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CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Your support of academics pays off!



Rose

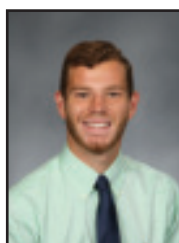
National Merit Commended and National Hispanic Recognition Scholar

Sarah Rose placed among the top 50,000 scorers of 1.6 million+ students nationwide in the 2019 National Merit Scholar Competition. Sarah has also been named a National Hispanic Scholar, one of ~5,000 of 250,000 Hispanic/Latino juniors to earn this honor.

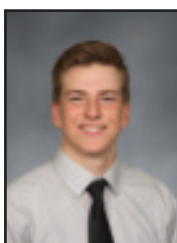
13 Illinois State Scholars!



Adams



Altadonna



Branz



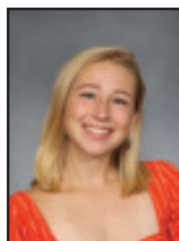
Davitz



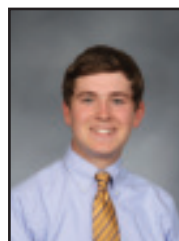
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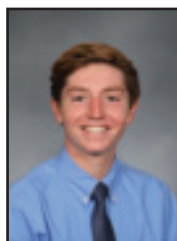
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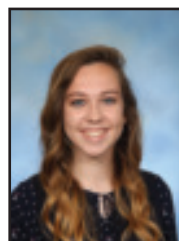
Garcia



Herrmann



Huels



Roever



Stearns



Wirth

Area Schools	% of IL Scholars
Gibault Catholic	25.5
Althoff Catholic	23.2
Belleville West	11.4
Columbia	17.3
Father McGivney	18.9
Freeburg	13.8
Mater Dei	15.8
Red Bud	7.9
Sparta	6.2
Valmeyer	16.0
Waterloo	15.0

Gibault is proud to celebrate the academic achievement of our **thirteen** seniors who have been named 2019 Illinois State Scholars: **John Adams** (Columbia), **Dylan Altadonna** (Columbia), **Mark Branz** (Millstadt), **Haley Davitz** (Freeburg), **Nathan Feldmeier** (Waterloo), **Grace Floerke** (Waterloo), **Isabella Garcia** (Columbia), **Lucas Herrmann** (Columbia), **Karson Huels** (Waterloo), **Lillian Roever** (Waterloo), **Sarah Rose** (Columbia), **Adam Stearns** (Columbia), and **Breanna Wirth** (Waterloo).

Illinois State Scholars are awarded for exemplary ACT scores and class rank, and represent the *top 10% of all high school seniors* from 765 schools across the state.

Gibault continues to outperform state (23.9) and national (20.8) ACT averages. ***The ACT average of our current Illinois State Scholars is 30.85!***



Message from Principal Hart

You make so many amazing experiences possible!



I am so proud of our Rockin Hawks! This spring marked the Gibault Pep Band's sixth trip to the NAIA College Basketball Championship in Kansas City. We might be as well known in KC as we are in this area. Each trip we have old fans and friends in KC who come by to welcome us, and new ones wondering who these guys are who rock the stadium four games in a row, and never repeat a song!

While we are in KC the band has toured local museums, the Basketball Experience, manufacturing plants like Harley Davidson, the Power and Light District, and, of course, a different BBQ place each trip. This wonderful trip is like a family vacation starting with Mr. Ruppel who leads the way. Administrators and teachers over the years have joined in on the fun. Mrs. Asbury has played her trombone with us the last few trips and this year gathered the girls together to do water aerobics at the hotel pool. We always wrap up our trip by celebrating Mass together at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Wonderful memories are made each year for our talented group of students!

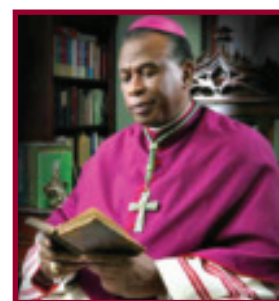


A large portion of these trips is underwritten by **you**, our generous donors, without whom we could not offer these opportunities. We are blessed with the same support for our trips to Washington D.C. for the March for Life and for our travel to state for our sports and Scholar Bowl teams. In the last 15 years we have made 12 final four trips including 5 state championships!

THANK YOU! With your continued support our students will be able to enjoy the benefits of a Gibault education and those extra opportunities like our band trips that make lasting memories. It's good to be a Hawk!

