

# *Dedication and Blessing*



PETER P. BOLLINGER '57 STADIUM

FEBRUARY 27, 2020

In 2013, we began the process  
of creating a vision and  
long-range plan for the campus of  
Christian Brothers High School.

That process, started more than six  
years ago, involving the hard work,  
dedication and generosity of many, is  
coming to fruition as we celebrate the  
successful conclusion of the

## *Securing the Future Campaign - Phase 1*



**Please Join Us**

Thursday, February 27, 2020

at 6 p.m.

for the dedication and blessing of the

**PETER P. BOLLINGER '57 STADIUM**

Light refreshments will be served.

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Welcome to the

***Dedication & Blessing***  
of the  
***Peter P. Bollinger '57 Stadium***

ORDER OF EVENTS

**Welcome**

Nancy Smith-Fagan, Director of Advancement

**Parade of Athletes**

**Flag Raising**

Athletic Department,  
Gloria Barela, Melissa Flowers, Jake Hunley '96

**National Anthem**

Emily Hancock '20

**Prayer & Blessing**

Msgr. Al O'Connor, Honorary Alumnus

**Remarks**

Lorcan P. Barnes, President  
Dale Milton, Athletic Director  
Lauren Towne '20, Student Athlete

**Celebration of Athletic Firsts**

Student Athletes

**Closing Remarks**

Nancy Smith-Fagan, Director of Advancement

**Food Trucks and Walking Tours**

February 27, 2020

Dear Alumni, Friends and Families:

In July 2015, Christian Brothers High School launched the quiet phase of the "Securing the Future Campaign – Phase I," to better serve our students by enhancing facilities and increasing our endowment for tuition assistance. We sought to raise funds to build a new all-weather track and field, improve parking facilities, and renovate our varsity softball and JV baseball fields. We also sought to increase our endowment by \$2.5 million, and to build a foundation of planned estate gifts for the future.

In October 2017, we publicly announced an ambitious goal of \$11.8 million. Today, we officially close the campaign after successfully raising more than \$12.6 million in gifts and pledges in under five years. During this same time we have raised an additional \$4.3 million toward tuition assistance, student programs and operational support for the school.

While on the surface, the "Securing the Future Campaign-Phase I" seems to be focused on athletic facilities, in reality it is about so much more. This campaign is about ensuring the future sustainability of CB and our ability to serve students now and into the future.

Over the past 20 years, those who love Christian Brothers have gifted more than \$22 million toward critically needed capital projects, program enhancements, and scholarship funds. These investments represent more than just new buildings, facilities, or programs. These facilities and programs are central to ensuring the future of Christian Brothers and the futures of its students. They are visual representations of the hopes and dreams of the students who choose, and will come to choose, CB over every other school in the region.

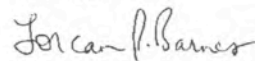
The education of students at CB today extends beyond the classroom into the athletic arena. Today's coaches are educators, teaching leadership, teamwork, perseverance and other life skills crucial for success in college and the workplace. Our students have excelled under the mentorship of caring coaches and athletics staff.

It is vital that we continue to provide students with the facilities that students need to learn and grow. This has taken a great step forward today with the opening of the Peter P. Bollinger '57 Stadium.

Tuition assistance remains a central priority at Christian Brothers. Every student benefits from the richness of our economically diverse community. There are not many places where students from low-, moderate-, and high-income families come together and form genuine community. We are blessed to have that here at Christian Brothers.

For the past five years, we have been also blessed with a dedicated cadre of donors and volunteers who have worked to make this campaign a success. We are deeply grateful to all who have given generously of their time and treasure to help provide our students with the resources and facilities they need. Your belief in the mission of Christian Brothers High School, and our Lasallian Catholic philosophy will ensure that we will continue to serve future generations of students. This stadium will stand as a permanent tribute to your generosity and to the spirit of St. John Baptist de La Salle alive in our school today.

Thank you again, and God bless. Live Jesus in our hearts, forever!



