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A Message from the Principal

Dear Friends of Central Catholic,

Recently, a task force from an all-boys Catholic high school in Houston visited Central Catholic as part of their project to identify “best practices” among other all-boys Catholic schools that had been identified as “schools of excellence.” The first question the visiting team asked me, “What are you most proud of at Central Catholic?” I was able to answer quickly and most sincerely. It is our fidelity to our founding mission. For almost nine decades, I told them, Central Catholic has never strayed from the inspirational vision of Saint John Baptist de La Salle that those pioneering 14 Christian Brothers brought with them to Pittsburgh back in 1927.

We know that it was Saint La Salle and his young Band of Brothers who pioneered simultaneous instruction, teaching children in the vernacular, and who introduced modern languages, arts, sciences, and vocational subjects into the traditional curriculum that was dominated by reading and writing. That spirit of educational innovation to meet modern needs continues to be operational at Central Catholic.

But what I believe to be the most significant founding principle of De La Salle, the one that has taken the deepest root at Central Catholic over the generations, is that he founded schools as Christian communities modeled on the communities of Brothers. In the history of the foundation of the Brothers, the most significant event occurred when the group of teachers helping De La Salle in the schools made the decision to move into community together and adopt the title Brother. The schools of Father De La Salle, they decided, were to be marked by a strong brotherhood and the community of Brothers was to model that. It was, some historians say, miraculous because those early schools were able to create this unique spirit of brotherhood in the midst of a very stratified society where the poor and working class were looked down upon and ignored. But in the Brothers’ schools, those divisions soon passed and all would come to see one another as Brothers. This was a practical, realistic implementation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

This gift (or charism) of the Holy Spirit that comes to us through De La Salle is tangibly alive at Central Catholic. It is, indeed, a Brotherhood of Extraordinary Gentlemen. Our Patron Saint must look down from heaven with satisfaction at Central Catholic where still today boys from all sorts of neighborhoods and socio-economic backgrounds grow up together strengthened by the bonds of a brotherhood that inspires them to be and do their best – to love God and neighbor. And it doesn’t end at graduation. Class reunions, weddings, baptisms, birthdays, and funerals, not to mention job searches, moving to a new city, and business partnerships are all times and occasions where this Central Catholic Brotherhood is evident. Secular-minded people might try and describe this as a network but as a Catholic faith community all of us who have experienced it know that it is way more than a network! It’s family.

The Christmas season reminds us of the importance of family. We recall the humble birth of the Son of God and with His birth the arrival of the Kingdom of God and our salvation. Each day at Central Catholic, we find our inspiration in this principle mystery of our Faith and your support is essential in our fulfilling this Mission.

For all your support in allowing this Brotherhood to continue for future generations, I am most sincerely grateful.

Merry Christmas!

Brother Bob

Brother Robert Schaefer, FSC
Principal



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The Class of 2019

For the 88th time, the doors of Central Catholic were opened to the next generation of Vikings. Just over 860 students, including more than 200 freshmen (pictured below), will call 4720 Fifth Avenue home this year.



Then and Now



Brother Eugene Edwin's homeroom, 1927



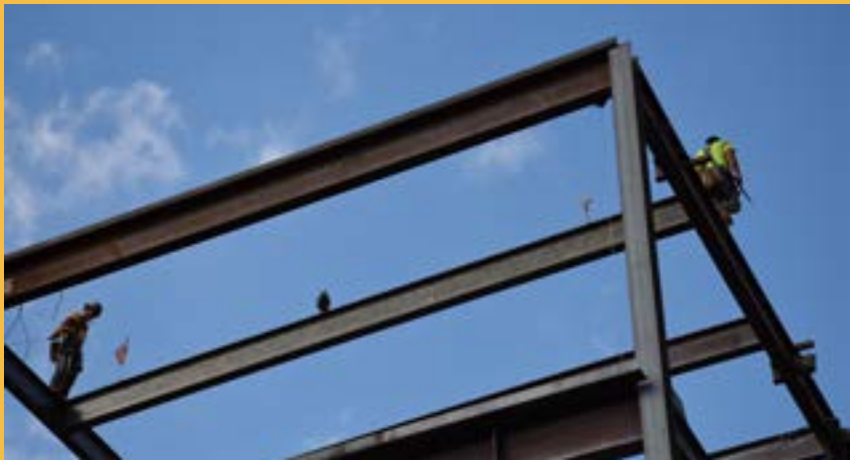
Brother Charles Huber's homeroom, 2015

STEM Building “Topped Off”

In building construction, topping off (sometimes referred to as topping out) is a builders’ rite traditionally held when the last beam is placed atop a structure.

On October 8, the final beam was put into place on the STEM building. The entire student body was invited to sign the beam that morning. The beam carried the traditional fir tree and American flag, along with a crucifix that the Christian Brothers added from their residence, and an icon of their founder, St. John Baptist de La Salle.

Construction continues at a steady pace. The concrete floors have been poured and crews are working to close up the building before winter arrives. The project is on schedule and will open in August 2016.



Watch the STEM building’s progress on Central’s live webcam at:
www.centralcatholics.com/webcam

Student Spotlight

Dreams of Opera Stardom



Colin Aikins, '18, sings many genres of music, but the 15-year-old from Vandergrift prefers Opera. Two years ago, he asked to take vocal lessons. His parents were skeptical, as no one from his family even knew that he could sing.

"I didn't really know I could sing. I'd sing

in my room so no one could hear me. When my voice changed when I was 13 or 14, I sang for my parents, they were pretty shocked."

Colin showed his parents that he could sing and sing well. He performed *Nessun Dorma*, an Italian song. His brothers were amused at the idea prior to the performance, laughing, "This should be good." Needless to say, the family was stunned. His parents were in tears. They didn't know that he could sing and they certainly didn't know that he could sing in Italian!

The voice that Colin projects when singing sounds more like that of a 30-year-old Opera singer than that of a teenager.

His gift impressed Maria Spacagna, Chair of the Vocal Music Department at Carnegie Mellon University, who immediately agreed to take Colin on as one of her students. He is the youngest student that she has ever

taught. Spacagna has performed in some of the most prestigious opera houses in the world, including the Metropolitan Opera, the New York City Opera, the Dallas Opera, Deutsche Opera, and Teatro la Scala.

This summer, Colin attended an opera camp hosted by the prestigious Julliard School in New York City and Voice Experience in Savannah, Georgia.

Colin performed solos of *Ideale* and *Mattinata*, both by Francesco Paolo Tosti at the Voice Experience concerts. He was also chosen to sing the solo in "Funiculi, Funicula" (Neopolitan Song) by Luigi Denza and Peppino Turco.

These experiences led Colin to be selected by opera great, Sherrill Milnes to have a master class and be

coached by the 50 year Metropolitan Opera baritone.

In spite of his achievements in opera, Colin continues to work very hard and is a very intense young man. He is a member of the Central Catholic Crew and is on the High Honor Roll.

The sophomore has performed several solos at Central's Christmas and Spring Choral concerts. Each of these performances brought his classmates to their feet. The student body

of Central Catholic recognizes talent, at all levels and specialties.

On September 11, following mass, Colin was asked to lead the students in singing, "God Bless America." Video of this performance is available online at: www.centralcatholic.com/GodBlessAmerica



Colin Aikins with Maria Spacagna, Chair of the Vocal Music Department at Carnegie Mellon University, and Sherrill Milnes, legendary Metropolitan Opera baritone, at the VOICE Experience



Colin recently competed in the Schmidt Youth Vocal Competition at the National Opera Center in New York City. He won the award for "Most Promising Sophomore" and went on to take first place in the contest, which is known as "The Nation's Premier Youth Vocal Competition." As a result, he was offered a scholarship to attend the Julliard Pre-College Program. His mother, Maria, said, "Unfortunately, the program is during the school year and Colin loves being a regular high school kid at Central!" Julliard will have to wait.

Student Technology Startup

Robert Mitchell, '16, is one of three teenage entrepreneurs collaborating on a technology startup called *emrj*, which helps high school students and

businesses connect for job shadowing opportunities. In February of this year, Robert and his colleagues participated in the Startup Weekend Education competition, an elite opportunity to pitch their concept—in 60 seconds—to potential investors, prospective teammates, and industry competitors. Although they were the youngest participants in the event, they were successful in communicating their vision. *emrj* received the most votes out of the 50 pitches

delivered, beating out presentations by college students, education professionals, and Ph.D.'s. As one of the top twelve finalists, Robert and his team were expected to create a Minimal Viable Product of their concept for a final pitch at the end of the weekend. They recruited feverishly that Saturday—high

school guidance counselors, education development professionals, and employers who were willing to entertain the idea of bringing in students for job

shadowing. The support and advice that the *emrj* team received from their extended group of partners made the weekend a huge success from a learning perspective. Unfortunately, their final presentation wasn't the winning one that Sunday.

Armed with a new appreciation for what it takes to run a business, Robert and his colleagues remain undaunted. They are poised to launch a beta version of *emrj*, anticipating that their inaugural

round of job shadowing will enhance their vision and business plan, and keep them on their trajectory to success. For more information on their work or how you can serve as a job shadowing host location, visit their website at www.emrj.co or email them at emrjteam@gmail.com.



Robert Mitchell, '16 (right), and his partners presenting at the Startup Weekend Education

CCHS Expands its Music Program

This fall, Central Catholic High School expanded its Performing Arts program. New course offerings include a String Ensemble and electives in Music Theory and Songwriting.

The String Ensemble is the latest of Central Catholic’s performance-based initiatives, which include the Marching and Concert Band, Blue Knights Jazz Band, Jazz Combo, Chamber Singers, and Concert Choir. These performance groups offered as classes give Central the most comprehensive and diverse music program of all Catholic high schools in the region.

With *The Campaign for Central Catholic: Together in Faith, Scholarship, and Service* and the construction of a new Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) building, it is easy to get caught up in the excitement that these areas generate. However, Central Catholic remains committed to its Lasallian identity of providing “education for all” with a strong focus on the humanities.

Mr. Joseph Wilson, Chair of the Performing Arts Department, said, “While we are focusing on STEM with the addition of a new facility, the administration is certainly not neglecting the arts. We continue to build a foundation in the Catholic tradition and an understanding of what it means to be human.”



The Central Catholic Marching Band performed at Kennywood Park’s Fall Fantasy Parade at the end of the summer.

During the parade, as well as at this year’s football games, the band featured the music of Elvis Presley.

