

VIEW FROM THE HILL

A NEWSLETTER FOR ALUMNI & FRIENDS OF SCHILARMAN
SPRING/SUMMER 2018

CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2018

SCHLARMAN CELEBRATES 70TH COMMENCEMENT



On Sunday, May 20, 2018, the 70th Schlarmann Commencement took place at Holy Family Church. Twenty-nine graduates and their families and friends, along with administrators, teachers and staff, gathered for graduation ceremonies. Mass was concelebrated by Rev. Bowan Schmitt, Rev. Steven Loftus and Rev. Deus - Dedit B. Byabato. Congratulations to our Schlarmann Academy Class of 2018 graduates.

Maxwell Michael Burress
Southern Illinois University - Carbondale

Austin Rey Camareno
Danville Area Community College

Cathleen Elizabeth Clark
Honor Graduate
Danville Area Community College

Aleksas Marie Dietzen
Saluatorian
Indiana State University

Ely James Dunham
United States Army

Reagan Nicole Gifford
Honor Graduate
Illinois College

Jonathan Samuel Glover
Danville Area Community College

Kane Lee Grant
United States Army

Jaida Noelle Green
Honor Graduate
Danville Area Community College

Jane Elizabeth Gross
Danville Area Community College

Kymaji Monique Johnson
Danville Area Community College

Yuhan Ke
Indiana State University

Jayden Leann King
Honor Graduate
Danville Area Community College

Matthew James Larson
Valedictorian
University of Illinois

KeShawn Marke'l Lillard
Danville Area Community College

Pedro Linares
Eastern Illinois University

Taiki Otani
Waseda University

Lucia Isabel Bravo - Perez
Danville Area Community College

Christopher Isaac Phelps
Danville Area Community College

Chase Allen Readnour
Honor Graduate
Milwaukee School of Engineering

Syrus Daniel Sears
Honor Graduate
Danville Area Community College

Madison Serena Ann Sermersheim
Honor Graduate
Indiana State University

Christopher Sean Stanley
Undecided

Daulton Lee Stelzer
Honor Graduate
Danville Area Community College

Olivia Laine Stout
Honor Graduate
Illinois State University

Sara Michelle Switzer
Danville Area Community College

Bryce Michael Vorick
United States Marine Corps

Elijah Michael Williams
Danville Area Community College

Winnie Zheng
Indiana State University



CLASS OF 2018 HONORS

Valedictorian Honors

The Valedictorian is defined as the student who possesses the single highest cumulative grade point average after the seventh semester. This year's Valedictorian for the Class of 2018 is Matthew Larson.



Salutatorian Honors

The Salutatorian is defined as the student with the second highest grade point average after seven semesters. This year's Salutatorian for the Class of 2018 is Aleksas Dietzen.



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Highest Honor Graduate GPA above 4.0 -Reagan Gifford.

Honor Graduates - GPA of 3.5 - 3.9 - Cathy Clark, Chase Readnour, Syrus Sears, and Madison Sermersheim.

President's Educational Achievement Awards - GPA of 3.0 - 3.49 - Maxwell Burress, Jaida Green, Janie Gross, Hanna Ke, Jayden King, Pedro Linares, Daulton Stelzer, and Olivia Stout.

National Honor Society- Cathy Clark, Aleksas Dietzen, Reagan Gifford, Jaida Green, Matthew Larson, Chase Readnour, Syrus Sears, Madison Sermersheim and Daulton Stelzer.

Painkeshaw Chapter of Illinois Society Sons of the American Revolution Good Citizenship Award - Aleksas Dietzen.

Governor Bradford Chapter - DAR Good Citizen Award - Reagan Gifford.

Community Blood Services of Illinois Gallon Grad Award - Aleksas Dietzen and Madison Sermersheim.

Danville Area Community College Phi Theta Kappa - Cathy Clark, Aleksas Dietzen, Reagan Gifford, Jayden King, Madison Sermersheim, and Olivia Stout.

Illinois State Scholar - Matthew Larson.

National Merit Scholarship Finalist - Matthew Larson.

Illinois College Beecher Scholarship - Reagan Gifford.

OSF HealthCare Sacred Heart Medical Center Scholarship - Aleksas Dietzen.

P.E.O. Chapter HX Scholarshp - Madison Sermersheim.

Mark Hannon Scholarship - Aleksas Dietzen.

S.T.A.N.D. - Maxwell Burress, Aleksas Dietzen, Reagan Gifford, Jaida Green, Matthew Larson, Chase Readnour, Madison Sermersheim, and Olivia Stout.

Faith Alive Spirit Awards (Completing over 150 hours of community service over their four years) - Christopher Phelps (38, only 25 required), Hanna Ke (92, only 50 required), Reagan Gifford (163), Aleksas Dietzen (210), Janie Gross (217), Madison Sermersheim (222), Elijah Williams (330), Winnie Zheng (407), Bryce Vorick (1,019), Ely Dunham (1,019).

Michael & Mary Bateman Scholarship - Elijah Williams.

Eric S. Eberhardt Scholarship - Winnie Zheng.

Mark C. Myer Memorial Scholarship - Reagan Gifford.

Student of the Year Award - Reagan Gifford.

Department Awards

Most Improved Senior Artist - Christopher Phelps.

Outstanding Senior Artist - Jaida Green.

Senior Yearbook Staff - Ely Dunham, Kane Grant, Jaida Green, Janie Gross, Kymaji Johnson, Jayden King, KeShawn Lillard, Madison Sermersheim, Olivia Stout, Sara Switzer, Elijah Williams, and Winnie Zheng.

Yearbook Leadership Awards - Jaida Green, Kymaji Johnson, Jayden King, Madison Sermersheim, and Olivia Stout.

International Scholar Award - Taiki Otani.

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Excellence in English - Reagan Gifford and Matthew Larson.

Excellence in Modern American History - Daulton Stelzer.

Excellence in Mathematics - Aleksas Dietzen.

Voices of Schlarmen - Pedro Linares and Madison Sermersheim.

Excellence in Science - Aleksas Dietzen, Reagan Gifford, and Madison Sermersheim.

Religion Award - Reagan Gifford and Elijah Williams.

Excellence in Civics - Cathleen Clark.



CLASS OF 2018 GRADUATION ADDRESSES



SALUTATORIAN ADDRESS ALEKSAS DIETZEN

“How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard.” In this case, that something is all of you. It still seems weird to see you all with caps and gowns, ready to take on whatever may come next. Weird, yet right at the same time. I think the teachers would agree when I say we all deserve this moment, graduating not only from high school but in life too. We have stayed up until 3 a.m., done ten page papers the night before they were due, and worked on projects in the previous class that we needed it for. It might have seemed like a bad idea then, but really we were just preparing for college.

From wild powderpuff games to punching lockers to “loco” Spanish classes, I think it can be said that there really is not a class like us. I’ve known some of you since grade school, but most of you I’ve known since sixth grade when we consolidated. Even if I didn’t know you until junior high, it feels like I’ve known you guys my whole life.

