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Summer 2014

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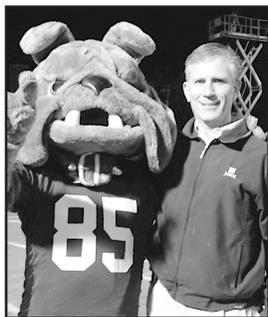
Mission Statement

The Bearden High School Foundation exists to assist students and staff in making Bearden High School a place of academic, athletic and artistic excellence.

President's Message...

By: Buddy Heins

BHS Foundation President 2014-2015
Bearden High School Class of 1978



Welcome back to school! I've been involved at Bearden for a number of years in a variety of different capacities. This year, I'm delighted to finally be involved as a parent. I've seen Bearden evolve into the school it is today. I couldn't feel better about Bearden High School and the way it prepares our children for the future. I'm sure we've all heard the phrase - It takes a community to raise a child. It's true today more than ever and I believe the Bearden High School community does a great job at helping prepare our children for the future.

I'm proud to be a part of the Bearden Foundation. Started over fifteen years ago, the Foundation has raised thousands of dollars to support all areas of academic and athletic activities. We've sent teachers and guidance counselors to seminars and conferences, we've sent students to leadership training and we've recognized outstanding students with scholarships for college and other post secondary studies.

At Bearden, there are so many opportunities to pitch in. You can find a place to help with your time, talent and treasures. Virtually every activity and team sport has a support organization that needs you. These support groups help give our students fantastic learning opportunities.

The Bearden Foundation is continually looking for new ways to support our school. It's my vision that the Foundation will soon embark on efforts to develop greater support from our alumni. I would like for the Foundation to lead a robust development effort to raise more significant dollars for programs and facilities at Bearden. As a community, I think we can. I hope you and your family have a great year at Bearden High School.

WHAT IS THE BEARDEN FOUNDATION?

The Bearden High School Foundation's mission is to help provide the best academic education and experience it can for students, teachers and staff, by supporting them with additional educational material and/or tools they need to create an exciting and thriving learning environment. The foundation was established in 1998 raising over \$500,000 to date, which has been invested in both the physical and educational needs of the school. The most recent addition has been the Bertelkamp Center for Academic Excellence. This center has been a remarkable and much needed learning support as it serves struggling students who need extra time with teachers. Attendance is required for student athletes (even club sports) who are falling below their academic expectation.

We are always looking for new members, as well as individuals who would like to serve on the various committees that exist within the Foundation. To volunteer, contact Buddy Heins at 300-4100.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- August 8** – Half Day for Freshmen
“Dawg Day” for Juniors & Seniors
- August 11** – First Day of School, 1/2 day Students
“Dawg Day” for Sophomores & Freshmen
- September 1** – Student Holiday
- September 4** – Open House
- October 3** – Homecoming vs. West
- October 13 - 14** – Fall Break
- October 20 & 21** – Phone-A-Thon
- November 26 - 28** – Thanksgiving Holidays
- December 22 - January 5** – Winter Holidays
- January 19** – MLK Holiday / Student Holiday
- January 22** – Open House
- February 16** – President's Day / Student Holiday
- March 13, 16 - 20** – Spring Break
- April 3** – Good Friday / Student Holiday
- May 9** – Prom / Knoxville Convention Center
- May 15** – Graduation
- May 21** – Last Day of School

The Principal's Perspective

Every October parents, alumnae, and members of the Bearden community receive a letter and a phone call from the Bearden High School Foundation requesting support for the students and staff at BHS. These phone calls result in generous members of our community supporting the instructional needs of all of our students and staff to further the mission of Bearden High School. Another outcome of these phone calls is the reoccurring question, "Why a foundation?"