Central Catholic Forensics Society

Tournament of Champions

In early September, at the Wake Forest University National Early Bird Tournament, seniors William McCarthy and Luke Wearden advanced to the quarterfinal round in policy debate – earning them a bid to the most prestigious debate tournament in the country, the Tournament of Champions (T.o.C.). This is the first time any Central Catholic student has earned a bid to the T.o.C., for which two bids in total are needed to attend.

More Success for Wearden & McCarthy

Wearden and McCarthy had another very successful weekend in late September at the Georgetown Day School Invitational in Washington, DC. Luke and Will made it to the final round in policy debate. Although the outcome of the tournament was not decided due to an issue with time constraints, their placement automatically guarantees them a second bid to the Tournament of Champions.

A Team Effort

The debate team had a successful Halloween weekend at the M&M Tournament at Penn State Erie, The

Behrend College. Neil Pandya, ’16 and Colin O’Neil, ’16, won first place in public forum debate, supported by the teams of Jimmy Hill, ’17 and Andrew Helgeson, ’16, in third and Dan Pistella, ’17 and Mike Floreak, ’17, in fifth place.



Luke Wearden, ’16 and William McCarthy, ’16, after finishing second at the 2015 National Catholic Forensic League’s Grand National Tournament in Fort Lauderdale, FL, over Memorial Day weekend

In Lincoln-Douglas debate, Central Catholic clinched the third and fifth places with Warren Sipe, ’18 and Michael Bushnell, ’18, respectively.

In extemporaneous speaking, Max Nowalk, ’17 placed fourth, while the sophomore team of John Wearden and Marco DiVito placed fifth in policy debate.

Due to our students’ outstanding performance, Central Catholic was awarded first place in the debate sweepstakes.

National Speech & Debate Association

This fall, the speech and debate program also earned significant recognition by the National Speech & Debate Association.

Students earn points and degrees in the honor society based on competitive and service-related activities.

Central Catholic ranked among the top 10% of schools nationwide and earned membership in the Association’s prestigious 100 Club.

Forensic Society Reunion

Saturday, April 16, 2016 from 7 – 10:30 p.m.
CCHS McGonigle Theater and McGinley Dining Hall

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The National Merit® Scholarship Program

Central Catholic senior, Jamison Beiriger was named a semifinalist in the 2016 National Merit® Scholarship Program. The semifinalists represent the top 16,000, or the 99.5 percentile, of the more than 1.5 million juniors who took the PSAT.

The National Merit® Scholarship Program is an academic competition for recognition and scholarships that began in 1955. High school students enter the National Merit Program by taking the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®) and by meeting published program entry/participation requirements. The test was taken during the junior year and the results were announced in September, during the students' senior year.

Additionally, 14 Central Catholic students were named Commended Students in the 2015 National Merit® Scholarship Program. These Commended Students placed among the top five percent.

- Sean Bailey
- Antonino Castellano
- Daniel Crawford
- Noah Donnenberg
- Daniel Fuscaldo
- Robert Kiernan
- Timothy Leisenring
- William McCarthy
- Connor McNeil
- Ryan Nguyen
- Matthew Pilewski
- Jeffrey Socash
- Creighton Tarrant
- Aidan Towsley

Row 1: Aidan Towsley, Noah Donnenberg. Row 2: Ryan Nguyen, Daniel Fuscaldo. Row 3: William McCarthy, Connor McNeil, Antonino Castellano, Daniel Crawford. Row 4: Jeffrey Socash, Jamison Beiriger, Sean Bailey. Row 5: Matthew Pilewski, Timothy Leisenring, Robert Kiernan. Missing from photo: Creighton Tarrant

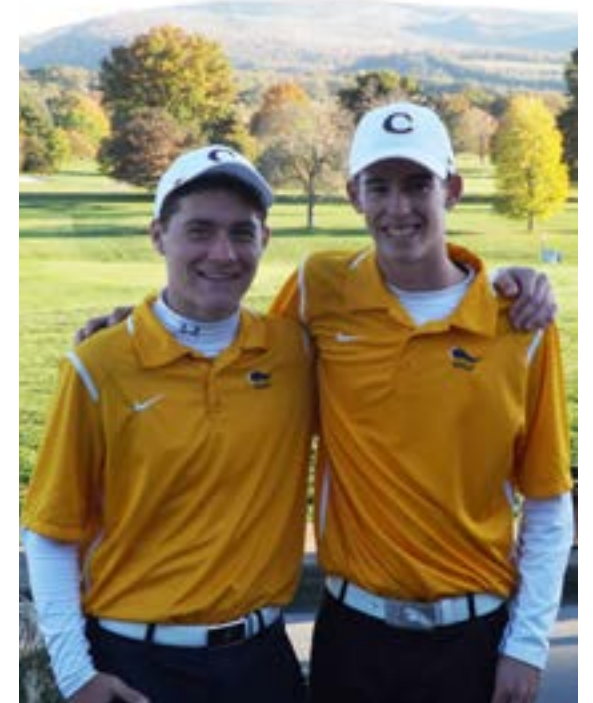
Athletics

Golf Team and Individual Success

The Viking Golf team put forth a great effort at the WPIAL Championship to cap off a terrific season. The team tallied a combined score of 400 at Cedarbrook Golf Course for a fourth place finish.

Dan Smith, '16 and Jimmy Meyers, '19, advanced to the PIAA Boys Golf State Finals by finishing in the top 14 at the WPIAL Championship.

The PIAA State Finals practice round was held amid snow, sleet, rain, and high winds, followed by windy, cold conditions the day of the match. Smith unfortunately didn't make the final cut, but the freshman Meyers did advance to the PIAA State Final Championship 2-day event. This high-level experience is sure to benefit him throughout his career as a Viking.



Baseball Service Project

On November 4, members of the baseball team presented a check for \$1,538 to Ms. Heidi Hess of the Autism Society of Pittsburgh. In April, the team conducted a wiffle ball tournament at Sunnyside Field in Morningside to raise this money as their spring service project.



College Football Recruiting

At the time of this publication, the Vikings are playing their best football of the season and are a strong contender in the WPIAL playoffs.

Damar Hamlin, '16, is the country's 14th rated cornerback and the 153rd overall prospect in the 247sports.com high school football rankings.

He has received a great deal of attention, including an invitation to "The Opening," an event showcasing some of the nation's top high school football players, at the Nike headquarters in Oregon.

The McKees Rocks native has traveled throughout the country over the last year; however, he has recently narrowed his list to four schools, all of which are fairly close to home. The schools are, in order that he posted, not necessarily his order of preference, Ohio State, Notre Dame, Penn State, and University of Pittsburgh.



Damar Hamlin, '16



The Class of 2016

Regarding the heavily recruited Damar Hamlin, Head Coach, Terry Totten, '76, said, "I don't know if there's been a more heavily recruited player at Central. I say that because I guess in Dan Marino's days, it was kept closer to the East Coast. Now, with things like Twitter, college camps, and national camps, recruiting has gone coast to coast. Schools come to see Hamlin, they get to see David Adams, '17, and then he's on their list. They see C.J. Thorpe, '16, check his transcripts, and then he's on their list."

As many as nine football players are expected to make NCAA Division I commitments on National Signing Day, Wednesday, February 3, 2016.

Six players have made verbal commitments to or have scholarship offers from schools in the five "power conferences" (ACC, Big 10, SEC, Pac-12 and Big 12). Three of those six –

Hamlin, C.J. Thorpe, and David Adams – are rated four-star recruits by one scouting service, which is unheard of for one team in the WPIAL. Additionally, several players are being recruited by the Mid-American Conference, Patriot League, and Ivy League schools.

Defensive Coordinator, Dave Fleming said, "I've been coaching here 15 years, and to be honest I have never seen a group anywhere like this. We're not used to USC coaches coming in our building, and UCLA making scholarship offers. We've had good players before, but this is a little different for us. It's not every day Auburn walks in your school and says they're looking at one of your tackles, linebacker, or cornerback."

Another player who is receiving plenty of those looks is Bricen Garner. The senior was selected to the 2016 U.S. Marine Corps Semper Fidelis All-American Bowl.



Bricen Garner, '16 and Captain James Psychogis

"The Monster" is No More

Central Catholic's field has always been surrounded by a wall of trees that sometimes made us feel as though we were a remote suburban campus, forgetting that Forbes Avenue and Carnegie Mellon University were only feet away. That illusion has been dispelled in the name of progress.

The hillside that Central's athletes once ran for conditioning will soon disappear as well and exist only in memories of especially grueling practices.

CMU's Tepper School of Business is constructing the Tepper Quad, which will border Central's field. It will be quite a change for our campus, but the positive impacts of greater interaction and learning with CMU will benefit Vikings for years to come.



Do you know a future Viking?

They can register online at:

www.centralcatholics.com/apply

Central Catholic Wrestling: The Early Years

by Bob Unetich, '64

Wrestling dates to the original Olympics in Greece, but it arrived at Central relatively recently. Our first wrestling team was organized in 1963, by the late Brother George Augustine. I was a junior that year and not feeling qualified to play any other sport at Central, I decided to give this sport a try.

I doubt that Brother Augustine was very experienced in the sport, but he was dedicated, serious, and hard working. He did all of the exercise drills along with us. Most practice sessions gave him an opportunity to bring us a new move on the mat. I have no idea where he learned these new moves, but we tried our best to follow the instructions.

I could see, as could the rest of the guys on the junior varsity, that our team was blessed that year with four excellent athletes. Bill Strathman was a weight lifter and all muscle at 165 pounds. The Ceradini twins had great agility, quickness, and on-the-mat sense. Their biggest problem was that they could not both wrestle at the same weight, so one brother, I think Joe, lost weight so that they could cover the 154 and 145 weight classifications. The other guy I recognized as a star was Pat Mullin and he was only a junior at the time. I think he was at 135 lbs and I recall that Pat went on to coach wrestling for his career. The varsity that year had other athletic guys as well, leaving some of us junior varsity guys in awe.

One interesting detail I recall is that we had no wrestling mats! Brother Augustine arranged for us to practice at the Jewish Y, a few blocks away, on some old cloth mats in a small upstairs room. I loved the experience, even though Bill, Nick, and Joe would clamp me to the floor and beat me every time we met on the mat. The rest of us “JVs” were juniors and sophomores and even freshmen. While we could all see that Bill, Nick and Joe were terrific, we also saw that they were all seniors and that our day would come.

