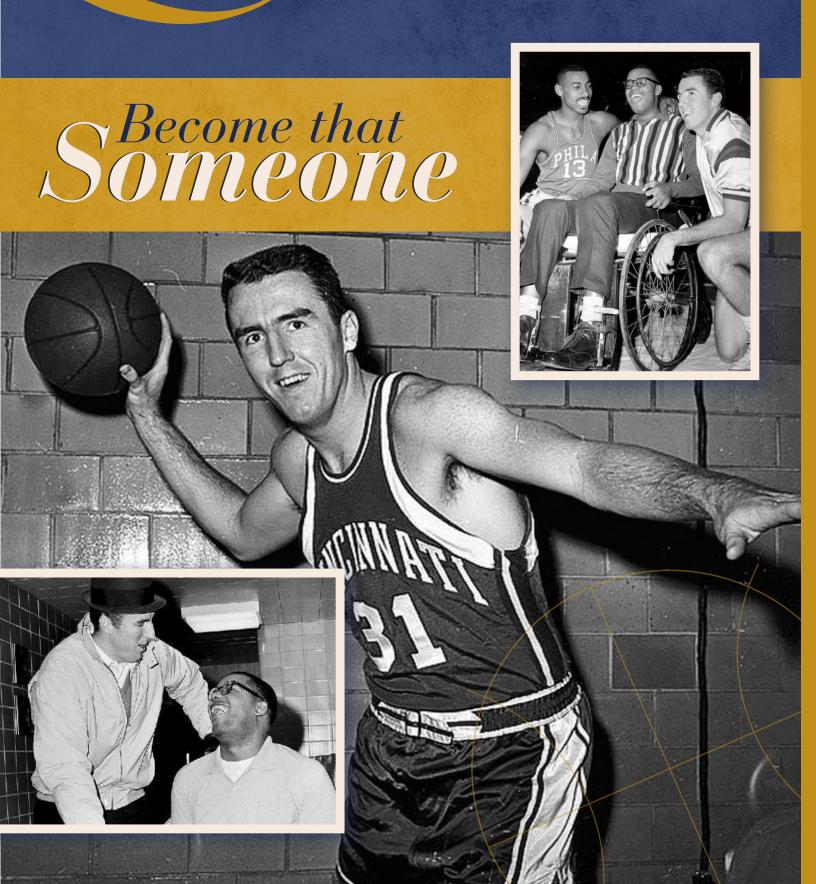


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A Message from the Principal

A MESSAGE FROM BROTHER TONY



June 2021 - A Message from the Principal

DEAR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS OF CENTRAL CATHOLIC,

He has shown you, O man what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. – Micah 6:8

If you only have ten minutes to read this issue of The Quadrangle, please *go to page 26* and read about Jack Tyman, '51 – an incredible example of servant leadership, a life described by the above Old Testament quote from Micah, and someone our students will learn about.

Central Catholic's mission is to develop "... leaders rooted in the Gospel values of integrity, respect, service, justice, and peace." You know that Central has been faithful to its mission as you see these traits in your friends and classmates and as you read about our alumni online or in the papers. You can name graduates who are leaders in business, medicine, research, and non-profits. Countless alumni serve as Faith leaders, politicians, and serve their country in the military. They serve as leaders in the community and most importantly, leaders at home who instill the same values they learned. When we say, "Tradition Never Graduates," this tradition of developing moral leaders is foundational to Central Catholic.

Success in the past is not a guarantee of success in the future and developing moral leaders is something that is too important to be left to chance. This next year, the Central Catholic community of Brothers, administrators, teachers, staff, coaches, and moderators, will reflect on our role in developing the leaders of the future and ensuring that we teach and model that "someone" that we want our students to become.

Enjoy this issue of *The Quadrangle* and know that you are always welcome for a visit at 4720 Fifth Avenue!

Live Jesus in our hearts forever!

Fraternally.

Br. Tony Baginshi, FSC

Brother Tony Baginski, FSC

Principal

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To report church-related abuse to the Pennsylvania District Attorneys Association:

Call the toll-free clergy abuse hotline: 888-538-8541



JIM DONAHUE, '03, NAMED ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS

CENTRAL CATHOLIC IS
PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE
THE HIRING OF MR.
JAMES DONAHUE, '03,
AS ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS AT
CENTRAL CATHOLIC.

A 2003 Central Catholic graduate, Mr. Donahue has served as the Director of Family Support Services at Central Catholic for nearly a decade. In this role, Mr. Donahue provided mental health counseling, connected students and families to outside support services, and played a critical role in the implementation of Central Catholic's wellness initiative.

In his new role as Assistant Principal for Student Affairs, Mr. Donahue will oversee all aspects of student affairs, including student discipline, extracurricular activities, and management of several key internal personnel.

"SINCE 2012, MR. DONAHUE HAS GUIDED AND SUPPORTED COUNTLESS YOUNG MEN THROUGH HIS WORK IN THE COUNSELING CENTER AND WE ARE THRILLED TO WELCOME HIM TO THE ADMINISTRATION TEAM," said Brother Tony Baginski, FSC, Principal.



FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

"HIS YEARS OF EXPERTISE WORKING
DIRECTLY WITH STUDENTS AND FAMILIES MAKE
HIM AN EXCELLENT FIT FOR THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS, WHERE HE WILL CONTINUE
TO MAKE AN IMPACT ON OUR STUDENTS."

Mr. Donahue earned his Bachelor of Arts from Saint Vincent College in 2008 and moved on to receive his Master of Science in Clinical Psychology from the Divine Mercy Institute, Institute for Psychological Sciences in May 2010. Mr. Donahue is currently pursuing his Certificate of Catholic School Leadership at the University of Dallas Online.

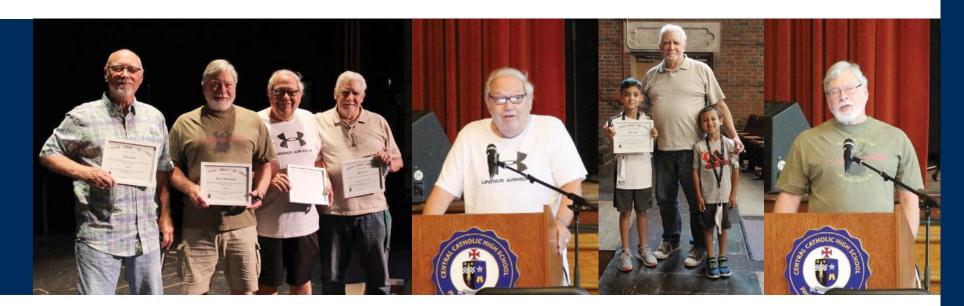
Mr. Donahue will succeed Mr. Andy Macurak, who will remain at Central Catholic in a newly created position, Executive Director of Enrollment Management.

FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

THE END OF AN ERA

At the end of the 2020-21 school year, we celebrated the retirement of Mr. John Cope, Mr. Harry Sirockman, Mr. Rick Walker and Mr. Bill Lloyd. Combined, this group of teachers have spent nearly 100 years teaching Men of Faith, Scholarship and Service, and they will be missed in the classroom, hallways and faculty room.

We wish them all the best in their retirement!



SPANISH TEACHER SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETES DOCTORATE

Dr. Farrah Neumann completed her Ph.D. in Hispanic Linguistics at the University of Pittsburgh. Her dissertation, titled "When Phonological Systems Collide: The Role of the Lexicon in Second Language Phonetic Learning", compared implicit and explicit training paradigms to determine how people can most effectively learn new sounds in a second language such as Spanish.

BUSINESS OFFICE CHANGES:



Mrs. Debbie Rhoads has been promoted from Assistant Business Manager to Business Manager.

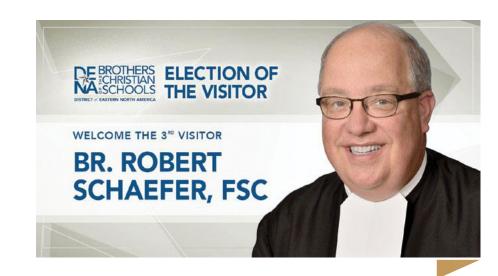


Mr. Armand Buzzelli, '74, has stepped down as Business Manager but will continue as Director of Projects and Operations.

• Bro. Steven Barbaro

- · Dr. Patrick Doering

· Mrs. Lauren Rudy



FORMER PRINCIPAL TAKES ON NEW **DENA LEADERSHIP ROLE**

Former Central Catholic Principal Brother Robert Schaefer, FSC, has been appointed as the third Visitor for the District of Eastern North America. Brother Bob served 17 years at Central Catholic before serving as the Secretary of Formation for the Brothers of the Christian Schools, based at the Generalate in Rome.

FACULTY and



Mr. Matt Carlson joins Central Catholic as Web and Multimedia Producer



Fr. Joe Freedy joins Central Catholic as our new Chaplain



Mr. Andy Macurak has taken on a new role as Executive Director of Enrollment Management

FACULTY AND STAFF FAREWELLS: We wish them luck in their future endeavors!

- Father Mike Ackerman Mr. Anthony Corcoran
- Mrs. Mary Jane Herrington Mr. Gabe Montelaro
- · Mr. Jason Good

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MOTHERS' GUILD



Mothers' Guild

MOTHERS' GUILD FALL FASHION

The Mothers' Guild hosted their Virtual Fall Fashion Show

on Sunday, Nov. 1, 2021. Hosted live by emcee Susan

Koeppen, the event featured live raffles and pre-recorded

fashions modeled by Central Catholic moms and friends

of Central Catholic on location at each boutique. Current

Central Catholic students also modeled fashions and

enjoyed a special Penn Mac basket and One Hope

jewelry and served as hosts on-location. Virtual Patrons

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CATHOLIC Mothers' Guild

The Mothers' Guild is one of the oldest school organizations. It was started to establish good fellowship and greater understanding among the student mothers. Our mission is to enhance the school experience for your sons, our teachers, and our school community.

HAVE QUESTIONS?

Please contact the CCHS Mothers' Guild at cc.mothers.guild@gmail.com



WANT TO LEARN MORE?

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DATES

Monthly meetings occur on the first Thursday of each month!

Sept. 2, 2021 Dec. 2, 2021 Oct. 7, 2021 Nov. 4, 2021

Jan. 6, 2022 Feb. 3, 2022 March 3, 2022 **April 7, 2022** May 5, 2022

Additional Events TBA: _

Faculty Breakfasts Faculty Cookie Exchange End of Year Faculty Luncheon Fashion Show Fundraiser

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

CENTRAL SCOUTS EARN RANKS, HELP COMMUNITIES

TOMMY KONDRICH, '21, Eagle Scout Troop 23 in Edgewood, completed his formal Board of Review for the Rank of Eagle Scout on May 13, 2021. Tom's Eagle Scout Project was the renovation of the Greater Swissvale Community Food Pantry (including painting the interior, building mobile food storage carts, hanging new window treatments, designing and creating new signage, and conducting a community laundry detergent drive to support food pantry clients.





BENJAMIN MCCLELLAND, '21,

completed his Eagle Scout project in April. He painted and furnished a prayer room in the new regional offices for Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish.

Ben received donations of paint and supplies from Lowes in McCandless. He received monetary donations and commissioned the new Our Lady of Mount Carmel icon that is the central focus of the room. In addition, Ben worked with the Diocese to obtain the kneelers from the warehouse. It is a true Eagle Scout project and a lasting contribution to the parish.



Life Scout Troop 23, and numerous volunteers constructed a 14-foot octagonal gazebo with benches at Memorial Park in Edgewood.





MAX SINCILINE, '21,

passed his Eagle Scout Board of Review. For his Eagle Scout project, Max refurbished Bright Park at the intersection of Sherwood Road and Morrow Road in

the Bryn Mawr section of Forest Hills. The project started by scraping all of the rust off of the playground pieces, then repainting all of the equipment, including the entire "locomotive" playset.

The swing set is now a new vibrant cherry red and the raccoon and teeter-totter got a fresh look. The deteriorating picnic table was replaced with new pressure- treated lumber. The project culminated in the spreading of a new layer of mulch.



PATRICK (MAX) FERRIS, "21, completed his Eagle Scout Project and Board of Review, receiving the rank of Eagle Scout with Troop 860. His project consisted of changing the lighting in the pavilion area and around the perimeter of his local community park to energy-efficient LED lighting.



SENIOR WINS CARNEGIE ROBOTICS STUDENT SCHOLAR AWARD

Christian Moreland, '21 was awarded the Carnegie Robotics Student Scholar Award.

This award is a part of the Carnegie Robotics Engineering Scholars Program. The program promotes educational and economic equity through community outreach, professional mentorship, and financial assistance to students from the Greater Pittsburgh Area's Black community who plan to pursue a degree in an engineering discipline.

As a student scholar, Christian will be mentored during the college application process and receive a monetary award to cover standardized testing costs and applications fees.











