

BISHOP LUDDEN NEWSLETTER



"Let my teaching fall like rain and my words descend like dew, like showers on new grass, like abundant rain on tender plants."

Deuteronomy 32:2

SPRING IS IN BLOOM

Thank you to Mr. Skanes for gifting these lovely bulbs and to Mrs. Babcock's students for planting them--our statue of the Blessed Mother is looking beautiful surrounded by the flowers!



BACKING THE BLUE

As our hearts grieve the loss of fallen law enforcement officers, Sheriff Deputy Michael Hoosock and Syracuse City Police Officer Michael Jensen, Ludden students wore blue on April 18th as a tribute to their lives of service.



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UPCOMING EVENTS



LUDDEN GIVING DAY MAY 7TH

ASCENSION MASS MAY 9TH

GALA MAY 10TH

JR HIGH SHOW MAY 17TH - 18TH

SENIOR RETREAT MAY 20TH

MEMORIAL DAY/ NO SCHOOL MAY 27TH

JR HIGH CONVOCATION/ LAST DAY FOR SENIORS MAY 30TH

TENT DAY (SENIORS) MAY 31ST

HIGH SCHOOL CONVOCATION JUNE 3RD

LAST DAY GRADES 7-11 JUNE 5TH

LUDDEN DAY JUNE 6TH

BACCALAUREATE MASS JUNE 7TH

GRADUATION JUNE 8TH

JUNETEENTH/SCHOOL CLOSED JUNE 19TH

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED FOR ANOTHER BLOOD DRIVE!

Hello,

Our names are Sarah Prowak and Bridget Dunham and we held our Red Cross Blood Drive earlier this month in the Bishop Ludden gym. We first wanted to say thank you to all those who donated blood and were willing to help us out.

Despite collecting 29 units of blood, we are still 5 donors short of reaching our scholarship goal and again, could use your help! Although we are not hosting another blood drive of our own, if there are any parents, family members, or students that were unable to donate in our most recent drive, this is a great opportunity to help us out!

We have a Bloodlink which allows you to sign up to donate blood, at any drive before May 15th and will transfer the credit to us at Bishop Ludden.

Thank you in advance for your contribution!

Sincerely,
Sarah and Bridget



Sign up here to donate
before May 15th!

Questions? Call our counseling office (315) 488-3237



AP Exams

AP English **May 14** (AM)

AP Calculus **May 24** (AM)

IB Exams

IB Math Analysis **May 1** (PM) & **2** (AM)

IB Environmental Systems **May 2** (PM) & **6** (AM)

IB HOTA **May 7** (PM) & **8** (AM)

IB English **May 9** (PM) & **10** (AM)

IB Psych **May 10** (PM) & **13** (AM)

IB Biology **May 13** (PM) & **14** (AM)

IB Spanish **May 14** (PM) & **15** (AM)

IB French **May 16** (PM) & **17** (AM)

Local Exams

All Exams **June 10th - June 13th**

*Dates are scheduled by the classroom teacher

Regents

Algebra I **June 4th** (AM)

ELA **June 14th** (AM)

Living Environment **June 14th** (PM)

US History and Gov **June 18th** (AM)

Global History **June 18th** (PM)

Earth Science **June 20th** (AM)

Chemistry **June 20th** (PM)

Geometry **June 21st** (AM)

Algebra II **June 24th** (AM)

Physics **June 25th** (AM)

Study Tips and Tricks

1. Start early--don't wait until the last minute!
2. Pace yourself
3. Get plenty of rest
4. Drink water
5. Take a breathe--you're a knight, you've got this!

JUNIOR Timeline for April:

- Register for May 4 SAT (regular deadline is April 19)
- Begin to put together an activity sheet (utilize resume builder on Naviance)
- Do college/career research on the Internet/Naviance
- Schedule college visits (when students are on campus if possible)
- Investigate summer opportunities on college campuses, volunteer work, or employment
- Study for ACT/SAT exams
- Complete fafsa4caster.ed.gov with your parents
- Compile an athletic profile package to send to coaches if you are looking at Division I, II or III schools, and include your season schedule
- Talk to your counselor about filing with the NCAA Clearinghouse for Division I & II athletes. <http://www.eligibilitycenter.org>

SAT on May 4th

Deadline: April 19th

Registration: www.collegeboard.org

ACT on June 10th

Deadline: May 5th

Registration: www.actstudent.org



Bring a photo id to either test!

