In Memory of BD's Beloved Bowling Coach

By Delaney Schieber

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid." - John 14:27

An important member of the Bishop Dwenger society, Richard Sarrazin, spent the last 15 years of his life coaching the Dwenger bowling team. Mr. Sarrazin was an active member in the bowling community.

He held the title of director, vice president and then president throughout his years in the Fort Wayne Bowling Association. In 1994, Sarrazin was inducted into the Fort Wayne Bowling Association Hall of Fame.

For over 40 years Richard Sarrazin managed the, now Richard Sarrazin Bowling Center at Most Precious Blood.

He set an amazing example for the BD students that he coached throughout his years here. The Sarrazin family is active in the Bishop Dwenger community with two of his grandchildren currently attending school.

Richard Sarrazin passed on Nov. 2, 2021. He will be missed greatly by, not only, the members of the bowling team, but by the entire Dwenger community.

Mr. Sarrazin was known for his passion and being a shining light to all of those around him.

Many memories will be forever held in the hearts of everyone around him.

Most said he was known for his friendliness, willingness to help anyone, and his contagious kindness. Sarrazin's legacy is being carried on by the Dwenger bowling team and new coach Jeff Sauter, a BD parent.

"He showed me how to become a better coach and have a better connection with the kids by sharing my knowledge of the game and then being rewarded by their improvement and their smiles when they've done well," said Sauter.

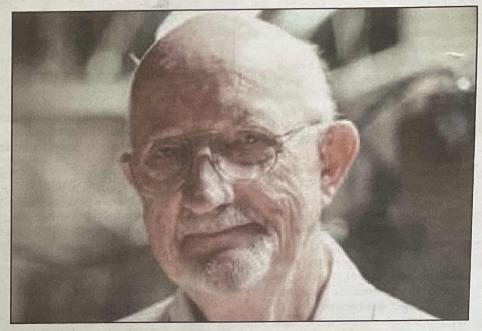
Sauter and the team have shared many memories of Sarrazin and how he impacted their lives.

After a tough competition at Thunderbowl on Jan. 6, the bowling team made regionals with Sarrazin held in their hearts closely.

Henry and Peter Luley are the grandchildren of Sarrazin.

The two young men both play on the Bishop Dwenger bowling team taking after their grandfather.

Sarrazin had a passion for bowling that he spread not only throughout the team, but through the entire bowling



Richard P. Sarrazin was BD's bowling coach for 15 years.

community.

Anyone in the Fort Wayne area who spent time in the bowling community knows Sarrazin's commitment and the love of the game he shared with everyone that met him.

"You know he cared about the high school bowling teams, he cared about Bishop Dwenger, and he cared about the bowling community in general and was a big force in high school bowling getting started here for match play," said Sauter, BD bowling coach. Not only did Sarrazin enjoy the game, but he enjoyed seeing the team love the game like he did.

Let his dedication to the game be a shining light guiding others into a passion for the sport.