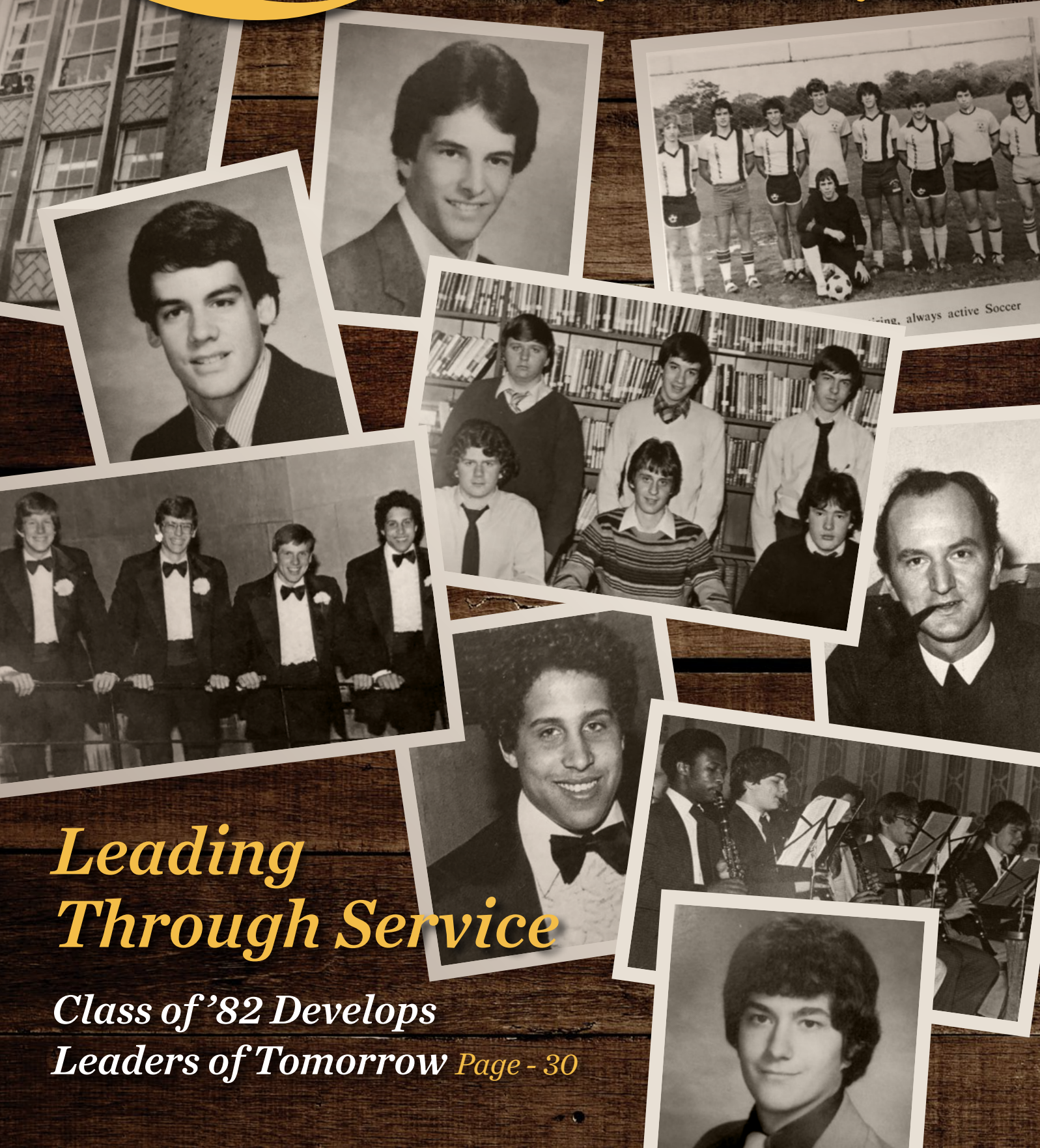


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April 2018 - A Message from the Principal  
*Dear Friends of Central Catholic,*

One of the many reasons I am so proud to be at Central Catholic is the innate sense of community that is vested in our students. The spirit of tradition and service is embedded in our freshmen from the day they set foot on campus, and is passed on to each incoming freshmen class as our community continues to grow and change while still maintaining its inherent values.

This spirit of community and support dates back to our founder, Saint John Baptist de La Salle’s humble beginnings in 17th century France. During this time, the disparity between the rich and the poor was tangible. For poor families, it was common for one or both parents to work the entire day and earn just enough to live for that day – and that day only. If there was no work that day, there was often no food the next.

Saint John Baptist de La Salle and his Brothers first opened their schools to educate students from poor families between the ages of 6 and 13. Each morning, the Brothers began the school day by asking students to look in their lunches and show the Brothers what they were willing to share with their fellow students who had nothing. After surveying the classroom, the Brothers would go to each student and collect the food but made sure that the boy was not giving away his entire lunch. At an early age, these Lasallian students learned and practiced the virtue of charity.

Today, our students continue these Lasallian traditions in supporting the community and one another, in acts both large and small. We see this especially around the holiday season; the Thanksgiving canned food drive for Little Sisters of the Poor and the Lenten Mission Drive that benefits international and local missions, including the Child Discovery Center in Kenya and Lasallian ministry in the U.S.

There’s no doubt that these initiatives are important and make a major impact in our community, but what often escapes notice are the individual acts of kindness by our students – the ones done quietly:

- graduating seniors who donated their iPads and asked our librarian, Mrs. Shanahan, to give them to a school that could use them
- students and faculty who donate clothes, jackets, gloves and money to Mrs. Lynch to distribute to students in need
- students who give up their free periods to tutor their classmates who need assistance
- our senior My Brother’s Keeper volunteers who act as mentors and friends to our incoming freshmen
- simple acts of kindness, like a classroom door held open and a welcoming offer of help to those who are visiting Central

The virtue of charity is not just a monetary transaction, it is a message of caring with a power that changes both the recipient and the giver. It is what builds communities and it is part of the Central Catholic Brotherhood to its core. Enjoy this issue of the Quad.

Please come back for a visit at 4720 Fifth Ave.  
*Live Jesus in our hearts... Forever!*

*Br. Tony Baginski, FSC*  
Brother Tony Baginski, FSC  
Principal

*PS:*

*Many of us saw Stefen Wisniewski, '07 (#61 Eagles) win a Super Bowl championship. What was not shown on national TV was him leading his teammates in prayer on the 50 yard line after the game. To watch that video, visit [bit.ly/StefenPrayer](http://bit.ly/StefenPrayer). Stefen, thank you for your witness and your love for Jesus Christ.*

[Watch the video](#)

Save the Dates

Mark Your Calendars!

*You won’t want to miss these spring and summer events.*

The 29th Annual Viking Victory Auction: Carnival

Saturday, April 14, 2018

Wyndham Grand Hotel | 6:00 p.m.

Come one, come all to the Central Catholic Viking Victory Auction Carnival!

Join us for carnival-themed fun and games before you start bidding!

Visit [501auctions.com/cchsauction](http://501auctions.com/cchsauction) for more info.



The Viking Match

Monday, April 30 – Friday, May 4, 2018

Donate during this week and a portion of your gift will be matched by our Board of Directors!

The alumni class with the highest participation rate will be listed on a plaque on our coveted Viking Cup. Learn more at [centraleatholicHS.com/VikingMatch](http://centraleatholicHS.com/VikingMatch)

Baccalaureate Mass

Tuesday, May 22, 2018

St. Paul’s Cathedral | 7:30 p.m.

All are invited to join us as we celebrate the Class of 2018 with our annual Baccalaureate Mass.



BAM! Summer Enrichment Program  
(Because Academics Matter)

Monday, June 11 – Friday, June 22, 2018

Central Catholic High School

Rising 7th and 8th grade boys are invited to explore topics in STEM, writing and more!

Register at [BAM-PGH.com](http://BAM-PGH.com)

See page 54 for our fall alumni reunion dates!





# Student Spotlight



## FBLA Brings Home Awards at Region Event

On Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2017, Central Catholic FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America), led by advisor Mrs. Kelly Maxwell, competed in the annual FBLA Region Event held at Keystone Oaks High School, bringing home 24 awards, including 10 first place trophies.

LEFT TO RIGHT: RYAN MURRAY, '18, SHANE QUINLAN, '18, MICHAEL DEFILIPPO, '18, COLE GILBERT, '18, CHASE MCCORKLE, '18

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brings home 24 Awards!  
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## The Masque Performs “Cinderella” in Fall Musical

From **Nov. 30 – Dec. 2, 2017**, Central Catholic and Oakland Catholic’s drama club, The Masque, presented four productions of this year’s fall musical, “Cinderella.”



## Students Start School Year with Days of Recollection

On Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2017, Lasallian Ministry welcomed 212 freshmen to Central Catholic with the annual Freshmen Day of Recollection. For the past several years, the Freshmen Day of Recollection has served as a way to introduce freshmen to the concept of *“Together and by Association,”* from the teachings of Saint John Baptist de La Salle. The following month, the Class of 2018 gathered for their Senior Day of Recollection.



LEFT TO RIGHT: NATIONAL MATHEMATICS FOUR-BY-FOUR COMPETITION PARTICIPANTS SAM PATTON, '19, SIMON HEBERT, '19, JOHN LYNCH, '19, NOLAN JACOB, '19 AND TYLER ROYSTER, '19.



## Central Catholic Places in Top 25 in National Mathematics Competition

Central Catholic received recognition for a top 25 finish in the National Mathematics Four-by-Four Competition sponsored by the National Assessment and Testing group. The competition was held on Thursday, Feb. 1, 2018, led by Mr. Harry Sirockman. Over 60 Central Catholic students participated in the competition.

The top performing team consisted of Liam, '18 and Owen, '21 O'Malley (not pictured) and John Lynch, '19. Finishing just behind the top performing team included Dominic Augello, '19 (not pictured), Simon Hebert, '19, Nolan Jacob, '19 and Sam Patton, '19.







Giada Valenti Visits Central

Renowned singer Giada Valenti visited Central Catholic’s campus on Sept. 29, 2017, to perform and speak to students about her performing arts career and life lessons. Colin Aikins, '18, performed with Giada at Central and during her show at the Hillman Center for Performing Arts, “*Giada Valenti: From Venice with Love.*”

135 Freshmen Achieve Honor Roll in First Quarter

More than half of the Class of 2021 achieved Honor Roll in their first quarter at Central Catholic. 73 freshmen achieved High Honors and 62 freshmen achieved Honor Roll.



Hooked on Fishing

Newly created this fall by Austin Aikins, '20 and Richie Shulik, '20, the Central Catholic Fly Fishing Club, led by faculty advisor Dr. Patrizia Costa Frezza, traveled to the Loyalhanna Creek in Ligonier, Pa. and the Yellow Creek Trout Club in Indiana, Pa. to fish for trout and bass and enjoy the outdoors. If you are looking to get involved with the Fly Fishing Club as an alumnus, email Dr. Patrizia Costa Frezza at [pcostafrezza@centralcatholichs.com](mailto:pcostafrezza@centralcatholichs.com) for more information.



Students Discuss Violence, Dating Issues during Greater Pittsburgh Coalition Against Violence

On Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2017, a small group of leaders from clubs and organizations, including sophomores, juniors and seniors, gathered in the McGonigle Theater for the Greater Pittsburgh Coalition Against Violence Youth Summit, presented by The Black Political Empowerment Project (B-Pep) and the Greater Pittsburgh Coalition Against Violence. The 4-hour long summit encouraged an open dialogue about violence, crime and dating issues.



Take a Break

On Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2017, Student Council transformed the Quadrangle into a carnival where students could take a quick break, enjoy the weather and compete in a little friendly competition.



Individual Student News



Brian Freyvogel, Class of 2018

was featured in the *Pittsburgh Catholic* as an outstanding student who lives his faith every day.

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Peter Koltas, Class of 2018

created an outdoor reading space at the Whitehall Public Library to earn his Eagle Scout badge.



Simon Sweeney, Class of 2019

was one of just 20 students to earn an Honorable Mention out of 1,494 nationwide entries in *The New York Times* Student Review contest. Simon submitted his review of Peter Shaffer’s *Equus*.





### Quiz Bowl Wins Big in Hometown High Q

Congratulations to the Quiz Bowl team for defeating Thomas Jefferson and Moon with a score of 505 on Hometown High Q on KDKA. The team will move on to the semi-finals at a yet-to-be-determined time and date.