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Join us as we celebrate Bishop Braxton's 75th Birthday with a Gala dinner in Belleville on Friday, June 28th to benefit Catholic education! Scholarship donations from this event can be designated to go to Gibault Catholic directly. More details to come, or contact Andrea (618-939-3883 or abiske@gibaulthawks.com) to make sure you get an invitation!





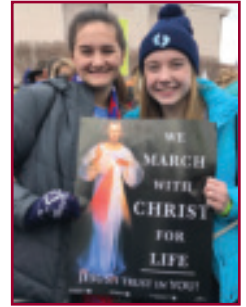
Why should I give to the Annual Fund?



Because you want to make the world a better place.

Maybe that seems a little simplistic and vague, but there is a lot of truth in that statement. We all want to do good works, to help people, to improve our community and our world. And the best place to start is at home with our children, who truly are the future.

Gibault students go out into the world and accomplish great things. It's not just a marketing tag line to say that "we are about more than academic success, but about responsibility, resourcefulness, and preparing our students for whatever life hands them." Our goal is to teach our students to think, to serve, and to love.



Your gift supports the **student** who is in their teacher's classroom on an off-mod for extra help, learning how a little extra effort goes a long way. And also the **teacher**, giving them the tools they need to help all of the students succeed.

Your gift supports the laughter and knowledge gained in Physics class when our **scientists** design a device for an egg to survive a two story drop. They learn that sometimes life is about trial-and-error, cleaning up your mess, and trying again.

Your gift supports the **athlete** who learns that not only does the best team not always win, but sometimes you are not the best team. And the **FFA student**, who learns that the alfalfa doesn't always grow and produce a bountiful crop. Hard work, perseverance, and dedication are key, and they often learn more from defeat than victory.



Your gift supports the **artist**, who learns to turn their smudge into a flower, and the **musician** who learns to turn their wrong note into a "jazz chord" and keep playing. They learn that life is not about perfection, but about improvising, and working together in harmony with those around them regardless of the circumstances they are coming from.



Your gift supports the **families** of our students who are working multiple jobs to give their children the opportunities they didn't have and a brighter future.

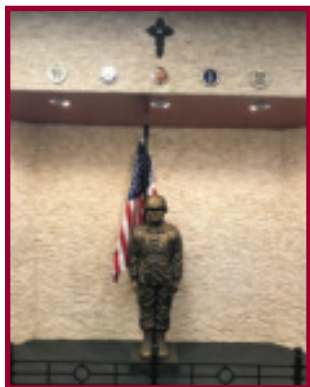
Your gift celebrates and improves the diversity of our Gibault **community**, which teaches tolerance and respect.

It reminds us how blessed we are, and reinforces the messages of service, stewardship, and community our students receive in school. It gives our teachers, students, and families the resources they need to make the world a better place.

***Thank you if you have supported our annual fund already this year.
If you haven't had an opportunity yet, can you help?***

The future thanks you.

Help us leave no one behind...



We need your help to honor our Ss Peter and Paul and Gibault High School alumni and former staff Veterans!

Our Men's Club has built a beautiful tribute to all alumni who have served in the military, but we need your help to identify all past high school alumni and staff members who have served. We have started this list from scratch and with your help currently have close to 175 verified names, with more we need to investigate.

Do you know someone who served? Check our list below, and if they are not included please let us know so we can add them!

Call or email Gibault at **(618) 939-3883** or **abiske@gibaulthawks.com** to let us know their name, alumni year, branch of service, and any other information.

