



# Bourgade Catholic High School

## COLLEGE PREPARATORY

Jennifer Caraway  
Class of 1991  
July Alum of the Month

Jennifer Caraway was born in North Kingstown, RI but grew up right here in Arizona. Following her grade school stints at Arroyo Elementary and Cholla Junior High, she went on to attend Bourgade Catholic High School and graduated in 1991.

Like many BCHS graduates, the one thing about high school that stuck with Jennifer was the sense of community. She is grateful for having been surrounded by good people and claims that her high school experience included her being a part of a family, rather than just being a number. Jennifer continues to stay in touch with some of her classmates, today.

After high school, Jennifer spent a year studying at Phoenix College and then moved on to Northern Arizona University. She would eventually head to Portland, OR to play in a band and it would take her on a journey with stops in Hawaii, Mexico, Spain, New York, and finally back to Arizona. Today, Jennifer is the mother of two children and the founder of *The Joy Bus Diner* set to open in North Phoenix this month. Jennifer's diner is unlike any other diner. While there may be everyday items on the menu, it is the story behind this diner that makes it so special.

In 2011, Jennifer founded her business of delivering meals to cancer patients who were not able to leave their homes. The inspiration for Jennifer came through her friend, Joy, who has since passed away from the disease. Jennifer claims, "Joy was the inspiration. She was a kind human; a real person anyone in their right mind would enjoy being around." Five years of Jennifer's delivery service has transformed into a dream that will help others on an unfathomable scale. As *The Joy Bus Diner* finalizes its remaining steps before opening, Jennifer credits its foundation to donations, and the kindness and love of those who have volunteered. Overwhelmed with the support of other members in the industry, she is confident her cause will continue to grow.

Jennifer described the concept of *The Joy Bus Diner*, "[It] exists to not only provide the kitchen in which to prepare our meals, but top fund our free programs. 100% of the proceeds from our diner will go back into the operation of The Joy Bus. We not only prepare and deliver fresh chef inspired meals each week to our clients, we also provide a shoulder to lean on and an ear to listen." Congratulations to Jennifer on her diner opening and we wish nothing but success. Thank you for all you have done for the community.

Those interested in helping Jennifer and The Joy Bus Diner, delivery shifts are available at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D45A5AC29AAF94-meal> or financial contributions can be made to:

The Joy Bus  
PO Box 22163  
Phoenix, AZ 85028