MERIT SCHOLARSHIP SEMI-FINALISTS MOVE ON AS FINALISTS

All four of Central Catholic's National Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalists moved on as Finalists in the 66th Annual National Merit Scholarship Program.

L to R: Liam Cringle, '21, Luke Crist, '21, Owen O'Malley, '21 and Liam Tinker, '21,

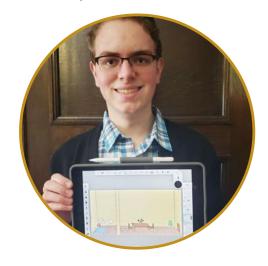
PERFECT ACT SCORE LEADS SENIOR TO UNITED STATES PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM

Will Koloc, '21, was nominated to the 2021 United States Presidential Scholars Program. This scholarship is based on exceptional scores on the ACT or SAT. There are approximately 4,500 students nominated each year with only 160 receiving a scholarship.



FRESHMAN SELECTED TO CMU PROJECT IGNITE

John Beeson, '24, was selected for Carnegie Mellon University's Project Ignite, an interdisciplinary project-based educational program. John was part of a six-person team that created a video game trailer. John wrote and recorded music for the trailer. He also drew some of the background scenes.



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SACP ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS

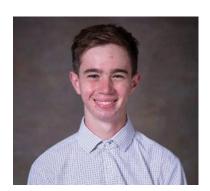
Jack Sabo, '23 (left) and Will Koloc, '21 were both awarded Honorable Mentions for their submissions to the Society of Analytical Chemists of Pittsburgh (SACP) Essay Contest.

Jack and Will each received a \$100 prize for their great work discussing the reasons why the United States has a higher coronavirus fatality rate than other countries.



James Hensell, '23 (not pictured), Henry Phillips, '23, Neil Pomper, '23 and Amari Smith, '23 won award in the Ever FI/Rite Aid Essay Contest! Students in Mr Heid's health classes completed essays on the importance of Prescription Drug Safety. These four students received a \$500 scholarship to a college of their choice.





JUNIOR WINS PJAS SCIENCE PROJECT AWARD

Evan Moncheck's, '22 project, "Wireless Charger Speed Influence on EMF Emission" was selected as a winner of the University of Pittsburgh Center for Energy Swanson School of Engineering Award, given as part of a competition sponsored by the University of Pittsburgh's Center for Energy and the PA Junior Academy of Science (PJAS).

Evan's project was selected because it demonstrated innovation and technical competence in engineering and science related to power and energy technologies, systems, and concepts.



FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA (FBLA) MEMBERS PLACE IN TOP 10 IN VIRTUAL FBLA STATE CONFERENCE

FIVE FBLA MEMBERS EARNED HIGH HONORS IN THE VIRTUAL FBLA STATE CONFERENCE HELD IN APRIL.

- Alex Pampena, '21 1st Place in Word Processing
- Jack Sabo, '23 1st Place in Introduction to PA FBLA
- Noah Hudson, '23 8th Place in Entrepreneurship
- Evan Moncheck, '22 9th Place in Supply Chain Management
- Amari Smith, '23 9th Place in Broadcast Journalism

Alex and Jack qualified to continue competing at the National FBLA Virtual Conference in June.

Central had 16 members inducted into the National Business Honor Society who were given honor cords to wear at Commencement.

In addition to the competitive events, PA FBLA members elected new State officers. Jack Sabo, '23 was elected as PA FBLA Vice President at Large and will represent Central, as well as Western PA, for the 2021-22 school year. Jack also received endorsement from PA members to run for National FBLA Eastern Region Vice President at the National FBLA Conference.



FBLA ORGANIZES CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

In early December, the FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) toy drive filled two Allegheny County Police Department vehicles with toys for children in need.



CITY OF PITTSBURGH PROCLAIMS FEB. 14-21 NATIONAL FBLA-PBL WEEK

Our FBLA members were presented with an official proclamation from the Council of the City of Pittsburgh. They have officially proclaimed Feb. 14 - 21, 2021 to be "National FBLA-PBL Week" in the City of Pittsburgh. The Council recognizes and commends the Future Business Leaders of America - Phi Beta Lambda for its visionary approach to preparing students for the modern business world and congratulates Central Catholic High School for its participation in the program to prepare their students.

ROBOTICS TEAM ROUNDS OUT SEASON WITH SPHERE-SHOOTING ROBOT

The robotics team successfully completed their season after designing and building a robot to shoot small spheres into a 10-foot-tall hexagon. The team finished 46th out of 177 teams in their group.

THE ROBOTICS TEAM INCLUDES:

- John Beeson, '24
- Michael Christlieb, '24
- William Courtright, '23
- Nolan Cynkar, ' 23
- Matthew Jordan, '24
- Aidan Liddy, '23
- Aidan Madjerich, '22
- Milan Seminatore, '24
- Dominic Servello, '23
- Vincent Servello, '21
- Peter Szalay, '22.



THE MASQUE SHINES IN "GUYS AND DOLLS" DESPITE COVID-19 CHALLENGES

The Cast and Crew of Central Catholic and Oakland Catholic's theater club, The Masque, performed their spring musical "Guys & Dolls" for a live audience in April. For the firsttime ever, the performance was also livestreamed for at-home audiences to enjoy.

The Masque was also nominated for two Gene Kelly Awards for Excellence in High School Musical Theater. Zach Kautter, '21, was nominated for Best Actor and Matthew Luckiewicz, '21 was nominated for Best Supporting Actor.

■ | Watch show highlights











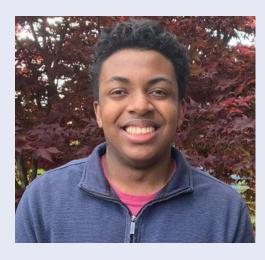
PICTURED FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:
JACKSON MAJEWSKI, '21, ANDY PATTON, '21 AND DREW PUSZKO, '21

SOPHOMORE SPENDS SUMMER STUDYING AT UPMC HILLMAN CANCER CENTER ACADEMY YES PROGRAM

Donovan Allen, '23 was accepted into the UPMC Hillman Cancer Center Academy YES Program for the summer.

Over the course of the summer, he is working full-time on a research project with a mentor in a lab at the University of Pittsburgh as well as attend lectures, meetings, and professional development activities. He will also have the opportunity for self-guided study.

In addition to his participation this summer, he will also work throughout the 2021-22 school year to convert his work into science fair or scholarship applications.



BEHIND-THE-SCENES OF THE STREAMS

Throughout COVID-19, providing livestreams of our in-person events became crucial to ensure that our entire community could participate. Throughout the many livestreamed events, our students played an important role behind the scenes, assisting with the technical aspects for productions like Mass, Brother David S. Baginski Scholars Presentations and the Masque's production of "Guys & Dolls." The students used skills learned in Mr. Wilson's Audio Engineering course to make productions come to life.

SENIOR AWARDED THREE-YEAR ARMY ROTC SCHOLARSHIP

Connor Downs, '21, was awarded a three-year U.S. ARMY ROTC scholarship. Connor plans to attend TCU – Texas Christian University and major in Supply Chain Management.





Thomas Muha, '21, was awarded a \$180,000 U.S. Navy ROTC Scholarship through Navy Talent Acquisition Group Pittsburgh.

This \$180,000 scholarship is the largest academic scholarship offered in the nation. The selection process among applicants is extremely competitive. Thomas will receive full tuition, book stipend, educational fees and other financial benefits. Upon graduation from the University of Michigan, he will be a commissioned officer in the United States Navy.



PJAS STUDENTS RACK UP SPECIAL AWARDS AT REGIONAL COMPETITION

Several students competed in the PJAS (PA Junior Academy of Science) Regional Competition.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS WHO BROUGHT HOME NINE SPECIAL AWARDS:

- Evan Moncheck, '22 University of Pittsburgh Center for Energy/ Excellence in Engineering
- Robert Nix, '23 American Chemical Society/James Manner Award
 & Duquesne University Excellence in Chemistry & Biochemistry Award
- Andrew Pritchard, '22 American Vacuum Society Western PA Chapter Award & Director Award HS ENG
- Jack Sabo, '23 Director Award HS BIO,
 Duquesne University BSNES Dean's Award &
 Duquesne University School of Pharmacy Award
- Milan Seminatore, '24 Director Award HS MIC

CHEMISTRY OLYMPIADS REPRESENT CENTRAL IN NATIONAL COMPETITION

Owen O'Malley, '21 (left) and Mark Kahwash, '22 were selected to represent Central Catholic in the 2021 National Chemistry Olympiad due to their impressive chemistry scores. They competed in a virtual competition where Owen was chosen to be a regional representative for the national competition held in April.













BAM. (BECAUSE ACADEMICS MATTER) SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM RETURNS

After having to cancel last summer's BAM programming, we were excited to welcome campers back to Central Catholic June 14-18 and June 21-25 for lots of fun and learning. Students learned math, science, writing, robotics and more over the course of the camp.







BROTHER DAVID S. BAGINSKI SCHOLARS SUCCESSFULLY DEFEND THESES IN-PERSON AND VIA LIVESTREAM

Over the course of three nights, members of the Brother David S. Baginski, FSC, Scholars Program successfully defended their theses during the annual Senior Symposia. Presenters spoke to an in-person audience and each night was also livestreamed, where viewers could participate and ask questions.







STUDENTS USE TECH SKILLS FOR HOMEMADE GIFTS

Using their tech shop skills, students in the "Technology for the 21st Century" class created custom keepsake boxes to gift to their moms for Mother's Day.

ATHLETICS











CREW TEAM GIVES UP GOLD MEDALS IN ACT OF SPORTSMANSHIP

In early May, Central Catholic Rowing dominated the Midwest Championships, bringing home three wins in the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd varsity eights, punching their tickets to Philadelphia for the SRAA (Scholastic Rowing Association of America) Nationals.

What happened at SRAA Nationals instilled a lesson in the crew team members that will likely stick with them for the rest of their lives.

Dealing with tumultuous rain, the SRAA canceled the championship races to be held on the afternoon of May 29, 2021, despite holding boys' varsity eight semifinal races earlier that morning, the SRAA originally awarded medals based on the teams' times in their quarterfinal races the previous day. Although Central Catholic posted the best time Friday, it recorded the fifth-best time Saturday on the 1,500-meter Schuylkill River course in Philadelphia.

Initial excitement of hearing that the team had won a gold medal wore off after learning how the winners were chosen – so Coach Jay Hammond and the crew team did what they felt was right.

Minutes after receiving gold medals, they conceded the medals to District St. Alban's, who posted the fastest time in the semi-final race held the week prior.

In an interview with the Washington Post, Owen O'Malley, '21, commented "WE WERE KIND OF LEFT WITH, 'WELL, IT DOESN'T FEEL LIKE WE WON.' AFTER THAT INITIAL EXCITEMENT WORE OFF, WE WERE JUST KIND OF CONFUSED AS TO WHY THEY MADE THAT DECISION."

O'Malley went on to say that he would cringe if he placed this year's gold medal next to the bronze medal on his bedside table because he didn't believe he deserved the honor. Despite having the best time in Friday's quarterfinals, their time on Saturday wasn't even the best in their heat.

Under the leadership of Coach Jay Hammond, Hon. '12, the Central Catholic crew team showed incredible sportsmanship and integrity, which means more than any medal ever could.















FROM THE 412 TO TOKYO

Michael Grady, '15 and Alex Miklasevich, '15, were selected to compete in the Men's Four and the Men's Eight in the Tokyo 2020 Olympic games. Michael and Alex continue to support Central Catholic crew, volunteering and visiting the crew team and Coach Jay Hammond, Hon. 12, when not in training.

At the time of publication,
Michael and Alex are actively
competing at the Tokyo Olympics.
#ROWVIKES!

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Eric Benson, Jr., '21 Shippensburg University



Anderson Cynkar, '21 Claremont McKenna College



Jahrale Dennis, '21 Washington & Jefferson College



Eddy Tillman, '21 Cornell University



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Bobby Walker, '21 Cornell University

CENTRAL WELCOMES SEVERAL NEW COACHES TO ROSTER

SOCCER

Central Catholic is pleased to welcome Head Varsity Soccer Coach, Mr. Ryan Schwoeble, '00, to our coaching roster.



BASEBALL

Central Catholic is pleased to welcome a familiar face as the new Varsity Baseball Head Coach.

Mr. John Rende, '10 will lead the Vikings this year while maintaining his duties as a teacher and Assistant Lasallian Minister.

VOLLEYBALL

Central Catholic is pleased to welcome Mr. Grant Heckman, '11 to Central Catholic as Volleyball Head Coach.





THANK YOU, COACH SCIGLIANO!

Thank you to Coach Kris Scigliano for his many years

of dedication coaching Men of Faith, Scholarship and Service. Kris spent nearly 35 years as Head Coach, leading his team to section championships in 1996, 2004 and 2007.



