

# **Crossroads Express**

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# **Alumni Basketball Tournament Returns**



Players from the "Peaked in High School" after a thrilling, 3 OT win in the championship game of the alumni basketball tournament.

On Sunday, December 26, 2021, hundreds of Charlotte Catholic alumni, spouses, parents, grandparents, children and friends came together for fun and fellowship for the return of the Alumni Basketball Tournament. Five decades of cougars representing 23 different graduating classes reconnected over the holidays for a day of basketball.

The team from the class of 2018 - "Peaked in High School" defeated former champs "Dirty Like Soap" from the classes of 2011-19 in a three-overtime thriller.

Matt Hoefling '93, said "It was great to be back out there for one of my favorite Charlotte Catholic traditions. It's always good to see family and friends and to see if the younger guys can keep up with us old guys." Hoefling played alongside his brothers and brother-in-law and against his son and nephew.

"It's one of my favorite days of the year," added Owen Winters '16, who plays each year with his brothers and friends from each of their classes.

One hundred twenty nine alumni played in the games. Fifteen teams started the day with two game pool play, and the top eight advanced to the single-elimination championship bracket. The tournament is always part reunion and part family fun and this year was no exception. The 2021 rosters included fourteen sets of brothers or brothers/sisters, four sets of fathers and sons and several other cousins and uncles.

The oldest players were one each from the classes of '85, '86 and '87, and the youngest were twenty-three participants from the class of 2021.

Shout out to the legacy kids for their volunteer work to help things run smoothly throughout the day, CCHS parent Jon Riggsbee for once again volunteering his time as head official and helping to secure the referees, and Holy Trinity for opening its doors this year to help accommodate the record number of teams.

Click the links below for rosters, results and photos from a the 2021 Alumni Basketball Tournament.

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### 2021 Alumni Basketball Tournament Teams

Click here for all Team/Player Rosters





**3-Peaters** Captain Adam Franek '21

**Old Skool** Captain Ryan Kilmartin '09

**Team GloH** Captain Donovan Henkel '21



**Team Anderson** Captain Robbie Anderson '14 **Peaked in High School** Captain Alex Hodgens '18

**Team Bohmer Bailed** Captain Ryan Clawson '19



**Packing Heat** Captain Christian Kropac '20

The Sonics Captain Jacob King '15

Team Polking/Hoefling Captains Matt Hoefling '93 and Jonathan Polking '95





Young Guns Captain Kevin McArdle '21

**Team Shea** Captain Michael Carano '20

**Dirty Like Soap** Captain Owen Winters '16





**The Tropics** Captain Zach Pacious '17

Master Blasters Captain Christian Andsager '20

**The Henkinators** Captain Adam Tesch '21

## **CCHS Alumni Association Blood Drive**

Saturday, January 22, 2022 9:00 AM -2:00 PM. Charlotte Catholic High School The CCHS Alumni Association is partnering with The Blood Connection to sponsor a blood drive. Every blood donation can help save up to three lives!

Blood donors must be at least 16 years old (under 18 need a permission slip signed by a parent), weigh at least 110 pounds, have photo ID and be in good health.

Click here to sign up to donate blood

Give to CCHS through the CCHS Alumni Association

# **Cougar Family Updates**

#### **Class Notes**

Abbi Knier '09 married William Quarles June 12, 2021 in Wrightsville Beach, NC.

**Michael Olin '91** was named Dean of Mathey College at Princeton University. He returns to Princeton after spending the last three years at Lafayette College in Easton, PA as Dean of Advision and Co-Curricular Programs.

### In Memoriam

Zach Blake '11 passed away December 31, 2021. Zachary Francis Blake

Jason Brownwell '89 passed away December 18, 2021. Jason M. Brownewell.

Sarah Dandurand '16 passed away December 30, 2021, Sarah Margaret Dandurand

### Condolances

Donald Belle passed away January 19, 2021. Mr. Belle was the father of Sharon Belle Taulbert '91, Deb Belle Gough '85, Laura Belle Henkel '87 and grandfather of MacKayla Gough '18, Donovan Henkel '21 and Christian Helkel.

Stephen Bleser, father of Emily Ellbert and Dani Bleser '11, passed away November 26, 2021 Stephen Bleser.

Angel Marrero, father of Angelina, **Ernesto '15**, and **Angel Marrero III '17**, passed away December 31, 2021. <u>Angel Luis Marerro</u>

Kim McAfee, mother of Mary Kathleen McAfee '05, Kerianne McAfee Point '08 and Patrick McAfee '10, passed away December 26, 2021. <u>Kimberly Luff McAfee</u>

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