



16TH ANNUAL GREEN & WHITE

Hall of Fame DINNER

CELTIC CAMPAIGN of CHAMPIONS



ABOUT THE CAMPAIGN WE NEED YOUR HELP!

This campaign is to implement athletic improvements, including new field turf in Bishop Kaffer Stadium/Matt Senffner Field, new spectator bleachers throughout campus and athletic equipment replacement.

The school's leadership has identified these improvements as critical immediate needs. How can you help? Join the committee to raise capital or make a financial commitment to help us reach our goal.

COMING SOON

For ten years the **SYNTHETIC TURF** on Matt Senffner Field has served the school well and is now at the end of its life. The school has contracted with Field Turf, the leading supplier of playing fields in the nation, to install new turf.

The **VISITOR STANDS** in Bishop Kaffer Stadium which were erected by volunteers in the 1980s were dismantled because they could not be brought up to code (as designed). The school plans to construct new visitor stands for 1,000 spectators.

In addition, several **BLEACHER SYSTEMS** on campus will be replaced with ADA approved bleachers.

The **TENNIS COURTS** were built in the 1970s and expanded in the decades that followed. The problems with the foundation and drainage system are causing the courts to be unusable and need to be reconstructed.

The stadium **SCOREBOARD** was erected 16 years ago and needs renovation including new panels, rewiring and the addition of a LED message board.

The track and field **JUMPING PITS** (high jump, pole vault) are at the end of their expected life and need replacement.

The baseball field's **NETTING SYSTEMS** are 15 years old and need replacement.

The softball field's **NETTING SYSTEMS** are 15 years old and need replacement.

**For more information
contact us!**

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**FRIDAY,
APRIL 8, 2022
6:00 P.M.**

PROGRAM

6:00 pm Cocktails – Cash Bar

Basket Raffles Begin

7:00 pm Dinner

8:00 pm Awards Presentation

Raffle drawings will follow Awards Presentation

AWARDS PRESENTATION

Doug Ternik '89 - Emcee

2022 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

Robert Cruz '97
Football

Louis Johnson '85
Track

Michael Kranz '93
Hockey

Holly Luenemann '88
Volleyball

Briana (Berman) Mason '01
Track

Michael McClarence '89
Wrestling

'99 Wrestling State Championship Team

'00 Wrestling State Championship Team

FACILITIES

Providence Catholic High School sits on a beautiful 75 acre campus. The school's athletic facilities include Bishop Kaffer Stadium and Matt Senffner Field that has synthetic turf (2012) and is surrounded by an all-weather track (2012). The stadium features new lighting (2008) and includes new home bleachers and renovated visitor bleachers (2004). In addition to the bleachers, many other improvements were made to the stadium, including a new broadcast booth, sound system; scoreboard and concession stand.

The school's Main Campus has two softball diamonds and two baseball diamonds. The varsity baseball team plays on Tom Dedin Field which was completely renovated (2007). The project included a brick backstop, new home and visitor dugouts, storage and locker rooms, and press box.

The girls varsity softball field was renovated (2012) with a new brick backstop along with a netting; home and away dugouts, storage area and a second story locker room along with a press box.

The indoor facilities include two gymnasiums, a complete wrestling facility, training center and a fully equipped weight room which was recently renovated in memory of alumni, Zac Plantz. The Sacred Heart Gym and the Immaculate Heart of Mary Gym have both been completely renovated (2011, 2016) with new maple floors.

The school's 14 acre West Campus is located ¼ mile west of the main campus at Gougar Road and Lincoln Highway; it features two soccer fields, a freshman baseball diamond and two full size sand volleyball courts (2013).

Providence Catholic's 25 acre South Campus (2012) is located ¼ mile west and ¼ mile south of the school at Gougar Road and Ferro Drive. This campus features a cross-country running course (Wilderness Trail) and a lacrosse field.