Lorcan P. Barnes  
President

## PETER P. BOLLINGER '57



In 1956 a seventeen year-old student walked onto the newly opened campus of Bishop Armstrong High School, looking forward to running track and playing on the brand new football field. Little could this All-City, All-Catholic student athlete have imagined that in 2020 another brand new track and field would bear his name. This alumnus has now come full circle, making a transformative gift to his alma mater to help fund the construction of the *Peter P. Bollinger '57 Stadium*.

Peter P. Bollinger '57 began his high school education at Christian Brothers on 21st and Broadway, moving over to the new campus (then named Bishop Armstrong) the very first year it opened. A three-sport varsity athlete, Peter excelled at track, football and basketball. He was also Armstrong's first Student Council President. "I treasure the education I received from the Brothers. The biggest lesson I carried with me from school was the value of honesty and simply treating other people how you would want to be treated. My parents, grandparents and the school all taught me the importance of this value, and I've carried it with me all my life."

In the years since his high school graduation, Bollinger went on to attend Sacramento State University and make his mark on the Sacramento region through commercial development. He became a world traveler and an avid hunter and fisherman. Along the way his family grew to include children and many grandchildren. "Family is very

important to me. I always find great joy in having the whole family together."

Through the years Bollinger has been a proponent and supporter of Catholic education. "One of the things that impresses me most about CB," says Bollinger, "is its longevity. I've witnessed big changes in Catholic education through the years. And CB is on an ascending trajectory. I am encouraged by the fact that CB is doing so well. It's important to keep the school and the scholastic level where it is, so the tradition goes on."

Bollinger's gift to the *Securing the Future Campaign* is indeed helping to ensure that the tradition goes on. Says President Lorcan Barnes, "I can't say enough how grateful we are for Mr. Bollinger's incredible generosity. Not only does his gift help give our students a facility that matches their God-given gifts, it positions CB well for future growth."

When asked about his decision to give, Bollinger states simply, "I felt obligated to give. I owe the school, the community and the Brothers so much. Everything I got out of the school, I felt I should give something back." Recognizing the importance CB has played in his life Peter Bollinger's gift will help the school continue to provide that same formative experience to students today.

In summing up Bollinger notes, "There's a real love for the school by a large cadre of people. I am happy to be able to give back. It's a very positive feeling for me to be able to do this."



## Securing the Future Campaign 2015-2019 – Phase I Donors

### CHAMPIONS

**\$1,000,000 +**

*Peter P. Bollinger '57  
& Audrey L. Bollinger  
Thea Stidum*

### CATALYSTS

**\$500,000-\$999,999**

*Diocese of Sacramento,  
Bishop Jaime Soto  
The Estate of Gordon '64 & Susan Scott*

### VISIONARIES

**\$250,000-\$499,999**

*Great Grandchildren of George Fuller  
Jeff Hallsten  
Julian '54 & Diane Holt  
Lynda & John Jackson, Jr. '68  
Greg & Carole Kassis  
Rich & Connie Koppes  
Steve '69 & Kathleen Mahaney  
Dick '58 & Jody† Mooney  
Willie '69 & Sheila Nolan  
Dan '62 & Hollis Petrocchi  
Bill '68 & Elaine '68 Schaedler  
Richard Sherman '57  
Chuck '65 & Sally Sylva  
Frank '71 & Carrie Vellutini*

### STANDARD BEARERS

**\$100,000-\$249,999**

*Anonymous (2)  
Clark '62 & Claudia '63 Aldrich  
Lon '73 & Mary Ann Burford  
Caroline Cabias & Alisa Mosman '08  
Ralph & Antoinette de Vere White  
The Estate of Alan Fenech '62  
Leo '55 & Gayle Granucci  
The William G. Irwin Charity  
Foundation  
The La Salle Club  
Nick '59 & Jo Anne Moore  
John & Susan Nunan*

*The O'Hearn Family  
Bill '73 & Helen Pierson  
Bob '48 & Mercedes Slakey  
The Walrath Family*