If you do not have one, you can get an identification form from the Counseling Office.

Mrs. Schoeneck

Students with last names A-L
kschoeneck@syrdiocese.org

Mrs. Doyle

Students with last names M-Z
cdoyle@syrdiocese.org

NATIONAL HONORS SOCIETY INDUCTION



Our National Honors Society induction ceremony was held on April 11th and we celebrated the following 24 juniors who were inducted:

Thomas Cervantes
Sophia Chemotti
Joseph Dunham
Elizabeth Gaughan
Aidan Glennon
Grace Hilton
Charlotte Hsiao
Julianna Ligoci
Jack Marvin
Natalie Nojaim
Grace Olivia
Ashley Pawelczyk

Meredith Pessirilo
Parker Pichoske
Mikhayla Reyes
Jack Ruddy
Alexi Sheen
Blake Sheen
Colden Sheen
Molly Smith
Vieyla Thatvihane
Samantha Tkacz-Jimenez
Paige Townsend
James Westers



A special thank you to Lacey Leonardi for her inspiring keynote speech and to our senior Honors Society members for their lovely presentation of the candidates.

Spring Sports Schedules

Click on the links to view the correlating schedule

[Jordan-Elbridge/Bishop Ludden Girls Varsity Lacrosse](#)

[Jordan-Elbridge/Bishop Ludden Boys Varsity Lacrosse](#)

[Bishop Ludden Varsity Softball](#)

[Bishop Ludden Varsity Baseball](#)

[Bishop Ludden Varsity Boys/Girls Outdoor Track](#)

New Head Varsity Football Coach



Bishop Ludden is proud to announce that Melvin Baker has been appointed as our new Head Varsity Football Coach. Mr. Baker, who is a 1998 Graduate of Bishop Ludden, takes over our program with a wealth of experience. Mr. Baker has coached for the Valley Stallions, Skaneateles Lakers Youth Program, FCA Strong Youth Flag Football Team, Victory Academy, and for the past 2 seasons, here at Bishop Ludden. Mr Baker has many strong ties to the community since he is a local pastor at Le Moyne College and Syracuse University. On April 13, Mr. Baker took several members of the current Bishop Ludden/SAS Football Team to Syracuse University for an unofficial practice and the players were able to meet the coaches and players. Please Welcome home Melvin Baker as our New Varsity Football Coach!

ATHLETICS CONT.

Dear Ludden Community,

You may have heard that there has been some engineering activity on and around our athletic field. Moreover, you may have heard rumors surrounding a new turf athletic field. Several alumni have initiated conversations with the school's leadership and Board of Trustees to talk about upgrading our athletic field and stadium. They have a vision that a stadium renovation project would be transformative for our school's future. A group of alumni supporters and board members are meeting to discuss the feasibility of this project. Before any serious discussions are to take place, we have been advised that we first need to perform soil and site testing. If the testing proves that we can excavate the site without having to do any remediation work, then the project passes the first test in terms of determining its potential feasibility. If the soil and site test well, the next step will be to have discussions with architects, draw plans and obtain cost estimates.

Please note, this is all very preliminary. We will not move forward with any of these plans if complete donor-supported funding is not secured. Costs already incurred for the testing and architectural drawings are being paid for by donors and will not come from the school's operating budget.

We will continue to update the Ludden Community with respect to this potential project. If you have any questions, please direct them to either of us.

Sincerely,

Dan Gilheney
President Board of Trustees

Michael McAuliff
Principal



Don't Miss our JR High Show!

Bishop Ludden Junior High

PRESENTS:



By Brian D. Taylor

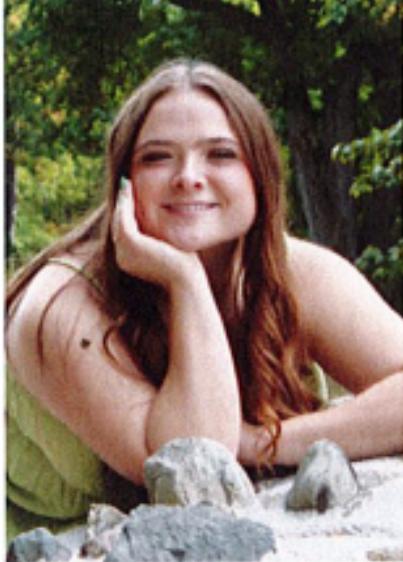
Produced by special permission of Pioneer Drama Service

Friday, May 17, 2024 7 pm

Saturday, May 18, 2024 2 pm and 6 pm

General Admission \$5.00

Student Performer Spotlight



MOLLY SEXTON
CLASS OF '24

The last of eight siblings graduating from Bishop Ludden, Molly has made her own mark on the Sexton legacy through her dedication to the performing arts. Molly has performed in five shows, with her most recent role being a card in the Spring musical: *Alice in Wonderland*. Molly plans on attending Le Moyne college and pursuing a degree in accounting.