HISTORY OF THE GREEN & WHITE HALL OF FAME

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mark Burcar '88
Mary Colbert '77
Rachel Ellingson '90
Jim Kickles '88
Mark Masters '88
Mary Kay Nichols '85
Ed Olszta '74
Frank Palmasani
Ken Raymond
Matt Senffner
Doug Ternik '89
Shannon Withers '95

EVENT COMMITTEE

Sandy Arthurs
Tammy Costello
Aindrea Hogan
Tom Lenahan '99
Marc Senffner '86
Doug Ternik '89
Shannon Withers '95

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Anonymous PCHS alumnus:
Generous donations to raffles

To order pictures from this event visit
Burns Photography at www.burnsphoto.net

Special Occasion Services (SOS)

Kristy Webber (708) 307-0535: Food Service

Gatto's Restaurant (815) 485-7007: Food

Please email your updated contact information to
alumni@providencecatholic.org

The Green & White Hall of Fame was created in 2005 to recognize outstanding athletes, teams, coaches and benefactors who have participated in and contributed to the rich athletic history of Providence Catholic High School which includes 30 state championship titles. The inaugural inductees were Matt Senffner and Nan Airola, two highly respected and dearly loved members of the Providence Catholic family.

HALL OF FAME MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA

Individual Athlete – An athlete must have graduated 15 years or more prior to the date of induction, and must have been a state champion, qualifier or medalist as a Providence Catholic student. College and/or professional athletic prowess is also considered. At least one male and one female athlete are inducted each year.

Team – A team that has acquired a state championship title or has contributed to the growth of its program for Providence Catholic High School. Individual team members are not recognized.

Coach – A coach must have taken a team or an individual athlete to a state championship title, contributed to Providence Catholic and/or the local community in a positive way, and attained significant career accomplishments.

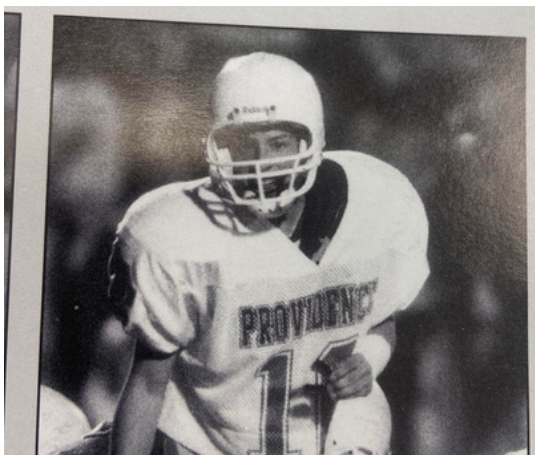
Benefactor – A friend or benefactor who has contributed in a significant way to Providence Catholic athletics by investing time, talents and/or financial resources will be considered for induction.

ROBERT CRUZ '97

Robert Cruz accomplished a great deal on the football field in his time as a Celtic. His athletic talents set him apart as he was selected as starting quarterback for two seasons, both of which were State Championship winning teams. He was named Catholic League Offensive player of the year, IHSA Coaches All-State team, and personally held several football records.

When asked about his athletic career at Providence, Robert shared that he knew their team would be strong “because we weren’t afraid to work and get our hands dirty. This attitude is something I still live by today. The lessons that I pass on to my child are the same ones I learned as a student/athlete at PCHS.”

After high school, Robert attended Millikin University and The University of Dubuque where he studied business administration. He has used his business talents in sales for Cintas Corp and with his own company, C&C Investments of Chicago.



ATHLETIC EXCELLENCE

MAKING OUR MARK...

