

ROGERBACON

TRADITION

FORWARD TO GREATER THINGS



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I came across a quote attributed to Forest E. Witcraft, a former college professor, author and managing editor of Scouting magazine. In the October 1950 edition of the magazine, Mr. Witcraft wrote the following: “*A hundred years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove...but the world may be a better place because I made a difference in the life of a child.*”

By the time you read this, the 2022/23 school year has started and our fall sports season will be nearing an end. To say it has been extremely busy would be an understatement! Sports, homecoming, dances, and a myriad of school activities and events have taken place. Our school is 521 Spartans strong and confident in the future as we move toward our 100th anniversary in 2028.

All of this is possible because our alum have chosen to make a difference in the life of a child...a Spartan. What we do as a school and the experiences we are able to provide current and future Spartans are only possible because our alum have seen the value in this generation of young men and woman and made the important decision to support them – to believe in them.

On October 4th, we celebrated the Feast of St. Francis with an all-school mass and a celebration at Bron Bacevich Memorial Stadium. It was a day to enjoy our heritage, our Franciscan charism, and each other.

It was a day to see the value in each other and to show that value to our entire community and beyond. It was also a day to thank you, our alum, for believing in who we are, where we are going, and the recognizing the value of our Spartans on their journey “*forward to greater things.*”

By supporting the Spartans of Roger Bacon, you are truly making a difference in the lives of the next generation we will call upon to lead our great country. Together, we can make this world a better place – one Spartan at a time!

On behalf of our faculty, staff and students, thank you for your support, encouragement and assistance. We remain a school dedicated to our students, proud of our past and looking forward to our future. Please keep us in your prayers.

God bless you, and God bless Roger Bacon.



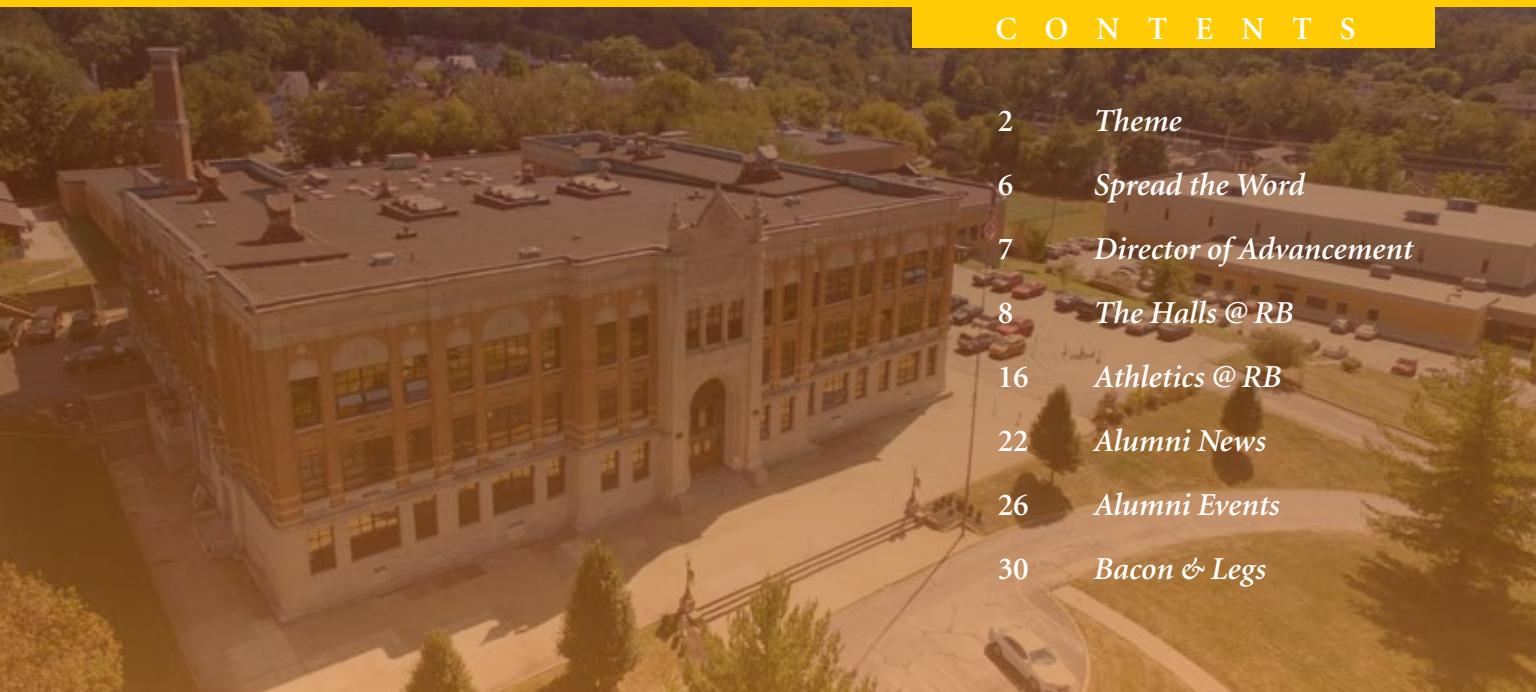
Steve Schad
Principal/CEO



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COVER: Homecoming Spirit!

PICTURED ABOVE: Senior Mia Huber "cools down" Principal Steve Schad during St. Francis feast day activities.

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IN SEPTEMBER 1926, ARCHBISHOP McNICHOLAS ASKED MOTHER CLARISSA DILHOFF, SUPERIOR GENERAL OF THE SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS, OLDENBURG, TO BUILD A HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS. THE SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS PURCHASED LAND FOR THE SCHOOL IN ST. BERNARD FROM MR. BERNARD H. WESS FOR \$65,000. HENRY P. HESS OF ST. LOUIS WAS THE ARCHITECT AND GEORGE MICHAELIS OF INDIANAPOLIS WAS THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR.

On *July 16, 1927*, a groundbreaking ceremony was held and construction of the school started. The cornerstone was laid on October 4, 1927, the Feast of St. Francis, and the school was officially named Our Lady of the Angels. As described in the OLA yearbook (*Domina Angelorum*) from 1929: “*The solemn procession of clergy, religious, and school children, formed at St. Clement School and moved to the site of the new building. Here, in the most solemn manner, His Grace [Archbishop McNicholas] performed the ceremonies prescribed by the Church. The many voices than united in singing America and a hymn to our Lady. Father Juvenal Berens, OFM (the first Principal of Roger Bacon High School), then responded with an eloquent address on Catholic Education.*”

Built at a cost of \$700,000, construction took a little less than a year. On *August 28, 1928*, the building was officially dedicated in a ceremony presided over by Archbishop McNicholas.

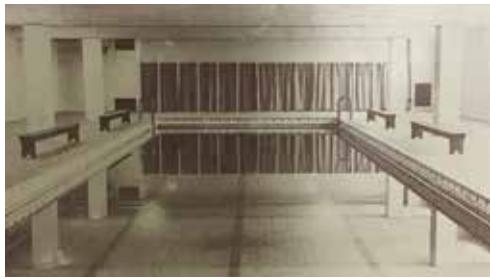
Built on the Shou



IN AN AUGUST 30, 1928 ARTICLE IN THE CINCINNATI COMPASS: “*The new school is in the classical style of architecture, with six Doric columns above the main entrance, and presents a very substantial and stately appearance. The beautiful marble lobby with tile floor, two handsome angel statues (a gift from the students at the Academy of the Immaculate Conception, Oldenburg), and the wide marble mains coated corridors and stairways contribute much to the stateliness and dignity that pervades the whole building.*”



MAIN ENTRANCE



SWIMMING POOL

The main entrance opens into a spacious white marble wainscoted lobby. Two beautiful angels, each holding an electric torch, stand near the central archway. The directory assigns to the first floor the office rooms, the library, reading room, sewing room, cutting and fitting room, book store, check room, combination auditorium and gymnasium, shower rooms, rest room, senior recitation room, and a suite of seven music rooms.

On the second floor are listed a commodious study hall which can, by means of folding partitions, be converted into three classrooms; the balcony of the gymnasium that has a seating capacity of four hundred; the commercial department consisting of a model office, a typewriting room, a bookkeeping room; and five recitation rooms.

The third floor comprises the cafeteria and kitchen, the home economics cooking department, the physical and biological laboratory, the chemical laboratory, two art rooms and five recitation rooms.

In the basement in a beautiful white tile-lined room is the large swimming pool, adjoining this to the left is the shower and dressing room, and to the right the boiler room, and room containing the ventilating apparatus."

Builders of Giants

THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL WAS SEPTEMBER 17, 1928. THE STUDENT BODY, 350 GIRLS (OF WHICH 207 WERE FRESHMEN), CAME FROM THE FOLLOWING PARISHES:

Annunciation, Clifton
Bellarmine, Avondale
Holy Name, Mt. Auburn
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Reading
Sacred Heart, Camp Washington
St. Aloysius, Elmwood

St. Andrew, Avondale
St. Bernard, Winton Place
St. Bonaventura, S. Fairmont
St. Charles, Carthage
St. Clare, College Hill
St. Clement, St Bernard

St. Francis Seraph
St. George, Corryville
St. James, Wyoming
St. Joseph Nazareth
Sts. Peter & Paul, Reading
St. Thomas Aquinas, Avondale

Sister Mary Lawrence Giering was the school's first Principal and the faculty consisted of 15 Sisters and one lay teacher.

The curriculum for the first year included academic and business subjects, along with sewing, dress designing, foods, home nursing, Glee Club, orchestra, and art.

Classes met twice a week after regular class hours. A course in life saving was also organized.