### ADVOCATES

**\$50,000 to \$99,999**

*Anonymous (3)  
Anonymous, Class of '59  
Devon Atlee & Francine  
Bianchini Atlee  
Rebecca Baumann & Daniel McVeigh  
Darci & Karl Berger  
The Christianson Family  
Gail Bartus Compton '62  
Dennis Cook & Susan Lamb Cook  
Kathleen Separovich Davis '63  
Mark & Carmen DeSimone  
John '77 & Judy Donovan  
The Gormley Family  
Larry & Terri Gury  
Sue & Marty Haley  
Mike '65 & Kate Ingoglia  
Shirley & John Ingoglia  
The Estate of Emil Isler  
Tom & Maria Johnson  
Jerry '73 & Becky Karver  
Jim '59 & Debi Kassis  
William "Tom" Keating '62  
The Khaira Family  
Jerry '53 & Rosemary Kirrene  
Kent '69 & Betsy '71 Lieginger  
Brock '85 & Amy Littlejohn  
Joel '62 & Carolyn '63 Lucich  
The Kirk & Mary Messick Family  
David '61 & Susan Murphy  
Don '64 & Pam Murphy  
Andrea & Fred Noteware  
Carl '65 & Mary Jane Panattoni  
Sam '77 & Mari Parino  
Cheryl Lyles & Adham Sbeih  
Dr. Gregory & Mrs. Carmelita Smith  
Thomas Flynn & Rita Spillane*

*The Splinter Family Trust  
Sal "Chado" '52 & Janet Vasquez*

### PARTNERS

**\$25,000 to \$49,999**

*Anonymous  
Susan Bitar, Sophia '14 &  
Aaron '18 Davis  
The Castillo Family  
The Estate of Msgr. James Church '50  
Jack '67 & Sandra Corti  
The Eliopoulos Family - Ted, Kelli,  
Antonia & Olivia  
Michael & Marianne Evashenk  
Don & Kathy Fitzgerald  
John Fondale '83  
Tim & Nancy Goldthwaite  
Kassandra & George Gough  
Robert '55 & Carolyn '57 Granucci  
Ken '54 & Marolyn '57 Harris  
Dave Higgins '54  
Mary & Roger Hornsby  
Jack & Ellie Kasbergen  
Keith & Gina Ketcher  
Kevon & Susan Larson  
Larry '62 & Karen Marietti  
Jim '58 & Barbara Mikacich  
Darren & Coleen Morehead  
Larry & Kathy '60 O'Connor  
Kevin & Jill Ralph  
John & Denise Rose  
Butch '60 and Eileen Schuering  
The Shetler Family  
John Silva '98 Memorial Golf  
Tournament  
Lincoln '95 & Aga Snyder  
Dr. Jeffrey & Mrs. Marijoyce Stenger  
Bryan & Kara Turner  
Chris & Dee Vrame  
Asa '51† & Sue Whetstone  
Tammy & Kevin Wilcox  
The Wong Family, Alice '18 &  
Riley '16 Wong*

## The Securing the Future Campaign – Phase I includes:

*Peter P. Bollinger '57 Stadium*

*New Parking Facilities*

*Property Acquisition on MLK Blvd.*

*New JV Baseball Field*

*Renovated Varsity Softball Field*

*\$2.6 Million in Commitments to the Endowment for Tuition Assistance*



## Christian Brothers High School Today

- The 2019-2020 school year marks CB's 144th year of Lasallian Catholic education in Sacramento.
- School Population: 1,157
- 50% Male, 50% Female
- Average Class Size: 25 Students
- CB draws students from 72 zip codes.
- CB athletes participate in 27 varsity sports.
- Professional athletic trainers work with student-athletes and coaches to develop and implement sport-specific training programs.
- CB provides students with a four-year comprehensive counseling program, dedicated grade-level counselors, two full-time college counselors, and a wellness program.
- CB provides a rich Campus Ministry retreat program and vibrant Christian Service opportunities to all students.
- CB offers a rich four-year arts program with instrumental music, vocal music, visual and performing arts.
- CB earned a place on *The Washington Post* list of "America's Most Challenging High Schools" for six consecutive years.
- CB leads the region in providing need-based tuition assistance, this year providing \$2.8 Million to 421 deserving young men and women.



