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UPCOMING EVENTS

October

- 10 Homecoming Alumni Tailgate Party
40th Anniversary Celebration of 1973
& 1974 Class A State Football Championships
and 1974 Class A State Baseball Championship
- 24 \$10,000 Athletic Association Raffle Drawing

November

- 1 Comedy Night
- 9 Open House
- 21-22 "Midsummer/Jersey" Fall Theater Production
- 25 Grandparent's Thanksgiving Mass & Dessert

December

- 7 2014 Induction Ceremony - Athletic
Hall of Fame & Hall of Achievement
- 14 Christmas Concert
- 20-Jan 4 Christmas Holiday Break

January

- 9 Falcon for a Day
- 22 March for Life, Washington D.C.
- 24 Bishop Fenwick Hosted Science Fair
- 25-31 Catholic Schools Week

February

- 3 Scholarship Brunch

March

- 6 Athletic Association Fish Fry
- 15 Fashion Show

April

- 3-12 Easter Break

May

- 20 Baccalaureate & Senior Awards Dinner
- 22 Graduation/ Last Day of School

June

- 26-28 63rd Fenwick Festival
- 28 Class of 2019 8th Grade Graduation Celebration

ON THE COVER: 1974 CLASS A STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS

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Message from the *Principal*



My Dear Fenwick Family,

Remarkable! Simply **remarkable!** These words help to describe this past year in words, sights, sounds and deeds. Everywhere I went, I was always struck by those who played such significant roles in our Bishop Fenwick Community. Selfless and always involved, I encountered many who helped to create what we come to enjoy and know as family.

The students show how remarkable they are in their actions and deeds. From helping those in need on a mission trip to helping those new to the school, our students rise to the occasion time and time again. They never cease to amaze me with their desires to serve and make a difference. From the playfulness of activities and sports to their interactions with each other, they come to show all of us that they are the center of all things Fenwick. It was a great delight to observe them assisting each other and enjoying each other's company. **Remarkable!**

Our parents are true treasures. I see them sacrifice so much of their time to make events run well and create memorable experiences for students. From members of the Technology Advisory Committee to coaches, to parent volunteers to members of the school board – all of them are the unsung heroes who give so much to make this school function and function well. They give selflessly because they believe strongly in what our school stands for and want that for their children. **Remarkable!**

Our faculty and staff contribute so greatly to creating the Fenwick experience. From the knowledge they impart to the support and guidance they give, they time and time again rise to the occasion. They give time to Kairos retreats, to chaperoning dances and events, to helping with the festival. They are always present. They guide and assist all within our community and give so freely and selflessly. **Remarkable!**

Our alumni and friends help sustain us. Through their talents, time and treasures, they help in countless ways to keep the school affordable, in great shape and are always ready to help students and families take advantage of a Fenwick education. Every June these volunteers take their own personal time annually to run the Fenwick Festival. Because of our friends and alums, we offer assistance to those with tuition needs and offer programs that allow us to go about educating the youth of tomorrow. **Remarkable!**

Every fall we welcome into our community new families and each spring we complete the educational cycle, converting new graduates and their families to the status of alumni. Each day brings a new challenge, a heightened experience and throughout the year deepened relationships with those who serve and are the Fenwick family. We are positioned to take on new academic initiatives and look forward to a bright future. God is smiling down on us, through all these parts of our community. **Remarkable!**

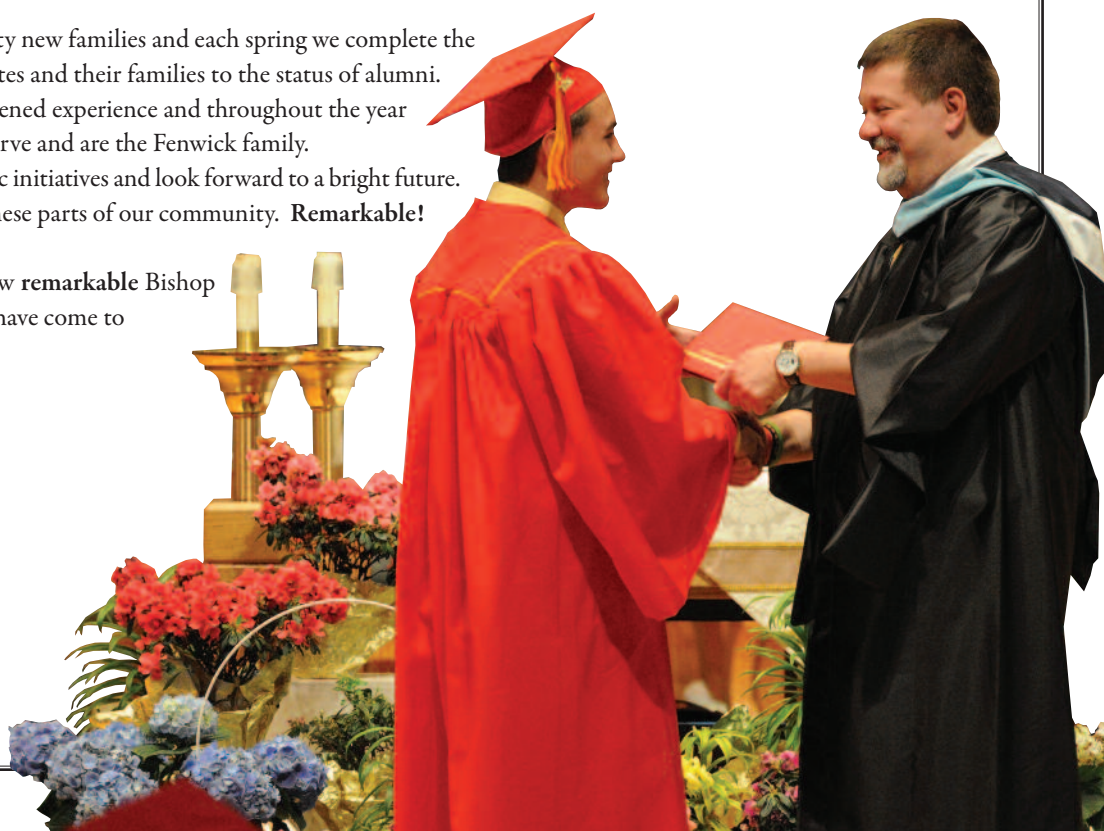
As you read the pages that follow, see how **remarkable** Bishop Fenwick High School is. Enjoy what we have come to know – the Fenwick Family.

God bless,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Andrew J. Barczak".

Andrew J. Barczak
Principal

*Principal Barczak presenting
Chris Gilmore '14 his diploma.*



Matt Clemens '75 and Mickey Roberts '75
with 1974 State Championship trophy



40th *Era of Champions* ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

At this year's Homecoming the Bishop Fenwick community will celebrate and honor the 40th anniversary of three unprecedented athletic achievements: 1973 Class A State Championship Football Title, 1974 Class A State Championship Baseball Title and 1974 Class A State Championship Football Title! The Fenwick Falcons put themselves on the map capturing three championships in twelve months, including back-to-back football titles. For a small Catholic school in Middletown, Ohio this was an accomplishment unmatched by any other Ohio high school.

Researching this article has been a marvelous discovery of Fenwick's history and the people who created and participated in this unique era. Much of what will unfold in this article is information shared by alumni via conversations, yearbook reviews and scrapbooks filled with newspaper clippings and other cherished artifacts. Special thanks to Eugene Lolli '75 who provided great detail (like only a player could do) of his experience playing on ALL three championship teams!

Prior to 1972, state football titles were determined by wire service polls, mainly the Associated Press. Sportswriters and broadcasters would cast a weekly vote to determine a ranking of the top schools. The system was largely subjective given the mechanisms for voting: team's often garnered poll votes based on reputation rather than performance, writers could be biased toward their hometown teams, some teams didn't even have someone to directly write for them, and small schools were often left out completely! In December 1971, the Ohio High School Athletic Association adopted a new ranking system based on a team's win/loss record and computerized point calculation. Three classifications were implemented so that smaller schools would have an opportunity to also compete for state titles and a post season play-off game schedule was added.

One could attribute many things to Bishop Fenwick's athletic success during this era: highly skilled coaching staff, a well-organized feeder program, talented athletes, close community and luck; all attributes you would expect in a successful string of championships. In the early seventies, the varsity football staff consisted of only three coaches: Jerry Harkrader, Bob Schwab '61 and Fred Nori '61. They managed all aspects of the game and Coach Nori also coached the state champion baseball team. In the fall of 1974, John Jester stepped into the varsity football coaching circle when Fred Nori took over as head coach for Middletown High School.

THE COACHES-

Each coach had their unique talents and coaching style but they also shared core characteristics like game knowledge, college playing experience, and player expectations for accountability, work ethic and respect. Anything they required from players they also demanded of themselves.

Coach Jerry Harkrader: A man of great integrity, Eugene Lolli said of Coach Harkrader, "He was a no-nonsense coach who you did not want to disappoint. If he had told me to run through a brick wall, I would have done it. He was a great coach, a great man and a great role model."



#30 Eugene Lolli '75 and
#22 Greg Klapheke '74

Do you know what players were on all three state championship teams?

Gene Lolli '75, Gary Callsen '76, Mike Gausling '76,
Jim Galeese '75, David South '75 and
team manager Jim Sauers '77

The Fenwick Coaches



Coach Jerry Harkrader with David South '75

Bob Schwab '61: Coach Schwab was the offensive line coach and defensive coordinator. Albeit his size, about 450lbs., could intimidate even the toughest players, he was inversely known for his approachability. Coach Schwab had a great knack of knowing when a person needed a pep talk or to calm their fears. However, as good as Coach Schwab was at making other people feel better, he would get so nervous before games he would often throw up!

Fred Nori '61: If Coach Schwab was the "good cop"; Fred was the "bad cop". Known by all as the task master, he brought intensity to the game and demanded his players to be mentally prepared. Eugene described Fred this way, "You better always have your head in the game, even if you were not playing. You better know the score, outs, and the situation because sooner or later he was going to test you!" But there was also a funny side to Fred that endeared him to his players.

John Jester: Coach Jester, a loyal and dedicated educator and football coach took on the task of coaching varsity in the fall of 1974. Unlike Coach Nori, John Jester was a quiet and low key presence on the sideline. He was well respected as both an offensive and defensive line coach. John also coached the JV and freshman teams.

Jerry, Bob and Fred all personally experienced their sport at a high level of competition and were able to transfer much of that to the high school playing field. Coach Harkrader played for Woody Hayes at OSU in the 1950's playing with teammate and Heisman Trophy winner Hopalong Cassidy. Jerry even scored a touchdown in a Rose Bowl game against Stanford University. Bob Schwab was coached by Coach Harkrader at Fenwick prior to a successful football career at the University of Dayton and Coach Nori, coached also by Harkrader, played baseball at Indiana University and professionally for the New York Mets.