THE FIRST GRADUATING CLASS CONSISTED OF NINE SENIORS

CLASS PRESIDENT: *Marie Schwab*

CLASS MOTTO: *Suaviter in modo, fortitier in re*

CLASS COLORS: *Sky Blue and Silver*

CLASS FLOWER: *Pale Pink Rose*

CLASS PATRON: *Our Lady of the Angels*

SWIMMING WAS THE FIRST SPORT AT OLA



BASKETBALL TEAM

The OLA basketball team was organized in November 1928. The school team was formed from the best players from a junior/senior team and teams from the sophomore classes. This school team (the "First Team"), captained by Loretta Wimberg, Class of 1930, played its first game against the OLA "Second Team" on January 29, 1929, winning 23-5. The first game versus a non-OLA team was played on February 6, 1929 – a 35-22 defeat at the hands of St. Bernard High School.

Built on the Shoulders of Giants

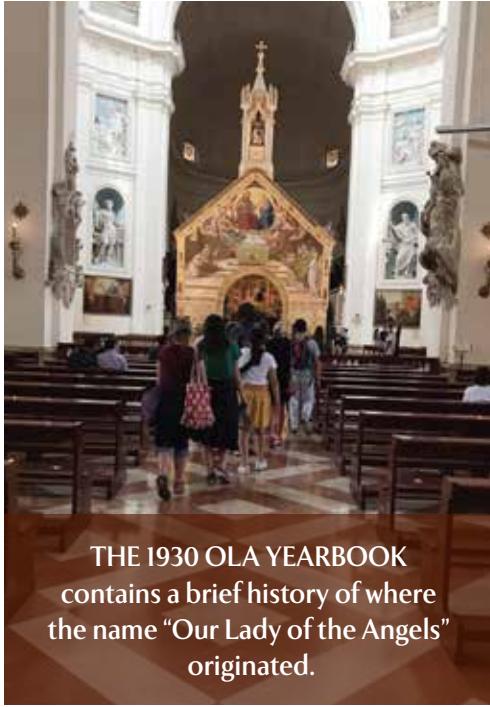


THERE HAVE BEEN MANY CONVERSATIONS REGARDING THE NAME OF THE SCHOOL – WAS IT "OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS" OR "OUR LADY OF ANGELS?" THE ANSWER LIES IN THE EARLIEST YEARBOOKS FOR OLA AND THE BUILDING ITSELF.

The 1929 OLA yearbook, *Domina Angelorum*, specifically identifies the school as Our Lady of the Angels.

The dedication reads as follows: "To Reverend Mother Clarissa of the Sisters of St. Francis, whose educational ideals, unfailing confidence in youth, and heroic courage have made Our Lady of the Angels High School a magnificent reality, The Class of 1929 gratefully dedicates the 'Domina Angelorum.'"

Senior Edna Mae Kirschman, Class of 1929, wrote a brief history of the school entitled "Our Lady of the Angels High School." In it, she wrote the following: "All this was done before the new school received a name. Mother Clarissa requested His Grace (Most Reverend Archbishop John T. McNicholas) to provide a name for the new high school that was to serve his Archdiocese. He kindly responded by naming it 'Our Lady of the Angels,' a name dear to all Franciscans and especially dear to His Grace because of hallowed memories of inspiration received at the shrine of Our Lady of the Angels in Assisi."



THE 1930 OLA YEARBOOK contains a brief history of where the name "Our Lady of the Angels" originated.

OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS (ASSISI, ITALY)

"Among the places dear to the heart of every Franciscan is the shrine of Our Lady of the Angels. This shrine, situated in Assisi, is of ancient origin, dating as far back as the fourth century. It was built in honor of the Mother of God by four pious pilgrims from Jerusalem, during the Pontificate of Liberius (353-357). Shortly after the chapel was built, it became celebrated on account of the many graces received in it by the faithful, and for the frequent visits of the angels who hovered about singing the praises of Our Lady, hence the name 'Our Lady of the Angels.'"

"In the sixth century, St. Benedict took possession of the shrine. For seven centuries the gentle Benedictine Monks kept guardianship over the sacred spot, which in the course of the centuries had almost become a ruin. St. Francis must have held a singular attachment for the place, even from the earliest days of his conversion, for St. Mary of the Angels was one of the three churches that he was to rebuild."

"The little chapel stands just beneath the majestic cupola of the great Basilica which Pope Pius V. had raised over it in 1569. It was elevated to the rank of a Patriarchal Basilica by Pope Pius X. in 1909. He also confirmed to Our Lady of the Angels the title Mother Church of the Franciscan Order."

Olders of Giants

THE OLA yearbooks from 1929-1937 refer to the high school as "Our Lady of the Angels." In 1938, the "the" was dropped and the school was simply "Our Lady of Angels."

Diplomas dating as far back as 1946 also refer to the school as "Our Lady of Angels High School." Class photos dating as early as 1941 do not contain a "the" in the title of the school.

The answer to the question of the correct title lies in the building itself. The inscription above the main entranceway of the school clearly reads "Our Lady of the Angels High School."



*The next article will highlight
BRON BACEVICH MEMORIAL STADIUM.*

Spread the Word

IT IS DIFFICULT TO BELIEVE WE HAVE STARTED THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS FOR THE ROGER BACON CLASS OF 2027, A CLASS THAT WILL BECOME THE 99TH GRADUATING CLASS IN OUR ILLUSTRIOS HISTORY. AS OUR RECRUITING SEASON BEGINS TO HEAT UP, INTEREST IN ROGER BACON IS PERHAPS STRONGER THAN IT HAS EVER BEEN. SIMPLY PUT, OUR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES LOVE US, AND WE ANTICIPATE BREAKING OUR APPLICANT RECORD FOR THE 9TH STRAIGHT YEAR.

WE RECENTLY HAD A CHANCE TO SPEAK TO SOME OF OUR STUDENTS ABOUT WHAT HELPED THEM CHOOSE TO MAKE ROGER BACON THEIR HIGH SCHOOL HOME.

"Roger Bacon is special. The environment, the academics, the students, the teachers, the tradition, they all stood out from other schools. They make RB such a special place. The academic opportunities have given me challenges and experiences I could not have gotten at other schools, such as being an Assisi Scholar, and the experience of a pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi. All the opportunities we have makes the environment of this small school feel like such a big community, filled with so many possibilities. I love RB because there is something for everyone, and it's one big family!"

- GABBI, CLASS OF '25

"I chose Roger Bacon because of the welcoming atmosphere. It has always been very inclusive, and I have felt comfortable here since day one. RB gives you many opportunities to create friendships, play sports, and participate in service opportunities, which makes me even happier with my decision to come here. My classmates and teachers bring positive energy to the school every day."

- CHASE, CLASS OF '26

"I chose Roger Bacon because of the diversity, the academics, the tight bond within the school, and the Franciscan values that we are taught daily. From the first moment of my shadow day, I could tell there was a special bond with the students. There is always something special happening at RB, and I can't imagine going anywhere else."

- MADISON, CLASS OF '25

"I chose Roger Bacon because of the people here. At Roger Bacon, everyone looks out for one another and there is a certain way people act toward other people here that make you feel that you are always in a safe and comfortable environment. RB pushes every student to be their best and they never give up on you. I also love the impact the school has had on their students and how a lot of students that go through Roger Bacon are successful after high school."

- TERRY, CLASS OF '26

"I chose Roger Bacon for the comforting and loving community that would push me to strive for excellence. I love the importance of tradition and history in between the walls here at Roger Bacon. What makes RB so special and different from other high schools is the small and cooperative society. Roger Bacon always finds a way to show that they care for their students."

- CHLOE, CLASS OF '26



Welcome Back

ROGER BACON WELCOMES ALIYAH HUFF '17
TO THE ADMISSIONS OFFICE

After attending RB from 2013-2017, I went on to continue my athletic and academic career at Mount St. Joseph University. Along with being a collegiate student athlete, I worked as a campus ambassador giving perspective students tours, planning and putting on campus wide events, and collaborating to create social media posts for the university. After my 5 years at MSJ, I received my Bachelor's in Business Management, and my Master's in Business Administration. Last year, I returned back to the girls' basketball program as an assistant coach, and now I have fully returned as the Assistant Director of Admissions. *I am so thrilled to be back home, and to be able to offer the same opportunities that I was afforded as a student. Life has really come full circle.*

If you know of a student interested in Roger Bacon, contact Admissions at 513.641.1313 or email address

TO LEARN MORE

www.rogerbacon.org/future-spartans



521 students
51% Female 49% Male
82% came from Catholic Elementary Schools

33%
Minority

\$13.5m
Endowment

68%
identify as a Catholic

28%
of students live below
the poverty line

Tuition & fees
\$10,500
most affordable in the area

*Average tuition paid after
financial aid & scholarships*
\$2,017



THE HALLS @ RB



Amazing Job
by our Choir!

On Saturday, May 7th, it was **ROGER BACON NIGHT AT GABP** as the Reds faced the Pirates! The Roger Bacon Choir was given the opportunity to **SING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM** and did an amazing job!



Roger Bacon's **95TH YEAR** started August 17th! We welcomed 141 freshmen to bring our total enrollment to 521 students for the 22-23 school year!

RB

For the second time in just five years **HOLLYWOOD CAME CALLING** to Roger Bacon for a major film production. This past March, location scouts for the Warner Brothers film *Turtles all the Way Down* were looking for a high school in the Cincinnati area to shoot the film, and the first stop they made was to Roger Bacon and its historic, 95-year-old campus. The producers had seen images from the movie *The Killing of a Sacred Deer* that was filmed at RB in 2017.

Based on the New York Times best-selling novel by author John Green, *Turtles All the Way Down* was shot on the RB campus the first week of June this past summer. The production even adopted the Spartan as the fictional high school's mascot, although the school colors were changed to green and white, which required the production designers to make some temporary changes around the RB campus.

Even more exciting, the producers used many RB seniors as paid-extras for the production, and our students were able to spend several days on a movie set, absorbing the excitement of a major Hollywood film production. *Turtles All the Way Down* will be released in theaters in April, 2023.