# THANK YOU!



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**Bollinger Stadium Dedication remarks**  
**By Lorcan Barnes**  
**February 27, 2020**

Introduction

- The vision for this moment was set in the mid-1990's. It was THEN that school leaders decided to STAY IN OAK PARK ... abandoning the notion of moving to Natomas. School leaders at the time knew that CB had to be SINGULARLY DISTINCTIVE to thrive in Oak Park. In addition to emphasizing our Lasallian Catholic identity ... and providing an outstanding academic program ... we needed great FACILITIES to foster our students' God-given gifts.
- The STEM wing opened in 2002, sending the clear message to the Oak Park community and the broader Sacramento community that CHRISTIAN BROTHERS IS IN OAK PARK FOR THE LONG HAUL. Since then we added the Jack Witry Field House in 2008, the George Cunningham '40 Performing Arts Center in 2014, and the Chapel of St. Joseph in 2015 ... among a host of other projects.
  - In the past 20 years, we've invested more than \$22 million in our campus. And we have NO LONG TERM DEBT.
- Our enrollment is at capacity and applications are at an all time high. So the vision set 25 years ago has been realized.
- (((Slow))) The project we celebrate today is about SUSTAINING our mission well into the future.
  - This project is NOT about making CB a regional athletic power ... even though our women's basketball team will be playing for a section championship at Golden One Center tomorrow and our women's soccer team will be competing for a section championship on Saturday.
  - Athletics is not our mission. Our mission is to produce graduates who are spiritually rich, morally courageous, and intellectually distinguished. Athletics is a MEANS to that END. Athletics engage students in the life of their school. Athletics teach important skills ... dedication, teamwork, commitment, etc.
    - We are not *opposed* to becoming a regional athletic power. But *if* that happens, it will be a positive by-product of our GREATER MISSION to help students pursue their God-given potential to prepare for college and life.

Securing the Future Campaign

- The *Securing the Future Campaign* was a major fundraising effort that began with a *quiet* phase in the summer of 2015. That's when Sheila and Willie Nolan '69 made the FIRST campaign commitment ... and Willie agreed to serve as overall Campaign Chair. Willie is represented tonight by his wife Sheila.
- This fundraising campaign has been driven by VOLUNTEERS.
- In the Fall of 2015, *employees* were asked to make commitments. That effort was chaired by AD Dale Milton, and CB teachers Maureen Wanket and Brendan Hogan '95.
  - CB employees contributed more than \$200,000 to this effort.
- Also in the Fall of 2015, the *Board of Trustees* stepped up to lead the way in making financial commitments.



- Carrie Vellutini chaired the committee to invite each trustee to support the campaign ... and 100% of the trustees stepped up ... contributing \$1.5 million.
- We are joined by Carrie as well as current board chair Steve Mahaney and a number of other current and past trustees. Thank you.
- The campaign picked up significant momentum in late 2015 when Thea Stidum made a very generous \$1 million commitment. Ms. Stidum has been one of CB's most loyal and generous supporters for decades. We are blessed by Thea's presence today.
- Lon '73 & Mary Ann Burford joined with Steve Mahaney '69 to lead the Advance Gifts committee. Lon and Steve are with us today.
- Susan Bitar and Angela Spease chaired the Major Gifts Committee.
- (((Pause))) We shifted from the *quiet* phase to the *public* phase of the campaign in October 2017 ... announcing an AMBITIOUS goal of \$11.8 million.
- Six months ago ... in August 2019 ... we surpassed that ambitious goal when Peter Bollinger '57 committed \$1.5 million. His transformative gift is a TESTAMENT to the Brothers who touched his heart in the 1950's ... and a GIFT to current and future Falcons.
- (((Pause))) Typically a campaign of this magnitude takes 5 or 6 years. Thanks to the hard work and generosity of MANY, \$12.6 million has been committed in just 4 ½ years.
- The campaign donors are listed in your program. Please know that EVERY gift matters ... and each gift is an INSPIRATION to others! THANK YOU.
- (((Pause))) So ... fundraising was successful. But (((slow))) ... what is the IMPACT?
  - Approx. \$2.7 million has been committed to the endowment for tuition assistance. This provides access to low- and modest-income students for generations to come.
  - Approx. \$2.5 million will provide the school with *future* revenue ... in the form of estate gifts ... to the endowment and for future projects.
  - And approx. \$7.4 million is being spent on the project we celebrate today.