2021

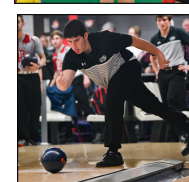
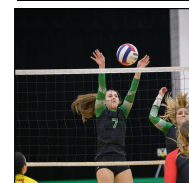
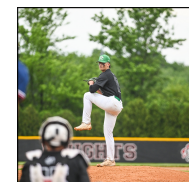
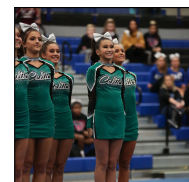
- IHSA Dance Team State Champions
- Girls Basketball GCAC White Division League Champions
- IHSA Boys Golf Regional Champions
- IHSA Girls Tennis Sectional Champions
- IHSA Baseball Sectional Champions
- IHSA Softball Regional Champions
- Bass Fishing and IHSA Cheerleading State Qualifiers

2020

- IHSA Boys Golf Regional Champions
- IHSA Girls Volleyball Regional Champions
- IHSA Girls Basketball Conference, Regional & Sectional Champions in GCAC White
- IHSA Football Quarterfinalist
- Boys Soccer CCL White Conference Champs
- IHSA Dance Team Conference Champs
- Boys Track & Field Sectional Champions
- IHSA Dance and Cheer State Qualifiers

2019

- IHSA Wrestling Dual State 3rd Place Finish
- IHSA Softball State 3rd Place Finish
- IHSA Bowling, Girls Basketball, Softball, Boys Volleyball were all Conference Champions
- Regional Championships in IHSA Girls Golf, Baseball, Girls Cross Country, Boys Cross Country, and Boys Soccer
- Sectional Championships in IHSA Bass Fishing and Girls Tennis
- IHSA Football Playoff Qualifier



PC ATHLETIC TRADITION

Providence Catholic athletics is steeped in tradition. The Celtics maintain a standard of excellence that is second to none. Teams aren't just focused on state championships; they're focused on building the strength, character, and work ethic of every student athlete.

- **31 State Championships** - Most of any private high school in the state of Illinois.

Baseball – '78, '82, '14, '15, '16

Boys' Basketball – '79

Cheerleading – '13

Football – '87, '91, '94, '95, '96, '97, '01, '02, '04, '14

Hockey – '09

Pom Poms – '04

Girls' Track – '78

Wrestling – '78, '81, '88, '89, '97, '98, '99, '00, '01, '02

Dance - '21

- **Hundreds of Regional, Sectional, and Conference Championships.**
- **60 State Trophies** have been earned.
- **Nearly 75%** of students at PCHS are scholar-athletes contributing to the tradition of Providence athletics.
- **15% of Class of 2021 senior athletes (33 student athletes)** will continue their athletic careers in college. The national average is about 6%.
- **Since 1984, every graduating class at PCHS has brought home at least one state trophy and added to the athletic tradition at Providence**



ROBERT CRUZ '97

He and his wife Sandy live in Oak Lawn with their daughter Lola. They are very involved with their local community. Cruz is currently a candidate for the federal house of representatives in IL district 6.

Additionally, Robert is involved with the Celtic Alumni Club program and continues to help make Providence a wonderful place to grow spiritually, academically, and as an athlete.



LOUIS JOHNSON '85



Louis Johnson is perhaps the finest sprinter to ever run for Providence. At one time he was part of all four sprint records anchoring the 440-meter and 880-meter relays. He is the co-holder of the 100-meter and the 200-meter record, which are amongst the oldest records in school history.

Louis qualified for the state meet in the 100-meter and 200-meter races all four seasons he ran at Providence. His senior year he qualified in three different events and was a semifinalist in the 100-meter dash. Unfortunately, a block malfunction denied him a chance at a medal.

Although indoor and outdoor records are not separated, he still has the outdoor record for the 60-meter dash, which is the fastest time in school history!

2018 INDUCTEES

Chris Curtin Lipke '96 Volleyball 1992-1996
 Dan DeMent '96 Baseball 1992-1996
 Gina Ramacci '90 Softball 1995-1999
 Michael Thompson '02 Basketball 1998-2002
 Cindy Olczyk - Volleyball Coach

2019 INDUCTEES

Bernice Metesh '47
 Jodi Steffes Welp '98
 Marc Mitchell '81
 Eric Dantzler '91
 Eddie Olszta '97
 Carmen Pignatiello '00
 Tim Gawla