Ludden's Spring Concert

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22ND
AT 7PM
IN THE GYMNASIUM
FREE ADMISSION

♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪
♪ The halls are alive with
♪ the sound of Ludden
♪ music! Please invite your
♪ friends and neighbors to
♪ come hear the Junior
♪ High Chorus, Concert
♪ Choir, Beginning Band, Jr.
♪ High Band and the Sr.
♪ High Band!
♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪♪

Chorus concert attire:

Jr. High Chorus: Same as for Christmas: Black pants/skirt, Black top.

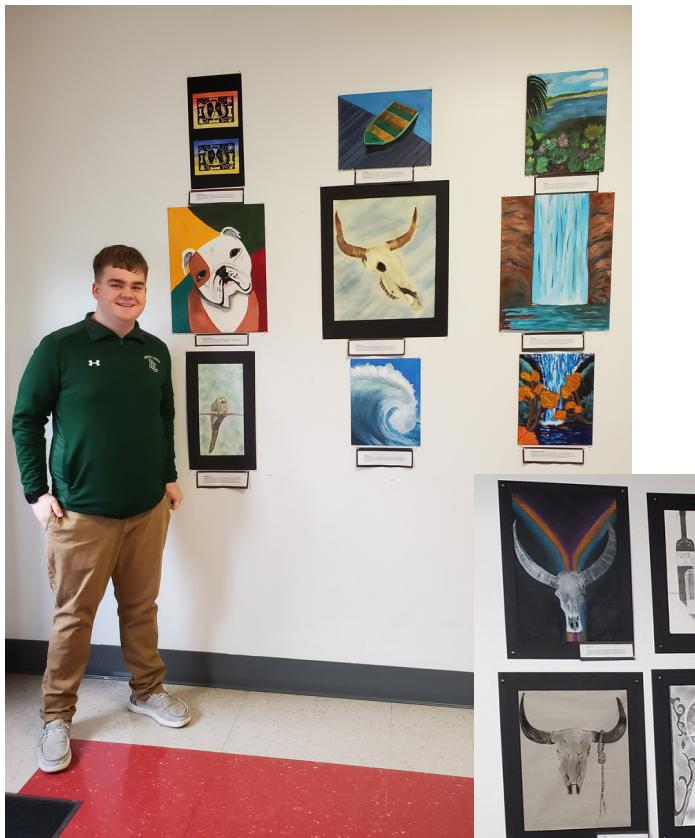
If it is warm out, short sleeves are fine! Shirts/tops/ pants must be SOLID black.

Concert Choir: Same attire as for our Christmas Concert.

Join us after the concert for a reception to celebrate our musicians!

Celebrating our senior artists with an IB art exhibition

Thanks to Alejandro Donegan, Matthew Knechtle, Phil McGarvey, Ryan Skanes, and Christian Tetreault for sharing their art with us!



BISHOP LUDDEN SCORES SEVEN MEDALS AT SCIENCE OLYMPIAD STATES



The team is coached by Maxine Babcock, Grace Babcock, Sara Loving, Ryan Skanes, and Anthony Taylor. Volunteers Payton Cazmpbell, Anne Bittner, and Nadia Naveed also assisted at States.

Bishop Ludden followed up a program record setting performance at Science Olympiad B Regionals with seven medals at Science Olympiad States on April 6 at East Syracuse Minoa High School. Bishop Ludden ended the tournament ranked 28th in New York State. The medals were the first in four trips to States (2011,2022,2023,2024).

Freshman Mya Barnaba led the squad with State medals in Experimental Design, Can't Judge a Powder, and Reach for the Stars. She partnered with freshman Theresa Quigley on Can't Judge a Powder (Chemistry) and Sophia Azria on Reach for the Stars (Astronomy). Eighth graders Noor Naveed and Asimwe Kabulete had the performance of their lives with Mya in Experimental Design and will repeat as the sole returning members of the squad in 2025. The ninth graders will reunite with their former teammates to reconstitute the teams that went to States in 2022 and 2023.