It did! My summer goal, not fully realized, was to get stronger (not like Bill S., but with good strength and endurance). Pat was our best wrestler, but his weight meant that the rest of us had to fill up the upper weight classes. I planned to come back at the 154 pound weight class, but growth happens and I found myself pressing to even make weight at 163 lbs as the season arrived. I had a good friend and teammate who lived not too far from me, Brady Miller. Brady was my size, but he pushed himself to drop ten pounds to wrestle at 154. Another good friend, Tom Cerchiaro, who I think may have lived in “Sliberty,” held down the 175 pound slot and we band-of-brothers pressed on, but not without tragedy interfering. Brother Augustine never returned to Central that fall. Illness took his life. We were stunned. Brother Augustine had been the tough task-master, but one who never asked you to do more than he would do. He never raised his voice, but we knew when we let him down and we, the new varsity team, grieved.

I should also report that one friend and team member, Pat Rodgers, could not wrestle that year because he was injured in a diving accident, but he remained available to help with all match details. Thanks, Pat, in case I forgot to thank you long ago.

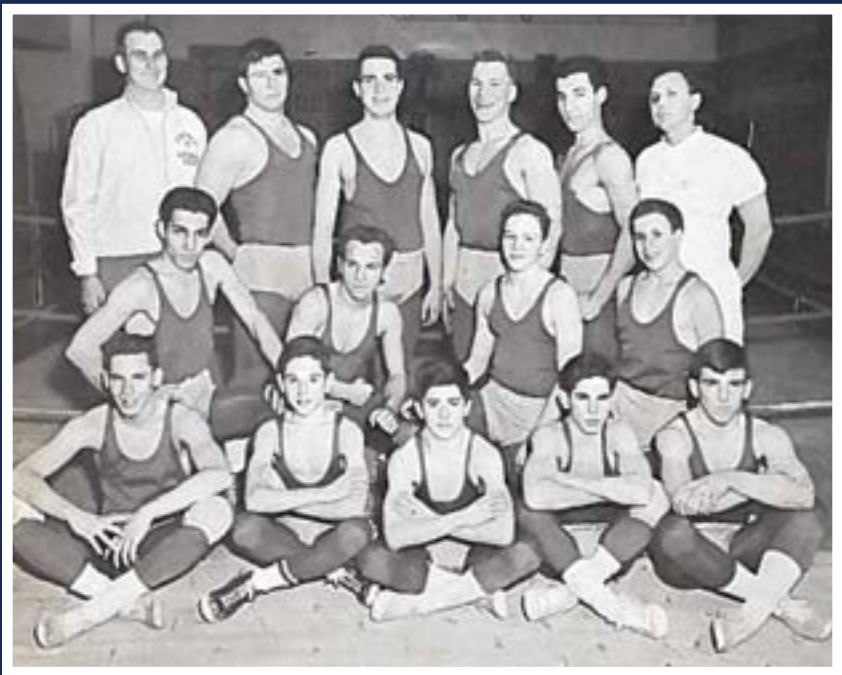


Bob Unetich urges Brady Miller's face toward the mat.

Most of you have probably heard of the legendary Mr. Wheeler. I could say much about his presence at Central, but he is a legend, so I will only say that Mr. Wheeler decided to step-up to being the wrestling coach—how hard could it be? Just get the guys in shape and have them wrestle each other every night! And that is what we did! We ran and ran and ran. On rainy nights, we ran the steps—up four floors and down four floors. I don't think Mr. Wheeler liked the walk to the Jewish Y so we set up some small mats in the gym—until the gym floor was damaged by a water leak. Then we unrolled our mats in the cafeteria—yep, we moved the tables and practiced in the same room most of you had lunch in.

I will tell you that I, and most guys at Central, had and still have great affection for Mr. Wheeler and his bombastic personality. With that said, Mr. Wheeler did not know wrestling. He figured that being in good condition would be enough so we ran and did endurance exercises. He liked us to do “neck raises”, where you lie on your back and raise yourself up on the top of your head and stayed there as long as you could—minutes. It did lead to a strong (and wide) neck, which I kind of liked. I can probably still do that move, although I might get hurt, so I won't try it. Anyway, we had a fun year. I recall that we only won a few team matches, but I managed to actually win a few matches with my limited wrestling skill. We still had some very good athletes, like Pat Mullin, Mike Herman, Herman Kumer, and others but we all had fun and we shared a great team spirit.

In those years, Central wrestled in the “Catholic League”, a strange name now that I think about it, but it meant that we frequently had matches at South Catholic and two other Catholic high schools that I don't recall. We added in matches against any team that Mr. Wheeler could get to agree to have us a guests—no mat, so no home matches! I was doing okay at 165 lbs, but there was a fellow at South Catholic who beat me thoroughly each time we met. Mr. Wheeler arranged for us to go to the State Championship (Catholic League, of course), where I was once again scheduled to wrestle my nemesis from South Catholic, and I expected him to take me out in the first round! I went



The 1963 Varsity Wrestling Team



Frank Goldcamp and Tom Schnorr lead a congratulatory parade of teammates to greet Joe Ceradini, '63.

along for the fun, but when I got there, I saw my SCHS opponent in a sling. He informed me had just broken his collarbone and that, my dear friends, is how I became runner up in the state of Pennsylvania at 165 pounds (Catholic League). Yes, I lost badly in the final match to some clone of the SCHS guy, but I was still able to accept the runner-up trophy!

That was the end of my wrestling career. As many of you have experienced, team members can become best of friends and while I have not seen or talked to the guys from '63 and '64 very much over the years, I recall them as fine fellows and I hope they have all had a great fifty-one years!

A Wrestling reunion is being planned for the spring. More information to come.

Lasallian Ministry

Lasallian Youth Assembly at Manhattan College

Over the summer, five Central Catholic students, Brother Charles Huber, FSC, '81, and Mr. Kyle Goldcamp, '04, visited New York City for the Lasallian Youth Assembly at Manhattan College.



Pope Francis' Visit to the United States

During the Pope's historic visit to the U.S., the entire student body gathered in McGonigle Theater to watch his address to Congress. A smaller group of students made the pilgrimage to the City of Brotherly Love, and Brother Bob's hometown, Philadelphia. Please see Callen Adomit's reflection on the trip on page 19.



Stand Down Pittsburgh

On September 26, students headed to Stage AE for Stand Down Pittsburgh 2015. The event is a day-long homeless Veterans Services fair. Local veterans were provided with breakfast, lunch, haircuts, clothing and supplies. The boys enjoyed giving back to those who have served our country.



Step Forward Parkinson Walk

Lasallian Ministry students showed up at the Highland Park Reservoir in late September to help fight Parkinson's Disease. The event was co-chaired by Gene Kail, '63, and featured a festival atmosphere with live music, food trucks, and a walk in support of the fight against PD.



A Brotherhood of Extraordinary Gentlemen

In the 2003 feature film, “The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen”, a team of stellar figures culled from great adventure literature is brought together for a common purpose.

At Central Catholic, we recognize that much like the action/science-fiction movie, we have established “A Brotherhood of Extraordinary Gentlemen”. Since the school’s inception in 1927, Central has brought together boys from different backgrounds and neighborhoods and helped them to develop into men of faith, scholarship, and service. It is this unique mission that connects everyone who has experienced our Brotherhood – for life.

In this issue, we have identified some of the ways that our alumni and students are extraordinary. This is by no means an exhaustive list, rather some recent highlights. We hope that you will share your news or pass along information about a member of our “Brotherhood of Extraordinary Gentlemen.”

As you read the following pages of the *Quadrangle*, we are confident that you will feel like Sean Connery’s character, Allan Quatermain, the world’s greatest adventurer, who remarked, “extraordinary gentlemen, indeed.”

Staley and Zupancic

The gentlemen featured on the cover of the *Quadrangle*, **John A. Staley IV, ’61**, and **Rudolph “Rudy” F. Zupancic, ’50**, have made transformational gifts in support of ***The Campaign for Central Catholic: Together in Faith, Scholarship, and Service***. Their stories serve as an excellent example and we know that the alumni, parents, and friends of Central Catholic will follow their lead in supporting this historic endeavor.

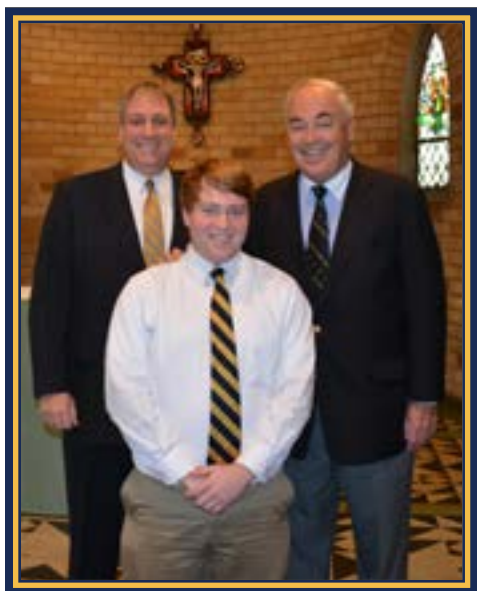


Extraordinary Leadership

John A. Staley IV, ’61, and his family have a very strong belief in and support of the guiding mission of Central Catholic. We are honored to have him serve as Chair of ***The Campaign for Central Catholic: Together in Faith, Scholarship, and Service***.

His substantial leadership gift, as well as his spearheading of the capital campaign and the fundraising efforts, will have a positive, long-term influence on the future of Central Catholic.

The campaign is yet another significant project Staley has led at Central. He and Brother Richard Grzeskiewicz were responsible for establishing the Endowment Fund, (including the Staley Family Fund) which provides tuition assistance to young men from varied economic backgrounds. Staley was also very involved in the effort to build Central’s gymnasium, Alumni Hall, in the 1970s.



John A. Staley V, ’84; John A. Staley IV, ’61; and John A. Staley VI, ’15

In addition to being a member of the Central Catholic Hall of Fame, John recently received notification about another very special Central Catholic honor. In recognition of his long-time support of Central Catholic and his commitment to financial accessibility for all students, the Central Catholic Brothers Community made the unanimous decision to petition their Superiors and request that he be awarded “Letters of Benefaction”, one of the highest recognitions that the Brothers can bestow upon someone who has worked in support of their mission over the years. The request was unanimously approved at the Superiors’ Council meeting.

The official description of “Benefactor” honor reads, “*The Institute of the Brothers of the Christian Schools is comprised of men who dedicate themselves to the Christian education of youth. This work, carried out by the Brothers for over 300 years, has always been aided by men and women, who while not members of the Institute, have given of their energies and talents to collaborate with the Brothers in fulfilling their mission. The Institute bestows upon the individual the title of Benefactor in virtue of which the honoree is officially proclaimed as one closely aligned with the Family of the Brothers of the Christian Schools.*” Staley will be presented with the official symbols of the Christian Brothers and a formal Diploma of Benefaction.