**HALL OF FAME NOMINATION FORMS
 ARE AVAILABLE ON THE PCHS
 WEBSITE.**

**NOMINATIONS MAY BE SUBMITTED
 AT ANY TIME**

2014 INDUCTEES

Ray Valek '88, Track & Field 1971-1975
 John Martin '88, Football 1984-1988
 Dawn Gura '88, Volleyball/Softball/Basketball 1984-1988
 Rachel (Repiscak) Ellingson '90, Volleyball 1986-1990
 Joe Schley '95, Baseball/Football 1991-1995
 Tavaras Hardy '98, Basketball 1984-1988
 Keith Healy Wrestling Coach 1993—Present
 Dr. Mukund Komanduri, M.D., Benefactor

2015 INDUCTEES

Kevin Kickels '88, Football 1984-1988
 Jeannette (Sukley) Springer '90, Volleyball/Basketball/Softball 1986-1990
 Kenneth Gerdes '90, Wrestling 1986-1990
 Amy (Ernst) Grove '91, Softball 1987-1991
 Kenny Miller '95, Basketball/Baseball 1991-1995
 Frank Cavallone, Hockey Coach 1992—present
 Terry Gross, Benefactor
 1996 Football State Championship Team
 1997 Wrestling State Championship Team

2016 INDUCTEES

John Carruthers '75, Football & Baseball 1971-1975
 Suzanne Sitlington '78, Volleyball & Basketball 1976-1978
 Cathy (Yurkanin) Murphy '84, Volleyball 1980-1984
 Karen (Lund) Hubble '88, Track and Field & Cross Country 1984-1988
 Matt Uremovich '97, Football & Wrestling 1993-1997
 John Pergl, Football Coach 1992—present
 Scott '67 and Mary Beth '69 Reiter, Benefactors

2017 INDUCTEES

George Donald '77
 Barney Mines '79
 Tom Carruthers '80
 Kathy (Sukley) Alberico '85
 Scott Richardson '88
 Megan (McEnery) Hackett '92
 1997 State Championship Football Team
 1998 State Championship Wrestling Team

LOUIS JOHNSON '85

Following high school, Louis would compete for Butler College in Missouri and remain in the area to attend Lewis University.

Louis' life revolves around his three children, a daughter, and two sons, as well as his three grandchildren. He has many continued relationships with his high school teammates and close friends. He and his classmates try to attend at least one football and basketball game every year. He currently lives in Orland Hills and works for Amazon.

Louis has many fond memories of his time at Providence Catholic Highschool and is thrilled to be part of the 2022 Hall of Fame.



MICHAEL KRANZ '93

Michael Kranz started Providence in the fall of 1989 when hockey was not yet offered as a sport. Despite this, the moment he walked through the doors, he dreamed of one-day playing hockey for the Celtics. Though it would take three years, hundreds of student signatures, and much dedication, this dream would become a reality.

As the first team captain, Michael led all seniors with 23 goals and 21 assists, was selected to represent Providence on the All-Star team for the league and was also recognized as "Student-Athlete of the Year" 1992-1993. In addition to being a strong athlete, he was a very well-rounded student. He attended Kairos as a junior and was a Kairos leader his senior year. He was also selected as the World History award winner by Mr. Raymond, and was inducted into the National Honor Society.

Kranz attended the University of Illinois and played for the Nationally ranked Illinois Hockey team. He led all freshmen in scoring, was named rookie of the year, and had a very successful collegiate career. Some of his best memories are on his "home ice" in Inwood where hundreds of people would attend and watch.



2008 INDUCTEES

Mary Sullivan Colbert '77, Volleyball 1974-1977
Ed Olszta '74, Baseball 1970-1974
Judy Legan, Varsity Girls' Track Coach 1972-1988
Ken Raymond, Varsity Boys' Track Coach 1965-2000
1977 440-Relay Team Members:
Frank Dolyanka '77, Mark Gariboldi '78 and Rick McTee '77
1989 State Championship Wrestling Team
1991 State Championship Football Team
Bishop Roger Kaffer, Benefactor

