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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

We launched a campaign on Twitter last autumn to celebrate school spirit. Students were invited to reflect on what makes Canisius High School a special place and why a young man would want to attend Canisius. Students shared their thoughts with the hashtag “#WhyCHS.” While many students eagerly participated, we also saw a significant number of alumni, without prompting, join the campaign. Alumni tweeted about their retreat experiences, teachers who made time for them and cared for them as individuals, and the lifelong friendships formed at Canisius. Freshmen sometimes don’t realize when they first walk through the blue doors the impact Canisius can have on their lives.

This was true for **Ralph Coppola ‘66**. In this issue of CHS Today, you’ll find his firsthand account of being sent to Canisius by his mother, against his wishes, and why he is now counted among our strongest supporters.

Retreats encourage each student to deepen his awareness of the many God-given gifts he possesses, and most especially, the many people God has placed in his life to be God’s own presence of love and care for him. Retreats seek to touch the hearts of our students in such a way that they grow in gratitude and, so moved, begin to look outwardly with a desire to return their gifts through genuine care and service of others. In the pages ahead, we look at the retreats offered in each year to our students. These formative experiences are

often where the lifelong bonds of friendship develop, and the seeds of a faith that does justice are sown.

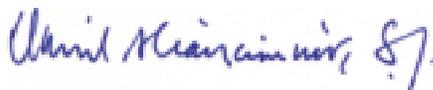
As you read on, you’ll also meet students with varied talents and interests who share the common bond of a brotherhood that began nearly 150 years ago. The shared spirit of our students is evident on the cover of this magazine as they rally around our championship basketball team.

The continuing bond of friendship is a recurring theme with our alumni whether it’s the story of alumni who’ve partnered on a business venture that spans from Buffalo all the way to Ireland, or those who returned to Canisius to coach future generations. Simply looking at the faces on the alumni photo pages reveals the spirit of a friendship begun at and with Canisius over the years.

As you enjoy this issue of CHS Today, I invite you to reflect on the “Why CHS” question. Perhaps you’ll discover a renewed or deepened appreciation for your experiences at Canisius.

Thank you for your continued care and support for Canisius and our students today.

Blessings and gratitude,



Fr. David Ciancimino, S.J.

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Ms. Andrea Tyrpak-Endres talks with Evan Popat '20.

FROM THE

PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

One of the great joys of working in education is being in the company of hundreds of young people every day – each with his own unique character, qualities, gifts, and talents. These, combined with the energy and enthusiasm of youth, can't help but to be energizing for those of us who work with students. In addition to the usual achievements noted on the honor roll, the championship victories, and the life-changing retreat and service experiences, there are other accomplishments that poke up through the day-to-day with all the surprising freshness of the earliest signs of spring. Often, we discover these in the stories of our students' lives beyond the Blue Doors; sometimes they are right under our noses here at 1180 Delaware.

This issue of CHS Today highlights some of the unique talents of our current students. Walk through the corridors at 1180 Delaware on any given day and you might not realize that you are in the company of a world-class fencer, or a young man who is working on the cutting edge of automotive design, or student-athletes who have immense musical talent. All the stories you will read in this issue will remind you that a Jesuit education

helps to reveal some of the most extraordinary gifts, even when they are cultivated beyond our classrooms.

You will also find stories highlighting our alumni, their success, their family connections, and their bonds to their Canisius brothers. These stories will resonate both with our families that have rich legacies in our community and with those who are coming to Canisius as the first in their families. In so many ways the mingling of the great legacies and the newcomers is the story of Canisius.

It is all a great reminder that we have so much to be thankful for — the wonderful tradition on which our school is built, the fresh contribution of each new generation, the great gifts we have in the many families who have been part of the community through the years and the remarkable new energies each individual student brings when he walks through those blue doors. The great focus of St. Ignatius, the founder of the Society of Jesus, was to find God in all things; there are so, so many signs that He continues to show his presence here!

Respectfully,

Ms. Andrea Tyrpak-Endres
Principal



Ralph Coppola '66 with sons Joe '89 (left) and Dan (right) in Alumni Hall.

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- RALPH CAPPOLA '66

FATHERS AND SONS

The stories of the families that come through Canisius High School are each as unique as the individuals in them. Ralph Coppola shares his story of attending CHS as a promise to his late father, and the strong bonds he now has with his own sons.

I grew up in Orchard Park, when it was a small village. I was one of two young men from OP who came through the blue doors for the first time as a student in 1962. I begged my mother to let me attend Orchard Park High School, which was about eight doors from our home, and the place where, of course, all my friends were going! For reasons I later understood and greatly appreciated, my mother would have no part of any school for me but Canisius High School. We could not afford the \$200 tuition, I'll shortly explain why, so CHS awarded me a Treasurer's Scholarship, which was a nice way of saying "financial aid." CHS looked out for me, way back in 1962.

I played basketball and baseball, graduated in 1966, and went on to Canisius College. I received a degree in accounting, and

from there I went on to the University at Buffalo Law School, and earned my law degree in 1974.

Fast forward a few years after some accounting and management positions, in 1982 a former partner and I started a company we named Innovative Concepts in Entertainment, which the arcade game industry now knows as ICE. Looking back on my own career, after a four-year degree in accounting and a law degree, I started a company that designs and manufactures arcade games. Not exactly what one may call a normal career path, but 35 years later, I'm proud of what our people have accomplished—all 250 of them. ICE is the largest manufacturer of arcade games in the USA. The men and women who run our business are talented, loyal and motivated.

The management group includes my two sons, **Joe '89** and Daniel, and also Drew Krouse, whose son is **Tyler '17**. Cyclone, DOND, AB, GB, NBA HOOPS, NFL 2 Minute Drill and many other ICE games including "Bubble Hockey" all originated in some way at CHS in 1962.

My family's relationship with CHS began with my father, who played three sports alongside a young man who went on to become a Jesuit, and eventually the prefect of discipline at CHS. That was **Fr. John Sturm, S.J. '35** and he was a CHS legend.

My father, **Joseph**, graduated in 1935. Thirty-one years later, I graduated in 1966. My son **Joe** graduated in 1989. Last spring

our grandson **Ryan '16** made us very proud by becoming the fourth generation Coppola to graduate.

My father passed away when I was seven years old. A deadly heart condition took his life at age 37, leaving behind a wife and six children. My mother insisted I attend CHS as a tribute to my father. Despite overwhelming financial odds, that was his wish. At various times and at various events, different male figures would play surrogate father for me. It started with an uncle who made sure I had a basketball hoop installed on my garage for my first communion. My Little League baseball coach took me under his wing to try to make me feel like every other kid on the team. In my sophomore year at CHS, my JV basketball coach, Mr. Bob O'Connor, stayed after practice almost every day and spent a great deal of time with me. I didn't realize it at the time, but I certainly understood years later that each of these thoughtful and caring people did his part to fill an obvious void in my life. But, I would have given almost anything to have my real father at my side.

My story is not a "poor me" story though, although I do recall a stretch in my teens when I often would cry myself to sleep wondering "why me?" With God's help, I turned the physical absence of my father into something much more positive. I came to believe that not only was my father NOT absent in my life, but rather he was "with me" at ALL times, that he helped me with my struggles and he shared in my joys and accomplishments. I chuckle a bit when I think maybe there were times when my sons would have preferred I was NOT there. We'll refer to those as "teaching moments". I think my spiritual relationship with my father has helped me to develop the relationship I am very fortunate to have with my sons. Through their teenage years, I never tried to be their "best buddy." I always tried to be a positive influence on their decision-making. Joe and Daniel are fantastic husbands, great siblings and fathers, and they are incredible sons.

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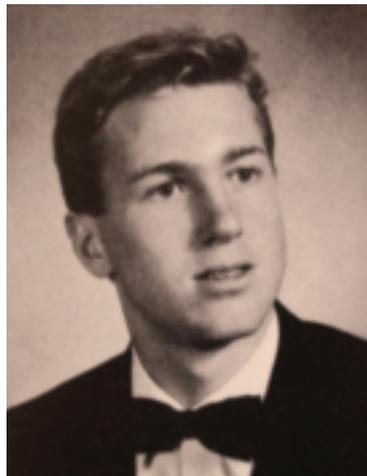
- RALPH CAPPOLA '66



Joseph Coppola '35



Ralph Coppola '66



Joe Coppola '89



Ryan Coppola '16



The Kostrzewski family, including Keith '95, Brett '07, and Devin '08 (left to right on right side of photo), gathers around Walter Kostrzewski '44 at his new class photo unveiling.

WAR VETERAN HONORED IN ALUMNI HALL



The faces of the young men who've graduated from Canisius High School cover the walls of Alumni Hall, but one face from the Class of '44 was missing for more than 70 years.