Staley has provided extraordinary service and exemplary leadership to Central Catholic High School. His generosity and hard work are responsible for the current success of Central’s capital campaign. He has inspired Central alumni and friends to support this historic endeavor and invites the entire community to join him in making the future of Central Catholic High School a reality.

“Please take a moment to think about how you and your family members have benefited from this extraordinary school; then consider joining me as a partner in the campaign. Your gift will uphold the excellence of an institution that has done so much for so many. As Central Catholic looks to the future and enhances its extraordinary learning opportunities for a diverse group of young men, I hope you will be there to support the Christian Brothers, the faculty, and administration.”

An Extraordinary Example

Central Catholic High School recently inducted an extraordinary gentleman, **Rudolph “Rudy” F. Zupancic, ’50**, into its prestigious Hall of Fame.

After the early death of his father, Rudy was raised by a single mother with limited financial means. While attending Central Catholic, the Parish Church at St. Mary’s Assumption in Lawrenceville provided Rudy’s tuition, but upon graduation there was no money for college.

With no opportunity to further his education, Rudy began working part-time for a local supermarket chain and was quickly promoted to become the youngest store manager at age 19. The store became the highest volume store in the chain, holding that distinction for many years. This was followed by Rudy’s promotion to district manager and then to vice president of retail operations. In 1982, when the chain sold its assets, Rudy secured a location in Lawrenceville, and opened a Shop ’N Save. He eventually added another. In 1986, Rudy sold those stores, acquired the Giant Eagle supermarket in Bridgeville and today owns a total of four highly successful Giant Eagle stores.



Rudolph F. Zupancic, ’50

The Lawrenceville native’s highly successful career in the supermarket industry has spanned more than 60 years. In recognition of his success, Rudy received the Pittsburgh Association of Manufacturers Representatives “Lifetime Achievement Award” in 1994, and in 2004 the same industry group named the entire Zupancic family “Retailers of the Year.”

While at Central, Rudy struggled with algebra and geometry, and it was suggested that he concentrate on business math instead. Rudy calls this his “best day” at Central. He attributes his success in the business world directly to Central Catholic.

In 2009, Zupancic created the Rudolph F. and Patricia K. Zupancic Family Fund in the Central Catholic Endowment, which will, in perpetuity, make a Central Catholic education available to young men with limited financial resources. He said, “When I got my education at Central, I didn’t realize just how valuable it was – and I went there for almost nothing. Now I’m in a position to help kids go there who might not otherwise be able to.”

In 2011, Central Catholic recognized Mr. Zupancic as a Distinguished Alumnus (Business). And on Tuesday, October 6, 2015, he was officially inducted into the Central Catholic High School Hall of Fame.

In recognition of Mr. Zupancic’s generous support of Central Catholic, the new Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) building that is currently under construction along S. Neville Street will be named the **Zupancic Family STEM Education Center**.

Do you know an Extraordinary Gentleman? Make your 2016 Central Catholic High School Hall of Fame Nomination

Name of Nominee: _____ Year of Graduation: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Submitted by	Year of Graduation	Telephone Number
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Please feel free to attach additional information about your nominee, such as: Academic Achievements, Career Achievements, Community / Religious Service, etc. Return the completed nomination form to:

Jeff Folino • Hall of Fame Committee
Central Catholic High School • 4720 Fifth Avenue • Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Serving at Duquesne University and the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes

Joe Ratay, '12, is in his senior year at Duquesne University as a Math major and will be President of the Duquesne University St. Vincent de Paul Society chapter again this year.

In keeping up with his commitment to volunteering at the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, Joe completed his sixth trip to France this summer. During mass with the Hospitalite De Notre Dame, he received the medal that he is wearing in the photograph on the right. This award is significant in many ways, and represents Joe’s dedication to the care of the sick in Lourdes under the mantle of Our Lady.



Lasallian Ministry and the Papal Visit

by **Callen Adomitis, '17**

Often, popular culture and the media seem intent on making young Catholics feel alone. It took only a few minutes in Philadelphia during Pope Francis' recent Pilgrimage to prove that our Catholic Family is strong and Christianity is alive and well!

It was a "once in a lifetime" opportunity to represent Central Catholic and our Lasallian Ministry with fifteen other Vikings at the World Meeting of Families. We were blessed to be led by Brother Bob, Philadelphia's original "Fresh Prince." Our home base was the luxurious basement floor of West Catholic High School. From there we tracked the visits of Pope Francis to Independence Hall, Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul, and the Papal Altar erected on the Benjamin Franklin Parkway. It was particularly meaningful that the Holy Father came to the Birthplace of America to celebrate and bless the everlasting birth of the family.

Following Pope Francis to Philadelphia were hundreds of thousands of Catholics from all over the world. Many sought guidance and inspiration to cope with the complexities of the world. None were disappointed by the Pope's simple reminder that we are all family. Although families experience difficulties, Pope Francis called them "Factories of Hope." He emphasized that doing little things in our daily lives to share this Hope conquers challenges in our families.

After three full days, our band of Vikes returned to Central physically tired. However, we also returned inspired and excited to share the Hope of Christ with our family in the Church, at home, at Central, on the football team, and with anyone in need of a reminder that they are not alone.



(l to r) Juniors Christian Romano, Nolan Saitta, and Callen Adomitis

Scott E. G. Brown, '11, was one of two students to receive the 2015 Charles Fish Honors Award from Western New England University for his freshman year. This award is presented to a student in the Honors Program who has demonstrated academic achievement and high regard for scholarship. Scott (WNEW 2018) was also awarded the Arts and Sciences Dean's Award for 2015. This award is presented to students who have the highest cumulative GPA after two semesters of full time study and demonstrate a high regard for scholarship. Scott is a goaltender for the WNEU Golden Bears NCAA men's ice hockey team. Last season, he received ECAC Northeast rookie of the week accolades and was named to the ECAC Northeast All-Rookie Team.



Westinghouse Science Honors Institute

This year, three Central Catholic juniors, **Noah Stickel**, **Nathan Vislosky**, and **Abid Mohideen**, were accepted into the Westinghouse Science Honors Institute (WSHI). The main goal of WSHI is to provide an opportunity for talented students to gain exposure to the latest news and advancements in science, technology, and engineering by attending seminars over a five-month period.

Noah, Nathan, and Abid are pictured here with Westinghouse nuclear engineer Catherine Perego. Catherine is a graduate of Oakland Catholic High School and obtained a degree in nuclear engineering from Pennsylvania State University. She presented "Nuclear Power Production" at the October 10 seminar.

Extraordinary Service

Duquesne University Honors Staley with the McAnulty Service Award

John A. Staley IV, '61, received Duquesne University's McAnulty Service Award at the school's Homecoming and Reunion Weekend on Oct. 9.

The award, named for Duquesne's 10th president, the Rev. Henry J. McAnulty, C.S.Sp., is the highest non-academic honor the University bestows upon its graduates. Eligibility is limited to members of the Century Club of Distinguished Duquesne Alumni. Staley, a member of the Century Club Class of 1983, is only the 25th recipient of this prestigious award.



Appalachia Trip Reflection

Luke Giannetta, '17, wrote the following reflection on his experiences during this summer's mission trip to Webster Springs, WV, with students from Central and Oakland Catholic High School.

My recent participation in the Appalachia Mission trip has opened my eyes to the joys of serving and helping those in need. The sense of accomplishment that followed a day of physical labor made all of the hard work worth it. Whether I was tearing down old drywall, putting up a ceiling, or sawing boards for a wheelchair ramp, I knew that all of my efforts were going towards improving the life of someone else. One moment that I will remember forever followed our completion of an 80-foot long wheelchair ramp for an elderly couple that lived well off of the beaten path. The terrain in front of the house was so rough that the woman living in the home, Peggy, had to be carried to her car in a chair by two of my classmates. After finishing the project on our final day of work, Peggy came outside to inspect our work. The look on her face upon seeing her new ramp instantly made all of the labor worthwhile. Similarly, inspecting the differences that our drywalling and plastering had made all of the work fulfilling.

Another aspect of the trip that I enjoyed was the sense of brotherhood that I developed while spending a week of service with my classmates. It was inspiring to see men and women on the same mission. During the workday, I was motivated to work even harder by all of my peers around me. After the workday, it was neat to befriend both classmates that I otherwise wouldn't have had the chance to spend time with, as well as local people that lived in Webster Springs. Basketball games at the local park provided a unique opportunity to meet local kids and learn about their lives.

Overall, the 2015 mission trip was an extremely positive experience for me. Not only did it provide me with a sense of accomplishment in what I've already done; it inspired me to perform even more service like this in the future. My only regret is that I didn't participate in service opportunities like these before this year.



Luke Giannetta (right) works alongside Tom Ayoob, '16



Academic Support

by Bobby Kiernan, '16

Central Catholic High School is fundamentally special because of the sense of community felt amongst the student body. Central certainly achieves its fair share of academic, athletic, and service success, accomplishments that should by no means go unnoticed. Other high schools are capable of reaching such goals; however, the brotherhood developed during the four years walking these halls simply cannot be duplicated. The friendship and support existing between students transcends grade level, academic ability, and identity. One essential element of being a “brother” is the ability to help a fellow student whenever possible, as well as having the confidence to ask for help when you yourself are struggling. This core value of Lasallian educational tradition has been formally implemented into the Central Catholic community with the conception of the Academic Support Program, and furthermore with the Bishop McDowell Program.

One mission of Central Catholic is to challenge the minds of students in order to give young men the skills to reach their fullest potential. Acquisition of these skills is the result of a tremendous amount of perseverance; the path of intellectual advancement often is one riddled with obstacles that can appear insurmountable at first. The breaking down of academic barriers is not a process that must be done alone, and the ability to ask for help is really the hallmark of a mature and committed student. When students begin to struggle in a class, they are encouraged to take advantage of the Academic Support Program. This program, operating under the guidance of Mrs. Mary Ann Lynch, serves as a consistent aid to students of all grade levels and abilities. Making the transition from grade school to high school (especially to a high caliber college preparatory high school such as Central Catholic) can be a big step for some students, and understandably so. For this reason, the Academic Support Program is utilized most regularly by freshmen who need to develop an understanding of how high school works. The pace of the high school curriculum is typically much more rigorous than that of



Bobby Kiernan, '16 tutoring Brendon Stead, '17

middle school, so extra opportunity to learn material is undoubtedly helpful for new students.