2009 INDUCTEES

Chris Karges '85, Girls' Tennis 1981-1985
Mike Carruthers '71, Basketball and Track 1967-1971
Frank Palmasani, Boys' Varsity Basketball Coach 1976-1981
1994 State Championship Football Team
Len Wedic, Benefactor
Bill and Maggie McEnery, Benefactors

2011 – 2012 INDUCTEES

Jennifer (Yurkanin) Weber '87, Volleyball 1983—1987
Karen (Kamarauskas) Schmolze '87, Volleyball 1983—1987
Sean Bormet '89, Wrestling 1985—1989
Neal Cawi '88, Track & Field/Football 1984-1988
Coach Richard Mandella '73, Boys' Basketball Coach
& Girls' Softball Coach 1978—2000
Ronald Lawnzak, Benefactor

2013 INDUCTEES

Yvette Healy '95, Softball 1991-1995
Michele (Robinson) Seidel '88, Volleyball 1984-1988
Matt Senffner Jr. '85, Football & Baseball 1981-1985
Eric Steinbach '98, Football & Track & Field 1994-1998
Mike Polz, Wrestling Coach 1983—1992
Dr. Bill Farrell, Benefactor
1995 State Championship Football Team

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Joe Schley '95, Baseball/Football 1991-1995
Tavaras Hardy '98, Basketball 1984-1988
Keith Healy Wrestling Coach 1993—2018
Dr. Mukund Komanduri, M.D., Benefactor

2004 INDUCTEES

Nan Airola, Girls' Volleyball Coach 1973-2010
Girls' Athletic Director 1973-2006
Matt Senffner, Football Coach & Athletic Director 1968-2006

2005 INDUCTEES

James Robinson '79, Basketball 1975-1979
Cheryl (Johnson) Williams '78, Track 1974-1978
Bernie Ruettiger '79, Wrestling 1975-1979
Walter Downing '81, Basketball 1977-1981
Mark Ruettiger '81, Wrestling 1977-1981
Mark Berman '77, Wrestling 1973-1977
Jayne (Glade) Nugent '79, Track 1975-1979
Bill Bingham '78, Wrestling 1974-1978
Don "Butch" Markelz '72, Baseball 1968-1972
Pete Bercich '90, Football 1986-1990
1978 State Champion Girls' Track Team
1978 State Champion Baseball Team
1978 State Champion Wrestling Team
Tom Dedin, Baseball Coach 1962-1976 &
Athletic Director 1962-1968
Charles Liddle, Benefactor

2006 INDUCTEES

Gerri Schubert '77, Girl's Volleyball 1973-1977
Howard Mabry '67, Basketball 1963-1967
Patrick Sullivan, Boys' Basketball Coach 1965-1976
1981 State Champion Wrestling Team
1982 State Champion Baseball Team
1979 State Champion Boys' Basketball Team
LaVerne "Bitz" Brown, Benefactor

2007 INDUCTEES

Rick Baranak '72, Baseball 1968-1972
Ken Carruthers '72 – Football 1968-1972
Kaye Bertagnoli Kooi '79, Track 1975-1979
Leanne Burla Kubinski '79, Track 1975-1979
Jerry Quigley '71, Baseball 1967-1971
Jaime Garcia, Baseball Coach 1977-1989
Tim Ruettiger '71, Wrestling Coach 1976-1987
Ken Morrisette, Special Mention
1988 State Champion Wrestling Team
1987 State Champion Football Team
Ben Cabay, Benefactor

MICHAEL KRANZ '93

He graduated from the University of Illinois in the spring of 1997 with a degree in History and a minor in Physical Education. He then enrolled at Lewis University in 1997 to obtain his teacher certification. During that time, he was asked to be the assistant coach for the Providence hockey team, which he gladly did for four years before starting a family.

Kranz works at BNSF as the Director of Administration reporting directly to the General Manager of the Chicago Division. He married a fellow Celtic, Jayme (Kirkland) Kranz '95 and they have four daughters Claire, Callie Camdyn, Caralyn. They live in Shorewood, IL, and are parishioners at St. Francis Xavier in Joliet.