30 Years Ago...



Congratulations to **Nicco Hill '23** for being one of four local students announced as **BANK OF AMERICA'S 2022 STUDENT LEADER AWARD**

WINNERS. Nicco will each receive a new Chromebook and an eight-week paid internship with Boys and Girls Club of Greater Cincinnati. Nicco is concerned about gang violence in his community and has started mentoring younger students and coaching basketball to provide a safe space for youth. He also has volunteered with DisruptionNow, a social media platform dedicated to disrupting stereotypes about people of color.



Roger Bacon welcomed **Timo Drahman** to school back in September so he could experience what his father, **Kyle Drahman '90**, experienced over 30 years ago.

Kyle and his family live in Schwäbisch Gmünd, Germany and he currently teaches English at a couple German universities. His son, Timo, is entering the 12th grade and was on his six week summer break. Timo used a portion of his break to come experience Roger Bacon for a week. Timo studies International Business back home in Germany and figured he would learn a lot from this unique opportunity.

Timo stayed with **Mitch Elsass '24** and his family during his time in America. Mitch's father, Michael, has remained good friends with Kyle ever since their time together as Spartans.

"It has been pretty interesting to see how different school is here in the US because it is a lot different in Germany. The school day may seem pretty basic but it is really different than what I am used to in Germany. It's been cool coming back to the school that my dad attended. I'm very glad I was able to experience this," says Timo.

He was also able to experience American high school life by attending sporting events while on campus. His favorite experience was attending a couple American soccer games.

Timo comes from a long line of Spartans as his uncles **Greg '81**, **Keith '82**, **Chris '84** and his grandfather **Harry '52** all attended Roger Bacon. His grandmother, **Jane Boerger Drahman '53**, graduated from Our Lady of the Angels.

Student Senate did a great job organizing Homecoming week in September! Spartans enjoyed a theme-filled week and student participation was at an all-time high! Homecoming week ended with an all-school cookout followed by Spirit Olympics. Congratulations to our homecoming QUEEN AND KING... **Drew Lewis '23 & Krystin McWhorter '23**.



BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE

It has become standard practice that there is always a project happening at Roger Bacon High School. From the Fine Arts Center to the Stadium Renovation, we have invested over \$6M in campus improvements over the last 7 years.

Perhaps the most astonishing fact that comes from all of these improvements is that Roger Bacon remains DEBT FREE. All projects have been fully funded from the generosity of our alumni and supporters. Roger Bacon does not pay for these projects off the backs of our students and families tuition dollars.

Take a look at some recent projects that have been completed and what is in store for the near future!

THE HALLS @ RB

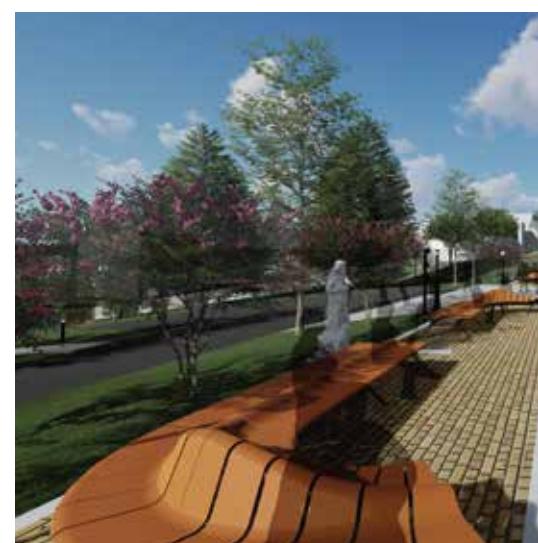
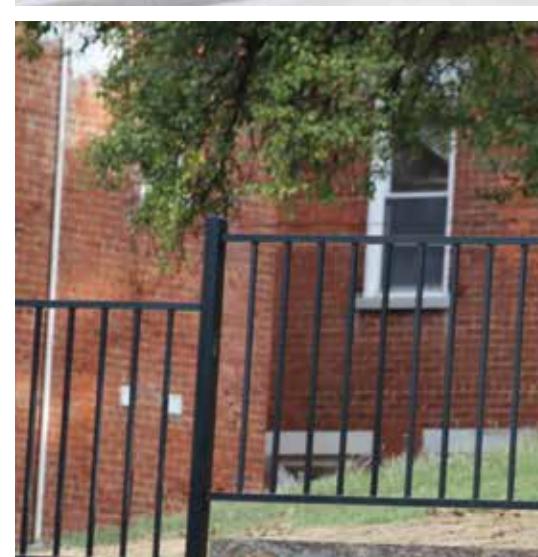
AMPHITHEATRE. The outdoor classroom (Amphitheater) is nearing completion! The amphitheater is located on the north side of the building in the hillside. What was once an empty space will now be able to seat up to 150 people and be a new space where teachers can take classes on nice days in the Fall & Spring. Future plans for this space include installing a video/audio system on the blank wall in front of the amphitheater. This project was fully funded by the generosity of our alumni and supporters!



FRONT APRON RENOVATION. Includes increased green space, seating for 60 students (in a St. Francis and a St. Clare area), historical presentation of key events in Roger Bacon history, building lighting and new concrete apron. Construction will start in June 2023.



AC-HEATING IN CLASSROOMS. This summer, air-conditioning/heating split systems were installed in the 2nd and 3rd floor classrooms of the building to match what was installed last school year in the 1st floor classrooms! The last part of this project will be installing the same split-systems in the seven classrooms in the east wing. This will occur during summer of 2023!





BELL/CLOCK SYSTEM. Roger Bacon is in the process of obtaining a quote from American Sound to install a new bell/clock system which permits announcements and the display of emergency information (including fire alarm information and alerts). The plan is to use funds available from the Bureau of Workers Compensation. The clocks installed will be digital and replace every analog clock in the building.



SECURITY CAMERAS. Using monies obtained from the Ohio Attorney General School Safety Grant, Digital Visions is installing security cameras in the following locations:

- On the old stadium entrance to provide coverage of the Leonard Ave. / Mitchell Ave. municipal parking lot used by our students.
- At the stadium pedestrian entrance to provide coverage of the new Mitchell Ave. crosswalk.
- On the front of the school building to provide additional coverage of the front – specifically the crosswalk across Vine St.
- Four additional inside locations to provide enhanced coverage of the cafeteria, stairwells, and east wing hallway.



MITCHELL CROSSWALK. A crosswalk across Mitchell Ave is in process! Project completion goal is set for summer 2023! This will not only include a crosswalk across Mitchell Ave to Bron Bacevich Memorial Stadium, but will also include a sidewalk running between the Friars Club, along the St. Bernard Safety Center, to Mitchell Ave. This project will increase the safety for Roger Bacon students and fans when crossing Mitchell Ave when they head to the stadium for practice or games. This also provides the ability to use the stadium for parking, if necessary, and provides a safe path to walk to the school building. This project is already fully funded from the generosity of alumni and supporters!





With the start of the 2022-23 school year, Roger Bacon is excited to welcome **FIFTEEN NEW TEACHERS AND STAFF** to our esteemed faculty. Our new teachers and staff are:

BRIDGET DOUGLAS

English

CINDY FOLEY

Art

EMMA GECKLE

Theology

DAMON HERRING

Custodian

ALIYAH HUFF '17

Assistant Director of Admissions

RYAN KUPIEC

Theology

CHLOE MALLORY

Intervention

TIM MCCOY '02

Assistant Principal

DAVID OLSON

Assistant Athletic Director

ALEX RODRIGUEZ

Theology

NOELLE SCHWARZ

Math

CLAIRE SMITH

English

KATE STUARD

Drama

MARIA WALTHERR-WILLARD

French

KOSONDERA WHITEHEAD

Custodian



Grandparents... Anything Better?

GRANDPARENTS APPRECIATION DAY was held on Wednesday, September 21st in the Carol A. Dauwe Fine Arts Center. Freshmen students and their grandparents were able to celebrate Mass together, followed by breakfast. It was a great way to show appreciation for all that these men and women do to support Catholic education and their Roger Bacon Spartan grandkids.



Welcome to the Team

Roger Bacon High School is excited to announce the hiring of Tim McCoy '02 as Assistant Principal beginning with the 2022-23 school year.

Tim was a multi-sport athlete, and a member of the 2002 boys basketball team that defeated LeBron James and St. Vincent-St. Mary for the state championship. He attended Mount St. Joseph University, where he played baseball, and graduated in 2006. He received his Masters of Education in Administration from Xavier University in 2019.

Tim spent five years as Superintendent of New Path Child & Family Solutions, where he oversaw the educational programs for St. Joseph Orphanage across three campuses, covering grades K-12. He was with the organization for 14 years. Prior to becoming superintendent, he served as Principal of two K-12 campuses. He began his teaching career as an intervention specialist in the Mt. Healthy school district.

Since 2007, Tim has also served as the head baseball coach at Roger Bacon. In 2019, he led the Spartans to the regional championship and their first Final Four appearance in 51 years. This past Spring, McCoy and the Spartans took home the 2022 regional championship and earned another trip to the State Final Four.

"What an honor to return to this wonderful school and organization. My dream career move was to someday return to my alma mater and contribute to the successful impact faculty, leadership, and coaches already have on the student body. The current vision of the solid leadership team is an element I am most excited about. It truly is "Forward to Greater Things," he said.

Tim and his wife Carly have two children, Parker and Olivia, who are all just as excited to be joining the Roger Bacon family.

Congratulations to our VALEDICTORIAN Jocelyn Carragher and the SALUTATORIAN Cammy Niesen. Both are true student-athletes, excelling in the classroom and in their respective sports. Jocelyn will play soccer at Tiffin University. Cammy will play volleyball at Ole Miss. This is the second year in a row that our valedictorian hailed from St. Ignatius School



Congratulations to senior *Olivia Radecki* for earning the **NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLAR COMMENDED STUDENT** for 2022. More than 1.5 million students nationally take the PSAT/NMSQT. Of this, only 3% qualify for recognition as a Commended student. Olivia is a member of the Assisi Scholar Honors Program and is involved in the Drama Guild. Olivia plans to study English and would potentially like to work as a Speech Pathologist. Olivia credits her incredible teachers, such as *Dr. Paul "Doc" Wittekind*, with her academic success, as well as the support of her fellow students in the Drama Guild and the Assisi Scholar Program.



Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi



THE HALLS @ RB



The Light of the World

"I praise and thank the Lord for all of you – thank you for your work and flexibility yesterday with **GO LOCAL**. I hope the day was fun and enjoyable, putting our faith into action by service. Thank you to the faculty and staff for their supervision and patience. And a special note of gratitude to the students of the **COMMUNITY OUTREACH BOARD** – from creating kindness bags, to troubleshooting project problem, from delivering water, to taking photos – they were of service to all in the background of the day." – **Fr. Roger Lopez, OFM**



Roger Bacon celebrated the **FEAST DAY OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI** on October 4th! The day started off with an all-school Mass in the Fine Arts Center and we ended the day at Bron Bacevich Memorial Stadium for a cookout and games that was led by our Spiritual Life Student Team.

"What a wonderful day! It was so awesome to see us all gathered at mass to start the day, and end the day with such fun and joy! Thank you to the **SPIRITUAL LIFE STUDENT TEAM** who made this day come together! You all are such a blessing! Thanks to ALL who were involved today and all who helped to bring to fruition. What a blessing our community is to each other!" says **Johanna Becker** (Director of Spiritual Life).



Congratulations to members of the Class of 2025 who are the newest members of the **ASSISI SCHOLAR PROGRAM** at Roger Bacon. This honor is bestowed upon those students that have been exceptional in the classroom throughout freshmen year, while also living up to the Franciscan charism of Roger Bacon. Our newest Assisi Scholars for the Class of 2025 are (in alphabetical order):

<i>Joshua Becker</i>	<i>Genevieve Ludwig</i>
<i>Kat Beyer</i>	<i>Olivia Mollner</i>
<i>Gabbie Bose</i>	<i>Amya Parker</i>
<i>Ava Carraher</i>	<i>Lucy Rewwer</i>
<i>Maya DeStazio</i>	<i>Brady Rickenbaugh</i>
<i>Brayden Fletcher</i>	<i>Myla Rodenberg</i>
<i>Elijah Goecke</i>	<i>Mackenzie Schwartz</i>
<i>Skylar Groenemann</i>	<i>Isabella Sebens</i>
<i>Morgan Heinrich</i>	<i>Jake Snyder</i>
<i>Grady Huneck</i>	<i>Madison Stecher</i>
<i>Kayla Kilgore</i>	<i>Amanda Strode</i>
<i>Griffin Kleinfeldt</i>	<i>Alex Weigand</i>
<i>Rosella Knapke</i>	

St. Clare Society

The purpose of the **ST. CLARE SOCIETY** is to assist student enrichment through the pursuit of unique educational, cultural, and faith-based opportunities by eliminating any financial obstacles that may have otherwise restricted student access. This includes opportunities that may present themselves to Roger Bacon students individually, as well as more structured class trips, such as a visit to historic Gettysburg, a biology trip to Yosemite National Park, or a trip to Fogarty Innovation Institute in California, as examples. Once again, **these trips will be all-expenses paid**, eliminating obstacles students may have from accessing these important educational opportunities.

Students selected for these opportunities are in good academic standing, have shown involvement in the school community, and have demonstrated a commitment to the Franciscan values on which the school was founded.



San Juan Bautista Pilgrimage

This Easter break (April 2023), Roger Bacon students will travel to northern California for an all-expenses paid pilgrimage to the Franciscan missions. This trip will include visits to the **SAN JUAN BAUTISTA MISSION** as well as missions in Monterey, Carmel and San Francisco. These missions serve as historical and cultural treasures which highlight the history and archeology of early-California and Native American cultures. Once again, **this pilgrimage will be all-expenses paid**.

Students selected for this pilgrimage will be current Roger Bacon juniors who are in good academic and behavioral standing, who have shown involvement in the school community, and who demonstrate a commitment to the Franciscan values on which the school was founded.



Join the Club

RB Football joined the **500 WIN CLUB** after their win over Norwood on Sept. 23rd.

RB is the 79th school according to OHSAA to reach 500 program wins!



ATHLETICS @ RB



Bats were Hot at Great American!

Spartans got a rare and unique opportunity of a lifetime to play at **GREAT AMERICAN BALLPARK** on Saturday May 14th, 2022. Spartans were able strike last and hold to a thrilling 13-11 win over Alter. **Caleb Rosenfeldt '25, Dylan Rolfert '22 and Logan Huber '22** came through with some huge relief pitching and the Spartan bats were hot all day.



We have numerous Spartans who are right now currently playing at the **NEXT LEVEL**. See below for our full list!

FOOTBALL

Jahmal Hutsell '22
Cumberlands College

Zach Kuhlman '19
US Naval Academy

Zak Cappel '19
Thomas More University

Zuri Edmondson '19
Muskingum University

Jeremiah Flowers '19
Muskingum University

James Thompson Jr. '20
University of Wisconsin

Ryan Lally '20
Denison University

Ronnell Lackey '20
Lake Erie College

Corey Kiner '21
University of Cincinnati

Ryan Hallau '21
Ashland University

Nijal Mooney '21
University of Findlay

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Kelly Brenner '20
Thomas More University

Clarissa Craig '21
University of Cincinnati

Kylee Sheppard '21
Providence College

BOYS BASKETBALL

Josiah McGee '20
Rose Hulman Institute of Technology

Kendall McWhorter '21
Mount St. Joseph University

Mason Cromer '21
Ohio Northern University

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Karly Niesen '20
Wheeling Jesuit University

Grace Wilking '21
Mount St. Joseph University

Cammy Niesen '22
University of Mississippi

GIRLS SOCCER

Lindsay Ballinger '20
Thomas More University

Taylor Stahl '20
Thomas More University

BOYS SOCCER

Denis Haase '21
Thomas More University

Ollie Boeres '21
University of Findlay

SOFTBALL

Arrington Walker '20
Northern Kentucky University

BASEBALL

Jeordon Kuderer '17
Earlham College

Dillon Fischer '20
Earlham College

Evan Kelsey '20
Wilmington College

Tyler Bullock '20
Albany State University

Evan Webb '21
Mount St. Joseph University

George Janzen '22
Wittenberg University

SWIMMING

Sophie Hunter '18
Canisius College

Meggie Suffoletta '19
Wittenberg University

Brooklyn Myers '22
University of Indianapolis

*alumni who are not on this list (or if information is incorrect), please email Brandon Spaeth, bspaeth@rogerbacon.org, and we will get you added to our list!



On Saturday, May 7th, it was **RB NIGHT AT GABP** as the Reds faced the Pirates!

Principal Schad threw out the first pitch and threw a strike right down the middle!



PROUD OF THESE GUYS

The Spartan baseball team punched their ticket to the State Final Four last Spring when they defeated Springfield Northeastern 6-3 on June 3rd!

"I'll tell you what: there's not a better feeling for these guys," head coach **Tim McCoy '02** said. "This team works hard. They care about each other. They pull for each other. The senior leadership's been incredible. I'm just so happy for Roger Bacon. I'm happy for the community and these guys are just unreal. It's a pleasure to be able to coach this team."

The Spartans advanced to the State semifinal where they faced the Chargers from Milan Edison at Canal Park in Akron, OH and unfortunately fell just short by the score of 3-0.

"I will cherish these memories that we've made the past four years for the rest of my life," said Roger Bacon senior pitcher **Jake Tschida '22**, a member of the 2019 state semifinalist team. "To be out here a second time — most people don't get out here one time. It's a true honor and blessing. Sadly going home empty-handed but it's can't always be a fairy tale ending."

I'm so proud of these guys," said McCoy. "They fought, scratched, clawed — this was a great ballgame and an amazing season. They have nothing to hang their heads on. This was a great effort."

Signing Day

Congratulations to our five Spartans who signed to continue their academic and athletic careers at the **NEXT LEVEL** on May 20th!



ATHLETICS @ RB



After digging through nearly 40 years of yearbooks, newspaper clippings & archives... It is confirmed that our **GIRLS SOCCER PROGRAM** has tallied up 274 wins in program history! According to OHSAA, that puts them right outside top 20 in state history!

Wondering about where our **BOYS SOCCER PROGRAM** stands? **Brandon Spaeth '11** needs your help! We are missing the record of the 1986 boys soccer season. If you have any information of this season record please email bspaeth@rogerbacon.org!



2022 ATHLETIC SIGNINGS & AWARDS

Luke Wagner '22 - BASEBALL
Thomas More University

Cammy Niesen '22 - VOLLEYBALL
Ole Miss

Brooklyn Myers '22 - SWIMMING
University of Indianapolis

George Janzen '22 - BASEBALL
Wittenberg University

Jocelyn Carraher '22 - SOCCER
Tiffin University

MVC Spring All-Stars

BASEBALL

1ST TEAM

Anthony Hoffmann '23

2ND TEAM

George Janzen '22

Jake Tschida '22

Luke Wagner '22

HONORABLE MENTION

Ty Brenner '22

Jacob Goyette '22

TRACK & FIELD

1ST TEAM

Timyone Andrew '23

(110m hurdles)

Boys & Girls 4x100m relay

2ND TEAM

Jahmal Hutsell '22

(100m dash)

Drew Lewis '23

(200m dash)

Joe Kenny '22

(pole vault)

Girls 4x800m relay

HONORABLE MENTION

Cammy Niesen '22

(400m)

Jack Bentley '23

(3200m run)

Leah Dukes '22

(long jump)

Jahmal Hutsell '22

(long jump)

Ellie Weigand '22

Boys 4x800m relay

Girls 4x200m relay

ALL-REGION ALL-STARS

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

1ST TEAM

Peter Wilke '24

2ND TEAM

Andy Peters '24

HONORABLE MENTION

Nick Hughes '22

1STWIN



100THWIN



500THWIN



700THWIN



FUNFACT

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL HAS
A PROGRAM RECORD
OF 740-281 IN THEIR
39 SEASONS OF PLAY!



