



THE BOYS' LATIN SCHOOL OF MARYLAND

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Pride & Tradition: 2011 Distinguished Alumnus – Thomas W. Mitchell '56

Tom Mitchell '56 came to Boys' Latin in the fall of 1952. He was a natural leader (serving as president of his class all four years in high school), a good student and a three-sport athlete. "Mitch" was named his class' best athlete and his junior year was named to the first team All-Metropolitan 6-man football team on offense AND defense. In lacrosse he was a four year starter and during his senior year he was switched from defense to midfield after the third game of the season and eventually selected to the second team All-Maryland squad as a midfielder. At the 1956 Boys' Latin School Commencement Exercises he was given the Alumni Cup for "leadership based on character".

In the summer of 1956, he joined the navy to attend the Naval Academy Prep School (NAPS) in Bainbridge, MD. He entered the Naval Academy the following year. While at the academy Tom continued his lacrosse career as an attackman. He was a member of two Navy national lacrosse championship teams and was named Honorable Mention All-American in 1960. In 1961 he was selected first team All-American and named the recipient of the Jack Turnbull Award - given to the nation's "best attacking player." In June of 1961 he was commissioned an Ensign and reported to the west coast for sea duty. In his four years on active duty, he made three extended cruises to the Far East primarily with the Viet Nam conflict in the Gulf of Tonkin and the naval blockade of South Viet Nam.

In 1965 Mitch left the service and spent the next 14 years in the data processing and leasing business in marketing positions, primarily with IBM and Itel Corp. Tom was Itel's number one salesman in the country for the Data Products Group in his first year. He rose up the ranks to become Vice President and General Manager of the Locomotive Leasing and Rebuilding Division as part of Itel's Rail Group.

From 1979-1988 Mitch ran his own company specializing in tax leverage leasing of capital equipment and energy projects. In 1988 he became a partner in Co-Energy Group specializing in installation and financing of energy conservation projects with government entities. In 1995, Mitch accepted Vice President's Al Gore's Hammer Award on behalf of his company for making the government work better. The award was based on the installation of over 4,000 ground source heat pumps at Fort Polk LA, which saved the U.S. Army millions of dollars. In 2004 the Department of Energy bestowed a Special Recognition for his work with Geo-thermal heat pumps.

Mitch is married with a son, two daughters, a stepson and one grandson. He continues to stay involved in lacrosse donating his time to teach youth clinics and currently coach's lacrosse with his longtime Naval Academy teammate and friend Karl Rippelmeyer. Since 2008, he has been the Head Coach of Green

Valley High School in Henderson, NV. In 2010, he was voted State of Nevada High School Coach of the Year by his peers.

Mitch has never forgotten his youth during those cold winter days in Baltimore, prior to TV, building Christmas gardens in his basement. He has an extensive Lionel train collection and has served on the board of the local Lionel toy train operating society. He wrote recently, "Some of us never grow up."

Mitch is very proud that during his lacrosse years through college he played for only three coaches: Fritz Stude in the Mt. Washington Warriors youth program, **Okey O'Connor** at BL and Willis Bilderback at the Naval Academy. All three are in the National Lacrosse Hall of Fame.

Tom Mitchell is a member of the United States Naval Academy Athletic Hall of Fame and in 2005 was inducted to the U.S. Lacrosse Greater Los Angeles Chapter Lacrosse Hall of Fame. In 2008 Mitch was inducted into the Boys' Latin Athletic Hall of Fame.

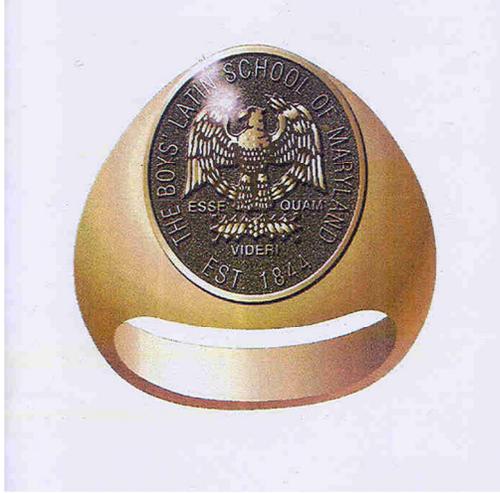
Annual Fund 2010-2011



The annual fund is in its final quarter and we REALLY need your help. The Alumni & Development Office wants to continue to brag to the community about how our Alumni participation is number one in the area. We are currently behind last year's pace and we need to catch-up.

Please consider a gift to the 2010-2011 Annual Fund – and remember that every dollar really does count. For those of you have already given to this year's Annual Fund -THANKS AGAIN!

BL Alumni Rings



In recent months the Alumni Office has received requests about the offering of an Alumnus Ring. This ring, hand crafted and individually manufactured is NOW available. Each ring will display the Boys' Latin Seal on top and engraved with your name and graduation year inside the band. To place your order please contact the Alumni Office and ask for an application form. Metal choices are 10 karat, 14 karat yellow and white gold Delivery will take approximately 6-8 weeks.