SWIMMER ACHIEVES PR AT WPIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS, ADVANCES FROM LAST SEED

Congratulations to Cooper Luedde, '21 who pulled himself up from the last seed to medal on the podium at the swimming WPIAL championships He took first place in his heat, with a personal best time of 47.61. Cooper finished 8th overall.

BASKETBALL TEAM SHOWS SUPPORT FOR OPPONENT IN NEED

Prior to their game vs. Norwin, Central Catholic team members donned #TyStrong t-shirts in honor of Ty Bilinsky, a senior on Norwin's team who suffered a stroke and was diagnosed with a blood disorder.



SENIOR FOOTBALL PLAYER RACKS UP ACCOLADES

Eddy Tillman, '21, was named KDKA Super 7 Class 6A Player of the Year. Winners were chosen through a combination of online fan voting and a collection of Western, Pa high school sports experts.

Earlier in the year, Tillman was named TribLive High School Sports Network Class 6A Player of the Year.





BOWLING TEAM GOES UNDEFEATED

The Central Catholic bowling team celebrated another banner year, going undefeated during the regular season for the second year in a row. The team placed third in the 2020-21 boys team championship. With a team score of 4058, the team advanced to the state championships.

Will Frazier, '21, (RIGHT) earned the award for the second highest overall game total during the bowling team championships.



SPORTS TEAMS GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY



LACROSSE

On Saturday, Dec. 19, 2020, members of the Lacrosse team helped out at the Propel Northside Community Wellness Center, handing out food to those in need.

The opportunity was arranged by Ms. Carrie Barmen and Head Coach Mr. Anthony Abbondanza. The boys who assisted (L-R) were Henry Shaver, '21; John Blount, '22; Nolan Paul, '22; Mike Huwar '22;, Tommy Iurlano, '21; Alex Assaf, '21; Coach Anthony, Nate Hess, '23 and Will Barmen, '18.



SWIMMING

Before Christmas, The CCHS and Oakland Catholic High School swim teams sponsored a toy drive benefitting the Lincoln Park Community Center in Penn Hills. Cooper Luedde, '21 and Bobby Walker, '21, helped organize and deliver the donations to families in need.

HOCKEY

Saint John Baptist de La Salle's expression to "Live Jesus in our hearts forever" was the



driving force for this year's Central Catholic Hockey Team's Service Project. The teams were excited to work with the Red Door Ministry, a relationship that has been close to Central Catholic for a few years.

Knowing the many needs of the Red Door, and under the guidance of Sister Emily, our Central hockey teams were able to collect over \$1,500 worth of McDonald's gift certificates, over 500 bags of clothing, 40 bags of personal hygiene items, and numerous boxes of packaged food for the homeless supported at the Red Door. In total the teams were able to fill a 15-foot U-Haul box truck.



TRACK AND FIELD TEAM GOES UNDEFEATED

THE CENTRAL CATHOLIC TRACK AND FIELD TEAM CELEBRATED A SUCCESSFUL SEASON, GOING UNDEFEATED WITH 6 WINS AND 0 LOSES, SNAGGING THE SECTION CHAMPIONSHIP.



Luke Del Rosso. '21, finished 8th overall in the WPIAL in the 400 meter.

The 4x400 relay team of Devin Barren, '22, Luke Del Rosso, '21, Liam Kiernan, '22 and Antonio Pitts, '22 took 4th place overall in the WPIAL Champions and 11th overall in the PIAA State Championship.

The 4x100 relay team consisting of Devin Barren, '22, Gannon Carothers, '22, Luke Henne, '21 and Antonio Pitts, '22 took 3rd place overall in the WPIAL Championship qualified for the PIAA Championship where they finished 17th overall in the state.



The 4x800 relay team of JP Byrnes, '23, Connor Downs, '21', Liam Kiernan, '22 and Patrick Scabora, '22 claimed a first place finish at the Baldwin Invitational with a time of 8:08.31. The team finished 2nd overall in the WPIAL Championship and qualified for the PIAA State Championship, finishing 13th overall in the state.

Anderson Cynkar, '21 finished 4th overall in the WPIAL Championship and placed 7th in the 110 hurdles at the PIAA State Track and Field Championships.



2021-2022

ALL STAR TEAMS

HOCKEY

PIHL ALL-STAR BECKAM ALGER, '23 JAKOB DOLD, '23

SOCCER

"TERRIFIC 20" HONORS GINO DIMATTEO, '21

FIRST TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

GINO DIMATTEO, '21 **ZACHARY KAUTTER, '21** CHRISTOPHER HALL, '22

HONORABLE MENTION:

MATTHEW SCHEARER, '22

BASEBALL

FIRST TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE WILL RAY, '21

SECOND TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE JOE PILEWSKI, '21

HONORABLE MENTION

TYLER CASCIATO, '21 **AUSTYN WINKLEBLECH, '23** TY YUHAS, '24

FOOTBALL

FIRST TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

ERIC BENSON, '21 **GRANT CULLEN, '21** BRALEN HENDERSON, '21 ED TILLMAN, '21 DONOVAN HINISH, '22

CHASE HORNE, '21 **MATTHEW SCHEARER, '22** JD YOUNGER, '22

SECOND TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

DEVIN BARREN, '22 KAIROS BEASLEY, '21 ANDERSON CYNKAR, '21 **BRANDON JACKSON, '22**

HONORABLE MENTION

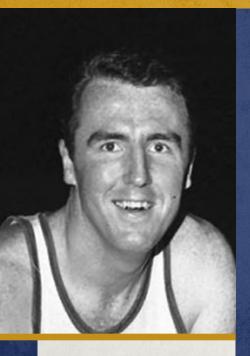
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ADAM OBRIN, '21

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The Life and Legacy of JACK TWYMAN, '51

On Feb. 24, 2021, Central Catholic was honored to host John (Jay) Twyman, son of Central Catholic High School graduate and Hall of Famer, Jack Twyman, '51, for our Virtual Alumni Speaker Series to discuss the life and legacy of his father. Jack's story is one of strength, resilience, compassion, brotherhood, and an unwavering faith in God that stands the test of time.



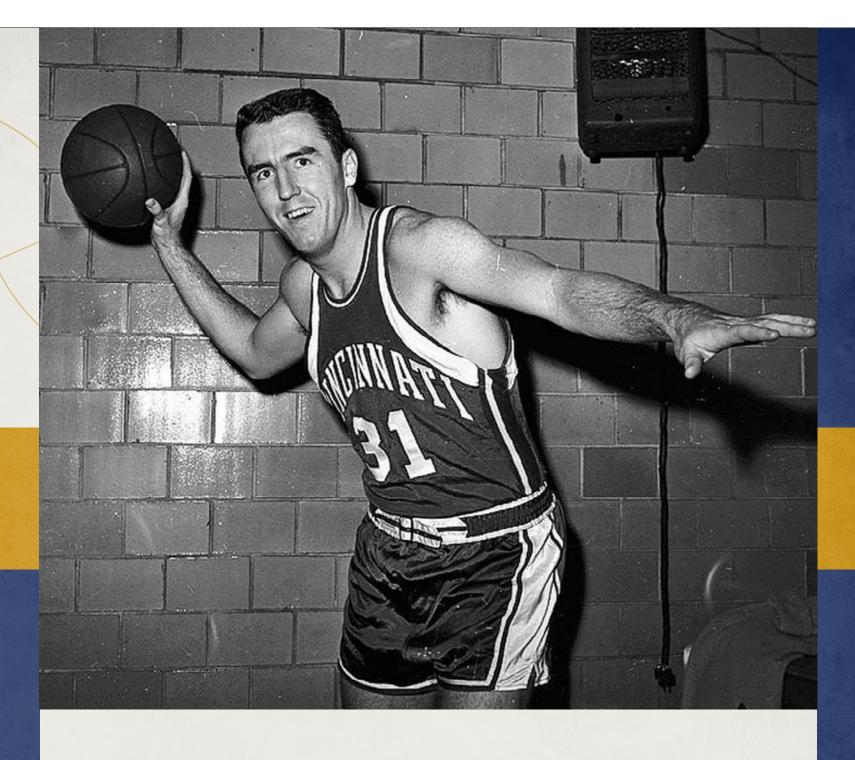
THE EARLY LIFE OF JACK TWYMAN, '51

Born May 11, 1934, Jack Twyman grew up a stone's throw away from Central Catholic on North Craig Street from humble beginnings. Growing up in a "blue collar" household, at the time, Jack was called upon to help with bills and worked as a caddy at a local golf club.

Jack also had a passion for basketball, and after being cut from the team for three years, finally made the team his senior year. He practiced diligently every day in the school's gym which had been located under the present day McGonigle Theater. He would shoot at least 100 free throws and 200 jump shots each session.

"BEING TOLD YOU'RE NOT GOOD ENOUGH MAKES YOU WORK THAT MUCH HARDER TO ACHIEVE THAT GOAL," said his son, John (Jay) Twyman.

"HE WAS DEFINITELY NOT THE MOST GIFTED ATHLETE, BUT HE WAS BIG. HE ACTUALLY GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL WHEN HE WAS 16 YEARS OLD. HE WAS 16 IN HIS SENIOR YEAR WHEN HE MADE THE VARSITY TEAM, PLAYING AGAINST 17 AND 18-YEAR-OLDS – WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT IT IN THAT PERSPECTIVE, THAT'S PRETTY IMPRESSIVE."



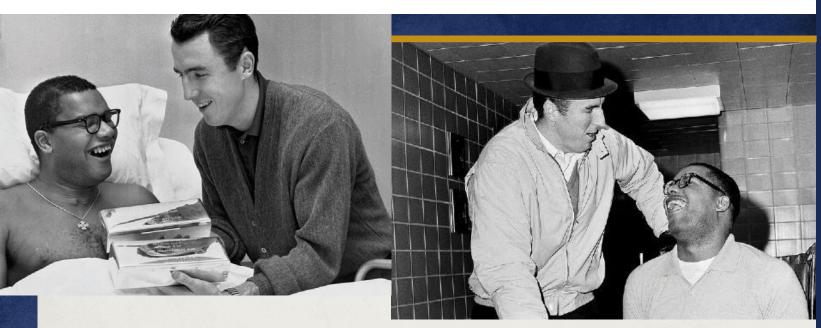
THE COLLEGE AND PROFESSIONAL YEARS

Jack continued to cultivate his skills after earning an athletic scholarship to attend the University of Cincinnati. He would major in elementary education and play basketball for the Bearcats. He scored 1,598 points for the University of Cincinnati, finishing his career as the school's all-time leading scorer and rebounder (1,242 rebounds).

After college, he was recruited to play in the NBA as a member of the Cincinnati Royals. During his NBA tenure, he played his entire 11-year era with Rochester/Cincinnati Royals (present day Sacramento Kings) and averaged 31.2 points per game in 1960, a career high for the gifted scorer. His career accomplishments include six NBA All-Star Game appearances and 15,840 career

points, which ranked 20th on the NBA's all-time scoring list when he retired. His single-minded work ethic and dedication made him one of the best pure-shooting and high-scoring forwards in the NBA's first two decades.

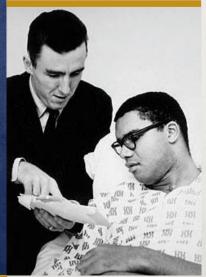
Jack's #27 jersey is retired by the Sacramento Kings and he was inducted into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in 1983.



THE ULTIMATE FRIENDSHIP

Maurice Stokes, a Pittsburgh native and graduate of Westinghouse High School, would eventually become teammates with Jack on the Rochester Royals. Maurice earned NBA Rookie-of-the-Year honors in 1956 and broke the league's single-season rebounding record in 1957. After suffering a head injury during a game on March 12, 1958, he became paralyzed from the neck down. The medical bills, therapy and attention required for Maurice's care quickly became overwhelming.

At just 23 years old, Jack became Maurice's legal guardian and assumed responsibility for Maurice's medical expenses. He championed fundraising efforts and shared Maurice's story with anyone who would listen, tirelessly raising funds through grassroots fundraising efforts and NBA All-Star benefit games all while working for an insurance company during off seasons and starting his family. Jack also successfully sued under Ohio law to have workman's compensation awarded to Maurice.



"PEOPLE ASK MY DAD,
'WHY DID YOU DO IT?'"
said Jay, Jack's son. "HE
WAS VERY HUMBLE. THERE
WAS A QUOTE IN ONE OF
THE PAPERS THAT SAID,

"MAURICE WAS ON HIS
OWN. SOMETHING
HAD TO BE DONE AND
SOMEBODY HAD TO
DO IT. I WAS THE ONLY
ONE THERE, SO I BECAME
THAT SOMEONE."