Being with the same people for at least seven years, you would think that we would be tired of seeing each other’s faces. Maybe a couple of months ago we would have all agreed to that anyway. Right now, though, I know that I am not the only one who feels bittersweet about today. On one hand, all of us will receive diplomas that we never thought we would get while never having to hear the incessant ringing of the school bells any longer. But on the other hand, we lose seeing the faces that we have come to know and love every single day. I can honestly say, though, that the many faces that I see today have helped me to stand right where I am now.

Above all things, I want to thank my family for literally everything. I know for a fact I have not been an angel child, but not once did my parents or sister ever not care. My parents have always been there for me with support and loving, open arms, and I do not think that I could ever say thank you enough times for everything you guys have done for me. And I know you don’t get to pick your siblings, but if I could, I would choose the one I have today every time.

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Joslyn, we might have our ups and downs, but I feel honored every day that I get to be one of the most important people in your life. You know how to make me laugh and push my buttons, somehow all at the same time, but at the end of the day, you're my favorite sibling.

Next, I think I speak for the whole class of 2018 when I say thank you to the teachers. One thing Schlarmann does well is choose teachers that actually care about what happens to the students. They have just as many long nights as we do, if not more, making sure we get everything we need before we graduate to ensure our success in whatever our next step is. How many schools can say that most of their teachers have strong bonds with most of their students? An anonymous person once said, "A good education can change anyone, but a good teacher can change everything." We have the teachers that can change everything.

I especially want to thank the two people in my life that got me through all of high school. Maddy, I've never seen someone as emotional as you, and I'm sure you've already cried multiple times this past week just thinking about today. But most of the time you cry just because you're passionate about most things. Not to mention that you are the wild card, and I never know what is going to happen next. This whole class has functioned for the past four years only because you kept us on task and I don't think anyone else at this school could have done that. Most of all, you pushed me to be the best I could be over the years and have made high school one of the best memories that I will keep forever.

Janie, we have been best friends since day one, and I would never trade you for anything. We have been in one actual fight, and that still only lasted for one day (and I was right). You're there for me to talk to whenever I need it, and most of the time, I come to you first for anything. We are so much alike yet very different, which is why our friendship works so well. We're two peas in a pod, teammates, and partners in everything we do. You have kept me sane for these four years, and just because we won't see each other everyday next year, I know we'll always be best friends no matter where we are.

The class of 2018, I think I can say, has had one crazy ride these past four years. It feels like just yesterday we were walking in as freshman, wanting to impress everyone older so we didn't actually seem like freshman. Now most of us can barely get out of bed on time to actually get ready for anything. But it's times like these where I know that I have actually made a family from my class. We're all just one big extended family, with its crazy uncles and weird cousins, but family nonetheless. Even if I wanted to go back and change some things I did or did not do, one thing I would never change is the people I spent high school with.

The last thing I want to say is a quote from Michael Josephson that sums up what I have been trying to say this whole time. "Take pride in how far you've come. Have faith in how far you can go. But don't forget to enjoy the journey."

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VALEDICTORIAN ADDRESS MATTHEW LARSON

Well, that was a quick four years, wasn't it? Although sometimes it seemed like it would never end, it somehow went by in a flash, just like everyone warned us about. It's surprising to look back and realize how different we all used to be, and then think about how different we might be again in another four years. We've all made a lot of great memories, like that time with the blowgun and the stuffed giraffe, or the giant pile of gravel at the park, or going hiking in a few inches of snow, then ending up on a trail while it gets dark and having to call someone's parent to come pick us up - maybe that time wasn't so great, actually. But more important than those times, good or bad, is what we've learned along the way, and I'm talking about more than trigonometry.

High school was a time for all of us to be more independent and learn a little bit more about how to be an adult. Now the training wheels are about to come off, and we'll see how many of the lessons stuck, for better or for worse. Our teachers worked hard to prepare us for the next phase of our lives, whether it's college, a career, or something else entirely. We have our whole lives ahead of us, and it's important to remember that, although this seems like an ending, it's really a beginning. Whatever the successes we've had and the mistakes we've made so far, the best thing we can do is learn from them.

So let me say a few things I've learned: be on time to things. I'm speaking from experience, as my friends will tell you, and it's much less stressful to be a little early than a little late. Take good notes, or sit next to someone who does. Don't be afraid to ask dumb questions, and don't make other people afraid to ask dumb questions. Carry nail clippers everywhere, they come in handy. And drink plenty of water.

Before we move on and officially become real adults, I'd like to give some much deserved thanks. Thanks to all my teachers, especially Mrs. Payne for dealing with my calculus questions when I wasn't even taking a class with her. I can't thank my Mom and Dad enough for everything that they've done for me in the last seventeen years, but I want them to know how much I love and appreciate them. Thanks to my friends and to the whole class of 2018 for a great four years. Let's find out what the future has in store.

Oh, and buy a yearbook.



CLASS OF 2018 COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS MR. MARK BIAL



Thank you to principal Gail Lewis, Christina Dietzen, and Nancy O’Kane for inviting me. Also, it’s wonderful to see Pat Stitt. She was at Schlarman when my wife and I attended. She is Schlarman!

It’s an honor to be here today with the Class of 2018 from Schlarman Academy. My wife Janet and I love Schlarman! Janet attended Holy Family back when it was called St. Pat’s. Even tiny St. Joe’s school was still in existence just a few blocks away. I attended St. Paul’s and then worked there after graduation four summers to pay my tuition to Schlarman High. Father Motsett gave me \$1.25 an hour. One dollar went toward tuition and I got to keep a quarter for spending money. The spending money went toward clothes, books, and school dances. I worked with Frank Williams, our maintenance man, cleaning the school from top to bottom. It was spotless for the new school year in which we took great pride. I have the highest respect for Frank Williams. He reinforced the value of hard work, paying attention to detail, and doing things the “right” way. Frank moved on to become head of maintenance at Danville High and had tremendous success. I’m also thankful to Father Motsett for watching over me as well during my youth.

I met my wife at Schlarman. Her locker was #118, mine was #121. She hasn’t changed a bit in my eyes. A huge reason why I am thankful to Schlarman. By the way, if any of you are looking at going into the financial sector, my wife had a successful career as a financial advisor and would be happy to offer some guidance. As a married couple, balancing two careers can be quite challenging, but also rewarding.

So here we are Class of 2018. You are completing the beginning of your journey, the first leg so to speak. Now you have a foundation on which to build, to continue to grow and blossom as you move ahead.

Thus far in four brief years, you already have many accomplishments. You’ve made memories that will last a lifetime. You have many more memories to make.

Success isn’t achieved without hard work and teamwork. It isn’t achieved alone. It requires fresh ideas and active participation from all involved in order to be successful. Just one new idea can make a difference. Your accomplishments thus far as a class demonstrates your understanding of success.

While I was a student at Schlarman, we always had a school musical and play each year. It was a time when we all came together as a class and as a school. Everyone had a role from the music, to the stage sets, make up, costumes, directing, acting...we all worked together as one. Everyone that participated was an integral part of the success of the performance. Everyone had value!

Everyone has value in this world. Everyone has a place. Everyone is unique.

After today, each of you will be headed in new directions. The values you learned at Schlarman Academy and from those around you will be your guide throughout life. The learning process will continue after graduation. Hopefully each and every one of you will never stop learning. Because, once you stop learning, that’s as good as you will ever get!

