# THE TRADITION

BISHOP DONAHUE'S NEWSLETTER FOR ALUMNI, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS



OPEN THE DOORS
TO
BISHOP DONAHUE'S
OPPORTUNITIES!!





Dear Alumni, Family, and Friends;

I hope that you enjoy reading this edition of "The Tradition". In this issue of our annual newsletter, we hope that you find items that bring back memories of some of the traditions that were part of your time at Bishop Donahue High School.

Each era had their own traditions and remembrances. Many alumni remember: the state Catholic basketball tournaments, after the game dances, daily morning masses, lunch at Rudi & Eddie's, the green blazers, the homemade rolls at lunchtime, and many other activities that made Bishop Donahue a very special place for all of us.

As activities and events have changed over the years, certain traditions have remained constant. "Donahue Spirit" has flourished as all of our students, past and present, have shown great pride in our school and in our accomplishments. We also continue the tradition of providing great opportunities for our students in the areas of spiritual development, academic development, athletic development, and social development.

I would especially like to recognize and thank our Development Director, Mrs. Donna Krupica, for her work in putting this newsletter together and helping to spark many memories of the great times we all have had at Bishop Donahue!

God Bless,

Dan Angalich

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Principal BDHS Class of 1982 Go Bishops!

CONGRATULATIONS

Bishop Donahue High School Class of 1959

Our FIRST graduating class will be celebrating their 50th year reunion this summer. Plans are being made for a celebration on August 15th, 2009 at Oglebay Park. The school will also be planning some special events for the Class of 1959 as they return to their Alma Mater.

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WE ARE ALL PART OF BISHOP DONAHUE'S -

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## "FUTURE"

The future is yet to be seen. However, we all picture in our minds the "FUTURE" Bishop Donahue! With all of your pictures of the future of Bishop Donahue we will ensure her "Legacy!" The students will carry on all that Bishop Donahue WAS, IS and CAN BE! Thank you for all your Support and your continued support of the students and school!

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

The entire Bishop Donahue community wishes to thank Bishop Michael J. Bransfield for his most generous support of our doors, windows, and bleacher projects at our school. His support has truly provided for a more appealing, a more energy efficient, and a safer environment for all of our students!





We also would like to thank Jodi Block for her donation to our outside improvement project. The marquee sign at the activities entrance truly enhances our building and enables us to display the great pride we have in our school!

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

#### **COMING EVENTS**

**MARCH** 

**APRIL** 

Longaberger Basket Bingo Open House Dial for Donahue Night at the Races School Musical 300 Club Dinner Hall of Fame

MAY

3 Angels Service Day Dress for Success - Tea Baccalaureate Graduation Reverse Raffle

#### **FACULTY & STAFF**

Mr. Dan Angalich - Principal

Mr. Tom Wise - Assistant Principal Mrs. Donna Krupica - Director of Development

Mrs. Kim Pelley - Administrative Assistant

Dr. Robert Ball Mr. Jim Dailer Mrs. Loretta Metz Mr. Michael Oliver Mr. Geno Polsinelli Miss Mary Beth Ray Miss Paige Williams Bro. John Byrd Mr. Donnie Gillis Mrs. Christine Mitsch Miss Lindsey Pastorius Mrs. Paula Przelenski Mrs. Cynthia Rogers Ms. Janice Zalewski

### DEVELOPMENTNEWS

The Development Office continues to look to the future for Bishop Donahue.

Enrollment sits at 144 students for this

year!

The recruitment process continues year round. Through Marketing, Open House, Elementary School Visits, Elementary Games Day, Athletic Invites, and word of mouth we continue to put Bishop Donahue out there as a definite educational institution for students of the Ohio Valley to choose.

Our Tuition Assistance and Scholarship Programs are a definite recruitment tool. It is very important that we have these tools, as many of our families struggle with tuition. These projects help make a difference in sending their child to Bishop Donahue. We ask that you generously consider contributing to these two programs and help us keep the opportunities available for the families.

The Development Office works with a grant committee that has organized to assist in the various projects at the school. This committee works with the Director of Development and the Principal to seek out projects for the school and set goals, procedures, and investigate grants for these projects. Through this committee many of the projects being done at the school currently were brought to the forefront for consideration.

Fundraising at the school, on all levels, goes through the Development Office. It is to ensure that events that are scheduled are at the best possible time to be as successful as they can be.

Some of our future endeavors are to finish renovating the Science Department, put in a handicap accessible entrance ramp at the North end entrance, and a new brick pathway and new landscape at the South entrance of the school. The Development Office will continue to seek funding, grants, and donors for all aspects of the school.

We encourage all Alumni, Friends, and Families to invest in the current and future students of Bishop Donahue.

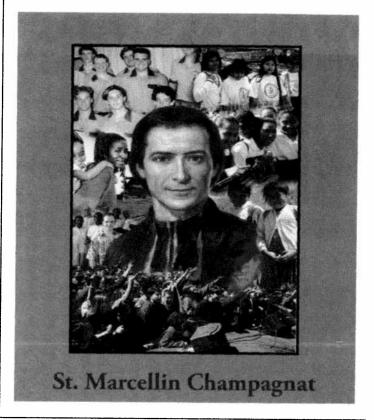
If you have any ideas, donor information, or grant information please feel free to contact me at 304-233-3850 or you can e-mail me at dkrupica@hotmail.com.

