

## Thank You Ted Jasieniecki Free Throw Supporters Over \$10,000 Raised for Scholarships!

While we were not able to host our Annual Ted Jasieniecki Alumni Basketball Game this past weekend due to COVID 19, the game, the scholarship and most importantly keeping Ted's legacy alive, was most important to previous Theodore Jasieniecki Scholarship winner, Mike Scurman '96, as well as the members of the BEF. To that end, Mike couldn't stand idle and let COVID stop something we created and built up for 32 years so he, along with members of the BEF came up with a creative way to host an alternate event and fundraising effort....The Ted Jasieniecki Free Throw Challenge. It allowed anyone who wanted to participate an opportunity to shoot 20 free throws and seek pledges from friends, family, neighbors and alumni for each shot made and raise money for the scholarship.

As of this writing, we are happy to report that \$10,000 was raised this year through the generosity and hard work of the Bloomfield Community. Mike was very proud of his son, Tyler's efforts. Tyler was really excited about the opportunity to participate and he hit 15 out of 20 and was able to raise well over \$1500 towards the scholarship!

We all agreed it was a great idea and we feel as though this is something we can look to do in addition to the annual alumni game.

While we were disappointed we were not able to play the game this year and catch up with everyone please know that Ted's legacy lives on through the BEF and countless other Bengal supporters.

### **About Ted Jasieniecki and The Theodore Jasieniecki Scholarship Fund**

The late Ted Jasieniecki grew up in Bloomfield and attended local schools, where he also participated in recreation programs, including basketball and baseball. Ted Jasieniecki 's basketball career began as a starting forward on the 1964-65 team and during his senior year, he achieved the milestone of scoring 1,000 points. Ted's accomplishments were not restricted to the basketball court. He was also an all-star baseball pitcher, a respected leader in the 1967 graduating class, a member of the National Honor Society and graduated in the top 5% of his class. He then attended and graduated from Rutgers University. Ted's passion for the Twp. of Bloomfield was unwavering. A dedicated man who gave back to his town he was a coach for the Saturday morning basketball clinics, contributed to the Lions Club and volunteered in the Youth Weekend Program. Throughout the rest of his too short life, Ted continued to excel and ultimately became a respected attorney and served as the Town Prosecutor for Bloomfield in the early eighties. He left all future generations with a legacy of first becoming a fine human being—a gentleman who achieved success through hard work and dedication.

Following his untimely death in 1987, the Ted Jasieniecki Memorial Scholarship Fund was started by his family, it remains one of the most prestigious awards at BHS. For the past thirty three years this fund has given over \$200,000 in scholarship dollars to support college educations for male and female basketball players.



1,000 point scorer Ted Jasieniecki, his mother, Coach Cella and Coach Moore (left to right)



Mr. Cella gives Captain Ted Jasieniecki the ball with which Ted scored his 1,000th point. Ted was the first Bengal Cager ever to reach this coveted mark. His career was climaxed by selections to the All-County and All-Big Ten Teams.



## 2021 Calendar Raffle Update

There are still raffle tickets left for the remaining 11 raffle pulls, scheduled each month from Feb. - Dec., 2021. Participants have 11 chances to win \$1000, and, as an extra bonus, all winning tickets go back into the drawing for the remaining months, making winning more than once a possibility!

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*Every ticket purchased helps BEF fund programs, scholarships, and resources that enrich the educational experience for Bloomfield students of all ages. To date BEF has provided funds for after school activities, tutoring programs, SAT prep classes, AP exam fees and much, much more.*

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