Ladislaus "Walter" Kostrzewski '44 earned enough credits to graduate, but by the time his classmates received their diplomas in the spring of 1944, the 18-year-old

had been drafted and was serving in the Army Air Forces. Walter would go on to become a crew chief on a B-29, flying reconnaissance missions looking for Nazi subs in the Gulf of Mexico. He never forgot Canisius though.

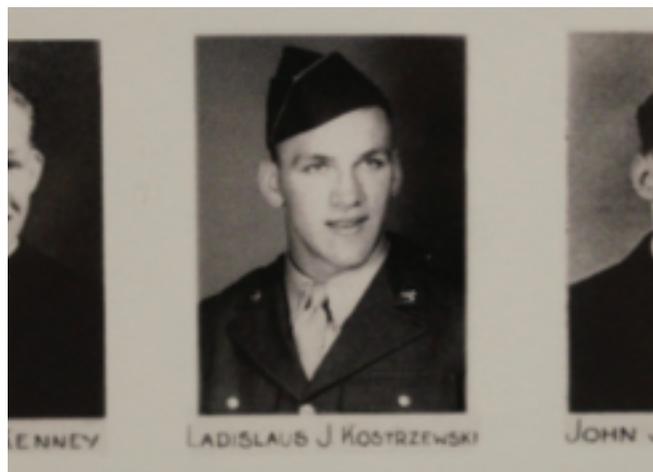
David Kostrzewski, Walter's nephew, says Walter mentioned at a family gathering that his photo was not among his classmates in Alumni Hall. David called the school to see what could be done. "We were happy to do whatever we could to correct this oversight," says **Paul Zablocki '01**, development gifts officer at Canisius.

Since Walter never had his official senior photo taken, his photo from his World War II military ID would be used in the collage.

Adding his name was a challenge since the original matting was typeset. "The letters for Mr. Kostrzewski's name had to be duplicated from letters in other names already in the frame to make the typeset match. The Riordans (**Fran '93** and **Chris '99**) at The Copy Store were able to do that," explains Zablocki.

Once the project was complete, the Kostrzewski family came to the school on December 27, 2016 to witness the unveiling of the new Class of '44 photo. The story of the World War II veteran's long wait for this honor captured the attention of the news media. Reporters and photographers also packed Alumni Hall for the unveiling, and the story went worldwide after the Associated Press picked it up.

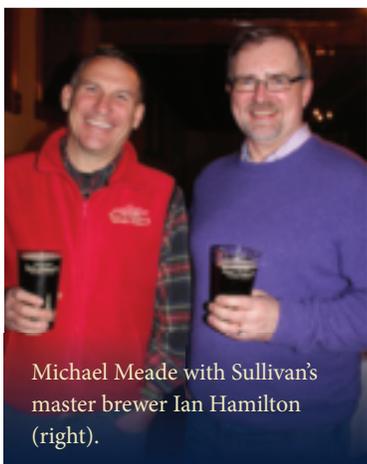
Walter takes all the attention in stride. It is clear he is happy to finally be pictured alongside his classmates after all these years. "It started here, it continues right on," said Walter.



Michael Meade '87 joined forces with other Canisius alumni to bring to Buffalo a new beer with a long history.



CRUSADERS BRING IRISH BREW TO BUFFALO



Michael Meade with Sullivan's master brewer Ian Hamilton (right).

Despite his Irish heritage, **Michael Meade '87** never visited Ireland until he was in his mid-30s. Now he not only owns a cottage in the Emerald Isle, he's helped revive a centuries-old Irish beer brand, and brought the brew to Buffalo.

During his visits to Ireland, Meade met members of the Smithwick family who produced the established Smithwick's Irish Ale. He learned the history of the brewing rivalry between the Smithwick and Sullivan families in Kilkenny, Ireland that dates back to the early 1700s. Smithwick's acquired the rights to the Sullivan's name in 1918 leading to the demise of the Sullivan's brand. The Smithwick family has now revived Sullivan's with Meade's help. He invested in the Sullivan's Brewing Company and is leading Sullivan's expansion into North America starting with Buffalo.

"I went through a phase in my early 20s where I wanted nothing to do with Buffalo," explains Meade, who lived in California for a while and now lives in the New York City area. "I got more involved with the school (Canisius) a few years ago and was spending more time in

Buffalo, seeing things happening in the city, and it really renewed my appreciation for Buffalo." The city's revitalization and significant number of people with Irish roots made it a good starting point for Sullivan's on this continent. Sullivan's Maltings Red Ale is currently in ten bars and restaurants in Buffalo, and Meade's plan is to have it in approximately 35 Western New York locations by July.

An expansion project such as this needs additional investors though, so Meade turned to his Canisius network and recruited **Tom Vanner '86, Greg Bartolone '87, Todd Patti '89, and Tony Trusso '88**. "I always start with Canisius first. Whatever it is. If I need a roof for example, I want to find out who from Canisius is in that business," says Meade. Having a quality product made securing investors in Sullivan's a little easier. "Our goal is not just to sell a lot of beer. It's a brand-led effort. We want people to recognize that this beer is made by a true artist," says Meade. Sullivan's Maltings Red Ale, described as having rich biscuit and subtle caramel notes, is winning awards including a gold medal at the recent International Brewing Awards, the "Oscars" of the brewing world.

Meade is spending a lot of time in Buffalo with the Sullivan's expansion, and he now also owns a Delaware Avenue home a mile and a half from Canisius. "I love it here," says Meade as he reflects on the impact of his Canisius years on where he is today. "The thing about Canisius people is you automatically have a sense of respect when you meet them," Meade says, "No matter what your calling, Canisius taught you to be fair and discerning, and that's huge."

To learn more about Sullivan's, visit:

www.sullivansbrewingcompany.com

STUDENTS TO WATCH

On the next four pages, meet students who are developing their individual talents in the world beyond CHS.

RANDY CHI '18

"Fencing is unique. It requires me to use all parts of my body and mind," says Randy Chi thoughtfully. Randy pondered the question about his love for fencing on a recent morning at Canisius High School as he prepared to depart for the Junior Olympics in Kansas City. This is his second year competing at the Junior Olympics with participants from all over the world. "I'm ranked in the middle of the pack," says Randy.

Randy took up fencing as a result of an unfortunate circumstance. His mother died when he was nine years old. Randy was already playing basketball, but enrolling him in a fencing camp was an additional way to keep him active mentally and physically during that difficult time. Fencing soon became his favorite sport.

"I travel a lot," says Randy, recounting trips to Cleveland, Rochester, New York City, and Ontario. He hits the road for competitions because there is no fencing program at Canisius, which is fine with Randy. "It makes what I do stand out since there really is no one else at school who does fencing," he explains. He enjoys traveling, but it is time-consuming, as is practice. "There are days when I go to Buffalo Seminary for practice from 4:00-6:00 and again from 7:00-10:00." Randy has learned time management skills in order to keep up with his studies at Canisius. He does homework on those long days before practice begins, and during the break between practices.

While he didn't medal at the Junior Olympics, there is more fencing in Randy's future. "I'm hoping to get college offers for fencing," says the high school junior who is still deciding what he wants to study and where he wants to attend college. "My top choices right now would be Ohio State or Boston College." As a Jesuit university, Boston College focuses on educating students as whole persons, as does Canisius High School. "I would like to go to a Jesuit school," says Randy, who seems to appreciate the "whole person" educational approach as he continues to excel in a whole mind and body sport.



Randy Chi '18 competes in fencing against athletes from around the world.

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The cover is removed from the grand piano in the Canisius High School auditorium in preparation for Joel Nicholas' photo shoot for this magazine. He takes the opportunity to play a song on the piano before the photo session begins. “I love music. I want to be a professional musician,” says Joel.