Jay went on to remark on his father's selfless commitment:

"JUST THINK ABOUT SOMEONE 23 YEARS OLD,
STARTING A FAMILY AND TAKING ON THAT KIND
OF RESPONSIBILITY," said Jay. "THAT TAKES A SPECIAL
COMMITMENT AND A SPECIAL CALLING. WE ALL
AS HUMAN BEINGS HAVE TO STEP UP WHEN WE
ARE CALLED UPON AND IT TAKES A LOT OF
COURAGE TO DO THAT."



Their relationship has been described as "THE ULTIMATE FRIENDSHIP" and the vitally important lessons learned from Jack Twyman and Maurice Stokes have echoed for generations.

Maurice was inducted, posthumously, into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in 2004. The person that presented Maurice for induction was his great friend, Jack Twyman.

In 2013, the NBA developed the Twyman-Stokes Teammate of the Year Award, an annual award that recognizes the league's "ideal teammate" who exemplifies "selfless play and commitment and dedication to his team."

INTRODUCING THE

JOHN K. "JACK" TWYMAN, '51 MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND AT CENTRAL CATHOLIC

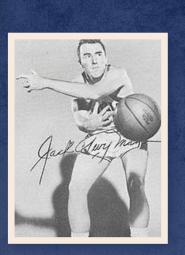
Inspired by Jack's unwavering generosity and support of his friend and teammate, Central Catholic is pleased to announce that a generous Central Catholic alumnus has stepped up to provide the funds to establish the "John K. "Jack" Twyman, '51 Memorial Endowment Fund" at Central Catholic High School.

The donor's expressed desire is for the income-related distributions from this endowment fund be consistent with the values exhibited by Jack Twyman, as he provided personal and financial support to his teammate Maurice Stokes. This uncompromising act of friendship truly reflects the Central mission of graduating young men of Faith, Scholarship and Service.

"I WAS THRILLED TO BE ASKED BY MY FATHER'S ALMA MATER, AFTER ALL THESE YEARS, TO SHARE THE STORY OF HIS SPECIAL FRIENDSHIP WITH MAURICE STOKES. IT IS HUMBLING TO KNOW THAT MY DAD'S LIFE AND LEGACY STILL HAS AN IMPACT WITHIN THE CENTRAL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY." said Jay Twyman. "I DID NOT EXPECT TO BE INFORMED THAT AN ALUMNUS HAD STEPPED FORWARD, AFTER PARTICIPATING IN THE SPEAKER SERIES, TO CREATE AN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP IN MY FATHER'S NAME. THIS ACT OF GENEROSITY IS AN INSPIRATION AND TRULY REPRESENTATIVE OF THE WAY MY FATHER LED HIS LIFE IN SUPPORT OF OTHERS. MY FATHER ALWAYS ENCOURAGED HIS CHILDREN TO 'BE THAT SOMEONE' FOR OTHERS. HOW CAN YOU NOT FEEL GREAT ABOUT A PERSON MAKING A GIFT LIKE THIS TO SUPPORT STUDENTS AT CENTRAL CATHOLIC AS AN HONOR TO YOUR FATHER? TRULY, CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL IS A SPECIAL PLACE."

It is the donor's hope and desire that the students in need of the assistance from this fund are inspired by Central Catholic alumnus, Jack Twyman, to "become that someone" when situations present themselves over the course of their lives have the needs reflecting the relationship between Jack and Maurice, an individual helping a friend in need absent any other considerations.









If you would like to make a gift to the JOHN K. "JACK" TWYMAN, '51 MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND, you can give securely online at *centralcatholichs.com* or contact Mr. Matthew J. Stoessel, '95, Executive Director of Advancemnet at *mstoessel@centralcatholichs.com* or 412.208.3400 x6184

Stokes-Twyman Stokes-Twyman Stokes-Twyman

THE FOLLOWING STORY WAS WRITTEN BILL KARABINOS, '55 IN THE FALL OF 2001, AND AGAIN PUBLISHED IN THE SUMMER/FALL 2021 EDITION OF "THE QUADRANGLE" UPON THE PASSING OF JACK TWYMAN, '51.

Central Catholic is reprinting this timeless story to provide a deeper perspective on the remarkable life and legacy of Jack Twyman, '51

never met Jack Twyman. He graduated from
Central in 1951; I finished in 1955. I remember
his younger brother Ned, a couple of years
behind me, sinking two-handed set shots from
just across the mid-court line in Central's gym. Had the
three-point shot been around in those days, Ned would
probably hold the City's scoring record. Although I never
saw Jack play in that gym, I did know he was playing great
basketball at Cincinnati University and was listed among
the College All-Americans. Since he was a Central boy, we
were all proud of him.

During the summers, I went to my grandparent's home in Loretto, Pennsylvania and spent most of my time on the campus of St. Francis College. St. Francis was a small school then, only about 300 students; it is now a University with nearly 2,000. In the summer of 1954, one of those

students was Maurice Stokes. Maurice was the biggest guy I had ever seen and he too, was from Pittsburgh. I used to play with and against him in pick-up games in Doyle Hall, the St. Francis gym. He was some ball player. I only had one shot in those days, a turnaround jumper in the key that I hit maybe 3 of 5 times. When I played against Big Mo, I could have hit that shot every time, except it never had a downward arch ... he blocked every one. Off the court, he was a marshmallow, a gentle giant, a really pleasant guy to be around.

Maurice Stokes and Jack Twyman both had stellar college careers. Both were drafted by the Pros and destined for NBA stardom. Both played for the Rochester (and later, the Cincinnati) Royals. Jack has a plaque in the Hall of Fame. Maurice has a small head stone in the cemetery at St. Francis College. Both are linked together not only in

memory, but incontrovertibly for all-time. {Their story is a timeless one: one of love, manliness, athletic greatness, tragedy, the ultimate in what it means to be a teammate and as good as any illustration of what it means to be a "Brother's Boy" - a graduate of Central Catholic.)

Jack Twyman did Central proud when he was playing great basketball in Cincinnati and Rochester, and later after he retired, as the first ABC basketball analyst. Jack Twyman's greatness started on a flight from Detroit to Cincinnati in 1958, and then surfaced in hospitals, courtrooms, fund raising events, and on college campuses where he represented his fallen teammate, Maurice Stokes.

I don't know if it's possible to tell the entire story of Jack
Twyman's involvement with Maurice Stokes. Jack never
made it a big deal, and Maurice died and the story sort of
ended of thirty years ago.



FOR THOSE WHO DON'T KNOW THE STORY, HERE IT IS BRIEFLY.

aurice Stokes was a star basketball player at Westinghouse High School and lived in Homewood. He led his team to two straight City titles and went to St. Francis College, then the only school in Western Pennsylvania that could challenge Duquesne on the court. During the same span, Jack made the Central varsity his senior year and went on to Cincinnati University.

Stokes became an All-American, taking St. Francis to two straight NIT appearances (in those days the NIT was "The Tournament") and was selected the Tournament's MVP in 1955, although the Frankies finished fourth. In fact, in 1977, the media in New York still voted him to the all-time NIT team. Jack too had a great career at Cincinnati and averaged 24.6 points per game with a deadly shot from the corner.

Both were drafted by the Rochester Royals in the 1955 NBA draft, and both started in their rookie years. Jack averaged 14.4 points per game his first season, and Maurice, 16.3 rebounds a game; snatching 38 in one game and was named the NBA Rookie of the Year.

Bob Cousy called Stokes, "the first great athletic power forward; he was Karl Malone with more finesse." Jack Twyman said of his teammate, "No one had seen a guy with that combination of strength, speed and size." Both Jack and Maurice were NBA All-Stars in their second season; for Jack it was only one of six appearances. Stokes set an NBA rebounding record in 1957 and the Royals moved to Cincinnati the next year.

That year they made the playoffs, but tragedy struck before the postseason got underway. In the final game of the 1958 season in Minneapolis, Stokes fell hard to the floor and struck his head. He was unconscious for a very long time but managed to get up and played later in the game. Three days later, after playing the first playoff game in Detroit, Stokes suffered a seizure on the plane ride back to Cincinnati. Rushed to the hospital, he went into a coma for

six months. Maurice was alone; his family could not afford to stay in Cincinnati to see to his care nor the medical bills. The NBA was not then the "cash cow" it is now and contributed little to Maurice's care.

Jack, not then a great friend, stepped up big-time to take care of his teammate. Jack became his legal guardian, went to court to win a workman's compensation award for Maurice, organized and played in fund-raising events; and, although he had a family and career of his own, spent countless hours at Maurice's bedside supervising his recovery for the next 12 years.

When Stokes emerged from his coma he could not speak and was virtually paralyzed by the brain injury he had suffered: post-traumatic encephalopathy. Jack and Maurice worked out a system to communicate, almost silently, as they had on the basketball court. Sometimes Jack painstakingly went through the alphabet, until Stokes, mentally alert, blinked in recognition. They began to instinctively know what was on each other's mind. Although robbed of his mobility and independence, Stokes retained the athlete's great spirit of determination and began a grueling therapy regime and slowly, ever so slowly, learned to type with agonizing deliberation, began to form syllables, regained some muscle tone and, with the help of braces, could take a few steps. He was eventually able to leave the hospital with Jack and attend fund-raising games and special events. I remember when Jack brought him back to St. Francis in the late 60s and stood by him to wipe the sweat, spittle and tears from his face throughout that evening of an agonizingly joyful triumph for Maurice.

New York Post columnist Milton Gross wrote:

STOKES LIVED AS A SYMBOL OF THE BEST THAT A MAN IS, DESPITE THE TERRIBLE THINGS WHICH CAN HAPPEN TO HIM. HE WAS A BEAUTIFUL MAN WHO BELIEVED THAT SURRENDER WAS NOT THE WAY, EVEN THOUGH HE COULDN'T WALK, COULDN'T TALK EXCEPT AGONIZINGLY AND HE LAUGHED WHEN HE SHOULD HAVE CRIED."

Maurice died of a massive stroke in 1970, fighting to the end to regain control of his body. And so, Jack's guardianship, which started over 40 years ago and probably shortened his own NBA career, terminated in 1970 when Maurice was buried at Loretto. However, his involvement with Maurice didn't really end then. Thirty years later, Jack returned to St. Francis in the fall of 2001 to see Maurice's jersey retired and hoisted to the rafters of the Maurice Stokes Gym. And later this year, Jack will be present when his friend, once his ward, is inducted into College Basketball's Hall of Fame.

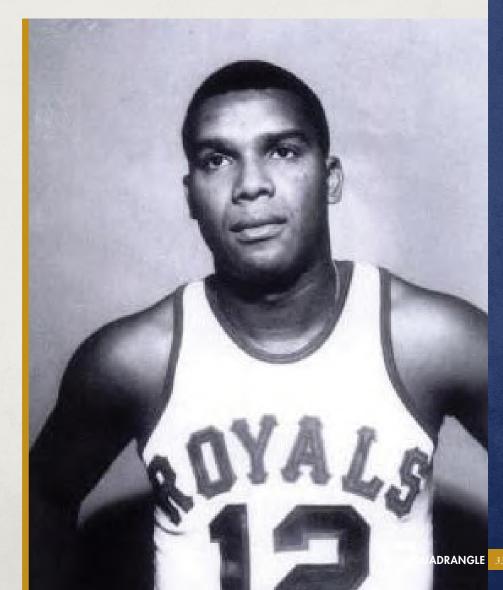
Jack Twyman retired in 1966, as only the sixth player in NBA history to score over 15,000 points, averaging over 19 points over an 11-year career. One season he averaged 31.2 points per game, and he shot over 45% from the floor over his entire career. In 1982, Jack Twyman was elected to Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. Citing the pure shooting skills that made him one of the all-time NBA greats, the Hall

of Fame also noted his compassion for his teammate, Maurice Stokes. After retirement Jack Twyman was hired as a sports commentator by ABC, one of the first athletes to move into the broadcast booth.

Jack Twyman's compassion and love for his teammate, and Maurice Stokes' determination, spirit and 'agonizing' joy is a timeless story. In the final chapter of that story, Maurice called Jack and Father Vincent Negherbon, the President of St. Francis, to his bedside to ask them to instruct him in the fundamentals of the Catholic Faith. They did so and Maurice was received into the Catholic Church. He made another unusual request at that time: to be buried in the Franciscan community cemetery at St. Francis College. It really wasn't that unusual. You see, the cemetery is directly behind Doyle Hall, the gym where Maurice Stokes played so many of his college games. Jack saw to it that his final wish was realized and now a layman, a College All-American, an NBA All-Star also rests in that little portion of the Allegheny Highlands once reserved only for the Franciscans Friars of Loretto.