### Colin Aikins, '18, to appear on NPR "From the Top"

On Sunday, Feb. 25, Colin Aikins, '18, traveled to The Smith Center in Las Vegas to record a song to air on NPR's "From the Top." Tune in to "From the Top" locally on WQED 89.3 FM at 9 a.m on Saturday, April 28 to hear his performance.



### The Brother David S. Baginski, FSC Scholars Program visits the Windy City

This year's fall cultural trip was held October 26 - 30 in Chicago, Ill. Students explored the city through an architecture tour, a visit to Cloud Gate, aka "the bean," a visit to the sky deck of the Willis Tower, a tour of the Art Institute of Chicago, and a performance of "The Taming of the Shrew."



### Judge Thomas Hardiman Visits Central Catholic for Q&A Session

On Nov. 15, 2017, The Honorable Thomas Hardiman, a United States Circuit Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, came to speak to The Brother David S. Baginski, FSC Scholars Program and AP Government students on "The Role of the Judiciary." An impressive Q&A session followed on notable rulings, his career on the bench and interpretations of the U.S. Constitution.



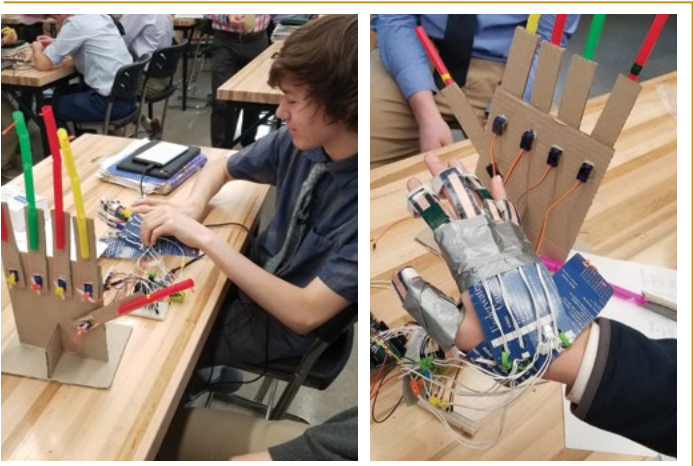
### March for Life

Nearly 50 Oakland Catholic and Central Catholic students ventured to Washington, D.C. for the March for Life in January.



### STEM Outreach Program

Mr. Kronebusch, Mr. Stone and current Central Catholic students took our robots on the road to St. Philip School as part of our STEM Outreach Program.



### Hands-On with Arduino

Students in Mr. Kronebusch's Engineering 1 class designed a mechanical hand that was controlled by a glove with sensors. The hand is powered by an Arduino board which required students to learn about circuits. Students utilized the engineering design process to improve their designs and to troubleshoot issues. Every group was able to control at least one mechanical finger with their sensors.



# Student Giving Spotlight



## #SalStrong

Student Council organized a “pink out” at October’s football game vs. Penn Hills in honor of Mrs. Salamacha, who recently completed breast cancer treatments. As a result of the fundraiser, Student Council raised \$400 for the UPMC Hillman Cancer Center.



### Central Catholic Helps Pittsburgh Stay Warm

Central Catholic is proud to support Catholic Charities Warming Station. This year, we donated \$5,000 during our annual Christmas Mass.



### Decking the Halls for Charity

We decked the halls in support of the Good Shepherd Fund, a fund designed to help with emergency needs for our students’ families. This year, we raised more than \$800 for the fund through selling laser-engraved ornaments made by students in the Zupancic Family STEM Center.



### Students Volunteer at Special Olympics

In January, students from Central Catholic took part in the Special Olympics Winter Competition as part of a service opportunity through Lasallian Ministry. Students volunteered as one-on-one helpers for the athletes, aiding and guiding them on the slopes at Seven Springs Mountain Resort.



## Thanksgiving Canned Food Drive Exceeds Goal

Every November, Central Catholic conducts a canned food drive to benefit Sts. Peter and Paul Home in Pittsburgh’s North Side, a home for the elderly staffed by the Little Sisters of the Poor. Each year, the food drive continues to expand, and in 2017, Central Catholic exceeded its goal of 15,000 cans and donated more than 18,000 food items to the home.





# Serving Through Music



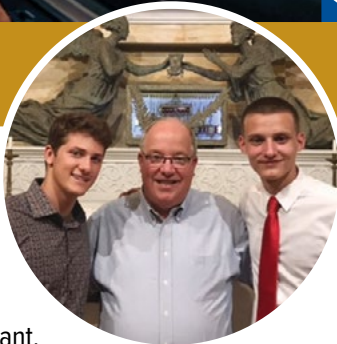
Colin Aikins, '18 & Tyler Zeik, '18

Colin Aikins, '18 and Tyler Zeik, '18, encompass the spirit of service through music

When Colin Aikins, '18 and Tyler Zeik, '18, first met in choir class at the beginning of sophomore year, their musical connection was instant.

*“At the time, I was very early in my performance career. I had done a few performances at nursing homes and at the Alzheimer’s Foundation, and was in need of a pianist,”* said Colin. *“When I met Tyler, we just clicked and started to perform together.”*

Growing up in Monroeville, Pa., Tyler started to play the piano at age 4, and continued his lessons from a family friend while attending St. Bernadette Catholic School. Meanwhile, Colin was attending Mary Queen of Apostles Catholic School in New Kensington, Pa., and at the age of 10, became intrigued by classical music through his grandparents, who were playing “Time to Say Goodbye” by Andrea Bocelli. From there, Colin privately sang along to opera recordings, before starting formal lessons at age 14 with his voice teacher, Ms. Maria Spacagna, Associate Professor of Voice at Carnegie Mellon University.



*“At first, I had no confidence in myself singing,”* said Colin.

*“I was given the opportunity to sing freshman year at Christmas Mass and I received a standing ovation from the entire student body. It’s because of that moment, where I was just supported for being me and for being good at something, that I gained the confidence to pursue my dream.”*

Along with performances at Central Catholic events, Colin and Tyler have performed in dozens of locations, including nursing homes, fundraisers and funerals. Their favorite song to perform together is William Gomez’s composition of “Ave Maria.”

Colin feels that it is important to share his gift of voice with the community. In a recent interview with Mike Clark of WTAE News, he spoke of his time spent volunteering in nursing homes.

*“It’s a good thing to do, and I love doing it! You see them come to life. It’s really rewarding to see how much it means to these older people, because I don’t think they get a lot of live entertainment. They really love my singing and have been so supportive of me. I’m so lucky that I can give back to them.”*



Colin has also raised over \$3,000 for the Western PA Alzheimer Foundation, the Alle-Kiski Health Foundation, the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and People’s Library of New Kensington over the past four years through sales of his CD recording.

*“Performing is the simplest way for us to give back and it comes naturally for both of us,”* said Tyler. *“Music is the universal language. It is amazing to see how much people enjoy it and how you can touch someone and make their day better by doing what you love.”*

A highlight of Colin and Tyler’s performance career together came in December 2017 when the pair traveled to New York City as one of the winners in the 2017 American Protégé International Vocal Competition held at Carnegie Hall.

*“The acoustics inside of the smaller recital hall that we performed in [Weills Hall] were amazing,”* said Tyler. *“Colin and I were both performing without any microphones and you could hear us perfectly in the 200+ seat hall. Playing on the grand piano there in those acoustics was a highlight of my performance career.”*

In January, Colin traveled to Miami, Fla. to participate in National YoungArts Week, an intensive, week-long program where artists across ten disciplines participate in master classes and workshops with internationally recognized leaders in their field. Colin was among 171 of the nation’s most promising artists invited to attend the national program, representing the top two percent of applications to the program. Colin was also included in a select group of students to be interviewed to become U.S. Presidential Scholars in the Arts.

Watch the video

Colin was encouraged to apply for National YoungArts Week through a Central connection. Garrett Coleman, '06, participated in National YoungArts Week in 2006, representing dance and was named a U.S. Presidential Scholar in the Arts.

Colin and Garrett met during the crew team’s annual “Irish Night” fundraiser in 2016, where they were both performing. Garrett is trained in traditional Irish step dance, and works full-time as a professional dancer/choreographer and as a co-founder of his dance company, the Hammerstep Initiative. The company is currently artists in residence at the prestigious Nobel Prize-winning Bell Labs, participating in the Experiments in Art and Technology Program.



*“I was extremely impressed with Colin’s talent and passion when I first saw him perform,”* said Garrett Coleman, '06. *“YoungArts gave me the platform and confidence to pursue a professional career in the arts, and I was honored to help a Central Catholic student pursue his dream just as I was able to.”*

Colin and Tyler will graduate in May 2018. Tyler will attend Penn State University to study Chemical Engineering and will continue to play the piano as a hobby. Colin plans to pursue voice full time at the Juilliard School or the Curtis Institute of Music.



# Merit Scholars

## More than 200 Students Recognized at Annual Honors Convocation

More than 200 high-achieving members of the Class of 2020, 2019 and 2018 were recognized at the annual Honors Convocation held on Oct. 11, 2017.

Students recognized at the Honors Convocation must have achieved High Honors during the previous school year. To reach High Honors, a student must achieve a QPA of 3.5 or higher, maintain a minimum of 75% in each subject and have a record of regular attendance in the previous school year.

Scholastic plaques for the highest Quality Point Average in each grade level were awarded to Adam Sipe, '20, Simon Hebert, '19 and Marco DiVito, '18.

Certificates of Achievement were awarded to 2017-2018 National Merit Scholarship Competition Semi-Finalists Michael Bushnell, '18, Marco DiVito, '18, Michael Halahurich, '18, Liam O'Malley, '18, Warren Sipe, '18 and Peter Wagstaff, '18.

Certificates of Achievement were awarded to Luciano Barranté, '18, Joseph Ebbert, '18, Peter Koltas, '18, Noah Marangoni, '18, Robin Newcamp, '18 and Colin Pietropaolo, '18, for superior achievement in the 2017-2018 National Merit Scholarship Competition.

Forty-two members of the Class of 2018 were inducted into the Saint John Baptist de La Salle Chapter of the National Honor Society of Secondary Schools.

Selection for membership in the De La Salle Chapter requires that the student have and maintain a weighted Quality Point Average of at least 4.3, have a record of good conduct, and participate in at least two acceptable school/community service activities.

Certificates of excellence and achievement were also awarded in individual academic subject areas and activities, including Foreign Languages, Studio Art, Mathematics, Business, English, Sciences, History, Performing Arts, Religion, Extracurricular Science Competition, Forensics Society and PA Junior Academy of Science.

### Six Central Catholic Seniors Among 16,000 Semifinalists in the National Merit Scholarship Program

About 1.6 million juniors in more than 22,000 high schools entered the 2018 National Merit Scholarship Program by taking the 2016 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT). Central Catholic is proud to have six seniors named as semifinalists.

**TOP TO BOTTOM:** MICHAEL BUSHNELL, MARCO DIVITO, MICHAEL HALAHURICH, LIAM O'MALLEY, WARREN SIPE, PETER WAGSTAFF

### Six Central Catholic Seniors Earn Commended Student Recognition in National Merit Scholarship Program

In addition to the National Merit Scholarship Program semifinalists, six Central Catholic students received letters of commendation in recognition of their academic promise.

