



The Flaget Museum

Xaverian Hall
St. Xavier High School Campus



Under the auspices of the Flaget Alumni Association

1942-1974

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THE CLASS OF '55 BOWLS EM OVER

Back in March the museum published an article on Bruce Lane '55 and his high school bowling championship. Today I want to highlight another bowling champion from the class of 1955. In December of 1951 Brother Dunstan organized the first and what was to become the last



mixed doubles tournament between Flaget and Loretto High Schools. Eighty teams of two took part with each Flaget bowler paired with a bowler from Loretto. The event took place at Western Lanes and was held over a two-day period. When the event ended Ralph Williams '55 along with his partner had won the tournament. Each received a trophy for their efforts as shown in the photo. Ralph has graciously donated his somewhat weathered trophy to the museum and we are happy to have it. When asked by the press Brother Dunstan said the hardest part of putting on the tournament was trying to

keep the guys and girls at their alleys instead of running around the bowling alley cutting up. Mixed doubles tournaments on the high school level were held many times in the years to follow but to the best of my research, no more were held where only Flaget and Loretto took part.

Several years ago the museum wrote about Mike Welsh who would have graduated in the class of 1975. The school of course closed with the class of 1974 being the last graduating class. Mike had already purchased his senior ring but had to attend Providence for his senior year. Mike donated his 1975 ring to the museum and it has been on display. Now Mike has given us one of the best donations received in a long time. Mike must have been a pack rat or he was just very fastidious. His donation consisted of what must have been every piece of paper and item he ever received while at Flaget. From his donation we added to our Football program collection. We added a Landmark which we did not even know was printed. We added many cheer ribbons we did not have as well as two sports letters. The papers, although not impressive in content do record some of the day-to-day goings on at the school. Book lists, schedules and the like add to our collection. Thanks Mike for your help in building a museum that every Flaget grad can be proud of. Have you visited lately? Maybe you can help build our collection.

Donations to the museum can be brought to any alumni luncheon or dropped off at St. X. If you need me to pick the items up just give me a call.