Although one of Central's most illustrious graduates, Jack
Twyman still humbly acknowledges the many humanitarian
awards bestowed upon him. "HUMILITY," as the sainted
Father Augustine of St. Francis used to tell us: "IS KNOWING
YOUR PLACE AND TAKING IT IN GRACEFULLY." Jack has
always been graceful. When Jack was praised for his care
and dedication, he simply responded: "... WHEN I WAS
HAVING A BAD DAY MYSELF, I WOULD GO TO SEE
MAURICE, SELFISHLY, TO SAY, I WANT TO GET PUMPED
UP. AND HE NEVER FAILED TO PUMP ME UP." Few have
preserved the legacy of Central Catholic as well as Jack
Twyman; few have answered the call of Central's Student
Creed as nobly: "TO BE TRUSTWORTHY, HONEST, RELIABLE.
CONCERNED, CARING AND RESPECTED AS A CENTRAL
CATHOLIC STUDENT."

THANK YOU, JACK TWYMAN.



CELEBRATING THE CLASS OF

Senior year is an exciting time in the life of our students. Although the COVID-19 pandemic presented many challenges throughout the year, as restrictions eased in the spring, worked diligently to provide an end-of-senioryear experience that was memorable and meaningful.









SENIORS' LAST DAY

In keeping vwith tradition, the Class of 2021 hung up their ties on the final day of classes held May 20, 2021.

















SENIOR PROM

This year, Central Catholic took prom outdoors. Seniors and their guests enjoyed carnival and casino games in Central's parking lot. Students had the option to choose from one of three delicious food trucks for dinner.









SENIOR BREAKFAST

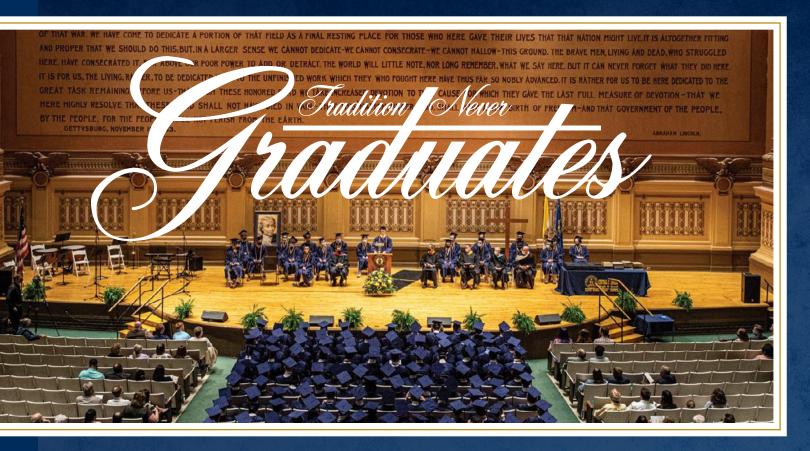
The Central Catholic Mothers' Guild and Parents of the Class of 2021 teamed up to treat our seniors to a special senior breakfast celebration on the practice field. Seniors played cornhole and ultimate frisbee while snacking on breakfast foods.



SENIORS VS. FACULTY BASKETBALL GAME

Even after a full year off, the faculty continued their winning streak with a 44-29 win over the 2021 seniors in the Seniors vs. Faculty basketball game.







197 members of the Class of 2021 said goodbye to Central Catholic and looked forward to their futures during the 91st Annual Commencement Exercises held at Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hall on Wednesday, June 2, 2021.

For the first time ever, due to COVID-19 restrictions, Central Catholic held a combined Baccalaureate Mass and Commencement Exercises.

Watch the Baccalaureate and Commencement ceremony



SALUTATORIAN:Owen Michael O'Malley











MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 2021 RECEIVED ACCEPTANCES FROM THE FOLLOWING COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES:

- Allegheny College
- Arizona State University
- Ave Maria University
- Bethany College
- Bucknell University
- California University of Pennsylvania
- Carlow University
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Case Western Reserve University
- Chapman University
- Chatham University
- Claremont McKenna College
- Clark University
- Clemson University
- Colgate University
- College of the Holy Cross
- Community College of Allegheny County
- Cornell University
- Culinary Institute of America
- Duquesne University
- Edinboro University of Pennsylvania
- Elon University
- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
- Geneva College
- Grove City College
- Howard University
- Indiana University of Pennsylvania
- John Carroll University
- Juniata College
- Kent State University
- La Roche University
- La Salle University
- Lehigh University
- Lincoln University
- Loyola Marymount University
- Loyola University Maryland
- Mercyhurst University
- Michigan State University
- Norfolk State University
- North Carolina A & T State University
- Ohio State University
- Ohio University
- Pennsylvania State University

- Pennsylvania State University Altoona
- Princeton University
- Purdue Global
- Purdue University
- Robert Morris University (PA)
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- Saint Bonaventure University
- Saint Vincent College
- Sarah Lawrence College
- Scottsdale Community College
- Shippensburg University
- SUNY College at Cortland
- Syracuse University
- Tallahassee Community College
- Temple University
- Texas Christian University
- United States Naval Academy
- University of Alabama
- University of Arizona
- University of Central Florida
- University of Dayton
- University of Maine
- University of Maryland
- University of Michigan
- University of Mount Union
- University of Notre Dame
- University of Pittsburgh
- University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown
- University of South Carolina
- University of South Florida
- University of Utah
- University of Vermont
- University of Washington
- UPMC Shadyside School of Nursing
- Villanova University
- Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
- Wake Forest University
- Washington and Jefferson College
- West Virginia University
- Western Michigan University
- William and Mary
- Youngstown State University

SPOTLIGHT ON

DAMAR HAMLIN, '16 BUFFALO BILLS SIXTH-ROUND DRAFT PICK

Q. TELL US ABOUT YOUR LIFE BEFORE CENTRAL. WHERE DID YOU GROW UP AND HOW DID YOU GET YOUR START IN FOOTBALL?

A. I grew up in McKees Rocks with a close, small family – just me, my mom and my dad. They had me when they were young - 16 years old. From that point on, they really put everything that they had into me to make me have the best life that I could.

I had a friend who was already [at Central Catholic], his name was Luigi Lista-Brenza, and he and his dad Archie recommended Central. So, my parents looked into it and once the facts showed what they are, it was a no-brainer. My first experience coming over here, it was just like, "wow..." It was so big, like nothing I was used to at all. It was just a super adjustment to me, coming from being a big fish in a small pond, to being a little fish in a big pond. I had long hair in high school, too, so I had to cut it. I was just ready for something new, and this was just perfect for me.

Q. HOW DID IT FEEL WHEN YOU FOUND OUT YOU WERE DRAFTED?

A. I'm not going to lie; I was waiting so long. That draft process is the worst thing in the world. It is so stressful! I lost five pounds during the draft because I couldn't eat. You've got teams calling you saying they're going to take you, they have picks, but they're not picking you. It's literally the most stressful thing I've ever dealt with in the world, and I feel like I've dealt with some stressful stuff.



At first, I was upset, because I felt that I should've went before that. Everything happens for a reason, and it lasted for about 20 minutes and then I was super joyful, and I was just, super thankful – it sunk in that a team really just picked me. It was my dream my whole life, like 23 years; I just put everything into it. I did it, that was really just the biggest feeling, that I did it. I know I've got so much more work to do and things to get done, but I can say I did it.

Q. TELL US ABOUT HOW YOU LIKE TO GIVE BACK TO YOUTH FOOTBALL.

A. Growing up, I really never had that figure in my life that I could look to, to reach out and touch, or go to, to make sure that I'm doing the right thing. I was always going on a whim my whole life, just guessing if I was doing the right thing or not.

Just having that feeling my whole life of not knowing if I was doing the right thing to get to where I want to be was always in the back of my mind. As soon as I got into the position to where I wanted to be, the first thing I wanted to do was give back and put that figure in the community just to reach out and feel touched, to be a positive influence that they know is around. So that's the biggest reason.

Q. TELL US ABOUT CHASING M'S AND THE CHASING M'S FOUNDATION.

A. It was something I kind of started in high school, just as a slogan of me wanting to make it to the NFL. In college, when I came a little bit more business savvy, I wanted to turn it into a business. So, I started out with clothing and then once I finished college, the first thing I wanted to do was give back. So, I started the Chasing M's Foundation. I hosted a toy drive for the kids in the community. I hosted it at my mom's day care. There were a lot of toys and a nice layout, everybody was coming and getting toys for the kids, it was just so nice to see.

Q. WHAT ARE YOU MOST LOOKING FORWARD TO IN COMPETING IN THE NFL?

A. I'll just speak on this year. The thing I'm looking forward to most is finding my role on the team, to just help us win. Nothing more, nothing less.

Q. WHAT'S ONE PIECE OF ADVICE THAT YOU WOULD GIVE TO A CENTRAL STUDENT?

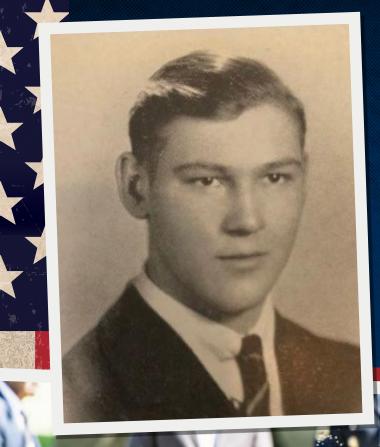
A. Honestly, I would just say just trust the process in a way. Like I said, there was a lot of not knowing if I was doing the right things. But when I say, trust the process with Central, I would just say, that's just trusting your teachers, trusting your coaches, trusting everyone that's involved around you in this culture. They're invested in you, and they're putting you on track to be the most successful that you can be in your life. I can't go anywhere where I don't know somebody from Central. I could be out of state, I could be in-state. I was in Alabama, and I met like three people from Central. I was going through the draft process with scouts and stuff, and four out of the 32 teams were from Central. It was crazy.

Anything else you would like to add?
 One thing I would like to add - the 2015 football team was the best team in Central history.









Remains of
Robert
Styslinger, '40,

Among 55 Korean War Soldiers Accounted for and Returned in 2019

Ceci Sheridan, Robert's goddaughter, was responsible for making decision for his funeral if his remains were returned. When she was given this responsibility, she admitted that she was "skeptical that that moment would ever come."

obert Styslinger, '40, was reported

to have been killed in action Nov. 29, 1950

while fighting enemy forces near Hagaruri,

the Koren War. His remains could not be

Chosin Reservoir, North Korea during

In July of 2018, Robert's remains were

returned by North Korea to the United

turned over, purported to contain the

during the Korean War.

States. His remains were among 55 boxes

remains of American service members killed

"FOR ME, THE HORROR WAS A
PERSISTENT FEAR THAT HE MIGHT BE
IMPRISONED THERE AND SUFFERING FOR
YEARS. FOR THIS REASON, I PRAYED FOR
HIM PERSISTENTLY STARTING AT AN EARLY
AGE," said Ceci. "WHEN I RECEIVED THE
CALL IN AUGUST 2019, I WAS SO GLAD
OF HEART AND I REJOICED! THE LOST
HAD BEEN FOUND AND RETURNED! GOD
HEARS THE PRAYERS OF HIS PEOPLE."

Robert was finally laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery on June 18, 2021. 130 Styslinger cousins gathered to celebrate his life.

After graduating from Central Catholic in 1940, Robert worked for Carnegie Illinois Steel Corporation to help his family financially and to save for college.

He entered Duquesne University in 1942 and in March of 1943 he was drafted into the Army. He served in World War II and earned a Bronze Star for unwavering courage in Nov. 1944. He returned to Pittsburgh in 1946.

Robert went back to Duquesne University and his job at Carnegie Illinois Steel. He joined the ROTC and was a Distinguished Military Graduate in Duquesne's Class of 1949. After graduation, he returned to the Army and active duty in the Korean War. He was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant. Robert spent the rest of 1949 and half of 1950 in training for overseas deployment. Robert served with Battery B, 57th Field Artillery Battalion, 7th Infantry Division. He was wounded and killed in action in the Battle of Chosin Reservoir on November 29, 1950 near Hagaru-ri, North Korea. He received a Purple Heart that night for wounds received in action.

To identify his remains, scientists from The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) used anthropological analysis, as well as circumstantial and material evidence. Additionally, scientists from the Armed Forces Medical Examiner System used mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA), Y-chromosome DNA (Y-STR) and autosomal DNA (auSTR) analysis. Today, 7,602 Americans remain unaccounted for from the Korean War.

Robert was one of eight brothers who attended Central Catholic. His brothers include: William Styslinger, '39; Thomas Styslinger, '41; John Styslinger, '42; James Styslinger, '45; Edward Styslinger, '48; George Styslinger, '50 and Donald Styslinger, '53.

Robert Styslinger in a letter to his sister, Marian one week before he died:

"It is mighty rough country and mighty cold too. Our altitude right now is just about 4,000 ft. above sea level. And the temperature is zero or below outside right now. It will touch 20 below before the night's over. I say outside because today the officers in the battery moved into house. It is the second time since coming to Korea that I have slept inside."

