

JIM STEINER



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Jim Steiner has been associated with St. Bonaventure High School since 1987, when his oldest child, Christopher, enrolled to be part of the Class of 1991. Much family history followed, with Matthew ('92), Dustin ('97) and Shannon ('00). Each of these Steiner Seraphs participated fully in a variety of school activities, and all benefitted from, and carried forward, a solid and memorable high school academic and athletic foundation, to college and into their adult lives.

Chris played Seraph baseball for four years, was an all-league outfielder on the 1991 TVL champion team and was a four-year member of the soccer and cross-country teams. He graduated with honors, and continued his academic pursuits at Cal Poly-SLO. Matt played football on Coach Mack's first two Seraph teams, and was a member of the basketball program for four years. He continued his college work at Ventura and Oxnard Community Colleges. Dustin played football for three years and competed for the Seraph Track and Field team. He was a member of the Knowledge Bowl team, and graduated with honors. He continued his education at UCSB, and holds a Masters Degree from American University. Shannon was a member of the Seraph cheerleading team for four years, and a three-time captain. She was the first SB Cheerleader selected to the United Spirit Association National team. Shannon graduated with honors, and continued her college studies as an honors student at UCSB. She is currently working on a Masters program in school counseling.

Jim has been married to Katrina for 43 years. He is a proud American veteran, and was the cadet commander of the ROTC program at the University of California, Berkeley, in 1969! Following 7 years of duty in the Army Medical Services, he completed a Masters program in Health Services Management at UCLA. Jim spent most of this work career in various sales and marketing positions. Katrina just retired from 16 years of teaching Kindergarten and 2nd grade. The Steiner family was involved in many community activities over the years in Santa Paula. Jim was responsible for several charitable programs and stewardship events at the Presbyterian Church, and was a Little League coach for many years. He was the director of the middle school athletic program at Our Lady of the Assumption School for six years. Jim has worked in the classroom as a substitute teacher for the past 10 years and served the past 4 years as a volunteer docent at the Reagan Presidential Library.

Jim worked as a SBHS parent volunteer from day one, and had the good fortune, and continuing opportunity, to meet many great people, both families associated with the school and local community business owners. He became officially involved in school fundraising activities through the SBHS football game programs, and owes much gratitude to Mr. Dennis Johnson for teaching him a multitude of computer graphics and electronic formatting and publishing skills. Jim began contacting community and family sports donors in 1996, as part of the student-athlete campaign to go out, meet people and secure sponsor funds for Seraph Athletic teams. He worked the next 13 years with Mr. Johnson to help expand and enhance this bountiful student-generated activity. Four of these years, Jim was part of the SBHS staff, working full-time on various school development projects.

Jim served St. Bonaventure for 9 amazing years as the principal fundraiser, and as the editor and publisher of the Seraphs Sports Book. The publication was completed for the Fall, Winter, and Spring sports seasons, and proudly featured every student-athlete representing every Seraph sports team. The book was always high quality, highly accurate, and visually pleasing, because our students, coaches, and families, and fans and sponsors, deserved nothing less. The Sports Book grew and grew to epic proportions, generating a half-million dollars plus for Seraph sports over those 9 years. Yes, we built a nationally-recognized football program, and the way we did it is embodied in the reason for the Sports Book success... our core values-based, and faith and family-centered educational institution is embraced by people, many people, who salute our many great hard-working kids, and say "Yes!" To those many, Jim Steiner says simply "Thank You" and "God Bless!"

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SERAPH TRADITION IS UNBEATABLE

Jim is being presented tonight by Mrs. Kathy Mack