As you venture out, don’t be afraid to reach to your highest level. Don’t ever doubt yourself. It’s all right to question yourself, but never doubt, there’s a difference. No one can make you feel inferior without your consent. It’s also all right to make some mistakes along the way, it’s all part of being human. Just don’t make the same mistakes over and over again. That’s the mistake.

Most importantly, don’t be afraid to get out there and do it! Don’t talk about it, get started and do it! If you have a great idea, act on it! Be an inventor, be an entrepreneur, an author. Don’t hesitate to go after your dreams!

The future will hold success and failure. There will be ups and downs. There is no instant gratification! Life isn’t like a Hollywood movie that has a happy ending within 90 minutes. Failure is part of the learning process that all

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survivors experience. When things don't go your way, you have choices. Your choices can be positive or negative, you can adapt and keep on going or you can give up. It's your choice no matter what life throws at you. It's about how you react when your back is to the wall. Attitude is everything! That's how you thrive in life versus being just a survivor. Staying focused on positive solutions, adapting, being calmly in control.

Never give up, never be negative, NEVER! It's a waste of time focusing on negative energy. Surround yourself with positive people, NOT those that tell you what you want to hear, but those that tell you what you NEED to hear. People that have positive solutions to the complex issues of life.

HERE'S AN EXAMPLE OF ONE PERSON OVERCOMING FAILURE TO BECOME A SUCCESS:

At the age of 23, he lost his job. At the same time, he also lost his bid for the state legislature. 3 years later he lost his wife, the love of his life. 3 years after that, he lost his bid to become speaker in the House of Representatives. Then he failed to become the Commissioner of the General Land Office in Washington D.C., then later he was defeated in his quest to become a U.S. senator.

Despite all of his personal, business, and political failures, he never gave up!

Instead, he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives where he drafted a bill to abolish slavery. At age 52, he secured the office of the President of the United States. Abraham Lincoln. Imagine history today without him.

Persistence is genius, and thriving is invigorating!

Success, thriving can come in many forms, it can come with fame, fortune, or anonymity.

It doesn't matter how success comes to you. Many graduates have walked the halls of Schlarman before you in "anonymity" and went on to become extremely successful in every walk of life. The list is long.

Success comes to the prepared. If you fail to prepare, you prepare to fail. It's about putting your best foot forward every day toward your passion.

I would like to reiterate the importance of teamwork. Developing a network. Throughout your life, you will be building relationships and trust with others. This network will be of extreme benefit. Never take these relationships for granted. Your network will continue to grow after graduation and will help you continue to navigate in the years ahead. Remember, your word is your bond of trust. Be somebody you can be proud of, do yourself proud. It will help you connect the dots in the future. It will help you thrive in this constantly evolving and fascinating world.

I'd like to finish with a favorite poem from my days with Sr. Eleanor at Schlarman by Robert Frost.

"THE ROAD NOT TAKEN "

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in undergrowth.

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same.

And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I,
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference.

We all have choices in life. We all can have great success. Life is an adventure, live it! With that said, find your passion, find your path!

So Class of 2018, I will finish with this final thought for each one of you, what are you going to do next?

CLASS 1A IHSA GIRLS STATE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS



STATE TOPPERS

Schlarman Academy Claims Class 1A Girls Title

There is nothing sweeter than the taste of victory. And there is nothing more bitter than the taste of defeat.

Schlarman Academy junior Anaya Peoples came into high school basketball as someone who had only known success with three straight IESA State Championships. The Hilltoppers were 63-0 during that stretch.

But in her first two seasons at the high school level, things didn't come so easily for Peoples and her Schlarman Academy teammates.

The lowest point was probably the 48-47 loss last year to the Heyworth Hornets in the IHSA Class 1A Lexington Sectional semifinals, that came on the heels of a 48-44 loss to Seton Academy at the 2016 Class 1A super-sectional.

"I was very emotional and upset after both of those games," Peoples said. On Saturday, February, she was just as emotional but for a different reason.

The Schlarman Academy Hilltoppers became the first Vermilion County school to claim a state girls basketball title as Schlarman defeated the Stockton Lady Blackhawks 53-31 at Redbird Arena in Normal.

"Indescribable joy," were the first two words from Peoples, who finished with 11 points and a team-high eight rebounds. "I'm so proud of everyone on this team," she said. "All of our hard work paid off. And all of the glory to God for getting us here and sticking with us."

That's quite a bit different than the last two years, when the Hilltoppers, admittedly thought they were going to win a state title.

"It definitely humbled us," Peoples said. "We realized that we are in a new game against older girls, and we had to be stronger."

"We finally got it in our third year. The last two years left a bitter taste in our mouths. This is a new sweet taste."

After the victory, Schlarman coach Keith Peoples was asked if the 56-46 loss to Annawan in the championship game of the State Farm Classic — the only defeat this season for the Hilltoppers — was a motivating factor for his team.

"That was one of those games, we couldn't figure out what exactly happened," Keith Peoples said. "We knew that we were a good team, but it was just a matter of winning the state championship."

"Winning the State Farm championship was on our list of things to do, it didn't happen. We had a opportunity to play (Annawan) again, they were in our way of getting to Redbird, we were able to overcome that obstacle."

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“The previous two (years) was our motivation,” he said. “We lost by four points the one year and we lost by one last year. Those were learning experiences. It was a challenge and we didn’t give up. We told ourselves at the end of last season, that we had next year.

“This is the year that is was meant for us to win a state championship.”

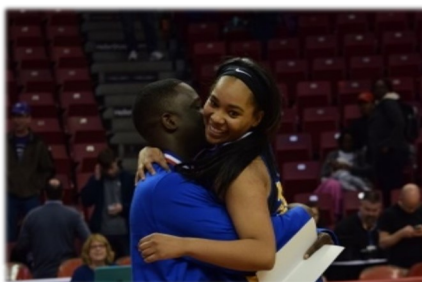
Not only is it the first girls state basketball title in the Hilltoppers first-ever trip to state, but it’s also the third state title in school history, joining the back-to-back state football championships in 1980 and 1981.

“This is something that we have trained for and this has been our dream for years,” said sophomore Carpria Brown, who had 15 points, five rebounds and a game-high three assists. “We left it all on the court and this means so much.”

Junior Janiah Newell was named the game’s most valuable player after scoring a game-high 17 points for Schlarman Academy.

Stockton, which ends its year at 32-3, was led by 6-foot-2 center Emily Offenheiser, who had 12 points and five rebounds.

