo

SOFTBALL

Head Coach Chelsea Seckora

All-Conference

1st Team - Megan Baier, Liz Rietschel

2nd Team - Abby Opsal, Maggie Craker, Olivia Mlsna

Honorable Mention - Carly Jenson, Jessie Eisenreich

All-Region

1st Team - Megan Baier

All- District

1st Team - Megan Baier

All-State

1st Team - Megan Baier

Division 5

Player of the Year

Megan Baier





McDonnell Athletics Fall 2018

CROSS COUNTRY Senior leaders Charlie Bleskachek, Sean Craker, Mitch Haley, Hannah Sykora. Head Coach Marty Bushland
Boys: (overall 168-33)
(D3 131-12) Cloverbelt Conference Champions, Sectional Champions, WIAA State team qualifiers
Girls: (overall 142-63)
(D3 108-30) Cloverbelt Conference Runner Up, Sectional Runner Up, WIAA State team qualifiers.

See back cover for both cross country state team results.

VOLLEYBALL (24-20) Senior leadership Carly Jensen, Mary Roth. "All three levels in our volleyball program improved throughout the season. Each individual grew as teammates and as players. It is fun as a coach to see this growth after two months." The varsity highlighted its season with a win at the DJR Memorial Tournament and finished the season with a 24-20 record. "It is special to be part of McDonnell Volleyball and all that the program represents." - Head coach Kat Hanson

FOOTBALL (1-9 overall) Senior leadership Parker Pickerign, Michael Scheidler, Elijah Swoboda, Adam Waldusky, Noah Weimert. The McDonnell football team played its inaugural season in 8-man football this fall. The Macks played several state-ranked teams and were unable to get their first win until the final game of the year, an added game against New Auburn. McDonnell trailed New Auburn late in that game, but a dramatic fourth-quarter comeback ended with a game-tying touchdown as time expired, followed by the game-winning two-point conversion. "Although the scoreboard didn't always show it, we made strides throughout the season," Head Coach Jason Cox said. "It was an honor to help bring football back to McDonnell this year, and we hope to continue to grow the program in the coming years."

BOYS SOCCER Co-op with Regis (6-7-4) Senior leaders (McDonnell) John Farrow, Myles Fish, Oliver Shakal, Jakeb Smiskey, Dan Van Dyke, (Regis) Gavin Bowe, Evan Cook. Head Coach Joe Cash

GIRLS GOLF Co-op with Chippewa Falls High School. McDonnell Junior Kaleigh Ripley advanced to the Sectional where she finished 32nd with a 105. Kaleigh was named as academic all-state honoree by the Golf Coaches Association of Wisconsin for the 2018 season. Head Coach Rick Silloway

Follow all the sports teams on their Facebook and Twitter accounts. Watch live stream of the winter basketball home games on our website MACSTV.

@McDonnell_HS | #TheMackWay



Community Day

The entire McDonell Central Catholic High School student body helped out the community on Friday, December 21. The McDonell Student Council held a free will offering pancake breakfast to the middle and high school students, their families, and the teachers and staff.

Following the breakfast the McDonell High School students served the community at 12 different locations. Cleaning, organizing, helping, reading and spending time with the children, helping with activities and visiting the older generation in our community.



Senior Dan Van Dyke helps a young child get ready to play outside



First You, Then Me



Olivia Clark



Katie Ruf



Katie Roth



Lizzy Wedemeyer



Caleb Thornton



Marilyn Newton

Congratulations to the following student ambassadors who were recognized with the McDonell Area Catholic Schools' first quarter's Student Ambassador awards:

Grade 7 Olivia Clark, daughter of

DJ '98 and Sara Zwiefelhofer '99 Clark

Grade 7 Katie Ruf, daughter of

Rick '85 and Jennifer Hiess '85 Ruf

Grade 10 Kate Roth, daughter of Larry and Janet Roth

Grade 10 Lizzy Wedemeyer, daughter of

Mike '92 and Jennifer Wedemeyer

Grade 11 Caleb Thornton, son of

Tony '87 and Heather Goettl '89 Thornton

Grade 12 Marilyn Newton, daughter of

Jeff '86 and Lynn Lembezeder '88 Newton

Their examples of being servants of Christ positively influences their peers, allowing for even more benefits of their work.





Completing their training to drive the new Mack bus is Manager Bob Shakal, Tom Eder '85, John Flanagan '16H, Brad Rihn and Steve Bohl '63.

Mack bus arrives for 2018-19 season

The McDonell Athletic Booster Club would like to thank all past and present board members, along with all the dedicated parents, grandparents, and community members who worked so hard to raise funds throughout the years. The MABC has saved for 18 years to make the purchase of our new bus a reality. It is only through the support of our community, donors and dedicated families that this was possible. Everyone should be proud of this accomplishment!



The McDonell Jazz Band performs for the Chippewa Falls Catholic Women's Club meeting at the Avalon on December 5, 2018. The ladies enjoyed tunes played going back to the 1940s era.

The middle and high school choral groups and bands performed during the fall and Advent seasons were live streamed.



Weekly Bible Study

There is Bible Study every Friday during lunch in the high school Campus Ministry room. Every high school student is welcome and encouraged to attend. The Bible Study is lead by Notre Dame Middle School Religion Teacher Erica Boehm.

Campus Ministry

Wednesday Afternoon Rosary

"The holy Rosary is a powerful weapon. Use it with confidence and you'll be amazed at the results."
- St. Josemaria Escriva

Every Wednesday after school at 3:35 p.m., join us in the chapel to pray the Rosary for the MACS community.



A day at the Mall of America shopping and sightseeing.

International Club

McDonell Central Catholic High School has 14 International students from eight different countries this 2018-19 school year. On Tuesdays the International students, along with other McDonell students who form the International Club, meet during their lunch time in the high school Spanish room.

This fall the club went through a corn maze at a local pumpkin patch, spent a day at the Mall of America shopping and sight seeing and ended the day going on the amazing Fly Over America ride.

Magda, an international student from Poland, hosted a very fun Christmas party after the Bridge to Wonderland parade at her host family's residence.

All high school students are welcome to join the International Club and experience cultures from around the world. The coordinator for the international students is Mrs. Anita Wahl.

Early Childhood Center | Primary | Elementary | Middle School News



Left: Suz Hebert '70 Flanagan is a substitute teacher at our Early Childhood Center.