Eternal rest grant unto him and let perpetual light shine upon him. Through the mercy of God, may Robert rest in peace.



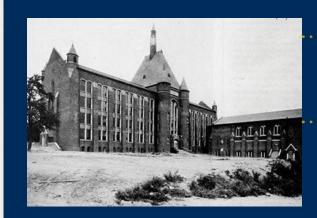


CLASH OF THE CLASSES

— Viking Match —

MAY 10-14, 2021





years of educating young men from across Southwest PA



Viking Nation is **25,000+** alumni strong

THANK YOU, CENTRAL CATHOLIC, FOR ANOTHER VERY SUCCESSFUL **VIKING MATCH WEEK!**

From May 14 - May 18, alumni, parents and friends donated over \$210,000 for our students! Central is so grateful for this generous support that helps provide much needed tuition assistance and supports student programming.

After taking a break from the competition due to the pandemic, it was back in full swing this year with the Clash of the Classes! 2021 saw a new winner - congratulations to the Class of '68! Previous winners, the Class of '60 and the Class of '95 finished in 2nd and 3rd places respectively. The Class of 2000 took the "Most Improved Class" honors. The Class of '68 will receive Central themed surprises throughout the year and will be listed on the Viking Cup.

Special thanks to the Board of Directors and our anonymous alumni donor who provided a pool of funds to partially match all gifts made during the week.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED! ROLL VIKES!

VIKING MATCH WINNERS' CIRCLE:

SECOND PLACE: Class of 1960 FIRST PLACE: Class of 1968 THIRD PLACE: Class of 1995 MOST IMPROVED: Class of 2000



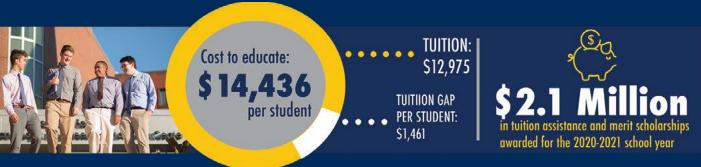
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Central Catholic remains steadfast in our commitment to provide a quality education to young men from the Pittsburgh area, no matter their socioeconomic circumstance. AS A RESULT, THE SCHOOL PROVIDED OVER \$2 MILLION OF TUITION **ASSISTANCE** IN THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR. These funds are distributed to over 35% of Central Catholic's student body.

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FORENSIC SOCIETY

Central Catholic Forensics Society Engages Alumni, Celebrates Successful Year

DEAR CENTRAL CATHOLIC ALUMNI.

Our CCFS Alumni network has accomplished a lot in the last few months. Within the past year, we have connected with our Forensics alumni in new ways through an email newsletter, as well as touting the success of today's CCFS competitors on our LinkedIn page. We have been able to strengthen and improve our alumni network for the benefit of CCFS and its alumni.

At the same time, the CCFS has had its most successful season in over 25 years, winning championships at both the state and district levels and sending competitors to nationals in double-digit numbers.

The society owes its current success to a group of hardworking students, dedicated coaches and a network of supporters. Our challenge is to maintain and expand that support network. As a group of talented and accomplished individuals, CCFS alumni could create a strong base of support for the society's future.

If you are a Central Catholic Forensics society alumnus and would like to keep in touch with the Forensics Society alumni group and newsletter, contact Brandon Haburjak, Director of Alumni Engagement and Giving at Central at bhaburjak@centralcatholichs.com or 412.208.3488. You can also visit centralcatholichs. com/alumniupdate to update your contact information online.

We have all heard alumni describe the CCFS's overwhelmingly positive influence on their lives and careers. Many of us share those sentiments. Within this group lies an enormous untapped reservoir of goodwill and support for an organization that we all value. It is time to transform those fuzzy memories of past glories into action. Let us hear from you.

- Fred Egler, '71

CENTRAL CATHOLIC FORENSICS SOCIETY CELEBRATES SUCCESSFUL SEASON

The Oxford dictionary defines remarkable as an action or series of events "worthy of attention; striking." In truth, I cannot find a more appropriate word to better describe the current season for our Central Catholic Forensics Society.

After a strong early start to the season, the CCFS kicked it into overdrive during nine competitions held between Jan. 30 and March 20, and the collective outcomes were very impressive:

- 9 First Place trophies
- 6 Second Place trophies
- 10 Third Place trophies
- 9 Fourth Place trophies
- 6 Fifth Place Trophies
- 8 Sixth Place trophies
- 48 Final Round Competitors (Cumulative)
- 15 Additional "Break Round" competitors
- 3 Speech Sweepstakes Awards
- 2 Debate Sweepstakes Awards
- 3 Overall Sweepstakes Awards

During our annual "Big Three" competitions (PHSSL-PA State Championships, NCFL Qualifiers and NSDA Qualifiers), the team performed quite admirably.

- At PHSSL States, the CCFS crowned 3 state champions (Oscar Heller, '22, Parker Osth, '22 and Liam Carnahan ,'22). We had a total of 9 final round competitors overall, and 80% of our competitors qualified into the "break rounds" on day 2. The team as a whole took home the 2nd Place Sweepstakes Award for their unified effort. This was Central's best overall performance at States in more than 25 years!
- At the NCFL Nationals-Pittsburgh Diocesan Qualifiers, Sixteen CCFS competitors advanced to compete at the grand national tournament in late May. This splendid effort resulted in our largest contingent of Central Catholic qualifiers to NCFLs in more than 40 years.
- At the NSDA Pittsburgh District Qualifiers, The CCFS qualified 5 students to NSDA Nationals in mid-June. An additional 4 students earned First / Second Alternate awards.

The team as a whole claimed the 2nd Place trophy in Debate Sweepstakes and a 3rd Place trophy for Overall Sweepstakes.



The team had 16 competitors earn their CCFS varsity letterman's jackets during the months of February and March, and also qualified 5 speech competitors to the University of Kentucky Tournament of Champions invitational in late April.

As we currently prepare in earnest for the NCFL / NSDA national tournaments, I would be remiss if I did not take a moment to recognize the efforts of our dedicated CCFS alumni coaches. The great success our team has enjoyed during this season is a testimony to their steadfast commitment of both time and effort:

- Michael DePasquale, '15 Assistant Head Coach Debate
- Paul Beer ,'19 Assistant Head Coach Speech
- Gregory Lehane, '65 Speech
- John Wearden, '18 Public Forum Debate
- John Hollihan, '20 Policy Debate
- Nicholas Weising, '19 Congressional Debate
- Sam Rinkacs, '15 Lincoln-Douglas Debate
- John McGowan, '13 Lincoln-Douglas Debate

Lastly, a sincere thank-you is offered by the team to our enthusiastic CCFS alumni group. Without a strong bench of dedicated alumni working behind the scenes to provide financial support, volunteer time, and words of encouragement, none of the success that our CCFS has enjoyed of recent would have been possible. Your collective pride in the CCFS was evident via the multiple conversations, social media posts, and hours of volunteer effort invested in support of the team this season. Simply stated, we could not do what we do...without you!

THE FUTURE REMAINS BRIGHT!

Patrick Dickey, '85
Acting Head Coach
Central Catholic Forensics Society

"Crescat Hic Amor Noster"











FIVE STUDENTS NAMED NSDA ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICANS

Five Central Catholic students were named NSDA (National Speech & Debate Association) All-Americans. This award recognizes academic rigor, competitive speech and debate success, and personal excellence. The Academic All-American Award recognizes students who have completed at least five semesters of high school, earned the degree of Superior Distinction in the National Speech & Debate Association Honor Society, achieved criteria for GPA and/or test score requirements, and demonstrated outstanding character and leadership. This award is earned by fewer than 1% of the student members of the National Speech & Debate Association.

ALL AMERICANS (L TO R)

- John Evans '21
- John Keyho, '21
- Ezekial Matous '21
- Liam Carnahan '22
- Dominic Passafiume '22



THE CCFS 2020-21 SEASON: A STUDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

Virtual forensics competition this year has been far from easy. When we were told at the beginning of the season that tournaments would be held online for the foreseeable future, I was pretty discouraged and unhappy with what the future might hold. I've certainly dealt with my fair share of technology-related issues during tournaments this year, and I really missed the traditional competition experience of just hopping on a bus with all your teammates at six in the morning and physically traveling to compete against other teams in person.

With that said, I'm extremely glad I stuck with forensics despite all the difficulties that this year has presented. Although COVID has resulted in a lot of frequent physical barriers, I think the 2020-21 season has brought our team together a great deal. We've experienced a number of really great opportunities that we might otherwise not have had, such as our team being recognized as the "big deal" preeminent team in local tournaments as well as at various qualifiers for regional and national events like PHSSL States, NCFL and NSDA district qualifiers. I think our team performance has been fantastic this year on both the speech and debate sides, especially at tournaments like at PHSSL States, where our team spirit was probably the highest I've ever seen, and we were able to achieve together some really amazing accomplishments.

Perseverance absolutely paid off this season and we made great progress, both as a team and as individuals. We worked together to overcome the obvious adversity of a global pandemic as well as more personal challenges, like Brother Kevin's sudden passing in October. Through all of it, the Central Catholic Forensics Society remained a solidly determined team, a great group of people, and an inspiration for many, including myself.

- Dominic Passafiume, '22



OF BROTHER KEVIN DALMASSE, FSC, '77

On April 19, 2021, Brother Tony Baginski, CCHS Principal, led a ceremony on the Quadrangle to dedicate a patio and plaque in honor of Brother Kevin Dalmasse. Among the attendees were Brother Kevin's family members, CCFS alumni, faculty, staff and students. Current CCFS Policy Debater Jack Sabo, '23 offered remarks and current CCFS President and Vice-President John Evans and John Keyho, '21, unveiled the plaque.











VIKING VICTORY AUCTION







CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

31ST ANNUAL VIKING VICTORY AUCTION

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When COVID-19 hit in mid-March 2020, the beloved Viking Victory Auction, Central Catholic's largest fundraising event of the year, which was to be held a little over a month later on April 25, 2020, was out of the question.

Nearly a year later, Central Catholic was able to safely host its first-ever Virtual Viking Victory Auction, streamed live for hundreds of alumni and friends from throughout the country.

"Although we were devastated that we had to postpone the safe was our top priority," said Mark Burnett, '00, Director of Special Events at Central Catholic. "Planning for every Viking Viking Victory Auction ends and requires countless of hours

Although nothing can compare to the fun and camaraderie of an in-person Viking Victory Auction, the Virtual Viking Victory Auction included all of the excitement and activities of an in-person auction, including homeroom basket raffles, silent auction bidding, randomly selected raffle drawings and a live auction. Mr. William "Bill" Hillgrove, '58, was also officially inducted into the Central Catholic Hall of Fame during this year's event.

"We wanted to make sure that we included all of the elements that make the Viking Victory Auction unique in a way that was exciting for the viewer," said Mark. "We heard from many people who were hosting their own, safe, in-house Auction 'viewing parties' and were thrilled with the amount of participation on the live chat."

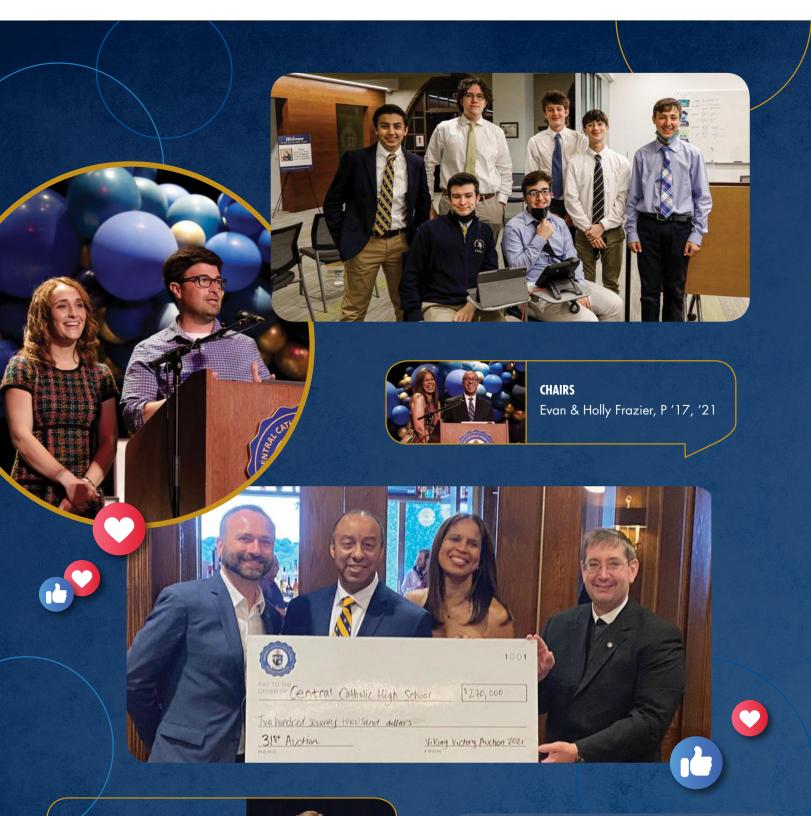
Student volunteers were on-hand during the Auction to assist anyone who was having issues placing bids. Attendees could call in to the student hotline or have their questions answered via email.