Dr. John Bartlett

To have a great American High School some things must be in place:

- A feeder program that is preparing students to do very well at the high school level. At Bearden High School we are extremely blessed to have one of the best feeder systems in the state. The vast majority of our students come from Bearden Middle and West Valley Middle Schools. These two schools along with the multiple feeder elementary schools have done and continue to do a great job preparing future BHS students.
- A vibrant, dynamic, and competent staff. Hiring and supporting our staff is the most important part of what a school administrator does. I am very proud to say that we have the best staff in Tennessee and continue to recruit and retain great teachers.
- A great high school cannot survive and thrive without community support. At Bearden High School, the BHS Foundation is a key component to community support. The foundation plays some vital roles in providing this support:
- Financial- The financial support that the foundation provides is essential to furthering our students' education. From providing much needed science lab equipment, technology for the physics lab, or a classroom supply of additional textbooks, the foundation equips the great work of our teachers.
- Ambassadors- The BHS Foundation acts as ambassadors for Bearden High School and the Knox County School System throughout our community. This role becomes increasingly important as public education evolves to better equip our students to compete in the economy of the next 100 years.

As a principal, I am blessed to start my seventh year at Bearden High School. During that time, the development and support of the BHS foundation and it's officers have served as a continually encouragement to me. In summary, the BHS foundation is an essential part of striving for excellence for every Bearden Bulldog.

Hugh O'Brian (HOBY) Youth Leadership Awards 2013-2014

Congratulations to **Danielle Fannon** and **Elizabeth Steimer** who were selected to represent Bearden High School at the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Seminar. The mission of HOBY is to seek out, recognize, and develop leadership potential of high school sophomores. During this intensive weekend, Danielle and Elizabeth get a realistic look at their nation, its people, and their own role in the world community.



Danielle Fannon

My name is Danielle Fannon. I am a sophomore at Bearden High School, and I am very excited to be a HOBY participant this year. I was born in New York and moved to Florida at a young age. We stayed there for about 10 years until moving to Knoxville, Tennessee. Although I miss the sun and beach of Florida, I could not be happier in this beautiful state.

My main hobbies consist of marching band and soccer. I play the clarinet in band and have been playing soccer since I was about four. In the little free time that I have, I enjoy hiking, fishing, and basically anything else that takes place outdoors. I love to read anything I can get my hands on as well as writing some short stories of my own.

I plan on attending the University of Tennessee where I will study to become a teacher, biologist, or something else that I'll become interested in between now and then. One thing is for sure, though, and that is my plan of being a member of the Pride of the Southland Band. But until then, I hope to continue making a difference at Bearden and throughout the community, and I cannot wait to see what I can learn through HOBY!

On December 7th, 1997, in Greenville, North Carolina, I, Elizabeth Steimer, was born into this world. At that time my family consisted of my mother and father, my older sister, and my older brother. A few years later, my little sister was born. In North Carolina, my dad pastored the youth at a church, which I loved. I went to a private school at the church, I was there on many Saturdays, and I was there every Sunday. On account of my many days spent in that building, the church became my second home. Fast forward to December 2004, I had just turned seven years old and my family and I moved to the great city of Knoxville, Tennessee. I missed my home, my church, and my friends in Greenville, so it was not a happy time. Now, however, I am definitely glad our family made the move, even though I still miss my old home occasionally. Fast forward a few more years, and our family adopted a little boy from Ethiopia in December 2011. Two years later, we adopted another little boy in November 2013. That brings us to now with two parents and six children in the Steimer Family. My oldest sister is twenty one, my older brother is nineteen, I am sixteen, my younger sister is thirteen, and, rounding out the Steimer clan, my two little brothers from Ethiopia are four and three years old.



Elizabeth Steimer

The three most important things in my life are Jesus, my family, and my friends. I really love my new church and I would not trade it for the world. I especially enjoy the outdoors, playing and watching almost any sport, and essentially doing anything as long as my friends are by my side. Furthermore, I enjoy serving whenever I get the chance. A couple of the ways I enjoy serving are serving dinner to the homeless once a month with a ministry in the inner city and going on trips inside and outside the country throughout the year serving in many different ways, almost always with a group from my church. All in all, I love participating in many activities and I strive to live life to the fullest by loving God, my family, my friends, and others, and by serving the world.