HOLLY LUENEMANN '88

Though her time as a Celtic athlete was brief, the impact she made on the Providence Volleyball community was incredible. Holly was enrolled in Providence as a sophomore and due to IHSA eligibility rules was only able to play on the PCHS team for two seasons. She made her two seasons count and her talents were undeniable. Coach Nan Airola made a large impact on Holly as she helped perfect her skills on the court. She was selected as an "All-Conference Athlete" and in 1987 she was named one of the "Top 50 Volleyball Players" by the Chicago Sun-Times. Holly was a member of the 1986 PCHS team that had achieved an impressive 35-3 record. She also served as team captain of the 1987 team.

Holly was active in extracurricular activities while at PCHS. She was in the student council, National Honor Society, Sodality, intramurals and was a member of the Chicago Spikettes volleyball team.

Holly was able to continue her volleyball career at the University of St. Francis where she joined the team in 1990 and held several accolades including:

- Team Captain in 1991
- All-Conference Athlete
- All-District Athlete
- All American Athlete
- NAIA Academic All American 1990,1991
- USF All-time dig leader in a single set (12)

After graduating from USF with a degree in business administration and industrial psychology, Holly continued her involvement in the volleyball community. In 1993 she co-founded Unlimited Volleyball and coached the Hufford Junior High School to the IESA state tournament. She served as an IHSA volleyball official from 1989 to 2014. Currently, she is a PAVO nationally certified volleyball referee and is active in several D-1 NCAA conferences and USA Volleyball.

2000 WRESTLING STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM



2000 WRESTLING STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

Records: 30-0

Captains: Paul Augle, Brian Glynn, Nick Passolano

MVP: Nick Passolano

For a fourth year, the Celtics Wrestling team returned to the mat as state champions, with the goal to continue the tradition. "Winning in style" became the catchphrase of the team and, with hard work and an incredibly dedicated team, they were able to do just that.

"We became more than just teammates, we became best friends and worked to make each other champions."

- Paul Augle

They had a remarkable year and accomplishment an undefeated record of 30-0. They captured their fourth straight State Championship, which hadn't been done in 60 years.

2000 Wrestling Team

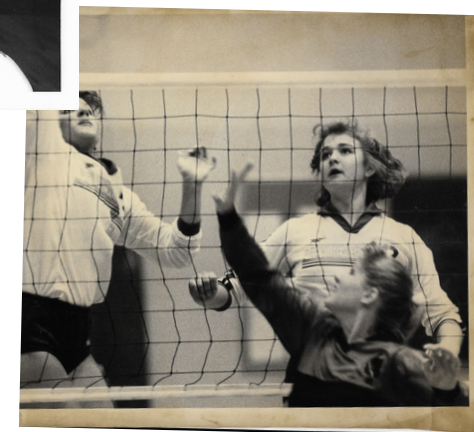
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Brandon Herkes
Nick Roberts
Joe Priebay

Mike Klimek
Kevin Kennedy
Paul Augle
Steve Green
Wayde Beechy
Noah Lee
Derek Claussen
Justin Berman
Zack Berman
Jeremy Ogrizovich
Dan Kunzer
Justin Beer
Don Reynolds
Bill Santucci
Matt Kucala

HOLLY LUENEMANN '88

Holly returned to school in 2020 to obtain her teaching certification and is currently a special education teacher at Fishers High School in Indiana. She and her husband Juan Buitron, have a son Ethan (14), and a daughter Kristen (10). All are extremely excited about this honor.

"The 1986 PCHS team was one of the best I have ever played on and being a part of the volleyball program helped me have an immediate sense of belonging and family. The induction into the Hall of Fame reminds me what an impact PCHS has had on my life and how I am a better human as a result of my experience there."



BRIANA (BERMAN) MASON 'O1

As she stepped onto the PCHS track her freshmen year, it was evident very early that Briana (Berman) Mason had talent. Her coaches, which included her father Ted, knew that with dedication and guidance she would be able to set records- they are still impressed how much more she accomplished.