A highly animated Coach Fred Nori '61 (below)



Coaches Schwab '61, Harkrader, Athletic Director Butch Rossi '53 and Jester





1973 CLASS A STATE CHAMPIONS: (Bottom row) M. Harkrader, M. DeBrosse, M. Smith, T. Brill, S. Darragh, F. Schwab, G. Klapheke, M. Palmer, F. Nemcic, D. Murphy, A. Muraski, D. Hurr (Second row) G. Muthert, D. South, T. Knox, M. Roberts, T. Kramer, T. Bruggeman, G. Braun, E. Lolli, B. Mahany, K. DeBrosse, T. Sweeney, C. Acra (Third row) T. Thorton, M. Gausling, G. Callsen, T. Delaney, M. Clemens, J. Galeese, C. O'Connor, J. Jarbo, K. Bowman, T. Jutte, D. Clifton (Fourth row) M. Mullgrav, B. Lindsay, D. Kraft, J. Thien, B. Brumfield, P. Agoston, J. Kralovic, J. Hoffman, P. South, C. Moore (Fifth row) Manager G. McDonough, Manager J. Sauers, B. Augspurger, M. Rossi, D. Rouster, C. Thieman, J. Reek, Manager B. Berberich, Manager J. Sauers, Manager P. Neu (Top row) Head Coach J. Harkrader, Coach F. Nori, Coach B. Schwab and Coach J. Jester.

1973 CLASS A STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP-

As is often the case, a defeated season creates the motivation for great accomplishment in the following season.

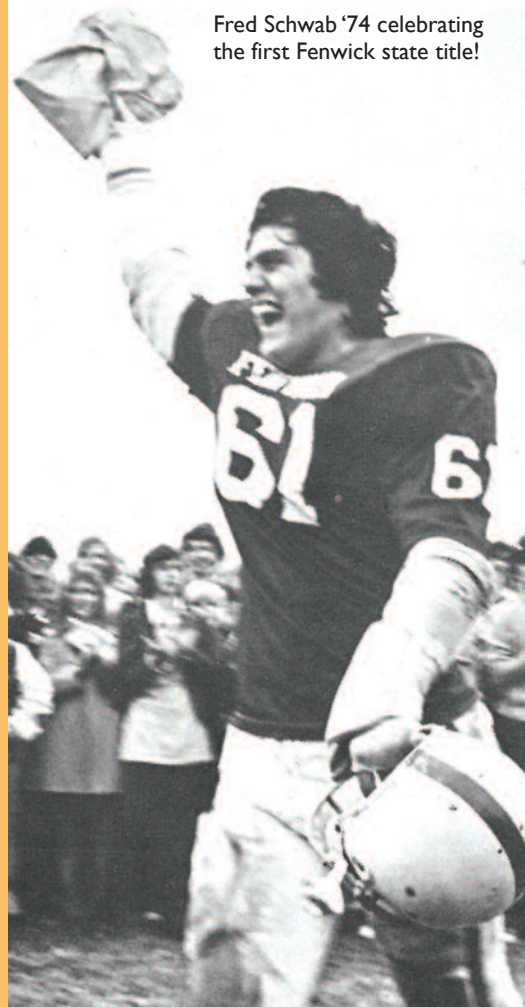
The fall of 1972 was steeped with excitement for the first ever OHSAA football state championship title play-off and Bishop Fenwick would be one of only twelve schools to qualify for this historic event. The thrill of a state title was painfully marred by a 0-18 loss against Lorraine Clearview in the state semi-final game. Some might say the Falcon's didn't take the game seriously, or thought it would be an easy win. Regardless, the coaches did not hold back their disappointment of the team's performance. Returning players would begin the fall of 1973 with new vigor and commitment to redeem themselves for their failed 1972 state debut.

Senior captains Greg Klapheke '74 and Fred Schwab '74 were surrounded by passionate and competent

players who never wavered from the goal of securing a state title. Getting to the state play-off was based on the regular season record and the Falcons were all business, one game at a time they knocked off their opponents to reach the state play-off.

The Falcons beat Ashtabula St. John 16-0 in the semi-final game with great offensive efforts by quarterback Tom Bruggeman, Mickey Roberts, Eugene Lolli, and Matt Clemens. The state final game against the Montpelier Locomotives was still all about business, no celebrating until the final game was won. Greg Klapheke contributed two scores in the first half and Tom Bruggeman connected with Mike Smith for a 24 yard touchdown capped off with a 52 yard touchdown by Mike Harkrader. The final score of 27-7 reflected a stellar defense lead by Fred Schwab, Frank Nemcic, Greg Braun, Brian Mahany and Mike Smith. Once they shook off initial game jitters they thwarted all other offensive efforts by Montpelier. Bishop Fenwick became the first school in Southwest Ohio to earn a title from the historically dominant Northern Ohio schools. The Falcons had put Fenwick and the city of Middletown on the map!

Fred Schwab '74 celebrating the first Fenwick state title!



State Champions



1974 CLASS A STATE CHAMPIONS: (Bottom row) Team Manager Jim Sauers, Cliff Schaffner, Gary Callsen, Dave South, Marty Bidwell, Eugene Lolli, Jim Galeese, Don Murphy, Gary Reardon, Toby Vaughn (Second row) Team Manager Dick Chase, Mark Moon, Jeff Weikert, Mike Gausling, Jeff Hamilton, Frank Nemcic, Greg Klapheke, Coach Fred Nori, Team Manager Tom Stugmyer.

1974 CLASS A STATE BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP



With the first ever state title now secured for the school, you might think there would be a sense of contentment among Falcon athletes, but not so. Different game, different uniforms but many of the same faces who excelled in football were adept in baseball too! Familiar names like Greg Klapheke,

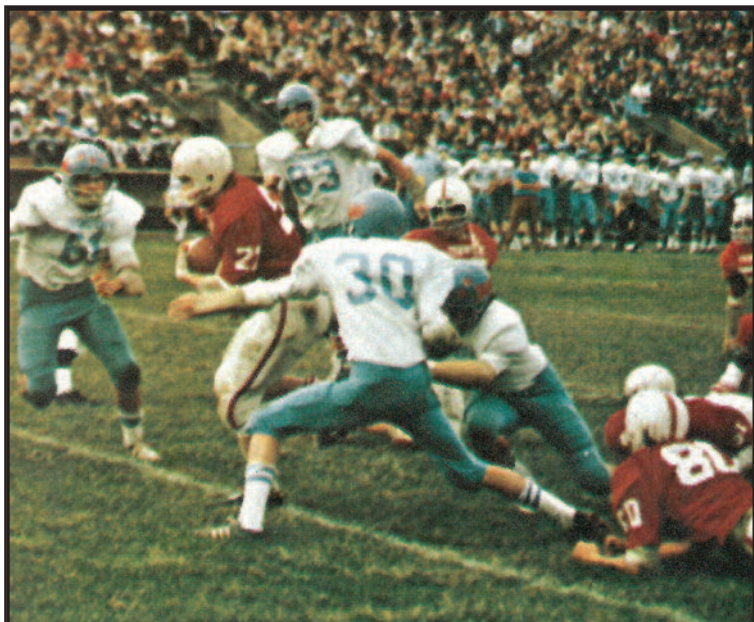
Don Murphy and Frank Nemcic would provide senior leadership for the baseball team along with pitching aces Jeff Hamilton and Gary Callsen and hitters Jim Galeese and Marty Bidwell.

The team concluded their finest season ever with a 29-3 record that easily could have been 32-0 had they snagged a couple of breaks. The path to a Mid Miami League and state championship baseball title was curious at best with many hiccups throughout the journey. Whereas the 1973 football team was laser focused on winning a state title, the baseball team did not realize their potential until late into the season.

Eugene Lolli described the turning point:

We were playing the regional finals against Tri-Village at Urbana College and it was bottom of the 7th, bases loaded and I was on third base. I think "Booty" Murphy singled up the middle and I scored the winning run...or so we thought! After a wild celebration around home plate, Tri-Village made an appeal that David South, our runner on first base, did not touch second which made the third out of the inning. After a long discussion among the umpires, they ruled our runner did NOT touch second base. We all thought Coach Nori would go ballistic, but he never did. His only words were, "The hell with it, let's win in the eighth!" And we did end up winning that game in the bottom of the eighth, beating Tri-Village twice!

The win against Tri-Village put Fenwick back in Columbus to play for a state title and brought about considerable public notice. Coach Nori must have had the same feeling he experienced during the fall football season because he said to his players, "Let's go win the whole damn thing!" Which of course they did by beating both Van Wert Lincolnvew and Bloom Carroll interrupted only by a one day rain delay and graduation ceremony in Middletown for senior players! Standout performances were given by pitcher/hitter Greg Klapheke, relief pitcher Jeff Hamilton who tallied all six post season wins, and hitters Marty Bidwell, Jim Galeese and David South.



1974 CLASS A STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

The 1974 football team included 29 returning players who had experienced the highest level of high school success. Coach Harkrader was hopeful the 1973 title experience would be motivation enough for a third straight play-off bid. As the season unfolded his "hope" changed to expectation.

When you are at the top of the rankings, everyone else wants to beat you just for that reason. It is always difficult to reach a state title but to achieve it two consecutive years is even more an accomplishment. The 1974 Falcon football team had a flawless season in the record books; 11-0-1 however, for many players the 0-0 tie against Edgewood remains a gnawing thorn. Game stats would tell a different story than the final score; Falcon offense put up 200 yards rushing and the defense forced minus yards for Edgewood's offense. Heavy rain throughout the game solidified the grim outcome. Coaches were livid with the team's performance; but it worked to their advantage for the remainder of the season.

Eugene described this team as the "cardiac kids" for their numerous last minute, even last second wins. The team's heart, desire and calm resolve in moments of great pressure were their greatest strengths. Four games in particular were won in the final plays of the game; Franklin 13-6, Lebanon 22-21, Lakota 22-19 and Talawanda 22-20.

Playing a schedule of mostly Class AAA and Class AA schools well prepared the Falcons for play-offs. Fenwick seized control in all their post season games eliminating Ashtabula St. John 16-0, Newark Catholic, 34-6 and the state championship game opponent Freemont St. Joseph 21-0. It was a perfect

ending to a perfect season. Bishop Fenwick, a small Catholic school in Southwest Ohio had become the FIRST back-to-back title winner in football.

As we pay homage to players, coaches and fans, we can also reflect on those no longer with us who were important contributors to this special era of success: Coach/Athletic Director/Principal John Butch Rossi '53, Falcon Football Feeder Program Director Roger South '54, Coach Jerry Harkrader, Coach Bob Schwab '61, Quarterback Tom Bruggeman '73 and Quarterback & Left Fielder David South '75. These gentlemen and many others left an indelible mark in the history of Bishop Fenwick. We thank and applaud all who participated in this grand achievement!

Can you match the Name to the player? Some player's 'terms of endearment' could only be spoken in the locker room. The following are publishable:

1.	Hog Man	Gene Lolli
2.	Harkie	Bill Brumfield
3.	Rubberts	Tom Knox
4.	Sugar Bear	Mike Kralovic
5.	Bozo	Jim Galeese
6.	Gino	Tom Sweeney
7.	Goose	Gary Muthert
8.	Rooster	Joe Reek
9.	Lurch	Jeff Thien
10.	Squid	Terry Kremer
11.	Grog	Tim Delaney
12.	Bro	Jeff Hoffman
13.	Burger	Mike Harkrader
14.	Bean	Dave South
15.	Lumpy	Joe Kralovic
16.	Big Killer	Mickey Roberts
17.	Little Killer	Mike Gausling
18.	Silly Thing	Phil Agoston
19.	Knox	Dale Rouster
20.	Joe	Matt Clemens

Key: 1. Tim Delaney 2. Mike Harkrader 3. Mickey Roberts 4. Terry Kremer 5. Dave South 6. Gene Lolli 7. Mike Gausling 8. Dale Rouster 9. Matt Clemens 10. Phil Agoston 11. Jim Galeese 12. Gary Muthert 13. Bill Brumfield 14. Tom Sweeney 15. Lumpy 16. Joe Kralovic 17. Mike Kralovic 18. Jeff Thien 19. Tom Knox 20. Joe Reek



Boy Scouts and Fenwick:

A Symbiotic Relationship



Troop 20 of Middletown recently awarded to Lance Roman '14 their 39th Eagle Scout Award at an Eagle Court of Honor Ceremony held in the chapel at Bishop Fenwick. The event hosted other troop members, scout leaders, family, and friends, most of whom were Fenwick students, alumni and parents of alumni. There exists an interesting relationship between the historically high level of accomplishment of Troop 20 and Bishop Fenwick.