Alumni Notes



Pat Gugerty '83 is the Director of Development at the Tatnall School in Wilmington, Delaware. He is also one of the coaches with the Tatnall Golf team. Tatnall and BL teed-off in early May. The picture above includes "Gugs" (center) with some of the 2011 BL golf team.

Frederick Waesche '93 graduated in Advanced Individual Training from the U.S. Signal Center at Fort Gordon, GA. in April of this year and was recently assigned to Fort Drum N.Y., the Home of the 10th Mountain Division.

T.W. Winston '96 writes: "I alive and well in Fort Collins, CO. I am in my second year coaching the defense for the Colorado States Men's Lacrosse team."

Judson Arnold '04 graduated from Emory in 2008 and on Sunday, May 8, 2011 graduated Cum Laude "Juris Doctor" from the University of Baltimore, School of Law. He will clerk for Judge Ronald A. Silkworth, 5th Judicial Circuit Associate Judge in Annapolis after he takes the bar exam in August.

Scott Matthews '05 has accepted a position as a Mortgage Loan Officer for PNC mortgage located in Baltimore City at 2 Hopkins Plaza in the 3rd floor of the PNC building. He can be contacted by calling 410-237-5527 or reached by email at scott.matthews@pncmortgage.com. Please feel free to contact him with any of your mortgage or banking needs.

BL's Website

For the latest information on what's going happening on campus, both academically and athletically, go to <http://www.boyslatinmd.com/Page.aspx?pid=479>.

BL Athletics

The BL lacrosse traveled to Brooklandville to play the St. Paul's Crusaders and for the third straight year won the regular season game in overtime – this time in double overtime 10-9. **Shack Stanwick '14** scored the game winner on an assist from his brother **Wells Stanwick '11** late in the second overtime.

On Friday BL traveled to play McDonogh in the quarter-final round of the MIAA Playoffs. The Lakers upset the Eagles 8-7 and will play Gilman in the MIAA second semi-final game TONIGHT at 8:30 at Towson University's Johnny Unitas Stadium. Game time is set for 8:30 after the first semi-final match-up between St. Paul's and Calvert Hall scheduled for 6:00 p.m. Admission price to the semi-final games is \$8.

In baseball the Lakers qualified for the playoffs with an 11th inning victory over Baltimore Lutheran. **Jimmy Peacock '12** hit a grand slam and **Zak Davis '11** hit a walk-off game winning homerun in the bottom of the 11th inning. It was Zak's second home run of the game.

The playoffs began with the Lakers traveling to Mt. Carmel. In the double-elimination playoff system BL was routed 19-2 by the Cougars. Boys' Latin will travel today to Pallotti to play in one of the elimination games.

In golf, the Lakers finished the MIAA "A" Conference regular season with a win over Archbishop Spalding giving the team a final league record of 4-4. In the MIAA individual team championship tournament BL's **Bennett Wisner '14**, who is only a freshman, finished fifth.

BL Basketball

From the BL Athletic Department:

The Boys' Latin School of Maryland announced today that **Cliff Rees** is the new Head Varsity Basketball Coach. Boys' Latin School is very excited to have Coach Rees lead our basketball program. He has demonstrated great leadership and character.

Cliff Rees was a member of the United States Naval Academy basketball program from '84-'88. He participated in three NCAA tournaments while playing beside Doug Wojcik, current Head Basketball Coach at the University of Tulsa, and NBA great David Robinson. Cliff earned four varsity letters, was captain of the team his senior season, and ranks in the top ten in Navy history in games played, games started, career assists, and free throw percentage.

Cliff Rees served as a United States Marine in both Operation Iraqi Freedom 1 and 2. He was awarded the Bronze Star and Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy/Marine Corp Commendation Medal, two Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medals, the Combat Ribbon, and the Selected Marine Corps Reserve Medal.

Since 1999, Coach Rees has coached many levels of basketball to include recreational, travel, and AAU basketball.

The Boys' Latin School and our boys will be well served to have such a decorated man of character, confident leader and talented basketball coach work with our boys and lead our basketball program.

95 Years Ago

On May 25, 1916, Gilman defeated Boys' Latin 9-8 in baseball for the first time in six years. BL was led by pitcher **Preston Dallam '17**, **Floyd Humphries '16**, **Ray Scarlett '17**, and **Hunt Sifford '16** each registered three hits for the Latinists.

85 Years Ago

On May 21, 1926 Gilman made a clean sweep of its tennis match with Boys' Latin winning 9-0. In the number one singles match Gilman's Wylie defeated BL's **Gibbs Penrose '27**, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4.

75 Years Ago

Joe King '37 scored the most points in the Boys' Latin School Annual Swim Meet. King placed first in the 25-yard freestyle, breast-stroke, side-stroke and back stroke.