No Auction is complete without a meal, and in an effort to support local restaurants that had struggled during the pandemic, Central Catholic partnered with several different restaurants throughout the city to offer takeout options that patrons could enjoy while tuning in at home.

Led by event chairs Evan and Holly Frazier, P'17, '21, Central Catholic raised \$270,000, which will primarily benefit students in the form of tuition assistance.

"We were ecstatic to chair the 31st Annual Viking Victory Auction and are so thankful for all of the incredible volunteers and staff who helped to make the event a success," said Evan and Holly. "This Auction was two years in the making and we learned so much about how to pivot, expect the unexpected and have fun. We are honored to be a part of the Central Catholic community."





HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE William "Bill" Hillgrove, '58







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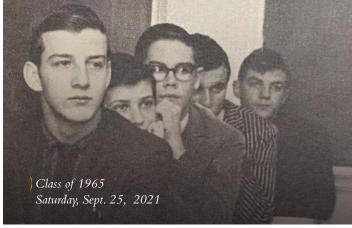


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We're making up for lost time and hosting 0's, 1's, 5's and 6's. Have questions about your reunion or want to get involved? Contact our Director of Alumni Engagement and Giving, Mr. Brandon Haburjak, '06, at bhaburjak@centralcatholichs.com

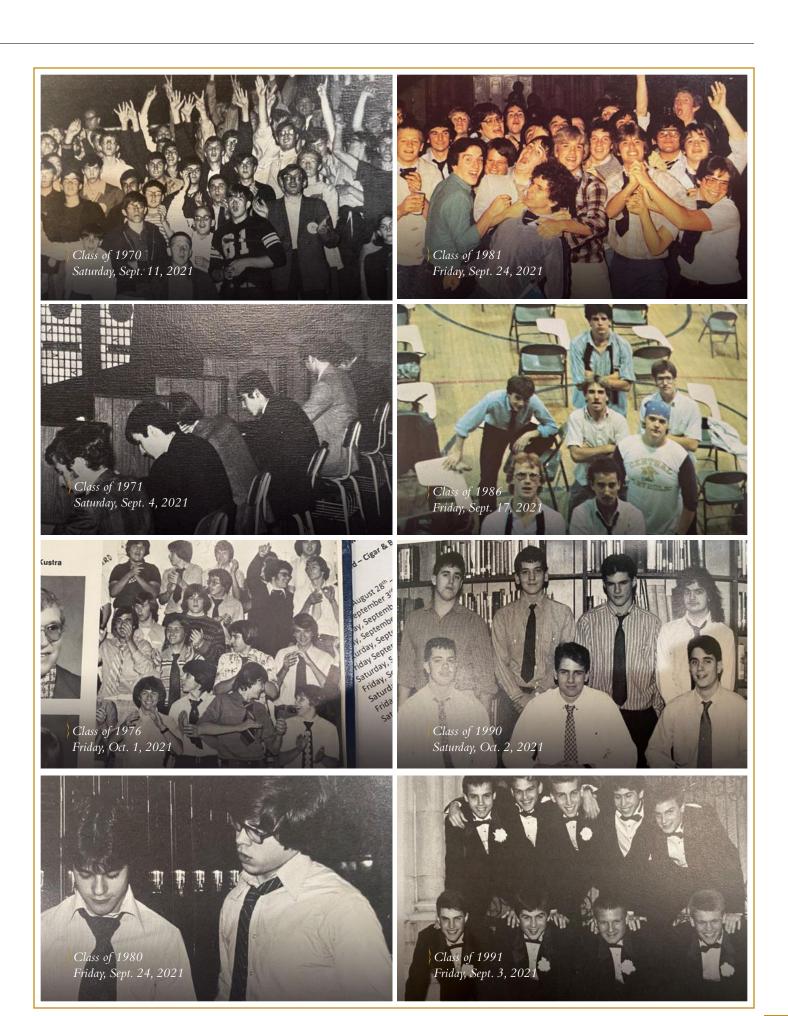


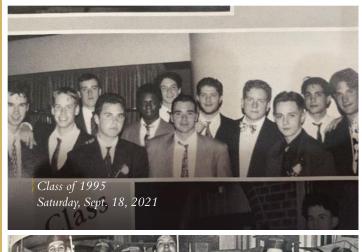
















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Class of 2006

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LEGACY FAMILY RECEPTION

Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2021

THIRD-ANNUAL
JAM ON THE QUAD CIGAR & BOURBON NIGHT

Saturday, Sept. 18, 2021
Registration Required - 21+ Event

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Guests are welcome to join the Brothers virtually on the first Thursday each month for our monthly Alumni Mass of Remembrance.

During this Mass, we remember all of our recently deceased members of the Central Catholic community. Each Mass begins promptly at 5 p.m.

FALL MASS SCHEDULE:

Thursday, Sept. 2

Thursday, Oct. 7

Thursday, Nov. 4

Thursday, Dec. 2

Visit *centralcatholichs.com/alumnimass* for more information and to register to attend virtually.



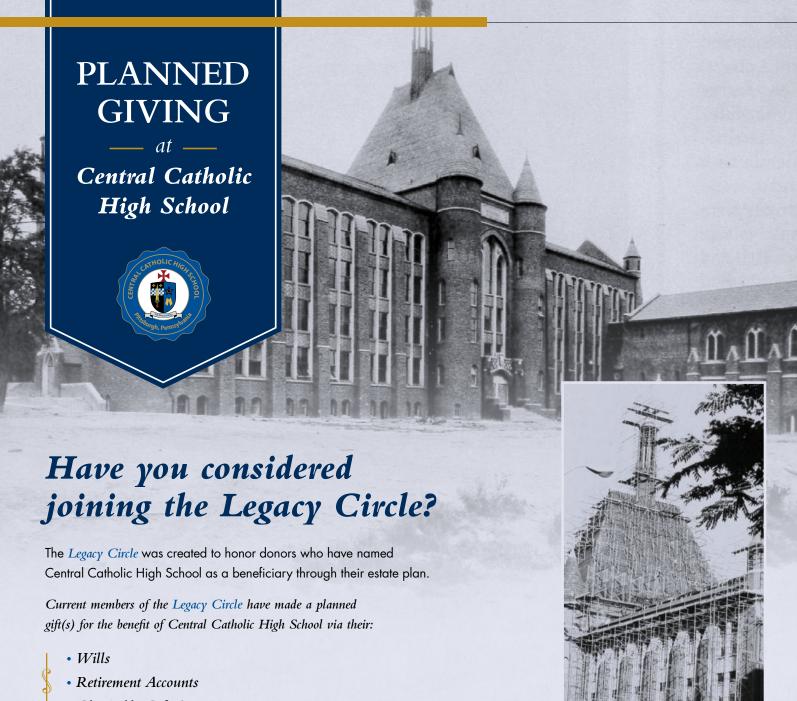


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- Mr. & Mrs. James Meyers, '88, P '19, '21

You can turn your tax dollars into tuition assistance for Central Catholic students, too!

Please call the Advancement Office at 412-622-6171 for details on how you can join the list and turn tax dollars into tuition assistance funds for Central Catholic students.

NEWS FROM VIKING NATION



1950s \ Lifelong Brotherhood: Members of the Class of 1953 gather each month for lunch. Tradition never graduates!

LTO R: JIM RUFFING, JIM DELANEY, JOHN ERANO, CARL VITTI, TICK CLOHERTY, STEVE PISKURICH, DON FURTIVO, CARMEN MORANTE, CHET OSTROWSKI

1960s Tom Savini, '64,

was featured in Pittsburgh Magazine's feature titled "Growing up in Bloomfield," where the visual effects artist recalled growing up in Pittsburgh's Little Italy, which he still calls home.

Howard W. "Hoddy" Hanna, III, '65,

Chairman of Hanna Holdings, Inc., was awarded an honorary Doctorate of Business Administration degree from La Roche University at their 55th Commencement. He also delivered the Commencement address at two ceremonies honoring the graduating classes of both 2020 and 2021.

Brother V. Kenneth, '69, is currently the Director of The Brothers' Community at Sacred Heart-Cathedral in San Francisco and teaching in the high school. He is still enjoying it very much after all these years.

1970s \ Mike Gable, '72,

retired from his position as City of Pittsburgh Department of Public Works Director after more than 45 years of working for the City of Pittsburgh. Marty Griffin, '77, completed a special report on Bob Tudi, '76 and TUDI Mechanical Systems, Inc. stepping in to help others with their "Heat for the Needy" program.

In honor of *Dr. John C. Welsh*, '78, the Pittsburgh Seminary established the Welch Scholarship for Students of Color Called to Urban Ministry.

Tim Kiely, '78, was featured in Pittsburgh Post-Gazette article, There's Pittsburgh influence in TNT's Emmy-winning 'Inside the NBA'.

1980s (McLeod Kredell Architects was chosen as Architectural Record's Design Vanguard in 2020. Stephen Kredell, '87, is a partner at the firm.

1990s \ Hoby Hanna, '90,

President of Howard Hanna Real Estate Services, was named in the Crain's Cleveland Business 2021 "Power 150" list.

Jeff Acquafondata, '93, was selected as the Mortgage Bankers Association of SWPA's Member of the Year for 2020.

Patrick Colletti, '93, released a new book "Refounder: How Transformational Leaders Take What's Broken and Make it Better."

Rev. Cornell Jones, '93, received the Alpha Kappa Alpha Community Service Award.

Marc Bulger, '95, was named to the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette's "All-Time Fabulous 22" Team.

Paul McCrory, '95, was awarded with The Meritorious Service Medal.

The Meritorious Service Medal is a military award presented to members of the United States Armed Forces who distinguished themselves by outstanding meritorious achievement or service to the United States.

20005 { *Ryan Schwoeble*, '00, was hired as Central Catholic's new

Chris Solomon, '02's, new book, "in Search of Greater Syria" was released in May 2021.

Head Varsity Soccer Coach.

Dr. and Mrs. Anthony Pompa, '07,

welcomed into the world and baptism with Christ their son Dominic Gerard Pompa. Dominic Gerard was born on November 6, 2020 and Baptized at St. Bonaventure Church in Shaler in January. Anthony is a distinguished graduate of the US Air Force Academy, University of Pittsburgh Medical School, and is now a Pediatrician at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh working as a Pediatric Cardiology Fellow.

Benjamin Smith, '08, graduated from the University of Cincinnati Medical School in Pediatrics. He started his residency at Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital which is part of the University Hospitals system in Cleveland in June 2021.

Ian Johnson, '09, is a co-founder of Wisconsin-based start-up "Cultured Decadence." The firm, which recently received \$1.6 million in funding, plans to make the first cultured lobster meat in North America and bring it to market within a few years.





























2010s Edward Kelly,

'10, joined the Litigation Department of Steptoe & Johnson PLLC. He will practice products liability law from the firm's Southpointe office, located in Canonsburg.

Ian Welch, '11, aka Benji., was featured in the Pittsburgh City Paper in January. Benji. returned to Pittsburgh to work on his upcoming album, "Smile, You're Alive."

Will Kondrich, '12 and Tommy Kondrich, '21, helped ease pandemic pain with what Will called "Walking the Dog" front porch concerts. The pair performed on their front porch for passersby.

Michael Pompa, '12, was honored by the PA Governor's Achievement Award, out of Harrisburg, for his work with the Workforce Solutions of North Central PA providing demonstrations and educational talks to schools in the area. Michael is a graduate of the University of Dayton School of Engineering with a degree in Mechanical Engineering and has been an Engineer for Beverage-Air & Victory designing commercial refrigeration systems since graduation.

Mike Grady, '15 and Alex
Miklasevich, '15, were selected
to represent United States Rowing at
the Tokyo 2020 Olympic games.
Grady will compete in the Men's Four
and Miklasevich will compete in the
Men's Eight.

John Petrishen, '15, was named one of the 2021 winners of the University of Pittsburgh Ed Conway Award, presented to the most improved players of spring drills.

Matt Carnevali, '16, a first-year medical student at Geisinger
Commonwealth School of Medicine was named an Abigail Geisinger Scholar.
Abigail Geisinger Scholars graduate from Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine without tuition debt and receive a monthly stipend while enrolled. After residency, scholars become Geisingeremployed physicians. Specialties include family medicine, internal medicine, medicine-pediatrics and psychiatry.

Patrick Ferguson, '16, was named to the 2021 Big South Conference Baseball All-Conference 2nd Team. Ferguson is a senior infielder at Gardner-Webb University.