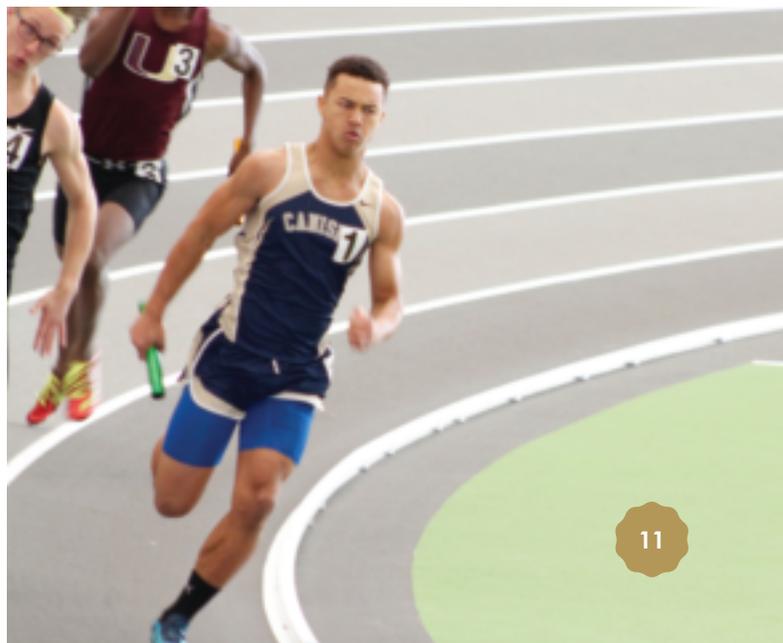
In addition to piano, Joel plays the saxophone, drums and experiments with other instruments. He lists Stevie Wonder, John Coltrane, Marvin Gaye, Prince, and Andrew Lloyd Webber among his musical influences. He performs with the concert band at Canisius. “Joel is a confident, humorous and hard working young man,” says Katie Michalewski, the instrumental music director at Canisius. Joel has also taken lessons at the Colored Musicians Club in Buffalo, and learned about music as a part of this nation's history. “During slavery in America, it was the Negro spirituals that helped us get through the brutal treatment,” explains Joel, “On top of that, songs like ‘Wade in the Water’ were codes to help slaves communicate.”

Joel feels the power of music when he plays on Sundays at the Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church where his father, Rev. George Nicholas, is the pastor. Joel gets a lot of his talent from his father, although not necessarily musical talent. George Nicholas was a track champion at Ohio State who still holds sprint records at the university. His sons are following in his track spikes. **Desmond Nicholas '16** was a track standout at Canisius who now competes at the University of Michigan. Joel currently runs for the Crusaders' indoor and outdoor track teams, and plays football too. “The best thing about Joel is that he is a fantastic human being first and foremost,” says Canisius head

football coach Rich Robbins. “It's great having a true renaissance man as part of our football family.”

Being challenged academically is also important to Joel. Canisius' college prep curriculum is part of the reason he transferred to Canisius from Amherst High School as a sophomore. “Canisius is more serious about the academics, and the athletics, too. It takes a little getting used to,” Joel says. “You have to manage your time well.”

Joel has thought ahead about college. He's fairly certain he wants to attend a large school such as Ohio State or LSU, but that's still a few years away. His face lights up when the conversation returns to music. “I love the way music makes me feel. Different music can bring out different emotions in people,” Joel says, “Music can have a huge impact on people's lives.”



JINHO SO '20

Imagine it's the year 2030 and you and your friends are heading out for an adventure. What does your adventure look like, and what type of vehicle do you need for this adventure?

These are questions Jinho So '20 contemplated for the 2030 Chevrolet Adventure Vehicle Concept Interactive Design Competition. Jinho has been interested in designing cars since he was nine or ten years old in Korea. "I started to admire car designers and cars that are designed well. Then, I began to draw my own cars," explains Jinho.

While searching car designs on Google last fall, Jinho came across information about the Chevrolet design competition for high school students in the United States, and decided to enter.

The contest comprised four phases spread over a few months. Phase one required Jinho to think about that hypothetical adventure in 2030, and submit sketches or images that help set the mood for the adventure. Once Jinho advanced to phase two, he had to decide on a type of car and adventure. He chose to design a sports coupe two-seater for driving enthusiasts on a city adventure.

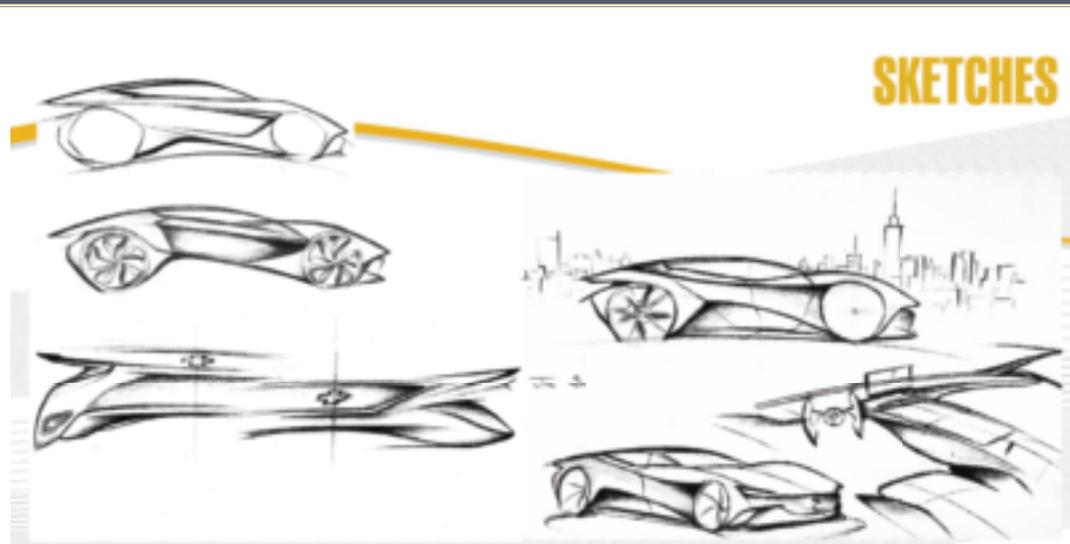
During phases two and three, mentors worked with Jinho on his design. The mentors were General Motors designers, and Jinho says that asking them questions and receiving guidance from them was one of his favorite aspects of the competition. "One of the things my mentors advised was to think about how to mix Chevy design language in with my own design language," says Jinho. That was a challenge for Jinho, but he accomplished it. He blended the company's existing bold, straight character lines, with his own curved line ideas, and incorporated other Chevrolet sports car driving features into his finished concept. The result impressed the judges during the fourth and final phase of the competition.

The judges selected Jinho as one of the three contest winners in the U.S. He won the opportunity to attend the highly prestigious College for Creative Studies (CCS) Summer Camp Experience in Detroit, a new iPad, and a subscription to Car Design News for a full year. "I'm excited," says Jinho, "I know I want to be a professional car designer."

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Jinho So's winning sketches in the Chevrolet Adventure Vehicle Concept Contest.



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MATTHEW SULLIVAN '18

If there were an award for the Canisius student involved in the most extracurricular activities, Matthew Sullivan would certainly be a top contender. He has embraced the Ignatian concept of magis by taking the lead on several projects to help children in Buffalo and around the world. “My mom always says that nothing you have matters if you can’t share it,” says Matt.

For Roswell Park Cancer Institute’s Carly’s Club, Matt coordinated a gift drive at Christmastime for pediatric cancer patients, and he’s organizing the second annual Easter basket collection. “These kids are fighting for their lives, so anything we can do to bring a little joy is huge,” says Matt. He is also involved with the enCourage Kids Foundation and helps with the organization’s Escapes program. Escapes are fun outings for families with children with chronic illnesses.

The projects closest to his heart though are STEM-related. STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math, but Matt has given the acronym a new spin. He launched an organization called STEM Jr. in which STEM stands for Students Together on Empowering Missions. Matt’s goals for STEM Jr. are for high school students to share their knowledge with younger students to generate excitement and interest in science, technology, engineering and math. “We all share

things on social media and online. Airbnb shares housing, Uber shares car services, so why can’t we also share knowledge and resources?” asks Matt. He spent winter break in the Dominican Republic and is now working on a potential service trip there for STEM Jr. members. During an exchange trip last June to Colegio San Ignacio, a Jesuit school in Oviedo, Spain, Matt met a student named Elena Azcano Fernandez who helped him create graphics for STEM Jr. He also plans to work with Elena to start a STEM Jr. club at her school in Spain. “The exchange validated how much we have through our Jesuit education in comparison to others, and why we need to share this with other kids,” explains Matt. Closer to home, he volunteers with the Cornell Cooperative 4-H Wizards to introduce students from schools with fewer resources to STEM subjects.

Matt is also involved at Canisius with Crew, Model U.N., the Civil War History Club, and he started a Medical Professions Club. He is planning to become a doctor, perhaps a pediatrician. And, he has a message for students everywhere: “Every kid has knowledge they can share with someone else. It costs nothing and the reward is priceless.”

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Steven Mooney '17 (right) blesses Francisco DeJames '18 during a morning prayer at a Kairos retreat at Cradle Beach in Angola.

JUST BRING YOURSELF.

The structure is simple, but Canisius retreats can reveal the extraordinary.

“Where else are you going to get 20 teenage boys to cry in front of each other, to share intimate stories, and then hug each other?” asked **Tom Whalen '06**, religious studies teacher at Canisius, as he told a story from one of the Kairos retreats he directed. He described a student leader who, after much internal debate, decided to share with the retreatants his personal struggles with anxiety. “You see young men go to him to give him a hug, a pat on the back, to console. They finally see the brotherhood in action,” Whalen explains.