The team also finished in the top 20 in seven additional events. Mya and Theresa were 14th in Crimebusters, Theresa and Caitlyn Coryell finished 15th in Dynamic Planet, while Alex Ewaynk scored 14th in Disease Detective with Theresa. Noor and Asimwe paired for 19th in Rollercoaster and 20th in Meteorology. Alex and Caitlyn scored 13th place in Fast Facts, while Alex soloed at 19th in Anatomy and Physiology.

"We are very proud of our team," explained Head Coach Maxine Babcock. "They had to scramble with only seven players to cover 23 events over the two day contest. We've never, despite amazing teams, been able to score State medals before this point. We took gold in six events at Regionals, so we knew we could medal at States this time. We have to compete against some of the best schools in the country. Our program couldn't exist without our student coaches. Varsity stars Ryan and Anthony volunteered many hours to our program."

STEM Summer Camp

Check out our STEM Summer Camps at Bishop Ludden! The camps fund our travel to tournaments like the nationals for History Bowl and High School National Championship Tournament for Quiz Bowl. Our Science Olympiad star camp counselors are heading to the State Championship for the third straight year. Google Forms links are live. <https://sites.google.com/syrdi.../bishopluddenstemcamps/home>

Bees Changed to May 4th!



International Academic Competitions

National History Bee National Geography Bee

National Science Bee

WE HAVE TOURNAMENTS NEAR YOU!

March 30, 2024
Bishop Ludden School
815 Fay Road
Syracuse, NY 13219

A FULL DAY OF COMPETITIONS FOR K-8 STUDENTS ALL AROUND!

Opening meeting times:

- History Bee 8:30a
- Geography Bee 11a
- Science Bee 2:30p
- Awards after each Bee!

Cost:
\$47 per student per subject

CALL:
860-965-7021

MORE CONTACT INFO:
ems-info@iacompetitions.com
<https://usa.iacompetitions.com/>

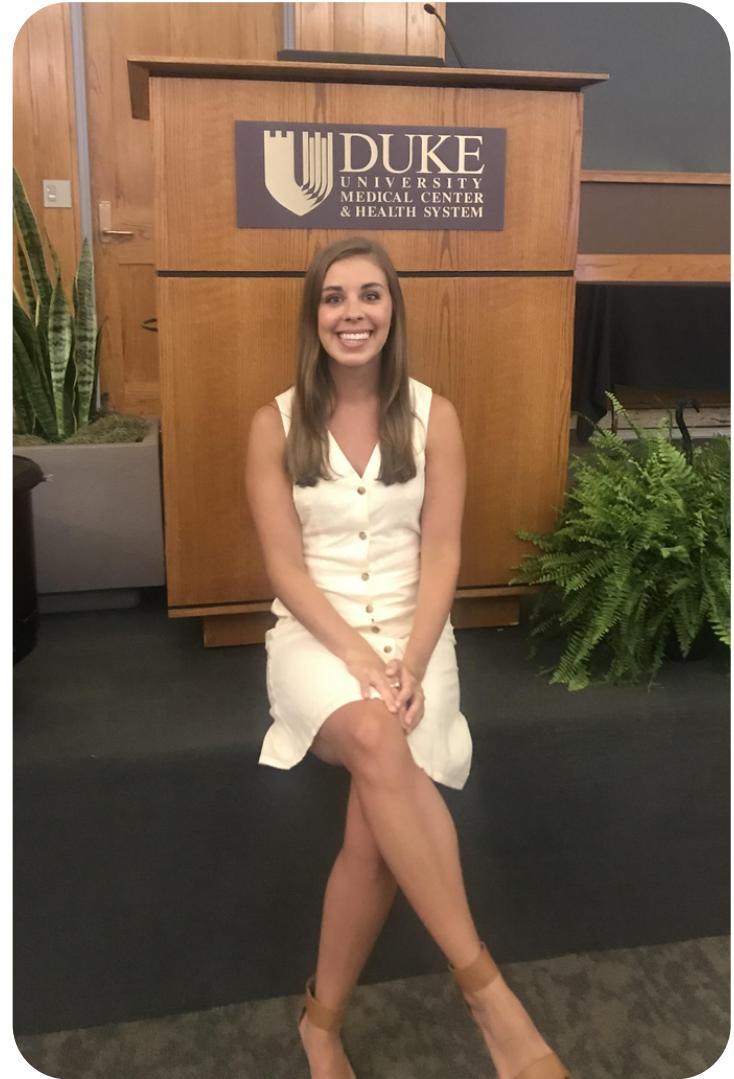
Katrina Dufresne Class of '10

After graduating from Bishop Ludden in 2010, Katrina earned her Bachelor's degree in biology with a minor in chemistry at Nazareth College in Rochester, NY.