The Academic Support Program is in no way exclusive to freshmen and in fact hosts dozens of upperclassmen on a daily basis. The program, located in the Brother Richard Center, hosts freshmen tackling Algebra I, as well as seniors struggling through AP Calculus, proof that there are truly no bounds to the peer support system at Central Catholic. For students who require a more encompassing support program, the Bishop McDowell Program exists to facilitate a student who has exhibited some form of learning difficulty or difference, yet is sincerely interested in attending Central Catholic and taking responsibility for the educational process. A Central Catholic education should be available to any prospective student who is desirous of becoming a man of faith, scholarship, and service. This principle is instrumental to the mission of the Bishop McDowell Program, which not only strives to help students understand topics that are covered in the classroom, but also teaches organizational skills, learning strategies, and how to effectively manage time. The Academic Support Program, open to all Central students, is a key asset to the school because it helps to stimulate the ever-important brotherhood that makes this community unique.

As a member of the National Honor Society and an active tutor, I can confidently say that that the Academic Support Program is an invaluable resource for Central Catholic. The program is important because it provides struggling students with the appropriate help needed for achieving success in the classroom. It also functions to form the brotherhood that is

essential to the Central experience. As a tutor, I have attempted to teach class material and useful studying techniques as well. This type of mentoring is not unique to Central. What is unique is the genuine bond that I have formed with the students I tutor, existing far outside the bounds of simply helping out with a math problem. I have learned just as much from them as they have learned from me, an educational experience that I did not expect four years ago when choosing to attend Central Catholic. I have learned the importance

of patience, empathy, and understanding by simply helping the person next to me to the best of my ability. I really believe that this is what Central is all about. The Academic Support Program is fundamental to the framework of the Central Catholic community not only because it promotes excellent academic habits, but also because it helps to establish a brotherhood between all students regardless of race, ethnicity, intellectual ability, economic background, or home neighborhood, a hallmark of the school's experience.

Alumni Faculty & Staff

More than 30 Central Catholic graduates come to work each morning at 4720 Fifth Avenue.



Row 1: Kevin Sweeney, '72; Br. Kevin Dalmasse, FSC, '77; Vincent Ciaramella, '71; David Wick, '00; Harry Tuminello, '64; Br. Raymond Bronowicz, FSC, '47; Jeff Folino, '75; Brother Charles Huber, FSC, '81; Gregory Thomas, '05
Row 2: Phil DiRenzo, '04; Justin O'Connor, '10; Phil Bohn, '09; Bill Lloyd, '64; Matthew Sudnik, '01; Glenn Campbell, '71; Eric Starkowicz, '95
Row 3: Jim Donahue, '03; Mark Krotec, '73; John Stone, '99; Steven Bezila, '99; Kristóf Olvái, '11; Mark Burnett, '00
Row 4: Devin Crummie, '97; Ed Dubis, '01; Kurt Retenauer, '08; Rick Capretta, '82
Row 5: Sean Crummie, '98; Tim McCarthy, '67; Armand Buzzezzelli, '74; Kyle Goldcamp, '04; Terry Totten, '76



Missing from the original photo:

Row 1: Anthony Didiano, '08; Michael Traficante, '70 **Row 2:** Br. Mark Lowery, '55; Regis Visconti Jr., '08; Tim McVeagh, '73

Building Bridges: Worldwide and back to Central

Nick Greco, '95, is Chief Engineer–East for American Bridge Company, a construction company whose projects include a significant portion of the world's largest bridges, marine installations, and other complex structures.

The 1995 Class President started in the construction industry in 2000, and has extensive experience in construction engineering and planning of large and complex projects such as the Las Vegas High Roller (Las Vegas, NV), the San Francisco/Oakland Bay Bridge Self-Anchored-Suspension Superstructure, the Woodrow Wilson Bridge Bascule Spans (Washington, D.C.), the Puerto Rico Convention Center in San Juan, the San Diego Padres Baseball Stadium (Petco Park), and the Gateway Boulevard Bridge over Cumberland River (Nashville, Tennessee).

He is currently responsible for design development and erection means and methods for various American Bridge Company construction projects. He has attained considerable and varied knowledge throughout his career from holding the positions of intern, field engineer, and project engineer, most notably in construction staged analysis and structural steel design. Nick has been published in the ASCE Journal of Structural Engineering, holds a Master's and Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Pittsburgh and is affiliated with the American Institute of Steel Construction and the American Society of Civil Engineers.

Nick's career highlight was working on the new San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge East Span Self Anchored Suspension Bridge. In 1989, the powerful

Loma Prieta earthquake collapsed a section of the East span of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge. Although the bridge was quickly repaired, the event prompted Caltrans to pursue a replacement that would meet current seismic standards. Running from Yerba Buena Island to Oakland, the new structure features a self-anchored, single-tower suspension span across the shipping channel, then transitions to a graceful skyway. With its tower that rises 525 feet above the water and asymmetrical profile, the new bridge has become a distinctive landmark for the San Francisco Bay Area.

Nick was the American Bridge/Fluor Joint Venture engineering team leader of the group that engineered the means and methods of construction for the 525ft Tower structure including the design of and engineered concepts for all temporary works, rigging for weights up to 1,100 tonnes, material barge storage plans, and erection aids for all permanent material.

According to Nick, if it weren't for the math and science courses at Central, he wouldn't be where he is today. He credits his success to Central and is thrilled about the direction of the school's program.

He said, "I was ecstatic when I heard that Central Catholic was expanding the campus with a new building dedicated to STEM. Central gave me the foundation to pursue my career in engineering by giving me the best high school education available and teaching me to be a gentleman. There is no doubt I wouldn't be where I am today without the Central Catholic community. I couldn't be prouder to financially support The Campaign for Central Catholic and help more young men's life aspirations come true."



Nick Greco, '95, and the San Francisco/Oakland Bay Bridge

STEM Construction: Classroom Principles in Practice

Brother Eric Henderson, FSC, has been utilizing the construction of the new STEM building to demonstrate practical science applications. The jobsite's engineering and related principles are allowing students to see science in action and gets them excited to learn more. Brother Eric has always used labs as a way of rewarding his classes, but this year all levels of chemistry and engineering are getting mini field trips to the parking lot to experience real world applications of these fields.

When the student body was given the opportunity to sign the final steel beam before it was put into place (more photos on page 3), Br. Eric's students spent a little extra time examining the steel. They learned that it would flex in one direction, but not in the other. They were very interested in the concepts of strength versus flex and will soon do experiments in the lab to demonstrate things that can be done to steel to strengthen it versus leaving it malleable.

The steel erection was also a great opportunity to emphasize the importance of extremely accurate measurements. The students were able to see first hand how important it is to set orientation points for the bolt and beam placement. If the measurements are not precise, the building will be off.

Project Manager, Joe Brennan and Superintendent, Bill Leary, '75, also talked to the students about how concrete is tested and put under compression to make sure that it won't buckle or crack.

Later this year, Br. Eric will set up a lab where the students will have to figure out what to put in their concrete mixture to make it stronger and conduct testing to see what works best.

Mr. Bob Leonard (featured on page 31) and Brother Anthony Baginski, FSC, also brought their classes to the jobsite while the steel was being erected. The use of the crane and the steel strength is of particular interest to their students, as they will be designing and constructing bridges later this year in their engineering courses.



Each of the students pictured from the Class of 2019 had a father or grandfather (sometimes both) who graduated from Central Catholic, creating a “legacy” for them. Often, there are also brothers who are alumni.

Missing from the original photo:
Row 1: Harry Knipp, Sean Knipp
Row 2: Pat Knipp, Mike Knipp



Row 1: Thomas Richardson, Thomas Richardson, Thomas Richardson, Vincent Tassari, Patrick Wallace, William Sproule

Row 2: Joe Pullano; James Meyers, Michael Fantini, Carmine Fantini, Oscar Shaver, James Shaver, Jerome DeRiso, Michael D'Acunto, Michael D'Acunto, Conor Admas, Patrick Tassari, Connor Sweeney, Anthony Costa, Domenic Costa, Brian Sproule, William Sproule

Row 3: James Meyers, Anthony Purdue, Richard Tumulo, Thomas Farrell, Thomas Farrell; Thomas Walsh, John Walsh, Joseph Adams; Don Kline; Robert Kline; Simon Sweeney; Doug Sweeney; Louis Judson; Gavin Gurreri-Judson

Row 4: Gavin Rapp, Keith Morris, Colin McSteen, Michael McSteen, Frank McSteen, Daniel Sweeney, Michael Byrne

Row 5: F.J. Lucchino, Kieran Rapp, Cary Lucchino, John Szczypinski, John Szczypinski, Jacob Bon, John Bon, Marko DePasquale, John DePasquale, Nicholas Pietrone, Dennis Pietrone, Michael Byrne

Summer in Turkey

by Mr. Matthew Sudnik, '01,
Director of the Baginski Scholars Program

For two weeks in the middle of summer 2015, I had the opportunity to travel to Turkey with 25 other teachers on a study tour sponsored by the Turkish Cultural Foundation and the World Affairs Councils of America. Mr. John Allen, a new member of the Central Catholic Religion faculty, was also a participant on this trip. The Turkish Cultural Foundation's goal for this study tour is to promote the image of Turkey as a country rich in history and culture. The itinerary covered many topics that are central to the teaching of World History, World Literature, and Human Geography. We spent three days in Istanbul, touring Hagia Sophia, Süleymaniye Mosque, and Topkapı Palace as well as studying the history of the Ottoman sultans. After leaving Istanbul, we traveled to a new city each day for the next ten days. We crossed the Dardanelles on a car and passenger ferry to visit the

military cemetery at Gallipoli. We toured the ruins of the ancient cities of Troy, Ephesus, and Pergamon. We met with Turkish artists and attended a performance of shadow puppet theater. For me, the most memorable point was our visit to the ancient churches and

catacombs of Cappadocia, where Christians of the 3rd century built churches and monasteries inside large rock formations. Preserved within these cave churches are ancient frescos, painted icons of Christ and the first saints of the Church.

Aside from taking a magnificent trip, I am returning to my classes with new academic resources. My juniors are currently reading poems by the Turkish writer Nazim Hikmet. The freshmen in AP Human Geography are beginning to discuss the cultural, historical, and political implications of Turkey's location at the crossroads of Europe and Asia. Having participated in many summer study tours over the past eight years, I feel incredibly fortunate to have had these opportunities to travel as

a teacher, meet educators from other parts of the U.S. and the world, and bring new ideas and distant places back to my classroom at Central Catholic.