Major Houbler Boys and Girls State Scholarships

The Bearden High School Foundation supports Girls State and Boys State. Students from the class of 2015 are selected by the faculty to represent BHS. The Foundation is proud to support the twelve students selected. They are funded by the Major Houbler Scholarship provided by the Major Houbler family.



Lindsey Adorante



Kierstyn Freeman



Morgan Johnson



Anastasia Mitchell



Marissa Tarantino

Also attending: Julia Bell, Hannah Byrd, Marianne Dodson, Bailey Edwards, Lauren Jenkins, Kelsey Kinzer, Zoey Line, Caroline Ward, Micah Welch.

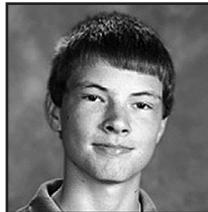
Girls State is a hands-on experience of the practical applications of Americanism and good citizenship. The program is a non-partisan attempt to teach and instill in young Tennessee women a love of God and country. Girls State is a strenuous program that requires a delegate to be energetic, to be in good health, to have a positive attitude, to be able to adjust to unfamiliar situations, and to be willing to accept the challenge of new experiences.



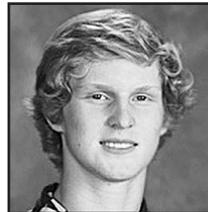
Taylor Blaine



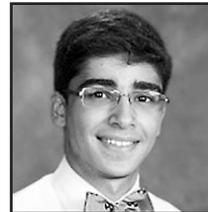
Andrew Bumpass



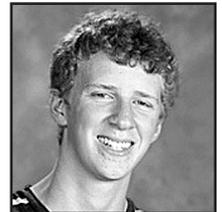
William Dickau



Jake Grayson



Adam Hasan



Tyler Rasch

Also attending: Eric Ault, Brandon Phillips, Max Neveau, Gavin Vance

Boys State is a practical experience for young men to view the actual problems of government as it operates in Tennessee. Participants were assigned to mythical cities for the week. Approximately fifty young men comprised a city, three cities make up a county and four counties make the mythical "51st State". The goal of the program is to impress future generations with the responsibilities of citizenship, to develop leadership, and to bring young men to a full realization of the duties of American citizens.

Awesome Adam Adventure Summer Scholarship Recipients

Funded by the family of Adam Wise, BHS Class of 2011



Sydney Gabrielson is a junior at Bearden. She is an active member of the Student Government Association and is student body Vice President. Students mentoring Another Class (SMAC) and Key Club also occupy Sydney's time. In addition, she holds the office of President for Mu Alpha Theta and is the treasurer for National Junior Honor Society. Sydney enjoys playing cello for the BHS orchestra and the Knoxville Symphony Youth Orchestra. When not busy at school, Sydney can be found at the lake spending time with her family and friends. This summer Sydney will be participating in the Tennessee Governor's School for the Arts as a cellist and then will continue her adventures in China with the Hanban Chinese Bridge Summer Camp.

Anna Smith, a junior at Bearden, has always had a love for acting and singing. Her favorite performances include Millie in "Thoroughly Modern Millie," Dorothy in "The Wizard of Oz," Annie in "Annie Jr.," Sally Brown in "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," and Ida in "Honk!". Anna has also performed in the two annual Bijou Awards, most recently competing in both the acting and singing categories. In 2012, Anna received the Maestro award for her solo performance in the New York City Heritage Choral Festival. With the Awesome Adam's Scholarship, Anna has the opportunity to attend the 2014 Governor's School for the Arts, a 3 week musical theatre intensive program. Anna hopes to one day make her debut on Broadway.



Fall Phone-a-thon a Ringing Success!