Katrina feels that a Catholic education is about caring for your neighbor, hence she pursued a career in healthcare. After working at Wegmans as a pharmacy tech, Katrina completed her masters degree in nutrition science at Syracuse University. She then went on to complete her dietetic internship at Duke University Hospital before entering her current career as a dietitian at Upstate . Katrina specializes in inborn errors of metabolism, GI, and the Keto diet for epilepsy.

Katrina fondly remembers when her senior year soccer team won the section III championships and was an active member of student government. She enjoyed the fact that she could be so involved in her school community and bond with students above and below her grade--something she still does as her class representative.

When she isn't working at healing our community, Katrina still enjoys recreational sports and loves to read and bake.



**"LUDDEN IS ALL ABOUT
COMMUNITY: BOTH DURING
YOUR TIME THERE AND
WHEN YOU LEAVE. YOU WILL
ALWAYS RUN INTO YOUR
LUDDEN FAMILY."**

Golden Graduates

*The Bishop Ludden
Board of Trustees & Administration
cordially invite our
Golden Jubilarian Classes of 1966 through 1974
to attend this year's
Baccalaureate Mass as Golden Anniversary graduates.*

*The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
259 East Onondaga Street, Syracuse, NY 13202
Friday June 7, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.
Arrival at 6:00 p.m.*

*Please join us in the
Cathedral's gathering space after mass,
for a reception with coffee, dessert & camaraderie.*

Please RSVP by Friday, May 17, 2024
with the enclosed response card or visit
bishopludden.org under the alumni page
and click on "Golden Graduates".

If you have any questions, please contact
Kathy Gilheney at kgilheney@syrdiocease.org

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS OPEN AT:

[HTTPS://WWW.BISHOPLUDDEN.ORG/ALUMNI/GOLDEN-GRADUATES/](https://www.bishopludden.org/alumni/golden-graduates/)



The August 5th golf
tournament online registration
is now open:
**[https://www.bishopludden.org/
alumni/golf-tournament/](https://www.bishopludden.org/alumni/golf-tournament/)**



Fran Zbikowski, Class of 1967

After leaving his teaching career, Fran dedicated his life to an exciting career in the pharmaceutical, biotechnology and biologics industries. When looking back at Ludden, Fran says, I truly believe the Christian values I learned at Ludden merged with my family values, gave me the direction to develop my core values which guided me throughout my entire life."



Tom Pietropolo, Faculty and Coach (40 years)

Tom has coached soccer and track throughout his Ludden career, beginning in 1979. He says, "I was happy and eager to find a place where I could both share the lessons I had learned during my short journey, and absorb the new life meanings I would gather during what I hoped would be a long and fulfilling life journey. I don't think I could have found a better place to land than Bishop Ludden. I am so grateful for the opportunity and privilege to be a part of this community."



Kathy Owen, Faculty and Coach (42 years)

The year Kathy came to Ludden (1972), Title IX was just signed into law and opportunities for women's organized sports were introduced into the high schools. Kathy had a groundbreaking influence in the development of organized women's sports at Bishop Ludden. She advocated for equal practice times, use of facilities, fairness in funding, competitive scheduling and overall respect for the women's sports program.



Jill Blasi, Class of 1999

Jill was a Ludden girls varsity player from 1994 to 1999 and continued her career in basketball throughout college and as a coach. Of her many accomplishments on and off the court, her dedication has been honored by being awarded the NY State Coaches Association Century Club Award for 100 plus wins and winning the Bishop Foery Award for leadership and character



Kelly Cunningham, Class of 1983

Kelly's swimming career has taken her from her backyard pool, through the St. Lawrence River to international competition. It was her time as a Gaelic Knight that taught her that success isn't just about winning, but about the bonds you forge. "Bishop Ludden was more than a school. It was a family. Here, I learned the true value of teamwork, the importance of school spirit, and the unwavering determination to never give up."