PROUDOFTHESEGIRLS

Roger Bacon is one of only eight schools, according to OHSAA, that have won at least 700 program wins in girls volleyball.

What was thought to have been the 700th win on August 23rd, 2022 over Norwood turned out to be the 721st program win! After digging through old archives, it was noticed a season was missing! The actual 700th win came on August 27th, 2021 when the Spartans defeated Mercy McAuley 3-0!

Head Coach, Alyssa Flading '05, has been a staple to the program for many years. "I am proud to coach at my alma mater – where so many women have put in hard work on the court. I tell my girls regularly how much blood sweat and tears have been put into all those banners on the wall. It means a lot to be a Spartan and to never forget that. To have had the chance to coach after Caryl Schawe and Ryan Bedinghaus and carry on our winning tradition is an honor and something I look forward to continuing to uphold."

Caryl Schawe racked up 579 career coaching wins which ranks 11th all-time in OHSAA history. She was ecstatic when she heard the news about 700 wins!

SIDE NOTE: Congratulations to Alyssa Flading '05 who won her 200th career game as head coach of our girls volleyball team as the Spartans defeated Purcell Marian 3-0 on October 10th!





ATHLETICS @ RB



From the Halls to the Hall of Fame

Congratulations to the 5 newest members that are being inducted into the Roger Bacon **HALL OF FAME!** **David Strecker '78**, **John Sanders, Jr. '87**, **Tim Hellmann '91**, **Bill Schaefer '94**, **Jon Newton '03**. Congratulations to our award winners – **Dan Fleming** (Bron Bacevich Award) & **John Popovich** (Tom Roebel Good Fellowship Award).

They will be inducted at the **ROGER BACON SPORTS STAG** that will take place on January 19th, 2023! More information and tickets are posted online at www.rogerbacon.org.

ROGER BACON HALL OF FAME
2023 Inductees
DAVE STRECKER '78 JOHN SANDERS, JR. '87 TIM HELLMANN '91 BILL SCHAEFER '94 JON NEWTON '03

For the first time in school history – Roger Bacon has a **GIRLS GOLF TEAM!** The girls ended their inaugural season with the first ever win as they defeated Colerain 121-124.

Seniors **Maya Mollner** and **Bernadette Peck** both had outstanding rounds, finishing with a 38 and 41, and both shooting par on their final hole as Roger Bacon Golfers. Freshman standout **Ella Murphy** added a 42 and **Parker Cribbs '24** and **Lucy Stenger '26** also contributed great scores.



The Roger Bacon **CROSS COUNTRY TEAM** competed in a 1-Mile race on October 8th at Ross Park, along with around 40+ classmates, alumni, and members of the community. Leading the way for the Spartans were senior **Morgan Wagner** with a time of 6:38 and freshman **Sam Bova** with a time of 5:38. "Thank you to everyone who came out to run with us on a chilly Saturday morning!" said Head Coach Christine Ochs-Naderer.



Over the next couple of years, old VHS, DVDs and maybe even reels of past game footage to our newest YouTube channel - Roger Bacon Sports Vault. In the depths of Fogarty, a lot of old film was discovered! Not every single game of every season was down there - but a good amount! A HUGE thank you to **Tommy Watkins '98** and **Brian Neal '90** for all their time and dedication to get this going! We have many football and boys basketball videos but if alumni have VHS/DVDs of other sports they would like added – feel free to email **Brandon Spaeth '11** bspaeth@rogerbacon.org! Please scan the QR code to be directed to the **ROGER BACON SPORTS VAULT**.



dear roger bacon community

As the new Chair of the Roger Bacon High School Board of Directors, I would like to extend my gratitude to you for your loyal and personal support of Roger Bacon High School. Our Campus is a hub of activity educating our young men and women in the true spirit of Saint Francis and Saint Clare. We are blessed to have confident leaders, dedicated faculty and staff, and passionate alumni and parents at our school who work diligently every day to maintain the values that were established in 1928.

While our history is rich with tradition, we must always plan for the future – and the future of Roger Bacon is bright. With that said, I would like to share a couple important announcements:

- *The creation of a new “coast-to-coast” Franciscan Province.*
- *The Board’s decision to reactivate the role of President of Roger Bacon High School.*

I am pleased to relay the Franciscan Order’s bold plan to reorganize and revitalize its organization. In the fall of 2023 our Province, Saint John the Baptist, along with five other Franciscan provinces in the United States, will merge to form one province – *The Province of Our Lady of Guadalupe*. This new province will be headquartered in Atlanta, GA. Roger Bacon High School will remain a sponsored ministry of the new Our Lady of Guadalupe Province.

With this new governance and as we prepare for our 100th Anniversary in 2028, it is more important than ever that Roger Bacon remain a highly self-sufficient and sustainable ministry. It is a theme echoed throughout the pages of our strategic plan *Marching Forward: Roger Bacon 2028*. For this reason, after very careful research and prayerful thought, we have made the decision to return to the President plus Principal model of administration beginning in the 2023-2024 school year.

This is not new for Roger Bacon. Our school operated under the President plus Principal model from 2001 to 2020. In 2020, at the Board of Directors’ request, Steve Schad accepted the dual role of Principal and Chief Executive Officer, a position he will continue to hold this school year. Our tremendous success the last two years is a testament to his dedication and effort. It is Steve’s recommendation that the role of Principal/CEO be separated into two positions, President and Principal. The President will serve as the chief executive officer while the Principal’s role is that of the chief operational and educational officer. The Board has established a Presidential Search Committee charged with identifying a well-qualified individual to serve as President of Roger Bacon High School. As the Committee embarks on this important journey, I ask for your prayers for our success.

Importantly, I ask that you join me and the entire Board of Directors in offering sincere appreciation to Steve Schad for his tireless efforts, stellar performance, and the positive leadership he graciously displayed in acting as Principal and CEO. We are looking forward to his long-term, continued success as an admired leader at our beloved school.

Sincerely,



Thomas J. Hattersley ’68
Chair, Roger Bacon High School Board of Directors



AlumNEWS

Be Inspired. Stay Connected.

80
eighties

The Dan Starkey Family Reunion was held this summer on the RB Campus in the Fine Arts Center. Although not a grad himself, Dan was an RB longtime head football coach and his children (**ROB '98** and **MARIA '99**) graduated from RB and many of his family members are also grads. **MARK LAWRENCE '65** and **FRED MURRELL '73** are in the picture. Dan's uncles are **TOM HARTMANN '40**, **BOB HARTMANN '49**, and **JACK HARTMANN '50**. They are deceased but all three men were well represented by their kids and grandkids at the reunion! The halls of RB certainly provided memories and stories for the alums who returned with their families. Thank you to RB for allowing us to have our reunion in the Fine Arts Center" writes Dan.



JOHN BROCKER '80 enlisted in the United States Air Force (USAF) in October, 1979, in Security Forces. He retired as a Master Sergeant (MSgt) in September, 2001, with 22 years of service to our country. John then began a second career with the Bismarck (ND) Police Department. He retired from the Police Department as a Sergeant in January, 2022, with just over 22 years of service. The picture below is of John with his son Richard after Richard's surprise return from Iraq at John's retirement party.



DONATING HIS TIME **THE PRESSURE WAS ON!**

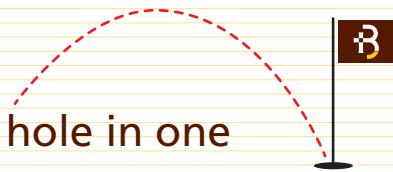


BRANDON SPAETH '11 spent over 12 hours cleaning the six sections of stands at Bron Bacevich Memorial Stadium this summer to get them looking clean for the Fall 2022 season. All fully donated by Spaeth Pressure Washing, LLC.



JUDY PICKETT THOMAS '71 is a long-time teacher at Coryville Catholic Elementary in Clifton (34 years). She is also a graduate of St. George which later was renamed Coryville Catholic. Prior to her teaching career (at CC) Judy was a teacher at St. Agnes in Bond Hill. When rumors were spreading about the closure of St. Agnes, she wished to continue teaching in elementary education, particularly in a Catholic school. In 1984 Judy was hired at Coryville Catholic to teach Language Arts. She taught until 2019 when she retired from teaching. Judy was named Director of *Choices for Children* working with the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur. She organizes various outreach programs for the students and also acts as the eighth grade high school coordinator. Later, she was hired to work for CISE concentrating on getting young children into the Catholic school system, staying through high school years and graduation.

Judy also works with the *Big Brothers* program for boys and continues to partner with Mt. Notre Dame for girls.



hole in one

"What started as a rainy day turned into a dry back nine holes and a lifetime experience at Pebble Creek Golf Course. Doesn't get any better with best friends **MARK WISSEL '68** and **BOB SIEBENBURGEN '68**" wrote **KEN STEHLIN '68**. Mark hit a 'hole in one' on Hole #13!"



MATT HAGEN '80 with his first ever hole-in-one at Beech Creek Golf Course on hole #6! PIC



ROB WILKING '84 with his second career hole-in-one at Beech Creek Golf Course on hole #9!



HIT A HOLE-IN-ONE RECENTLY?
"CHIP" THE INFORMATION ON
OVER TO BRANDON SPAETH '11
AT BSPAETH@ROGERBACON.ORG

heart & soul

RUTH FOLZ '44 grew up in Cincinnati, where, after graduating as valedictorian at Our Lady of Angels High School, she entered the registered nursing program at Cincinnati's Good Samaritan



Hospital. At the same time Ruth was a student in the bachelor of nursing program at Our Lady of Cincinnati College, from which she graduated cum laude a year after becoming an RN.