#### What this project includes

- What are the components of the campus enhancements we celebrate *today*?
- To help you get your bearings ...
  - The old track was 6" from corner of the Jack Witry Field House. (((point)))
  - The old parking lot extended roughly to where you see the long jump pit. (((point)))
  - And home plate of the old JV baseball field was roughly where you see the new scoreboard. (((point)))
- Obviously, before we could build the stadium, we had to relocate *parking*. To achieve this, we entered into a PARTNERSHIP with our neighbors at Williams Memorial Church. We built a parking lot for 100 cars on THEIR land ... behind our maintenance building over there (((point))) ... and entered into a mutually beneficial, long-term lease with the church.
  - We are joined today by our neighbor, Mr. Melvin Meeks, chairman of their church council.
- This project includes a beautiful new JV baseball field (((point))) and significant improvements to the batting cages (((point))).
- Our SOFTBALL field had a complete overhaul, including brand new dugouts. The varsity softball field is located behind the bleachers over there (((point)))
- The design of this stadium provides sufficient space for a (((slow))) FULL field ... over there (((point)))... for rugby and other sports.

## **Dale Milton Remarks**

Good evening. As Nancy mentioned, I'm Dale Milton, Athletic Director here at CB.

I was also happy to be one of the co-chairs for the Employee Phase at the beginning of the Securing the Future Campaign. I would like to thank my fellow Co-chairs, Maureen Wanket and Brendan Hogan for their work with me in helping kick off the Securing the Future Campaign.

As a sign of commitment to and confidence in this effort, 90% of our employees voluntarily made a gift to the Campaign, pledging over \$200,000. This vote of confidence from our employees went on to inspire the many gifts that followed, bringing us to where we are today. I know I speak for the school administration, Maureen and Brendan, when I offer a profound thank you to my fellow co-workers and donors.

We are proud to have a strong and competitive Athletic program. Of course, we all celebrated our football win at the Holy Bowl. And this Friday and Saturday, our students are competing in not one but TWO section championships. Women's soccer on Saturday, and Women's basketball will play at Golden One Center on Friday afternoon.

But at CB Athletics means more than competition. We place an emphasis on STUDENT athletes, where academics comes first and sports are a part of developing the whole person. That football team that won the Holy Bowl, also was the team with the highest

GPA in our section!

We believe that through sports we help young people develop skills that will serve them well into the future—teamwork, sportsmanship, dedication, perseverance, winning and losing gracefully. Our coaches are here to develop our students' athletic gifts as well as their character as a person. We strive to live by the motto “Integrity, Honor and Excellence”.

It is important that our students have the facilities they need to do all this.

I would like to thank each person who had a role in bringing this awesome athletic facility to our students.

You have created something that will help student athletes for many years to come.

As you all know, this is the Peter P. Bollinger '57 Stadium, and we are honored to have Mr. Bollinger here with us tonight. We have a special presentation for him.

Among his many accomplishments, Mr. Bollinger was a three-sport varsity athlete during his time at CB – one of those sports was football. On behalf of all of us at Christian Brothers High School, I would like to present to Mr. Bollinger this football commemorating the dedication of the Peter P. Bollinger '57 Stadium.

Mr. Bollinger, this football has been signed for you by our entire football team and is a small token of our appreciation for your leadership gift.

(Photo op shaking hands with Peter Bollinger.)