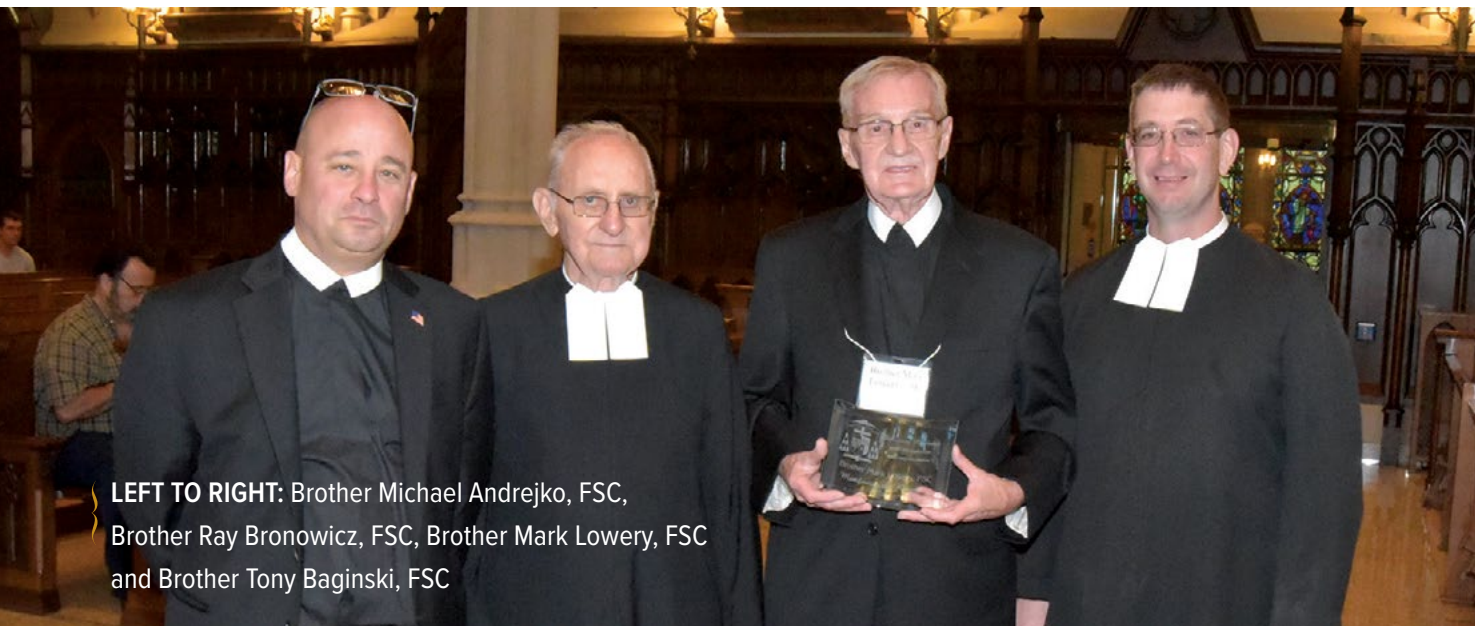


**LEFT TO RIGHT:** LUCIANO BARRANTÉ, JOSEPH EBBERT, PETER KOLTAS, NOAH MARANGONI, ROBIN NEWCAMP, COLIN PIETROPAOLO





## Faculty Spotlight: Brother Mark Lowery, FSC



LEFT TO RIGHT: Brother Michael Andrejko, FSC, Brother Ray Bronowicz, FSC, Brother Mark Lowery, FSC and Brother Tony Baginski, FSC

### Brother Mark Lowery, FSC, Receives “Manifesting the Kingdom Award”

By Br. Michael Andrejko, FSC

On Sunday Sept. 24, 2017, Brother Mark Lowery, FSC, received the “Manifesting the Kingdom Award” from the Diocese of Pittsburgh. The “Manifesting the Kingdom Award” is given by the Diocesan Bishop to laymen and laywomen and to consecrated women and men who demonstrate the presence of Jesus in their lives. Awardees have participated in exceptional service to the Church reflected in the lives, ministry and work of those who receive it.

Brother Mark has worked tirelessly in the Diocese of Pittsburgh as a teacher of history, Development Director, and as a counselor at both Central Catholic and Michael’s Place, which is a recovery facility for people who have just been released from incarceration.

Brother Mark has also been very active in Greenfield Organized Against Drugs, which plans jail tours for young people as a way to prevent drug and alcohol addiction.

An active volunteer and participant in Alcoholics Anonymous for 23 years, Brother Mark works tirelessly for people, especially the young, who have addiction issues. Mark’s generosity of heart starts with his Brothers whom he lives with in community.

He can often be found cooking, decorating, shopping, and running Brothers to various doctor appointments. Brother Mark is a firm believer that charity begins at home. Because of his compassionate heart, selfless generosity, as well as being able to think quickly in moments of great need, he has been given the title of Crisis Manager by the director of the Brothers’ community. Brother Mark comes from a very large Irish Catholic family that he enjoys being with when he has free time.

He is truly a man for others and we raise our hats to him as he receives this most distinguished and deserving award from Bishop Zubik in the name of the people of the Diocese of Pittsburgh!

## Forensics Society

BROTHER KEVIN DALMASSE, FSC, HAS BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE FORENSICS SOCIETY FOR OVER 45 YEARS, FIRST AS A STUDENT, AND LATER AS A MODERATOR BEGINNING IN 2011. ON TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2016, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PITTSBURGH OFFICIALLY DECLARED “CENTRAL CATHOLIC FORENSICS SOCIETY DAY” IN THE CITY OF PITTSBURGH.



### Central Catholic Forensics Society Earns 2016-17 Leading Chapter Award



Central Catholic Forensics Society was recently awarded with the 2016-17 National Speech & Debate Association (NSDA) Leading Chapter Award in the Pittsburgh District. Out of more than 3,000 member schools nationwide, Central Catholic is one of only 108 to receive the Leading Chapter Award.

This year’s award honors the accumulated accomplishments of Central Catholic’s speakers and debaters from 1994 to the present, reflecting 698 members and degrees. The Leading Chapter Award is presented to the school from Western Pennsylvania whose speech and debate program has earned the most competition points at various local tournaments over a prolonged period of time.

Central Catholic has been a member of the NSDA (National Speech & Debate Association), the prestigious national organization governing high school speech and debate activities, for nearly sixty years. The last time Central Catholic won this award was 24 years ago.

*“Winning the Leading Chapter Award from the National Speech and Debate Association is indeed a great honor,”* said Brother Kevin Dalmasse, FSC, moderator and head coach.

This coveted honor is the highest recognition a school can receive from the National Speech & Debate Association. Only the top school in accumulated members and degrees per district earns this designation each year, and each school must wait at least five years before being eligible again.

The CCFS Awards Banquet is now held at the Golf Club in Schenley Park. This year’s banquet is scheduled for Thursday, May 24, 2018.

For more information, please contact Brother Kevin Dalmasse, FSC at [kdalmasse@centralcatholicchs.com](mailto:kdalmasse@centralcatholicchs.com)

*“The young men of the CCFS and I discussed team goals at the beginning of the 2017-18 season and there may have been a reminder or two that Central Catholic ‘does not export mediocrity.’ Our senior-laden team has responded well and has performed nicely at a wide array of tournaments, including winning a state championship in policy debate.”*

*Brother Kevin Dalmasse, FSC, moderator and head coach.*





# Grandparents Day



Our First-Ever

# Grandparents Day a Success!

More than 400 parents and grandparents came to Central Catholic on Wednesday, Oct. 11 to celebrate Mass, take a tour, and spend time with their grandsons. Thanks to all who came to enjoy our inaugural Grandparents Day celebration!



# Viking for a Day



Over 400 eighth graders joined us on Oct. 13, 2017, for our annual “Viking for a Day” program. Assisted by current student leaders, eighth graders experienced a “day in the life” of a Central Catholic Viking!

# Fall Admissions Events

## Open House

On Nov. 5, 2017, we celebrated our largest attended Open House ever. More than 250 students and families took a tour of campus, met with students and faculty, and sampled the cuisine in The McGinley Dining Hall.

## Mark Your Calendars for BAM! (Because Academics Matter)

Our BAM! (Because Academics Matter) Summer Enrichment Program returns this summer with all-new programming! We invite rising 7th and 8th grade boys to join us June 11 - 22 to explore topics in STEM, writing and more! *Stay tuned to [BAM-PGH.com](http://BAM-PGH.com) for more details.*





# Mothers' Guild Fashion Show



## Mothers' Guild Celebrates Successful Fashion Show Fundraiser

By Maria Aikins, Central Catholic Mothers' Guild President

The Central Catholic Mothers' Guild held its annual Fall Fashion Show and Luncheon on Sunday, Nov. 12, 2017 at the Twentieth Century Club in Oakland. The Fashion Show and Luncheon is the Mothers' Guild's most significant fundraiser and a "can't miss" social event for Central moms. Proceeds from past Fashion Shows have gone to support the De La Salle Center. This year, the Mothers' Guild will be making a donation to support first floor classroom renovations.

The Mothers' Guild Luncheon is part of a rich tradition at Central since 1941 when the Central Catholic Mothers' Guild held their Dessert Bridge and Fashion Show at the Hotel Schenley which was attended by more than 800 women.

This year's event welcomed approximately 200 women including Central moms and their guests. Central moms volunteered to model the latest fashions along with student volunteers from Oakland Catholic High School.



LEFT TO RIGHT: CAROL KINKELA, OWNER OF CARABELLA, SALLY WIGGIN, FASHION SHOW EMCEE, BROTHER TONY BAGINSKI, FSC, PRINCIPAL AND MARIA AIKINS, MOTHERS' GUILD PRESIDENT

All in attendance were in awe of the colorful combinations and styles put together by Carabella for every occasion. The students surprised the audience by ending their run wearing cute and comfy pajamas by PJ Salvage.

A new twist this year involved our Central Catholic young men sporting clothing and accessories from Shop 412 in the SouthSide Works complex. The store was opened in 2008 by Central grads Christian, '04 and Aaron Kinkela, '02, whose goal was to create a logo and brand steeped in the insight that "in Pittsburgh, Hometown is Hero."

The Central Catholic Mothers' Guild is among the oldest school organizations. Our mission is to enhance the school experience for our sons, our teachers, our school community and Central moms.

We invite you to become a part of the Central Catholic Mothers' Guild and help support our mission and events. Information on the Mothers' Guild can be found on the school website under Campus Life and meeting dates are posted on the School Calendar.

Anyone interested in information on the Mothers' Guild should email Maria Aikins, 2017-18 President, at [cc.mothers.guild@gmail.com](mailto:cc.mothers.guild@gmail.com).

*We hope to see you at an upcoming meeting!*

# Mothers' Guild Crosses

*A treasured gift for years to come*

Hand pulled, uniquely styled, and beautiful in any setting, the Zupancic Family STEM Center replica cross will remind your son, husband, father, friend, alumni and/or family of God's presence in your life daily. It also commemorates the special role played by Central Catholic H.S. faculty and staff for generations.



Commissioned by the Central Catholic Mothers' Guild, with funds raised over the 2015–2016 school year, the Zupancic Family STEM Center Cross is the result of a beautiful outpouring of time, talent, and treasure. The cross is dedicated to Brother Robert Schaefer, FSC for his support and dedication to the Central Catholic community.

The Mothers' Guild commissioned artist John Walters, of Iron Eden in Bloomfield, to create smaller replicas of the cross, which are available to order as gifts. Each one is hand crafted, made of pulled steel with the compass star burst, railroad nail shaped stakes, and the mirror focal point.

**Cost for replica crosses: \$100, additional shipping: \$10.**  
**Please indicate below if you want to ship or pick up your cross at the school bookstore. Credit card purchases can be made in person at the school bookstore.**

## STEM Cross Order Form

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

- Please indicate shipping or pickup options:**
- ☐ \$100 + \$10 enclosed for shipping and handling.  
Please allow 10 days for shipping.
- ☐ \$100 enclosed, I will pick up in the school bookstore.

Please make checks payable to  
**Central Catholic Mothers Guild**  
Mail form and payment to:  
**Central Catholic High School c/o CC Mothers Guild**  
**4720 Fifth Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15213**  
Credit card purchases can be made in person at the school bookstore.





# Athletics



## Swimming and Diving Team Celebrates Successful Season

Congratulations to the Central Catholic swimming and diving team on clinching the WPIAL Section Championship. In the 2017-2018 WPIAL Championship, Central Catholic's eight WPIAL athletes managed to achieve 3rd place overall closely behind Upper St. Clair who had 12 male qualifiers. 1st place North Allegheny had 23 male qualifiers.

*The Central team broke 6 school records:*

- 2 Diving Records
- 2 Relay Records (200 and 400 Free Relay)
- 2 Individual Event Records (100 Breaststroke, 200 Free)
- The 200 and 400 Freestyle relays both placed 2nd and were top seeds for the PIAA Championship meet.

*Individual athletes medaled in the following WPIAL Championship events:*

- |                        |                                |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| • 50 Free - 4th Place  | • 100 Backstroke - 3rd Place   |
| • 100 Free - 8th Place | • 100 Breaststroke - 4th Place |
| • 200 Free - 2nd Place | • 200 IM - 4th Place           |

Central Catholic sent eight students to Bucknell University for the PIAA Championship meet. This is the largest team that Central Catholic has sent to the PIAA Championship in over a decade.



## Basketball Team Wins Section

Congratulations to the varsity basketball team on clinching the 2018 section title.

