



The Badin Connection

Linking the Badin Family with our parish families

May 2017



What's Happening at Badin...

- **The Class of 2017, Badin's 50th anniversary class**, will celebrate four years of excellence when it graduates on **Friday, June 2**, at **St. Maximilian Kolbe Church** in Liberty Township. Ian Mackenzie-Thurley, executive director of the Fitton Center for Creative Arts, will be the keynote speaker. **Baccalaureate Mass** is set for **Thursday, June 1**, at **Sacred Heart Church** in Fairfield. Both events will begin at 8 p.m. **Final exams** for underclassmen are also scheduled that week, Tuesday through Friday, May 30-June 2.
- The **2017-18 school year** will begin with one-half day for freshmen on **Wednesday, Aug. 16**. All students will report on **Thursday, Aug. 17**. There will be iPad pickup dates as well as schedule pickup dates slated in advance of the opening of school. The **Class of 2018** will graduate on **Friday, June 1**.
- Would you like to join the **Badin High School family**? It's never too soon — or too late — to Think, Achieve, Serve and Lead at Badin. Contact the admissions office at (513) 863-3993, ext. 120 or by e-mail at Dallen@BadinHS.org for more information.
- Badin has a vibrant **International Student program**, but we can't do it without host families! The cultural rewards and valuable bonds last a lifetime. Stipends typically accompany hosting responsibilities. Contact the Badin admissions office for more information, (513) 863-3993, ext. 120..

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- Two students are tied for No. 1 in the Badin High School graduating Class of 2017. **David Berg** (Queen of Peace) will attend the University of Notre Dame and major in Economics. **John Marot** (Sacred Heart) will attend Miami University, majoring in Finance.
- Other members of the Top 10 include **Kaitlyn Dick** (Sacred Heart), attending Miami University, majoring in Kinesiology as a pre-med major; **Nick Rand** (St. Maximilian Kolbe), attending the Ohio State University with a major in Biomedical Engineering; **Anderson "A.J." Ernst** (Our Lady of Sorrows), attending Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, majoring in Mechanical Engineering; **Laurel Pendergest** (St. Peter in Chains), attending Xavier University, majoring in Occupational Therapy; **Matthew Schweinefuss** (St. Maximilian Kolbe), attending Ohio Northern University, majoring in Electrical Engineering; **Alexandra Hensley** (St. Peter in Chains), attending the Ohio State University, majoring in Public Affairs; **Madison "Maddie" Smith** (Queen of Peace), attending DePauw University, majoring in Psychology; and **Andrew Walsh** (Queen of Peace), attending the United States Naval Academy, with an as yet undecided major.
- Eight Badin seniors performed extremely well in the annual **engineering technical competition** at the University of Cincinnati, finishing third in the state among 87 schools. BHS seniors included **David Berg** (Queen of Peace), **A.J. Ernst** (Our Lady of Sorrows), **Jacob Harrison** (St. Aloysius), **John Marot** (Sacred Heart), **Ryan McGill** (St. Peter in Chains), **Nick Rand** (St. Maximilian Kolbe), **Matt Schweinefuss** (St. Maximilian Kolbe) and **Andrew Walsh** (Queen of Peace). The junior team also placed 12th in the competition, with members including **Andrew Abata** (Holy Family), **Ben Brossart** (St. Aloysius), **Ben Kline** (St. Maximilian Kolbe), **Josie Link** (St. Joseph), **Lucas Nartker** (St. Maximilian Kolbe), **Kenny Pendergest** (St. Peter in Chains), **Jacob Waggoner** (St. Joseph) and **Annie Wesner** (St. Maximilian Kolbe). **Mr. Mark Merz**, chair of the Math Department, oversees the effort.
- Five students competed well in the annual Envirothon at the Fernald Preserve in April. On hand for Badin were senior **Zach Simmons** (St. Peter in Chains), junior **Benny Wang** (China), and sophomores **Chelsea Andorn** (Fairfield Middle), **Brady Bauer** (Sacred Heart) and **Emily Burley** (St. Joseph). **Ms. Katie Gray** directs the effort for BHS.
- Badin artists were front and center, as sophomore **Isabelle Munafa** (St. Julie Billiard) had her artwork juried into the 8th Congressional District exhibit in Troy; senior **Franky Hernandez** (St. Ann) had a photo selected for an exhibit at the Fitton Center in Hamilton; and senior **Sam Sander** (St. Ann), junior **Maddie Maccio** (St. Peter in Chains) and BHS art teacher **Mrs. Sarah Daniels** had works accepted into the 3rd annual Student/Teacher Exhibition at the Robert and Elaine Stein Gallery at the Arts Center of Wright State.
- Students of the Month for April included senior **Peter Clements** (Queen of Peace), junior **Heather O'Hara** (John Paul II), sophomore **Justin Pappas** (St. John West Chester) and freshman **Samantha Sarvak** (St. John Neumann). Students are chosen by a faculty committee for making a difference in and out of Badin High School.