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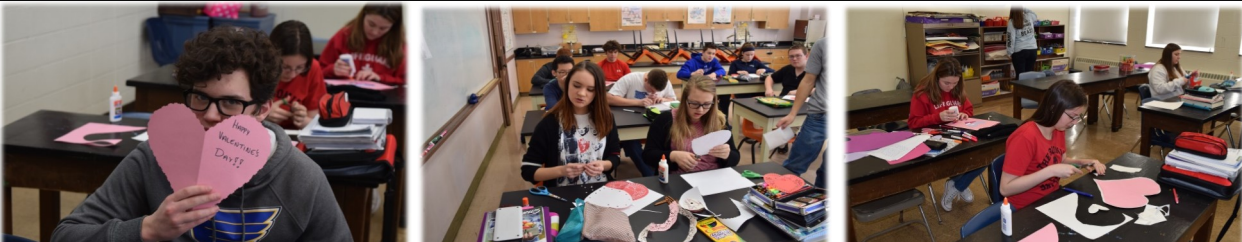
HILLTOPPER HAPPENINGS



The 4th-12th grade band held their annual lunch on the lawn at the Schlarman Academy North Campus. The band members performed for family and friends on the front lawn.



Several of our high school students made the trip to Washington D.C. and saw many of the sights. Representative Shimkus gave students a private tour of the House of Representatives, but the highlight of the trip was the March for Life where they were joined by tens of thousands of other marchers.



Schlarman Academy 7th-12th grade students spent time making Valentine's Day cards that were sent to the patients at OSF Hospital in Danville.



Schlarman Academy students lined the halls to send off our Archers to the State Competition where they placed 3rd.

HILLTOPPER REUNION

CLASS OF 1968 "GOLDEN REUNION"
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"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"
++ Prayer of St. Francis ++

Dear Alumni, Family and Friends of Schlarman,

I am pleased to be writing in the VIEW once again after having served Schlarman from 2000-2006. A new position exists as Director of Development for the Foundation, as the Foundation Board of Directors determined that there would be value in hiring someone to focus on Foundation gifts and development, in a separate, part-time capacity. I began in November of 2017 in this new, exciting capacity.

The Foundation Board of Directors is listed below. Judge (Ret.) John O'Rourke '50, the Founding President of the Foundation in 1974, remains an Emeritus Board Member and a **Heritage Roll of Honor Member**, along with Fred Faulstich '56, also an Emeritus Board member and **Heritage Roll of Honor Member**. As stated on the Donor Wall at North Campus: **"The Heritage Roll of Honor is established to recognize and honor, during their lifetime, those persons whose vision and inclination move them to perpetuate Schlarman Academy through a special or an estate plan gift."** We are truly grateful for their foresight and generosity and are stronger and healthier because of their caring.

Please keep Schlarman and all of us in your prayers. Will you consider donating your God-given gifts of time, talent and/or treasure to help us fortify this great school? We each have been endowed by God with gifts and a mission that no one else has been given – we invite you to use those gifts to help Schlarman "Teach As Christ Taught." Thank you and God Bless you, Schlarman Academy and Schlarman Foundation! Please feel free to contact me with any questions and/or offers of volunteer or financial donations:

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Thanks to the Schlarman Foundation, with the vision of its Board of Directors and its generous, selfless donors, exciting things are happening! Depicted opposite are the traditional statues of Christ and that of St. Francis of Assisi that have graced the front lawn of the mansion for years. (Do any of you recall the former Rose Garden of the '50's where you visited and prayed the Rosary? While no longer on the Hill, you can most likely invoke fond memories of it!)

Pictured is our new Greenhouse on the Hill, made possible through a Teacher Grant by the Foundation coupled with generous donations by local community members and Greenhouse Megastore. The Greenhouse blooms with wonderful plants, flowers and vegetables today! The remaining pictures showcase some of the many renovations to the South Campus and Preschool in the summer of 2017, thanks to a very generous bequest from Rudy and Sylvia Mezosi, the vision of many in the Schlarman Family, and weeks of toil and prayers, making it ready for the students' arrival in August of 2017. Many additional donations were secured to complete this wonderful renovation; please visit www.schlarman.com, click SupportSA, then Foundation to see a donor list!

We invite you to Catch the Topper Spirit and help us live our mission:

“To Teach As Christ Taught”

You can give to the endowment fund, ensuring that donations will be invested and interest earned to support the school. Other gifts can be directed toward the following: Memorials, Honoraria, Teacher Grants, Scholarships, DACC Dual Enrollment Tuition Assistance, Motsett Society Membership (\$1,000, \$2,500 or \$5,000 unrestricted annual gift) ~ or find out how to become an esteemed member of the ***Heritage Roll of Honor***.

The Schlarman Foundation exists and thrives because of generous, selfless Donors who embrace the Mission and have the Vision to see that the school embodies “Teaching As Christ Taught.” For more information contact: Jeanne M. Mulvaney, Director of Development, Schlarman Foundation, P.O. Box 874, Danville, IL 61834-0874, schlarmanfoundation@gmail.com, 217-260-3576. We look forward to hearing from you. ***Thank you!***

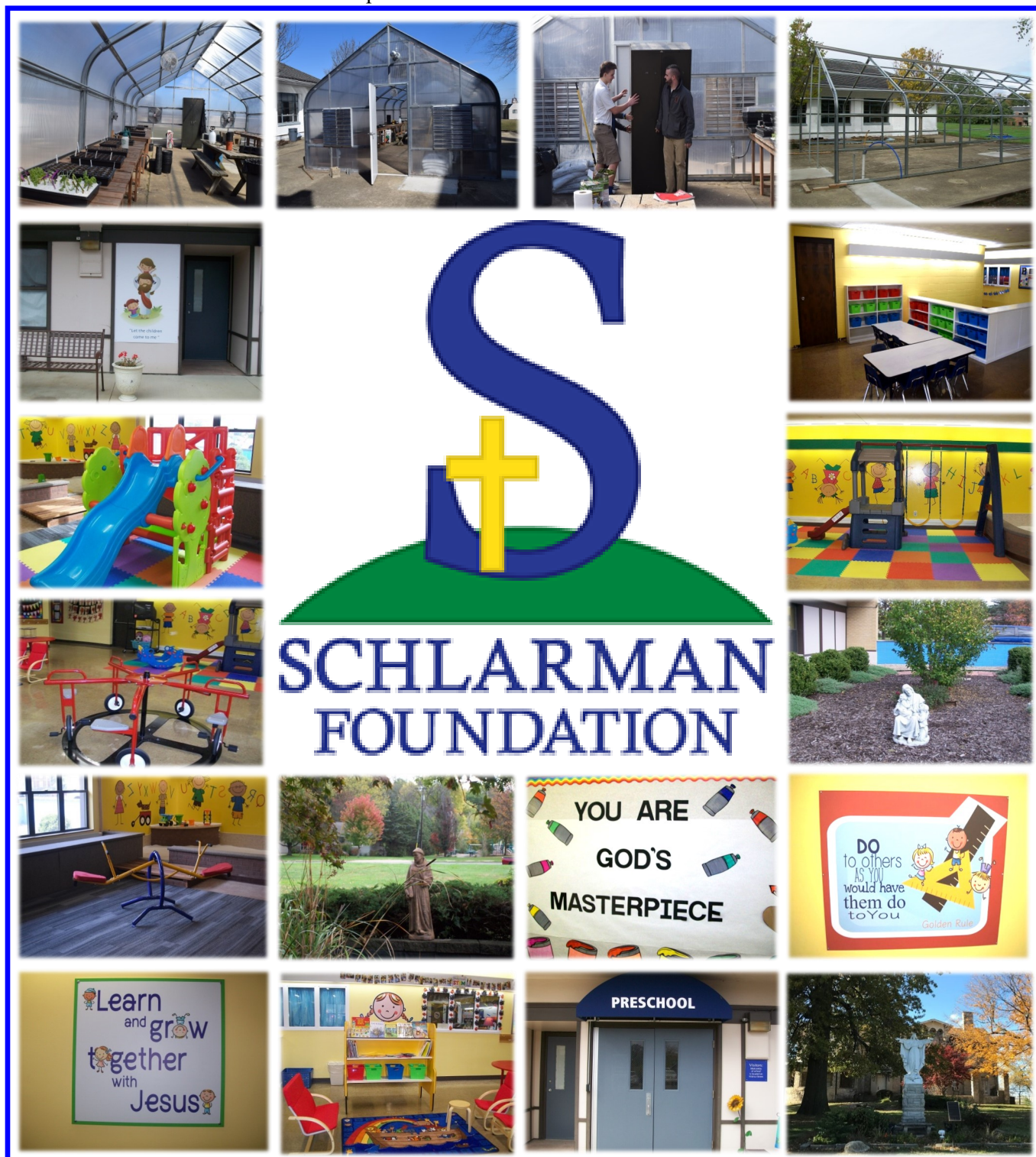
“A man has made at least a start on discovering the meaning of human life when he plants shade trees under which he knows full well he will never sit.” D. Elton Trueblood