Right: Holy Ghost students leadership opportunities include Safety Patrol.

Enrolling now for 2019-20



Building Bridges 4 Children (BB4C)

4K program

BB4C at St. Charles could be the start of your child's educational journey in Catholic schools. Morning and afternoon sessions available Monday - Thursday. Busing is included in this FREE program. Witness the Difference today by calling **715.723.2161** to set up a tour.

St. Charles Early Childhood Center offers a child-driven curriculum that incorporates faith for ages 18 months to 12 years:

- Supers program for school aged students.
- Camp Macks – summer camp
- Affordable rates

Camp Macks offers daily field trips and activities that focus on mind, body, and spirit. Come and see why parents are choosing Camp Macks for their summertime child care needs.

Camp Macks ...it's more than child care.

Both schools offer:

Weekly Mass
Spanish
Art
General Music
Spring Art Shows
Music programs
Physical Education and Health

Holy Ghost additional:

Student Council
Band
Swimming Lessons at YMCA
Safety Patrol
Athletic Programs
Scouts for girls and boys

Set up a shadow and tour day!
715.723.0538

Referral program successful for all students

The referral program offers current families who refer a qualifying family a **25% credit off tuition**, not only for their child but for the new family as well. The program began for the 2018-19 school year, increasing enrollment and giving families over \$20,000 in tuition credits.

Project Lead the Way classes start with Notre Dame Middle School students, introducing STEM based courses.

Pictured right are seventh grade students in an introduction to engineering course working with design software. They will be forming teams to work together on projects. Critical thinking skills is just one of the many benefits to the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) courses offered at middle and high school. Grade 8 students work with robotics.

Thank you to all our donors who support the PLTW courses at our schools each year.





Leaving a Legacy

Fifth generation senior to graduate in 2019

By Jason Cox

McDonell High School English Teacher

Alumna Kathy Dahl had some compelling reasons to send her children to the public school instead. A generation later, her daughter Amy initially started raising her family in Osseo. In the end, though, both gravitated back to the school they knew and loved.

When Amy's son, Myles Fish, graduates in May, he will represent the fifth straight generation in the family to graduate from McDonell.

"It's really gotten to be a family thing all the way around," Kathy said.

It all started with Angeline Frenette, who in 1914 — just 32 years after the opening of the original high school — became the first of six from the Frenette clan to graduate from McDonell. Angeline went on to get married at Notre Dame church, and she sent all six of her children to McDonell, starting the family tradition in large part because of her Catholic faith. Her surviving daughter, Marguerite 'Skipper' Connell Rank '50 still lives in Chippewa Falls.

McDonell, though, soon became so much more than just a Catholic school. Kathy — the daughter of Angeline's oldest son, 1936 grad James Connell — loved the school's religious roots, but she also recalls the school's reputation for being a good college prep school, along with many other benefits.

"I always felt like I loved being at that school because it was small and everybody was family," Kathy said. "I wanted my children to experience that same thing."

Sending her children there wasn't necessarily a slam dunk. Kathy's husband graduated from Chippewa Falls High School and was raised Lutheran. Both agreed that the public school system in Chippewa Falls was a good one and considered sending their children there, but ultimately

the couple felt that McDonell better represented what the family was all about.

"I really like the part about being servant leaders," Kathy said. "I wanted that to be passed to my children, not only about how we feel about it at home, but that the school supported the same morals and values that we have."

Kathy's daughter Amy graduated from McDonell in 1998 and later married classmate Matt Fish. The family was based in Osseo before moving back to Chippewa Falls six years ago, shortly before their oldest child, Myles, was set to enter the sixth grade. At that point, making the choice to send Myles to Notre Dame Middle School was pretty easy, especially since Myles was comfortable in a small-school setting in Osseo.

"We were familiar with the school, we still have a lot of friends in the McDonell community," Amy said. "It just seemed like a good fit. We're not Catholic anymore,

but the size of the school is a lot less intimidating than sending a child to the public middle school."

Another potential benefit that Amy and Matt saw was with the McDonell sports programs. For a family that loves sports, McDonell — because

of its size — offered the children a better chance to contribute on various teams. Plus, most of the programs had a track record of success.

Myles played soccer this fall and



Photo: Myles 2018 Chippewa Herald



Four of the five generations above are Marguerite 'Skipper' Connell Rank '50, Myles Fish '19, Amy Dahl Fish '98 and Kathy Connell Dahl '73.

figures to be one of the top golfers on the McDonell/Regis team this spring. He's also been a part of the student ambassadors program in high school.

While Myles has found that McDonell has some faults — such as the pesky dress code he's disliked ever since entering the system in sixth grade — Myles is glad he's following in his family's footsteps.

"The school has taught me a lot of great values that I can use the rest of my life," Myles said. "It has given me a good education that will help me in the future."

While Myles didn't have a choice whether to attend the MACS system in sixth grade, his younger sister Lydia, who started out at Hillcrest Elementary School, was given an option by her parents. She could stay in the public school system or follow her brother to Notre Dame Middle and then McDonell. Lydia — who, as a freshman, was the top runner this fall for the girls cross country team that went to state — chose McDonell.

"Something has to be right that the kids feel comfortable and want to be there," Kathy said. "I think it's the atmosphere. I think there's something to be said about having a religious atmosphere, whether you're Catholic or not."