Pamukkale



The rock formations of Cappadocia

Over the past few years, Central Catholic has welcomed large classes of new teachers due to the retirements of long-time faculty members. For the 2015-16 school year, our new faculty members include: Mr. John Allen; Mr. Steven Bezila, '99; Mr. Phil Bohn, '09; Mr. Nathaniel Ferrer; Mr. William Hoss; Mr. James Lederach; Mr. Bob Leonard; Mrs. Kelly Maxwell; Mr. Justin O'Connor, '10; Mr. Kristóf Oltvai, '11; Mr. Kurt Retenauer, '08; Mr. Michael Sheridan; and Mrs. Cassie Sirockman-Bell.

In this issue, we focus on two men who bring unique backgrounds and experiences to Central.

Mr. Nathaniel Ferrer

Math/Engineering Teacher

Cleveland native, Nathaniel Ferrer met his wife, Rebecca, from Bethel Park, just a few hundred yards from Central Catholic while they were students at Carnegie Mellon University. While his path from Carnegie Mellon to Central was not as direct as you might expect, it is a non-traditional one that has proven to benefit our students.

After earning his B.S. in Business Administration (Manufacturing Management) from CMU in 2003, Mr. Ferrer served six years as a Submarine Officer in the U.S. Navy. During his time in the submarine force, he provided training to young sailors in naval nuclear power and to submarine operations. While stationed at the Old Dominion University, he taught Naval Ship Systems courses to college freshman and sophomores, while also completing his Master's in Engineering Management. He also tutored Navy students in calculus and physics to prepare them for the Navy's nuclear power program. Mr. Ferrer spent four years working at the U.S. Nuclear

Regulatory Commission, earning valuable engineering related experience.

Mr. Ferrer then earned Master of Arts in Teaching from the and began teaching in the Montgomery County Public School District in Maryland. He recently moved back to the Pittsburgh area to be closer to

family. He has a strong background in engineering and sciences along with a passion for teaching and mentoring students, and he joins Central Catholic to teach Mathematics and Computer Design.

"Central Catholic is a great place to teach and a great environment for students. The new STEM building

and the opportunities that it will present was a very appealing reason for coming here. Being able to develop things from the ground floor was a big incentive."

"I think that my non-traditional background allows me to bring a different perspective to teaching."



Mr. Bob Leonard

Honors and AP Physics Teacher

After receiving his bachelor’s degree in Physics and Math from West Virginia University, Mr. Leonard began work on his Ph.D. at the University of Virginia. He was working as a teaching assistant at UVA and headed in the direction of being a professor, when he realized that that path might not be the perfect match for his skills.

“I felt like professors spent most of their time in labs and writing research papers. I wanted a more hands-on, small group experience where I could really focus on teaching.”

He thought of quitting the program in his third or fourth year to pursue teaching. However, the university didn’t want him to go, so they provided him with an option to do both his Ph.D. work and to teach. Mr. Leonard began working at a local high school that had previously only offered AP Physics as an online course. He taught that class for three years and completed his Ph.D. studies. He is currently finishing his dissertation for his Doctorate.



Once his work at UVA was completed, he began looking for full-time employment as a teacher, somewhere that he could work with small classes and really make a difference.

Bob was born in Pittsburgh and grew up in West Virginia. He chose to return to the Steel City for a number of reasons, including its proximity to WV and the fact that he has a lot of extended family in the area.

When he discovered Central Catholic, he became very interested. “I remember looking at the school calendar and seeing ‘Welcome Mass & Picnic.’ I immediately realized that this was a true community, something that I hadn’t experienced previously in other academic environments. The more I read, the more I realized that this was a place where I could establish roots and become a part of this community.”

“Central’s investment in STEM was also something that excited me. This is a place that is taking STEM curriculum seriously and will have the resources to offer a really strong program in physics. You want to be able to do a good job, work to the best of your ability, and not be held back by a lack of resources.”



Central Catholic High School: A Day in the Life
Students put on GoPro cameras to record a typical day at 4720 Fifth Ave. Watch the video at: www.centralcatholicshs.com/adayinthelife

The Campaign for Central Catholic: Together in Faith, Scholarship, and Service

As of October 30, *The Campaign for Central Catholic: Together in Faith, Scholarship, and Service* surpassed the \$25 million mark, with a total of \$25,365,374 in gifts and pledges raised. The goal for endowment has already been surpassed, with \$13.1 million raised against the initial target of \$10 million—emphatically underscoring alumni and donor commitment to the founding mission of the Christian Brothers.

“We are inspired by the response of those who have given to the campaign so far, and for the overwhelming support of our endowment for tuition assistance,” Brother Bob Schaefer, Principal, shared. “Every dollar gifted in support of financial aid brings us closer to closing the gap between student financial need and funds available for scholarship assistance. This will help ensure that the student body will continue to be made up of a diverse community of young men continuing the traditions of Central Catholic.”

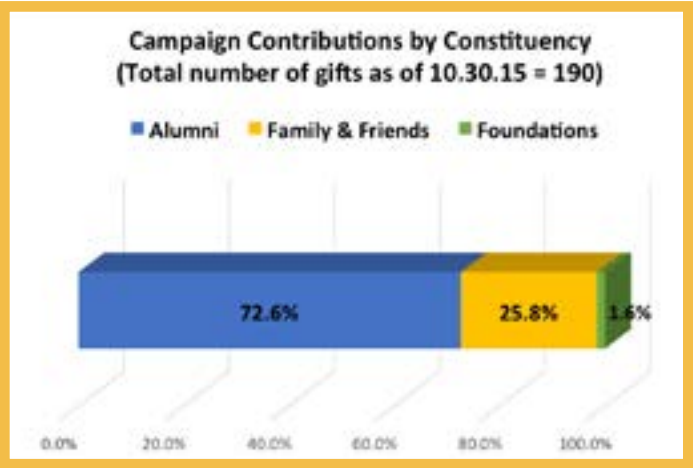
In order to fully realize the vision of the campaign, another \$5.1 million needs to be raised to complete funding for construction on the new STEM facility (at 80.6% of the \$12 million goal) and upgrades and renovations to the main building (at 43.2% of the \$5 million goal).



Brother Bob has been sharing the campaign message during alumni and donor gatherings in Pittsburgh and across the country: “God in His Providence has given us our mission, but He isn’t going to come down here and build the building! It is up to us to make that happen. We are asking all of our graduates to think about making an historic gift to this first major campaign endeavor in our history.”

A total of 190 donors participated in giving to the campaign through October 30, the largest number being alumni. There has also been strong support from current and past family and friends, along with several significant donations from foundations.

“Over the past two fiscal years, we have averaged 7.8% participation by alumni in giving to Central. We aren’t quite there yet for the capital campaign,” Brother Bob explained. “I am certain that as more alumni reflect on their Central experience, consider the impact Central has made in their lives, and thoughtfully review the campaign information we are sharing, we will see the increase in giving we need—the alumni support that is essential—to close out this historic campaign with an exclamation point.”





For more information about *The Campaign for Central Catholic*, please visit:

www.centralcatholichs.com/campaign

To discuss a campaign gift or pledge, please contact Patricia Maurer, Executive Director for Institutional Advancement, at 412.208.3401 or pmaurer@centralcatholichs.com.

“Why I Give”



Conor Lamb, '02 – Alumnus, Volunteer, Donor

Early this year, I contacted Brother Bob about getting local, young alumni together. A lot of us stayed in Pittsburgh or came back after college. And there's a lot we can do – for fun and to help Central.

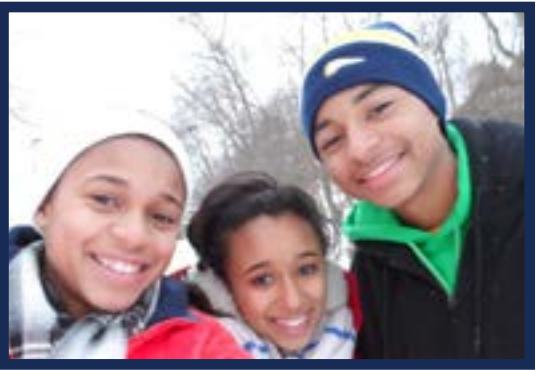
In March, we hosted a St. Patrick's Day fundraiser at the Harp and Fiddle in the Strip. There was a \$25 cover charge and we got almost everything donated. Guaranteed Irish performed, we had great beer specials, and there was a small silent auction. We raised almost \$4,000, all for the Brother Richard Grzeskiewicz fund for tuition assistance. We

all agreed that we wanted the money to go to scholarships. So many of us had help with tuition, it just made sense to support that part of the campaign.

[To volunteer or get involved with alumni activities in Pittsburgh or regionally, please contact Jeff Folino at 412.208.3488 or jfolino@centralcatholichs.com.]

Emmanuel Key – Parent, Auction Volunteer, Donor

My son, Emmanuel, is a senior now. I enjoy being involved because Emmanuel is having a great experience at Central Catholic High School. He's the president of Student Council. He participated in track & field as a hurdler before his love of the arts took over. He performs with the Masque and the liturgical choir, and writes for the Harlequin. I feel it's important to be involved with the school, especially with regard to fundraising. This type of support makes it possible for CCHS to continue to offer not only outstanding academic programs, but also enriching extracurricular opportunities for our sons.



The Key children

Last year was the first year I volunteered for the Auction. I chaired the Art section, which we're expanding this year to include Antiques as well. My wife and I teach our children about the importance of philanthropy and service to others. The best way to teach these lessons is by doing it ourselves and leading by example. Service is something we're called to do as Christians and supporting CCHS is an opportunity for us to fulfill that requirement.

[To volunteer for the Auction, contact Mark Burnett, '00 at 412.208.3443 or mburnett@centralcatholichs.com.]

“Why I Give” *(continued)*

Amy Bozzone – Parent, Campaign Volunteer, Donor
The Campaign for Central Catholic: Together in Faith, Scholarship, and Service is a statement. It is a statement that reflects our commitment to our current and future students, who will benefit from a larger pool of funds for tuition assistance and through access to top-notch equipment and facilities. It is a testament to the work of the Christian Brothers, who have remained singularly dedicated to the mission of Catholic Christian education for almost 90 years now [in Pittsburgh]. And it's a visual, tangible promise to our Church and to the City of Pittsburgh that Central will remain part of the great fabric of educational excellence in Oakland, to serve especially the boys from the traditional neighborhoods.

Everyone who makes a gift to the Campaign underscores our commitment. Each alumnus who participates in reunions or regional events witnesses to the significance and enduring legacy of the Central brotherhood. Every volunteer who shares their time and talent reinforces our promise.