“In Christo Vivimus”

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Rudy and Sylvia Mezosi Estate Gift

A very generous gift made to the Foundation from the Rudy and Sylvia Mezosi estate provided a phenomenal, much-needed renovation at South Campus.



Being a Hilltopper stays with us forever....Dr. Ray Broderick '66

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“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

++ Prayer of St. Francis ++



The Schlarman Foundation has supported Schlarman High School, and now Schlarman Academy P S - 12th grade, since 1974 with millions of dollars in financial assistance, scholarships, renovations, necessary sustenance and much more. Driven by its mission “To Teach as Christ Taught,” the Foundation Board of Directors continues their strong history of support by *adding exciting new avenues of growth and development for the school.*

In May of 2017 the Schlarman Foundation Board created a Teacher Grant program. The first Teacher Grant was awarded in the summer of 2017 and the seeds of that grant have come to fruition with the building and progress of the new Schlarman Greenhouse. A formal application and presentation to the Foundation Board by Schlarman Environmental Science teacher Blake Leonard outlined plans for a Greenhouse to be built on the grounds at the North Campus. It is an excellent addition to the school grounds, and to the Environmental Science, Biology, Chemistry, and Business curricula. The Foundation embraced the Greenhouse concept, approving the grant. Mr. Leonard and Board members sought and received strong partnerships and additional donors for the project, making the Greenhouse a reality. Major Donor Greenhouse Megastore facilitated making the greenhouse building become a reality. To see the list of many donors before and after the building was finished, please visit our web site at www.schlarman.com, click Support SA, then Foundation. This project would not have been possible without everyone’s enthusiastic support!

Quoting Foundation Board President Nancy O’Kane: “The intent is to use the funds that are so generously donated to Schlarman Foundation in a constructive way that enhances our students. It is intended for certified staff members for programs or projects that would benefit students’ learning and performance.”

Buoyed up by the wonderful success of the first Teacher grant of the Greenhouse, teachers were given the opportunity to apply again in April of 2018. The Foundation approved these applications at its May 17 Board meeting:

2018-19 Teacher Grants

Barb Rew/Michele Winn - K-6 Math/Science/12 Breakout Kits/Fun, educational activities for collaborative learning and team building as they work together to solve problems.

Meg Kelsey - 1st Grade Religion/Brother Francis enrichment religion curriculum collection bundle and audio CD’s/example: kids listen to a cd about the rosary while making rosaries.

Lisa Cooper - 4-6 Math/purchase 9 Apple iPads with child proof covers/currently share 12/would enable the entire class to utilize the technology reducing the cost of paper/toner.

David Calkins - 9-12 Business/contract with SchoolSite to redesign website/ability to interact with current & prospective students and families/better organize the content.

David Calkins - 9-12 Business & 7-8 Supplementary course tool/purchase 60 Licenses for the EduTyping software to teach proper technique on keyboard/develop speed with accuracy.

Phil Sexton -12 Information/two 50” TV screens mounted in main hall and cafeteria for information/sports schedules, recognize students, activities and reminders.

ANNUAL SCHLARMAN GOLF OUTING

SCHLARMAN GOLF OUTING *In Memory of Coach Paul Shelby*



Join us on **Saturday, September 15, 2018**, at the Danville Country Club. Shotgun start is at 9 am. A **\$125** entry fee per person includes lunch, green fees, golf cart, prizes and **ALL** raffles/extras (Mulligans, 50/50, Hole-In-One and Wooden Football). The outing is hosted by Zeke Bratkowski ('49), Judge John O'Rourke ('50), and Dr. Ron Girouard ('62).

The event is open to all alumni and friends of Schlarmarman and will be a four person scramble format. Pick your foursome or sign up as a single. **New this year...please include your handicap or average golf score with your registration below.**

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT SCHLARMAN ATHLETICS WITH EQUIPMENT, TOURNAMENTS, HOME GAMES AND MEETS, JUST TO NAME A FEW!

A rain date is scheduled for Sunday, September 16. Entry fees will not be refunded if unable to play. The lunch/auction will be held on Saturday, September 15, with tournament play on Sunday.

Golf Registration Form - **Deadline is August 31, 2018**

Contact Person: _____ Handicap/Ave. Score _____

Phone: () _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Email: _____

Team Name: _____

Additional Team Member Names:

_____	Handicap/Ave. Score	_____
_____	Handicap/Ave. Score	_____
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Please mail registration form & payment to:
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\$125.00 x _____ # of Players = \$ _____

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Or call 217-442-1184 to use your credit card.

Sponsor Registration Form - **Deadline is August 31, 2018**

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Choose A Sponsorship Level

- ☐ \$500 Lunch
- ☐ \$500 Gift Bag
- ☐ \$250 Cart
- ☐ \$100 Hole



Please include your company's logo and payment when returning this form. Thank you!



Schlarman Grant Reaps Greenhouse

A greenhouse will soon yield a crop of new educational opportunities at Schlarman Academy's North Campus.

An 18-foot by 36-foot greenhouse from International Greenhouse Co. of Danville has come to fruition thanks to the Schlarman Foundation Board's newly launched teacher grant program.

Initiated by foundation board President Nancy O'Kane, the foundation created the program last May through which Schlarman teachers can apply for a grant to fund a special project that will enhance their students' educational experience.

"The intent is to use the funds that are so generously donated to the Schlarman Foundation in a constructive way that enhances our student's classroom experience," O'Kane said. "It is intended for certified staff members for programs or projects that would benefit students' learning and performance. "It is widely known that many teachers spend hundreds of their own dollars on classroom supplies each year," she added.

Jeanne Mulvaney, Schlarman Foundation's new Director of Development, said that \$4.6 million has been donated to the foundation since its formation in 1974. The foundation, in turn, has gifted Schlarman with student scholarships, operating expenses, special projects and infrastructure improvements. The teacher grant program is the foundation's newest initiative.