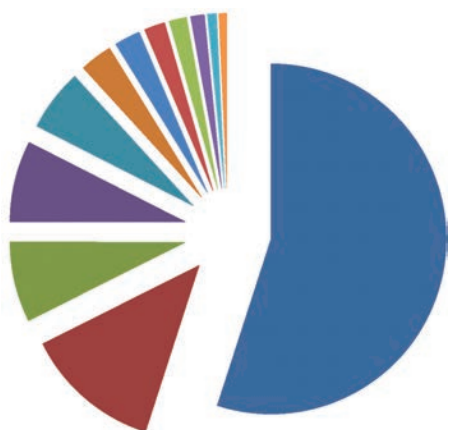
Financial Reports

REVENUE 2017-2018 \$5,461,594



30.3% Tuition & Fees
21.5% Advancement & Fundraising
18.4% Parish Support
10.1% Early Childhood Center
8.9% Other income
3.9% Athletics
3.1% Food Service
3.1% Gain/Loss on Investments
0.8% Scrip - Net

EXPENSES 2017-2018 \$4,911,792



55% Wages & Salaries
12.6% Emp Benefits & Taxes
7.4% Instructional
7.5% Administrative
5.7% Athletic
3.0% Technology
2.4% Utilities
1.9% Facilities
1.6% Food Service
1.3% Equip., Repairs & Maint.
0.9% Childcare
0.7% Other

Student Tuition Costs for 2018-19

Grade Level	Tuition	Average Cost to Educate
K-8 Supporting Parish	\$2,890	\$8,000
K-8 Non Supporting Parish	\$4,119	\$8,000
9-12 Supporting Parish	\$4,050	\$11,662
9-12 Non Supporting Parish	\$5,778	\$11,662
Parish family cap with 3 students	\$8,270	
Parish family cap with 4+ students	\$9,770	
Non parish family cap with 3 students	\$10,250	
Non parish family cap with 4+ students	\$11,750	

For the second straight year, we have been able to avoid a tuition increase. This is a direct result of the generosity of alumni, parishioners, businesses and friends of the McDonell Area Catholic Schools. Thank you!

Tuition and fees paid directly by families is 23.7% of the total K-12 revenue. Parish support provided another 22.7%.

Finance Charts

The pie charts show what was received and expensed in the various categories for the year 2017-2018. McDonell Area Catholic Schools has now had five continuous years where total revenue has exceeded expenses. This has been accomplished with the generous support of alumni, benefactors, families, parishes, and the continued growth of advancement and fundraising.

Scrip Sales

Sales were \$1,467,812 for the 2017-18 fiscal year. Total Scrip profit amounted to \$81,329, of which \$30,253 was allocated to school families to help with their tuition costs.

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee works to ensure that MACS is strategic about resource management in order to ensure quality education and a safe environment for the long term. Committee members are appointed by their Parish.

The Committee meets monthly to review financial results, budget process, and investments, as well as to discuss news and trends that may impact Catholic Education in general and MACS specifically.

Finance Committee meetings are directed by the Committee Chair with input from the President, Controller and Business Manager.

Parish Reps on Finance Committee

Jamie Leibrandt	Chair/St. Charles Borromeo
Michele Kressin	St. Charles Borromeo
Chuck Frenette '67	Church of the Holy Ghost
Dave See '79	Church of the Holy Ghost
Bruce Mlsna	The Church of Notre Dame
Tony Thornton '87	The Church of Notre Dame
Glen Geissler	St. Paul, Bloomer
Dennis Hunt '86	St. Peter the Apostle, Tilden

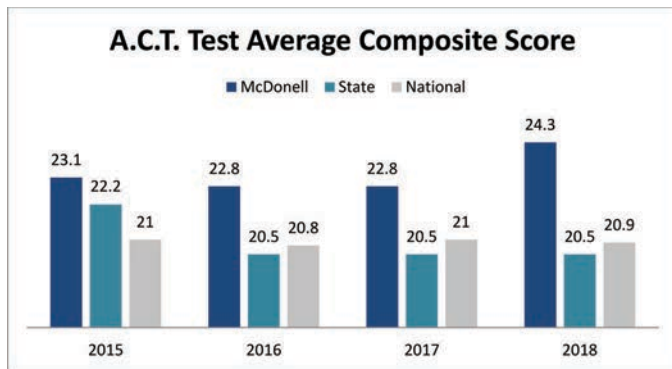
Ex-Officio

Very Rev. Justin Kizewski	Dean
Msgr. Michael Gorman	Deanery Elected Pastor
Scott Sokup '88	Education Commission
Patrick Bushman	MACS Controller
Teresa Dachel	MACS Business Manager
Jeff Heinzen	MACS President

The remaining 53.6% comes from advancement programs, fundraising activities, and other resources.

Families who belong to a supporting parish and meet the criteria for active supporting parish member qualify for the supporting parish assisted tuition. Financial assistance is available for active parish members based on need.

Student Achievement



ACT College Test

The ACT test is taken every year by McDonell Central Catholic High School students. The ACT report reflects the achievement of McDonell graduates to the extent to which they are prepared for college-level work. The ACT consists of curriculum-based testing of educational development in English, mathematics, reading and science designed to measure the skills needed for success in first-year college course work. The maximum possible score on the ACT test is 36. The table shows the four-year trend of our students compared to the state and national averages.



ACT Aspire Summative Exam National Percentile Rank Students Exceeding or Ready

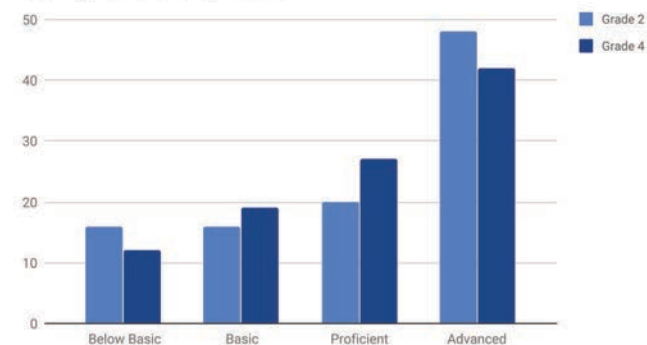
Year 17-18	ENGLISH	READING	SCIENCE	MATH
Grade 6	92 %	58 %	53 %	61 %
Grade 7	91 %	45 %	70 %	55 %
Grade 8	80 %	56 %	53 %	32 %

The ranks show how this group performed in comparison to other students in the nation. Although test information is helpful in monitoring the student's academic growth, it does not measure any other areas important to the development of the whole child. The data provides the schools with information to plan future goals and objectives to meet the needs of the children in those academic areas.