She felt she needed the Masters of Education program (which she completed 30 years later) at the University of Dayton (4.0 grade-point average) "to be on top of the counseling situation" at Springfield, Ohio's Parent Infant Center. In 1972 Ruth and her husband Dave moved to Springfield to raise their 10 children, which somehow left time in her schedule! "I was volunteering just a simple one afternoon a week" said Ruth.

Soon after that comment was made she attended a June meeting of about 40 people concerned about the increasing number of young pregnant, unmarried women who needed help. Working together these women started a program called *Birthline* which eventually grew and became the *Parent Infant Center*, the program with which Ruth's name is almost a trademark.

"At a time when there was a strong taboo about unwed pregnancies, most of the original mothers were in a difficult situation," she said, but that was just half the story. "We realized in those early years that not only was it important to have a healthy pregnancy, but that age zero through three years were critical for the child developmentally, as well" said Ruth.

"There was an adolescent parent program in (high) schools helping mothers and mothers-to-be to complete their education," a significant challenge. That was important but then they had this baby, and they may or may not have had a father for the child that was helpful." Ruth "dug in" to meet mothers' everyday needs: diapers and formula, of course, but also support in food, clothing and housing for mother and child. All of that had to be dealt with so the mothers could be in stable positions to attend the parenting and child development classes designed to be midwife to the crucial bond with their babies — a bond that would benefit both.

"She (Ruth) put her heart and soul in this work down to the many details of caring," former volunteer Nancy Metzger wrote in her endorsement. Ruth Folz was also a prime mover and grant writer in the creation of the *Parents and Children Together* program, established through Mental Health Services of Clark County to encourage healthy family relationships.

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AlumNEWS

Be Inspired. Stay Connected.

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Writing a guest column in the *Cincinnati Enquirer*, Roger Bacon alum **GARY FAVORS '85** says the secret ingredient for success in education is "the age-old solution to most successful ventures – consistent discipline." A teacher in Cincinnati Public Schools, Gary thinks "discipline is an area where public education has waved the white flag of surrender and is currently just going through the motions." He recalls his own educational experience and says "the foundational tools of solid discipline were the hallmark of Roger Bacon High School. Under the leadership of Roger Bacon's **FATHER JOHN BOK, OFM** and **FATHER JIM BOK, OFM**, we were taught standard operation procedures of how to achieve academic success through self-discipline and respect for others."



DJ (DARREN) WYRICK '03 was recently named the Cincinnati Enquirer Boys' Basketball Division I Coach of the Year (Fairfield High School). D.J. Wyrick, Fairfield – Wyrick was named the Greater Miami Conference co-coach of the year after leading the Indians to a share of the league title. Wyrick then steered Fairfield to its first district championship since 2012 and an appearance in the regional title game.

MR. FOOTBALL IN THE HOUSE
WELCOME BACK COREY!



Welcome home **COREY KINER '21**! The 2020 Mr. Football winner and current Cincinnati Bearcat always makes sure to swing back home to Roger Bacon to visit when he has time!

Corey is pictured with Director of Guidance, **PAM ROSFELD OLA '77**.



On Friday, September 9th in advance of the home football game against Hamilton Badin, Roger Bacon fans celebrated the 25th anniversary of the 1997 RB Varsity Football team; the first playoff qualifier and winner in school history and unquestionably one of the greatest teams the school has ever produced. Recall that in '97 this unit delivered a thorough, road "beatdown" of Hamilton Badin, 42-14 to clinch the GCL title.

THE '97 TEAM joined the tailgaters in "Spartan Village" for a grillout and drinks then proceeded to Bron Bacevich Memorial Stadium where the team was recognized. Post-game festivities occurred at St. Bernard's Weidemann's Brewery on Vine St. where everyone could fabricate stories of their immortal greatness!

A huge thank you to **COACH DAN STARKEY** and **SAM MERKLE '99** for organizing this special event!



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2010



On July 24, 2022, **AUSTIN GRATHWOHL '18** participated in the Ironman Competition in Sandusky, OH. He swam 1.2 miles in the swim competition (1:03 hours), biked 56 miles (3:28 hours) and ran 13.2 miles (2:11 hours). His

total hours for these activities (including transitions) were 6:52:28. He has since joined the Roebling Runners Club and added more training on his own. As a student at Roger Bacon, Austin played soccer for all four years.



ZURI EDMONDSON '19 is a senior football captain at Muskingum University. Zuri plays wide receiver and had a career game on September 17th, 2022 vs Capital as he caught 13 passes

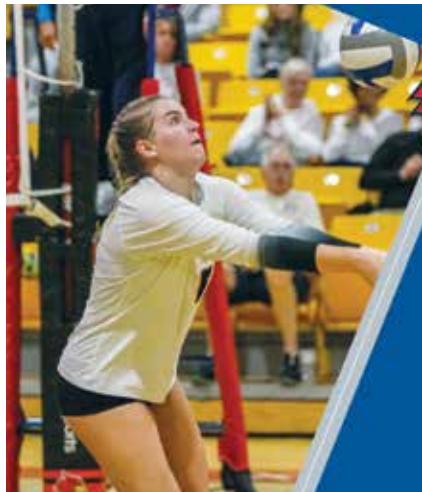
for 165 yards and a TD! During his junior season at Muskingum (2021), Zuri set the school record for receiving yards in a game (266) and receptions (17). He also tied the school record with three touchdown receptions in one game.

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2020



Congratulations to **KELLY BRENNER '20** and the Thomas More University Saints who won the NAIA women's basketball national championship. TMU won its first NAIA title in the third year in the organization after finishing as runner-up last year!

KARLY NIESEN '20 (Wheeling University) named MEC (Mountain East Conference) Player of the Year! Karly also was named first team All-MEC!



CAMMY NIESEN '22 is off to a great start as a freshman at Ole Miss! She is the starting for the Rebels and already turning heads! She was named the SEC Freshman of the Week in October then followed it up by being named the SEC Defensive Player of the Week!



what a partnership

In the July, 2022 edition of *Cincinnati* magazine, three "Spartan" brothers were featured in an article *Antique Bro Show*—**WILL '98, GRAYDON '01 and EVAN '06 SIKES**. They are pictured

in the article with their dad Reid. The brothers are part owners with their father of Caza Sikes Gallery in Oakley (Cincinnati). Their business is a combination of fine art gallery, auction house, appraisal firm



and art consultation service. "The Sikes men have decades of experience and expertise in the fine art and auction business. Both Evan and Graydon are licensed appraisers, counting *Cowan's Auctions* and *Everything But the House* among previous employers. Will directed marketing for a decade at the Western & Southern Open tennis tournament before a stint with FC Cincinnati. Their father, Reid, owned Oakley Paint & Glass for 25 years before

selling the business and later renovating the space to house Caza Sikes in 2017.

According to their father Reid, "We've all worked for big companies, so it's been a relief to open a small business where you don't have all those layers of management. Everybody can spend time with their families and we all cover for each other."



ALUMNI EVEN

Reunions & Gatherings

Jack Luhrman '55 writes "Well, Bacon Boys of the CLASS OF '55, the Gang's all here. We're chomping at the bit and ready to roll! On April 7th we brought down the thunder from the sky for our 100th STAG when fifteen Spartans roared into the party at the Montgomery Inn. The Boys were fit and trim, polished and proud. Falling in alphabetically, the included: *Rudy Gerbus, Paul Glandorf, Charley Gregory, Jack Haap, Bruce Hesketh, Don Hoffmann, Leon Howell, Babe Kearney, Ray Linesch, Jack Luhrman, Joe Monaco, Tony Novello, Jack Pohlkamp, Bob Schell and Ken Schneider.* "It was a truly meaningful, mind-blowing 100th Stag. It renewed the vigor of supposed 'Oldtimers' and reminded us that our Spirit lives on" said Jack.

SPECIAL THANKS FROM THE ROGER BACON ADMINISTRATION TO JACK LURHMAN FOR HIS INCREDIBLE EFFORTS AND DEDICATION TO KEEPING THE RB CLASS OF 1955 TOGETHER!

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The **RB CLASS OF '57** met for lunch at Wiedemann Brewery in St. Bernard for their "Stag Event" on Wednesday, September 14th. Thanks to *Rich Harmeyer* (513.385.1727) and *Tom Moser* (513.385.1384) for organizing this gathering.



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The **CLASS OF RB '58** met for dinner on September 8, 2022, at Pompillios Restaurant in Newport, KY. Contact *Jim Murphy* at 513.237.0173 for information on future gatherings.

60

The **MEN OF RB '60** (pictured below) finally had a chance to celebrate their **60th Reunion** which was cancelled twice due to the pandemic. Their celebration took place at Pebble Creek Event Center on Saturday, October 15th. Thanks for the great organizational efforts of *Seton Staley* and *Chuck Helmes* to bring their classmates together.



62

The ladies of **OLA '62** enjoyed their special **60TH Reunion** at Clovernook Country Club in April. Pictured TOP ROW: *Joan Eckert, Mary Jo Hinterlong, Marilyn Heinlein, Phyllis Pierani, Mary Jo Frerick, Beverly Duritsch, Diane Davis*. THIRD ROW: *Bernic Schmalz, Clare Hoehn, Lynn Meyer, Janet Flamm*. SECOND ROW: *Mary Ann Tenhundfeld, Susie Franz, Mary Toelke, Marilyn Becker, Carol Norton, Doris Fey, Patty Gildersleeve*. FRONT: *Carol Armbruster, Paulette Wolf, Paulette Berger, Marlene D'Andrea, Patricia Bird, Sandy Catucci and Linda Huy*.



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The **RB CLASSES OF '62 & '63** meet each month on the first Wednesday of the month at Crossroads Sports Bar and Grill (in White Oak) for lunch. Contact *Joe Karaus* for more information at 513.237.7033 or jkaraus@gmail.com.