"We knew if the teachers wrote the grant, they would know what's best for the students and their classroom," Mulvaney said of the program.

The greenhouse is the result of the first teacher grant that was awarded in the summer to biology teacher Blake Leonard.

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Leonard, who is in his second year of teaching at the high school, said he hatched the idea for a greenhouse after noticing “a big empty space” on the northeast side of the school.

He was considering purchasing a very small greenhouse from Amazon when someone suggested he contact the International Greenhouse Co. in Danville. Thanks to Schlarmann Foundation’s teacher grant program, Leonard ended up with a much larger greenhouse with running water and electricity.

Leonard accompanied foundation board members Wednesday on a tour of the new greenhouse and talked about how he plans use it with his biology, environmental science and algebra classes, as well as other classes at the high school, such as chemistry, business and art.

“I don’t want this to be ‘the biology greenhouse,’” he said. “I want a lot of classes here.”

Students who already have taken the environmental science class will still have the opportunity to work in the greenhouse as members of the Schlarmann’s new Green Thumb Club.

“They will be helping with growing flowers and plants, and they will be collecting discarded scraps from the cafeteria for compost,” he said. “The cafeteria already has collected a bunch of eggshells for us.”

Leonard said the students already have come up with many ideas on how they envision using the greenhouse, including growing the flowers to custom design corsages for homecoming and prom and creating floral arrangements for Mother’s Day and other holidays to sell as fundraisers.

“I’d like us to be able to sell things to keep it sustainable, so we don’t have to keep asking for funds to buy supplies,” he said.

“I can definitely see this being used year-round,” Leonard said, adding, “We’re also going to be growing food for the cafeteria, like lettuce.”

Leonard told the board members that he eventually would like to add a hydroponic feature in which live fish would help fertilize strawberry plants.

Several wooden tables of varying lengths line the greenhouse – all handmade by Leonard after purchasing the lumber with a \$1,000 grant from Keep America Beautiful of which Schlarmann senior Reagan Gifford is a member of its national youth advisory council. The grant also helped pay for electricity to be hooked up inside the greenhouse, Leonard said.

The foundation paid for Frank J. Strahl & Sons of Danville, which donated one of the greenhouse sinks, to run the plumbing inside the greenhouse. Master Gardener John Bodensteiner also has offered his expertise.

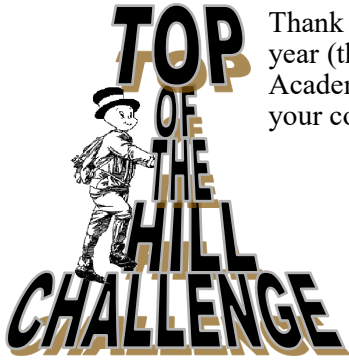
The University of Illinois Extension Office will donate the starter seeds that Leonard said he plans to have his students plant in a week or two.

Several more items — such as pairs of gardening gloves, gardening tools, a couple of hoses, hanging baskets and lumber — are still needed, and Leonard is hopeful those might be donated.

Mulvaney, who toured the greenhouse Wednesday, praised Leonard saying, “He has grown something wonderful.”

Article by Carol Roehm - Commercial - News

SCHLARMAN ALUMNI



Thank you to all who participated in the Top of the Hill Challenge for the 2017-2018 school year (this year's campaign ends June 30, 2018). As you will see below the current Schlارman Academy students participated through a monthly Piggy Bank collection. Thank you for your continued support!

*Congratulations
to the top three
alumni classes!*

The Top 3

1. 1951 \$1,000.00
2. 1960 \$900.00
3. 1969 \$675.00

**THE TOP OF THE HILL
CHALLENGE 2018-2019
STARTED JULY 1, 2018.**

Top of the Hill Challenge Totals

1949	\$100.00	1984	\$0.00
1950	\$0.00	1985	\$0.00
1951	\$1,000.00	1986	\$0.00
1952	\$400.00	1987	\$200.00
1953	\$100.00	1988	\$0.00
1954	\$150.00	1989	\$0.00
1955	\$50.00	1990	\$0.00
1956	\$0.00	1991	\$0.00
1957	\$0.00	1992	\$0.00
1958	\$250.00	1993	\$0.00
1959	\$0.00	1994	\$0.00
1960	\$900.00	1995	\$0.00
1961	\$0.00	1996	\$0.00
1962	\$230.00	1997	\$0.00
1963	\$50.00	1998	\$0.00
1964	\$100.00	1999	\$500.00
1965	\$150.00	2000	\$0.00
1966	\$30.00	2001	\$0.00
1967	\$75.00	2002	\$0.00
1968	\$200.00	2003	\$0.00
1969	\$675.00	2004	\$0.00
1970	\$300.00	2005	\$0.00
1971	\$75.00	2006	\$0.00
1972	\$250.00	2007	\$0.00
1973	\$600.00	2008	\$0.00
1974	\$400.00	2009	\$0.00
1975	\$0.00	2010	\$0.00
1976	\$100.00	2011	\$0.00
1977	\$75.00	2012	\$0.00
1978	\$0.00	2013	\$0.00
1979	\$0.00	2014	\$0.00
1980	\$0.00	2015	\$0.00
1981	\$0.00	2016	\$0.00
1982	\$300.00	2017	\$0.00
1983	\$100.00	2017-2018	\$837.80
		Total	\$8,197.80

Homecoming 2018



All Alumni make plans to join us for **SCHLARMAN'S HOMECOMING CELEBRATION**. Watch for game details on our webpage at www.schlarman.com. Stop by the alumni table in the front of Shebby Gym to receive your **FREE** pass to the game, then cheer on our team.



Schlarman Alumni Update Form

Let us know what you have been up to! Help keep us updated by filling out this page and returning it in the envelope in the center of the View. We look forward to hearing from you!

Contact Information

- ◇ **You:** Graduation Year_____
- ◆ Prefix_____ First Name_____ MI_____ Last Name_____ Suffix_____
- ◇ **Spouse:** .Graduation Year_____
- ◆ Prefix_____ First Name_____ MI_____ Last Name_____ Suffix_____
- ◇ Address_____ City_____ State_____ Zip_____
- ◇ Home phone_____ Cell phone_____
- ◇ Email Address_____

Educational Information

- ◇ Colleges/Universities Attended_____ Graduation Year_____
- ◆ Degrees earned:
- Undergraduate_____ Post-Graduate_____

Professional Information

- ◇ Company/Employer_____ Job Title_____
- ◇ Job Description _____

Accomplishments & Other Information

- ◇ Academic/Professional Awards/Accomplishments_____
- _____
- ◇ Family Information_____
- ◇ Other_____
- _____
- _____
- _____

2018 NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY



On March 8, 2018 Schlarmman Academy inducted new members to the National Honor Society. The new and current members are pictured to the left. Front row: Cathy Clark, Cece Damilano, Carrigan Gard, Ana Fitzgerald, Wade Huddleston, Emma Wilkins, Maddy Sermersheim, Reagan Gifford, and Jasmine Labayog. Back row: Matthew Larson, Chase Readnour, Aleksas Dietzen, Isabelle Peters, Emma Bogen, Mae Grace Medlin, Jaida Green, Syrus Sears, Dalton Stelzer, and Angel Perez. Congratulations to all of our National Honor Society members.