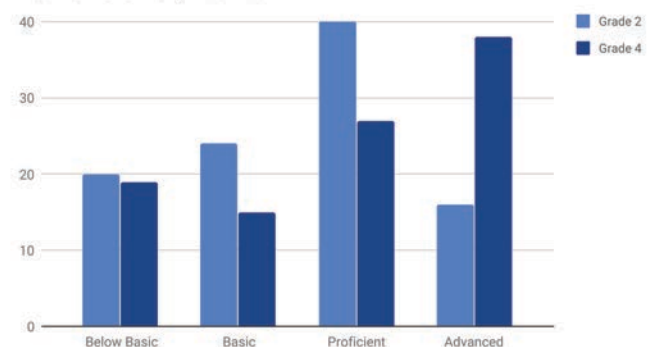
Iowa Test of Basic Skills

The Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS) /CogAT was administered in second grade at St. Charles Borromeo Primary School and fourth grade at Holy Ghost Elementary, in the fall of 2017. Our percentiles are based on national testing norms. This is the last year reporting of Iowa Test of Basic Skills. The La Crosse Diocese no longer requires ITBS testing. MACS will be moving to MAPS testing to help in monitoring the student's academic growth.

Reading Achievement, ITBS 2017



Math Achievement, ITBS 2017



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We appreciate all that you do for MACS and our Chippewa Falls community!

THANK YOU

from the Senior Class of 2019

My name is Eleanor Blair, and I am a senior at McDonell Central Catholic High School, and an active parishioner of St. John the Baptist in Cooks Valley. Through the years, I have volunteered at parish festivals, breakfasts, and vacation bible school programs. I have been a part of the MACS system since 9th grade. Prior to attending McDonell, I was homeschooled through the 8th grade. Being a student at McDonell means you are part of a community that provides a solid foundation of knowledge and faith for the rest of your life.

Community spirit at McDonell is present in all aspects of school life. There is an expectation that students will be servant leaders and show respect at all times. From opening the door for someone, to coordinating service projects, students work together to lead the way in doing what is right. Everyday, small acts of kindness are present in the hallways, classrooms, and commons at McDonell. The teachers genuinely want to help every student achieve his or her goals. During senior year, teachers are always willing to write recommendation letters for scholarship or college applications. Students help each other with homework, applaud their classmates at athletic or music events, and support each other in difficult times. There is always a smile in every hallway.

McDonell students and staff work together to give back to the school and local communities. Student Ambassadors work at the Spaghetti Spectacular, and members of the National Honor Society help with the physics demonstration. In the local community, the Student Ambassador program encourages students to volunteer at organizations such as the Agnes Table, Boys and Girls Club, and the Feed My People food bank. The National Honor Society coordinates a drive



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Update contact information on the Alumni page of the McDonell Area Catholic Schools website. Read news on upcoming events, send us your photos and reunion information to MackMessenger@macs.k12.wi.us



that collects items for the Support Our Troops program, which sends care packages to active duty military members, and holds adult computer classes for a few weeks during the winter.

The education I have received at McDonell High School is not purely academic. I have learned how to interact with others and apply the Catholic faith to all aspects of my life. Once a week the student body gathers for Mass; adoration is offered on Wednesdays; and Bible study is on Fridays. While teachers have been instructing us in a plethora of courses, they are teaching us how to become individuals who view the world with a Catholic perspective. We are being given an education that prepares us academically for the next step in our lives, but also lays a foundation for the remainder of our time on Earth. We are taught to think critically, solve problems, and question the world around us. As St. Augustine said, we are, "to be in this world, but not of it."

Without its supporters, the MACS system would not exist. It is your generosity at events like the craft fair and Spaghetti Spectacular, as well as your presence at athletic and music events that allows the tradition of excellence to continue. Thank you for your continued support. I thank you for providing young people with the opportunity for an education that is Christ-centered. McDonell Central Catholic High School has provided my class with an academic education, but also the ability to confidently embark on the next chapter of our lives.

Sincerely,

Eleanor Blair '19



ALUMNI
Association

McDonell Alumni Association (MAA)

President Rolly Enderes '96

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McDonell Central High School Alumni
952 members strong!



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Start the tweeting!



Rolly Enderes '96

With a new year started, we all have a lot to be thankful for. When I think about being thankful, I think about our Alma Mater and what it has done for all

alumni and what it continues to do for the future of our community, nation and world. There are so many McDonell alum throughout the world and

throughout our communities helping to make a positive difference in people's lives. As I write this, the tragedy that took the lives of three Chippewa Falls 4th graders and a local mother is still fresh in my mind. I am thankful for the support of the city, McDonell, alumni, the entire community and anyone who calls Chippewa Falls their hometown.

Looking back at the year, the MAA had a successful annual celebration where we inducted many well deserving alumni. Last year's alumni volleyball and basketball tournaments were another great success and proceeds from the tournaments helped fund local scholarships along with help to support the McDonell Booster Club. Finally, the MAA, along with MACS staff and Junior Achievement, held our first Career Fair for the McDonell High School students. Many of the organizations that participated included alumni who work at or own the businesses and the event also included parents of current and past students as well. Thank you to everyone that helped make this and all MAA events a success.

Looking forward to 2019 we have new events in the works for Alumni Night Out. We are working with the MACS Advancement Director and Alumna Jaynee Armstrong Brannen '03.

Second, the Volleyball and Basketball Tournaments are all set for March 28-29. Register your teams!

Lastly, this year's spring MAA Annual Celebration is on Saturday, May 4, 2019 and



Above: Alumni Jennifer Gardow '88, Maggie Gardow '94 Welch, Mary Gaier '80 Begley at the MAA Annual Celebration in 2018.

held at McDonell Central Catholic High School. We will be honoring a special Hall of Fame inductee, Mr. Steve "Sir" Roesler.

So mark your calendars to save the dates and we'll plan on seeing you at future events.

GO MACKS!

Rolly

MAA Events 2019

Basketball and Volleyball Tournament

March 28 & 29, 2019

McDonell Central Catholic High School

MAA Annual Alumni Celebration

Saturday, May 4, 2019

McDonell Central Catholic High School

Special Hall of Fame Induction

Mr. Steve "Sir" Roesler

Email: mcdalumassoc@gmail.com
for information.



Above and below: A Career Fair for the McDonell High School students was a big success this fall. Thank you to the alumni who participated.



Advancement



Director Jaynee
Brannen '03

We sincerely thank all of you who supported our mission through your gifts of prayer, time (volunteering), treasure, voice and network. We are truly blessed and we ask that you prayerfully consider continuing your

support of our students and our mission.

The MACS Annual Fund is the sum of all gifts received through donations during each fiscal year, July 1-June 30. The gifts we receive fall into many categories including:

- the general fund
- student tuition assistance
- memorials
- matching employer
- restricted gifts

Hey Mackmen? Hey What? Hey Mackmen and women... do you remember cheering on fellow classmates at the basketball, volleyball, softball, or football games? We want to hear from our alumni and bring back some of those classic cheers. Call, email, or send a video sharing your favorite Macks cheer!

