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Woodstock St. Timothy Youth Award Recipient

At St. Mary Parish in Woodstock this year's St. Timothy Youth Award went to Autumn Brown. She recently graduated from Woodstock High School and will be attending Bradley University in the fall. In its press release, the parish said, "She is a true example of a witness to her faith, and sharing her faith with the youth around her."

ACC bags tourney remembers student-athlete

AURORA—Aurora Central Catholic High School held its 15th annual bags tournament Aug. 16 to benefit the Leukemia/Lymphoma Society.

The tournament remembered late student-athlete Andrew "Dre" Heimann, 15, who died Aug. 13, 2003, at Duke University Hospital in Durham, N.C., after a six-year battle with leukemia.

Heimann participated on the Charger golf and basketball teams. He attended St. Olaf Lutheran Church in Aurora.

Puff Pizza food truck supplied refreshments



(Photos provided/Al Benson)

Nine bags teams, down from 34 teams last year due to COVID-19, took part in the tourney.

and donated to the event. Sponsors were Heitkotter, Inc.; Aurora Luxembourg Club and Ron L. Jakious Ins.

Donations can still be sent to NHS at ACC, 1255 N. Edgelawn Drive, Aurora, 60506.

— Al Benson

2020 Boylan seniors graduate



Karsen Kelly and family

ROCKFORD—On July 17 Boylan Central Catholic High School in Rockford formally recognized the graduation of the Class of 2020.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, Boylan's traditional commencement ceremony — typically held in May — was postponed. After working with the Winnebago County Health Department and others, Boylan held a ceremony that allowed each graduate to walk the stage, receive his or her diploma, and have photos taken. Each student was allowed to bring two guests. Social distancing protocols were followed throughout

the event.

Bishop David Malloy, valedictorian Natalie Muldowney, and co-salutatorians Stephanie Didier and Abigail Kiely presented pre-recorded messages for the graduates.



Peyton Kennedy and family



Connor Laga poses for a photo as a masked Amy Ott, Boylan CCHS president, watches.



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Boylan Central Catholic High School in Rockford held a socially-distanced Baccalaureate Mass in the gym.

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