The Bearden High School Foundation hosted its annual Phone-a-thon in October. Over \$30,000 was raised last year! A record turn-out of parents, guardians, teachers, former teachers, and administrative staff made phone calls to all BHS families. Thank you Jack Brundige of US Cellular for donating phones for the event! Thank you to everyone who supported this worthy fundraiser, made calls, or provided a delicious dinner! Thank you Pilot Travel Centers, Regal Cinemas, Kroger, Food City and Leisure Time Vending for providing door prizes for callers! Together we can make a difference at BHS.

This year we are offering an early donor incentive. For the Top Dawg donors (\$1000.00) you will receive your Family Sports Pass the first week of school.

The money that is raised during the Phone-a-thon touches every student in some way at Bearden High School. Calling every family in the school is a huge job requiring many volunteers. Phone-a-thon 2014 will be Monday and Tuesday, **October 20th and 21st** from 5:30-8:30. Please consider being a part of this valuable fundraiser. For more information, contact co-chairs Marguerite Graham at grahamx6@comcast.net or Mallory Lehn at mallory.lehn@gmail.com.

2014-2015 FAMILY SPORTS PASS

Donate \$1,000 to the Foundation between now and the Phone-A-Thon and receive a Family Sports Pass to ALL REGULAR SEASON Bearden High School athletic events.

Contact Buddy Heins @ (865) 300-4100 or bheins@meritconstruction.com

Note – early donors will not be called during the Phone-A-Thon.

Track Program Benefits From Foundation Grant



Rest assured that faculty and staff at BHS are very grateful for your generosity. For example, we received an email from BHS Track and Field coach Patty Thewes, and she wrote, “**The Bearden Track Team would like to thank you for providing the funding to redo our long jump area this year! The pits were completely unusable, but with your funding our team was able to use them for this season and many seasons to come. ... Two of our promising new jumpers ... would not have been able to practice at all without your funding. ... Now they are one of the area's top freshman jumpers. ... Thank you for helping our team strive to be their best.**”

Where Was Your Money Invested at BHS?

Thanks to your generous donations, the Foundation was able to fund the following requests during the 2013-2014 academic year:

- Academics** Funds to support additional after-class student courses to better prepare students for college placement exams
Funds for scholarships to honor students of high achievement
- Arts** Repair doors to improve mobility of props, instruments, and equipment for band, choral, and drama departments
- Athletics** Replace and repair long jump pits and purchase new training equipment for track and field
- Band** Funds for a permanent band director rehearsal platform
- Business** Presentation and Design Software for Virtual Enterprise and Business Classes
- English** Funds for winners of Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership essay contest to attend HOBY Leadership Seminar
- Faculty** Funds to replace BHS teacher training budget to cover course fees for AP training to increase number of AP classes available at BHS
Funds to honor and support faculty/staff on in-service days
- Guidance** Funds for Guidance/College Placement counselor training and networking with University administrators
- PTSO** Funds to support Grad Night Celebration
- SGA** Funds to cover registration for 10 fee waiver students to attend Tenn. Assoc. of Student Councils Conference hosted by BHS
- Capital Investment** Funds set aside for substantial facility improvement project to be completed near term

Thank you to all faculty, staff, parents, and the community for all you do to make Bearden High School a school of excellence.

BHS FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



BHS Foundation Scholarship Recipients pictured above, from left to right: Haley Viles, Samantha Arnold, Jackson Evans, Cara Wolfe, Elizabeth Gore.

DR. MARY LOU KANIPE LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP WINNER: ELIZABETH GORE

Elizabeth Gore was extensively involved in the Student Government Association while attending Bearden High School. Throughout her four years, she felt privileged to serve as the freshman class Vice President, Student Body Secretary, and the chair of several committees. Her senior year, she was blessed to hold a state student government position as the Tennessee Association of Student Councils Secretary Co-Host. Through this position, Elizabeth played an active role in Bearden hosting the state-wide student council convention this year. In addition to her love of school service, she has a passion for children, and travelled to Addis Ababa, Ethiopia the summer between junior and senior year - a trip that was made possible with the help of the Bearden Foundation's Awesome Adam's Adventure Summer Scholarship. Given Elizabeth's interest in working with children, she plans to study nursing at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, with the hope of eventually working as a labor and delivery, or neonatal intensive care nurse.