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In September, the **RB CLASS**

OF '63 and wives (pictured above) returned to campus for lunch in the cafeteria with the students, a tour of campus and a group picture in the new Roger Bacon Amphitheatre.

A **60TH Reunion** is also being planned for the **RB CLASS OF 1963** in 2023. More information will be forthcoming. Contact **Jim Hinnenkamp '63** at jhinnenkamp@twc.com or 513.309.5247 and/or **Tom Dehmer** at 513.304.5059 for more information.

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The ladies of **OLA '65** will continue to gather for lunch, if possible. Call **Christina Boehm** for information at 513.407.1704.

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The men of **RB '65** continue to meet for lunch monthly at the Back Porch Saloon on the first Wednesday of the month. Contact **Skip Schoettmer** for more information at 513.780.0373 or skip.schoettmer@gmail.com.

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On May 11, the men of **RB '66** gathered on campus and enjoyed joining the students in the cafeteria for lunch, followed by a tour. Thanks to **Jim Uhrig** for organizing this gathering of classmates.



**OUR DOORS ARE ALWAYS OPEN! CALL TO
SCHEDULE A TOUR OF THE ROGER BACON
CAMPUS MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY.**

*Call Sue Huerkamp in the Advancement Office
at 513.641.1313 or shuerkamp@rogerbacon.org.*



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Thanks to the organizational skills of **Kathi Clark**

'67 to bring the lovely ladies of **OLA '67** to the Roger Bacon campus (Fine Arts Center) for a very special luncheon together on June 11. Many of these "angels" had not visited the RB campus since their high school days.



67

RB '67 will continue to meet on the first Monday

of the month at 6:00 pm in the Pebble Creek Golf Course restaurant. Contact **Rich Craig** at richardalanraig@yahoo.com for more information. In the spring Rich organized a lunch date with our RB students for his '67 classmates. Several RB students joined the Class of '67 for a group picture in front of school.



ALUMNI EVENTS

Reunions & Gatherings

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RB '68 continues to meet on the 2nd Monday of February, May, August and November at 6:00 pm at the Back Porch Saloon. Contact **Rick Sollmann** for more information at 513.641.1313 or rsollmann@rogerbacon.org.



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The **RB CLASS OF 1970** once again hosted a fall golf outing for RB and OLA classmates on September 23, at Miami Whitewater Golf Course in Harrison, Ohio. Thanks to **Joe Kempe** (513.404.1264) and **Ralph Henke** (859.817.0531) for organizing this annual event. After golf the 1970 alums and friends enjoyed dinner at Kreimer's Bier Haus in Cleves. The dinner event is open to golfers and non-golfers.

71

The ladies of **OLA '71** and the men of RB '71 have decided to have a monthly gathering at Wiedemann Brewery (4811 Vine Street) on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 12:30 pm. Questions can be directed to **Pam Bollmer Feichtner '71** at pfeichtner53@comcast.net or 812.584.3328.

72

The ladies of **OLA '72** had so much fun at their **50TH Reunion** this summer at Wiedemann Brewery that they are meeting again this fall at the home of **Mary Ann Abrams Wolff '72** on Sunday, November 13, 2022, from noon to 4:00 pm. Contact **Sue Huerkamp** at 513.641.1313 for more information or **Mary Ann Abrams** at 513.227.1820.



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The men of **RB '72** men (pictured above) celebrated their **50TH Reunion** at Pebble Creek on Saturday evening on June 4th and on Sunday afternoon (June 5th) at Wiedemann Brewery, entertainment provided by their classmates **Greg Ziegler** and **Tim Burks** of Grant Park (band name). Kindly, they invited the OLA '72 women to join them for both occasions. Thanks to **Paul Burke** and **Mike Lack** for organizing a great reunion weekend! They have also decided to continue meeting through the year for lunch at Wiedemann Brewery on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 12:30 pm. Contact **Mike Lack** for more information at 513.254.1847 or cincisweemer@gmail.com.

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The **OLA CLASS OF '77** enjoyed their informal **45TH Reunion** at Wiedemann Brewery in St. Bernard in September. Thanks to **Peg Foley** for organizing this reunion!



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Brian Eve planned a great stag reunion for his **RB CLASS OF '82** (pictured below) on June 10 (Stag in the Fine Arts Center) and a Saturday night dinner on June 11 with spouses at the Firehouse Grill in Blue Ash.



**90** The **CLASSES OF '90**

AND '91 had a mini reunion at the Celebration of Life for *Kelly Rickenbaugh Marsh '91* in October. Nothing like the RB Family... said *Rob Rickenbaugh '90*.

92 The **RB CLASS OF 1992** celebrated a **30TH Reunion** in October at Pebble Creek Golf Club. Thanks to *Teresa Dinwiddie Herrmann* for organizing this event.**97** *Kathy and Chris Schlichter '97* organized a special reunion for the **RB CLASS OF '97** on Saturday, September 24, 2022, in the RBHS Fine Arts Center then "JUG" time at Wiedemann's Fine Beer, Brewery & Pub in St. Bernard.**98** A **25TH Reunion** for the

1998 ROGER BACON BAND will be held on May 13th, 2023 at Roger Bacon to celebrate 25 years since the Band traveled to Moscow, Russia to perform! Please scan the QR code for our reunion Facebook Page for more information and to RSVP! <https://fb.me/e/3Gxer5MQF>

**02** The **RB CLASS OF 2002** celebrated their

20TH Reunion on campus in the Fine Arts Center on October 15. Thanks to class leaders *Tiffany Holt, Erin Smith* and *JoAnna Brougham* for organizing this special night for their classmates.



ALUMNI Reunions & Ga

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The **CLASS OF 2017** (pictured below) hosted a **5TH Reunion** at Roger Bacon on Saturday, September 10th starting at 7 pm and ending at 11 pm in the Fine Arts Center. Thanks to *Abby Merz '17* for organizing this event!



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Thanks to *Josh Wilking* for organizing a **10TH Reunion** for the **CLASS OF 2012** (pictured above) in the Fine Arts Center in July.

F R I E N D S F O R E V E R

"Celebrations infuse life with passion & purpose. They summon the human spirit."

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Bacon & Legs

Congratulations to the following who were honored at the **ROGER BACON ALUMNI AWARDS** held on November 5th!

ROGER GREIN
Roger Bacon Award

STACEY SOLLMANN CAHILL '96
Spartan Award

RICK SOLLMANN '68
Astrolabe Award

LAURA GLASSMEYER HAGEN '79
OLA Amaranth Award



alumni golf outing

This year's 2022 Roger Bacon Golf Outing raised nearly \$14,000 toward the Alumni Scholarship Fund. The 2022 scholarship recipients (Bernadette Peck & Belle Swanson) were honored at the event. From the (172) golfers, the foursome from Forward Edge and Max Hobart won this year's golf scramble barely beating out our defending champs! Huge shout out to our main sponsors: Buffalo Wings & Rings (Rose Family), Holy Grail (Don Andres) and Jake Sweeney! See you next year on June 23, 2023!



dan blaut memorial golf outing

The 10th Annual Dan Blaut Memorial Golf Outing was another huge success this year. The event raised a record \$23,000 for Roger Bacon. Billy Braselton (current RB teacher/strength coach) and his foursome of Sawyer Durham, Zeb Russell, and Adam Miller brought home the 1st place trophy with a 16 under par score! The Blaut family would like to thank all who participated, volunteered and or help sponsor the event. Your love and support has been greatly appreciated over the years. Also, a huge shout out goes to Glenview Golf Course and Century Inn for hosting the event.



paul "dutch" schildmeyer scholarship fund golf outing

The 2nd Annual Paul "Dutch" Schildmeyer Scholarship Fund golf outing was held on Friday, May 13th at Glenview Golf Course. Blessed with a second year of beautiful weather, 180 players participated in this years event, along with several additional dinner attendees that stopped by for a delicious Scherpie's catered dinner! This annual scholarship fund in Dutch's honor benefits two multi-sport Roger Bacon student-athletes (one male & one female) going into their Senior year. This year's winners were Reese Hill and Brandon Grosser. A big thanks to event sponsors Jake Sweeney Chevrolet, Kelsey Chevrolet, Borgman Athletics, Wyoming Air, Roger Bacon High School, Towne Construction, and all of our other dinner, beverage cart and hole sponsors. Please mark your calendar for our 3rd Annual outing, taking place on Friday, May 12, 2023 at Glenview Golf Course!

walt roeckers memorial golf outing

The Walt Roeckers Memorial Golf Outing was held on Friday, September 23rd at Avon Fields Golf Course. A record 120 players participated in this years event, honoring an all-time Roger Bacon legend and Athletic Hall of Fame member. Proceeds from the event benefit Roger Bacon Football and St. Clement Athletics, two of Walt's favorites where he played, coached and watched countless games over the years. On behalf of the entire Roeckers family, thank you to everyone that played, sponsored and donated to the event.



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halls of sisterhood

by Rob Rickenbaugh '90

ABOUT MY SISTER

The first draft of this story was originally just going to be about my sister, *Kelly Rickenbaugh Marsh, '91*, who passed away on September 9, 2022. When I sat down in August to begin this, my intention was to write a tribute to Kelly, highlighting all the good she had accomplished from a personal tragedy, a model of the Franciscan values taught daily at Roger Bacon.

Kelly suffered her first massive, hemorrhagic stroke on August 30, 2009. Ever the fighter, Kelly fought back to not only survive, but to make a miraculous recovery. Within six months she was walking in the Cincinnati Heart Mini-Marathon Survivors Walk, which seemed like a miracle at the time. Kelly and her husband Brad would write a book in 2016, *Love Stroke*, detailing the stroke, the recovery, and the healthcare system. With the book brought speaking engagements, from medical students and hospital staffs learning about stroke from the patient point of view, to civic organizations and schools learning about the signs for stroke. Kelly and Brad also started a foundation, One Stroke Forward, which has helped countless people through recovery, providing equipment and medication to stroke victims who were financially challenged. Kelly really did take the values instilled in her at Roger Bacon and managed to turn this catastrophic life event into a catalyst to help others. In April of 2021, Kelly and Brad fulfilled a dream to move to Florida. They were completing construction of a new home when on October 13, 2021, Kelly suffered another major stroke. She would not be able to recover from this one quite as successfully. Burdened with the lack of progress, my sister decided to exert the last bit of control she could grasp on to. Kelly and Brad created a bucket list of things to do before the end, from renewing their vows, to playing one more round of golf, to visiting with dear family and friends. My family and I saw Kelly for the last time on July 25, 2022, the most difficult day of my life, and an emotional goodbye.