Retreats in some form have been a part of the Jesuit education offered at Canisius for decades. They encourage young men to find God in their lives, and to seek God in all things. The current Canisius retreat structure offers a different retreat in each of a student's four years. While the Freshman Retreat is mandatory, Emmaus (sophomores), Kairos (juniors), and Fourth Day (seniors) retreats are all optional. Approximately 70-75% of students are choosing to participate in the non-mandatory retreats. “Last year all of our retreats were full by July after we opened applications in

May,” says **Chris Pitek '00**, director of student formation programs at Canisius.

That's a change from last decade when Tom Whalen was a student and there were fewer retreats and even fewer student leaders. “There were maybe 10 or 15 of us students who took turns leading all the retreats my senior year,” says Whalen, who now serves as a retreat director.

What happened in the last ten years to spark student interest in retreats? “We evaluated the programs and started to see gaps where we might be missing developmental opportunities,” says Pitek. That led to a comprehensive restructuring of the programs so each retreat and service trip could build off the previous one. Kairos shifted in 2007-08 from senior year to junior year. “We found junior year is when they're ready to tackle questions such as ‘How is God present in those around me? Where have I been, or not been, responsive to God's active love in my life?’ and ‘How do I carry out that relationship with God moving forward?’” explains Pitek. “Kairos leads into the Companions service immersion program, also in the junior year, where students live what they've learned.” They are then encouraged during their senior year to take active roles through the Fourth Day retreat, and as retreat leaders for younger students. Emmaus also evolved during the restructuring into a sophomore retreat to challenge participants to recognize the presence of God in those around them.

The next focus was freshmen. Although there had long been a Freshman Fun Day, there hadn't been a true retreat program

for the youngest Crusaders. “We visited Rockhurst High School (in Kansas City, MO) and saw a format we could use to give our freshmen an introduction to reflection, and begin their formation as Canisius students,” says Pitek. In 2014, the Freshman Retreat debuted at Canisius as a mandatory retreat. “A lot of times freshmen come into this retreat thinking it’s going to be something goofy, but you’ll see the concept of reflection start to take hold,” says Pitek. “They develop a concept of what’s to come at Canisius. They think, ‘Maybe I do want to do Emmaus now.’”

Another reason student interest in retreats has grown in recent years is the increased responsibilities for student leaders during the retreats. “We saw there was too much adult involvement,” says Whalen. “It is supposed to be student-run.” So, campus ministry reworked the process to allow adult leaders to hand over the reigns to student leaders once the retreats begin. “If you see your peers taking it seriously and getting something out of it, then you are going to take it seriously,” says Whalen.

Nate Trotman ‘17 served as a leader for a Kairos retreat this past November and at this year’s Freshman Retreat. “I see it as my Canisius experience coming full circle,” says Trotman. “I had great leaders on the retreats I went on, and they allowed me to become open and stay true to who I am. Now that is my task.”

Tom Whalen has also come full circle. “The top reason why I wanted to come back here and teach is because of the great

experiences I had on retreat.” He points out that unlike almost anything else at school, retreats are a great equalizer. Participants don’t need to have athletic skills, artistic abilities, or any other talent. They only need to bring themselves. “We get a bunch of people together to talk about themselves, and yet, something amazing happens,” observes Whalen, “Out of something so ordinary comes something extraordinary.”



Freshmen practice teamwork in the field house during the Freshman Retreat.



(Left to right) **Andrew Coffey ‘19**, **Joe Nowak ‘19**, **Tyler Shea ‘19**, **Joe Veronica ‘19**, and **Sean Phillips ‘19** at Cradle Beach during an Emmaus retreat.

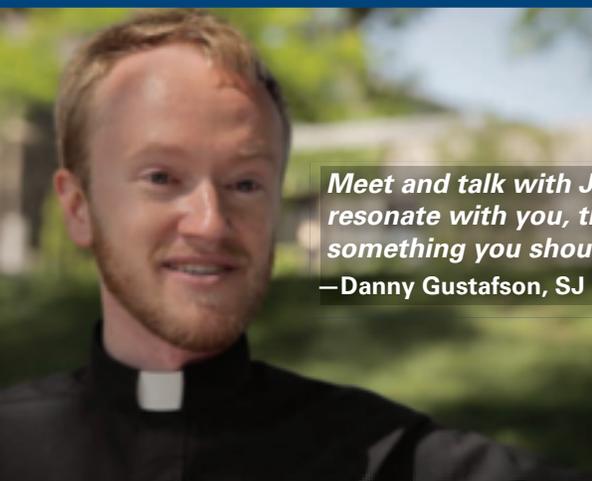
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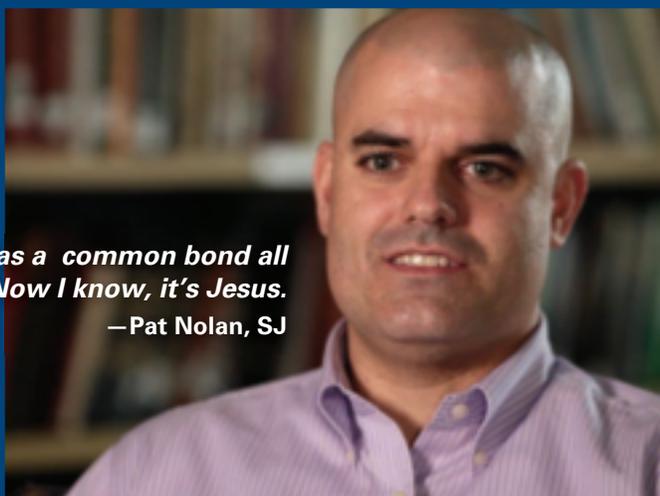
St. Ignatius taught us to pay attention to our daydreams. So, pay attention to your daydreams. It's a great life.
—Adam Rosinski, SJ



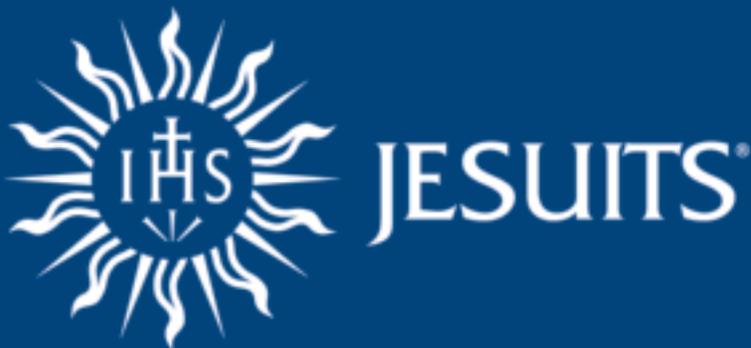
Let go and let God. If your vocation is from God, then God will lead you through it.
—Vinny Marchionni, SJ



Meet and talk with Jesuits. If their stories resonate with you, then it's probably something you should consider.
—Danny Gustafson, SJ



I figured there was a common bond all Jesuits had. Now I know, it's Jesus.
—Pat Nolan, SJ



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DON WILLIAMS

50 YEARS OF TEACHING

“Fifty. There’s nothing magical about 50,” says Don Williams. “Forty-nine though—that’s a perfect square.”

The math teacher injects a little humor into the conversation about his 50th year as a teacher. The last 15 years he’s taught at Canisius High School—a place that’s had a significant impact on his life.

A circuitous and serendipitous path brought him to Canisius in 2002. After 35 years of teaching in the Niagara Falls and West Seneca school districts, he retired. He still wanted to teach though, and interviewed for a position at Nardin Academy. He was disappointed when Nardin chose another teacher instead of him. “But, it was a good thing because two weeks later Canisius called and here I am. I love it here,” says Williams.

Williams teaches geometry and trigonometry. The fundamentals of those subjects haven’t changed much over the years, but he notes other changes. “There’s much less emphasis in the lower grades on memorization than there was 40 years ago,” says Williams. He also points out many more families now have two parents working outside the home compared to when he first started teaching. “It’s not that you need a parent at home to succeed at Canisius, but it does make a difference in the way they understand the world.”

The Jesuits have affected Williams’ own worldview. He shares a story from early in his teaching years at Canisius. He was active in the music ministry at St. Paul’s Episcopal Cathedral in Buffalo, but had grown frustrated with leadership changes at the parish. So, he began attending Mass at Blessed Trinity Roman Catholic Church with his wife. “I sat there on February 22, 2004 and God said, ‘This is where you should be. Why are you not doing what you know you should?’” Williams explains that being part of the Canisius community and learning about Ignatian spirituality set his conversion in motion. “The Jesuit way of reflecting really had me reflecting on a lot of things.” His confirmation into the Church came at the Easter Vigil in April 2004.