The Boy Scouts of America (BSA) organization is one of the nation's largest and most prominent values-based youth development organizations. The BSA provides a program for young people that builds character, trains them in the responsibilities of participating citizenship, and develops personal fitness. Scouts engage in activities that include peers, adults and family to experience and achieve scouting badges. So too, does Bishop Fenwick in its pursuit to educate youth. Not surprising is a common roster of successful scouts that are also Fenwick alumni.

Troop 20, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 1610, was chartered in 1926 and has been a continuous organization since inception. The list of Fenwick members as scouts and leaders is long and storied. The level and degree of scout involvement varies, but interestingly a significant number of Fenwick students reach the rank of Eagle Scout. The national average of Eagle Scout achievement is 4% of all men who were Boy Scouts. Troop 20 has produced a total of 39 Eagle Scouts of which 29 are Fenwick alumni and an additional three alumni are Eagle Scouts from alternate troops. Andy Fedders '79, is the current scout leader for Troop 20.

Photo Above: Fenwick Alumni from Troop 20 attending Lance Roman's Court of Award ceremony: (Front row) Jacob Fedders '14, Lance Roman '14, Arlie Bell '13, Curtis Joseph '13 (Back row) Scott Roman '10, Jim Kleingers '74, Ed Dobrozsi '67, Ricky Pearce '11 and Andy Fedders '79.

Photo Right: Curtis Joseph '13 proudly stands next to the lacrosse storage building that he designed and built.



During Lance Roman's Court of Honor ceremony in August, presenters made the analogy of achieving an Eagle Scout rank to climbing a summit. Both feats, mountain climbing and reaching Eagle Scout status, require significant planning, training, discipline and the assistance of others to reach the top. The following list of criteria must be fulfilled to receive an Eagle Scout Award:

- Demonstrate citizenship and caring for community and others, leadership qualities, and outdoor skills that show self-sufficiency and ability to overcome obstacles.
- Earn 21 Merit Badges that include a broad range of citizenship, physical fitness and emergency preparedness.
- Must plan and carry out a service project to benefit the community.
- Hold a troop leadership position during their Scouting tenure.
- Undergo a rigorous review process in which a candidate's district, council and troop leaders evaluate his "attitude and practice of the ideals of Scouting."
- Must achieve Eagle Scout status before 18th birthday.

It is apparent that Eagle Scouts are years in the making, and each step of accomplishment builds on the other to create the foundation for a young man to reach the summit.

Eagle Scout candidates must complete an extensive service project that the Scout plans, organizes, leads, and manages including fundraising for any materials needed to complete his project. Over the years Fenwick has been the beneficiary of numerous Scout projects most recently including the following:

- Dan Lolli '05 - Designed and built athletic training tables for the Training Room
- Ted McCloe '05 - Designed and constructed bleachers for baseball and tennis
- Beau Fedders '10 - Designed and built a storage building for the practice football field
- Scott Roman '10 - Designed and constructed a ticket booth for the soccer/lacrosse fields
- Arlie Bell '13 - Designed and created the current cross country course
- Curtis Joseph '13 - Designed and built a lacrosse storage building at the practice field
- Mason Round '13 - Built a bridge to provide access to the southern end of school property (photo below)



Passionate Scout Leaders

Scouting can be a lifelong commitment as demonstrated by other Fenwick alumni who continue to serve the mission of scouting as troop leaders, council leaders and beyond. Recently, Jim Kleingers '74 and Mike Rohrkemper '64, also affiliated with Troop 20, were recognized with the Silver Beaver Award. This is the highest award offered to volunteers for distinguished service to youth by the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Jim was presented the Silver Beaver Award for over 20 years of volunteering for local Cub Scout Pack 85 and Boy Scout Troop 20. He has been a Den Leader, Cubmaster, Pack and Troop Committee Chair and Charter Organization Representative as well as Hopewell District Chair. Jim has been a key fundraiser, locally and regionally, to support the Dan Beard Council's annual campaign, Friends of Scouting. Jim was presented the award by son Michael Kleingers '03, on May 17, 2014, at a Pack 85/Troop 20 campfire event.

Mike Rohrkemper '64 was presented the Silver Beaver award on May 20, 2014, from distinguished alumnus Judge Mark Wall '64 at a Dan Beard Council meeting. Mike was recognized for his service in various capacities including fundraising roles as chairman of the Friends of Scouting campaign which raised \$1.9 million for the Dan Beard Council and his current role as Assistant Treasurer and Board of Director for the Dan Beard Council.

The parallels between a Boy Scout and a Bishop Fenwick alumni resonate lifelong values that produce citizens who honor faith, family, environment, and service to community. Each entity supports common values and sanctifies our talons of . . .

Faith, Integrity, Compassion and Service.

Bishop Fenwick Eagle Scouts:

H.T. Derivan '58	Tim Fahey '05
Ray Fay '65	Mark Fahey '05
Michael Earach '70	DJ Picard '05
Scott Weaver '90	Kyle Bohannon '06
Jeff Witte '90	Ted McCloe '05
Andy Barger '90	Dan Lolli '05
Chris Barger '93	Beau Fedders '10
Michael Weaver '94	Adam Griffith '10
Joe Barger '98	Scott Roman '10
Bret Bohannon '01	Stephen Snarski '11
Adam Hackett '01	Ricky Pearce '11
Nick Hackett '01	Zeb Bell '11
David Harrison '01	Arlie Bell '13
Michael Kleingers '03	Curtis Joseph '13
Chris Fishbaugh '04	Mason Round '13
Dan Hackett '04	Lance Roman '14

2014 Bishop Fenwick GRADUATING CLASS

St. Susanna Catholic Church in Mason hosted Baccalaureate and Commencement Ceremonies on May 23, 2014, for one hundred fifty graduating seniors. The Class of 1964, celebrating their fiftieth anniversary, was represented by Mike Rohrkemper '64, who escorted graduates into the church. This class, just like all before them, leaves a unique stamp on the school. They represent many "firsts": the first graduating class under Principal Barczak, the first class to establish a scholarship in their senior year that will pay forward, and the first class to have seven valedictorians and subsequently seven valedictorian speeches at commencement. These are just a few "firsts" established by this special group.

On the first day of school last August, Principal Barczak met with the entire senior class expressing his confidence in them as great leaders in the school. For most students this was their first introduction to the new principal. As seniors, they had earned the highest level of influence of underclassmen and he challenged them to establish a gold standard of school unity, school spirit, and moral conduct. This class lived up to the expectations set by Principal Barczak demonstrating daily a code of conduct for all students to model.



Accomplishments

Financially, these graduates received a total of \$11.5 million in college scholarship offers; almost \$110,000 average offering per recipient! Among the graduates were two National Merit Scholarship finalists, two National Merit Commended scholars, and fifteen athletic signings to play a sport collegiately! They were also a compassionate and unselfish group who collectively volunteered an estimated 5,000 service hours their senior year assisting the broad needs of many individuals and service organizations!

The class of 2014 initiated a senior class scholarship contributing a total of \$1,561 for immediate distribution and future pledges totaling \$980 over the next four years. Their future investment demonstrates this class' philanthropic commitment to honor their alma mater.

We salute the sixty-second graduating class of Bishop Fenwick. We wish you great success in all areas of life as you pursue your goals and ambitions academically, professionally, personally, and spiritually. And, very importantly, remember that you are always welcome back to your Bishop Fenwick home. Keep close to heart the words of the song "Home" that Principal Barczak sang to you on the first day of school:



"Home"

*Hold on, to me as we go
As we roll down this unfamiliar road
And although this wave is
stringing us along
Just know you're not alone
'Cause I'm going to make this
place your home*

*Settle down, it'll all be clear
Don't pay no mind to the demons
They fill you with fear
The trouble it might drag you down
If you get lost, you can always be found
Just know you're not alone
'Cause I'm going to make this place your
home...*

*Song by Phillip Phillips, lyrics co-written
by Drew Pearson and Greg Holden*

Congratulations Alumni!





2014 Valedictorians



Patrick T. Colley – Co-Valedictorian

Son of Tim and Lynn Jordan Colley '86, residents of Lebanon, Patrick was homeschooled before attending Fenwick. He will be attending The University of Notre Dame studying Aerospace Engineering and received the University Of Notre Dame – Cincinnati Alumni Club Scholastic Award, Navy ROTC Academic Scholarship, Middletown Community Foundation – Aviation

Educational Trust Fund Scholarship and Edwin & Louis McCallay Education Trust Foundation Scholarship. He was also offered an Air Force ROTC Academic Scholarship, Purdue University – Presidential Scholarship, University of Cincinnati – CEAS Freshman Cincinnati University Scholarship, and The Ohio State University – Merit Scholarship. Patrick was awarded Commended Status by the National Merit Scholarship Program and an Honors Diploma, State of Ohio.



Jacob A. Fedders – Co-Valedictorian

Jacob is the son of Andy '79 and Karen Fedders of Middletown and graduate of John XXIII Catholic Grade School. Jacob will attend the University of Cincinnati Electrical Engineering Program and received the University of Cincinnati – Academic Scholarship and Gregory Hacker/Tie a Yellow Ribbon Fund Scholarship. Additionally, he earned scholarships from the

University of Dayton – Trustees' Merit Scholarship, Miami University – Red Hawk Excellence Scholarship and University Academic Scholars, and The Ohio State University – Academic Scholarship. He was awarded Commended Status by the National Merit Scholarship Program and an Honors Diploma, State of Ohio.



Kenneth Dwayne Lewis, Jr. – Co-Valedictorian

Son of Kenneth and Alison Lewis of Middletown, Kenny graduated from John XXIII Catholic Grade School. Kenny will attend the University of Cincinnati pursuing a degree in Computer Engineering and received the University of Cincinnati – Cincinnati Century Scholarship, Engineering and Applied Science Freshman Scholastic Award and Middletown

Community Foundation – Arthur Harvey Scholarship. He was also offered scholarships from the University of Dayton – Trustees' Merit Scholarship, and Miami University – Red Hawk Excellence Scholarship. Kenny received an Honors Diploma, State of Ohio.



Austin D. Mullen – Co-Valedictorian

Austin is the son of Daniel and Lisa Mullen of West Chester and attended St. Michael Catholic Grade School. He will attend the University of Tennessee, Knoxville and study Nuclear Engineering and received a University of Tennessee – Chancellors Scholarship, Out of State Excellence Scholarship, Provost Scholarship, College of Engineering Scholarship, Kemba

Credit Union Scholarship and National Merit Scholarship Program – Finalist Scholarship. He was also offered the Purdue University – Trustees Scholarship and received an Honors Diploma, State of Ohio.