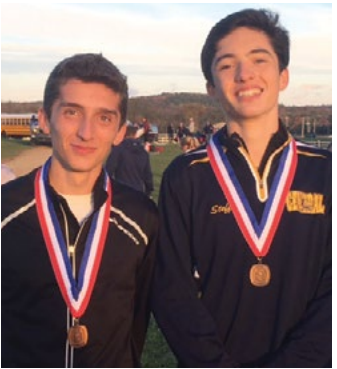


## 1,000 Point Club

Luke Nedrow, '18, became one of only five players in Central Catholic basketball history to score 1,000 points during his high school career. Luke will continue his basketball career next year at Marist College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

## Cross Country Seniors Place in Top Ten in WPIAL Championship

Sam Gatti, '18, finished 4th and Max Steffey, '18, finished 8th in the AAA Cross Country WPIAL Championship.



# CONGRATS

to Students Selected to

## 2017-2018 ALL STAR TEAMS

## HOCKEY

### PIHL ALL-STAR

BRIAN FREYVOGEL, '18    MAC MARTIN, '18  
NATE CAVA, '18    GIOVANNI PALOMBO, '20

## SOCCER

### FIRST TEAM ALL-STATE

DAN SCHEARER, '18

### FIRST TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

MICHAEL GEMMELL, '18    DAN SCHEARER, '18  
JONATHAN OPALCO, '20    ANDRES VASQUEZ, '18

### SECOND TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

LARRY CERSOSIMO, '18

### HONORABLE MENTION

SEAN KNIPP, '19

## BASKETBALL

### FIRST TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

COLE MASON, '18    LUKE NEDROW, '18

### SECOND TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

MAURICE SHIPMAN, '19

### HONORABLE MENTION

JUSTIN TARRANT, '18

## FOOTBALL

### FIRST-TEAM ALL-STATE

DAVID GREEN, '18

### FIRST TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

BRIAN DALLAS, '19    LIAM SLATTERY, '18  
TROY FISHER, '18    KHALIL WEATHERS, '18  
DAVID GREEN, '18

### SECOND TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

ASHTON CHAFFO, '18    GAVIN THOMPSON, '19  
COREY THOMAS JR., '19    JOSH TRAUTMAN, '18

### HONORABLE MENTION

CONOR RUST, '19    ERIC PFERDEHIRT, '18  
ANTHONY YOUNG JR., '18    RORY BRENNAN, '18  
AUSTIN VIGLIOTTI, '18    CHASE MCCORKLE, '18  
CAM LACONI, '18





2018 Baseball Commits

Congratulations to our seniors who have committed to continuing their baseball careers at the collegiate level.

FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:

- Marshall McGraw – Seton Hill University
- Andrew Walker – Xavier University
- Austin Vigliotti – Indiana University of Pennsylvania
- Vinny Rauso – Alderson Broaddus University

Crew Competes at Pittsburgh Indoor Sprints

Crew coaches Connor Hayes, '12, and David McFall, '13, cheer on Blair Bean, '18, on erg at the Pittsburgh Indoor Sprints held Jan. 27, 2018.



PHOTO CREDIT:  
SHANNON SANDBERG

Senior to Represent USA in World Ball Hockey Championship

Declan Moffatt, '18, was named to U20 Team USA and will compete in the World Ball Hockey Championship in Nitra, Slovakia from June 25 – July 1.



2018 Soccer Commits

Congratulations to our seniors who have committed to continuing their soccer careers at the collegiate level.

FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:

- Michael Gemmell – Washington University in St. Louis
- Dan Schearer – Slippery Rock University
- Larry Cersosimo – John Carroll University



Wrestlers Qualify for AAA WPIAL Championships

Congratulations to our wrestlers who qualified for the WPIAL AAA Wrestling Championship:

- Tom Muha, '21 – 138 lb.
- Vinny Rauso, '18 – 160 lb.
- Clarence Carlos, '19 – 265 lb.



National Football Signing Day 2018

On Feb. 15, 2018, several Central Catholic seniors committed to continuing their football careers at the collegiate level.

- Anthony Young Jr. – Howard University  
Troy Fisher – Lafayette College  
Josh Trautman – University of Dayton  
David Green – University of Pittsburgh  
Cam Laconi – Mercyhurst University  
Khalil Weathers – University of Pennsylvania  
Liam Slattery – Tufts University  
Terran Moore – Allegheny College

Back-to-Back

For the second year in a row, the golf team took home the WPIAL AAA Championship, edging out Peters Township with a final score of 386.

**PHOTO 1:** Tyler Blake, '19, Shane Kelley, '19 Jimmy Meyers, '19 and Neal Shipley, '19 qualified for the golf WPIAL Finals. Jimmy Meyers, '19 took home 4th place and Neal Shipley, '19 took home 7th place.

**PHOTO 2:** Jimmy Meyers, '19, finished 4th and Neal Shipley, '19, finished tied for 5th in the PIAA Individual state golf finals in York, Pa.





# Chuck Crummie Court

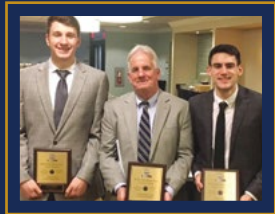


FOLLOWING THE UNVEILING, BASKETBALL ALUMNI GATHERED IN THE ZUPANCIC FAMILY STEM CENTER TO CONGRATULATE COACH CRUMMIE.

## Chuck Crummie Court at Alumni Hall

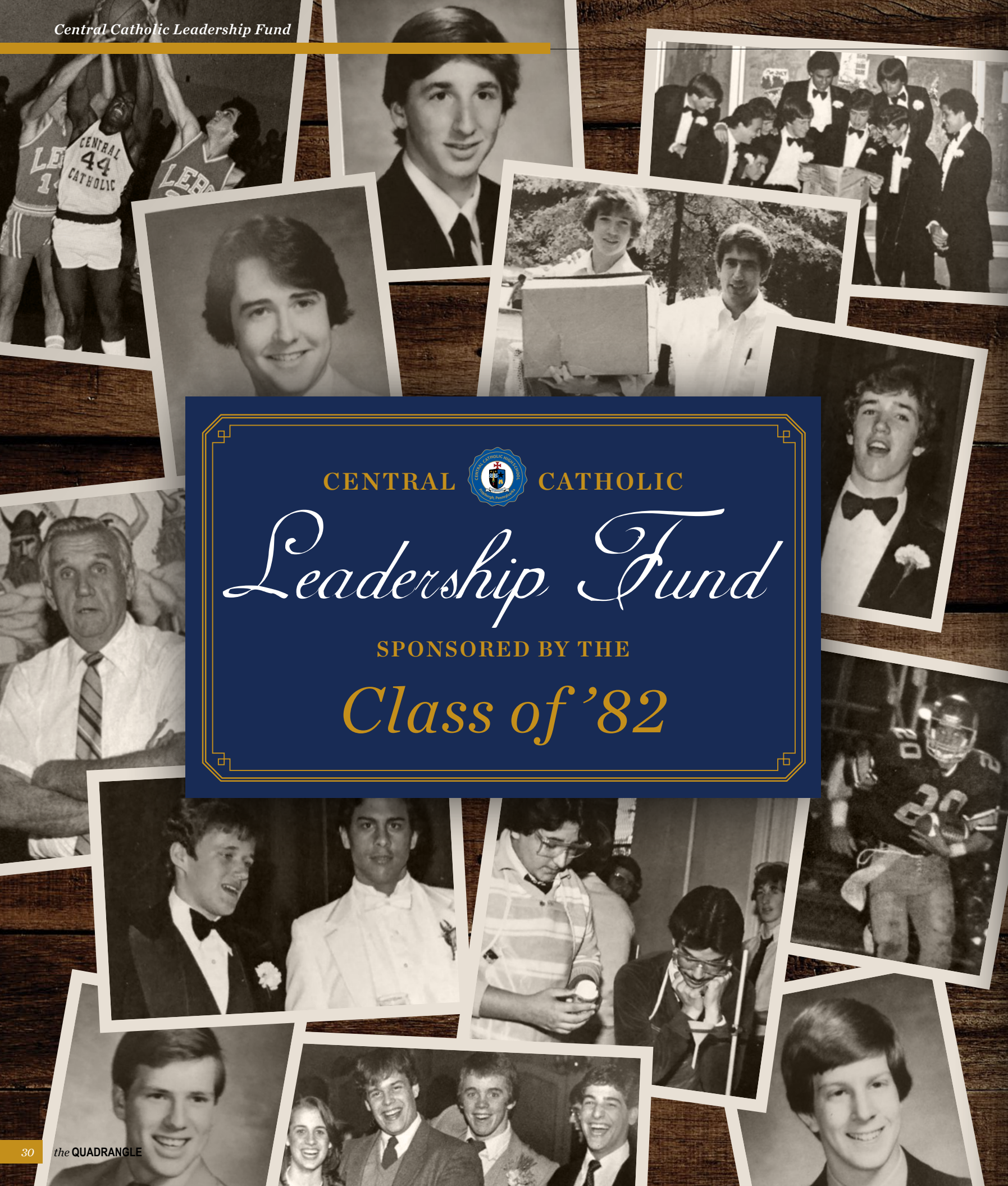
On Friday, Feb. 9, 2018, Central Catholic dedicated the basketball court in Alumni Hall to longtime basketball coach Mr. Chuck Crummie. The newly-named “Chuck Crummie Court at Alumni Hall” honors Crummie’s 37 seasons as Head Basketball Coach and 14 years as Athletic Director.

[Watch the full story on WTAE](#)



*In 2018, Crummie was honored as basketball section  
Coach of the Year!*





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# CLASS of 1982

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## LEADERSHIP FUND

TO BENEFIT STUDENTS

On Friday, Oct. 6, 2017, the Class of 1982 presented Brother Tony Baginski, FSC, Principal, with a class gift of \$65,000 during Central Catholic's home football game vs. Butler, for the newly-created Central Catholic Leadership Fund Sponsored by the Class of '82. Since the initial check presentation in October, the fund has exceeded \$75,000 and the Class of '82 hopes to continue to grow the fund indefinitely. The purpose of the Leadership Fund is to support and enhance existing and new leadership development initiatives.



*"Our goal in fundraising for The Leadership Fund was to ensure that Central Catholic is able to excel in creating the future leaders of tomorrow,"* said Barry Hutchison, '82.

*"Our class is excited to lead the way and we hope other classes will join us in this important effort."*





## Building Future Leaders

In the fall of 2017, Central Catholic introduced the Intro to Leadership elective course to juniors and seniors. This non-credit course, led by Colonel Ian Ferguson (USMC, Ret), is designed to create a greater understanding of what leadership means and how students can develop and apply their own leadership styles. Throughout the course, students explore historical examples of leadership as well as faith-based leadership, morals and ethics. The Intro to Leadership course is also being offered this spring.

*“The Intro to Leadership course is an excellent addition to current juniors’ and seniors’ course loads and allows them to start building their own framework for successful leadership and become more aware of their own leadership path,”* said Colonel Ian Ferguson, Intro to Leadership teacher.

*“The response from students so far has been spirited, and I am looking forward to helping tap into the leadership potential of the Central Catholic students, and watching them develop as active leaders.”*

## BUILDING A COMMUNITY OF DIGNITY & RESPECT

In addition to supporting current student programming, the Leadership Fund will make an impact on growing and developing the Dignity & Respect Campaign, new to Central Catholic this school year.

Spearheaded by Central Catholic’s Cultural Inclusion Advisers, Maurice Lucas, ’89 and Morris Turner, ’89, the Dignity & Respect Campaign is a program that furthers the development of a community of thoughtful and compassionate individuals - two key components of a Lasallian school. At the heart of the approach is the core belief that everyone wants to be treated with dignity and respect both at Central Catholic and in the broader community.

*“The Class of 1982 has shown great insight and commitment to current and future Central Catholic students through developing current leaders in our school and future leaders in our communities,”* said Brother Tony Baginski, FSC, Principal.

On Thursday, Jan. 25, 2018, Central Catholic welcomed Charlie Batch, motivational speaker/leader of the Best of the Batch foundation and former NFL quarterback, to help kick off the Dignity & Respect Campaign.



## What’s Next?

This summer, select student leaders will be invited to hone their leadership skills at the Outdoor Odyssey Leadership Academy in Boswell, Pa. The Leadership Academy, led by Major General Thom Jones (USMC, Ret), challenges students to work together as a team through a unique wilderness experience, including ropes courses, zip lining and other group activities.



*“The support of our alumni is imperative to Central Catholic’s continued success, and I am delighted by the support from the Class of 1982 to first develop self-discipline in our students, and then for these students to grow into caring and compassionate leaders.”*

said Brother Tony Baginski, FSC, Principal.