Mark McAnaney, Class of 1971

While at Ludden, Mark earned eight varsity letters. His teammates elected him Co-Captain of freshman basketball, JV football and basketball teams, and a Tri Captain for Varsity basketball. In football, he was a two-year starter at safety. In his senior year his team set a CNY Cities League record with five shutouts and a 6-2 record. Opponents were outscored 151-25. In their Junior year they recorded the first ever victory over archrival CBA in varsity football. The school was closed that Monday in recognition of the win. The Class of 1971 never lost a football game to CBA.

**BISHOP LUDDEN ALUMNI
WEEKEND
AUGUST 2 – 5, 2024**

- **FRIDAY, AUGUST 2**
 - 50TH ANNIVERSARY – CLASS OF 1974
CONTACT – CLASS OF 1974 FACEBOOK GROUP
- **SATURDAY, AUGUST 3**
 - 45TH ANNIVERSARY – CLASS OF 1979 CONTACT – JACKIE JANOSCKO-TRUDELL at jackielynnvb@gmail.com
-ROSANNE CHEMOTTI-CANESTRARE at ro@bklawyers.com
 - 40TH ANNIVERSARY – CLASS OF 1984
CONTACT - BISHOP LUDDEN HS CLASS OF 1984 FACEBOOK PAGE
 - 9:00 AM – MASS FOR CLASS OF 1974- BL CHAPEL
 - 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM - OPEN HOUSE BLHS
- **SUNDAY, AUGUST 4**
 - ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME EVENT –
MARRIOTT SYRACUSE DOWNTOWN
 - 3:00 PM – 6:30 PM
 - HOTEL ROOMS AVAILABLE
<https://book.passkey.com/e/50714470>
 - TICKETS PURCHASED ON BL WEBSITE BY JUNE 15 (online registration should be ready by March 25th) SPACE IS LIMITED
 - CONTACT – blhshof@gmail.com or kgilheney@syrdiocese.org or dukewhelan@gmail.com
 - MEMBERS BEING INDUCTED
 - See Attached
- **MONDAY, AUGUST 5**
 - 30TH ANNUAL PATRICK MATHEWS GOLF TOURNAMENT
 - TUSCARORA GOLF COURSE – MARCELLUS
 - 18 HOLES – SHOT GUN START
 - FOOD / BEVERAGES THROUGHOUT THE DAY
 - LUNCH – 11:30 am
 - PRIZES
 - CONTACT – kgilheney@syrdiocese.org or carl@masterpolemurphy.com
 - online registration should be ready by March 25th
 - REGISTER EARLY!

Looking for something to wear to your reunion? Get your Ludden gear here!



Upcoming Reunions

 **SAVE THE DATE**
Class of 1974
50th Reunion
Aug. 2, 2024.

6pm to 9pm
Everson Museum
Syracuse, NY
Invitations to follow

 **SAVE THE DATE**
Class of 1978
45 + 1 Reunion
June 28, 29, 30 2024
More details to come

 **SAVE THE DATE**
Class of 1979
45th Reunion
Aug. 3, 2024.
A BL open house will be included!

Have info on '79 you want to share?
Contact Jackie Janoscko-Trudell at
jackielynnvb@gmail.com ,
Rosanne Chemotti-Canestrare at
ro@bklawyers.com , or contact the
BL Alumni Office.

 **SAVE THE DATE**
Class of 1984
40th Reunion
Aug. 3, 2024.

5pm to 8pm
Nibsy' Pub
201 Ulster St.
\$15

The class of '73 is starting to plan their reunions for next year. Watch for details to come!

MAY 7, 2024

Save the Date!

**HELP US
MATCH THE CHALLENGE
& DOUBLE YOUR GIFT!**

Ludden Giving Day 2024 is quickly approaching. We are excited to continue this tradition at Bishop Ludden. We know that the Ludden community will respond generously to this call to give.

Please save the date: **Tuesday, May 7, 2024**. Our goal is **381 gifts in 24 hours** to support the future of Bishop Ludden and its incredible students.

The success of the day, as always, depends on you. **Every donor counts!**

To learn more about our special matching challenge, check out our website at bishopludden.org/giving/comprehensive-campaign/

To give, click on the GIVING tab on our website: bishopludden.org and check in on our Facebook page.

With Sincere Gratitude,

Kathy Gilheney '80
Director of Development

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MAY 7, 2024
LUDDEN
Giving Day