Jared, '17, Amy, and Mark Bozzone



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BUILD ON OUR LEGACY

SAVE THE DATE

27th Annual Viking Victory Auction

April 30, 2016

Chairs: Gloria & Gabe Hudock, P'11 & '18

This year we are bringing the auction home to campus! From hardhat tours of our new STEM building, to Mass in the McGonigle Theater, to an amazing dinner prepared by the Duquesne Club and served in a tent under the stars, this year promises to be an event to remember!

Look for more information after the first of the year.

During the season of giving, don't forget to make your annual contribution to Central Catholic.

Traditional Gift Options

- **Mail:** Make your check payable to **Central Catholic High School** and send your donation to:

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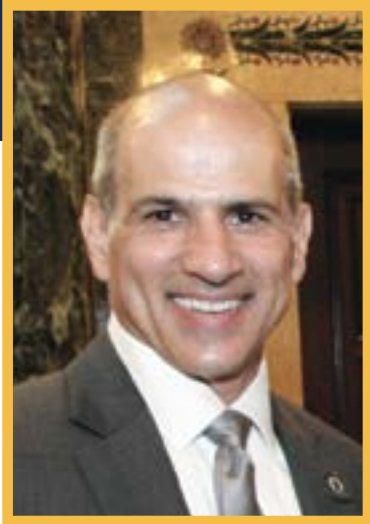
Planned Gift Options

- **Want to make a gift, but you're worried about having enough income long-term?** You don't have to choose between your financial security and supporting Central. You can do both with a **Charitable Gift Annuity**. You receive fixed income for life, can earn tax benefits like a federal income tax charitable deduction, and ensure future financial support for Central.
- **Starting to receive Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs) from your retirement accounts that you don't need yet?** Consider contributing all or a portion of your RMD to Central. In many instances, donating all or a portion of your RMD can lower your tax bracket, having a positive impact on your tax burden for the year. Depending on how you structure your RMD gift, it can have immediate and long-term benefits.
- **Want to make a gift, but you're worried about leaving enough money for your children or grandchildren?** You don't have to choose between your family's future financial security and supporting Central. You can do both with a **Wealth Replacement Trust (WRT)**. With proper planning, you can make a charitable gift to Central, and use a WRT to replace donated assets and help you address other issues like estate erosion from estate and/or income taxes.

You can make a gift to Central, protect your income/assets, and maximize potential tax benefits all at the same time. Call Patricia Maurer, Executive Director for Institutional Advancement, at 412.208.3401, for more information.

We remain deeply grateful for the outstanding, loyal support of our community, which allows us to provide \$1.5 million of tuition assistance annually and to uphold Central's long tradition of excellence.

A Message from Alumni Relations



Jeff Folino, '75
Director of Alumni Relations

Viking alumni know that the reunions are full of reminiscing, telling stories about one another, the Brothers, faculty, coaches... and always laughter. That is why they are successful. But they are also filled with some serious discussions and inquiries that often lead to a near interrogation. Especially if there is any type of information out there that does not suit them.

At a recent reunion an alumnus stepped in front of me. I immediately knew it wasn't good so I braced myself.

"....just told me that he thinks Central needs to change who we are and we should take only the highest caliber student and those who can pay their way. That better not be true."

I gave all the assurances I could give that that was a falsehood. Throughout the evening I continued to be confronted and asked for further guarantees. One man told me he heard that Central won't be in existence in ten years if we don't make those changes. And does that also mean having to go co-ed?

When I returned to my office there were three long messages on my answering machine pertaining to the same claims and a number of emails as well. They have subsided over the last weeks but not the effect they had on me.

Can a Central man, and I mean a *true* Central man, believe that Central would change its mission? After talking to as many alumni that I came across since that evening I know one thing for certain: Central is far from reaching its dusk. The new STEM building is evidence of that. And the attention that this campaign has garnered from alumni is another indication.

Young men continue to enter Central, in a sense, to take on their own self-overcoming. And by that I don't mean "service." Central was founded to educate the poor. The Christian Brothers laid a foundation that has not weakened through all the dogma we hear about education. As we experienced, it was/is simple – provide instruction, guidance, and then, get out of the way. Central has always, since 1927, given up part of what they have to talented young men, often poor, so that they have more than what they started with. And those young men seldom forget. And Central men know what I mean by this.

Since I was asked for assurances, I can only offer this - Central continues to prove that it has not lost its authority, or its legitimacy in the education arena. And continues to have young men full of resilience, self-reliance, independence of spirit, genuine curiosity, creativity, and a willingness to take risks and make mistakes. And we have always had our share of intellectual elites. I enjoy when I see some intellectual troublemakers too. We had them when I went to Central which added to our days. I am sure they had them before and after me as well. And Central never hesitated to reward them either. Central likes the assortment of young men that walk under these arches and has no intention of changing its makeup for any reason.

When questioned as I was, what comes to mind is a line from *Jude the Obscure* by Thomas Hardy: "*All the little ones of our time are collectively the children of us adults of the time, and entitled to our general care.*"

To me, that sounds very much like John Baptist De La Salle when he said the following:

"Take even more care of the education of the young people entrusted to you than if they were the children of a king."

"To be entrusted with the teaching of the young is a great gift and grace of God."

Those requisites have never changed since 1927. Why would they now?

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Class of
1950



Class of
1960



Class of
1965



Class of
1970

Class of
1975



Class of
1985



Class of
1980



Class of
1990

Class of 1995



Class of 2005



Classes ending in “1” or “6” should begin planning to meet after the first of the year to start the process of organizing their reunion. For more information, contact Jeff Folino, '75, Director of Alumni Relations, at 412.208.3488 or jfolino@centralcatholics.com.

Baseball and Wrestling reunions are being planned. More information will be available in the spring.

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Central Catholic Alumni from the 1950s through the 2010s had plenty of fun and camaraderie at the 23rd annual Central Catholic Lettermen's Club Golf Outing.

After a cookout-style lunch hosted by Lettermen's Club board member Max Beier, '92, nearly 100 golfers shook off a rainy start to put their driving and putting skills to test at Edgewood Country Club.

Taking first place in the Gross Division was the team of Max Beier, Bart Beier, Pat Rice, '00, and Jason Ott, '02. The team of Matt Smith, Mike Preston, Scott Vice, and Bill Leary, '75 took first place in the Callaway Division.

For the second time in the last three outings, Rice won the ever popular putting contest. For his efforts, Rice took home an HD television.

The golfers that won closest to the pin contests were: Max Beier on hole #3; Declan Gilbert on hole #5; Jim Meyers, '88, on hole #12 and Dave Mehalick on hole #14. The winner of the longest drive on hole #18 was Jeff McKee.

The real winners at the golf outing were the student-athletes that the Lettermen's Club supports throughout the year. Some of the items that the club has contributed to this past year include warmup gear for the soccer team and oars for the crew team.

“Thanks to our members and supporters, this year's golf outing once again helped raise funds to support

the Viking sports teams, as well as an opportunity for Vikings from the graduating classes of the 1950's, 1960's, 1970's, 1980's, 1990's, 2000's, and 2010's to get together and share stories from their playing days,” said club president, Rob Lovett, '93. “It was great to see that no matter the generation of Viking, all were united in their fond memories of Central Catholic.”

After golfing concluded, everyone enjoyed a delicious surf and turf buffet dinner. Lucky winners enjoyed awesome prizes, including an autographed Gerrit Cole Pirates jersey, an autographed Mario



Damian Kush, '68; Ron Owen, '67; Ben Huber, '69; Board Member, Jim Sadowski, '69



Board Member, John Pelusi, '05; Board Member, Brian Hentosz, '04; Ben Spagiare, '04; Nino San Doval, '05; Andrew Sherry, '04

Lemieux Penguins hockey sweater, an autographed Evgeni Malkin Penguins hockey sweater, and an autographed Stefen Wisniewski, '07, jersey from the Jacksonville Jaguars. Charlie Koren, '74, won the 50/50 raffle and graciously donated his part of the winnings back to the club.

To get involved or become a member of the Lettermen's Club, please visit our website:

www.lettermensclub.com

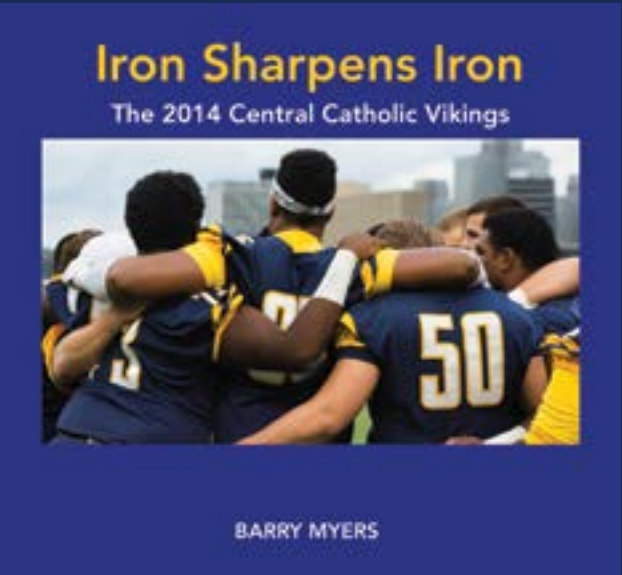
To connect with a specific club or booster organization, contact the coach or faculty moderator.



Max Beier, '92; Gerry Totten, '74; Pat Rice, '00; Larry Kirschner, '64; Phil Grushetsky, '54; John Pelusi, '05; JJ Bush, '11; Brian Hentosz, '04; Michael Messner, '88; James "Lefty" Delaney, '53

Photographer's Book Captures Vikings' Season

Iron Sharpens Iron: The 2014 Central Catholic Vikings documents a season in the life of one of America's top high school football teams. From July 2014 through the championship game played at Heinz Field, Barry Myers photographed the Vikings' practices, meetings, games, and traditions. Barry takes you behind the scenes and shows the dedication of the players, coaches, parents, and fans and the emotions that go along with their commitment. Ron Fuchs, '82, the Vikings Defensive Line Coach, wrote the captions.



Barry Myers began his professional career in 1972 and retired from commercial work in 2012 to devote his time to photographing personal projects. After working in New Zealand for a year, he returned to Pittsburgh to continue work on a series he started in the 1970's entitled *Growing Up in Pittsburgh*. This current project focuses on adolescent development. *Iron Sharpens Iron* is the first book he has produced based on that work. His book, *Del Mar at 75, Where the Turf Meets the Surf* was published in 2012. He has also done yearlong projects in New Zealand, Italy, London, and Pittsburgh and has had his work exhibited in both New Zealand and the United States. He was the recipient of a Fulbright Research Award in 1987.