70 Years Ago

Tuition fees for the 1940-1941 school term at Boys' Latin:

Lower School: \$150 - \$260

Intermediate: \$280

Upper School: \$360

45 Years Ago

The United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association (USILA) announced its 1966 All-American team. Four former Lakers were named honorable mention All-American: attackmen **Bill Miller '62** (C.W.Post), **John Beatson '62** (Denison), and **Ron Regan '64** (Washington College) along with goalie **Butch Hilliard '64** (Cornell.)

15 Years Ago

BL's varsity lacrosse team had a home contest against archrival St. Paul's. There was a huge crowd on hand to watch the 13-3 Lakers take on the 9-1 Crusaders. The game went back and forth all afternoon with neither team able to obtain a significant lead. The teams were deadlocked at seven after three periods and both teams' defenses stiffened in the final period. Each team scored only a single goal and the game went into overtime knotted at eight goals apiece.

The game ended one minute into overtime when **Greg Patchak '97** burst through the Crusader defense to score the winning goal unassisted. Patchak finished the day as the leading Laker scorer with 3 goals and an assist. Crusader Andrew Combs countered Patchak's performance with 4 points of his own. Crusader goalie Rich Yost was stellar in the cage with 11 saves.

The game was even in most of the statistical categories: BL led in shots with 33 attempts to St. Paul's 26 but the Crusaders were better in the ground ball area 43-38 and in face-offs winning 10 of 19 draws.

In the first round of the playoffs Boys' Latin hosted Calvert Hall in quarter-final action. The Lakers were eager to prove to the lacrosse community that they were the better team and should not have lost to Calvert hall two weeks earlier. The Lakers played nearly flawlessly and won the game easily 13-3. Patchak led the BL charge with 4 goals and 2 assists. **Aaron Vercollone '97**, **Ryan Mollett '97**, and **Tom Glatzel '97** each scored twice for the Lakers. Cardinal goalie Beret Dickson kept the game from getting out of hand with a great day in goal making 13 saves.

Next came the semi-final rematch between BL and St. Paul's at Johns Hopkins University's Homewood Field. Once again the game went back and forth with neither team able to take a decent lead. However, the Crusaders eventually wore down the Lakers in the final stanza to win the game by two – 13-11 and ending the Laker season. The winning Crusader goal came with just 23 seconds left on the clock and they scored the insurance tally just 9 seconds later. Once again Crusader goalie Yost proved to be too tough in goal leading the St. Paul's charge with 11 saves. Combs scored 4 goals for the winners and both Tom Glatzel and **Ian Shure '97** had 3 goals for BL.

Patchak was named by the *Baltimore Sun* and *Towson Times* as the Player of the Year. Vercollone, **John Glatzel '97** and h Patchak were all named to the all-MIAA squad.

5 Years Ago

The MIAA playoffs were set with BL, seeded number 1 and securing a first-round bye in the playoffs. Severn upset St. Paul's in the first quarter-final game and was set to play BL in one of the semi-final games while McDonogh, who beat Loyola in the other quarter-final contest, was to play second seeded Gilman in the other semi-final game. Gilman was also given a first round bye.

BL was a favorite to beat Severn but did not take the game lightly. The game started at Johns Hopkins' Homewood Field but was called midway through the third quarter due to lightening. The game would have to be continued the following day at St. Paul's with BL winning 4-2. BL gave up the first goal but then scored 4 unanswered goals and won the game 8-3. **Travis Reed '07** was the star of the game scoring 4 goals, setting up a repeat of the championship game from 2005 with McDonogh who upset Gilman in the other semi-final game. This time though, Travis Reed would be wearing maroon and white.

Almost 6,500 fans came to the final game at Homewood Field for the MIAA "A" Conference lacrosse championship game between the Boys' Latin Lakers and the McDonogh Eagles. McDonogh scored first and at the end of the first quarter it was anybody's game with the score knotted up at 2 goals apiece. But in the second stanza the Lakers surged ahead. **David Bronfein '06** seemed to break the Eagles' spirit when within 30 seconds he scored two bounce shot goals from outside the cage - one left-handed and one right-handed. BL's defense also stepped up a notch holding McDonogh scoreless in the period. At half time the score was BL 7 McDonogh 2.

No one in the crowd felt the game was over remembering well the previous year when McDonogh was up 6-1 at halftime and the Lakers came back to almost win the game. However BL maintained its 5 goal edge throughout the game playing near flawless ball and ended up winning the game 11-6 and finishing the season 21-0. It was BL's first undefeated season since the great 1997 team went 17-0. Reed and Bronfein led the Lakers in scoring with 3 goals and 1 assist each. **Brett Weiss '07** had 2 goals and 2 assists. **Ryan Tillman '06**, **Tyler Silvey '07**, and **Mike Hurwitz '06** each scored a goal.

BL ended the season ranked as the number one team in the country by various lacrosse publications. **Brian Farrell '06**, **Chris Boland '06** and Reed all were named first team all-Americans as well as first team all-Metro performers. Boland became BL's all time leading scorer with 300 points combined.

The telephone number for Boys' Latin School while downtown at 1008 Brevard Street was Vernon 3369.