CREATIVE ARTS SCHOLARSHIP WINNER: SAMANTHA ARNOLD

Samantha Arnold graduated with distinction from Bearden, where she participated in many clubs and extracurricular activities. During her high school career, Sam was an active member of the Key Club, was the junior class secretary and the senior class treasurer of the Student Government Association, the treasurer of the Senior Committee, served on the Worship Team at her church, and participated in acting, dance and vocal lessons. Sam's favorite memories have come from Bearden's musical theatre class and the Acappella group, "Off the Chain". She is proud to have attended the 2013 Governor's School for the Arts and has performed with the All-East and All-State Choral ensembles. Writing has always been a passion of Sam's and she was beyond thrilled to have been published, after having won the "Tales from Rocky Top" writing contest sponsored by the University of Tennessee, in conjunction with Knox County Schools. Sam's passion is performing, and she is honored to have been accepted into the music program at Belmont University in Nashville where she will be majoring in commercial music (vocals) and music business.

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BECKY RAMSEY SCHOLARSHIP FOR VOLUNTEERISM

WINNER: CARA WOLFE

During Cara Wolfe's time at Bearden High School, she was an active member in the Student Government Association. Freshman and sophomore year Cara looked up to her older friends and helped with whatever needed to be done. As a junior, she held the position of the junior class Vice President. Following that position, she took on the duty of being the Student Body Treasurer as a senior. She counted thousands of dollars of donation money in addition to helping raise awareness of the organization and all the people that it serves. In addition, she has been a part of the youth ministry at Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church. Cara believes that this youth ministry has shaped her life completely and she plans to serve as a middle school leader next year. Through SGA and her youth group, she has developed a passion for serving and helping anyone around. Cara plans to study at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville to earn her major in Elementary Education.

ACHIEVER SCHOLARSHIP

WINNER: HALEY VILES

Haley Viles came to Bearden as a freshman in 2010 after attending private Christian schools her whole life. She always wanted to join the public school system and was finally allowed to do so. Haley had been active in school basketball from a very young age and tried out for the Bearden team as a freshman. She made the varsity team. Haley participated in 27 games before injuring her shoulder for the third time and receiving emergency surgery, followed by months of physical therapy. That injury ended her dream of playing high school and college basketball. Haley did not let that injury stop her from enjoying her four years at Bearden. She attended almost every sporting event and cheered on her classmates. She enjoyed her work in the school counseling office and working with the special needs students. Those activities always brought a smile to her face. She appreciated the variety of classes that were available at Bearden and loved the feeling of "home" while she was here. She felt it was one big family. Haley will attend Pellissippi State Community College and then transfer to a four year college. Her exact plans for the future are not solidified yet, but because she enjoys helping others so much she is thinking about something in the medical care field. Haley would like to thank everyone for their support and encouragement!

TECHNICAL SCHOLARSHIP

WINNER: JACKSON EVANS

Jackson Evans believes he was a lucky student, lucky enough to be able to pursue his passion, journalism, at Bearden's student newspaper, The Bark. He began as a staff writer, then moved into the position of entertainment editor, and finally, became the editor-in-chief. He was also a member of Latin Club and Science Olympiad all four years of high school, eventually becoming president for both. In the fall, Jack will start school at Indiana University in Bloomington to work towards a journalism major. He hopes to eventually go into music journalism as a career.

ANDREW HINKLE SCHOLARSHIP

WINNER: HUNTER STEVEN HALL



Hunter Steven Hall spent all four of his high school years at Bearden involved in many different activities. He was an active member of the Key Club, Leadership, the National Junior Honor Society, and his AP classes. Hunter is an avid soccer player and for three years he played on the BHS team. He was a three year Varsity Letterman, and his senior year he was the captain of the team. Throughout his high school career his academic focus was on physical fitness and he pursued a variety of physical education classes. Hunter believes that Bearden was an amazing school and provided him with some amazing friendships and memories that will last forever. His future plans are to attend the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga and pursue an education in Physical Therapy.

