



GIBAULT

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
2016 ANNUAL REPORT



Message from the Principal



Dear Members of the Gibault Family,

I was googling (would an English teacher accept google as a verb?) some quotes about special anniversaries and I came across this -- “an anniversary is a time to celebrate the joys of today; the memories of yesterday and the hopes of tomorrow.” This may be a greeting card sentiment, but I see the reality in celebrating the past and future of Gibault.

Let’s go back 50 years to when Father Ed had a vision for a dynamic, integrated, education. He introduced students and parents to flexible modular scheduling, the Learning Center and innovative ways of empowering students to take responsibility for their education. That was the “revolution” back then in teaching methods and to learning so that students can learn to think, create and find answers to their questions.

Today, Gibault is still taking bold strides in education. With our forward-thinking approach with e-learning, we have become leaders in technology in the classroom. We have helped schools in St. Louis start their e-learning programs. We have eliminated the need for snow days. This type of technology in the classroom has opened up our students to thought-provoking discussions and modern thinking. They live and learn in a world where technology is second nature. This is the new revolution!

As it was 50 years ago, it still is today—we rely on your donations to take us into the future. As you will see on the following pages, your donations have once again made special projects possible.

- we now have an electronic marquee outside the gym (some of you never even had a gym at Gibault!);
- we have a new entrance sign to welcome families, students and friends;
- we have tended to the campus landscaping preserving Father Ed’s love of nature;
- an eagle scout project has added an outdoor learning/study area;
- the Gibault Men’s and Women’s Clubs, Immaculate Conception Church in Columbia and the Waterloo Knights of Columbus, have helped in making the inside front entrance an inspirational, welcoming area.

It’s not just the tangibles though. Gibault is about the experiences, the memories and our faith and academics. But not all students can experience this without some assistance. Our biggest challenge today is to make sure every student who wants a Catholic Education, wants to attend Gibault, can do so, regardless of a family’s financial situation. As we move into the next 50 years of Gibault education, I want to continue Father Ed’s dream of offering Catholic Education to as many families as possible. Scholarships and tuition assistance are how we accomplish it! Please consider a gift so that we can continue excellence for another generation of students.

I invite all of you to come join us for a celebration of the past and the future on March 4, 2017. Our anniversary committee is planning an all-school “reunion”. You can visit campus, reminisce with classmates and, to paraphrase Prince, “party like it’s 1966!”

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This summer, Gibault students and alumni traveled to London, Paris & Rome with Development Director Sev Kovarik. Pictured are current students: **Jon Mueth, Dalton Scace, Thomas Herrmann & Yukai Yan** in Rome ; **Ashley Colbert, Maddie Phelps, Alyssa Hayes & Alaina Metz** in London; and alumni **Meghan Schutt '03** and **Lesley Larsen '04** in Paris.

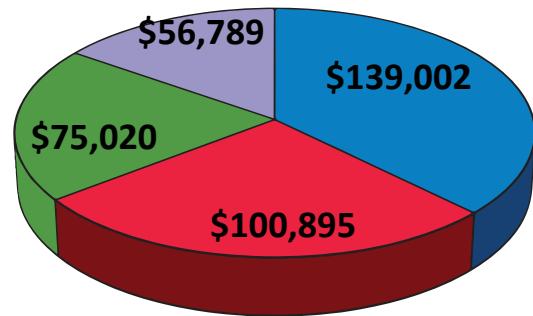


2015-2016 GIFT SUMMARY

ANNUAL FUND: Philanthropy within our school community is integral part of our finances. Our faculty/staff, our beautiful campus and our e-learning programs are possible because of your generosity of time and financial support.

Gifts to the annual giving program have an immediate impact on our students by funding current school-year programs. Dedicated gifts to our endowment and scholarships support future programs. Other dedicated gifts help with school improvement projects.

As you can see from the pie chart, **donations to the 2015-2016 Annual Fund totaled \$139,002.** This amount was slightly below last year's giving level of \$148,000.



