

# ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

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**MEGAN FITZSIMMONS  
BHS CLASS OF 2004  
HAMBURG, INDIANA**

#### Education and training after BHS:

- Graduated from Ball State University in 2008 with a Bachelors of General Studies with minors in: Family and Consumer Sciences, Food Management, Residential Property Management and Marketing

#### Career summary:

- The Waters of Batesville
  - Food Service Manager, then Marketing Director
- Batesville Casket
  - Inside Sales (technology department), selling websites to funeral homes
  - Outside Sales (southside of Chicago), goal was to get non-buying customers to start purchasing from Batesville Casket again or for the very first time
- Hanson Aggregate
  - Outside Sales
- Legacy.com
  - Business Development Manager, then Senior Business Development Manager (current position)
- Business Owner, Megan's Amazing Deals and Reuse
  - Discount store where you can find new items for at least 30% off retail prices! We have been open for a little over a year! Soon, I will be opening a second store called Reuse. Reuse is a refill store where our main goal is to reduce waste. Simply bring in a container, fill it up with one of our all natural products and pay by the ounce.



#### Volunteer work:

- I also volunteer my time as a CASA (court appointed special advocate for foster children) and we were able to help several children by being a foster family for three years. We put our license on hold just a few months ago, after we adopted our son! Another thing I am proud of is the Safe Haven Baby Box that I advocated for and helped implement at Margaret Mary Health. I plan to expand my knowledge of the laws so I can travel to schools and other places to educate women on their options.

#### Family:

- I am the proud daughter of Joe and Janeen Goldsmith and Scott (the late Julie Hertel) and LeeAnn Hertel. I have 3 brothers: Dustin Hertel, Wesley Goldsmith, and Brady Hertel and one sister: Rylee (Goldsmith) Batton. I have been married to Nathaniel Fitzsimmons for almost five years and we have three children: Ella Weber (13), Karter Weber (10) and Keith Fitzsimmons (3). We also have a dog, Ace, a bernedoodle.

#### Activities while at BHS:

- Basketball: 1 year; Volleyball: 4 years; Track and Field: 1 year

#### Best education-related memory from BHS:

- I don't have a specific memory from BHS, but I really enjoyed my homeroom teacher and English teacher, Mrs. Grimsley. She made everyday fun and was always so laid back! I am sure others in our class would agree. She was such a good teacher!

#### A personal quote about the importance of education:

- "I am going to admit, I was not a straight A student, but I wanted to be successful, so I had to work harder than most. As long as you have the determination and drive to continue to learn each and every day, you will be successful. Education is the key to self-development and empowerment."

Do you know a BHS alum whom you think should be featured in Alumni Spotlight? Email us at [info@BatesvilleEducationFoundation.org](mailto:info@BatesvilleEducationFoundation.org), telling us the alum's name, graduation year, and email address.