1949	Donald	Schmitt	1964	Tim	Harlin	1970	Robert J.	Schoenborn	1995	Joe	Madaus
1950	Robert R	Reinhold	1964	David	O'Riley	1970	Linda	Serafini	1996	Stephen	Robertson
1951	Frederic	Reitz	1964	Richard	Toenjes	1970	Thomas	Smith	1996	Bryan	Kramer
1951	Raymond	Jung	1964	Joseph W.	Tucker	1970	Robert	Stumpf	1998	Shawn	Bert
1952	Franklin E.	Kohler	1965	Robert	Floerke	1970	Donald	Wienhoff	1998	Peter	Goessling
1952	William	Smith	1965	William J.	Fruth	1971	Steven	Goessling	1998	Benjamin	Sauer
1953	Robert	Curran	1965	Daniel	Huebner	1972	David	Heck	1999	Scott	Sweet
1954	Roy	Schreder	1965	Dennis	Kish	1972	Eugene	Schoenborn	1999	Aaron Joe	Toenjes
1955	James R	Floerke	1965	Patrick	Mudd	1973	John	Etherton	2000	Casey	Eckert
1955	Aaron	Reitz	1965	John T.	Shrewsbury	1973	David	Roethlisberger	2002	Brandon	Edwards
1956	Roy E	Floerke	1966	Dennis	Biffar	1974	Bruce	Grau	2003	Joe	Diecker
1956	Richard W.	Kohler	1966	Robert	Crook	1974	Connie	Schreder Pearson	2004	Aubrie (Miskell)	Swafford
1956	Robert	Walster	1966	David	Goeddel	1975	Terry	Mudd	2004	Kenneth	Wolf
1958	Robert	Collette	1966	Daniel J.	Kelley	1976	David	Naumann	2005	Bradley	Diecker
1958	Donald	Freund	1966	John	Mosbacher	1977	Mary	Becker	2005	Justin	Weiler
1958	James	Mueller	1966	Edward A.	Schaefer	1977	Duane	Langhorst	2006	Jacob	Wittenauer
1958	Loraine	Parker	1966	Kenneth	Schmitz	1977	Loren	Loerch	2007	Katherine	Gilbreth
1958	Ralph	Ruhmann	1967	Paul	Braun	1978	Paul	Costello	2008	Kyle	Bement
1958	Richard B.	Sommer	1967	Michael L.	Glessner	1978	Michael	McMullan	2008	AJ	Krump
1958	Michael	Steffenauer	1967	David	Gross	1980	James P.	McCarty	2008	Anthony	Miller
1958	James	Whelan	1967	Dorothy (Dot)	Janson	1985	Christina	Mannix	2008	Kelsey	(Weber) Smith
1959	Forrest	Ellery Hawkins	1967	Norbert	Mudd	1985	Michael	Crook	2009	Andrew	Schaefer
1959	Robert	Janson	1967	Joseph	Muertz	1985	Joseph G.	Klein II	2009	Adam	Touchette
1959	Glenn	Krebel	1967	Roger	Pieper	1986	Roland	Klein	2010	Andrew	Helfrich
1959	James	Wienhoff	1967	Roy	Proctor Jr.	1987	Eric	Crony	2010	Brandon	Peters
1960	Joseph A	Descher	1967	Mark	Raeber	1987	Michael	Wightman	2011	Corey	Sanders
1960	John A.	Lenhardt	1967	John	Shea	1988	Ron	Huber	2011	Connor	Fahy
1961	Paul L.	Eckert	1967	James	Tucker	1989	Anthony	Biffar	2011	Chandler	Wiegand
1961	Michael	Fromme	1968	Joseph P.	Dugan	1989	Ryan	Grohmann	2012	Colin	Juengling
1961	Dennis	Jacobsen	1968	James	Gant	1989	Ronald	Heinen	2012	Ashley	Juengling
1961	John J.	Kessler	1968	Larry J.	Janson	1989	Erich	Klein	2012	Gabriel	Pelate
1961	Willard	Krebel	1968	Dennis	Kruse	1989	Jeremy	Krump	2014	Austin	Gregson
1961	Robert	Matusek	1968	Richard L.	Meier	1989	William	Mezel, Jr.	2017	Justin	Heinen
1961	Paul E.	Mosbacher	1968	Donald	Roever	1989	Scott	Schilling	2017	Alexander	Stern
1961	Thomas	Schilling	1968	Charles L.	Wienhoff	1990	Brian	Schoellhorn	2018	Joshua	Besserman
1962	David R.	Conrad	1969	Gene	Ahne	1992	Anthony	Carrera	2018	Joseph	Busch
1962	Joseph W.	Fruth	1969	Dennis	Heck	1992	Matt	Mollet	2019	Joshua	Kueker
1962	Robert	Kunkel	1969	Robert	Heller	1992	Terry	Morrissey	2019	Elgin	Scherff
1962	John Thomas	Shields	1969	Kevin	Kelly	1993	Charity (Bagsby)	Cotton	staff	James	Corsi
1963	Andrew	Benyo, JR	1969	Paul	Mudd	1993	Larry Anthony	Flinn	staff	Drexel	Frasure
1963	Joseph B.	Fortman	1970	Gilbert J.	Birk	1994	Benjamin	Cozean	staff	Kenneth	Niemann
1963	Dennis W.	Lutz	1970	Dennis	Brinkmann	1994	Shane	Dabbs	staff	Andrew	Benyo, SR
1963	Roger	Toenjes	1970	Ray	Dugan	1994	Neil	Schlemmer			
1964	William G.	Clark	1970	William	Kelly	1995	Natasha	Bartelt			

Thank you!