Williams will begin another new phase of his life this June. He recently decided to retire. “I wouldn’t have lasted 50 years if I didn’t love teaching and the students,” says Williams, but retirement will allow him to take on new challenges. “There is a radio reading service for the blind. I’d like to get involved with that.” He also plans to do announcing at sporting events, copy edit books, inventory his wine collection, and remodel his house. For him, the time is right. “I’ve been thinking about it for a few years, and 50 is kind of a cool number.”



SCHOOL SPIRIT

CRUSADERS HAVE OPPORTUNITIES TO USE THEIR TALENTS AND EXPRESS THEMSELVES THROUGH SERVICE, WORSHIP, MUSIC, DISPLAYS OF SCHOOL SPIRIT, AND BEING SUPPORTIVE OF ONE ANOTHER. THE PHOTOS ON THESE TWO PAGES CAPTURE SOME OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE LAST FEW MONTHS.

(Left to right) **Caleb Blodgett '17**, **Roscoe Garner '17**, and **Bernard Dent '17** sang at the CHS Coffee House. The event helps fund Companions service immersion trips.



The Blue Crew lifted **Alex Kimball '17** into the air in celebration at New Era Field as the football team captured the Monsignor Martin Athletic Association title on its way to a state championship.

Bishop Richard Malone of the Diocese of Buffalo accepted the gift of a Crusaders cap when he celebrated Mass at CHS on Ash Wednesday.



Andrew Mangan '18 received a hero's welcome at the Buffalo airport. Andrew was injured in an accident in December, but after much hard work and rehab in Colorado, he was able to walk through the airport to greet his cheering crew teammates.



James Oh '20 earned the honor of being selected for the All-State Orchestra. He was selected from thousands of applicants statewide.



Crusaders traveled to New Orleans during winter break on a Companions service immersion trip. In this photo, **Daniel Victor '18** (left) and **Vincent Ventura '18** are repairing homes in neighborhoods still struggling with devastation from Hurricane Katrina.



Crusaders were joined on stage by young women from area high schools for this year's spring musical "A Connecticut Yankee."



The Class of 2017 processed into the darkened auditorium at the start of Mass before Christmas break.

ATHLETIC SUCCESS

CRUSADERS STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE IN SCHOOL, IN LIFE, AND IN ATHLETIC COMPETITIONS. THE HARD WORK OF THESE STUDENT-ATHLETES IS PAYING OFF IN MORE CHAMPIONSHIPS, AND COLLEGE OPPORTUNITIES.

The Crusaders successfully defended their Monsignor Martin Athletic Association basketball title, capturing the Manhattan Cup with a win over St. Francis in the championship game.



The squash team huddles up before playing for the national championship. It was another successful season for the squash club, finishing as runner-up for the national title.



The CHS varsity club hockey team made it all the way to the state final. The Crusaders finished the season with a 27-7 record that includes a win over St. Joe's on Super Sunday at KeyBank Center. (Pictured: **John Rucinski '18**)



Student-athletes were all smiles as they prepared to sign their letters of intent at the winter college signing ceremony. (Pictured left to right) **J.P. Bobak '17, Cole Burniston '17, Vincent Cancilla '17, Sean Crotty '17, Blake Haubeil '17, and Charles Stube '17.**



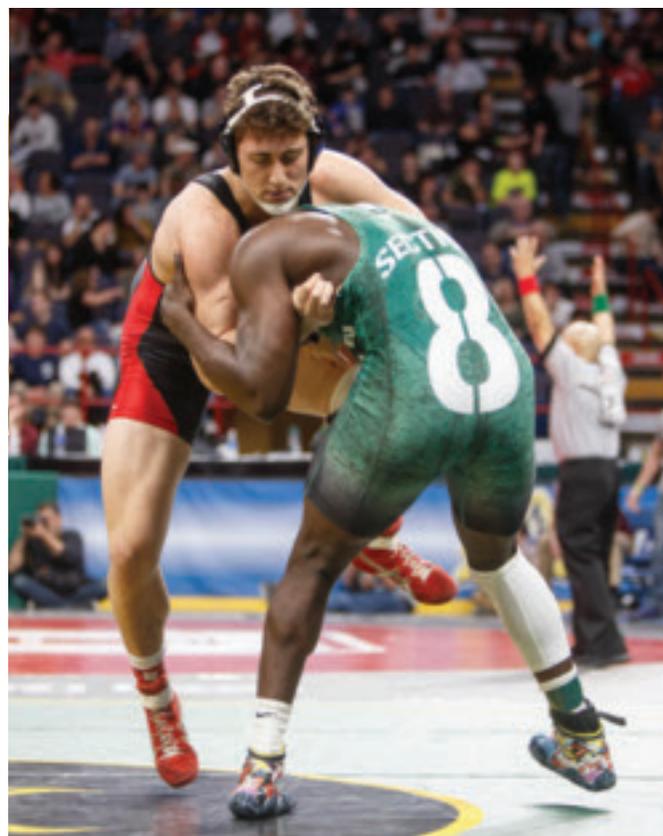
The Crusaders sent several swimmers to States this year, including **Jake Doane '19** (pictured). **Dan Bowen '19** set new school records in the 100 backstroke and 100 butterfly.



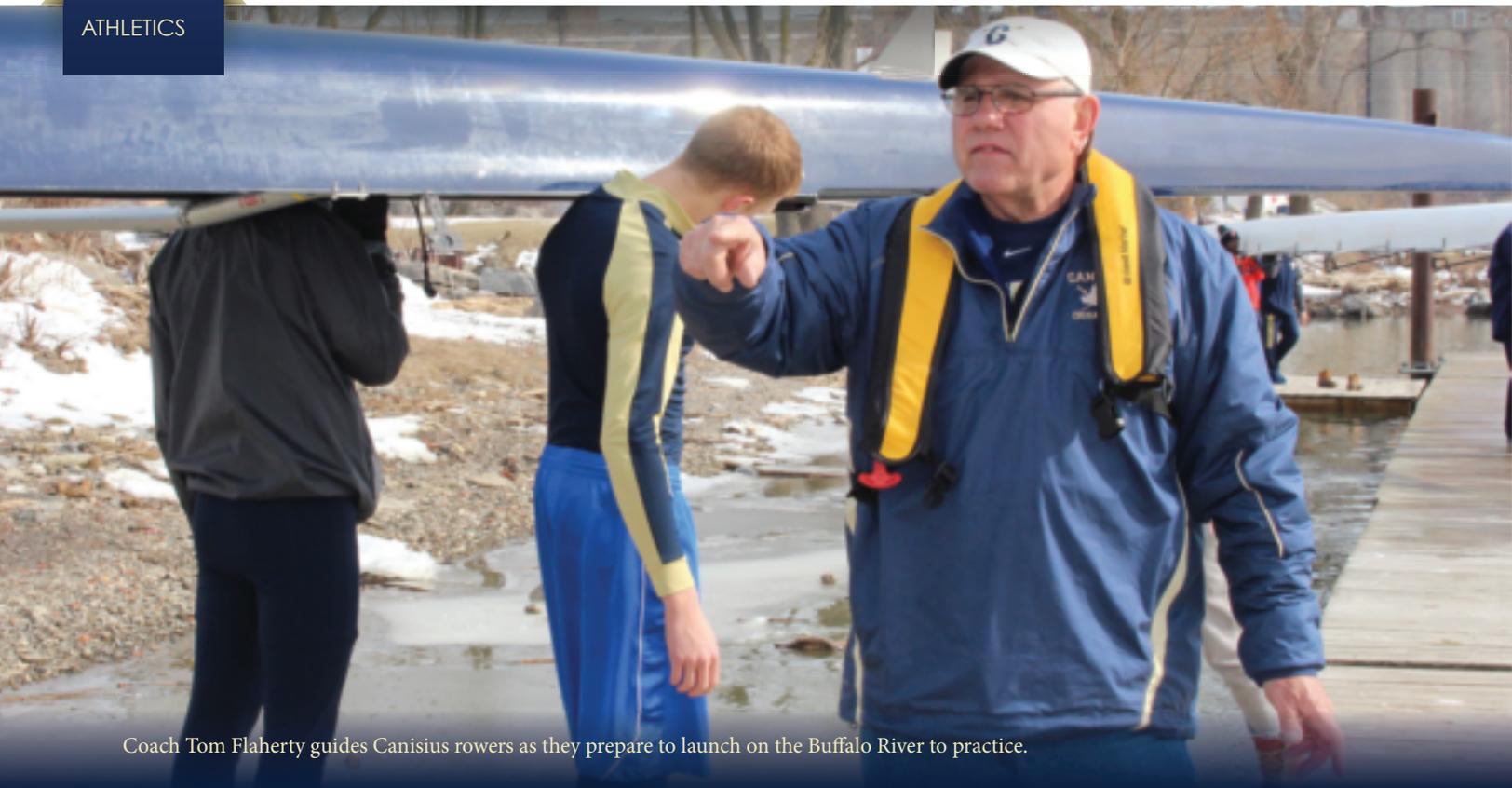
The Canisius swim team won its 15th straight All-Catholic title.