Bearden High School Foundation Staying in the “Green”

Bearden alumni, **Bert Bertelkamp** of Bertelkamp Automation and **Holly Warlick**, UT Lady Vols Coach, served once again as hosts of the 13th Annual Bearden High School Foundation Golf Classic. Event sponsors were **Cherokee Distributing Company** and **University Eye Surgeons**. The tournament was held at Willow Creek Golf Club on April 17th raising over \$28,000 for the students and staff of Bearden High School.

The Golf Classic events began at noon with an amazing lunch buffet sponsored by **The Brown Bag Cafe**. Bearden’s Choral Ensemble entertained players as they were preparing carts with their harmonic acapella displaying their talents under the leadership of Mary Sexton. Yearbook photographer’s captured the days action and submitted team player photos to BHS and Foundation Board member, teacher Amy Moskal and her team in the clubhouse who printed them and gifted teams with a memory photo at days end. Contest opportunities included a \$5,000 Hole-In-One Challenge and \$5,000 Putting Contest Challenge sponsored by **Phil Guthe Insurance**. **Larry Traggesser** earned the final shot on this hole and came within inches of a win. **Kimball’s Jeweler’s**, once again sponsored our “Diamond in the Rough” Closest to the Pin Challenge raised extra cash offering a \$500 David Yurman diamond bracelet! This year **Jeff Gollither** was our winner! **Zoe’s Kitchen** provided a delicious menu assortment for dinner for our Awards Ceremony where door prizes were awarded. This year’s 2014 Bearden High School Foundation Golf Classic winners were the **Hilliard Lyons Group** with **Jeff Gollither, Darren Welch, Steve Gollither, and Brian Donaldson**.



Winners team, from left to right: Steve Gollither, Jeff Gollither, Brian Donaldson, and Darren Welch.

The Bearden High School Foundation Would Like To Thank The Following For Their Phone-a-thon and Golf Tournament Donations and Grants In The 2013-2014 School Year.

TOP DAWG **\$5000 and UP**

Bertelkamp, Bert
Cherokee Distributing Company
Harris, David & Patricia

PEDIGREE CLUB **\$1000 - \$4999**

Baljepally, Raj & Gayathri
Bertelkamp, Henry F., Jr.
Boyd, Randy & Jenny
Denning, Kevin & Amy
Gannett Foundation
Harris, Doug & Carla
McKelvy, Thomas W
Pliagas, George & Victoria
Reeves, Michael
Zivi, Rick & Nancy

BULLDOG CLUB **\$500 - \$999**

Buckley, Joseph
Coffin, Charles & Ann Fritts
Davis, Larry & Roberta
Dayton's Pest Control Services Inc.
Dickenson, Thomas & Sandra
Egerton, McAfee, Armistead & Davis
Ferraro, Ralph
Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund
Graham, Randy & Marguerite
Harville, Lacy
Heins Laning, Margaret
Heins, Buddy & Shayna
Hinkle, Jim & Linda
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Volunteer Perfusion, LLC

CHAMPION CLUB **\$250- \$499**

Beam, Richard & Meredith
Campbell, Michael & Amy
Crook and Company
Daniel, Linda
Dixon, Bobby B.
Edmundson, Susan & Tracy
Frye, R. Mark & Sugar

Georgiafandis, George & Christine
Golliher, Jeff & Andrea
Jim Cogdill Company
Kerr, Stanley & Sarah
Lewis, Patrick & Letitia
McKay, Larry & Anna
Miller, Jeffrey
Noon, Charles & Elaine
Ownley, Bonnie
Parks, James & Cheryl
Pearman, Brad & Cindy
Sears, Cameron & Nancy Duckles
Shea, Courtney
Shiple, Alan
Smith, Rosanne
Stripling, David & Karen
Welch, Darren & Megan
Wilkins, Marshall & Clare