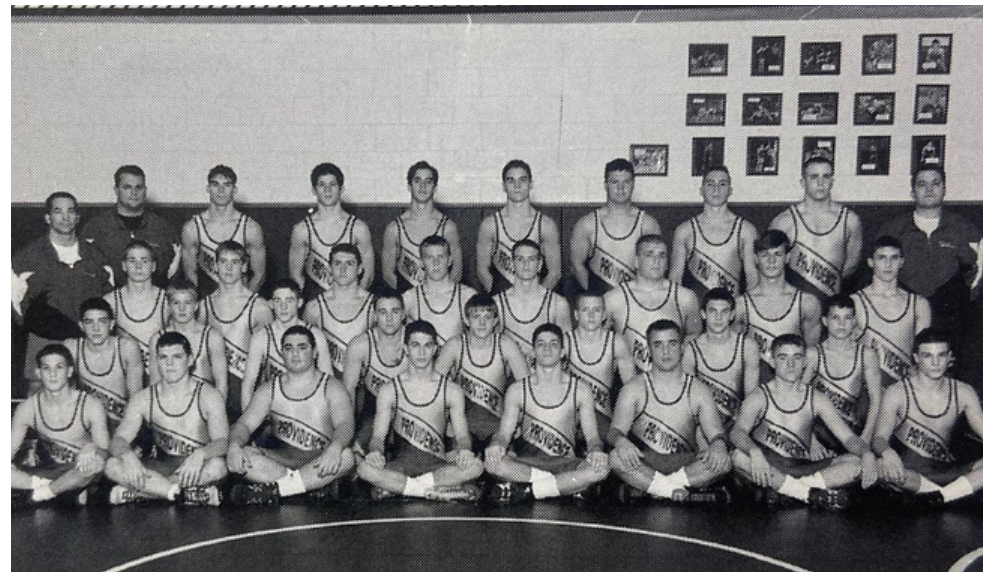
Briana was selected as the PCHS Girls Track and Field MVP in 2000 and 2001. She set school and meet records in both the 100-meter and 400-meter dash. In 2001, she held several accolades including:

- ISHA Sectional Champion- 400 M Dash
- IHSA State Finals Qualifier- 200M & 400M Dash
- 6th in IHSA State Championship Finals – 400M Dash (2001)
- IHSA All-State Honors Girls Track & Field (2001)

After a very successful High School Athletic career, Briana was awarded a four-year full-tuition track and field scholarship to the University of Indianapolis. Her athletic success continued as she set three school records in the 400-meters and 600-meter dash and received numerous conference champions and all-conference awards.



1999 WRESTLING STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM



1999 WRESTLING STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

Records: 28-1

Captains: Ryan Cumbee, Sean Nuetzmann, Justin Ruggio

MVP: Ryan Cumbee

Returning from a season with a state championship under their belt, the boys had their work cut out for them defending their title. Rigorous practice and heavy conditioning prepared them for a tough schedule and the boys proved themselves match after match. They finished first in the Chicago Catholic League (CCL), as well as in many tournaments. Led by Coach Healy, who put his heart into every practice and meet as well as incredible team leaders they were destined for success.

Coach Healy shared that this was "one of the best team teams I have been associated with. One of the best in the nation!"

The team finished as state champions for the third year in a row!

1999 Wrestling Team

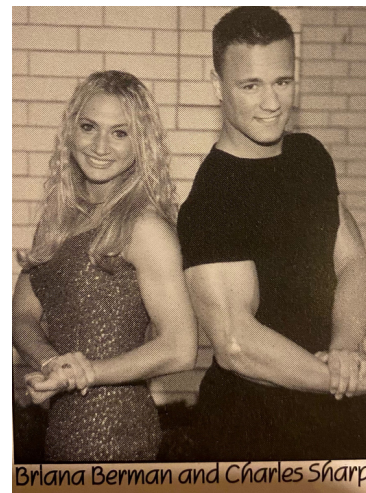
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Tim McGovern	Paul Augle
Dan Genty	Jon Berman
Jamer Uffmann	Donny Reynolds
Chris Kenny	Steven Green
Ben Bowman	Nick Mancuso
Pat McGuire	Mikey Salah
Dan Ermel	Sean Chinski
Tom Lenahan	Derek Claussen
Charles Sharp	Tim Brendich
Sean Nuetzmann	Noah Lee
	Wade Beechy

BRIANA (BERMAN) MASON '01

Briana graduated from the University of Indianapolis in May of 2005 earning a Bachelor of Arts Degree, with a major in Psychology.