Nick Rallo '17 captured a state bowling title. He bowled games of 225, 234, 237 and 245 on his way to the state individual championship.



Mason Hoose '17 won the state Catholic 220-pound wrestling championship and finished second at the all-New York state championships.



Coach Tom Flaherty guides Canisius rowers as they prepare to launch on the Buffalo River to practice.



TOM FLAHERTY

TWENTY-FOUR YEARS

Canisius High School is known nationally for its excellent rowing programs due to the efforts of its rowers, the program's supporters, and Coach Flaherty.

QUICK FACTS

College: The Citadel

Rowing experience: High school, and sporadically at the Citadel

Years coaching at CHS: 24

Sons who are CHS alumni: Tom '96, Scott '97, and Kevin '00

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Why did you become a coach?: I like to see the development of the boys, not just as rowers, but also as young men. Coaching is something I've always enjoyed. I had previously coached Little

League. Some friends who I had rowed with asked if I would help with the Canisius program, and I came aboard in 1993.

CHS team accomplishments under Coach Flaherty: Local, regional, and state championships, plus national titles. Henley wins, and victories at U.S. Club nationals.

Individual awards/honors: Two-time NYS Coach of the Year. Canadian Secondary Schools Rowing Association Lifetime Service Award.

Coaching philosophy: Crew is about discipline and hard work, as well as natural ability. Hard work and dedication can help develop good time management skills, and that not only prepares our oarsmen for their sport, but also for challenges they'll meet beyond crew.

Favorite memory of CHS coaching career, so far: We had a boy on the team who was not the strongest rower, but he was dedicated. He never missed practice, but he wasn't very successful on the water. In his junior year, I put him in a boat in a race and they won their heat. He was so thrilled to have won even though it was only a heat. "This is the first race I've ever won!" he told me. To see the smile on his face and his sense of accomplishment was rewarding. And, there's a footnote to this story. That young man went on to row at RIT.

Advice for future Crusaders rowers: Whatever you are doing in life, do it to the best of your ability and never, ever, ever give up.

Favorite athlete of all time: Yogi Berra. He was a genuine leader dedicated to his sport. He had a great sense of humor and the ability to laugh at himself.

Little known fact about Tom Flaherty: I met Vince Lombardi when I was a young boy. My cousin had a connection and introduced me. I remember Mr. Lombardi's advice to "do the right thing in life."



Coach Husband instructs his players in the final minutes of the 2017 Manhattan Cup championship game.



KYLE HUSBAND '96 FIFTEEN YEARS

Canisius won a third consecutive Manhattan Cup this winter thanks in large part to Kyle Husband out-coaching his opponents.

QUICK FACTS

College: Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI)

Playing experience: CHS and RPI

Years coaching at CHS: 15 overall; 12 as head coach

Why did you become a coach?: When I finished college I came back and started working with the coach that I'd played for here, the late Mr. Tom Keenan. I really wanted to give back to the game and the school. I loved my time here.

Coaching record at CHS: 270-84

CHS team accomplishments under Coach Husband: 8 Manhattan Cups, 2 Catholic state championships, and 1 Federation state championship — the only Federation championship in school history.

Individual awards/honors: Buffalo News Coach of the Year 2015

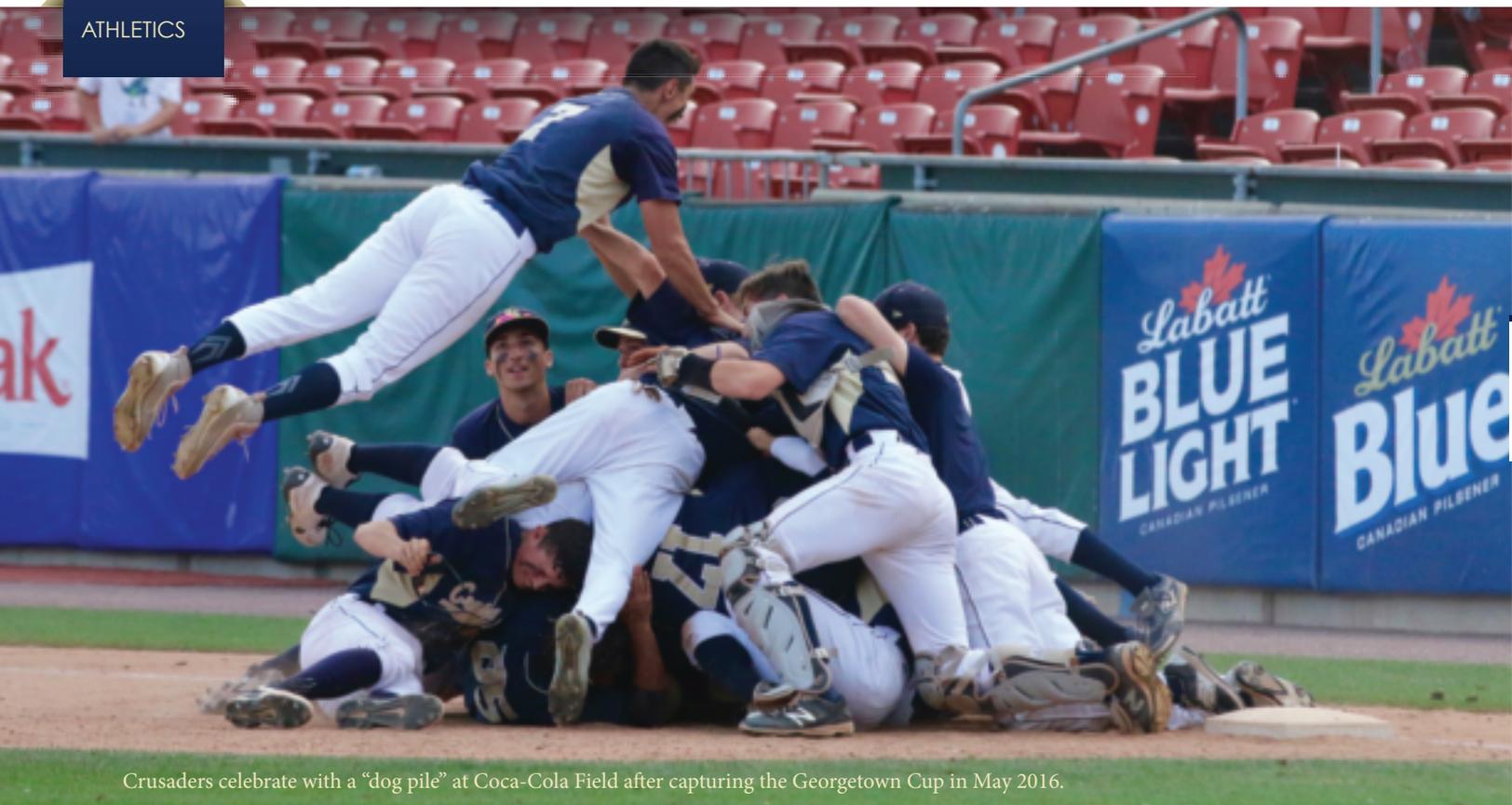
Coaching philosophy: Always try to outwork opponents. Always play hard, but play smart. Incorporate Jesuit values into what we're doing on the basketball court and make sure players are accountable. Make sure we're trying to pursue excellence all the time.

Favorite memory of CHS coaching career, so far: 2009 Manhattan Cup when we were huge underdogs, or the 2015 Federation championship because the Fed is the ultimate destination. Winning that championship is something I'll never forget.

Favorite memory as a CHS student: My senior year when we won the Catholic state championship is an incredible memory for me.

Favorite professional basketball player: Larry Bird and Kawhi Leonard.

Little known fact about Kyle Husband: My family has grown. I now have three young children ages 5, 3, and 11 months. I don't get to spend as much time with them as I'd like during the season.



Crusaders celebrate with a “dog pile” at Coca-Cola Field after capturing the Georgetown Cup in May 2016.



BRYAN TENNEY '76

TWENTY-SIX YEARS

Bryan Tenney has developed successful baseball teams at Canisius. The Crusaders have won 13 Georgetown Cups since 1991.

QUICK FACTS

College: Duke University

Playing experience: Four-year starter at Duke. Tried out with both the Braves and Dodgers.

Years coaching at CHS: 26

Sons who are CHS alumni: Sean '11, Brendan '12, Colin '14, and Mike '16

Why did you become a coach?: When I stopped playing I was still interested in baseball. I had the opportunity to come back

here and coach the freshman team. I didn't even know Canisius had a freshman team because it didn't exist when I was a student. I didn't have to think about it for long. I said yes because I love the game of baseball and teaching the kids.