Claire Bradford Nenninger – Co-Valedictorian

Claire is the daughter of Mark and Mary Nenninger of Franklin and attended John XXIII Catholic Grade School. She has chosen Georgetown University, Washington D.C. to study Linguistics and received the Georgetown University – Academic Scholarship, Middletown Community Foundation – Edwin & Louis McCallay Education Trust Fund Scholarship and the

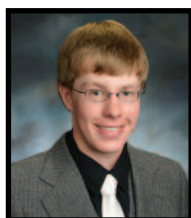
Walter and Nellie Evans Memorial Scholarship. She was also offered a Kenyon College – Academic Scholarship, College of Wooster – Academic Scholarship, Hofstra University – Academic Scholarship, and Bellarmine University – Academic Scholarship. Claire earned an Honors Diploma, State of Ohio.



Harley M. Olsen – Co-Valedictorian

Daughter of Andrew and Susan Olsen of Lebanon, Harley is a graduate of St. Frances de Sales Catholic Grade School. Harley has chosen to attend the Rochester Institute of Technology where she will study Mechanical Engineering and received the Rochester Institute of Technology – Merit Scholarship. She was also offered the University of Cincinnati – Cincinnati Century Scholarship, Ohio Northern University – Merit Scholarship, and The

Ohio State University – Merit Scholarship Rensselaer Medal. Harley received an Honors Diploma, State of Ohio.



Matthew Alan Steinkirchner – Co-Valedictorian

Matthew is the son of Alan and Lynn Steinkirchner of Morrow and attended Little Miami Junior High School. He will be attending the University of Cincinnati to study Engineering and received the University of Cincinnati – Cincinnati Excellence Scholarship, and a Freshman Engineering Scholarship. He was a National Merit Scholarship Program – Finalist & Scholarship

recipient. He was also offered the Miami University – Red Hawk Excellence Scholarship, Case Western University – Michelson-Morley Scholarship, The Ohio State University – Maximus Scholarship, Purdue University – Rensselaer Medal Scholarship. He received an Honors Diploma, State of Ohio.

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 *Amy Gilmore - Walsh University
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 Tristan Hess - Northern Kentucky University
 *Michael Hoffmaster - University of Cincinnati
 Nathaniel Hojak - Military
 Nathaniel Hull - Thomas More College
 Allison Huntsbarger - Wright State University
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 *Paul Hynes - The Ohio State University
 Jacob Jackson - University of Cincinnati Blue Ash
 *Joseph Jeffers - Miami University
 April Jester - Miami-Jacobs Career College
 Nicholas Jordan - Ohio University
 James Kelczewski - Miami University
 Rachel Killion - Kent State University
 Jeffrey Klaas - Ohio University
 Nicolas Klein - Wright State University
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 *Sarah Kramer - University of Cincinnati
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 Mackensie McHugh - Coastal Carolina University
 *Bonnie Meibers - Miami University
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 Anthony Miller - Sinclair Community College
 *Brandon Moore - The Ohio State University
 *Austin Mullen - University of Tennessee
 Michael Munafo - University of Cincinnati Blue Ash
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 *Claire Nenninger - Georgetown University
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 *Harley Olsen - Rochester Institute of Technology
 *Justin Orr - Wright State University
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Michael Percy - University of Mississippi
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 Emily Townsend - Cincinnati State
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FENWICK FESTIVAL

2014 Fenwick Festival: "Be Our Guest..."

Although dubious weather visited Friday night's opening, Saturday was once again the trump card of success. Visitors

"tested" the Festival's ability to entertain them with a hot air balloon launch and glow, live bands, exciting raffles and gaming, unique food choices and vibrant atmosphere.

Maria Newsad, this year's Festival Chair, graciously accepted a personal request from Principal Barczak to lead the Steering Committee. Although the Festival has accumulated sixty-two years of experience, it requires annual review for changes and updates to keep it thriving. Maria took the helm of a passionate Steering Committee representing alumni, parents, former parents, staff and faculty who painstakingly research and analyze ways to improve the Festival to achieve maximum success. Fenwick is very fortunate to have a consummate professional and highly talented volunteer like Maria to lead this effort!

A look behind the scenes gave Maria a new appreciation for the detail and labor commitment required to pull off an

event the size and duration of the Fenwick Festival. Maria laughed at herself commenting that "I was a catastrophe about to happen and definitely the weakest link in terms of physical ability on the grounds." What she lacked in brute strength Maria made up in her talent managing people and tasks, as she says, "much like triage in the emergency room!" The experience left her inspired and that she "felt privileged to have had the opportunity to work with so many people who demonstrated devotion to their children, their school and their community. Fenwick students especially showed me that education also happens outside of the classroom learning respect, commitment and resourcefulness."

Financially, the Festival fell just shy of meeting the Steering Committee's projected revenue goal, although still one of the highest grossing Festivals in our history. Maria will use next year to improve cost containment, devise a contingent parking plan, implement more process documentation and establish a Festival succession plan. As she and her committee seek continuous improvement they invite you, our talented community, to raise your hand and participate in next year's **SUMMER DESTINATION** event!



Festival Chairperson Maria Newsad with daughter Sarah '13 and husband Tom. Maria put the whole family to work at the Festival and even recruited Tom to secure all the bands who performed on stage!



Mr. Neil Bambrick, past parent and General Manager of Honda East in Cincinnati sponsored the Gold Raffle with a new 2014 Honda Accord.



Rob Lauer '09, Debbie Bowman Sander '84 and Father Ed Pratt '81 took a moment from their volunteering duties for a photo.



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Bishop Fenwick Hosts Over 600 Grandparents

Last November Bishop Fenwick celebrated the 39th Annual Grandparents Thanksgiving Mass and Dessert to over six hundred grandparents. This event, originally established in 1974, at the Manchester Road building, was the idea of current staff member Patrice Harty. She felt there was a need to nurture the grandparent/ grandchild relationship and that a function honoring grandparents could facilitate that idea. Always held just prior to the Thanksgiving holiday break, grandparents of current students were invited to attend Thanksgiving Mass with their grandchildren and then share a home-cooked Thanksgiving meal served immediately following.



Since inception, Thanksgiving Mass has been a school-wide project that enlists students, faculty, and staff. In the early years, the art class made table centerpieces and special placemats, the P.E. classes were responsible for set-up, students made carnation corsages for each attending grandparent, and both Mission Club and National Honor Society members served the meal to seated guests. Turkeys were cooked by cafeteria staff early in the week and at the end of the school day, faculty members gathered in the kitchen to cut and debone turkeys, peel potatoes and carryout any other chore necessary for the meal. The cafeteria was always filled to capacity for this specially prepared homemade dinner.

Over the years, certain aspects of the event were changed. For example, in the 1990's Sr. Millie felt the corsages were an unnecessary cost and alternatively requested that each grandparent donate a canned food for a local pantry. Church bulletins promoted the event inviting parish members to attend even if they did not have a grandchild enrolled at Fenwick. Those guests were assigned a host student for the event. The cafeteria staff, under the direction of Ceil Rossi eventually took over all cooking and preparation duties. When the school moved to the current location at 4855 State Route 122, the surge of student enrollment necessitated the transition from a full meal to dessert and coffee.



Three generations represented: Great-Grandmother Philomena Donisi with Grandmother Jo Ann Bowman '57 and grand-daughter Alyssa Sander '14. Debbie Bowman Sander '84 is Alyssa's mother.

This year's attendance peaked at over 670 guests exceeding all prior year's attendance. Mass was served by Chaplain, Fr. Jason Bedel. Principal Andy Barczak welcomed the crowd and wished a belated 101 birthday wish to great-grandmother attendee Philomena Donisi! Amazingly, Mrs. Donisi was joined by other great-grandparents giving merit to this time-tested tradition, although she was the most senior guest!

Pat Sennett with grandson Luke Sennett '15. (photo right)



Grandfather William Droege, Nathan Helfferich '14 and Grandpa Al Helfferich enjoying the moment.

Patrice Harty noted many former Bishop Fenwick parents who years ago helped serve the Thanksgiving dinner were now grandparents attending as guests.

Following Mass, the crowd heard from current grandparent, Mr. William Droege, grandfather of Nathan Helfferich '14 and five other Bishop Fenwick alumni. Grandpa Droege remarked that he was attending his seventeenth (17) Grandparent Thanksgiving Mass. Mr. Droege spoke of the Fenwick family experience that he and his grandchildren have all been privy. He challenged students with a Thanksgiving assignment to hug their parents on Thanksgiving Day and express their love and gratitude for allowing them the opportunity to be a student at Bishop Fenwick. A special video created by the multimedia class capped off the entertainment before enjoying dessert.

Thirty-nine years ago Mrs. Harty had a great idea...one that continues to be important in nurturing the grandparent/grandchild relationship and the generational faith we all share. Patrice, now a grandparent herself, fully understands and appreciates the special relationships that give this event meaning and perpetuates a unique tradition. We look forward to celebrating the 40th Grandparent Thanksgiving Mass on November 25, 2014, and hope that many of you will join us!





FACULTY SPOTLIGHT - CHERYL BRANDENBURG



In 1978, Cheryl Brandenburg was hired fresh out of college, and on the spot by Principal Fr. Neiheisel. For thirty-six years, Cheryl has evolved as an educator along with the ever changing world of technology. She has served the students and Fenwick community in multiple roles as teacher, moderator, coach and technology administrator. Cheryl provides important technological expertise to keep the schools computer engines running.

At the beginning of her career, her course schedule included teaching home economics, shorthand, and typewriting classes to mostly females; skills needed at the time for employment. For those born in the sixties, learning to type on an IBM Selectric was a moment in technological history! Today, she teaches college preparatory classes like multi-media, accounting, web design and web 2.0 to an equal distribution of male and female students. She also manages the school's broad array of hardware, software and internet issues.

She chuckles out-loud describing Fenwick's initial foray into the computer age with a couple of AppleIIe computers. Cheryl commented, "A few years later, with the financial support of the Middletown Community Foundation, the school created a cutting edge computer room in 1993 at the Manchester Road building. It was equipped with IBM Novell networked workstations, a raised floor to accommodate cables running underneath and even a security system to protect the investment." Fr. Chuck approached Cheryl and asked

if she would teach an adult computer class. She agreed (how could you say no to Fr. Chuck?) and continues to offer adult computer classes every spring.

The technology tidal wave allowed Cheryl and students an opportunity to explore computers and the latest craze called the internet. Although not initially a Fenwick strategic objective, Cheryl and a group of energetic students began creating the school's first website in the late nineties. This group spent many, many after-school hours learning and testing their work. Even today, she can rattle off the school's first website address in a split second: www.Bishop-fenwick.cnd.pbt.k12.oh.us. The school's first website was created and managed by both students and Cheryl from 1998-2012, until the school re-modeled the website to expand scope and functionality.

Cheryl continues to teach with passion and energy, bringing new ideas and innovations to the classroom experience. Last winter, her multi-media class created a first ever lip-dub video that challenged each class member and ultimately the entire school to participate as either creator or cast member with a secondary purpose of raising awareness and money for the children of St. Joseph's Orphanage in Cincinnati, OH. A wildly successful experience, the video went viral on YouTube. This year, she is working with the Technology Committee to determine viability of 1:1 computer devices for Fenwick students, teaching a new web 2.0 class that is completely paperless and serves as the BFHS Tech Club Moderator!

Although technology is constantly changing our world, Cheryl enjoys a sustainable reward year after year. What exists for her is the satisfaction of participating in students' growth and maturity through their high school career and subsequent evolution from student to alumni to professional and eventually parent.

