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Night of Stars

You're Invited to the 2010 Hall of Fame Induction Celebration

Join us for a special evening on March 27 at the Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and Dinner to benefit the Bishop Ward High School Scholarship Funds.

We will be celebrating the accomplishments of five extraordinary individuals who in their own way represent the legacy and tradition of Bishop Ward.

Bob '69 and Denise '71 Beaman are the co-chairs of this elegant event. The evening begins with cocktails at 5:30 p.m. followed by the Induction Ceremony at 6:30 p.m. and dinner at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$125 per person or \$1,000 per table of 8 guests.



Dr. Andy Harding '81



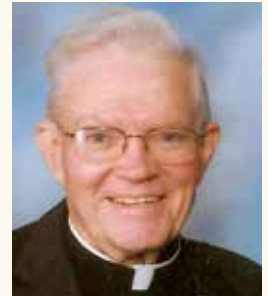
BeaMarie (Mejia) Mayer '67



Donald E. Wolf



Ed Dwight '51



Msgr. Michael Mullen '54

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HALL OF FAME
INDUCTION
CELEBRATION

SATURDAY,
MARCH 27,
5:30 P.M.

RESERVATIONS & SPONSORSHIPS

Make your reservations now for this special evening. Sponsorship levels are also available to honor our five distinguished inductees.

Sponsorships and reservations can be made online at cyclonecountry.org or by contacting Amy Nelson in the Development Office at 913.371.6901 or at anelson@wardhigh.org.

2010 Hall of Fame Class

Dr. Andy Harding '81 Athletic Achievement Award

- Owner of Chiropractic Healing Center
- Center for K-State football team 1981-1985
- 1985 Academic All Big Eight

"The discipline and sense of team that I experienced helped so much at K-State in football and school, then as a chiropractor and a business owner. I've had to persevere through life's challenges and never felt alone or unsupported."

BeaMarie (Mejia) Mayer '67 Don Denney Spirit of Bishop Ward Award

- Self employed as human resources and finance consultant
- Member of the Bishop Ward Board of Trustees
- Previously served on several local boards, including MANA of Kansas City, Cabot Westside Health Center and YWCA of Kansas City

"Education was very important in our family. When my father passed away in 2004, my family wanted to honor him in some way. We established a scholarship in his name and since then two young men have graduated from Bishop Ward High School."

Donald E. Wolf Father Raymond J. Davern Community Service Award

- Lead photographer of De Cloud Studios
- Parents of Bishop Ward alumni and grand parent of Bishop Ward student
- Supporter of St. Theresa's Orphanage in Croatia and several Catholic schools and parishes in Wyandotte County
- Volunteer leader at Christ the King parish

"I have always believed that a good Catholic education provides the willing student all the resources that they might need for the journey through life and the reward that is waiting at the end of the trail."

Ed Dwight '51 Fine Arts Distinguished Achievement Award

- Nationally-renowned sculptor
- First African American astronaut
- Author of autobiography, "Soaring on the Wings of a Dream"

"Being Catholic, you grow up more aware of the world around you. That's what I took away from my time at Ward."

Msgr. Michael Mullen '54 Alumnus of the Year

- Pastor of St. Patrick Catholic Church
- Served as priest almost 48 years, serving as a pastor, seminary educator, and director of seminarians
- Member of the Bishop Ward Board of Trustees

"Bishop Ward inspired me to enter the seminary and gave me the spiritual, academic, and service-oriented foundation that helped immensely in the seminary."



Take Me Out to the Ballgame

1960 Baseball Team Celebrates Anniversary



Bishop Ward's 1960 State Championship baseball team (pictured above) will celebrate its 50th Anniversary at the Cyclones' Home Opener on March 27 at 1 p.m. versus St. Pius X. Arrive at 11:30 a.m. for pre-game celebrations at the Wellness Center and to see Fr. Ron Cornish '60 throw the first pitch to Dick Panther '60. For more information, contact Paula Gettles in the Development Office at 913.371.6901.