SCHLARMAN ATHLETIC SIGNINGS

The 2017-2018 school year at Schlarmman saw three of our seniors sign letters of intent. Two of our students committed to Danville Area Community College, Elijah Williams for cheerleading and Jayden King for cross country. Our third senior was Reagan Gifford who has committed to play volleyball for Illinois College.



Elijah Williams signed his letter to Danville Area Community College for DACC Jaguars Cheerleading.



Jayden King signed her letter to Danville Area Community College for DACC Jaguars Cross Country.



Reagan Gifford signed her letter to play volleyball for Illinois College.

SCHLARMAN ATHLETICS

WINTER ATHLETES



Jr. High Volleyball



High School Girls Basketball



Jr. High Boys Basketball



High School Cheerleading



Toppettes



High School Boys Basketball

SPRING ATHLETES



Jr. High Track



High School Track



High School Baseball



High School Softball

SCHOLASTIC BOWL & ARCHERY



High School Scholastic Bowl



Jr. High Scholastic Bowl



Archery



2018 ANNUAL SPRING RAFFLE WINNER LIST

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING WINNERS!

3,481 TICKETS WERE SOLD

Thank you for your support!



\$100,000 Grand Prize

Ben Bazis

Danville, IL

2nd Prize-\$20,000

Rob Showers

Rossville, IL

3rd Prize-\$10,000

Samantha Donithan

Fithian, IL

4th Prize-\$5,000

Bao Van Tran

Danville, IL

5th Prize-\$2,000

Richard Pate

Danville, IL

6th-10th Prize-\$1,000 Each

6-Aaron McNulty, Catlin, IL

7-Kimberly (Kim) R. Miller, Westville, IL

8-Julie Trigalet, Danville, IL

9-Shawn Andrews, Danville, IL

10-Armand Merlie, Westville, IL

11th-25th Prize-\$500 Cash

11-Toby Ceader, Danville, IL

12-Joyce Deboer, Danville, IL

13-John C. Alexander, Danville, IL

14-Denise Ellis, Kingman, IN

15-Patricia Cockrell, Danville, IL

16-April Farrell, Westville, IL

17-Michael P. Crawford, Danville, IL

18-Deb Fathauer, Catlin, IL

19-Jean Myrick, Covington, IN

20-Donna M. Rieden, Westville, IL

21-Eric Nesbitt, Bismarck, IL

22-Thomas Gogerty, Danville, IL

23-John C. Mason, Jr., Danville, IL

24-Bradley Grimes, Bloomington, IL

25-Kris Stephen, Williamsport, IN

26th-60th Prize-\$200 Each

26-Michael A. Harmon, Carbon, IN

27-William Elliot, Covington, IN

28-Harold Feters, Danville, IL

29-Richard Mayoras, The Villages, FL

30-Kay Ronchetto, Bismarck, IL

31-Alan Mitchell, Star City, IN

32-Debra Andrews, Danville, IL

33-Dan Hill, Indianapolis, IN

34-Boone Billings, Danville, IL

35-Tyson Monfredini, Danville, IL

36-Ralph Reed, Danville, IL

37-Rita Casner, Westville, IL

38-Cathy Dixon, Danville, IL

39-Bill Musson, Danville, IL

40-Ali Showers, Danville, IL

41-Jeremy Lawson, Paris, IL

42-Phillip G. Richardson, Fairmount, IL

43-Stephen Laker, Oakwood, IL

44-Dane Darr, Fairmount, IL

45-Kristi Ketner, Danville, IL

46-Ronnie Sue Blanton, Danville, IL

47-Marcia Good, Indianapolis, IN

48-Steve Barnard, Danville, IL

49-Amy Brewer, Danville, IL

50-Scott Miller, Danville, IL

51-Peggy Dyer, Danville, IL

52-Marsha Fulton, Covington, IN

53-Mark Ottarski, Danville, IL

54-Dawn Varvel, Westville, IL

55-Adrienne Thompson, Danville, IL

56-Carl Trapp, Westville, IL

57-Anne Christison, Danville, IL

58-Vicki Holecz, Danville, IL

59-Letha Reeves, Danville, IL

60-Jim Carey, Danville, IL

61st-75th Prize-\$150 Each

61-R.J. Diokno, Washington, DC

62-Dustin Heckerson, Catlin, IL

63-Duane Lutchka, Westville, IL

64-Don Coon, Danville, IL

65-Linda J. Keeling, Plainfield, IN

66-Jerry Ringis, Catlin, IL

67-Philip L. Kruzich, Catlin, IL

68-Terry Abernathay, Tilton, IL

69-Tammy Knight, Ogden, IL

70-Angie Wilson, Catlin, IL

71-Margaret Falconio West, Round Lake, IL

72-Maggie Miller, Oakwood, IL

73-Pat Colleen, Danville, IL

74-Tim Shepherd, Lebanon, IN

75-Darla Ewing, Sterling, IL

Main Drawing 50/50 Winner

Teresa McCoy, Westville, IL

Pay Day Winners-\$250

Roger Porter, Potomac, IL

Geena Di Domenico, Orland Park, IL

Mike Roose, Longwood, FL

Lisa Peitzman, Forsyth, IL

Roger Porter, Potomac, IL

Joe Foster, Rossville, IL

Judith Puzey, Catlin, IL

Joslyn Dietzen, Danville, IL

Joyce Dugas, Westville, IL

Fr. Timothy Sauppé, Westville, IL

Sharon Chouinard, Sikeston, MO

Tim Prunkard, Danville, IL

Early Bird Winners

1st Prize \$5,000

Joseph Dietz, Danville, IL

2nd Prize-\$1,000

Don Cordes, Tilton, IL

3rd Prize \$500

Ernie Truax, Danville, IL

Early Bird 50/50 Winner

Todd Sowers, Danville, IL



SCHLARMAN
ACADEMY

LETTER FROM ADVANCEMENT DIRECTOR



Now that the classrooms are empty and the lockers are cleaned out, it is time to reflect on another school year in the books. As an alumna of Schlarman, this year was an emotional time for me since my younger of two daughters graduated on May 20. Now that Aleksas has graduated, she joins her sister, Joslyn, as alumna of Schlarman Academy, thus ending seven years of having children at Schlarman. It has come full circle, so to speak, and I am a little melancholy to see that end. At the same time though, I am able to see all our Schlarman families share in all the different aspects of their children attending Schlarman.

The best marketing, public relations and communications are word of mouth, whether it is through our parents, students, extended family members, parishioners, pastors, or faculty/staff. So, as a graduate of Schlarman High School, a parent of Schlarman Academy graduates, and an employee of Schlarman Academy, I personally could not stress any harder on the importance of sending our children to Schlarman Academy.

First and foremost, it is because of the continued faith formation at Schlarman. Students are given the daily opportunity to solidify their faith, strengthen their love of Jesus and be able to tie in what they bring from parish masses and home to school. It is a combination of all three to bring students closer to God. My heart is full to see my children living their faith every single day.