FACULTY SPOTLIGHT



Bob Kinner

Last spring calculus teacher Bob Kinner had his fourth article published in the *Ohio Journal of School Mathematics* for his, "Cream in My Polytope", math lesson. It all began with his intrigue of the individually packaged sour cream he received with his Wendy's order. As he stated in the article, "These humble little packages provide a plethora of mathematical explorations: find the volume; find the surface areas; find the dimensions that will minimize the surface-to-volume ratio for a given volume; etc. Geometry, algebra,

calculus and Wendy's baked potatoes all rolled into one package; can life get any better?"

An inquiry-based lesson, geometry students were required to construct a polytope then collectively brainstorm approaches to calculate certain dimensions. Calculus students were challenged even further with their lessons to determine constructs like how to reduce extra packaging material. Bob teaches various levels of algebra, calculus and AP calculus.



Maggie Strahl

Maggie Strahl, Spanish and French teacher, is passionate about running. She was the coordinator for the Flying Pig Marathon High School 5k Challenge last May. Marathon organizers created the 5k High School Challenge to motivate students to physically train and volunteer for their school and community. The program allowed registered schools an opportunity to raise money for their own cause/project, win two scholarships equal to \$3,000, and receive a Skyline chili party for the entire school. Thanks to Maggie's efforts Bishop Fenwick had sixteen runners participate and raised over \$500 for the Guardian Angel Fund! Her enthusiasm for travel, language, and running is contagious. In June 2015 she and Senorita Christie will host a group of students and parents in Europe!

Photo caption- Flying Pig Marathon 5k Challenge runners:

(Kneeling) Race coordinator, Maggie Strahl, (Second row) Samantha Croake-Uleman, Annie Monnin '15, Cameron Croake-Uleman, Katie Monnin '17, Robin Blank, Haley Hayek '16, (third row) Dr. Tricia Croake-Uleman, Chris Gilmore '14, Libby Blank '14, William Birchwell '17, Jayna Thompson '17, Lauren Schramm '17, Owen Smith '17, Kyle Bush '16, (far back) Jon Croake-Uleman '88.



SPIRIT OF *Dorothy Stang Award*



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT Alberto Romanach '14

Alberto Romanach '14 was honored with the Spirit of Sister Dorothy Stang Award. This award is given annually to faculty members, parish ministers, and parishioners active in social justice ministry and graduating seniors in the Catholic high schools and parish youth ministry programs in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. In 2014, five teachers, a lay leader, school volunteer and one student were selected recipients recognized for living out the Gospel in The Spirit of slain Notre Dame de Namur Sister Dorothy Stang. Alberto was selected for demonstrating his spirit of compassion and service guiding his daily actions. He works with young people at risk for drug and alcohol involvement and is an outspoken advocate for these youth in the community. Alberto joins Campus Ministry staff Patrice Harty who received this prestigious award in 2013.



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Bishop Fenwick was selected to participate as a Pilot School for FSGMobile's Catholic Connect App. During the pilot period updates and improvements will continue to enhance the App's capabilities.

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DEADLINE:
December 7, 2014

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- The Alumni App is available for iPhone, iPad and PC and is FREE. For Apple devices, search Bishop Fenwick from the Apple Store and download onto your iPad or iPhone.
- For those without an Apple device, use the following link to download directly to your PC:
<https://www.fsgmobilecatholicconnect.com/?id=fenwick>. Recommended browsers are Internet Explorer 11, Firefox 32, Chrome 37, and Safari 7.
- The Android version will release in the next six months.
- Enter a login and password. As an important security measure you will be sent a confirmation email to confirm registration.
- **Your email associated with the Fenwick Alumni App will NOT be sold or made available to anyone outside of Bishop Fenwick. This App will NOT increase your digital footprint!**
- Downloading the App automatically registers you to win an iPad Air donated by FSGMobile!
- Deadline for iPad Air giveaway: 12/07/14
- Drawing will take place at half-time of the Boys' Basketball game Friday, December 12, 2014! (do not have to be present to win)

POSTS:

Shared photos, links, and news about alumni, Fenwick sports scores and activities

PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS:

Daily readings and "living the 4th" messages posted

OUR SUPPORTERS:

View the businesses that financially invest in Bishop Fenwick and support their business!

SCHOOL CALENDAR:

Online calendar of all school activities. Select/sort by athletic team i.e. Boys' basketball or type of function i.e. Alumni

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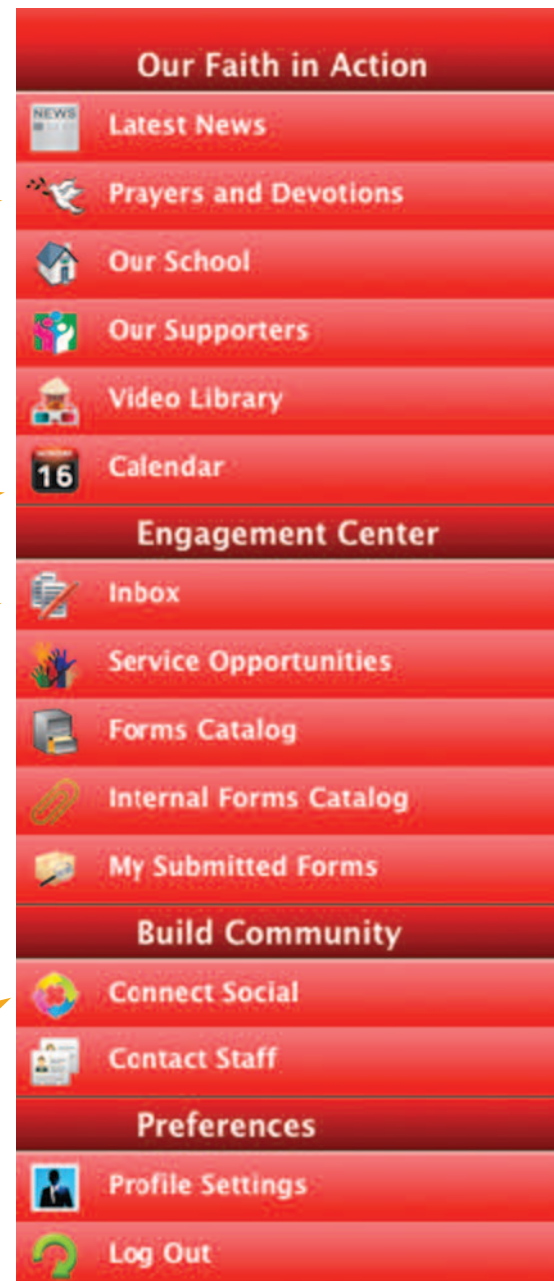
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SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES:

Easy online volunteering for events like the Festival and reunions. Includes automatic reminders.

CONNECT SOCIAL:

Re-connect or stay connected with classmates and teammates. Unlike Facebook and other social media your account data will not be sold or released.



2013 Athletic Hall of Fame/ Hall of Achievement Induction Ceremony



Photo of inductees: (Seated) James Meehan '58, Robert Schwab '01, Frederick Dakin '57, not pictured Charles Schramm '69
(Standing) Thomas Uhl '62, Michael Robrkemper '64, Ginger Lolli Bruggeman '67, Kenneth Beiser '59

Inductees to the Athletic Hall of Fame

Robert Schwab '01

Robby was a three sport standout during all four years as a Fenwick Falcon, receiving varsity letters for baseball, basketball and football. A recognized leader, he was selected as football captain and received many honors and awards for his contributions. Robby was selected to the first team Mid Miami League his junior and senior years and the All Butler County team his senior year. He was presented with the Joe Nuxhall Award and recognized by *The Cincinnati Enquirer* as an All Star Linemen. Robby was a valuable contributor to the success of both the baseball and basketball programs. As first baseman, he helped capture two district titles advancing the team into a regional play-off. On the hardwood, Robby excelled as a consummate team player by manning the post and controlling the boards for a basketball team that claimed two league titles and one district championship during his junior and senior year's.

Robby continued his athletic and academic careers at the University of Dayton where he contributed all four years to a highly successful program. Robby was the selected recipient of the Lt. Andy Zulli Memorial Trophy, the most prestigious Flyer Football Program award. This award goes to the Flyer who demonstrates exceptional sportsmanship, scholarship and leadership. He graduated from U.D with a degree in Physical Therapy and earned his Doctorate in Physical Therapy at the College of Mount St. Joseph.

Robby, wife Valerie and son Braydon, reside in Wyoming where he has exchanged football cleats for running shoes as a marathon runner. Robby appreciates the many values that Fenwick helped to instill such as discipline and hard work. He also credits his parents, brothers, teammates, coaches and teachers who helped him mature into the man he is today. Robby joins his father, Bill Schwab along with uncles Bob and Fred Schwab in the Athletic Hall of Fame.



2013 Inductee Robby Schwab '01 with fellow Hall of Famer,
Uncle Fred Schwab '74

Fred Dakin '57

Fred Dakin was an outstanding athlete during his playing days at Fenwick, excelling in football, basketball, and track. He was the first freshmen to dress for a varsity football team. As a basketball star, Fred averaged twelve points and nine rebounds per game and was the captain of both the football and basketball teams during his senior year. He lettered all four years in football and basketball, and was a two year letterman in track.

After graduating from high school, Fred became an All-Star softball player and was recognized by the *Middletown Journal* for his softball prowess. Reluctant to leave the field, he used his talents in a different capacity helping construct baseball diamonds in Carlisle and at Hueston Woods. Fred also coached little league baseball and girls softball.

Fred has been married to **Barbara Wagner '57** for fifty-five years, sharing in life and parenthood. They have raised four daughters and now enjoy their newest role as grandparents to five grandchildren and one great grandson!

James Meehan '58

Jim Meehan is being inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame to recognize his outstanding basketball talent during the early years in Fenwick's athletic history. It was not until after Jim graduated that Fenwick established league membership and school ranking. Recognition for league, district or state accomplishments did not exist for athletes of his era. As a non-league competitor, Fenwick was forced to play a schedule with schools much larger. During the 1957 season, Jim was an integral player who helped the team achieve a winning season with 10 wins and 9 losses. His senior year was an historic season with the team capturing 14 wins and only 4 losses. This team put Fenwick "on the map" in Southwest Ohio as an upcoming program. As a youngster, Jim played basketball in the Holy Trinity Parish gym, fine tuning his jump shot from all points on the perimeter, except for one. Corner shots were impossible because the track above the gym floor blocked all shots from the corner area.

Jim's post-graduation career was notable as well. He was the first basketball player in Fenwick history to receive an athletic scholarship. Jim enjoyed a three year career at Rio Grande College showcasing his talents and averaging 16 points per game. Jim enlisted in the Army and played on the United States Army Basketball team averaging 11 points per game. Jim also served as Director of Athletics at Fort Riley in Kansas, during his years in the military.

After a thirty year career, Jim retired from Dickerson Distributing Company and currently works part-time for the City of Middletown Transit Division. Jim and his late wife Phyllis, raised two sons and he is now a proud grandfather of four.

Charles Schramm '69

Chuck Schramm demonstrated his athletic talents in the late 60s helping the Falcons reach great success in football, basketball and baseball. As a member of the football team, Chuck played wide receiver all four years for the Falcons. His senior year, the team's record was 8-2 and described by many as "the best football team in Fenwick's history." Chuck established a school record catching 35 passes for 580 yards. Altogether, the offense scored 284 points during their 10 game season. The defensive unit was



outstanding as well, holding their opponents to a mere 74 points for the entire season.

Chuck was a consistent contributor to a team that captured the Mid Miami League Championship. A three year starter for the Falcons, Chuck readily admits that he enjoyed playing basketball more than any other sport.