Bishop Ward Announces Dr. Judith Warren as New Principal

Bishop Ward High School President Fr. Michael Hermes and the Board of Trustees are proud to announce Dr. Judith Warren as the new principal for the 2010-2011 school year.



"Dr. Judy Warren has a strong reputation for her skills as an educator. She looks forward to leading us in our mission of providing a quality, Catholic, college prep education to our students," Fr. Hermes said.

To read more about Dr. Warren, visit cyclonecountry.org.

You Made a Difference

Your Generosity Helped Us Meet the \$60,000 Challenge Grant

We love challenges, and thanks to the generosity of alumni and friends like you, we met our year-end challenge grant. A family dedicated to the mission of Bishop Ward had offered \$60,000 to raise \$120,000 as a \$1 for \$1 match if we raised \$60,000 by Jan. 31, 2009.

That goal has been met and donations are benefitting the students at Bishop Ward. Thank you for your support!

Update the Alumni Directory

Bishop Ward is working with Harris Connect to produce a new alumni directory that will be published in October. Over the next several months, you may receive postcards, emails or phone calls from Harris asking for updated contact information. Your information will not be released to any third parties. For more information, contact Paula Gettles in the Development Office at 913.371.6901 or at pgettles@wardhigh.org.

UPCOMING DATES

March 27:
Hall of Fame 5:30 p.m.

April 3:
Bishop Ward v. Basehor at CommunityAmerica Ballpark
JV – 11:00 a.m.
Varsity – 1:00 p.m.

April 16:
Walk a Thon
Whippenpoofs perform – 5:00 p.m.

Class of 1936: Kathleen Nitz passed away August 2009.

Class of 1943: Bernadine (Fabac) Zerr passed away Dec. 15, 2008.

Class of 1950: Lois (Mathews) Hansen passed away on May 11, 2009.

Class of 1967: J. Louis Browne, Jr. passed away in October, 2009. Carol Wells, James '65 and Kay Gedminas, Harold and Sue Ellen Breeding, and Andrea Jackson donated in his memory.

Class of 1985: Douglas Hughes '85 married Jill Shugart on

June 27, 2009. They live in Kansas City, Mo.

Class of 1990: Craig Hughes '90 and wife Michelle welcomed son Dominic Richard on Jan. 16, 2009 to join sisters Sarah, Dani and Helen. The family lives in Kansas City, Mo.

Class of 2003: Sharla Nolte and Will Taylor, both of class of 2003, are engaged and will be married in June 2010.

Note: We apologize to Gabriel Casner '96 and his family. Casner was included in the In Memoriam list in the December 2009 AfterWard in error.

Alumni News

Reunion News

Class of 1970: June 11-12.

June 11 is a golf tournament at Sunflower Hills with patio party at Breit's at 6:30 p.m. Reunion on June 12 will be at St. Peter's Parish with Mass at 5:30 p.m., followed by cocktails and dinner at the parish center. For more information, contact Tom and Janet Roberts at 913-721-3299 or at tomandjanet1974@sunflower.com.

For more information or assistance with reunions, contact Paula Gettles in the Development Office at 913.371.6901.



Photo Credit: Nick Balliett '11

This year's Student Fundraiser co-chairs are seniors Kylie Burns and Tim Rodriguez.

Cyclones Walk ForWARD

Bishop Ward students will have their annual fundraiser, Cyclones Walk ForWARD, on April 16. To donate and help students meet their fundraising goal, please contact Kristen Thayer, Director of Student Fundraisers, at 913.371.6901 or at kthayer@wardhigh.org



Yale's Whiffenpoofs Bring A Cappella Voices to Bishop Ward

Yale's world-famous a cappella group, the Whiffenpoofs, will perform at Bishop Ward High School at 5 p.m. on April 16. Admission tickets are \$10. Seating is limited, so tickets must be purchased in advance on cyclonecountry.org or by contacting Laura Nelson in the Development Office at 913.371.6901.