VARSITY CLUB **\$100 - \$249**

Baeske, James & Carole
Bindner, Robert & Laura
Bithorn, Mark & Julia
Blaine, Alec & Tammy
Bobrek, Miljko & Sonja
Briggs, Richard & Stephanie
Brown, Larry A.
Bruckbauer, Thomas & Antje
Calhoun, Joseph
Chance, Robert & Cherie
Chandler, Jeff & Amy Fay
Charland, Michael & Melissa
Coleman, Bobbie
Collins, Douglas & Karen
Cornelius, James
Cozart, CT
Cozart, Woody & Judy
Craig, Michael & Melanie
CUI Group, Inc.
Davis, Maurice & L. Denise
Davis, Michael & Pamela
Davis, Robert & Gena
Dell, Jeffrey & Kelly
Donaldson, Brian
Dudrick, Paul & Nancy
Elmore, Scott & Leslie
Flynn, Kaye & Tracy
Foard, Susan R.
Freeman, John & Monica
Ganapathi, Saravanan
Givens, Scott & Dorothy

Golliher, Steve & Laura
Green, Michael & Stephanie
Hampton, Trustin & Lori
Hauser, Loren & Melinda
Hill, Alan & Linda
Howe, Curtis & Elizabeth
Jones, David & Jeanne
Kanipe, Mary Lou
Keck, Gregory & Jill
Kinzer, Rudy & Laurie
Lehn, Jesse & Mallory
Leib, Brian & Robin
Luttrell, Sam & Courtney
Mangers, Dan & Mirium
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Marlow, David & Maribeth
Marlow, Douglas & Kristie
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Mitchell, Carole
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Schuchmann, George & Ellen
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Spade, Todd
Staley, John R.
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Stansberry, Frank & Carolyn
Stansberry, Tony & Jennifer
Steele, Samuel & Susan
Swartz, Anne
Taylor, Thomas & Karen
Technical Construction & Consulting
Van Doren, Mark & Marjorie
Vance, Robert & Angela
Vester, Thomas & Blanche
Waters, Nicole
Weaver, Sheri & Mark

SCHOLARS CLUB
\$10 - \$99

Abbott, Laura
Abdelnahi, Nehad
Adorante, John & Debbie
Ahmed, Iqbaluddin
Allen, Jeffrey & Nanci
Allen, Ronald & Kathryn
Archer, Dwayne & Amy
Austin, Mark & Roni
Babinski, Paul & Cynthia
Bailey, Thomas
Baudry, Jerome & Laurence
Bennett, Richard & Linda
Berry, Archie & Susan
Berry, Clyde & Lisa
Bieger, Christopher & Emily
Bowers, Shelby
Browning, Debbie
Burnett, Jonathan & Nancy
Burns, Steven & Leann
Buuck, Brian & Joanne
Byars, Tammy
Campbell, Bryan & Kimberley
Campbell, David & Brenda
Carr, Scott & Theresa
Chan, Wing & Sharon
Clark, Teddy & Karen
Cool, James & Lisa
Coppock, Glenn & Karen
Coram, Donald P.
Crenshaw, Gwen & Mike
Crookston, Dennis & Rosemary
Crowley, Pete & Ruth
Dejournett, Richard & Rhonda
Dixon, Christopher & Ashley
Dodson, R.T.
Dolvin, Scott & Connie
Donnell, William & Elizabeth
Doty, Steven & Tonja
Doyle, Daniel & Tammy
Doyle, David & Kathleen
Dryzer, Scott & Lynn
Durrance III, Robert Neil
Dyer, Francis
Exact Tiling, Inc.
Fitzsimmons, Lee & Shari
Fonrodona, Alexandre & Tara
Ford, Russ & Tracey
Francescon, Thomas & Dawn