On the diamond, Chuck was a four year starter playing catcher, shortstop, and centerfielder. During his senior year the team won the Mid Miami League Championship and District Championship, with a game upset win against the Versailles Tigers. After graduation, Chuck went on to play baseball at the College of Wooster and then on to Ohio State University, graduating in 1974.

Chuck and his wife **Justine O'Brien '71** have lived in Hilton Head Island, South Carolina for the past thirty years where he manages and owns a home repair and remodeling business. Chuck is the proud father of four children, all of whom are student-athletes themselves. He enjoys playing golf (when time allows), and volunteers for various local youth sports programs. He credits Fenwick for instilling discipline in him and acknowledges that he was surrounded by great teachers, and incredibly talented coaches who held him accountable for his school work, his athletic play, as well as his behavior outside of school. The lessons from Fenwick ingrained many years ago have contributed to his ability to run a successful business and raise a family.



*John Daudt '58, James Meehan '58,
Michael Abell '57 and Joe Andreotta '58*

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Hall of Achievement inductee Tom Uhl '62

Inductees to the Hall of Achievement

Kenneth Beiser '59

Ken was a highly engaged student while at Fenwick serving as photographer for the *Turres* and *The Wick*, basketball statistician and scorekeeper, and class president all four years. Through a long and diligent effort he earned both a B.S. and Master's degree from Miami University with a four year United States Navy assignment wedged in-between. Ken attributes his strong faith as instrumental to overcoming difficult conditions to fulfill personal goals.

Ken dedicated his professional life to education in both teaching and administrative roles. For many years he was a K-6 Principal for Northmont City Schools, Principal at St. Susanna Catholic School and later accepted an unconventional assignment in Arizona teaching on a Navajo Indian Reservation. Consistent throughout his career was creating opportunities to improve academic outcomes for both students and faculty.

In later years, Ken volunteered for the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, Flotilla 52, in Cincinnati, growing the opportunity into certifications that allowed him to teach boating skills and seamanship classes to more than 350 students over five years. He was active in boat patrols and search and rescue operations for the Coast Guard.

Ken has served various community and church organizations including the Greater Miami Valley YMCA, St. Paul's Catholic Church in Englewood, and Holy Family Parish where Ken is a lay distributor and regularly serves Holy Communion to residents at Garden Manor.

Ken and his wife, Nancy, recently celebrated fifty years of marriage. They have two daughters and two granddaughters.

Ginger Lolli Bruggeman '67

Ginger has lived her life, both personally and professionally, around a fundamental passion to serve others. She is defined not by a title but rather a life

-time of investing herself into improving her community through active volunteerism and as an advisor and supporter of both individuals and organizations throughout Butler County. Ginger's most important role models, her parents Frank and Patricia O'Flynn Lolli, were a constant inspiration of love and generosity.

Ginger is a Senior Associate of Development for the United Way, dedicated to the people and organizations the United Way serves. Her "all-in" spirit and energy serving her community has been recognized by many. The Middletown Community Foundation awarded Ginger the *Mary Jane Palmer-Nunlist "I Love Middletown Award,"* honoring unsung heroes who make significant contributions to Middletown's quality of life but are otherwise not publicly recognized for their efforts. She has volunteered on numerous committees including, MidFest International, AK Steel's Christmas Wonderland, Board of Diabetic Wellness, Board of WHIMS, is an Ambassador for Downtown Middletown, a member of Soroptimist International, and the Butler County Development Roundtable Executive Committee. In addition, she has served on the Bishop Fenwick Principal's Advisory Board, Bishop Fenwick Alumni Association, Ambassador for the Middletown Chamber of Commerce, Holy Family Parish Council, Room For Change, Quality Care for Fidelity Health and past President of the International Association of Administrative Professionals (IAAP). It is not uncommon for Ginger to be found in a kitchen washing dishes for the Middletown Symphony Guest Conductor's Auction or running errands for other various fundraisers.

She was recognized as an Outstanding Woman of Achievement by the YWCA and in 2011 was given the Butler County Board of Developmental Disabilities Community Recognition Award, and also named Soroptimist of the Year.

Ginger has a profound appreciation for Fenwick's mission and vision and has for decades served altruistically her alma mater, church, and community. She recognizes her faith in God as the source of her sustained commitment and passion to help others.

Ginger and her husband, **Dave Bruggeman '66**, have two sons, **Jim '86** and **Scott '88**, and are proud grandparents of three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mike Rohrkemper '64

As a student at Fenwick, Mike was a member of the golf and football teams and still maintains a close bond with many of his classmates. His memories of Fenwick poignantly turn to the late Principal Fr. Lawrence Krusling who provided great inspiration to Mike. He reflects on Fr. Krusling that, "without a great deal of conversation he made it very clear that he believed in me and that I would make positive contributions to society. I attended Fr. Krusling's funeral, along with several hundred others, at St. Rose Church when he passed. I felt a genuine loss."

After graduation Mike joined the United States Marines and is a Vietnam veteran. Once home, he utilized the G.I. Bill and two jobs to attend Miami University Middletown graduating Cum Laude with a degree in accounting. Mike began his professional career in Cincinnati building his resume as CPA, CFO and Director.



Family supporters attended Mike Robrkemper's Hall of Fame Achievement Induction; (Left) Tom Robrkemper '73, Mike, sister Carolyn Robrkemper Smith '73 and Patti Robrkemper

In May of 2008, Mike joined Gold Star Chili as President/CEO, bringing with him more than thirty years of senior level experience, strategic leadership and financial expertise. As a Certified Public Accountant he had developed a long-term professional relationship with Gold Star Chili, thus creating a seamless transition into the organization. Of his current position, Mike states, "It is an honor to hold the reins of one of Cincinnati's signature institutions that occupies such an important place in the minds and hearts of people throughout the Tri-state." His vision for Gold Star Chili includes a strong future both creatively and financially, while holding true to the traditions that have earned Gold Star Chili loyal fans across the globe. Mike believes "if you are willing to work hard, the sky is the limit."

Mike has served on various Boards of Directors including the Dan Beard Council of the Boy Scouts of America, the Greater Cincinnati Energy Alliance and the Amy and Jordan Dalton Foundation. Under his direction, Gold Star Chili partnered with the Cincinnati Bengals' 3-Way, 3-Pointer promotion program to donate 3.25 tons of canned chili to the Cincinnati Freestore Foodbank and the Salvation Army.

Mike and his wife of 37 years, Teresa, have two sons and two grandchildren. His hobbies include golf and fly fishing and he looks forward to getting a hole-in-one and landing a 30+ inch Montana trout!

Tom Uhl '62

Tom Uhl's selection into the Hall of Achievement is based on his professional accomplishments, service to his country and communities, his lifelong commitment to "giving back", and his vision for turning challenges into opportunities.

At a young age, Tom suffered personal tragedy. He attributes the support of the Fenwick family and especially Fr. Lawrence Krusling's confidence in him as critical factors to achieve graduation from Fenwick. Tom and Fr. Krusling shared a special vision of personal character to never give up on people and respect life in all forms.

Tom saw active combat in Vietnam for the United States Marine Corp before receiving an honorable discharge with distinction. He came home to earn his B.A. from Miami University in 1971 and an MBA from Xavier University at the "youthful" age of 47.

A man inspired by learning, he has established numerous scholarships benefitting

students of need. A result of his energy and resources, the Fr. Lawrence R. Krusling Memorial Scholarship and the Jeanette Madaffari-Uhl Memorial Scholarship were established at Bishop Fenwick to honor the positive influence these individuals had on his life.

Over many years, Tom combined his love of running with his commitment to charity. Through his passion he helps motivate others to run races for charity and has created specifically purposed races to create funding for various causes. Today, there are many races, some thirty (30) years old, still taking place to support cancer research, food banks and community parks. He has worked with Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Team In Training program and the Miami University Health and Well-Being Department training hundreds of runners. He convinced a number of his Fenwick classmates to run the Chicago Marathon to raise money for cancer research in memory of their fellow classmate, Mike Faeta '62.

In 1972, Tom began sponsoring a Vietnamese family, eventually offering his home to them as residence. Over the course of many years, his friendship extended to assist the couple's working aspirations and help their children become college graduates.

Tom started and owns CIMA Incorporated, headquartered in Fairfield, Ohio. CIMA provides services to support production, assembly, inventory, packaging and shipping for major commercial, military and government customers. He is also a restaurateur of three unique establishments in the Oxford area where he employs the "farm to table" philosophy supporting local growers.

His most recent venture, the William's Trace Inn & Farm, is a transformed 1913 dairy barn. The operation fulfills Tom's dedication to health and wellness through the creation of a community garden for families to plant and grow fresh herbs and vegetables and also public trails throughout the property for exercise.

Tom and wife Cher, have four sons of whom they are immensely proud. Christian and Josh are architects in New York, Nathan manages the family restaurants and Matthew manages operations with his father at CIMA. Four grandchildren complete the family.

Tom has a personal motto, "pick the path with heart," that has guided him to achieve both personal and professional success.



Your help is NEEDED!



Please consider making a 2015 Nomination

2015 Athletic Hall of Fame/Hall of Achievement
Nominations for induction can be made until August 19.

Nomination forms are available on the website at
fenwickfalcons.org/alumni, or by
contacting Betty Stueve, Alumni
Relations at 513-423-0723, ext. 208 or
bstueve@fenwickfalcons.org.

Class Notes

Tony Krizan '57 is a lecture speaker and columnist for the Sierra Star newspaper. His extensive hiking experiences provide readers great information about the Sierra



Matre Mountains, Yosemite Park, and other special parts of the western national park system. He recently visited family in Ohio and lectured students and guests at Mason High School. He has promised a stop at Bishop Fenwick the next time he is in town to share his lecture.

Terry Cole '64 sporting his Bishop Fenwick varsity jacket. Terry served as a co-chair alongside Sharon Galeese Touchton planning the Class of 1964 50th Class Reunion.



Peggy Delaney Trimble '64 was a guest artist at Bishop Fenwick in April sharing her talent and expertise with art students. Peggy, a well-known regional watercolor artist, spent two days demonstrating and instructing students about various painting techniques. During her day visit, she completed a painting project while students videotaped her technique. Her hands-on approach was a highly valuable experience for students to broaden their knowledge and skill. Peggy has agreed to a repeat performance next year!

(photo of *Peggy Delaney Trimble '64* above)



Photo of Peggy at the Pendleton Arts Center in Middletown standing next to her collection during one of their popular "First Friday Events". Contributed photo by Jessica Uttinger, Middletown Journal

Gerald Michael Wetzal '65 (Jerry) recently shared the last 49 years with Betty Stueve in the Alumni Office! Jerry and his wife Edwina live in the Conne River district of Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada. After college he went west to Washington eventually finding his way to Newfoundland for a fellowship at Memorial University of NL. His personal and professional life has been dedicated to improving the lives of the aboriginal people of NL. He is most proud of the Self-Government agreement with the Government of Canada for the Conne River Reserve and having the first Indian Band recognized in 1985. The Indian Band runs grade schools, funds post-secondary education for Band members, assists in the reclaiming of family hunting and trapping territories and operates their own medical clinics. Later in life Jerry obtained his LL.B and LL.M degree at Dalhousie Law School. His thesis, also a personal passion, was titled "Decolonizing Ta'kam'kuk Mi'kmaw History - Legal history of British colonization from an aboriginal point of view." Now retired from his law practice, he continues to work as a licensed guide and stays immersed in the Mi'Kmaq community.

Don Marconi '71 was promoted to Chief Lending Officer at Liberty Savings in February 2014.