- Annual Fund
- Scholarship Fund
- Endowment
- Other

However, we had significant increases to the scholarships and “other” funds this year. The Hustedde Scholarship Fund got a boost from an estate gift. This in turn will generate increased dividends to be used for financial assistance. See next page for full details on the Hustedde Scholarship Fund. In addition, we had some very generous donations from our first-ever Scholarship Dinner – we raised over \$50,000 in just one evening! Other donations were directed to the Endowment Fund, Anniversary Fund, and campus improvements.

All in all, **our donations for the year, totaled \$371,706.** As always, thank you to our supporters who give year after year!

THE 2015 OKTOBERFEST DINNER AUCTION - “FLAPPERS & FELLAS” was another successful evening. This is our premiere fundraising event. For the Wish List items, we tried a “Paddles Up” format. All who raised their bid numbers were able to make a donation. We were able to raise an additional \$14,000 in a short period of time! This year's wish list items were specifically for technology - as we added smartboards and projectors - and for science - items such as microscopes, sensors and probes. These items, beyond our budget, are needed to enhance the learning environment in our school. Overall, the dinner auction netted just over \$98,000 including the Wish List donations.

You can support the auction through sponsorships, donations, advertising, volunteerism and attendance at the event. Join us October 22nd for this year's ***Oktoberfest: “Fifty & Fabulous”***.

OTHER GIFTS

SCHOLARSHIP / TUITION

ASSISTANCE: The Father Edwin Hustedde Memorial Scholarship Fund was created with money received by Gibault from the estate of Father Hustedde who passed away in 2004. A designated portion of the investment earnings from the fund are used to provide tuition assistance and scholarships to students desiring to attend Gibault who are in need of financial assistance. The Gibault Finance Council has determined to distribute 5% of the account's value on an annual basis to provide funds to enable Gibault to meet this objective. The money is invested in mutual funds.

As of June 30, 2016, the value of the Scholarship Fund was \$ 379,890.11. For the school year 2016-2017, \$14,940 will be withdrawn from the account for the purpose indicated above.

Additional donations and bequests specifically designated for the Scholarship Fund are strongly encouraged to help as many young people as possible attend the school that Father Ed loved so much.

You may also want to consider sponsoring a student in need with a donation to cover tuition or fees. If you are interested in "adopting" a student, please contact Russ Hart or Sev Kovarik.

ANNIVERSARY GIFTS: this year begins the **Golden Jubilee**. Graduation in May kicked off a year-long celebration of events. Join us for events during the basketball season and the all-school reunion on **March 4, 2017**.

You can make a donation to commemorate our 50th anniversary with gifts of \$50, \$500, \$5,000 or **even** \$50,000! Or you can give a gift in honor of your reunion year (i.e. \$30 for your 30th reunion; \$20 for your 20th reunion, etc.). Your gift today makes a difference tomorrow!

Thank you to the Waterloo Knights of Columbus for your generous anniversary gift.

PLANNED GIVING: When you include Gibault Catholic High School in your estate planning, you help to shape the future. Whether it is designated for academic programs, campus improvements or other areas meaningful to you, a gift made to Gibault in your will helps build the long-term strength of the school.

SIMPLICITY: It takes just a few sentences in your will. You don't have to be wealthy to plan a gift that will help shape the future. Please call us for the proper wording and tax ID number.

FLEXIBILITY: Your gift may be designated to an area that is significant to you: scholarships, drama, art, science, etc.

CONTROL: Gifts in your will may be modified during your lifetime and may be structured in a variety of ways, depending on how you want to provide for your other beneficiaries.

ENDURING: Bequests have a great impact on Gibault, our students and the generations to come.

When considering a gift, always remember to consult with your attorney and/or financial advisor about your charitable intentions. For additional information, contact Sev Kovarik at 618-939-3883 or sev@gibaultonine.com.