Oodles of Noodles! Our 11th Annual **Spaghetti Spectacular** event was no noodle-drop-in-the-bucket, grossing **\$19,743** in revenue! We could not do this without our dedicated volunteers and by the support of our community. The funds raised will support our students, faculty and facilities.

Jayne

Jayne Armstrong Brannen '03
Director of Advancement
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MACS WISH LIST

Large Area Rug	\$550-600
Barn Fan	\$300
Hokki Stools	\$110
Dry Erase Boards	\$ 50
Six Seater Baby Buggy	\$1,329
Rocking Chair	\$130
Small Child Cots	\$152
Mini Fridge	\$ 79

ALUMNI EVENTS

INVOLVING **YOU** IN OUR MISSION AND VISION FOR THE FUTURE

GATHERING



Fox Valley gathering this past fall.

Above left: Tom Hartman '88 with classmate Brian Wogernese.
Above right: Jaynee Armstrong Brannen '03, Jeff Heinzen, Daniel Lauer '70, Joanne McAleer, Michael McAleer '64, Kim Emerson Wogernese '88, Brian Wogernese '88, Suzanne McAleer Wozniak '61, Maurice Wozniak '58.

Thank you for joining us!

FUTURE ALUMNI GATHERINGS

Florida February 17-20, 2019

Arizona March 3-7, 2019

Last year in Arizona we gathered with Alumni Bill Klaes '61, Susan Klaes '60 Zimmerman and Mary Lou Klaes '52 Matthews.

Are you in Florida or Arizona?

Call the alumni office at 715.723.0538 x3306

ALUMNI TOURNAMENT



MARCH 29-30, 2019
McDonell Central Catholic High School

ALUMNI ANNUAL CELEBRATION



MAY 4, 2019
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- James DeLong
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- Jennifer Hays Worthington
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- William Bischel
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- 1956
- Arlene Adams
- Mary Lu Kelly Anderson (PC)
- James & Evelyn Mahr Bandoli (CC)
- Francis & Alice Bohl (CC)
- Joann Zwiefelhofer Derks
- Francis & Doris Gaier (CC)
- Robert & Angeline Skiany Holmes
- Linus Knudsen
- William Zumbrock (CC)
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- Arlene Adams
- Mary Lu Kelly Anderson (PC)
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- Francis & Alice Bohl (CC)
- Joann Zwiefelhofer Derks
- Francis & Doris Gaier (CC)
- Robert & Angeline Skiany Holmes
- Linus Knudsen
- William Zumbrock (CC)
- 1958
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Tom Scheidler (CC)

1966

Rita Oberweis (PC)

Eugene & Bonnie Swoboda Schindler

Patrick & Susan Smith

Thomas & Victoria Stumm

James Tannler

1967

Terry & Mary Kay Kuba Bodeen

Chuck & Jo Frenette

Jeanne Hebert

Pat & Sue LaRue Quinn (PC)

Leroy & Susan Schmidmayr Schamberger

Jim Smola

Karen Hawke Thomas

Tom Voitl (PC)

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John Larson

Mike & Karen Marquie Lutz

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Bruce & Debbie Heath

Jeff & Sharon Farley Martin

Catherine Peck

Tony & Sue Reiter (CC)

Joe & Tamara See

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Pam Arntz Gartmann (CC)

Denny & Roxanne Bohl Murphy

Mike & Christine Peterson (CC)

Bill & Jean Wenzel

Steve Wermund

1976

James & Nancy Bischel (BC)

Theodore & Janice Blum (CC)

Karen Reiter (PC)

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Terese Globensky

Mike & Karen Perkovich Hepfler

Bruce & Colleen Krejci

Jim & Rhonda Bohl Seckora

Pete & Kathy Marquie Sokup (CC)

1978

Patrick Hepfler

Gerald & Mary Wermund Jacobson (GC)

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Jane Davis (PC)

John & Laurie Armstrong Francis

Tim & Carrie Leis (CC)

Wes Moskal (CC)

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Joseph Maurer (CC)

Tom & Becky Meinen Rubenzer (CC)

Mike & Debra Waldusky

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Tom & Mary Huffcutt (CC)

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Chuck & Jenny Schafer

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Michele Beaudette Koch

Pat & Melissa Rasmus

1984

Anonymous (BC)

Michele Beaudette Koch

Pat & Melissa Rasmus

1985

Scott & Michelle Franz Retzlaff

1986

Kevin & Krista Hosley Alberts

Thomas & Valerie Coushman

Charles & Cindy Eckes

Dennis & Annette Hunt (GC)

Robert & Sherri LeDuc (LC)

Troy & Julie Prince Van Sleet

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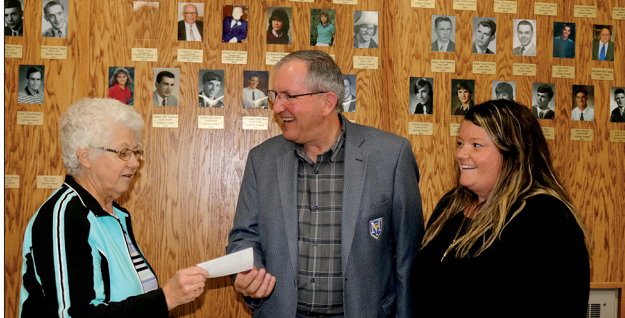
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Rick & Jennifer Rubenzer
Ryan & Nicole Schindler
Charles Schlauderaff (CC)
Barb & James Schofield
Karen Schultz
Donald & Rizza Schulze (PC)
Mrs. Nancy Scobie (PC)
Robert & Jennifer Shakal (PC)
Paul & Darlene Sieg
Sean & Gina Smiskey (CC)
Seth & Tracey Smiskey
Randy & Christine Sonnentag
Tina Sonnentag
Dale & Angie Sorensen
Beje Spahiu
Lynda Chen & Jacob Spooner
Fred & Lisa Stary
Ann Statz
Dianne Stolp
John & Deanna Suilmann (CC)
Michael & Rita Sullivan (CC)
Scott & Patricia Tambornino (CC)
Dan & Mary Lynn Toycen (CC)
Timothy & Lou Tozer
Mike & Barb Tzanakis
Kevin & Eileen Van Den Heuvel
Christine Vincent
Laurel Wehling
Joe Weimert
Dr. Ned & Lou Ann Willkom
Sarah Schultz & Charles Wirtz
Christopher & Jamie Witkowski
Brian & Jacki Youngquist
Jeff & Margaret Zander (CC)