Donna Krupica Director of Development

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## MARIST BROTHERS CELEBRATING THEIR 192<sup>ND</sup> ANNIVERSARY



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## WHAT'S NEW AT BISHOP DONAHUE?

Handicap accessible bleachers in the gym.
Stage Curtains and Stage Lighting.
State of the Art Sound System in the gym.
School Windows
Entrance Doors at North and South Entrances.
Bishop Donahue Floor Entrance Mats.
Lighted Marquee Sign for the school.
Music Lab, computers, and equipment.
Refrigerator for the Culinary Arts.
Science Department upgrades and expansion.
Computer and printer for Science Teacher.
Picture composites in hallways of ALL graduates.
Freshly painted gym.
French classes, Art classes, and Math classes.
Four Hundred green chairs.

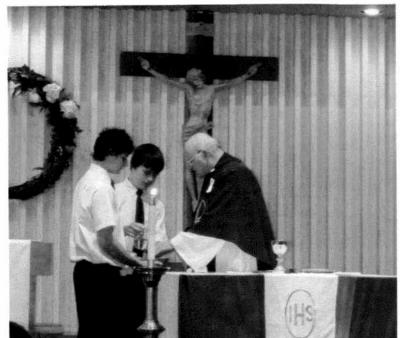
#### SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

Bishop Donahue High School continues the tradition of providing outstanding opportunities for spiritual development for its students. The entire school community meets on a daily basis to offer its prayers to God. Regular celebration of the Liturgy is made possible because of the active participation of the priests in our parishes.

Many other opportunities are provided that enable our students to develop spiritually. Class retreats, in class discussions, participation in outside retreats (Teens Encounter Christ, etc) are all factors in each student's faith development. One of our beliefs is that our students should "Enter to

Learn Christ, and Exit to Serve Christ".

An important aspect of our spiritual development is our emphasis on having our students learn to serve others. Students have participated in many different volunteer activities this year to include: Special Olympics, "Walk for a Cure", Shoe Box Santa project for Appalachian Outreach, winter coat and clothing drive, toy drive, and serving dinners at the Sisters of St. Joseph St. John Parish, and the 18th Street Center. Students are mentors, tutors, and committee members of the Marshall County Drug Coalition. Twenty-six of our twenty-nine seniors participated this year in our Three Angels Blood Drive. We are so proud of the work that our students do in the community!



#### ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT

Our strong academic tradition also continues to grow. This year we have added additional staff members that have enabled us to meet many of our objectives. We are able to keep class sizes smaller in order to provide more individual attention even as our enrollment continues to grow. We are able to provide a learning center to help those students that may need additional help or modifications to their curriculum or learning styles. We have been able to add more varied electives and advanced classes for our students.

Through agreements with Wheeling Jesuit University, West Virginia Northern Community College, and West Liberty State College we are able to provide the opportunity for many of our students to take college level courses. Exciting new classes in Forensic Science, French, and Digital Video Production have also enhanced our curriculum.



#### ATHLETIC DEVELOPMENT

The opportunities for involvement in athletics continue to grow at Bishop Donahue. We remain a highly competitive program in the Ohio Valley Athletic Conference, the Mason-Dixon Conference, the River Valley Football League, and the state of West Virginia. Our school fielded teams this year in Football, Golf, Cross Country, Volleyball, Boys and Girls Basketball, Wrestling, Cheerleading, Baseball, Softball, and Track and Field. If the numbers warranted, we would provide junior varsity and/or freshmen teams in certain sports in order to provide the maximum opportunities for participation.

We are truly blessed at Bishop Donahue to have a very active
Athletic Board and many parent volunteers who work to provide the funds
necessary to field such an aggressive and active sports program.



#### SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

It is extremely important for our students to learn to work, live, and interact with one another. Respecting each other's differences, respecting their opinions, and learning to work together to make a difference in our communities and in our world are some of the things our students learn about and work towards as they grow as a person at Bishop Donahue.

Many of our social activities, Homecoming, Prom, athletic events, and the school musical, give our students the opportunity to grow socially and to learn to work with one another.



### BISHOP DONAHUE DONORS 2007 - 2008

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Mr. Pete Kurelac - (97) - received his Law Degree and he Works as a lawyer and resides in Moundsville.

Marty Adamaik - (71) - Lives in New Mexico and works at Pizza Hut. This is his  $24^{th}$  year there !

Mr. Geno Polsinelli - (94) - Currently teaches at Bishop Donahue and him and his wife live in Benwood.

Mrs. Jane (Termin) Duffy - (81) - She is the principal of Sherrard Elementary School and resides in Warwood with her husband Pat and son Patrick.

Bernard - (73) - and Sharon - (74) - Twigg celebrated their 30<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary in 2008.

Mr. Jeff Kessler - (74) - was re-elected State Senator of WV and he resides in Glen Dale with his wife and 4 children

Lt. Cmdr. Thomas Welsh - (86) - resides in Naples, Italy with his wife and 5 children. He is the Director of International Law and Civil Law.

Mrs. Lauren Twigg Krupica - (2004) - married Troy Krupica - (2002) - in June and is in her first year of Law School at Catholic University of America in DC.