*“Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.”*  
1 Peter 3:8

### The 30 Tips of Dignity & Respect:

- |   |                                      |  |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| 1. Start with you                               | 11. Find common ground               | 21. Be a relationship builder            |
| 2. Sweat the small stuff                        | 12. Communicate respectfully         | 22. Build trust                          |
| 3. Smile  | 13. Practice patience                | 23. Lead the way                         |
| 4. Say hello                                    | 14. Seek understanding               | 24. Listen                               |
| 5. Say thank you                                | 15. Share your point of view         | 25. Remember, we all make mistakes       |
| 6. Build cultural awareness                     | 16. Get someone else’s point of view | 26. Do the right thing                   |
| 7. Treat others the way they want to be treated | 17. Join the team                    | 27. Become a mentor                      |
| 8. Make a new friend                            | 18. Be open                          | 28. Lend a hand                          |
| 9. Demonstrate mutual respect                   | 19. Be flexible                      | 29. Live a healthy life                  |
| 10. Ask   | 20. Reinvent the wheel               | 30. Be a champion of dignity and respect |

*Since the initial check presentation on October 6, the fund has exceeded \$75,000.*

To support the Central Catholic Leadership Fund Sponsored by the Class of ’82, please contact Brandon Haborjak, Director of Alumni Relations at [bhaburjak@centralcatholicchs.com](mailto:bhaburjak@centralcatholicchs.com) or 412.208.3488 for more information on ways to give.

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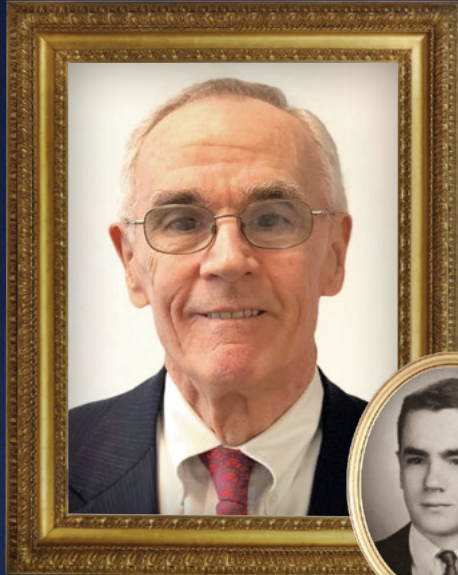


# Congratulations to our 2017 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

A long-standing tradition, the Central Catholic Hall of Fame honors distinguished men of Central who have contributed to furthering our mission.

This year, we are pleased to announce our 2017 Hall of Fame Inductees:

Mr. Charles E. Sheedy, '65 and Mr. Eugene Kail, '63.



Mr. Charles E. Sheedy

Class of 1965

Central Catholic is proud to induct Mr. Charles E. Sheedy, '65, into the Central Catholic Hall of Fame. Charles currently serves as Senior Vice-President at Fayeze Sarofim & Co., an investment management firm that focuses on equity investments for the longer term, in Houston, Texas. He currently has portfolio management responsibilities for taxable and institutional accounts.

Charles began his career locally as an intern at Federated Investors, Inc. before moving on to Fayeze Sarofim & Co. A member of Fayeze Sarofim & Co. since 1971, Charles quickly climbed the ranks, starting as an Associate and earning his current title of Senior Vice-President in 1993.

“Charles exemplifies all three qualities of our core mission: faith, scholarship and service, with zeal,” said Brother Anthony Baginski, FSC, Principal.

Charles’ commitment to his career, his family and to Central Catholic make him an extraordinary member of our alumni. His generosity towards our capital campaign is just one example of his forward-thinking, and we are so thankful for his ongoing support.

“High School commences important formative years for a young man both academically and socially,” said Charles. “Day to day integration of specific academic disciplines, whether it be freshman year latin or senior year AP physics, is key to longer term fulfillment for any individual. Central Catholic was certainly integral to me in making important longer term educational and societal decisions – what kind of person should I strive to be for my own sake as well as those people I would be around in the future – in my future family, my work place, and in my church. Central’s part in my formation cannot be calculated or measured – all I know is that it was invaluable.”

After graduating from Central Catholic in 1965, Charles graduated cum laude from the University of Notre Dame in 1969 with a B.A. in English Literature and earned his M.B.A. from Harvard Business School in 1971. While at Central Catholic, Charles was a member of the History Honor Society and Intramurals.



Mr. Eugene Kail

Class of 1963

2017 Posthumous Hall of Fame Inductee  
Oct. 24, 1944 – Dec. 16, 2016

Central Catholic is proud to posthumously induct long-time Central Catholic faculty member Mr. Eugene Kail, '63 into the Central Catholic Hall of Fame.

For 20 years, Gene served on the faculty at Central Catholic where he held a wide range of roles, serving as a teacher, department chair and assistant principal. Gene was actively involved in forensics at Central Catholic, spearheading the inaugural Central Catholic Forensics Society Reunion in 2016. At the 2017 Central Catholic Forensics Society Awards Banquet, Gene was also posthumously inducted into the newly established CCFS (Central Catholic Forensics Society) Hall of Fame and Jack Kennedy, '69, presented the award for Most Improved, named in Gene’s honor.

Gene held a wide variety of interests, including singing and acting, and most recently published a memoir. Proud of his Lebanese heritage, Gene’s memoir, “Praying for Freckles: Growing up Maronite in Pittsburgh’s Hill District” documented his childhood experiences as a Lebanese-American.

In an interview with the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, Gene’s cousin, Patricia Kornick of Oakmont, remarked on Gene’s legacy, “He always wanted to see people succeed, whether in the classroom or life in general. He embraced life, and he instilled that in other people – not to take opportunities for granted. He didn’t take commitments lightly.”

“Gene was a pioneer for the Forensics Society and we continue to honor his legacy through our students’ hard work,” said Br. Kevin Dalmasse, FSC, Forensics Society Advisor.

“We are so thankful for his many years of commitment to the organization and for paving the way for our future leaders.”

Nominations for the 2018 induction to the Hall of Fame are now being accepted.

Visit [centralcatholicHS.com/alumni](http://centralcatholicHS.com/alumni) to learn more and submit your nomination.

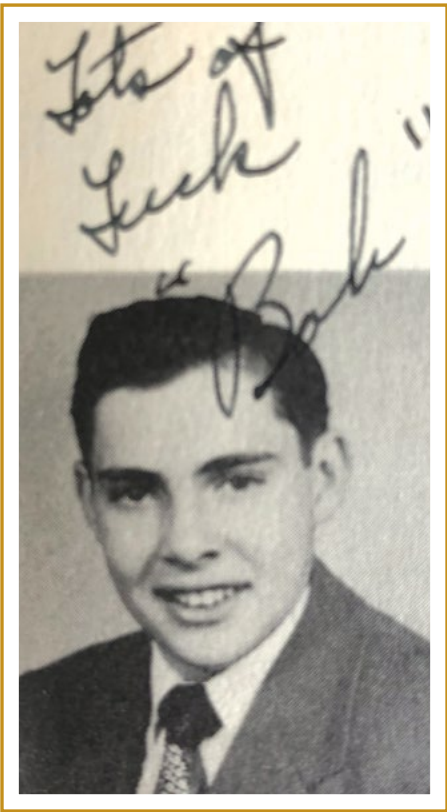


# Donor Spotlight

The contributions of loyal Central Catholic alumni and friends enable the school to provide an education that goes beyond academic excellence to also include faith, integrity, respect and service. This remarkable generosity allows Central to sustain its Lasallian mission of providing a quality, Catholic education to all. Over one-third of our student body receives financial assistance thanks to these gifts.

The school is deeply grateful to our benefactors. We’ve highlighted two alumni who choose to regularly support their alma mater and impact the lives of its young men.

§ *Thank you Joe and Bob, for being such an important part of our students’ journey.*



BOB’S 1951 SENIOR PHOTO

## Meet Bob Fuchs, ’51

**Q.** *Tell us about yourself and your journey since graduating from Central.*

**A.** I have been a part of the Central Catholic community since 1947. After graduating from Central Catholic in 1951, I spent my career working at the Frick Park Market in Point Breeze. In 2000, I retired, and I was on the Central Catholic football coaching staff for 15 years.

**Q.** *What is your first memory of Central Catholic?*

**A.** When I first came to Central Catholic, my first impression was that it was a very strict place. I didn’t realize how much the Brothers meant to me until I graduated, and I am now so appreciative of everything that they taught me. There was no nonsense from the Brothers. I was on the fence, but because I came to Central, I was put on the right path. Central really made me the man that I am today.

**Q.** *How has your Central Catholic education impacted you?*

**A.** I’ve gone to Catholic school my entire life, and because of that, I try to live my faith every day. If I would have gone to another school, I wouldn’t be the person I am today. With my education and my Christianity, I have been blessed with an excellent life.

Kids have to have faith. I go to Mass often, and I hope to continue to see young people attending Mass as well. My faith is very important to me, and I hope that future generations continue to live a faithful life and give back as much as they can.

**Q.** *What would you tell a current freshman about being a Central Catholic student?*

**A.** It is the best school that you will ever go to in your life. This school will provide you with the best education. You can excel in athletics, but it’s more important to focus on your education. You will leave Central Catholic with friendships that last a lifetime.

**Q.** *You make an annual gift to Central Catholic, explain why you choose to “give back”.*

**A.** I just try and give of myself, and I want it to go through to the kids. When I coached football at St. Bede, I told them that *“I don’t expect you to give a lot of money, all I expect is that what you make in life, you give back what you got.”*

God has a plan for everyone in life. I’ve enjoyed my life and I’ve had the opportunity to coach many different teams and I’ve made so many friends at Central. The one thing that I tell everyone: you’ll notice in the obituaries of those who have passed, that many alumni will list that they are a Central Catholic graduate. They do that because the friendships they have made here will last forever – you just don’t see that with other high schools.

**Q.** *How would you encourage your classmates to financially support Central?*

**A.** There are a lot of people who can’t afford to give lots of money. I give as much as I can to support Central Catholic, including athletics and clubs. I am not a guy who can donate thousands of dollars, but I can donate small amounts of money on a regular basis and I also donate my time. My advice would be to give what you can, even if it is just your time. Every bit helps. I encourage all of my classmates to support Central.

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# Meet Joe Nemeth, '06



“Knowing that I can help alleviate the financial burden for a family that wants to send their son(s) to Central makes giving back completely worth it.”

**Q.** Tell us about yourself and your journey since graduating from Central.

**A.** I am one of seven children, all of whom attended Catholic education from K-12. I attended St. Philip’s in Crafton for grade school. My brothers and I were raised primarily in the western suburbs of Pittsburgh, and two of my brothers also graduated from Central (John, ’06, and Michael, ’11). My three sisters attended Oakland Catholic.

I graduated from Central in 2006 and attended the United States Military Academy at West Point. While there, I competed on the NCAA indoor/outdoor track and field teams as a thrower for four years. Upon graduating from West Point in 2010, I served as an active-duty Army officer for just under seven years. I spent the majority of my time at Fort Knox, Ky., and Fort Stewart, Ga., and completed two deployments to Afghanistan in 2011-2012 and 2013-2014. Since transitioning off of active-duty, I completed a graduate degree at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice and am now preparing to attend law school this fall. I also continue to serve as a Captain in the Army Reserve.

**Q.** What is your first memory of Central Catholic?

**A.** My first memory of Central Catholic was football camp during the summer of 2003. My twin brother, John, and I were transferring into Central for our sophomore year after moving back to the Pittsburgh area from Rochester, N.Y. and really knew no one at Central. Aside from the long and exhausting days at camp, I can remember just how welcoming, kind, and down-to-earth my new teammates/classmates were. While my football career was short-lived (I found more personal success on the swimming and track-and-field teams), this camp experience provided my first introduction into the tradition of excellence that permeates all aspects of Central Catholic.

At the end of my first year at Central, I had been a member of three WPIAL Championship teams (football, swimming, and track and field). Central students consistently stand out as champions in the classroom, on the athletic fields, on the stage, in the community, and in their parishes. They are able to do so because of the Brothers, teachers, coaches and staff who make attending Central Catholic such an enjoyable experience.