BUSINESS & COMMUNITY FRIENDS

All Saints Church (BC)
AnnMarie Foundation
Autopilots Driving School (BC)
Autumn Harvest Winery LLC (CC)
Baughman Sewer & Septic Services (BC)
Benevity Community Impact Fund
Bohl & Proulx Plumbing, Inc. (PC)
Bomb Tacos, CF LLC (BC)
Bourget Insurance Agency
Chippewa Falls Catholic Womens Club (BC)
CHEMCEED, LLC (PC)
Church of the Holy Ghost (LC)
Cobblestone Hotel and Suites (BC)
Cook Chiropractic
DOA Pesticide Service LLC



Above: Betty Hedrington from the Catholic Women's Club of Chippewa Falls presents a check to President Jeff Heinzen and Jaynee Brannen '03.

Edward Jones
Fries Financial Services (PC)
Gordy's Market (BC)
Greater Twin Cities United Way
GSB Investments LLC (CC)
Holy Cross Church (GC)
Horan Funeral Home (BC)
John R. & Ellen A. O'Neil Endowment
Joseph W Joas Designated Endowment Fund (BC)
L.E. Phillips Family Foundation, Inc. (PC)
Land O'Lakes Foundation (BC)
Loopy's Inc. (CC)
Martell Tire Service (PC)
Mason Companies, Inc. (BC)
Mayo Clinic Health System (PC)
McDonell High School Foundation (LC)
Mule-Hide (PC)
Nordson Corporation (GC)
Northwestern Bank (BC)
Northwestern Bank Mini Grants (CC)
Northwestern Mutual (PC)
Orgel Wealth Management (CC)
Pederson-Volker Funeral Chapel (CC)
Religious Care Foundation (LC)
River Country Co-op (BC)
Sacred Heart of Jesus Church (GC)
Securian Foundation
Skip & Jill Thaler Family Endowment Fund (PC)
Spectrum Industries (BC)
Spirit Volleyball Grade 4
Spring Street Sports Inc. (PC)
St. Bridget Church (BC)
St. Charles Borromeo Church (LC)
St. John the Baptist Church (BC)
St. Joseph's Hospital (BC)
St. Paul Church (BC)
St. Peter the Apostle Church (LC)
Stelter Inc. (BC)
Steppin For A Cause (BC)
Sue Decker Theatre Endowment Fund
Thaler Oil Company (CC)
The Church of Notre Dame (LC)
Toycen Ford (BC)
TTM Technologies (BC)
Two Eagles Foundation, Inc. (LC)
United Bank (CC)
W.S. Darley & Co. (PC)
Walmart Foundation (PC)
WHG Companies LLC (BC)
Wisconsin Metal Fab Inc
Wissota Dock and Maintenance LLC

Class of 1958 - 60 Year Reunion

A reunion was held on September 22, 2018 at the Heyde Center for the Arts (their old Alma Mater!) Classmates enjoyed a Mass at the Church of Notre Dame, whose intentions were for the class, before gathering to enjoy a meal. The classmates had the option to attend the Buddy Holly Show at the Heyde Center later that night.



Above: 1st Row L to R bottom of the steps: Barb Schwartz Dunham, Joanne Pitsch Shafer, Russ Rowan, Mary Duss, Joe Oberweis, Terry Hagen, John Thome. **2nd Row:** Janet Steinmetz Nosal, Sue Bruehling Shaffer, Mary Ann Martineau Shafer, Yvonne Zwiefelhofer, Jane Cushman Hand, Ken Butak, Sandy Arntz Shaurette-Placek, Maurice Wozniak, Tom Prueher. **3rd Row:** Donna Erickson Schafer, Leo Schutz, Marilyn Miller Knipfer, Marie Tichey Legierski, Essene Gindt Grote. **4th Row:** Francis Nazer, Evelyn Moody Lockbaum, Phil Larkowski, Barb Kleinheinz Lambert, Ronald Lambert, Janice Felix Nazer, Jack Geissler. **5th Row:** Larry Bresina, Peter Kalk, Donald Bischel, and Jim Heerey.



McDonell Class of 1952 - 66 Year Reunion

McDonell High School Class of 1952 met at the Fill Inn Station on September 13, 2018 for their 66th reunion. **Front Row** L to R: Pat Loschko Bohl, LaVonne Stoehr Marquie, Rosemary Monarski Haley, Janet Borneman Buckli, Rosie Anderl Gehring, Charlene Zwiefelhofer Steinmetz, Eileen Swoboda Reed.

Back Row: Homer Peloquin, Jerry Farley, Bob LeCleur, Bill LeCleur, Francis Kramschuster, Steve Steinmetz, Margaret Hayes Schoenberg, Greg Devine, Dayton Reed. Also, attending but missing from the photo was Bill Moe.

Class Notes

We love hearing from our alumni!

What is happening? Are you celebrating a reunion in 2019 and need to locate classmates?

Update your contact information?

Call the alumni office 715.723.0538 x3306 or email MackMessenger@macs.k12.wi.us

Read Alumni news on MACS website
McDonellAreaCatholicSchools.org



Class of 1983 - 35 Year Reunion

The class gathered at the Chippewa River Distillery and Brewster Bros. Brewing Company in Chippewa Falls on July 21, 2018.