Want to save money on your Illinois taxes and benefit Gibault?

Thanks to the new Invest in Kids program it is possible!

For a couple with \$5,000 income tax liability

The OLD way to donate (Without a gift to Empower IL)	The NEW way to donate (With a gift to Empower IL)
John and Joy donate \$1,000 for scholarships directly to Gibault	John and Joy donate \$4,000 for scholarships designated to Gibault via Empower IL
John and Joy owe \$5,000 in Illinois income tax	John and Joy owe \$2,000 in Illinois income tax since they receive a 75% income tax <i>credit</i> on the gift to Empower IL
John and Joy are out of pocket \$6,000 including their scholarship donation and income tax	John and Joy are out of pocket \$6,000 but have quadrupled the amount they give in scholarships to families needing help

Go online to **empowerillinois.org/donate** and click "How to Donate—Step by Step Instructions"

INVEST IN KIDS IN THREE STEPS

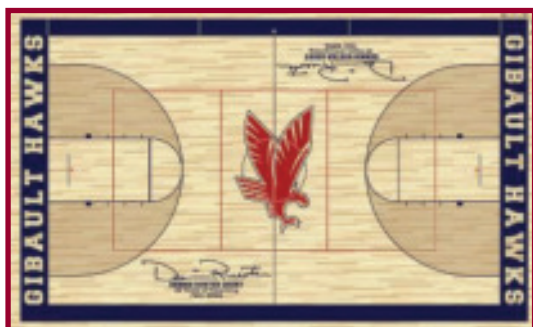
1. Register	2. Reserve	3. Donate
You need an account on mytax.illinois.gov before applying for a tax credit. This can take up to 10 days and involves a mailed pin.	After you register, you can reserve your tax credit for the 2019 calendar year with the Illinois DOR in order to make a donation.	Once you receive confirmation of your tax credit, you have 60 days to make your donation* to Empower Illinois. <i>*no minimum</i>

*This scholarship requires the family to be within 185-300% of the Federal Poverty Level, and for 2019-20 Gibault students that applied qualified for **\$312,000**.*

*Last year we were designated **less than 10%** of that amount.*

Can you help us help more of our families?

Contact Aubrie or Andrea (618-939-3883 or aswafford@gibaulthawks.com), or contact your tax advisor for more details and information.



There's still time to donate to the Rueter Court! Send a check or donate online at www.gibaulthawks.com/donate/or2

Did you know you can donate to Gibault online?

Go to www.gibaulthawks.com and click the DONATE button in the upper right corner to give a gift using PayPal or a credit card. You can even make it a monthly gift!

Thank you for investing in our students!

Your support provides the students amazing opportunities in academics, athletics, the arts, FFA, service, and so much more...



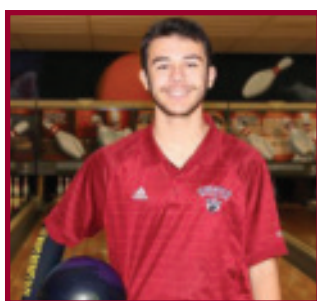
Varsity Soccer Class 2A
Fourth Place at State



Scholar Bowl
Fifth place tie at State



Brooke Biffar
Cross Country
State Qualifier



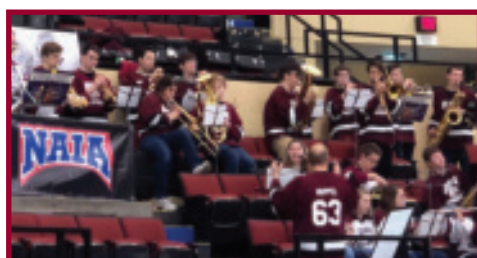
Josh Hugger
Bowling 300 game
& State Qualifier



Max Kostelac
Swim
State Qualifier



Josie Hooten &
Colleen Lance
State FFA degrees



GCHS Pep Band played at
the NAIA Division 1 College
Basketball Championship
Tournament in Kansas City



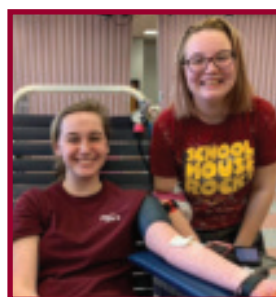
Academic Challenge
Team: Sectional
Medalists, Sarah Rose is
a State Qualifier