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Young alumni have recently joined the Men's Club. Pictured are :
Michael Callahan '09, August Lock '11,
Jake Posey '09, Taylor Martin '09,
Zach Posey '11 & Garrison Shields '11.

Memorial Gifts

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Anniversary Gifts:

Knights of Columbus Waterloo

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Frank Huels
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Band:

Kaskaskia Trail Chorus
Kermit & Laura Constantine
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Rosalie Neff

Endowment:

Betty Kish Memorials
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Gibault Men's Club

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Entrance sign: 2015 & 2016

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GIBAULT TASTE OF THE REGION:

This is the Women's Club main fundraising event during the year. It's an evening where you can sample tasty specialties from local restaurants, caterers, markets as well as wineries, brewers and distributors. Tickets go on sale in January and are \$25. Only 500 tickets are sold and must be purchased in advance. This event sells out quickly. Taste of the Region is always scheduled the Saturday before Super Bowl—so mark your calendars!

Here are some of the vendors from February 2016: Ahne's Bakery, The Opera House, Eckerts Country Store, Casa Romero, Hopskeller Brewery, Hecker Community Club, JFires, JV's, Schneider's Quality Meats.





Class Notes

Baby News:

Andrew Briesacher '03 and his wife Kelly welcomed baby girl Winnifred "Winnie" on March 19. Big sister is Zoey.

Katie Gregson Munden '05 and husband Jim welcomed Doris "Dorie" on April 2.

Meghan Morris Witt '05 & husband Doyle welcomed Mildred "Millie" on April 6.

Joe Bohn '03 & wife Lisa welcomed Amelia Suzanne on April 27.

Soccer Coach Matt Reeb & wife Caitlin welcomed Sebastian Reeb on July 12.

Condolences

Our sympathies to the family of **Maurice Koesterer '79** who passed away suddenly on July 3. He was father of **Lindsey '09** and Katie.

Our sympathies to the family of **Chris Benyo '80** who lost his wife, Denise, to ALS on July 23.

Retirement

Congratulations to Maggie Pickett who retired after teaching English for 21 years at Gibault. She is the mother of Kyle and Adam Pickett. Carpe diem, Mrs. Pickett!

Engagements:

Ashley Callahan '05 is engaged to Ed Gramatges. Their wedding is Sept. 25.



Jon Kovarik '08 & Dana Schlemmer will be walking down the aisle next March.

Katie Neff '05 & Eric Bolin are planning an April 2017 wedding.

Travis Constantine '09 & Kimmie Volkman will say "I do" on 7-1-17.

Kyle Lane '08 & Megan Glowacai are planning a 2017 wedding.

Philip Larsen '07 proposed to Ashley Whiteside. A November 2017 wedding is planned.



Cristen McManemy '08 & Tim Matecki will tie the knot on September 17.

Emily Morris '10 said "yes" to Jared Ferguson. They are planning a 2017 wedding.

Weddings

Brittany Davis '10 & **Andrew Phillips '10** were married 10-10.



Shannen Smith '10 & **Matt Helm '09** were married June 11.

Congratulations to **Mark Tepen '05** & Elizabeth Wilcox who were married on June 18.

Chelci Beckerle '10 & **Nathan Kremmel '09** were married on June 25.

Samantha Naumann '09 & **Josh Hurst '08** tied the knot on June 25.

Hannah Lundy '11 married Eddie Connell on July 16. Joining her are classmates **Maria Lesko** & **Julia Yates**.





Class Notes

News

Alex Amann '08 recently earned his degree, Doctor of Optometry, from Southern College of Optometry in Memphis.

Bailey Amann '10 is working at DePaul Hospital in behavioral health.

Chuck Koesterer '80 stopped in for a visit to see all the changes at Gibault since his graduation. He currently lives in Kansas City and was ordained a deacon in the St. Joseph Diocese.



Chuck with Principal Hart.