**Q.** How has your Central Catholic education impacted you?

**A.** My Central Catholic education allowed me to grow intellectually, spiritually, and professionally. It laid the foundation on which I have built my career. The values and discipline that the Lasallian education instills in every Central Catholic student have served me well during my time in the military. The diversity of the student body, the genuine care of the teachers, and the challenging curriculum were all factors of the Central experience that prepared me to succeed in the real world. Central Catholic provided such a wonderful environment to learn and grow as a man of scholarship, faith, and service. The success of Central alumni worldwide is a testament to all of the amazing people that work at Central Catholic and the mission of Central. No school in the area is better at developing well-rounded men of character.

**Q.** What would you tell a current freshman about being a Central Catholic student?

**A.** Take pride in being a Central Catholic student, but also be thankful for the incredible opportunity of attending such a great high school. The Brothers, faculty, coaches, and administration care immensely about you and want you to succeed in life. They have devoted their lives to ensuring this happens, so it would be wise to listen to what they have to say. Take your academics seriously, and if you are struggling in any way, let your teachers know. They are ready and willing to do whatever is necessary to help you learn and grow as a student. If you haven’t already done so, join a sports team or student club. Some of the best memories I have of Central are from the teams of which I was a part. Lastly, internalize what it means to be a man of faith, scholarship, and service. More often than not, young men who live their lives with a focus on faith, scholarship, and service will find true success and happiness.



JOE’S 2006 SENIOR PHOTO

**Q.** You make a monthly gift to Central Catholic, explain why you choose to “give back”.

**A.** Central played such a significant role in shaping me into the man I am today, both personally and professionally, and giving back to the institution is the least I can do. Every young man in Western Pennsylvania that has a desire to attend Central should be able to, but often times tuition may be the deciding factor that prevents this from happening. Knowing that I can help alleviate the financial burden for a family that wants to send their son(s) to Central makes giving back completely worth it.

**Q.** How would you encourage your classmates to financially support Central?

**A.** Even though we have graduated and our ties to Central are not as immediate as they once were, the years we spent at Central played a role in where we are at today. I think it’s important to realize that the administration is just as appreciative of a \$10 gift as it is for a \$1,000 gift because each and every dollar helps to sustain the Central experience for all students. Any amount of financial support goes to a good cause that is close to our hearts, and every dollar counts. While we may not be able to provide significant monetary donations at this point in our lives, a simple \$5, \$10, or \$20 monthly gift makes a difference. At the end of the day, financial support from alumni helps to ensure that Central Catholic remains the best high school in Pittsburgh. Quality education is one of the five core Lasallian principles, and Central adheres to this principle quite well. This quality, Lasallian education at Central Catholic would not be possible without financial support from alumni.

Support Central Catholic



# Give Today

## Ways to Give to Central Catholic

Did you know that tuition revenue accounts for only about 75% of Central's budget? Gifts from alumni, parents and friends make up the other 25%. This generosity allows us to provide much needed tuition assistance and ensure that Central remains available to students from all socioeconomic circumstances. Every gift received by Central Catholic helps to sustain the school's long tradition of excellence and accessibility.

### Recurring Gifts

Recurring gifts are an easy way to make a big impact that works for your budget and schedule. Through a number of small monthly installments, you can build toward a larger annual gift. Setting up a recurring gift is easy, customizable, and environmentally friendly. Recurring gifts also ensure a steady source of support for Central Catholic's young men.

**Monthly gifts can be made in amounts starting at \$10.**

*Every gift matters!*

*Examples of recurring gift schedules:*

- \$10 per month = \$120 per year
- \$42 per month = \$500 per year
- \$25 per month = \$300 per year
- \$84 per month = \$1,000 per year\*

*\*With a recurring gift of \$84/month, you can become member of the Lasallian Society, Central's premier donor society. You'll be listed in our Honor Roll of Donors and will receive invitations to special events.*

### Online

Online gifts charged to your credit card are quick, easy, and secure. Go to [www.centralcatholicHS.com/give](http://www.centralcatholicHS.com/give) or [csteffey@centralcatholichs.com](mailto:csteffey@centralcatholichs.com) to complete your one-time or recurring donation to the Annual Fund.

### By Mail

To make a gift by mail, please make your check payable to Central Catholic High School. Please address your correspondence to:  
**Central Catholic High School  
Advancement Office  
4720 Fifth Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15213**

### By Phone or Email

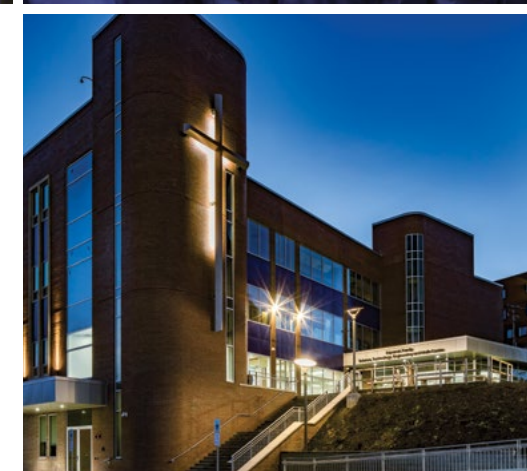
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### Matching Gifts

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# Welcome Matthew J. Stoessel, '95

## Matthew J. Stoessel, '95, Joins Central Catholic as Executive Director of Advancement



Central Catholic is pleased to announce the hiring of Matthew J. Stoessel, '95, as Executive Director of Advancement. In his role, Matt is responsible for overseeing the Office of Advancement and managing all aspects of the school's fundraising and alumni efforts.

Most recently, Matt served as a Managing Director at Changing Our World, Inc., a national philanthropic management firm, where he provided leadership and guidance to organizations across multiple sectors, including education, healthcare, faith-based and social services. Prior to joining Changing Our World, Inc., Matt served as Managing Director of The Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of Greensburg.

*“Matt’s excitement for the Central Catholic community can be felt from the moment you meet him,”* said Brother Tony Baginski, FSC, Principal. *“We are pleased to have Matt on board. His excellent thought leadership, coupled with his passion to support Central Catholic’s core mission, make him a perfect fit for our Advancement team.”*

Matt is a native of Pittsburgh, Pa. He earned his Bachelor of Science in Education as well as a Master of Arts in Strategic Communication from Seton Hall University. Matt resides in the South Hills with his wife, Clarinda, and their children, Victoria, William, and John.

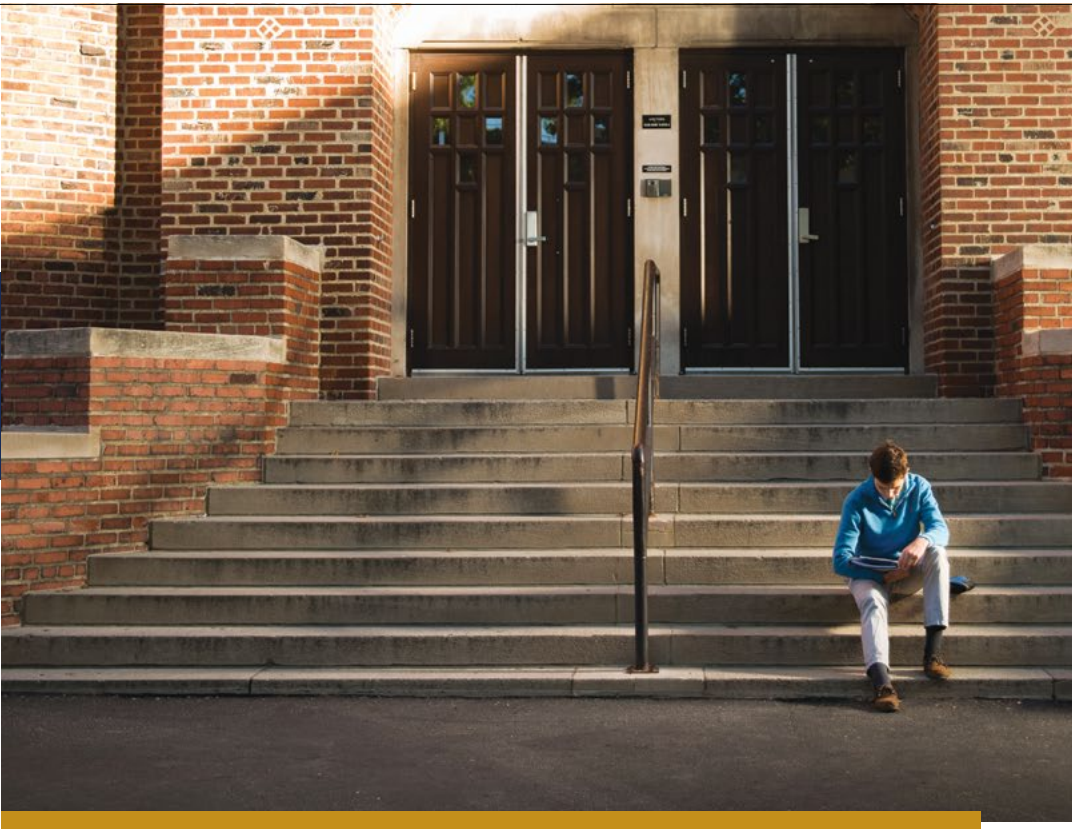
*“It is extremely special for me, both professionally and personally, to be back at Central Catholic High School,”* said Stoessel.

*“For those that know me well, they will tell you that there are only three things you need to ask Matt about if you want to get to know him and find out what he is most passionate about: 1. His family. 2. All things Pittsburgh; and 3. Central Catholic High School. I am honored and humbled to have been given this opportunity to help Central Catholic.”*

Get in touch with Matt!  
[mstoessel@centralcatholichs.com](mailto:mstoessel@centralcatholichs.com) - 412.622.6184

*“Central Catholic High School will not be able to survive, let alone thrive, without the support of our alumni. Central Catholic High School is a shared responsibility amongst our alumni and those who value Catholic education as a choice. It is amazing to go to work each day at a place where I can witness first-hand what the current students have as a result of the generations of alumni who have made Central Catholic a philanthropic priority.”*

Matthew J. Stoessel, '95



## Turn your state tax liability into tuition assistance dollars for Central Catholic students!

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These programs have been instrumental in Central’s mission to make a Catholic, Lasallian education accessible to students from all socioeconomic backgrounds. EITC/OSTC funds provide significant financial aid to students who may not be able to attend Central without this help. In fact, in the 2017-2018 school year, over 200 students are receiving assistance as a result of these programs.

If you are interested in learning more, please contact Claudia Steffey at 412.662.6171 or [csteffey@centralcatholichs.com](mailto:csteffey@centralcatholichs.com).

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# A Message from the Lettermen's Club



## Lettermen's Club Has Successful 25th Golf Outing

By Kevin Shields, '79

Edgewood Country Club was the scene on Sept. 25, 2017, for the Central Catholic Lettermen's Club 25th Annual Golf Outing which benefits all athletic teams, including both varsity and club sports. The blue sky, sunny day was filled with alumni from many different decades partaking in fun, friendships and camaraderie.

The event began with a lunch provided by the Bulldog Pub in Morningside. Then the 12:30 start saw the golfers trying their skills on the links. After golf, a delicious buffet meal was devoured by all to complete the wonderful day.

Among the winners of the outing were the team of Pat Holleran, '80, Joe Farrell, '85, David Farrell, '83 and former Viking great hooper, Pat Farrell, '81, who won first place in the Gross Division. Pat Farrell also won the Closest to the Pin Contest on hole #14.

The team consisting of Jimbo Lamanna, '84, Tom White, '84, Steve Massaro, '84 and Corey O'Connor, '02 won first place in the Net Division. O'Connor also took first place in the Closest to the Pin Contest on hole #12.

*"The  
golf outing,  
which is our  
largest fund  
raising event of  
the year, was a  
great success  
this year."*

*Lettermen's Club  
President  
Brian Hentosz, '04*

Among the other skills competition prize winners were Frank Yourick, '62, who won the Closest to the Pin Contest on hole #5 and the Longest Drive on hole #18; Gerry Totten, '74 who won Closest to the Pin Contest on hole #3 and Ben Huber, '69, who took home a big screen television for winning the popular putting contest.

*Special thanks go out to  
Mark Laffey, '84  
who won the 50/50 raffle  
and donated his portion of the  
winnings back to the club.*

The Club was proud to have assisted multiple teams this year.

***Please mark your calendars for this year's outing  
on Sept. 24, 2018, at the Edgewood Country Club.***

Finally, the Club is looking for alumni who are interested in serving as board members. Interested alumni should contact Greg Thomas, '05, Lettermen's Club Vice President at [gthomas@centralcatholics.com](mailto:gthomas@centralcatholics.com).