Second, I would stress the importance of academics. Joslyn is on track to graduate in 3 ½ years from Indiana State University in December of 2018. Aleksas just set her academic plan at Indiana State University and could graduate in 3 – 3 ½ years. Why? Because of what Schlarman offers in strong academic classes and the dual enrollment (high school/college credit) courses taught by our teachers who are also Danville Area Community College instructors, as well as the dual enrollment online courses. It is a win-win!

Our family has certainly been lucky to be able to attend and send our children to Schlarman. I share my excitement because I want it to be contagious. Success of our students at Schlarman leads to post-secondary educational success, as well as success in any future career and family paths they take.

Blessings to all, especially our new alumni – The Class of 2018 - and our 8th graders who were promoted to freshmen.

Sincerely,
Christina Dietzen



Congratulations to our Schlarman Academy seniors who were inducted March 7, 2018 into the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society - Pi Omega Chapter at Danville Area Community College (DACC). As high school seniors, they were inducted because they completed at least 12 hours of DACC credits and a minimum of a 3.5 GPA. This has happened through their participation in the dual enrollment program at Schlarman Academy through DACC. Pictured from left to right are Maddy Sermersheim, Aleksas Dietzen, Jayden King, Reagan Gifford, Olivia Stout, and Ronnie Johnson – DACC/Schlarman Instructor and Phi Theta Kappa Advisor. (Student not pictured: Cathy Clark)

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Friends of Schlarman,

Schlarman Academy is continuing to build partnerships with Danville Area Community College. Currently, we have several students taking dual enrollment classes through DACC. Some of these classes are offered on campus, such as psychology, rhetoric, mythology and drama. Others are offered online or through attendance at DACC. It is our goal to help our students obtain thirty credit hours towards their college degree before leaving Schlarman. Our graduating Seniors have a combined total of 361 college credits this year, along with their high school diploma. Of these credits, 255 were offered by Schlarman staff for no cost to the students. This is also a huge cost savings to the families of Schlarman students as seen in the chart below. We will continue to build upon this concept adding more classes on campus next year. Preparing our students for the future is our primary goal!

School	Credit Hour Cost	Cost to students for DACC credit	Total Savings (based on avg of 12 hours taken)
DACC	\$140.00 per credit hour	\$70.00 per credit hour \$840 (based on avg 12 hrs)	\$840.00
Illinois State University	\$403.59 per credit hour	\$4,843.08-\$840	\$4,003.08 (based on 12 hrs and minus the \$840 paid)
University of Illinois	\$501.50 per credit hour	\$6,018-\$840	\$5,178.00 (based on 12 hrs and minus the \$840 paid)

The dual enrollment program through Danville Area Community College began as a free offer to students. The program is now offered as half price. While this is still a large cost savings to students and families, I feel so passionate about this program and its ability to put our students ahead. In many cases, the program has produced students from Schlarman who have graduated from college in two or three years. *I would like to start a scholarship program for students who maintain a 3.0 GPA at both Schlarman and DACC to help cover the cost of their dual enrollment class. To provide motivated students the opportunity to gain college credit while completing Schlarman Academy High School credit would cost the donor \$210 per sponsored class.* If you believe this is an outstanding opportunity for our students, please contact the school to help support these students' dreams.

Last summer, focus began on the facilities of the South Campus. The changes have updated the facilities and produced a beautiful campus. The energy from that project is now being focused on the North Campus. We have several projects in process: new paint on the parking lots, refinishing the gym floor, refreshing the paint in the gym, updates to wiring and grounds work. If you have a skill you would like to share, please contact the school to help assist in the North Campus beautification and upgrade.

Our website is undergoing changes this summer from a generous grant from our Foundation. Please take the time to view the website at the end of the summer. We will post current events occurring at the school campuses. We will post our Strategic Plan for our stakeholders to continue to view our progress towards the future. We have formed an alumni committee to help design a great alumni page to keep our alumni informed. It is our goal to keep Schlarman stakeholders informed, excited and encouraged for the great future of Schlarman Academy!

Congratulations, Schlarman Academy Class of 2018, and best wishes for a happy and successful future. As always, we pray for all of our alumni and wish you all peace and happiness from the Hill. God bless all of our alumni and friends as well as your families, and we hope to see you sometime back on the Hill!

Sincerely,
Gail Lewis

A FEW WORDS FROM OUR FATHERS



"THERE IS NO 'VACATION' FROM YOUR 'VOCATION'!"

The Chaplain Team of Fr. Bo, Fr. Gibson and Fr. Loftus closed the school year by having students attend an exciting "one day retreat". The chaplains headed up the senior class retreat while the "NET Ministry Team" from Wisconsin held three individual day retreats for our freshman, sophomores, and juniors.

God blessed us with great weather. Everyone had a blast, and we were spiritually uplifted. The seniors graduated on May 20th. We had a wonderful mass in conjunction with their commencement ceremonies. It was a beautiful end to a very good year. We are confident that our seniors will be successful in their future endeavors.

In the days prior to summer break, we reminded all the students at the Academy that, "There is no 'Vacation' from your 'Vocation'."

Even though our young people will be enjoying their summer vacation, they must still respond to God's "Call" by living their faith daily!

Let's not forget that every person whom God creates receives a "Call To Holiness."

It's our job to respond to this "Call" on a daily basis by following Him and striving to be "Flavorful Salt" and a warm "Ray of Light" for others.

We are not only called to make Jesus "Present" during the school year but also during our summer break. It's important that students pray daily, get to church weekly, and look to serve others each day during the summer months.

Let's pray for one another, and ask God to give us the grace to daily pursue His beautiful "Call." Let's not forget there is work for us to do over the next few months.

The Chaplain Team hopes all of you have a great summer break. We look forward to seeing you in the fall.

Remember: "There is no 'Vacation' from your 'Vocation'!"

God bless,
The Schlarman Chaplains

2018 SCHLARMAN STAFF MEMBER OF THE YEAR



The staff member of the year is voted on by students and faculty at the North Campus. Maddy Sermersheim, Senior Class President, presented this award during Senior Honors Night presentation, "This person is caring, selfless, and always makes time to listen to what anyone has to say. He has donated so much of his time, lost many nights of sleep, and maybe even gained a few gray hairs working on huge projects that better Schlarman as a whole. On behalf the graduating class, we would like to thank this teacher for always making us laugh, inspiring us to be better ourselves, always answering our obscure medical questions, and checking in on us when we're having a bad day." The 2017-2018 Staff Member of the Year is Mr. Blake Leonard.



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2018 8TH GRADE PROMOTION MASS



On Wednesday, May 16, 2018, at St. Paul's Catholic Church, the 8th grade class celebrated with a promotion mass. Those that were promoted include the following: Ben Winn, Rebecca Peters, Cody Abernathey, Carter Pratt, Ethan Vasquez, Caroline Bogen, Grace Niedzwiecki, Evan Sherer, Francisco Caballero, Avery Kelsey, Brycie Carnahan, Paili Laski, Nadia Ludwig, Logan Anderson, Liam Underwood, Tyler Surprenant, and Jason Craig.