Kelsey Weber Smith '08 is currently in Altus, OK working for the Air Force as their Civil Engineer/Project Manager. She comes to Scott Air Force once a month for her Air Force Reserve Duties.

Bobby Douglas '08 is a manager with the Schnucks Supermarket Stores. He will be moving to the Columbia, IL store soon.

News~ continued

The Class of 2014 organized "Spike Out Cancer" Tournament in memory of classmate Zac Epplin. Pictured is the winning team, the Mantia Family (**Frank '14 & Tony '10**) and **Mitch Meyer '14**.



News

Alli Truttman '02 is CEO & founder of Wicked Sheets, a high-tech bedding and products company.



Wicked Sheets was among 40 products introduced to 150 celebrities at the Academy Awards this past winter as part of their gift bags.

Carla Steibel '10 co-founded *La Bella Rosa Boutique* in Columbia, IL. Stop by to check out the latest styles.

Reunions:

The **Class of 2011** met at Bobeck's in mid-July.

The **Class of 1976** had Mass in the Gibault Chapel & then gathered at Gallaghers.



CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS

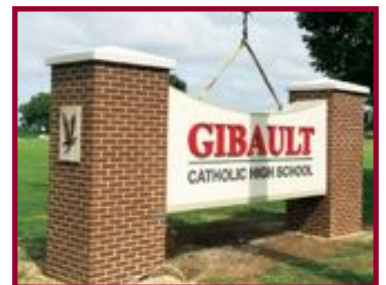
During the summer months, we are busy at work cleaning the school inside and out. This year, we also made some campus improvements as we get ready for the 50th Anniversary celebration. Student summer help replaced the mulch in front with rock. What a great job they did!

Then, thanks to some generous donors, the new entrance sign to campus has become a reality. This was a project that included time, talent and treasure. Thanks to our friends at Summit Signs in Columbia for helping with the design of the project; Williams Bricking for the masonry work; Richards Brick for matching the brick to the building; and the Gibault Men's Club for their manpower to demo the area and then place the sign. The new entrance sign has a classic look that should be timeless (at least for another 50 years!)

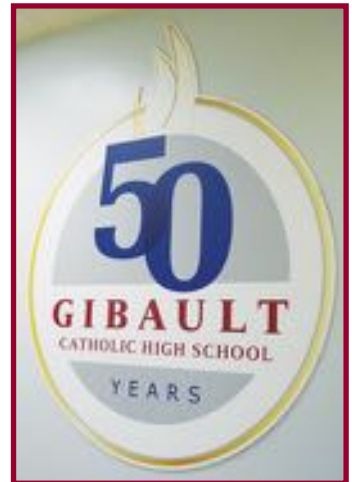
The addition of the anniversary banners completes the outside. We have a new look once you enter the building, as well. Thanks to Immaculate Conception Church in Columbia, we have a place of honor for the Mother Mary statue. As Father Carl says, "We are delighted that these items that have been a part of our faith family here at Immaculate Conception will now be a part of the youth faith family at Gibault." Thank you to Jerry and Gretchen Wolkiewicz for repainting the Mother Mary statue. Visitors are welcomed to the building with two new crests- the traditional school crest and the anniversary crest. These were made possible by donations from the Waterloo Knights of Columbus and McAuley Printing.

Going back outside to the senior patio, you will find the latest Eagle Scout improvement to campus. This one is designed by current senior Andrew Durrer. The pergola will be used by the seniors as an outdoor study area and for school events. Over the years, Gibault has benefited greatly from several Eagle Scout projects.

If it's been some time since you last visited school, come check it out. Contact Sev Kovarik (sev@gibaultonline.com or 618-939-3883) for a personal tour or join us for the anniversary celebration on March 4, 2017.



1. Sev Kovarik helps with the demolition of the old sign.
2. Men's Club takes over!
3. The sign is placed between the new brick columns.
4. The landscaping completes the project.