Marty Brock (1947-2009)

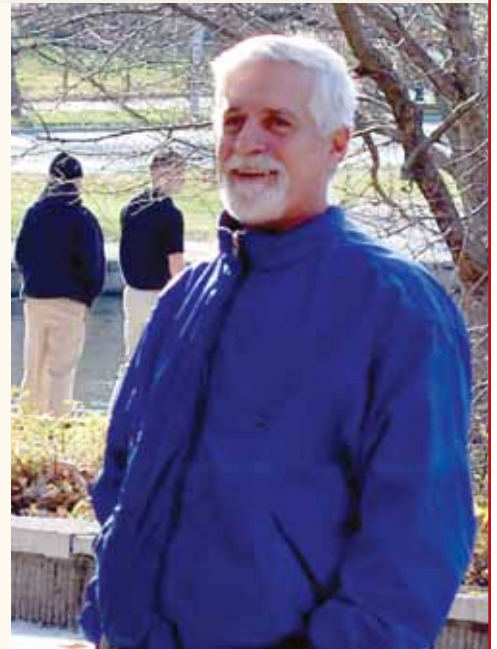
Bishop Ward lost a beloved faculty member, co-worker and friend when Marty Brock passed away suddenly on Dec. 22. Marty dedicated three decades of his life to Bishop Ward and shared so much talent and love with his students and co-workers.

At Ward, Marty taught art, photography, and graphic design and coached wrestling and golf. He challenged his students to think – and live – creatively and independently, and he recognized the strengths in each.

Marty had a deep love for the school, but the true light of his life was his daughter Elizabeth '09.

He has left an enduring imprint on all whose lives he has touched.

Donations may be made in Marty Brock's name by contacting Kristen Thayer in the Bishop Ward Development Office at 913.371.6901 or at kthayer@wardhigh.org.



Save the Date for Golf Classic

Friday, June 18 at Dub's Dread Golf Club

Save the Date for this year's Alumni & Friends Golf Classic on Friday, June 18 at Dub's Dread Golf Club. There will be a shotgun start at 1 p.m. Co-chairs for this year's Golf Classic are Board members Tom Mayfield '81 and Kevin Connor '83.

Pictured left are Class of 1983 alumni Mark Tomasic, Joe Bartkoski, Joe Murray, Tom Lally, and Greg Duggins at the 2009 Golf Classic.

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A Sister's Love Marsha Basey '62 Establishes Scholarship in Her Brother's Memory

Marsha Basey '62 and her brother Michael Basey had always been close. After his death in 2009 at the age of 63, it caused her to reflect on her life and how she could give back for her many blessings.

"Michael and I have received many blessings and would like to give to others," she said.

At the Bishop Ward Auction, Marsha was inspired by the generosity of Bill Venable '48 during their bidding war for the Mighty Cyclone Scholarship Fund. In the end, they each donated \$13,000 to the fund. Marsha has made her donation in her brother's memory.

She has also included Bishop Ward in her estate plan because she believes a Catholic education gives students a good foundation in life.

Marsha and her brother grew up in Kansas City, Kan., and both attended St. Joseph-St. Benedict's School and then Bishop Ward. Michael transferred to Wentworth Military Academy, where he graduated in 1963. Their parents, Florence and Al Basey, owned and operated Basey's Market at 10th and Ray.



Marsha Basey '62 and her brother Michael Basey are pictured here in 1950 and later in 1978.



"My father was always a generous man," Marsha said. "If you couldn't pay for your groceries, you wouldn't go hungry."

Marsha spent 32 years in the U.S. Army, serving in the Women's Army Corp, the Army Reserves, and then returned to active duty. She retired in 2003 as a Property Book Officer. Her brother Michael stayed in Kansas City and worked for Bank of America for 34 years.

"Michael and I stayed in daily contact," Marsha said. "He was my rock."

If you would like to learn more about how to establish a memorial scholarship and/or include Bishop Ward in your estate plan, contact Mary Spangler in the Development Office at mspangl@wardhigh.org or at 913.371.6901.