"What we are most proud of is how hard she worked to do as well as she did. She did extra sprint training, weight training, ate healthy, and paid the price at practice to succeed. I remember times at practice when she was so tired she could hardly get up and walk - yet she forced herself to get up and go and run whatever was next on the workout agenda."
-Ted Berman, Briana's father a former coach

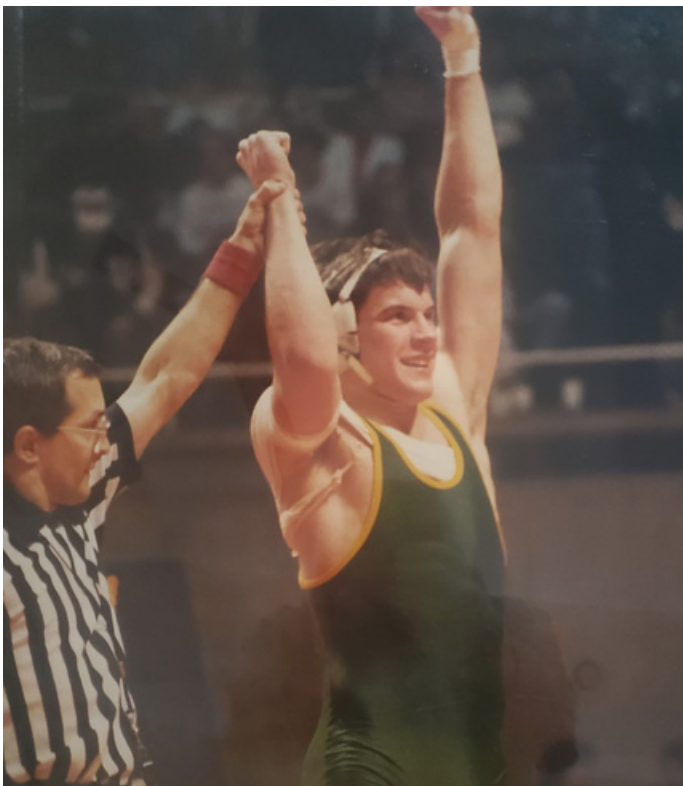
She is married to Tim Mason, who was an Indiana All-State High School Athlete and Great Lake Valley Collegiate Conference Champion sprinter for the University of Indianapolis. They currently reside in Mokena, IL with their four children, Parker, McKenna, Gracie, and Declan. They are all members of St. Mary's Church and School in Mokena, IL.



Briana Berman and Charles Sharp



MICHAEL MCCLARENCE '89



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Though Michael had no wrestling experience prior to his sophomore year at Providence, that didn't stand in the way of his success on the mat. When he joined wrestling, Michael was part of a very strong team. His junior year the team welcomed home a state championship. In addition to great athletes, they had a great coaching staff. Michael shared that his "greatest influence at Providence was Coach Mike Polz" who certainly pushed him his senior year. With that hard work and dedication, Michael became an individual state champion.

After high school, Michael was offered a scholarship to wrestle for the University of Michigan. Unfortunately, an injury cut his athletic career short. He then attended and graduated from Northern Illinois University. Upon completing his degree, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps as an Infantry Officer. He proudly served his country for five years and achieved the rank of Captain.

For the last 25 years, Michael has had a career as a DEA agent working in New York and Chicago. Michael married a fellow Celtic alumnus, Janet (Hamerla) McClarence '88. The couple lives in New Lenox, Illinois.