Just in time for the new school year and 50th anniversary event. Josh Kueker and Matt Blodgett rocked all the front landscaping; the new banners were hung outside; the Gibault crest and anniversary crest were added to the front inside entrance; the Mother Mary statue found a home in the front entry and Andrew Durrer and crew added the pergola to the senior patio.



You are cordially invited to our

Gala Reunion

celebrating 50 years of Gibault

Saturday, March 4, 2017

All alumni from Sts. Peter & Paul High School & Gibault Catholic High School are invited for an all-school reunion. Catch up with classmates, take a campus tour and remember the good old days!

~ Cash Bar ~

Where in the world are Gibault Alumni?

Does anyone remember the game "Where in the World is Carmen Sandiego?" It was a 90s game meant to teach geography & reference skills. Now that game has been replaced by Google interactive maps. It's been 50 years since our first students graduated. Some stayed close to home and others have gone overseas. We thought this was a good time to find out where our alumni are located. We are creating a Gibault collaborative map and we need your help. All you have to do is follow the link on our website or Facebook page and let us know where you are - we need your name/graduation year/city/state. That way, when an alum clicks on a city, they can see which fellow alumni live in the area. Who knows, new friendships may form!

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Alumni Map/Gibault 50

click on the push-pin marker to add your name 

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BATTLIN' FOR BARCIK
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**SATURDAY
OCTOBER 15TH GIBAULT HIGH SCHOOL
6:00 - 11:00 PM GYMNASIUM**

Please join us to support Jessica and her family on her long and costly road to recovery. Your ticket includes chicken, beer, soft drinks and music. There will be a silent auction, raffles and a live auction starting at 8:30.

TICKETS \$25 PER PERSON

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FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT BATTLINBARCIK@GMAIL.COM



Gibault Oktoberfest
10.22.2016

MASS 4:15pm	DINNER 6:00pm
JAZZ BAND & COCKTAILS..... 5:00pm	AUCTION... 7:30pm

TICKET ADMISSION:
\$50 PER PERSON

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND AND WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATION, PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
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Mark Your Calendars

October 15: Benefit for Jessica Stemler Barcik '99 who is battling cancer. Tickets are \$25. Hustedde Gym 6-11 pm.

October 22: Annual Oktoberfest Dinner Auction: "Fifty & Fabulous". For details & a list of some of our items, see our website. If you would like to make a reservation or donation, email: gibault@gibaultonline.com.

November 6: Open House

November 12: Rummage Sale

December 11: Christmas Concert at 7 p.m.

January 13: Alumni Band Night before & during the Mascoutah basketball game.

February 5: Taste of the Region. Join us for an evening of fun and come sample the specialties of area restaurants & businesses.

March 4: Anniversary Celebration.



CALLING ALL SPP, GHS & GCHS ATHLETES

During the home basketball games, we will be recognizing Gibault athletes of the past. We hope you can attend.

December 2: Athletes from the 50's & 60's

December 22: Athletes from the 70's

January 7: Athletes from the 80's

January 13: Athletes from the 90's.

January 28: Athletes from 00's and 10's

February 11: All cheerleaders through the years.

Gibault Golf

It was another fun-filled day of golf at Annbriar. It was good to see so many young alumni playing this year. We hope to see you for several years to come! The team of Kevin & Debi Edwards with their son **Brandon '02** and **Justin Beaston '99** shot the low score of the day.



Andy Skaer, Mike McCarty, Brock McCarty '15, Russ Hart

The older alumni were well represented too. We had **Dennis Lutz '63**, a charter member of the Sports Hall of Fame, play on the First National Bank team. A regular at the event is Father Carl from Immaculate Conception. Make plans to join us next June. Look for details on our website and in the next newsletter.



Dan Spickard, Russ Thomas, Glenn Lutz, Dennis Lutz '63



Arlie Traugher, Mike Ledbetter '93, Greg Howell, Father Carl



Nick Row '14 ,
Frank Mantia' 14
& Tony Mantia '10





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