Coaching record at CHS: I have no idea. To me it's not that important.

CHS team accomplishments under Coach Tenney: 12 Georgetown Cups. The team also won the Georgetown Cup in 2000 without Coach Tenney. He took that year off to start his own business.

Coaching philosophy: Work as hard as you can. I tell my players, “I have you for three hours a day for three months. If you give me everything you've got, we'll put you in a position to succeed on the field.”

Favorite memory of CHS coaching career, so far: When you win the Georgetown Cup you sit back and watch the kids celebrate after the final out. When they do the dog pile, I think that shows how hard they've worked, shows they're kids. I love that stuff, as long as they don't hurt each other.

Favorite memory as a CHS student: I never won the Georgetown Cup, but I played one year of football and I was part of the undefeated season in 1975. That's the greatest single sports team I've ever been a part of.

Favorite professional baseball player: Roberto Clemente. He had the arm strength, the hustle, and he went all out on every play.

Little known fact about Bryan Tenney: I love to keep in touch with my former players — **Brian Hennessey '93, Fran Riordan '93, Dan Dallas '16**, all the guys from '02 that I saw at the CHS Reunion Weekend. I use Facebook to stay in touch with a lot of my former players.

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(Below) Alumni packed the CHS foyer in January for JUG Night. With good food, drinks, cigars, and socializing, the night was much more fun than student JUG.



(Below) The Fr. John G. Sturm, S.J. '35 Legacy Fund committee is planning this year's luncheon. The fund supports CHS academic scholarships and athletic programs. This year's luncheon is September 26th at the KeyBank Center.



(Below) Alumni from all class years are encouraged to attend this year's All-Alumni Bash on June 16, 2017 at Tripi Field. Many former CHS teachers will also be in attendance. Sign up at canisiushigh.org/events



(Above) Hundreds of runners, including alumni, competed in the CHS Chilly Challenge 5K in February.



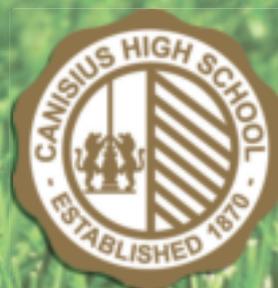
(Above) Shawn Pearce '94 answers questions from a group of Canisius freshmen during the Alumni Talks portion of the Freshman Retreat in March.



(Above) From the Class of 1965, (left to right) John "Jake" Jekielek, Vic Liberator, Rich Allaire, Kevin Burke, Tony Greco, Mike Semple, Fran Furlong, and Larry Michael came together for lunch in Punta Gorda, FL in March.

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Ronald J. Gaglione '48 of Pendleton and his wife Joanne celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a family dinner. The couple married September 1, 1956 in St. Anthony's Church in Buffalo. He is a retired sales executive with Liberty Mutual Insurance. They have three children, two grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Steve DiPasquale '52 is looking forward to attending his class' 65-year reunion in June. He and his wife Frances have been retired for 23 years now and are enjoying spending time with family and friends. They have four children, 14 grandchildren, and are expecting their tenth great grandchild in June.

Pete Carbone '53 was re-elected treasurer of Board 53 of the International Association of Approved Basketball Officials. Pete has held this position for a number of years.

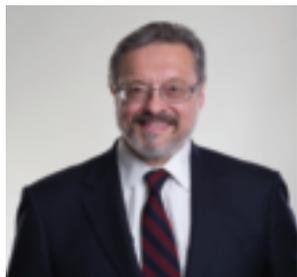
James P. Manak '53 is an adjunct professor of law at John Marshall Law School-Chicago, IL. He also writes a monthly legal column for police and prosecutors.

Ronald C. Wendling, '56 and his wife Mary celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in early November 2016 with a ten day trip to Kauai, the northernmost of the Hawaiian islands.

William A. O'Day '60 is enjoying having more grandchildren. Each of his daughters have adopted foster children.

Sal Tagliarino '64 was inducted into the Silver Circle of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences New York chapter. Silver Circle honorees have made significant contributions to the industry and the community for 25 years or more.

Paul M. O'Bara '66 is celebrating 30 years in business at his family-owned private practice, Clovis Physical Therapy. He gives thanks to "the priceless start of a Jesuit Education at CHS!"



Mark J. Lema, MD, PhD '67 was named a SUNY Distinguished Service Professor in honor of his extraordinary service to the community. Dr. Lema is internationally recognized expert in neuropathic pain. He has served as chair of the Department of Anesthesiology at Roswell Park Cancer Institute since 1987, and he has chaired the UB Department of Anesthesiology since 2001. (photo left)

Arthur J. Pesch II '68 retired after nearly 30 years in the hobby industry. He ran the service and support division in Champaign, IL for Hobbico, the largest hobby company in the world. He and his wife Carol are now enjoying visiting their children and 11 grandchildren. "Life is good," says Arthur.

Joseph P. Smith '68 retired in September 2016 after a 35-year career with ExxonMobil Upstream Research Company in Houston, TX. He studied the effects of oil and gas activities on the marine environment. He's looking forward to spending time with a recently-arrived granddaughter and hopes to find opportunities to volunteer as a tutor for physics and chemistry students.

Gary J. Dziewa '70 was named the director of sales for the Pinnacle Bank Championship Golf Tournament in Omaha, NE.



Peter H. Kreher '70 is starting his third year as Chairman of the Board at Manresa Jesuit Retreat House in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. (photo left)

Thomas A. Virginia, Jr. '71 retired from teaching Latin at Amherst High School. He continues to teach Latin part-time at Sacred Heart Academy and Christ the King School in Amherst. He lost his wife Mary Jane to a heart attack last year, and asks for your prayers for her.

John R. Tibbetts, DDS, MS '74 merged Tibbetts Orthodontics, PC with Bright Smiles Orthodontics PC/Suburban Orthodontics. The company now has locations in Buffalo, Amherst, Hamburg, Lancaster, and Williamsville.

David D. Casceoli '79 is living in Boynton Beach with his wife Rebecca. He works as corporate controller for a manufacturing company with locations in Florida and Costa Rica. He says he is "proud to be an alumnus of Canisius High School."

Thomas E. Perez '79 was elected Chairman of the Democratic National Committee.



John P. Thielman '80 was promoted to associate chair of the Risk Management & Insurance Department at Georgia State University's J. Mack Robinson College of Business. (photo left)

E. Ronald Hale, MD '83 was recently named the network medical director for radiation oncology at the Kettering Health Network, Dayton OH.



Andrew Kresse '91 has been named CEO of Chase Business Banking, a business within Chase Consumer and Community Banking. Andrew has been with JPMorgan Chase since 2007. He also serves on the Canisius High School board of trustees. [photo left]

Mike Waggoner '91 moved back to Buffalo in summer 2016 after 20 years away, and attended his 25-year reunion at Canisius. Mike works in sales and communications at Northtown Toyota Volkswagen. He previously worked as a producer at ESPN and the NFL Network.



Kevin McGowan '92 was elected as an officer and member of the executive committee of the New York State Council of School Superintendents. Kevin was also recently honored by Jewish Family Services of Rochester with the Tikkun Olam Award as a co-founder of the Brighton Food Cupboard. (Pictured: Kevin McGowan with his family)



Francis Riordan '93 was named manager of the Midland Rockhounds—the Oakland Athletics Double-A affiliate baseball team. Riordan was previously the manager of the organization's Single-A team. (photo left)

Leo Rocco '94 along with **Eric Amodeo '94** and **Gregg Mojica '16** launched an app called "Gradology". It allows students to earn rewards for getting good grades.



Martin Boryszak '96 was promoted to president and CEO of Sisters of Charity Hospital in Buffalo. He will oversee both the hospital on Main Street and St. Joseph campus in Cheektowaga. [photo left]

Michael J. Hardy '96 is a partner with the Amherst, NY financial planning services firm Mollot & Hardy, Inc. The firm has expanded its offices with a second location in New York City.

Mr. Paul Cumbo '97, an English teacher at Canisius High School, has been appointed to the position of adjunct faculty for the Seminars in Ignatian Leadership, administered by the Jesuit Schools Network. The Seminars provide a multi-year, cohort-based program designed "to develop leaders for the Jesuit school of the future."

Earl Cantwell III '01 started working for Smith Sovik Kendrick & Sugnet PC as an attorney.

Erik Turner '01 created and operates the website www.cover1.net that provides in-depth analysis of National Football League games and players. He also hosts a weekly podcast focused on the Buffalo Bills.

Brian Schwert '02 is the field installation manager for the U.S. with The Baumuller-Nuermont Corporation based out of Germany.

Michael Tyrpak '02 has been named the vice president of the board of trustees of the Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village. This is his second three-year term on the board and first on the executive committee.