The book has been published online at www.centralcatholics.com/ironsharpensiron as a free download, in both high and low resolution PDF file formats.

News from the Viking Nation

1940s



William Colleran, '43, professionally known as Mac Martin, is a renowned Bluegrass artist. He stayed local, but achieved national fame. In honor of his career and final concert, Mayor Bill Peduto designated September 17 as Mac Martin Day. While he has officially retired, he still performs small shows.

1950s

Brother Mark Lowery, '55, is celebrating his 60th year as a Christian Brother.

1970s

Jay Carson, '74, was named the 2015 Outstanding Fundraising Executive by the Association of Fundraising Professionals in Western Pennsylvania on November 12. This distinguished award is given to one individual who serves as a catalyst for positive change and demonstrates a commitment to philanthropy. Carson is Senior Vice-President for Institutional Advancement at Robert Morris University.



1980s



Frank Craska, '82, will manage the Central Catholic Baseball team this spring. Craska was a 3-year letter winner at Central and was awarded a baseball scholarship at the University of Pittsburgh, where he was a 4-year starting pitcher. He currently works as a sales manager for GlaxoSmithKline.

2000s

Mark Burnett, '00, recently founded a public relations and event services company, M. Burnett & Company. He also serves as Auction Coordinator for the 2016 Viking Victory Auction.



Aaron Kinkela, '02, and **Christian Kinkela, '04**, owners of Shop 412, teamed up with Heinz as part of a campaign to "End Hunger Now". The brothers, who continue to be "Men of Service", delivered the first bottle of the collectors edition mustard to their former principal, Br. Bob.



Sean Kelly, '05, recently received his real estate license and is working with Howard Hanna Real Estate Services in their Shadyside office.



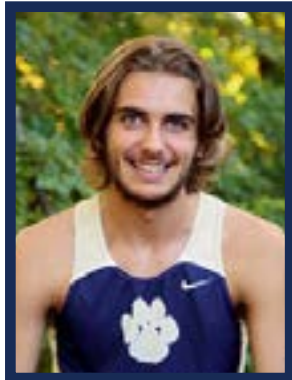
Jacob Carson, '07, has joined MetLife Premier Client Group, Tri-State Partners, as a Financial Services Representative.

2010s



Spencer Mellon, '14, member of the CCHS WPIAL Championship team, won the World Club Championship in Jeju Island, South Korea at the Seven Bridges Golf Club in October. By winning the 2014 Oakmont Country Club Individual championship, Spencer was eligible to represent Oakmont in the World Club Championship.

Kyle Zenchak, '14, led the University of Pittsburgh – Johnstown men's cross country team to a championship at the 2015 Penn State – Greater Allegheny Invitational with his first place finish.



On November 1, former Central Catholic teammates, **Zach Broujos, '13**, and **Ryan Sproule, '15**, faced one another in a soccer match. Broujos' Case Western Reserve and Sproule's Washington University at St. Louis took the 0-0 game into double overtime. In the second overtime, Sproule scored the game-winner for the home team.



While WashU was celebrating, Zach worked his way through a pile of players to congratulate Ryan. This demonstration of class is one of those intangibles that are often difficult to explain when talking about the Central Catholic "Mystique." Regardless of the changes that occur in life, Central men are, and will always remain, brothers.

Neal Smith, '15, pictured with his father, Dan Smith, arrived in Annapolis for Plebe Summer, the training program required of all incoming freshmen at the United States Naval Academy. Congratulations to Central Catholic's newest Midshipman.



We want to hear from you! If you have news, we want to know about it!
Please send your story, contact information, and graduation year to quadrangle@centralcatholicchs.com.

In Memoriam

Please remember in your prayers these recently deceased members of the Central Catholic community.

1939 John J. Seli	1948 John J. Curran Edward P. Glenn	1957 Robert J. Kohler	1966 Jesse J. Polito
1940 Raymond F. Schuler Richard A. Dillon	1950 Robert J. Donovan	1958 Joseph D. Butch John W. Harris Timothy McElroy	1969 Gary S. Vidovich
1941 John C. O'Neill	1953 Robert J. Mitsch Louis F. Haugh	1960 Thomas A. Davis Paul Grzybowski	1970 Wayne S. Wallace
1942 William P. Bradley	1955 James L. Sweeney	1962 John Gorman	1989 Craig T. White
1946 William H. Shea	1956 Edward B. Bierman Frank W. Marino James Trocchio	1965 James C. Wisniewski Mark Greco	

Lally Memorial Tree

In June, Central Catholic and the Oakland Planning and Development Corporation planted a Japanese maple in memory of Mr. James F. Lally, '41, who never quit fighting for Oakland.

In October, a dedication ceremony was held, featuring a welcome speech by Brother Robert Schaefer, FSC, a reading by Brother Benedict Oliver, FSC, the blessing of the tree by Father Robert George, and hymns sung by the Central Catholic High School Chamber Singers.



Spring Varsity Sports

Crew

Date	Race
12/12	Central Biathlon
4/2	Lasallian Cup Championship (tentative)
4/9	Rustbelt Catholic Championships
4/16	Noxontown Regatta
4/30	Shrewsbury Cup and Paul G. Hamm Trophy
5/1	Pittsburgh Scholastic Sprints
5/14	Midwest Scholastic Rowing Championships
5/27	Scholastic Rowing Association of America Championships
6/10	USRowing Youth National Championships

Swimming

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
12/08	Upper Saint Clair High School	Home	6 p.m.
12/17	Plum Senior High School	Away	6 p.m.
1/07	McKeesport Area School District	Away	6 p.m.
1/14	Woodland Hills High School	Away	6 p.m.
1/21	Penn Hills High School	Home	6 p.m.
1/26	Gateway Senior High School	Home	6 p.m.
1/28	Fox Chapel Area High School	Away	6 p.m.
2/02	Chartiers Valley	Away	6 p.m.
2/08	Mars Area High School	Home	6 p.m.
2/11	Brashear	Away	6 p.m.
2/18	Alderdice	Home	6 p.m.

*Home meets are at Chatham University

Baseball

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
3/29	Bethel Park School District	Home	4 p.m.
3/31	Allderdice High School	Away	4 p.m.
4/02	Hempfield Senior High School	Home	1 p.m.
4/04	Franklin Regional High School	Away	4 p.m.
4/06	Chartiers Valley High School	Away	4 p.m.
4/08	Penn Hills Senior High School	Away	4 p.m.
4/11	Woodland Hills High School	Home	4 p.m.
4/13	Kiski Area Sr High School	Away	4 p.m.
4/15	Fox Chapel Area High School	Away	4 p.m.
4/18	Shaler Area High School	Home	4 p.m.
4/20	Plum Senior HS	Home	4 p.m.
4/22	Penn Hills Senior High School	Home	4 p.m.
4/25	Woodland Hills High School	Away	4 p.m.
4/27	Kiski Area Sr High School	Home	4 p.m.
4/29	Fox Chapel Area High School	Home	4 p.m.
5/02	Shaler Area High School	Away	4 p.m.
5/04	Seneca Valley High School	Away	4 p.m.
5/11	Mars Area High School	Away	4 p.m.
5/13	Baldwin High School	Home	4 p.m.

Lacrosse

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
4/01	Fox Chapel Area High School	Home	6 p.m.
4/04	North Hills High School	Away	6 p.m.
4/08	Canon McMillan High School	Away	6 p.m.
4/12	Bethel Park School District	Home	6 p.m.
4/14	Chartiers Valley High School	Home	6 p.m.
4/16	North Allegheny High School	Home	1 p.m.
4/18	Norwin Senior High School	Home	6 p.m.
4/20	Peters Township High School	Away	6 p.m.
4/25	Seton-La Salle High School	Away	6 p.m.
4/28	Mount Lebanon High School	Away	6 p.m.
5/03	Upper Saint Clair High	Home	6 p.m.
5/06	Mars Area High School	Home	6 p.m.
5/09	Hempfield Senior High School	Home	7 p.m.
5/11	Sewickley Academy	Away	4:30 p.m.

Volleyball

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
3/29	Baldwin High School	Away	6 p.m.
3/31	Canon McMillan High School	Home	6 p.m.
4/05	Moon Area High School	Away	6 p.m.
4/07	Upper Saint Clair High	Home	6 p.m.
4/12	Peters Township High School	Away	6 p.m.
4/14	Bethel Park High School	Home	6 p.m.
4/21	Baldwin High School	Home	7 p.m.
4/23	Plum Tournament	Away*	8:30 p.m.
4/26	Canon McMillan High School	Away	6 p.m.
5/03	Upper Saint Clair High School	Away	6 p.m.
5/05	Peters Township High School	Home	6 p.m.
5/10	Bethel Park High School	Away	6 p.m.

*Plum & Butler High Schools

Tennis

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
3/14	Mount Lebanon High School	Home	3:30 p.m.
3/16	Hempfield Area High School	Home	3:30 p.m.
3/18	Pine Richland High School	Away	3:30 p.m.
3/23	Baldwin High School	Away	3:30 p.m.
3/29	McKeesport Area High School	Home	3:30 p.m.
3/30	Gateway Senior High School	Away	3:30 p.m.
3/31	Allderdice High School	Home	3:30 p.m.
4/08	Seneca Valley High School	Home	3:30 p.m.
4/14	Fox Chapel Area High School	Away	3:30 p.m.
4/21	Shady Side Academy	Away	3:30 p.m.
4/22	Peters Township High School	Home	3:30 p.m.
4/27	Woodland Hills High School	Home	3:30 p.m.
4/29	Shaler Area High School	Away	3:30 p.m.
5/02	Hampton High School	Home	3:30 p.m.



Mission

Central Catholic High School, a college preparatory school for boys, is guided by the educational principles of St. John Baptist de La Salle.

The school strives to provide a challenging, relevant, and diverse program of studies and extracurricular activities in an environment that fosters a life of faith and learning and develops leaders rooted in the Gospel values of integrity, respect, service, justice, and peace.



The Central Catholic Promise:

To inspire boys to become Men of Faith, Men of Scholarship, Men of Service.

Parents: If your son has moved from your home, please notify Lisa Rogers in the Advancement Office of his current address at 412.622.6172 or lrogers@centralcatholichs.com.



Central Catholic's first-ever television commercial was filmed this fall.



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