Top row: Laurie LaBonte Schneider, Pat Rasmus, Mary Benish Sullivan, Duane "Dewey" Nauman

2nd Row: Craig Bowe, Steve Rubenzer

3rd Row: Liz Gaier, Carol Reed Bowe

4th Row: Tammy Jenneman Today, Susie Loiselle Shaurette

5th Row: Dick Simon

Bottom Row: Michele Hepfler, Jill Kjollien Shipley, Joleen Benish, Faye Howard Covey, Fred Meinen, Reggie Franz, Mary Leis Flamang, Kriss Stumpf Quinn, Bob Staber, Joe Adams, Dan Walter
Not pictured: Bill Eystad, Jim Sullivan, Keith Schreiner, Jeff Nicolai, Pat Horan

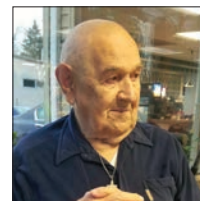
McDonnell Class of 1948 -70 Year Reunion



Class of 1948 came together at Avalon in June of 2018. Front Row: Pat Popple Bembnister, Maryalis Jasper Russell, Alice Zwiefelhofer Karr, Theresa Ludwig Miller, Joan Peloquin Ford Back Row: Mig Hebert, Pat Perrenoud Hebert, Jackie Lauer Anderson, Rita Schindler Bresina, Ramona Zumbrock, Pat Greening, Vincent Statz, Tom Chisholm.



Henry '44 and Betty Korger celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary with a special blessing at Holy Spirit Parish in Stevens Point, along with their children and grandchildren. They were married on June 29, 1948 at St. Rose of Lima Church in Cadott. They have four surviving children Kevin, Mark, Sam, Vicki, one deceased son Anthony, seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren.



Henry has been a member of the local Lions Club for 50 years. He challenged his club in July to get five new members in one month and he would shave his head and mustache. They installed seven and Henry shaved in November.

Below: In May 2018, **Theresa Dachel '90** obtained a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree and completed the Nurse Educator Certificate program from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Currently, Theresa practices as an adult and gerontology primary care nurse practitioner and is a Clinical Assistant Professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Nursing.

1940s

Jean Forrester Thornton '46 celebrated her 90th birthday (June 8) on July 7, 2018 with family and friends at the Fill Inn.

Edna O'Donnell Fredrick '46 celebrated her 90th birthday (Oct. 4) with family on Saturday, October 6, 2018 at the Fill Inn.

2000s

Michael '06 & Allison Greenseth '09 Amundson welcome their second daughter Ruby Lynn on December 11, 2018, 6 lbs. 12 oz. and 20.5 inches long.



Ruby with big sister Jane.



Lexie Lea Schafer

Amanda Tanzer '06 Schafer and Dave Schafer welcome Alexandra 'Lexie' Lea on January 12, 2019, 6 lbs. 10 oz. 19.5 inches long.

2010s

Sawyer Berg '10 is working as a Mechanical Engineer at NDT Solution in New Richmond.

Alex Broses '11 graduated from UW-Milwaukee in May of 2018 with a Bachelors of Science degree in Kinesiology.

Chris Suilmann '12 will graduate from UW-La Crosse with his Doctor of Physical Therapy DPT in May of 2019. Currently he is in a one year internship at the Mayo Clinic Sports Orthopedic Center in Minneapolis, MN.

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Below: Quinn Sue Oeltjen daughter of **Christi Schoch '10 Oeltjen** and Nick Oeltjen was baptized at Holy Ghost Parish by Father Justin Kizewski on Sunday, January 13, 2019.



Theresa Dachel '90 celebrates at graduation her Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree.



Class of 1963

55 Year Reunion

On September 13, 2018 the class of 1963 had an afternoon of golf for those interested and an evening at the Fill Inn Restaurant. We had a great time gabbing and reliving our days at McDonell. Of course, our reunions are much quieter than they used to be but that's okay. We've all grown up and now behave ourselves! Keep in touch classmates - Judi Bowe Akey.

Above Front Row L to R: Lynn Stelter Nelson; Judi Bowe Akey; Cheryl Kern Simirenko; Betty Jenneman Garvey; Kay Peloquin Klett; Barbara Miner Plombon; Betty Krall Bresina; Viola Schuster White; Mary Loiselle Lanners. Middle Row L to R: Keith (Butch) Plombon; Roland (Buzz) Nelson; Tom (Squeak) Frenette; Albert Richard; Mary

Daniel Jenneman; Joan Lubs Weimert; Sue Peloquin Lothson; Elaine Dachel Zwiefelhofer; John Janc. Back Row L to R: John Weimert; Mark Bischel; Joe Burich; Chuck Norseng; Ed Hebert; Bill Doucette; Ron Bresina; Tom Schwartz; Karen LeDuc Grothe; Ted Bowe; Arnie Ritzinger

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Tyler Baier '14 graduated from UW-Madison with a double major in Marketing and Business.

Jacob Horan '15, on the Dean's List majoring in Health and Human Performance at UW-Platteville.

Will Lyberg '15 graduated early from UW-Eau Claire on Dec. 22, 2018 with a degree in Business Economics and graduated Cum Laude. He credited his AP classes from McDonell helping to shave off the time by a semester.

Emily Stoffel '15 graduated in December, a semester early, Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science degree from Iowa State University. Her major is Horticulture, with an emphasis in landscape design.

Jacob Lindsley '16 is studying Computer Science at UW-Madison

Peyton Swoboda '18 started her freshman year by setting a North Central University (MN) women's soccer program record in her

first collegiate game, scoring five goals this fall. She finished 3rd in the conference at the end of the season with a total of 108 shots on goal and 3rd in the conference with points, ending with 12 goals and 7 assists.

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ALUMNI

Marie Bresina Schindler '39
September 16, 2018, Menomonie

Delores Fliehr Meinen '45
November 4, 2018,
Chippewa Falls

Bernadine Meinen Score '46
September 23, 2018, Colfax

Betty Gullikson Douville '49
October 29, 2018, Chippewa Falls

Jerome J. Steinmentz, '50
June 8, 2018, Chippewa Falls

Ken Nauman, '50
April 27, 2018, Chippewa Falls

Delores Ann Schneider '53
August 7, 2018, Mosinee, WI

Carol Bernier Rauscher-Lien '54
September 22, 2018,
Chippewa Falls

Joanne Stopfer Gardner '56
November 22, 2018,
Chippewa Falls

Anthony Zenner '58
January 7, 2019, Gainesville, FL

Joseph 'Joe' Janc '60
October 30, 2018, Chippewa Falls

Clement P. Stoffel '62
September 8, 2018, Sussex, WI

Patricia Porn '66
June 9, 2018, Victoria, BC

Dennis McDonell '69
September 8, 2018,
Chippewa Falls

Anthony 'Tony' Rowan '80
February 9, 2018, Appleton

Scott Swartz '02
September 5, 2018, Eau Claire

FRIENDS

Harold H. Hunt, Parent and

Grandparent of Alumni and current students, August 2, 2018, Chippewa Falls

Ardis Anderson, former teacher at St. Charles Borromeo School
September 4, 2018, Bloomer

Janet Bushland, Spouse of Alum John 'Jack' Bushland '46
October 2, 2018, Chippewa Falls
Ambrose King, Spouse of Alum Marjorie Bushland '44
February 9, 2018, Appleton

Richard 'Dick' Lavicka,
Parent of Alumni
October 4, 2018, Chippewa Falls

Susan L. Modl, Parent & Grandparent of Alumni
November 2, 2018,
Chippewa Falls

Class Reunions

Class of 1969 - 50 Year Reunion

Save the dates! We will be celebrating Mass and having lunch with McDonell Central Class of 2019 on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 9:45 a.m.