Rae Jena Wise '74 discovered friendly Fenwick runners at the Cincinnati Pig 5k! Faculty member Maggie Strahl and student Katie Monnin '15 were waiting in a corral for the race to begin when Rae spotted her alma mater on their T-shirts and made an introduction.



Ann Smith Miller '77 and her husband will be making a bittersweet departure after 22 years from their antebellum home in Roswell, GA. Ann and husband have been living aboard their boat for the past year as they traveled the Caribbean. They will be heading back to St. Lucia to continue their travels after they complete the sale of their Roswell home and travel south to Florida!

John Rossi '80 has returned to Bishop Fenwick as the new Girls' Head Basketball Coach! John coached the Falcons from 1998-2001 and is anxious to pick up where he left off. He returns with an outstanding coaching record at Madison High School posting 199 wins and a 2010 Division III State Runner-up title over the course of 10 years. Of the opportunity John remarked, "It feels full circle. My son is a freshman at Fenwick this fall, and I'll be coaching in a gym where my dad's picture hangs on the wall."

Tim Tindall '85 was recently installed by the Salvation Army of Greater Rochester, New York, as the Advisory Board Chair at its annual meeting. Tim will serve a two year term as Board Chairman. He has been a member of the Advisory Board since 2007. In addition, Tim is on the Board of Directors of the YMCA of Greater Rochester and the Finance & Investment Committee of the Harley School where his children attend. He is also involved with the Boy Scouts as an Assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 336. Tim is a principal with Alesco Advisors LLC, an SEC-registered investment advisory firm. He lives with his wife, Erica Harper, and sons, Elliot (13) and Owen (11), in Pittsford, New York.

Larry Mulligan '86 was named the first president of the newly created Butler-Warren Operation of First Financial Bancorp. Larry's previous role was as chief of staff for CEO Claude Davis. He will continue as Mayor of Middletown, an elected position he has held since 2008.



Paul Wright Jr., USN '95 comes to dry land occasionally. Paul, serves our country as an Aviation Machinist's Mate First Class and Master Training Specialist. Currently, he calls Virginia Beach home with the Virginia Aviation & Aerospace Department, and is associated with the Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron Nine. Previously he was with the US Navy Center for Naval Aviation Technical Training Unit Oceana.

Eric '03 and Alicia Back Combs '03 opened Combs Family EyeCare. (photo right)

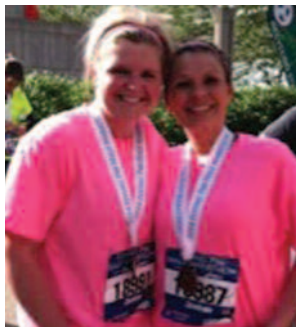


Kerri Kline Hough '95 and friend finishing the Flying Pig Half Marathon on May 4, 2014!



Mary Krebs MD, FAAFP '97 has joined the staff of Community Health Centers of Greater Dayton at the East Dayton Health Center. Dr. Krebs completed a Family Medicine residency at Miami Valley Hospital in 2007, and received her medical degree from Ohio State University and undergraduate degree from the University of Dayton.

Jenny Freshcorn Thomas '99 and sister **Laura Freshcorn Dollenmeyer '99** at the Cincinnati Flying Pig Half Marathon.



Sgt. Ryan C. Schaffer '00 is serving in the USMC. He has been deployed to Iraq, Afghanistan, Guantanamo Bay & Saudi Arabia. He is married with five children. He is based at 29 Palms, California.

Tim O'Brien '01 started working in Nascar in 2003 while at Purdue as an intern Engineer. Now he is an engineer for NASCAR Sprint Cup race car driver, #15 Clint Bowyer.

Eric '03 and Alicia Back Combs '03 opened a new practice, Combs Family EyeCare last fall in West Chester/Liberty Township. Both received a B.S. in Pharmaceutical Services and a Business minor at Ohio State University before earning their Doctorate of Optometry from Southern College of Optometry, a highly renowned optometry school known for treatment of ocular pathology and disease.

Anna Malec '08, is in Osaka, Japan teaching English and exploring the culture and country all over eastern Asia. She returned to the United States in July for a visit before completing her three year assignment overseas. Anna graduated from Case Western in 2012.

Alex Bruns '08 completed his first marathon on February 23, 2014 in Columbus with a sizzling time of 2:53! His time was good enough to qualify for the Boston Marathon and he is avidly training for the 2015 race held every April. Alex says, "I hope to inspire others to set goals whether it be qualifying for the Boston Marathon or achieving a personal athletic or academic dream. I know achieving goals are a lot more attainable when you have a loving family and community that supports and encourages you."



Class Notes



Teddy Kuntz '09 finished his football career at Denison University collecting a number of awards before turning in his jersey. Teddy received back-to-back honors from the All-North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC), Capital One All-District honors and is a finalist for the Capital One All-America squad. While at Denison he played 40 games, posting 99 tackles and 15 sacks. Teddy began medical school at the University of Cincinnati this fall.

Mike Malec '10, an electrical engineering student at the University of Cincinnati is currently doing his final co-op with Modal Shop before he graduates. He also assists the technology needs of the BFHS Radio Club WFXR.

Taylor Macy '10 graduated from the Honors Tutorial College at Ohio University with double majors; a Bachelor of Science in Environmental and Plant Biology and a Bachelor of Arts



in Environmental Studies. She traveled to Tanzania this summer for an eight week intensive advanced Swahili program funded through the Fulbright-Hayes Group Projects Abroad. Students stay in Arusha for seven weeks followed by a week in Zanzibar and Dar es Salaam. Upon her return she will prepare for her commission as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Kenya, and will begin staging on September 28th. Beginning in October she will participate in a three month pre-service training program in Machakos, Kenya.

Her twenty-four month assignment will be teaching biology to secondary school students in Machakos. Photo of Taylor on graduation day with Ohio University classmate, **Nicole Ricke '10**.

Alex Nikias '10 recently graduated from Ohio State University and will be teaching math at St. Xavier High School in the fall!



Ally Beck '11 a member of Bishop Fenwick's 2010 State Championship Volleyball team was named MVP and All-Tournament Team for the Cleveland State Vikings during the CSU Invitational last fall. She was spotted in the gym this spring offering her assistance to the Falcon boys' volleyball team.

Melanie Monahan '11 a student at the College of Mount St. Joseph has her artwork hanging at the new Children's Hospital, Green Township campus.



Emily Malec '13, recently finished her freshman year at Case Western Reserve studying cognitive sciences. She will study abroad in Okland, New Zealand through the University of Auckland for a semester.

The Falcon Nest



Nathan English '95 and wife, Allycia welcomed their first girl, Molly to the family. Waiting at home were brothers (left to right) Dylan, Grady, and Finnegan.
(photo left)

Darrell & Sarah Barrett Smith '01 welcomed their son Jameson Lee on January 21, 2014. According to Sarah, "big sister Lillie loves him to pieces!"

Ryan Mulligan '97, and wife Kristen announced the birth of Ellie Mulligan last November who is the fourth child into their family. Ellie is the only girl among Chase, Cooper and Nolan her older brothers. Ellie Mulligan is the first grand-daughter for Dave '70 Mulligan and wife Sue.
(photo right)



John '00 & Mandy Mulligan welcomed daughter Catherine into the Mulligan clan on June 4th.

In Memoriam



Barbara Walters Griffin '53 passed away June 21, 2014. Barbara, a graduate of the first ever graduating class of Bishop Fenwick was also a cheerleader for the Falcons. She was a lifelong resident of the Middletown community until the passing of her husband, Donald. Barbara and Don raised four daughters and are members of Holy Trinity Parish.

Anthony Rogers '55 passed away May 23, 2014. Tony enjoyed a long career at Ohio Bell/Ameritech for over 37 years

before retiring. After retirement he was even busier participating with AARP, Telephone Pioneers, Holy Family Parish, the Food Bank, Knights of Columbus and St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry. He and wife Sandra have four Fenwick alumni children; **Katima Rogers Halloy '79**, **Sam Rogers '81**, **Anthony Matthew '83**, and the late **Varina Eve (Rina) Rogers '86**. After the early death of Rina, Tony and Sandra created a memorial scholarship in Rina's name that continues to support students at Fenwick.

Sandra Kraft Grimes '56 passed away on June 6, 2014, in Sarasota, Florida. Nicknamed Cindy, she graduated Magna Cum Laude and received a scholarship to Good Samaritan Nursing School, Cincinnati. Cindy and husband Don raised four children and are proud grandparents. In June a Mass for her intention was held by Fenwick classmates at Holy Family Parish, Holy Trinity Chapel.

David Tim Farkas '60, affectionately known as Ti, passed away on January 4, 2014. Tim worked as a welder for AK Steel. He was a member of the Grandpa Gang for Light up Middletown and stayed active with his Fenwick classmates. Tim is survived by his wife, Beth, along with many alumni siblings.

James Burgemeir '64, passed away on November 17, 2013. Jim worked as a heavy equipment operator for Ohio Operating Engineers, was a member of Holy Family Parish, a consummate supporter of the Middletown Catholic community, choir member, St. Vincent de Paul volunteer and Senior Center employee. Friends remember Jim as "such a good guy, always offering a smile and a hello!" Jim was preceded in death by wife **Pat Jackson Burgemeir '65** who passed away in 2011.

Paul Edward Beier '65 passed away January 3, 2013. Ed was a lifelong Middletown resident, Eagle Scout, graduate of Bowling Green University, and a thirty year employee of AK Steel. After retirement he kept busy as a Walmart greeter. His wife, Ginger, and his sister, **Linda Beier Day '58** are establishing a Bishop Fenwick scholarship in memory of both Ed and the late **Charles Day '57**, Linda Beier's husband.

Ken Moorman '65, passed away on November 16, 2013. Mr. Moorman graduated from the University of Dayton with a degree in telecommunications and worked for broadcast stations WHIO and WING. He was a member of Wildwood Golf Club and a longtime supporter of Bishop Fenwick where he called the football games on TV Middletown.

Patricia Reedy Zurkey '68 passed away April 26, 2013. Patty was a nurse and had previously worked at Middletown Regional Hospital, Colonial Manor and Willow Knoll Retirement Center. Patty is survived by her husband, Bob, of thirty-three years.

Pasqualina M. Scarpa Turner '70, passed away April 17, 2014. She worked in the banking industry for over 27 years, was an active member of Holy Family Parish, and the Sons of Italy. Pasqualina took great pride in cooking for family & friends and spent a great deal of time making rosaries for missionaries.

Roger David South Jr. '75 passed away July 20, 2014 surrounded by his loving family. David was born and raised in Middletown and enjoyed a successful career with the Middletown Fire Department retiring as a Training Captain. His athletic achievements were recognized in 2011 when he was inducted into the Hall of Fame for his contributions to the State Championship Football teams of 1973 and 1974 and State Championship Baseball team of 1974. David was an avid supporter of many athletic clubs and teams as a youth coach including football coach for Bishop Fenwick. **Father Ed Pratt '81** along with Father Civile celebrated a memorial Mass at Holy Family Parish. David leaves behind his wife Julie, two sons **Christopher '96** and **James '98**, his siblings **Paul '76** and **Barb Robertson '80** and his mother Barbara South.