Damar Hamlin, '16, was selected to the Buffalo Bills in the sixth round of the 2021 NFL Draft.

Cal Adomitis, '17, was one of two
Pitt Panthers named to the 2020 AllAtlantic Coast Conference Academic
Football Team. Cal was also one of 10
semifinalists for the Patrick Mannelly
Award presented to the top long snapper
in college football.

Alex Stripsky, '17, will be returning to The University of Massachusetts Amherst in the fall of 2021 as a research assistant while pursuing his Master's degree in Structural Engineering.

Jacob Kingerski, '17 and
Noah Stickel, '17, were commissioned as 2nd Lieutenants in the United States
Army on May 17, 2021. Stickel
branched transportation corps in the
Army reserves and Kingerski branched adjutant general's corps in the Army reserves. Both are excited to serve in the United States Army!

Nathan Vislosky, '17, graduated from Penn State University with a degree in Petroleum Engineering. Nathan is employed as a Product Support Engineer for OSI Software.

Michael DeFilippo, '18, was named to the Executive Board and VP of Marketing for the Miami University Commercial Banking Club.

Jordan Jiles, '18, was named as a finalist for the 2021 Antonio Johnson Scholarship. The Award is presented each year to a Black rising senior at Xavier University who represents academic excellence, leadership, and service in the interest of the Black community.

Andrew Walker, '18, an outfielder for Xavier University baseball, was selected to the All-Big East Second Team.

2020s { *Vincent Pascoe*, '20, was named to the Dean's List at John Carroll University.

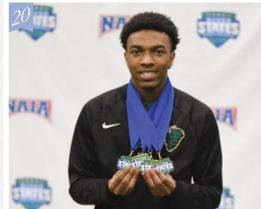
Daimere Stephens-Stewart, '20, broke the Point Park University Men's Track & Field school record in the 60-meter dash with a time of 7.00 seconds and took home three first-place titles at the Indoor Championships this past February.



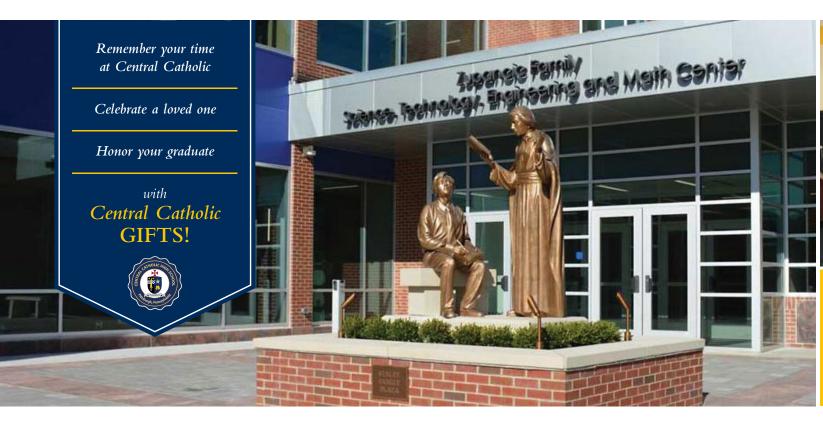








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IN MEMORIAM

Remembering

Rudolph F. {Rudy} Zupancic, '50 oct. 17, 1932 - MAY 30, 2021

Rudolph. F. Zupancic, '50, considered graduating from Central Catholic High School to be the most important opportunity of his life.

He was fortunate to enroll at Central Catholic only by virtue of the financial assistance he and his mother received from the Parish Church at St. Mary's Assumption. From very humble beginnings as the son of Yugoslavian immigrants, after losing his father at age 5, he worked odd jobs to support his widowed mother during the Depression.

Initially, Mr. Zupancic was enrolled in traditional college prep classes. When he was not succeeding in these classes, he was moved into business classes, where he excelled, and jump started his long and successful business career.

In an interview with the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, human resources consultant Rick Goclano, who worked with Mr. Zupancic for more than 40 years, described him as generous, driven and "one of a kind."



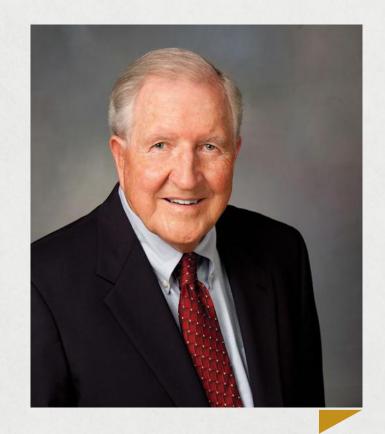
"He just felt that if he hadn't been able to attend Central Catholic, he would have been a completely different person," Rick said. "His whole life after that was based on paying it forward."

The Lawrenceville native's highly successful career in the supermarket industry spanned more than 60 years. Mr. Zupancic began working part-time for a local supermarket chain as a teenager, and was quickly promoted to store manager at age 19, later moving on to own four outstanding Giant Eagle stores.

He enjoyed a rewarding career in food retailing that spanned over 70 years which has provided meaningful employment, benefits and advancement opportunities to literally thousands of Western Pennsylvanians. He was well known for his favorite saying: "The harder I worked, the luckier I got."

In recognition of his deep gratitude and appreciation of Central Catholic, he contributed to and became a member of our esteemed Lasallian Society. In 2009, he 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. In 2015, he was inducted into the Central Catholic Hall of Fame.

Through his transformational gift to Central Catholic's most recent capital campaign, "The Campaign for Central Catholic: Together in Faith, Scholarship and Service", hundreds of Central Catholic students have the opportunity to receive a world-class education in his namesake facility, the Zupancic Family STEM Center.





"Mr. Zupancic embodied the spirit and the mission of Central Catholic with his dedication to making a Central Catholic education attainable for students, regardless of their financial background," said Brother Tony Baginski, FSC, Principal.

"His vision of providing a quality, faith-based education to prepare students for careers of the present and the future set the tone to build a bright and prosperous future for every student who enters our doors. We are deeply indebted to his generosity, empathy and kindness in providing support to Central Catholic, a community that he was so proud to be a part of. His legacy will be felt at Central Catholic forever."

Along with his wife, Mr. Zupancic is survived by daughters Karen and Marilyn Zupancic, of Sewickley, and son Wayne Zupancic, of Pine; and eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Michael Zupancic and a daughter, Laurene Verikas, and a grandson, Kyle Verikas.

Eternal rest grant unto him and let perpetual light shine upon him. Through the mercy of God, may Rudolph F. Zupancic rest in peace. Amen



Memorials may be made to the Rudolph F. and
Patricia K. Zupancic Family Fund securely online at

centralcatholichs.com/give or c/o Mr. Matthew Stoessel,

Central Catholic High School

4720 Fifth Ave Pittsburgh, PA 15213.



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

Through the mercy of God, may Brother Mark rest in peace. Amen

Remembering Brother Mark Lowery, FSC, '55

APRIL 16, 1937 - MAY 21, 2021

Brother Mark Lowery, FSC, '55, a De La Salle Christian Brother for 65 years, died peacefully at the Christian Brothers Nursing Home in Lincroft, New Jersey on Friday, May 21.

Brother Mark grew up in the Greenfield section of Pittsburgh in St. Rosalia's parish. Shortly after graduating from Central Catholic in Pittsburgh, Brother Mark entered the Christian Brothers on September 7, 1955 as Brother Edwin Mark. He went on to La Salle University where he earned both a bachelor's and a master's degree.

Brother Mark served faithfully at West Philadelphia Catholic for Boys as teacher and Vice Principal, Bishop Walsh in Cumberland, MD as Principal, at his alma mater Central Catholic as Director of Alumni, and at Michael's Place in the Stanton Heights section of Pittsburgh as a drug and alcohol counselor.

In his retiring years, Brother Mark dedicated himself to drug and alcohol counseling at Central Catholic and worked closely with the organization the Greenfield Organized Against Drugs Program. Brother Mark helped many people in his lifetime with their recovery from addiction especially the young and imprisoned.

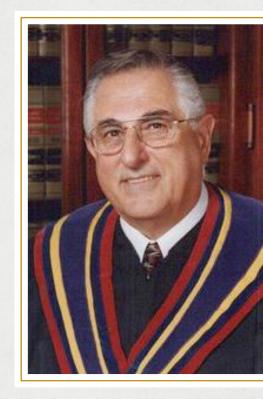
Remembering Honorable Stephen Zappala, Sr., '50

SEPT. 26, 1932 - MAY 21, 2021

The Honorable Stephen Zappala, Sr., '50 went to his eternal reward on May 21, 2021 at the age of 88. Well balanced between academics and athletics, Stephen was a member of the state championship basketball team and was later inducted into Central Catholic's Hall of Fame. He went on to Notre Dame and Duquesne Universities also participating in their collegial basketball programs prior to obtaining his law degree from Georgetown University Law School in 1958.

After serving in the U.S. Army, he went into private law practice with his father and brother. He first joined the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas in 1979 and shortly moved on to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. In 2001, he was appointed to be the Chief Justice of the state Supreme Court.

Eternal rest grant unto him and let perpetual light shine upon him. Through the mercy of God, may Stephen rest in peace. Amen



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THESE RECENTLY DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY.

1939

Mathias McDonough

1940

Dennis Hagan

1942 Noel Doheny

1944 Thomas Baker Joseph P. Rhein Reverend Noel Rothrauff Harry Williams

1945 Irwin Dean, Jr Walter Wills

1946 Edwin Vandergrift

1947 Gerard Dopler John Schmertz

1948 Robert Becker James Carr Norman Devine Edward Murphy, Jr. 1949

Francis Johns Robert Scheib Robert Yeager

1950

William Blaney James R. McElroy Francis Donovan William Harrison, Jr. Charles Kubit Thomas Shaughnessy The Honorable Stephen Zappala, Sr. Rudolph F. Zupancic

1951

James Flynn Robert Mazur

1952 Joseph Beck James Flaherty Howard Hauff Brennan R. Hill James McQuade

1953 John Barron Kenneth DelCimmuto Edward Loskamp John Magnotta Anthony Mowod

1954

Leo Gill Thomas Knight Thomas McCarthy Ambrose Reid Peter Stancampiano Dr. James Uselman Albert Vogel

1955 Robert Brehm

John Corr Kenneth Donahue Thomas Dunbar Brother Mark Lowery, FSC John Murphy

1956

William Francis 1957

George Briercheck Ralph Dadowski Frederick Elcock Martin Moran James Morrisard

1958

Mark DeFabio Anthony Lucente Joseph Markus

1959

Robert Cassady Rev. Patrick Cooney, SVD Stephen Joyce Edward Kotewicz Henry Krason Andrew Vidra

1960

James Bastone Patrick Coyne David Sisk Joseph Smerdel

1961 William Conley Allan Ferens

1962 Stanley Noszka

George Shearer

Anthony Wieckowski

1964 David McCrea

1965

Robert Cassidy, Jr Gilbert Maffeo Ronald Markowski Dennis Sadowski E. Patrick Varnise

1966

Frederick Riehl **Donald Slovonic**

1967

Timothy Brady Timothy Carey John Cygnarowicz

1968

Daniel Monaghan Joseph Woznicki

1969 Joseph Rabel John Rossi

1970 Lawrence Heinricher, Jr.

1971 Darryl Pastirak Mark Record

1972 Joseph Rodgers William Smith 1973 Samuel Maiorana 1974 David Duncan

1976 Thomas Balzer

1977 Kenneth Acker Robert McCal

1978 Daniel McGovern

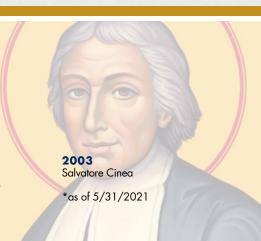
1979 Regis Rush

1984 Paul DeSabato

1985 Robert Lamonde

1993 William Yarussi

> 2001 Aladino DiNardo





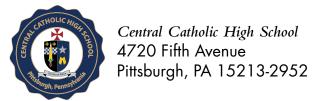
Remembering Jafar Brooks, '24

Jafar Brooks, '24, passed away suddenly and unexpectedly in Dec. 2020. Jafar was a dedicated student, athlete and asset to the Central Catholic community.

Eternal rest grant unto him and let perpetual light shine upon him. Through the mercy of God, may Jafar rest in peace. Amen

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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.

SAVE THE DATE!

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE OUR FUTURE **VIKINGS IN PERSON!**

In-person admissions events will return this fall. At Viking for a Day, eighth grade boys experience a "day in the life" of a Central Catholic Viking. Families and students of all ages are invited to join us for our annual Open House.

VIKING FOR A DAY: Oct. 15, 2021 OPEN HOUSE: Nov. 7, 2021

All Central High School events follow current CDC guidelines as well as requirements from the Allegheny County Health Departmentand the PA Department of Health.



Stay tuned to centralcatholichs.com/admissions for more info!

PARENTS:

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