Andrew Olek '04 accepted a position with The Tarantino Law Firm, LLP. He is practicing business and transactional law.

Taylor C. Oesterle '04 was recently promoted to senior systems engineer II, and is celebrating 10 years of working for Raytheon. He also completed the accredited Free Fall program while training for his skydiving 'A' license.

Joseph Nowadly '05 is a new firefighter with the Buffalo Fire Department. He follows in the footsteps of his father and grandfather who were also Buffalo Firefighters.

Theo Ossei-Anto '05 was promoted to assistant principal at KIPP Memphis Academy Middle. He previously served as dean of culture at the school.

Justin Stevens '05 earned the certified financial planner designation from the Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards. Justin has been with Sage Ruddy and Company since 2009.

Benjamin Paluch '06 accepted a new job as an oncology genetic specialist in southern California.

Garrett H. Sontag '08 is engaged to Kimberly A. Dziulko. They will wed on September 23, 2017.

David Szczur '09 earned a B.S. in Chemistry at Canisius College in 2013, a M.A. in Analytical Chemistry with a research thesis at the University at Buffalo in 2016, and started in 2016 as a process operations technician at Goodyear Chemical.

John Urschel '09 was named to the Forbes magazine 30 Under 30 list. He is a Ph.D candidate at MIT and has published six peer-reviewed mathematics papers.

Nathan A. Miller '10 started his own production company called "Pared Down Productions." His goal is to present adapted plays and musicals in their truest form, often with simplified sets, creating a minimalist but memorable experience.

Jonathan J. Jager '11 will be graduating in May 2017 with his doctorate in Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Science from the University at Buffalo.



Carl Dennis '12 is an attorney development and recruitment assistant for Mayer Brown LLP in Washington, D.C. (photo left)

Alex Pizzuto '13 has received acceptance from two doctoral degree programs. He is deciding between the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, known for its condensed matter physics program, and the prestigious relativity program at the University of Chicago's Enrico Fermi institute.

Patrick Bohan '15, is a sophomore at Loyola Maryland where he made the Dean's List for his third consecutive semester. He has also been selected for admission into the business school's Seller Scholars Honors Program.

Christopher J. Wild '16 graduated from the Erie County Fire Academy prior to starting his studies at St. John Fisher College in September 2016. C.J. is a certified volunteer firefighter.



BIRTHS

Jack Turner '00 and his wife Elizabeth celebrated the birth of their third child, James Edward Turner, on March 4, 2016.

Ryan Cannon '01 and his wife Kara welcomed their second child, Brendan Ryan Cannon, into the world on February 14, 2017.

Jesse Osiadlo '01 and his wife Kim welcomed their second child, Audrey Renee, on November 3rd, 2016.

Donald L. Knobloch III '02 celebrated the birth of his second son in August.



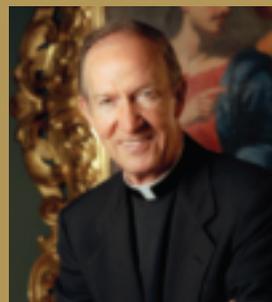
Thomas R. Bender '03 and his wife Colleen had their second child, Annie Kathryn Bender, who was born October 27, 2016. (photo left)

Adam J. Fernbach '06 welcomed Adelade Gray Fernbach, born on June 3, 2016.

IN MEMORIAM

We remember alumni of whose passing we've learned since the fall of 2016.

<i>Mr. William R. Pfalzer '42</i>	<i>Mr. Joseph Mangano, Sr. '50</i>
<i>Mr. Erwin F. Hetzelt, Jr. '45</i>	<i>Mr. William J. Sullivan '50</i>
<i>Mr. John B. Walsh '45</i>	<i>Lt. Col. Florian</i>
<i>Mr. John "Jack" Nelligan '46</i>	<i>Tryjankowski '50</i>
<i>Mr. John E. Rahill '46</i>	<i>Mr. Paul G. Carroll '51</i>
<i>Mr. John J. Catalano '47</i>	<i>Mr. David J. Lips '52</i>
<i>Mr. James R. Breese '48</i>	<i>Mr. John F. Heyden '53</i>
<i>Mr. David F. Wolski '48</i>	<i>Mr. Richard G. Lechner '53</i>
<i>Mr. John T. Avery '49</i>	<i>Dr. Robert D. Balcerak '55</i>
<i>Dr. A. Charles Massaro '49</i>	<i>Mr. Timothy F. Miskell '61</i>
<i>Mr. Joseph N. Gauza '50</i>	<i>Mr. James P. Keane '63</i>
<i>Mr. Richard A. Grimm, Jr. '50</i>	<i>Mr. Nicholas G. Giglio '65</i>
<i>Dr. Albert Kraus '50</i>	<i>Mr. Donato M. Callisto '69</i>



We pray in Thanksgiving for the life of Fr. J. Donald Monan, S.J. '42. Fr. Monan was a consistent champion of Canisius High School over the years, and served as president of Boston College for 24 years. Fr. Monan died peacefully on March 18, 2017.

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CORRECTIONS

In the 2015-2016 Annual Report:

- Mr. and Mrs. James J. Wehrfritz were incorrectly listed in the Crusaders Society instead of the AMDG Society.
- The John '61 and Candice Frawley Charitable Fund should have been listed under the Ignatian Society.
- Mr. John R. Frawley, Jr. was inadvertently not listed with the Class of 1961.

In the Fall/Winter CHS Today magazine:

- Anthony Mancinelli '68 was incorrectly identified as "Lawyer of the Year" for Litigation instead of Corporate Law.

TELL US WHAT'S NEW.

- *Started a new job?*
- *Got married?*
- *Welcomed a baby?*
- *Retired?*
- *Wrote a book?*
- *Launched a business?*
- *Traveled the world?*

Whatever you've been up to, we'd like to hear about it. Photos are encouraged!

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THANK YOU HELEN REILLY

FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO PROVIDING A JESUIT EDUCATION TO FUTURE GENERATIONS.



Mrs. Helen Reilly hadn't intended to send her sons to Canisius High School. In the late 1970s her two youngest, **Emmett '78** and **Neil '80**, were attending Nichols School. Family circumstances though, along with Neil's desire to play baseball, precipitated a change. Both Emmett and Neil ended up transferring to Canisius, and did well at the school. "Canisius is a beautiful school, besides being a great education," says Mrs. Reilly. She quickly grew to appreciate the "whole person" approach and caring atmosphere at Canisius. "The priests are there for the students, in good times or bad."

Mrs. Reilly has experienced bad times. Her son Emmett died after a battle with stomach cancer in 2011. Her husband of 59 years, former John W. Danforth President and CEO Wayne Reilly, died in July 2014. Three months later their son Neil also died from stomach cancer.

On holy days, Mrs. Reilly can often be found at Mass in the aud celebrating with the CHS community. Her faith is important to her, as is doing what she can to help others. "I'd like to see other children have the benefit of a Catholic education." So, she established the Neil Reilly Scholarship at Canisius to help provide

a quality, Jesuit education to young men who may otherwise not be able to attend the school.

She isn't completely comfortable with receiving attention for the scholarship because she feels she's just doing what she should. "With every privilege there is a responsibility," she explains, "If I can help a boy get a scholarship, I need to do that."



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IMPORTANT DATES

CHS IN NYC ALUMNI RECEPTION

Hosted by Rocco Maggiotto '68
Tuesday, April 25, 2017
6:30-8:30 p.m. at 930 Park Avenue, New York, NY

SPRING ARTS PRESENTATION

Wednesday, April 26, 2017
7:00-9:00 p.m. at Canisius High School

CHS IN ROCHESTER ALUMNI RECEPTION

Hosted by Dr. Robert McCann '73
Wednesday, May 10, 2017
6:00-8:00 p.m. at Monroe Golf Club, Pittsford, NY

BACCALAUREATE MASS

Saturday, May 13, 2017
3:30 p.m. at St. Michael Church, Buffalo

CLASS OF 2017 GRADUATION

Thursday, May 18, 2017
6:30 p.m. at Canisius High School

FR. STURM ALUMNI GOLF CLASSIC

Friday, June 16, 2017
8:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. shotgun starts
at The Links at Ivy Ridge

ALL-ALUMNI BASH

Friday, June 16, 2017
6:00 p.m. at Canisius High School

REUNION WEEKEND 2017

Friday & Saturday, June 16-17, 2017
at Canisius High School

CHS IN WASHINGTON, DC

Tuesday, September 19, 2017
Time/location TBD

CHS IN PHILADELPHIA

Thursday, September 21, 2017
Time/location TBD

FR. STURM, S.J. '35 LEGACY FUND LUNCHEON

Tuesday, September 26, 2017
Noon at a location to be determined

CHS IN BOSTON

Wednesday, November 1, 2017
Time/location TBD