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NEWSLETTER



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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

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My name is Nicole Schmitt. My parents are Jeff and Linda Schmitt of Holy Cross, and I have three siblings: Katelyn '15, Matt, '17, and Adam '20. I currently attend Iowa State University where I am pursuing a dual degree in political science and psychology. I plan to work in government before eventually applying to law school, which has motivated me to acquire the necessary experiences and skills to prepare myself and succeed in these fields.

This past summer and fall, I had two opportunities that have helped uniquely shape my career. This summer, I interned with the Office of Governor Kim Reynolds. This past fall, I moved to Washington, D.C., to intern with U.S. Senator Joni Ernst. Being an alumna of Beckman Catholic, I was prepared to apply for and complete these internships.

During my time at Beckman, I was challenged academically and spiritually to test my abilities and become the best version of myself. I was taught the value of hard work through rigorous courses and allowed to be involved in activities ranging from cross country to student government, which has given me a diverse skillset. Having had these experiences and skills, I was able to stand out as an applicant for these positions and succeed during my time in both offices. I was fully prepared for the jobs, whether compiling an extensive research report on challenges in the agricultural industry or assisting constituents with case services.

The most influential teacher that inspired me to apply for these positions was Mr. Digmann. Throughout my theology courses in Mr. Digmann's classes, I was able to think critically and challenge myself. It was made abundantly clear that I have a prominent purpose of acting virtuously and making positive changes in the world. In government, that is exactly what I am doing, and my time at Beckman Catholic has guided me into a field that gives me a greater purpose.

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Archbishop Jackels gave a homily to the students of Beckman, Xavier and Seton at the All Systems Mass in November. The Archbishop reminded us that we are all "Dulce Christo en Terra," Sweet Christ on Earth

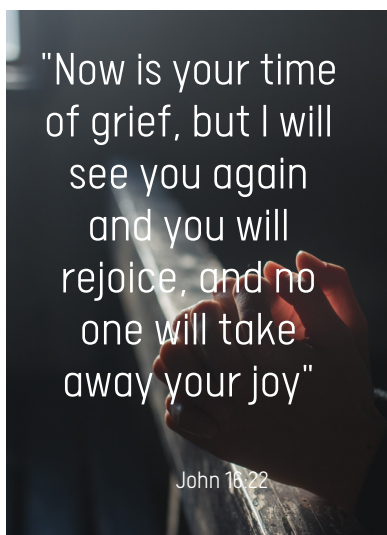
*"The will of God will
never take you to
where the grace of
God will not protect
you"*

-Bernadette Devlin



WHAT DO YOU LOVE ABOUT BECKMAN CATHOLIC?

- "I love that at Beckman Catholic we are like a huge family. The school brings the best out of each individual and while doing that we learn about our faith."
-Ana Cortes, BCHS class of '25
- "I love the community support for everything- athletic, academic, and musical events. I also enjoy the small school environment and knowing everyone in our school."
-Lauren Osterhaus, BCHS class of '22
- "A school is not great because of the building. It is great because of the people, and Beckman Catholic has the friendliest people you will ever find."
-Evan Hoeger, BCHS class of '24
- "Beckman Catholic has an amazing staff and supportive classmates, creating a positive educational environment for all. Everyone is welcoming and encourages me to reach my goals."
-Ellie Brown, BCHS class of '25
- "Some of the things I really enjoy about Beckman Catholic are my classmates and the atmosphere."
-Luke Hartwick, BCHS class of '24



DECEASED ALUMNI

Richard A. Budden '72
James R. Sudmeier '14
Candy A. (Pettinger) Clark '79
James P. Ross '81
Gwen A. (Noethe) Benn-Schmitt '68
Janet R. (Helle) Schwendinger '67
Willem Valant '20
Dennis J. Naber '83
Jean M. (Burkle) Naber '77
Thomas J. Hermesen '82
Daniel J. Mensen '70
Larry J. Osterhaus '72
Elaine (Luensmann) Pistek '74

UPCOMING REUNIONS

If you have information regarding an upcoming reunion, please
E-mail Carrie- cpirc@beckmancatholic.org

Class of 2017- Luke Funke

Class of 2012-

Class of 2007-

Class of 2002- Carrie Pirc, June 2022

Class of 1997- Steve Lueken

Class of 1992-

Class of 1987- Mike Helle

Class of 1982-

Class of 1977-

Class of 1972- Tim Pins

Class of 1967- Bec Willenborg



Pat Davis former BCHS teacher and track coach, speaks on behalf of the 1997 track team at the Hall of Fame induction

If you know of an outstanding Alumni that you would like to nominate for the 2022 Hall of Fame please go to <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeUXvdlI8js629EBrSThdJ4bnzGQU1EqL6PA4hyXokRV0pvNg/viewform>