Math Team posted wins at
SWIC, SLCC, regionals,
sectionals, and heads to
State competition in May



Hope for Tomorrow
delivering toys to
cancer patients



Blood drives
save lives



Food drives benefit
our community



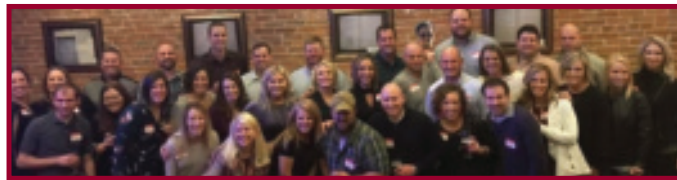
Senior Service
Project takes our
love out into our
community



Once a Hawk, Always a Hawk!



Alumni **Beth Holtschlag, Ann Limestall, Butch Kunkel & Kurt Vogt** make us #gibaultproud with their service work in our community!



Class of 1998 Reunion



Marty ('09) and Haley (Riebeling '10) Kovarik welcomed Theresa Lynn in January. **Haley** is back at Gibault teaching in our English Department!



Brett Row ('05) & Chrissy Lamb married in May and celebrated with many alumni from the classes of '02, '03, and '04.

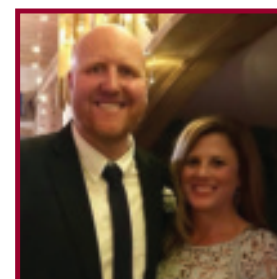


Leanne (Schultheis '03) Arnold was inducted into the 2018 Oktoberfest Hall of Fame.

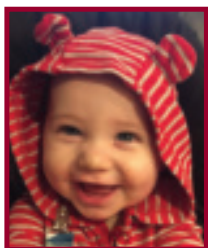


Jim Thomas ('02) and his wife **Leslie** welcomed their third daughter, **Emily Rose** in January, 2019. Emily joins big sisters **Molly** and **Natalie**.

Do you have alumni news to share?
Send your photo and update to Andrea:
abiske@gibalthawks.com



Jeremy Nagle ('99) is engaged to **Dacia Meyer** and will be married in July.



Brittany (Kleinschmidt '10) and Curtis Mericle ('07) welcomed son **Evan Michael** in August.

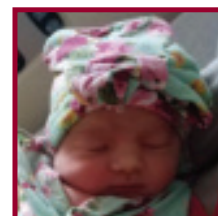


Did you catch **Hannah (Lundy '11) Connell** on *Saturday Night Live* with **Idris Elba** and **Kenan Thompson**?

Love our alumni!



Kate (Ramlose '08) and Jack McMorrow were married in West Hollywood, CA in November. Kate is an intellectual property attorney with **Dentons**, a multinational law firm.



Katie (Waldron '99) and **Eric Zucha** welcomed **Karlie Grace** in December joining big sister **Karolina**.



Hawks Sports Hall of Fame 2019 Men's 1999 Basketball Team

The first full team inducted into the Hall of Fame finishing 2nd in State. With a record of 28-7, they outscored their opponents by almost 400 points with an average **18** point margin of victory.



John Buchmiller	Josh Mueth	Dennis Rueter, Coach
Chad Friedrich	Jeremy Nagle	Jim Corsi, Asst. Coach
Brett Grohmann	Ryan Nordike	Ted Schreder, Asst. Coach
Dan Heimos	John Thomas	Terry Soucek, Asst. Coach
Dave Holdener	John Torisky	Dan Brueggemann, Principal
Pat Lane	Eric Frey, Manager	Mike Palmer, Athletic Director
Nick Mercer	Steve Robbins, Video	Chris Monterusso, Trainer

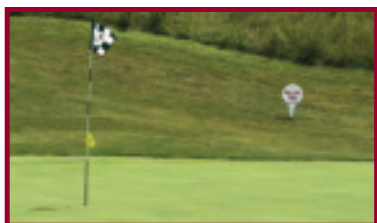


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SAVE THE DATE and JOIN US for our events!



Summer Classic at Annbriar
Friday, June 21, 2019



Oktoberfest Auction
Saturday, October 26, 2019



Taste of the Region
Saturday, February 1, 2020



Rummage Sales
Check the news!



Spring Musical
April 11-14



Spring Concert and
Art Show May 5



Graduation
May 20

Parents: If your son or daughter has established a permanent address, please help us update their contact information: abiske@gibaulthawks.com

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