Tom Bruggeman '74, passed Sunday, February 9, 2014. Tom leaves behind his wife **Cathy Harkrader '75**; children **Megan '99**, **Amy '01**, and **Emily '06**, and brothers, **Mark '72**, **Michael '77** and **Tim '79** (**Joanne Marstall '79 Bruggeman**). After graduation from the University of Notre Dame he worked at Mound Laboratories for 21 years and at BWI as Manager Controlled Suspension Manufacturing for 15 years. He was a 2006 Bishop Fenwick Hall of Fame inductee, a member of Holy Family Parish and sang in the choir at Holy Trinity. He also sang with the Razor's Edge Barbershop Chorus and Next Exit Barbershop Quartet.

Lynda L. McLaughlin Milakovich-Costa '80 passed away unexpectedly on January 7, 2014 while on vacation. After graduating from Fenwick, she received certification as a respiratory therapist and a registered nurse. She worked most recently at Christ Hospital in Cincinnati.

Special Friends:

Sr. Constance Smith, OSF, former faculty at Bishop Fenwick, passed away on February 1, 2014, at the Mother House. She was a secondary education teacher of math, physics, chemistry, and electronics for over 50 years. She retired to the Motherhouse in 1997 but stayed active as Director of Retirement and substitute taught at Oldenburg Academy.

Dwight McMurrin, former faculty member (1992-2008) passed away on April 23, 2014. An endeared teacher and colleague he touched many, many lives as a Biblical scholar, historian, theologian, chess master, consummate Bishop Fenwick sports fan, performing arts supporter and teaching mentor. He inspired students to learn and he inspired teachers to become better teachers.

We maintain a Book of Remembrance of deceased Fenwick alumni. Please notify Betty Stueve in the Alumni Office of an alumnus who has passed away; bstueve@fenwickfalcons.org or 513-727-1500.

We encourage family members and friends of alumni to arrange for a Mass Intention in memory of their loved one. Masses for Special Intentions are held during the 7:50AM weekday Mass held in the Chapel. Stipends are customary for a Mass Intention. We invite alumni through email notification of a classmates scheduled Mass Intention. For more information or to schedule a Mass Intention, please contact Chaplin, Fr. Adam Puntel; fradam@fenwickfalcons.org, or 513-423-0723, ext. 210.

Reunions



Class of 2004 - (Front row) Stacey Downs Denison, Ashley Hannah, Rebecca Copley, Andy Hershey, Lauren Harlow Helm and Monica Nenni (Back Row) Casey Drotter, Jesse Bamber, Allison Hellman Cesta, Joe Cesta, Don Hartman, Amanda Chew, Andrea Crane, Kenny Trimbach, Rebekah Helsing Trimbach, Laura Brockman, Ellie Stonecash and Valerie Talkers.

Class of 2004 – 10th Reunion

The class of 2004 luncheon reunion was held Saturday, August 2, at Wildwood Country Club before the 10th Annual Kyle Babcock Memorial Alumni Game.



Class of 1994 - 20th Reunion

Classmates kicked off their reunion weekend at the Fenwick Festival Friday evening with their spouses and children and then gathered again on Saturday evening at the Keystone Bar and Grill in Hyde Park, Cincinnati to reminisce about their days at Bishop Fenwick.

Class of 1994 - (Front row) *Wendy Walker Lipps, Kathy Griffith Balon, Buffy Barker Frongia, Katie Kelley Schmid, Amy Pressler McKiddy, Abby Smith Bremer, Neely Henning Wilson, Nathan Wilson (Middle row) Andrew Rettig, Debby Drigel Thornton, Carey Beatty Budrus, Shannon LeGros Peterson, Joe Austerman (Back row) Jon Stitt, *Matt Harrison, Ryan Laber, Andrew Duell, Michelle Furlong, Kelly Courtney, Nikki Maly Ladd, Heather Necessary Willis (* attended BFHS but did not graduate from BFHS).

Class of 1984 - 30 Year Reunion

Mike and Pam Sora graciously hosted the Class of 1984 reunion party at their home on Saturday, September 27, 2014. Guests shared stories and dinner during the Ohio State University vs. University of Cincinnati football game. Photo not available before print deadline of this publication.

Class of 1964- Golden Anniversary 50th Reunion

The Class of 1964 reunion took place the weekend of September 5-7, incorporating the Golden Falcon Brunch as part of their festivities. Classmates and guests mingled on Friday evening at Bishop Fenwick and enjoyed a formal dinner Saturday at Forest Hills Country Club. Photo right of Saturday night attendees.

Class of 1959 – 55 Year Reunion

Classmates gathered in June at this year's Festival to reminisce about the golden years. Approximately forty guests attended. Lucky married classmates Robert and Helen Fiessinger won the Festival Gold Raffle, a 2014 Honda Accord!



Class of 1964 - (Seated) John White, Sharon Galeese Touchton, Peggy Delaney Trimble, Paulette Lakarosky McLaughlin (Second Row) Mike Rohrkemper, Ann Cain Shockey, Jeanne Guastafarro Stewart, Carmen Donisi Wagner, Kathy Komnenovich Donahue, Terry Cole (Third Row) Bob Griffith, Jerry Uhl, Nan Ruffing Fullerton, Dave Witte, Janice Dobrozsi Wise, Dave Ingram, Ken Allen

Upcoming Reunions:



Reunions are a great way to stay in touch and reconnect with classmates. The Alumni Office is available to assist with reunion planning and provide information about planned reunions.

Please contact us at 513-423-0723, ext. 208, and check the website often at fenwickfalcons.org/reunions. Help reunion organizers by updating your information at fenwickfalcons.org/update-your-information or use the Fenwick Connect App.

Class of 1974 – 40 Year Reunion

The Class of 1974 reunion is scheduled for Homecoming Weekend, October 10-11, 2014. Classmates and guests are encouraged to attend the Homecoming Alumni Tailgate on Friday and then gather Saturday at Holy Family Parish Center for dinner. Planners are Jim Kleingers, jim@kleingers.com, and Tom Brill, Tom.brill93@gmail.com.

Graduating classes for years ending in '0 and '5 will be celebrating a benchmark reunion in 2015. The Alumni Office is available to assist reunion organizers. Please contact Betty Stueve at 513-727-1500 or bstueve@fenwickfalcons.org.



Poor Hans and the Promise of Catholic Education

In the prologue to his seminal work *Introduction to Christianity*, Joseph Ratzinger (now Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI) recalls the Brothers Grimm fairy tale “Hans in Luck” to underscore the trajectory of certain strands of Christian thought over the last several decades. The story recounts the folly of poor Hans as he is swindled out of his gold treasure, trading it for comparatively worthless miscellany on his journey home from town. Each of his interlocutors assures Hans that the items they have to trade will be eminently more practical than a nugget of gold. Not fully appreciating the value of his treasure, the myopic Hans cannot refuse these offers. By the time he arrives home, he has only a whetstone to show for his troubles, which he promptly discards, crossing the threshold of his home empty-handed.

The moral of this tale holds special relevance for both Catholic education in general, and Bishop Fenwick High School in particular. In an increasingly materialistic world where moral norms are considered to be matters of opinion, where the inductive methods of the natural sciences are esteemed as the only legitimate means of acquiring real knowledge, and where education is understood to be mere job training, the gold treasure that Bishop Fenwick High School offers young minds is priceless. If the newspapers are any indication at all, we inhabit a world that has unmoored itself from reality. This word “reality” has been deliberately chosen. As I constantly remind my Morality students, for Thomas Aquinas and other giants of the Catholic intellectual tradition, God, the author of reality, wills the universe into existence, giving things fixed natures that are made for ineradicable purposes. For rational creatures like humans, God wills that we enjoy union with him through seeking the truth of things, and conforming our lives to that truth. Then and only then will the human person flourish and attain happiness, for through this graced inquiry the student will encounter God, the reason for his or her existence. Morality and the good life, then, are not arbitrary human constructs, nor are they subjects that can be exhausted by psychoanalysis or the scientific method. The inexhaustible human desire for

happiness is built into the structure of human nature and can only be fulfilled by that which is inexhaustible, namely God. No one has improved upon Augustine’s summary of this fundamental truth of human nature: God has made us for himself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in him.

To the secular ear this sounds like so much nonsense. Indeed, much of the 20th and 21st centuries have reflected this assessment. The modern world is gravely deficient in moral wisdom. As Flannery O’Connor observed in her characteristically colorful way, people today are bred without moral wisdom the way chickens are bred without wings in order to produce more white meat on them. Evil, injustice, and corruption are psychologized away, while virtuous living is scorned as an antiquated relic of a bygone and repressive age. The great challenge confronting Catholic faculties, then, is to charitably and winsomely contest this prejudice through teaching young minds of the noble origin of the human race, its high calling, and its glorious destiny which has been procured through Christ. To put it otherwise, the gold treasure of Bishop Fenwick is wisdom. This means nurturing within students an understanding of the ultimate causes and meanings of things, and reminding them that this discovery of the deepest truths of human existence must be accompanied by a change in comportment. We must be doers of the word, and not only hearers of it, to recall St. James’ admonition. This is the path to union with God, and it is the path that Bishop Fenwick maps out for all who walk its halls and enter its classrooms. The promise of a Bishop Fenwick education resides in this gift of wisdom, which comes to us through Christ who is Wisdom itself. This is the only antidote to the malaise afflicting the modern mind. To ignore such a gift and treat education simply as a means to increase human utility, or as the most expedient route to a six figure salary, is to exchange the treasure of a Catholic education for poor Hans’ whetstone.

Richard Lingvai, former faculty and theology scholar.

Faces of Philanthropy:



A.J. Conway '12 and his parents Joni and Tim Conway are faces of philanthropy to Bishop Fenwick as individuals committed to helping us reach the highest potential of our mission.

Phase I of the Science Lab Enhancement project was completed in December 2012 through an Atrium Foundation grant and funds raised by the 2012 Festival. Last winter, Phase II of the Science Lab Enhancement project was completed enabling the entire science department the ability to elevate the level of classroom experiments through hands-on learning. In concert with the science lab enhancements were the added AP Chemistry and AP Physiology classes offered for the 2013-2014 school year. In total, each of the four science labs was upgraded with the following:

- Three fume hoods for advanced chemical experiments and safe eradication of volatile gases.
- Thirty-two (32) new work stations. Each work station is comprised of an epoxy resin top, cabinet, 4 stools and overhead gas/electric pull-down lines.
- Incubator
- Purge fans

The Conway family chose Bishop Fenwick as the educational institution for their son A.J., now a junior at the University of Dayton. Although they live in an area with geographic ease to other private schools, their choice was Bishop Fenwick. They recognized the overt advantages available at Fenwick including academic rigor, faith based environment and outstanding physical facilities. As A.J. matured through high school they began to experience and appreciate the subtle and inherent aspects that come with a BFHS education including a highly engaged parent community, faculty who challenge students to reach beyond the status quo and an environment that encourages each student to define their person, rather than be defined by others.

A generous financial gift from the Ruth J. and Robert A. Conway Foundation was the means to complete the Science Enhancement project initiated in December 2011. The motivation for this gift was the Conway family and Tim and Joni's desire to promote and continue the mission of Bishop Fenwick High School. They, along with son A.J. are three faces of philanthropy, joining a group of many. Each of us is a face of Fenwick, a face of philanthropy that will move us forward in our pursuit of academic excellence in a holistic community of faith.

For more information regarding our mission or to make a donation, please contact Michael Raiff, Director of Development at mraiff@fenwickfalcons.org, 513-727-1500 or go to the website at fenwickfalcons.org.



...Throughout the Decades



A tattered baseball schedule and yellowed newspaper clippings from spring 1974 and the Bishop Fenwick State Championship baseball season!