## Custom Central Catholic Sand Art by Johno Prascak



### About the Artist:

Johno Prascak is a proud Pittsburgher, and the son of a 1941 Central Catholic graduate. Johno creates each painting by mixing enamels and sand from the Monongahela River, giving his artwork an unusual texture. High atop the South Side Slopes, Johno operates an art studio and paints full time. Johno's paintings can be seen on display throughout the region, including at Heinz Field, Sarris Candies Headquarters, The Senator John Heinz History Center and the National Aviary.

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# News from Viking Nation

**1950s** { The recently renovated St. John’s Prep football field in Danvers, Mass., was dedicated as “Glatz Field” in honor of Fred Glatz, ’51, on Sept. 23, 2017.

**1960s** { **Frank “Pudgy” Boal,** ’65 was inducted into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame in December 2017.

**Father James P Colligan,** ’47, recently published a book entitled “The Visit of Pope John Paul II to Japan in Photographs 1981.” Father Colligan is a retired Maryknoll Missioner who spent most of his missionary life in Japan. He now lives in Pittsburgh.

**1970s** { **Dr. Anthony DiGioia,** ’75, Orthopedic Surgeon and Medical Director at the Bone and Joint Center and Innovation Center at Magee-Womens Hospital of UPMC, recently released a new book, “The Patient Centered Value System: Transforming Healthcare through Co-Design.” **1**

**Kevin Shields,** ’79, was honored for five years of service at the 2018 Pittsburgh Pirates Fantasy Camp in Bradenton, Fla. **2**

**1980s** { **Steven Massaro,** ’84, was named General Contractors Association of Pennsylvania’s Vice President.

**Larkin Werner,** ’85, was inducted into the Pittsburgh Advertising Federation’s 2017 Hall of Achievement. Larkin is currently a partner and creative director at Wall-to-Wall Studios. Larkin joins his father, Ray Werner, in the Pittsburgh Advertising Federation Hall of Fame. Ray Werner was inducted in 2001. **3**

[Read the article](#)

**Joe Tabaka,** ’87, won the first annual Confluence Financial Partners Aquila Award. The award recognizes an employee who over the previous year has upheld the mission statement and core values of the company. **4**

**1990s** { **Joe Moorhead,** ’92, was named Mississippi State’s 33rd Head Football Coach.

[Read the article](#)

**Liam Bonner,** ’99, had the honor of singing at the Houston Astros’ first home game at Minute Maid Park since Hurricane Harvey. **5**

**Christopher P. Smith Jr.,** ’94, was elected managing partner of Meyer, Unkovic & Scott in January 2018. **6**

**2000s** { **Conor Lamb,** ’02, was named the Democratic nominee for the 18th District Special Election in March.

[Visit the website](#)

**Andrew Brennan,** ’03, was named to *Pittsburgh Magazine*’s “40 Under 40.”

[Read the article](#)

**Sean Gentile,** ’04, stopped by Ms. Sara Budacki’s first period journalism class in December to discuss his career in sports journalism. **7**

Newly ordained priest, **Father Tom Gramc,** ’05, joined Central Catholic for Opening Mass on Sept. 11, 2017. **8**

**Leon Hoffman,** ’06 was named EY Managing Partner of its Pittsburgh office on March 1, 2018. **9**

**Eric Charity,** ’06, passed his bar exam in the state of Georgia, and is now licensed to practice law in Virginia and Georgia. **10**

[Read the article](#)

**Will Dzombak,** ’06, was named to the *Forbes* 2018 “30 Under 30: Music” list. **11**

[Read the article](#)

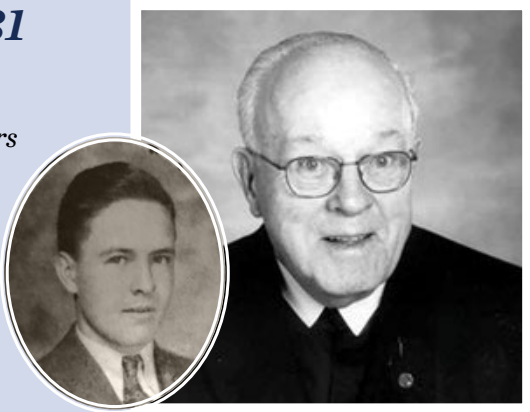
**Stefen Wisniewski,** ’07, OL for the Philadelphia Eagles, celebrated a Super Bowl win over the New England Patriots.

[Watch the video](#)

## Prayers for Brother Patrick Power, FSC, ’31

At the time of publication, the eldest Brother of the Christian Schools, Brother Patrick Power, FSC, ’31, has been placed in hospice care at 105 years of age. Brother Patrick is the sole remaining member of Central Catholic’s original 1931 graduating class. Brother Patrick went to his eternal reward on Tuesday, April 3, 2018. [Read our tribute](#)

Father God, we lift up in prayer, Brother Patrick Power, FSC. Peace be upon him.



Liam Bonner, ’99, had the honor of singing at the Houston Astros’ first home game at Minute Maid Park since Hurricane Harvey.



*Michael Campayno, '08*, returned to Pittsburgh to perform as Flyero in the national tour of “Wicked” at the Benedum Center. A native of Forest Hills, Campayno graduated from Central Catholic High School and went on to study musical theater at Carnegie Mellon University. He earned the coveted Gene Kelly Award for his supporting role as Gaston in Central’s 2008 production of “Beauty and the Beast.”

[Read the article](#)

*Emmanuel Matthews, '08*, was featured on BlackEnterprise.com as a “BE Modern Man.”

**2010s** { *Dylan Fishbaine, '11*, was recently promoted to Corrections Counselor at the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections. Dylan is employed at the State Correctional

Institute at Benner Township. Upon graduation from Indiana University of Pennsylvania in 2015, Dylan began working for the Department of Corrections as a corrections officer. After 2 1/2 years, he was promoted to Corrections Counselor. Dylan is responsible for assisting inmates with parole, obtaining vocational programs and re-entry into society.

*James May, '12*, was recently selected to the 2019 Class of George J. Mitchell Scholars. James will study in the music department at University College, Cork, Ireland beginning in September 2018.

[Read the article](#)

*JD Macioce, '13*, has entered the Brothers’ contact program. After graduating with a B.S. in Management of Information Systems from Penn State

University, JD is working full time for IBM but is living in the Brothers Community at St. Raymond High School in the Bronx.

*Richie Ryan, '15*, a junior defensive tackle at Harvard University, earned an Honorable Mention in the selection of All-Ivy League teams in November.

*Justice Evans, '17*, was named IUP Football All-PSAC West Freshman of the Year.

*Nathan Vislosky, '17*, a freshman chemical engineering major at Penn State, recently earned \$5,000 in scholarships from BP Oil and landed an internship with Chevron.

Alumni from the *Class of 2017* came back to talk with current seniors about their experiences in their first semester at college.



**BACK ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT:** CLAY MYERS (BUCKNELL), MATTHEW DENAPOLI (DAYTON), RAY KRIVANEK (DUQUESNE), DAN PISTELLA (PSU), BEN DESABATO (JOHN CARROLL), ANTHONY WILLIAMS (ST. JOHN’S UNIVERSITY), RYAN MCNELIS (HOLY CROSS COLLEGE), LUKE GIANNETTA (NOTRE DAME), JP SENTNER (GONZAGA), ALEX RAJAKOVICH (JOHN CARROLL) **FRONT ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT:** JOSE ESQUIVEL (OSU), ERIC ASHBY (INDIANA BLOOMINGTON), MIKE PERNICE (DUQUESNE), JJ GISMONDI (PITT), EVAN CUCARO (PSU).

# 2018 Viking Match

April 30 – May 4



**WINNERS**  
so far *include:*

**2015**  
Class of '60

**2016**  
Class of '95

**2017**  
Class of '95

*Which class can  
break '95's streak?*

## Central Catholic is pleased to announce the dates of our fourth annual Viking Match!

Make an online gift\* at [www.centralcatholicHS.com](http://www.centralcatholicHS.com) anytime between April 30 – May 4 and it will be partially matched from a pool of funds generously donated by our Board of Directors. As is tradition, we’re taking this matching gift program one step further and in true Central Catholic spirit, making it a competition!

The alumni class that has the highest participation rate during April 30 – May 4 will win bragging rights and recognition on the Viking Cup. Don’t worry, if you’re a parent of a Central graduate, or friend of Central who is not an alumnus, you’ll be on the “Friends of Central” team, which is also eligible to win.

Please consider participating in The Viking Match. All gifts make a difference and every dollar raised stays right here at Central to directly benefit the students.

*\*The minimum eligible gift amount is \$25.*





# Alumni Events



## Ultimate Frisbee Team Celebrates 20 Years

On the evening of Saturday, Dec. 23, 2017, the Ultimate Frisbee Team celebrated its 20th Anniversary with a reunion at Lombardozi’s Restaurant in Bloomfield. Thirty-one former and current players, ranging from the Class of 2003 to the Class of 2021, joined Head Coach Gregory Thomas, ’05, for an evening of reminiscing, camaraderie, and networking. Founded during the 1998-1999 school year as an after school activity, the club was originally nicknamed the “Alliance of Frisbee Revolutionaries in Oakland.” The program has grown in recent years to be interscholastic

and competes in three seasons throughout the school year, with over 40 players on the roster. The Ultimate Frisbee Team has also evolved into a club sport in which participants are eligible to earn a varsity letter. Those who attended the reunion received a specially designed disc to commemorate this milestone in the program’s history. Any former players who were unable to attend are encouraged to contact Coach Thomas [gthomas@centralcatholics.com](mailto:gthomas@centralcatholics.com) if interested in obtaining a commemorative disc.

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We hope to see you  
at our 2018-2019  
alumni events!

## Allegheny HYP Club Alumni Reception

On Thursday, Sep. 12, 2017, alumni gathered for an evening of food, fun and Brotherhood at the Allegheny HYP Club.



## Alumni Reception at Highmark Stadium

Alumni gathered at Highmark Stadium to cheer on the Vikings during their Senior Night on Friday, Oct. 27, 2017. The team celebrated a 21-0 victory over Penn Hills, solidifying their spot in the 2017 playoffs.





# 2018 Legacy Family Night



## The Sproule family includes:

- Mr. Frank Sproule, '31
- Mr. Bill Sproule, '60
- Mr. Jim Sproule, '62
- Mr. Bob Sproule, '69
- Mr. Kevin Sproule, '86
- Mr. Bill Sproule Jr., '88
- Mr. Patrick Sproule, '14
- Mr. Ryan Sproule, '15
- Mr. Will Sproule, '17
- Mr. Brian Sproule, '19



LEGACY FAMILIES PICTURED (ABOVE) IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER:

MARK BALLOG, '84	TERRY FARRELL, '66	KEVIN KEYHO, '77	ALEX PAMPENA, '21	JIM SHAVER, '87
EDWARD BAUER III, '21	SEAN FERENS, '62	JOHN KEYHO, '21	ALEX PAMPENA, '89	HENRY SHAVER, '21
EDWARD BAUER JR, '85	A. WAYNE FERENS, '62	PAUL KIM, '56	VINCENT PASCOE, '20	CRAIG STACK, '92
JONATHAN BEIBER, '19	LUKE FRIDAY, '21	HARRY KNIPP, '52	GINO PASCOE, '21	CAMERON STACK, '21
JOHN BEIBER, '91	JACK HENNE, '21	SEAN KNIPP, '19	JACK RAPP, '21	NATHAN STEITZ, '21
NICK BONACCI, '00	JACK HENNE, '48	MICHAEL KNIPP, '77	GAVIN RAPP, '85	TIM STEITZ, '82
FRANCIS CONSTANTIN, '21	DYLAN ILOV, '21	CONNOR KNIPP, '21	ALEXANDER RIBNICKY, '21	JUDE SWEENEY, '21
JAMES CONSTANTIN, '86	THOMAS IURLANO, '21	PATRICK KNIPP, '89	TIMOTHY ROSS, '84	DANIEL SWEENEY, '81
JOSEPH CONSTANTIN, '81	THOMAS IURLANO, '79	WILL MERLINO, '21	KEVIN ROSS, '89	ADAM TABAKA, '21
LUKE DEL ROSSO, '21	VINCENT KASCHAUER, '21	KEITH MORRIS, '60	DON ROSS, '58	JOE TABAKA, '87
LOU DEL ROSSO, '86	JOHN KASCHAUER, '91	JIM MUHA, '87	JOSEPH SCOTT, '21	TIM THORSEN, '68
THOMAS DINNIN, '56	CHARLES KENNEDY, '53	TOM MUHA, '21	CHRIS SHANLEY, '91	
SEAN FARRELL, '21	ALEX KENNEDY, '21	GEOFFREY O'CONNOR, '83	JOE SHANLEY, '89	
SEAN FARRELL, '89	CHARLES KENNEDY, '84	WILLIAM O'CONNOR, '57	TYLER SHANLEY, '21	

## Sproule Family Honored with First-Ever Legacy Family Award

On Thursday, Nov. 2, 2017, Central Catholic celebrated the 57 legacy families of the Class of 2021 with the annual Legacy Family Night. Any freshman with an immediate relative who is a Central graduate is considered to be a legacy student.