Keep open September 13 & 14, 2019 for our 50 year reunion! On Friday, September 13 we will be at Loopy's from 7:00 p.m. to closing. Pay for your own drinks and food. Saturday, September 14 golf outing at Ojibwa Golf Course at 9:30 a.m. with spouses and significant others welcome. We will have a 12:00 noon picnic at Mike Bowe's farm following. Contact Mary Chovan King at the high school 715.723.9126 x2204 if you have questions.

CORRECTION

We apologize, in the Mack Messenger Spring 2018 issue George Derks '55, who passed away on January 28, 2018, last name was inadvertently misspelled.



Class of 1998 - 20 years

Above: front row: Dawn Haley, Molly Meinen Bushman, Amy Dahl Fish, Tricia Krause Benish, Jes Ann Wallace Bennett, Nate Cherrier, Christie Bischel Havlicek, Alysia Konop Bowe, Jessica Rihn Wells, Steph Peterson Gallagher

Back row: Jason Benson, Wayne Trimbell, Russ King, Arnie Swoboda, Matt Fish, Kate Johnson Petterson, Matt Willkom, Josh Bowe, Derek Andrjeski, Tracey Bowe, Melissa Baker

On the 23rd of June the McDonell Central Class of 1998 celebrated their 20th reunion at Avalon. The class also launched a campaign to help fund renovations for McDonell Central

School Counselor Mrs. Proue's room and community gathering space just outside her office. We are currently at \$1000 of our \$2500 goal. For more information about the new Community

& Counseling Room, including how to contribute, please contact Jaynee Brennan, Director of Advancement at j.brannen@macs.k12.wi.us or 715.723.0538 x3306.

Class Reunions

Is your class planning a reunion in 2019 or 2020? Email the alumni office at MackMessenger@macs.k12.wi.us for a current class list, contact information, and to send us your reunion information for Alumni website and Mack Messenger.

Your class is looking for you!

Update your contact information for classmates to locate you for reunions and casual gatherings. Go to our site: McDonellAreaCatholicSchools.org under the Alumni link, or call us in the alumni office 715.723.0538 x3306.

~ Save the date ~

McDonell Athletic Booster Club
29th Annual GOLF SCRAMBLE
Friday, May 17, 2019

11:00 a.m. Registration

NOON Shotgun Start

Lake Wissota Golf Course

\$85 per person * Just banquet \$25

Dress in your "BEST" golf attire

Door Prizes * Refreshments * 5 p.m.

4 or 5 person team or individual

Call 1-888-382-4780

for tee time.



Class of 1978 - 40 years

The class held a casual event on Saturday, October 27, 2018 at the Chippewa River Distillery on River Street in Chippewa Falls.

Top row: Ann Joas Johnson, Jean Reed Bowe

2nd row: Karen Crawford Roder, Kathy Lembezeder

3rd row: Shelley Harings Uchtyl, Rhonda Bohl Seckora, Mary Wermund Jacobson

4th row: Nancy Sires, Michele McCaghy Arneson, Tom Bowe, Mark Dachel, Jim Sires,

Carol Steinmetz Meagher, Lisa Schulz, Tom Rauscher, Patty Baier Schimmel, Steve Peloquin
Kneeling/sitting: Dan Hunt, Joel Mitchell, Pat Hepfler, Crystal Steinmetz Goulet, Joe Cherrier, Joe Bembnister.



Alumni Gatherings

Basketball & Volleyball Tournaments

March 29-30

Annual Banquet Celebration - May 4

Update your family members contact information
and find all the latest news under the alumni quick
link:

www.McDonnellAreaCatholicSchools.org

PARENTS: IF THIS ISSUE IS ADDRESSED TO YOUR SON OR DAUGHTER WHO NO
LONGER LIVES AT HOME, PLEASE CALL THE ALUMNI OFFICE WITH CORRECT
ADDRESS: 715.723.0538 OR GO ONLINE: www.macs.k12.wi.us/alumni.html

WIAA Cross Country boys and girls teams make Mack history



Runners at state for the Macks boys team is: Luke Newton, Joe Thaler, Charlie Bleskachek, Mitch Haley, Sean Craker, Caleb Thornton, Max Hauser. Joe Thaler was the individual Conference Champion following Isaac Bohaty in 2017 & 2016, Jarret Jordan in 2015 and Nick Zander was 2013 & 2012. *Go Macks!*

Below: The McDonnell Mack girls, in white and royal blue, wait patiently for the gun at the start of their state race. Runners are Liz Eckes, Lydia Fish, Anna Geissler, Ann David, Elise Bormann. Behind them Hannah Sykora and Helen Bullard.



McDonnell Central saw the Cross Country teams advance to D3 state in 2018. This is the first time since moving to the WIAA in 2000 have both teams advanced in the same season. Results: boys placed 8th, girls placed 14th.

Even more impressive, the Wisconsin Cross Country Coaches Association (WCCCA) announced each of the Macks teams earned academic all-state honors with the girls team averaging a 3.99 GPA and the boys, a solid 3.82 GPA.

The average is based on the top five GPA of the seven state runners. (See team photos and stats of all fall sports on page 5).

Congratulations to head coach Marty Bushland '16H; Assistant Coaches:

Chad Bormann, Jim Dalsveen '01, Sarah Hofkes Aerts '04, Amy Bye Huempfnier '11, Scott Siegenthaler, Peyton Tozer '18 and athlete runners for your successful season!