Frizen, Ted & Anita
Fulcher, Lee & Julie
Gerken, Joseph & Stacey
Goin, Tracy & Todd
Gold, Stephen & Robin
Gray, Henry & Karen
Greenwell, Kathleen
Griz, Rick & Rhonda
Hagood, Derwin & Sheri
Hale, John & Jane
Hammitt, Norman & Lisa
Harvey, Todd & Anne
Hill, Ken & Debbie
Houck, Michael & Paula
Howard, Bradley & Amy
Hughs, Matthew & Kim Allan
Ishmael, Michael
Jackson, Dewanna
Jansen, Jeffrey & Elizabeth
Jobe, Brian & Linda
Johnson, Robert & Anita
Jones, Steven & Kelly
Kay, Anita
Keller, Dale & Diane
Kirby, Craig & Angie
Kitts, Ken & Sophia
Kizer, Darryl & Susan
Krouse, Daniel & Jennifer
Lawson, Enos E.
Lembersky, Robert & Susan
Lepard, Lamar & Cullum
Lind, Ryan
Luepke, Greg & Valerie
Marsh, Thomas & Marsha
Maryanski, Jennifer & Travis
McCord, David & Iris
McDaniel, Terry & Janna
McDowell, Christopher
McKinney, James & Donna
McReynolds, Christopher
Mica, Maria Corina
Mitchell, Melissa
Moles, William & Karen
Moulton, Steven & Nancy
Moyers, Richard & Laura
Murphy, Andrea
Nester, Freddie & Stephanie
Nguyen, Thuan & Lan
Oran, Rex & Allison
Pearl, Bruce & Brandy
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Alumnus of the Year Jack Tate, Class of 1978



Bearden High School honored one of its own recently at the 2014 Commencement Ceremony at Thompson Boling Arena. Jack Tate, teacher and graduate of Bearden (Class of 1978), was recognized and received an award for Alumni of the Year.

Established in 2010 by Principal, Dr. John Bartlett, this annual award and new tradition honors alumni who have earned the unique distinction through their accomplishments and good deeds, as well as, individuals who have made significant contributions to Bearden High School.

Past recipients of this prestigious award include:

- 2010 – Jim Bruner, Class of 1967 - baseball and football athlete / BHS philanthropist
- 2011 – Dennis Hwang, Class of 1997 - Chief Designer, Google
- 2012 – Buddy Heins, Class of 1978 - BHS Foundation President/school volunteer
- 2013 – Bert Bertelkamp, Class of 1976 - outstanding basketball player/BHS philanthropist

Dr. Bartlett stated, “This year, Coach Tate was the obvious choice”. Jack Tate is a native to Knoxville and attended the University of Tennessee, receiving a Bachelor’s of Science Degree in Education, and specializing in Social Studies. Twenty-six years of his life have been devoted to educating and coaching our youth, 19 of those years were spent at Bearden High School, while 7 years were dedicated to the students of Bearden Middle School.

Jack Tate has inspired students inside and outside of the classroom, by his willingness and passion to serve as an assistant and junior varsity coach for the Bearden Baseball Team. He was the varsity head coach for the Bulldogs from 2010 – 2012. In 2012, Coach Tate led the baseball team to it’s most successful season ever - Regional Champion (beating Farragut in the finals) and State Runner-up. He was named Knoxville News Sentinel Coach of the year in 2012. His dedication to Bearden was even more evident with his commitment to keeping accurate and up to date stats for the baseball team expanding over the past 25 years, as well as, assisting the football team with their stats for more than 33 years.

To date, Coach Tate expressed that his greatest memories of Bearden are personified by his experiences with the students, teachers, administrators, and support staff that he has worked with throughout his teaching career. When Coach Tate was asked what advice he would give to new teachers entering this profession, he stated the following:

“Make sure your players and students always know how happy you are to see them and to be with them. Never take a single game, day, or class for granted. Remember, you and your students are teammates, not opponents.”

Coach Tate’s loyalty to his alma mater has been upheld by his unconditional devotion and passion for educating and coaching every student that he encounters at Bearden. Much thanks, Coach Tate, for your commitment and dedication to Bearden High School.

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