The evening began with a group photo of the Legacy Family attendees, followed by a short reception with remarks from Brother Tony Baginski, FSC, Principal and Mr. Brandon Haburjak, '06, Director of Alumni Relations, as well as the introduction of the first-ever Legacy Family Award.

This year, Central Catholic introduced the Legacy Family Award as a way to honor an exceptional Legacy Family. The inaugural honoree was Mr. Bill Sproule, '60.

*“We have so many amazing legacy families who are an integral part of our Central Catholic family,”* said Brandon Haburjak, '06, Director of Alumni Relations.

*“We are so thankful for all of our legacy families, including the Sproule family, who have chosen to make Central Catholic a part of their family’s tradition for four generations.”*

The Sproule family spans four generations, and includes ten men, beginning with Bill Sproule’s father, Mr. Frank Sproule, who was a member of Central’s original graduating class of 1931.

*“It was certainly an honor and a delight to be presented with this award in front of such a special audience”* said Bill Sproule, '60. *“But, I am just one of ten honored; one of the three links in the generational chain. I did not make this happen, my sons and my grandsons deserve the same credit. We are all grateful.”*

Bill Sproule, '60, was introduced by his grandson, current student Brian Sproule, '19. Brian remarked on the impact his grandfather had on him as a Central Catholic student.

*“The values of Faith, Scholarship, and Service, along with the brotherhood between students is what sets Central apart from any other school in Western Pennsylvania,”* said Brian. *“A person in my life who embodies the values that Central represents is my grandfather. He spends countless hours making an effort to be a part of his grandchildren’s lives by attending sporting events and hosting very memorable family vacations.”*

As a part of his speech, Bill shared his words of wisdom to the Class of 2021:

*“As a Central student, be proud, but not arrogant; be grateful, not entitled; and most of all, be happy. Becoming the Men of Faith, Scholarship and Service that you hear so much about is a certain path to true happiness ... Soon you will come to know, as many others have, just how much is incorporated in only these three words, ‘We are Central.’”*





# 2018 REUNION Dates



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## Upcoming Reunions:

**Class of 1953 – 65th Reunion:**

Saturday, Aug. 11

**Class of 1963 – 55th Reunion:**

Friday, Oct. 12 & Saturday, Oct. 13

**Class of 1968 – 50th Reunion:**

Friday, Sept. 14 & Saturday, Sept. 15

**Class of 1973 – 45th Reunion:**

Friday, Oct. 5 & Saturday, Oct. 6

**Class of 1978 – 40th Reunion:**

Saturday, Sept. 8

**Class of 1983 – 35th Reunion:**

Saturday, Sept. 15

**Class of 1988 – 30th Reunion:**

Friday, Oct. 5 & Saturday, Oct. 6

**Class of 1993 – 25th Reunion:**

Friday, Sept. 7 & Saturday, Sept. 8

**Class of 2008 – 10th Reunion:**

Friday, Nov. 23

**Don't see your  
reunion listed here?**

Stay tuned to [centralalumni.com](http://centralalumni.com) for more reunions as they are announced, or contact  
Brandon Haburjak, Director of Alumni Relations, at [bhaburjak@centralcatholicshs.com](mailto:bhaburjak@centralcatholicshs.com)  
or 412.208.3488 to join a reunion committee.



Class of '52 Reunion



Class of '72 Reunion



Class of '87 Reunion



Class of '57 Reunion



Class of '77 Reunion



Class of '92 Reunion



Class of '67 Reunion



Class of '82 Reunion



Class of '97 Reunion

Learn how the Class of 1982 made an impact for  
current students during their reunion on [page 30](#).



# In Memoriam

# John McGonigle '56

Oct. 26, 1938  
– Sept. 23, 2017

A longtime supporter and friend of Central Catholic, John William McGonigle's impact and spirit of giving will continue to live on for generations to come. After graduating from Central Catholic in 1956, John continued his Catholic education at Duquesne University for his undergraduate and graduate degrees, completing his studies at Duquesne University School of Law in 1965. John was the Vice Chairman of Federated Investors, where he worked for 51 years.

John's infectious smile and laugh earned him friends wherever he went, and he especially considered his colleagues at Federated among his dearest friends. He lived his life to the fullest and loved to travel and play golf, but his true love was his wife, three children, their spouses and 11 grandchildren.

Thanks to Mr. McGonigle's generosity, Central Catholic's McGonigle Theater has been restored to its original appearance. Accommodating 900 people, the space provides a comfortable and welcoming gathering space for liturgies, musical production, pep rallies and other activities. Since its dedication on August 21, 2005, the auditorium has been home to hundreds of gatherings, cementing the sense of community instilled in everyone in the Central Catholic family.

In an interview in the '05 edition of The Quadrangle, John McGonigle remarked, *"As I'm sure it did with other graduates, the auditorium played an important role in my life as a student. In thinking about this project, I realized that one of my own personal goals was to see the auditorium restored to its original condition, returning to what it must have looked like on the first day of school in 1927."*



*"Mr. McGonigle lived a life of service in every aspect and was a true example to others."*

said Brother Tony Baginski, FSC, Principal.

In addition to the restoration of the McGonigle Theater, the McGonigle Family Fund supports tuition assistance for students in need. John's commitment to ensuring that Central Catholic remains accessible to students from all socioeconomic circumstances has helped make a Central Catholic education possible for hundreds of students.

*"Mr. McGonigle lived a life of service in every aspect and was a true example to others,"* said Brother Tony Baginski, FSC, Principal. *"His desire to help others lives on through the McGonigle Family Fund, which directly benefits students who otherwise may not be able to afford a Catholic education. We are forever grateful to Mr. McGonigle's dedication to supporting our mission."*



TOP: BROTHER RICHARD GRZESKIEWICZ, FSC, '62, MARY ITA AND JOHN MCGONIGLE, '56

LEFT: JOHN STALEY, '61 WITH JOHN MCGONIGLE, '56

John was a Central Catholic legacy whose father, Henry, was among one of the first graduating classes to spend four years at Central Catholic, graduating in 1933. John's sons, Kevin, '82, and Michael, '85, continued the Central Catholic legacy. John's grandsons, Robin Newcamp, '18, and Gavin Newcamp, '21 are current Central Catholic students. Declan Newcamp, '22, will start at Central Catholic in fall 2018.

John is survived by his wife, Mary Ita McGonigle; his three children, Kevin (Susan) McGonigle, Christine McGonigle (Stephen) Newcamp, and Michael (Kathleen) McGonigle; his sister, Dolores Sansonetti and brother, James T. McGonigle\*; and his eleven grandchildren, John Kevin McGonigle, Mary Davis McGonigle, William James McGonigle, Robin Joseph Newcamp, Brigid Elise Newcamp, Gavin Charles Newcamp, Declan Henry Newcamp, Claire Maureen McGonigle, Sean Michael McGonigle, Ryan Michael McGonigle, and Kelly Ann McGonigle. John McGonigle was predeceased by his parents, Henry J. McGonigle and Madeline I. McGonigle.

*\*Mr. McGonigle's brother, James, passed away on Jan. 23, 2018.*

*Eternal rest grant unto him Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon him.*

*May John McGonigle rest in peace. Amen.*

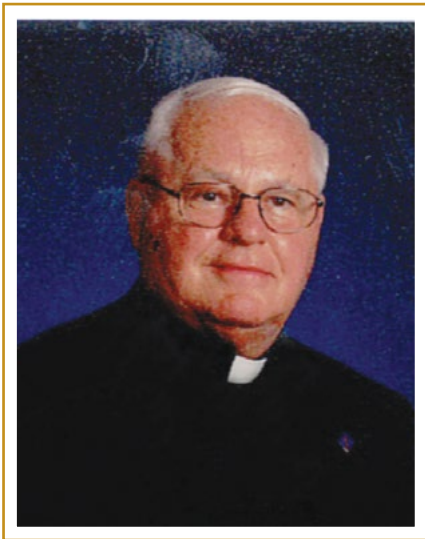


# In Memoriam Special Sections

## Remembering Edward O'Connor, '58

May 5, 1940 – Dec. 29, 2017

Edward O'Connor, '58, passed away on Friday, Dec. 29, 2017, at UPMC - Presbyterian Hospital in Pittsburgh. Preceding him in death were his brothers, Timothy O'Connor, Jr., Thomas O'Connor; and son, Mark O'Connor. Edward was a Lawyer with Eckert Seamans for 52 years. Uncomfortable with "retirement", Ed went to work for Moran & Moran Law Firm in Wexford until his sudden passing. Ed was a member of the Duquesne Club and of Wildwood Country Club. He loved watching Penguins hockey and traveling, namely, to Naples, Fla and Hilton Head, S.C. However, Ed truly cherished his work and was proud of his service in the community. Honesty and integrity were at the heart of everything Ed accomplished. He was proud that his "Word was bond." In 2011, Edward was honored with the Central Catholic Distinguished Alumnus in Law Award.



## Remembering Father Peter Pilarski, AFSC, '50

Nov. 27, 1932 – Oct. 9, 2017

Beloved friend of Central, Father Peter Pilarski, '50, passed away on Monday, Oct. 9, 2017. Father Pete began his education at St. Stephen Elementary School in Hazelwood, continuing his education at Central Catholic and St. Vincent College before he was ordained by Bishop John J. Wright in 1959. Father Pete served his country in the United States Navy as a Chaplain during the Vietnam War, and eventually retired from the Archdiocese for Military Services in 1994. For his dedication and support, Father Pete Pilarski, AFSC, was made an affiliated member of the Christian Brothers de La Salle.

**Correction:** In the Summer/Fall 2017 issue of *The Quadrangle*, Bernard O'Neill, '45 was mistakenly omitted from "Remembering the O'Neills" Special Section on Page 57.

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

### 1940

Frank Carr  
Dr. Salvatore Certo  
George Geary

### 1943

James Farrell  
George Ley, Jr.  
Joseph Wolff

### 1944

Reverend John Coll  
John Harpur  
Daniel Lackner

### 1945

Robert V. Vavro, Sr.

### 1946

Donald Colamarino  
Francis Haus  
Michael Then  
Leo Webber, Jr.  
George Wilhere

### 1947

William Deasy  
Torrence Stadterman

### 1948

John Conley  
Joseph Ioli  
Theodore Janssen, Jr.  
William Kane  
William Sullivan

### 1949

John Furar  
Donald Lilja  
George Lutz

### 1950

James Catanzaro  
John Cerminara, Jr.  
Carl Izzo  
Reverend Peter Pilarski  
Robert Stein

### 1951

Edward McKaveney  
Richard Peluso  
Steven Tuzikow

### 1952

Eugene Farrell

### 1953

Paul Palumbo  
Robert Pollak  
Paul Wells

### 1954

Anthony Begenwald  
Eugene Lucente  
Anthony Pivrotto  
Thomas Reid

### 1955

Saverio Anania  
Brother Dominic Berardelli, FSC  
Denis Dice  
James Donahue  
Robert Kalchthaler  
Anthony Kolek  
Charles Mitchell

### 1956

Michael Bell, M.D.  
Dr. John Bender, Ph.D.  
John Hackett  
John W. McGonigle

### 1958

Edward O'Connor, Esq.

### 1959

Jerome Kirby  
Donald Noe

### 1960

Andrew Sebastian  
William Vizza

### 1961

Gene Hess

### 1962

Leo Duman  
Frank Gauschman  
Joseph Lisowski, Ph.D.

### 1963

Edward DeCort  
James Rozycki

### 1964

John Steinbaugh

### 1967

Daniel Amato  
Mark Zang

### 1969

Joseph Dillon

### 1971

James Fitchwell

### 1973

Gerard Saville

### 1978

Robert Fabiszewski

### 1980

Timothy Saunders

### 1995

Anthony Okobi

### 2009

Vincent Scioscia

### 2017

Van-Toan Ho





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