



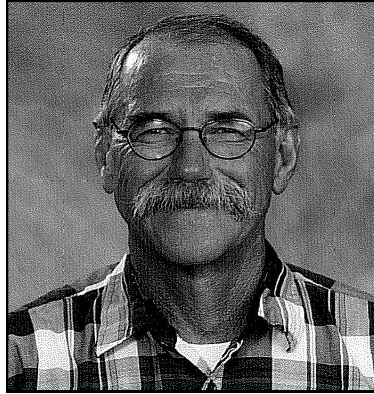
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*Performance in School-Related Activities—
Academics*

Dr. Becky Gray



After graduating from Buchanan High School in 1977, Becky Gray studied mathematics & played field hockey & basketball at Kalamazoo College. While attending Kalamazoo College, Becky seized the opportunity to study abroad in Germany and earned a Rhodes Scholarship in 1981 to attend the University of Oxford, England. She was, at that time, the only student from the Southwestern, Michigan, area to become a Rhodes Scholar and would be the only for decades. She eventually earned a Master's and Doctorate degree in theology from Oxford and went on to become editor of Duke University's Evidence-based Practice Center.



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Contributions to Buchanan Community Schools

Mr. Frank Mucha



Frank was a member of our community as a teacher, coach, umpire & mentor for 40 years. His impact as a teacher & coach has been received by thousands within the community over the years. He has taught more than math and “XO’s” on a football field. Mr. Mucha taught kids discipline, honor and self respect. There are few people that have made a direct and personal impact to as many people within the Buchanan Community as Frank Mucha. His interaction with all is that he genuinely loved, respected and cared for what is right for the kids.

- Teacher - 40 yrs.
- Wrestling Coach - 40 yrs.
- Football Coach - 34 yrs.
- Girls' Softball Coach - 13 yrs.
- Girls' Soccer Coach - 10yrs.
- Little League Umpire - 20+ yrs.
- Rocket Football Coach - 20+ yrs.



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Contributions to Society
Mrs. Marie Montgomery Kangas

The amount of volunteerism & service that Marie has contributed to the community through the years are insurmountable. For many years, Marie was a surrogate grandmother to students at Stark School, reading with students five days a week. Marie worked as a volunteer at BHS blood drive for many years and was one of the original volunteers at the Buchanan Art Center.

At the age of 97, Mrs. Kangas continues to volunteer at Red Bud Area Ministries every Tuesday. Marie can also be found every Wednesday working at the soup kitchen at First United Methodist Church in South Bend; where she volunteers at a sewing circle making quilts, and where she taught Sunday School for many years. The list of volunteering goes on as she has made contributions to her community a life-long habit. Marie graduated from BHS in 1937 and still attends Buckteen Reunions. Marie's career choice was with Buchanan Community Schools where she served as Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent. Mrs. Marie Kangas has made a positive impact in our community and the lives of many others she has touched.