To say the months of July and August were painful for my family would be a great understatement. There was an indescribable stress we were all feeling. Then, along came Jamie and Meghan.

SISTERHOOD IN THE HALLS OF ROGER BACON

This is where the second draft became about an incredible sisterhood, born in the halls of Roger Bacon.

My sister Kelly met *Jamie Desalvo Crandall* and *Meghan Knee Mueller*, also class of '91, her freshmen year. They quickly became the best of friends. As is often the case at Roger Bacon, these friendships carried on well after graduation. They shared their lives with each other, from college, to careers, to marriage, to kids, life was really a journey the three of them were determined to take together.



*Jamie, Meghan and Kelly
in the RB lunchroom in 1991*

There was certainly joy when Jamie and Meghan both visited Kelly in early August. To commemorate the sisterhood they had formed over 30+ years of friendship, and the impending loss of one of their own, the three even went and got identical tattoos, a bucket list item Kelly could proudly check off, and forever a reminder of the love they have for each other. There was just always a palpable joy when these three got together, and this light in a dark time was exactly what everyone needed.

What my family was not prepared for, however, was that Jamie and Meghan both planned on coming back in late August, because for them, it would never be enough to just say "goodbye." They were determined to be there until the very end. If one of them was going down, they'd be there until the last breath. They each left

behind their families, and moved in with Kelly and Brad for the final weeks of Kelly's life. Jamie, a registered nurse, would become part of the Hospice team caring for Kelly. Meghan would be there around the clock to help. They spent a good bit of time reminiscing, laughing, and just enjoying each other's company, like not a single thing had changed since those years in the halls of RB. Meghan and Jamie would take turns taking turns laying with Kelly, comforting her, and making sure she was surrounded by love as those final days progressed. They were both by her side, along with Kelly's husband Brad, as she passed at 10:25 pm on September 9, 2022. Meghan and Jamie saw this friendship, this sisterhood, to the very end.

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The **5TH ANNUAL AMANDA WATKINS DUNN/BOBBI WEDDLE MEMORIAL VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT** took place on August 12th and 13th at the Knotty Pine Rock & Tiki Bar. The event is in memory of **Amanda Watkins '96** who passed away on June 21, 2016, from breast cancer. The foundation created by her brother **Tommy Watkins '98** helps raise money for families battling cancer in addition to providing scholarships to Roger Bacon in her memory. The event had over 100 raffle prizes over the two day period in addition to having some Roger Bacon legends show up and participate!

This year there were two recipients... Chris Jones and Dave Stenger who are both battling tongue and throat cancer. They were both presented with a check of \$15,000 each. The AWD raised \$40,000 at the event which a portion of that money will go to recipients of the scholarship and the endowment. We couldn't have done it without our Roger Bacon family showing up and supporting the event. We can't thank you enough. To learn about future events follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/AWDMemorial or www.awdmemoralfund.com.



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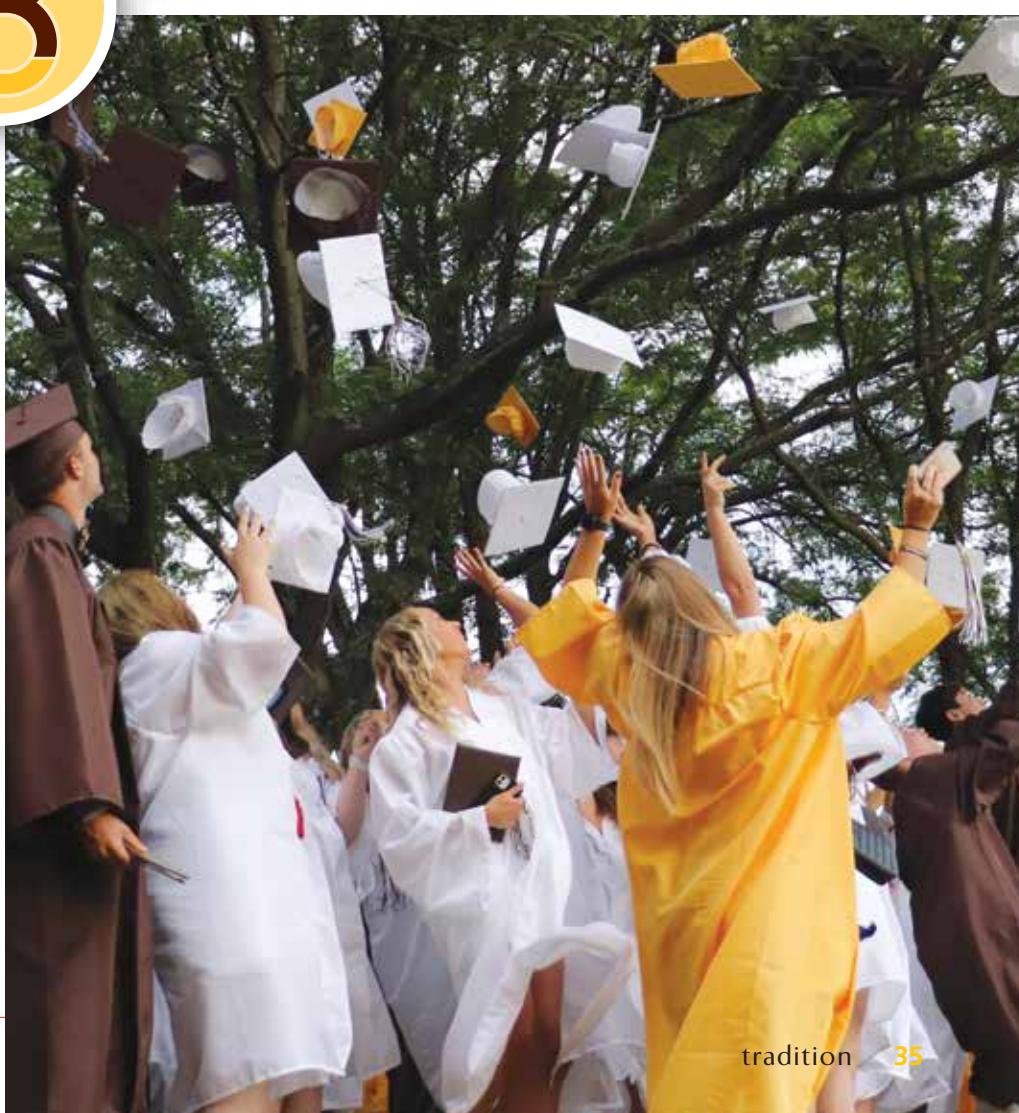
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Born to Eternal Life

The following members of the Roger Bacon family have been born to eternal life. Please join us in remembering them and their families in your prayers.

Vernon Finke '37	Samuel V. Lynd, Jr. '55	James Fay '75	RB FAMILY
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Marian Feller Evers '44	Kenneth Schneider '55	Kimberly Bollmer Bray '78	Sue Ariss
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Dorothy Wieland Gerrard '47	Mary Catherine Moorman Fischer '51	Kelly Rickenbaugh Marsh '91	Donna Espelage
Richard (Dick) Joseph Neal '47	Charles (Chuck) Habedank '56	Fernando E. Gomez '96	Michael E. Gulley
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CORRECTION: In the last edition of the *Tradition* magazine, Harmonie Kugele '18, was listed as deceased. We are glad to say that was a mistake. Our sincere apologies to Harmonie and the friends and family of Harmonie!"

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Coming together to celebrate your graduation year from Roger Bacon High School or Our Lady of the Angels is a simple way to support our current students and our *Annual Fund Drive*.

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AS A 2022 GRADUATE OF ROGER BACON, SAMMI HOFFMAN, GIVES A GRAD YEAR GIFT OF \$20.22 PER YEAR TO THE ANNUAL FUND DRIVE.

"Roger Bacon will always hold a special place in my heart. I met some incredible friends, staff, and coaches that will always have a huge impact on my life. I grew a lot each day at Roger Bacon and have some amazing memories that I will always cherish. While it isn't a large sum of money, it shows my appreciation and gratitude for everything Roger Bacon has given me. It's easy to support such a great place that has even better people. The family atmosphere is something you cannot find anywhere else and it's a place where alumni can come back and still feel at home."



AS 2019 GRADUATES OF ROGER BACON, JERIMIAH FLOWERS & ZURI EDMONDSON, EACH GIVE A GRAD YEAR GIFT OF \$20.19 PER YEAR TO THE ANNUAL FUND DRIVE.

"Roger Bacon helped shape us into who we are today and will always hold a special place in our hearts. Roger Bacon taught us lessons that are helping us achieve our goals as we head into the end of our college careers. Those lessons will stay with us beyond college as well! We've met some incredible friends, families, coaches, and faculty that have made a huge impact on our lives through Roger Bacon. One of the many things we learned during our time as Spartans was the importance of giving back!"



AS A 2011 GRADUATE OF ROGER BACON, TANNER SPRONG, GIVES A GRAD YEAR GIFT OF \$20.11 PER MONTH TO THE ANNUAL FUND DRIVE.

"As a member of the Roger Bacon class of 2011, the values instilled within the walls of Roger Bacon have been carried forward through my academic and professional career. To this day, many of the relationships and bonds created through Roger Bacon hold strong today, as I continue to hangout with many of my former classmates. I felt it was my responsibility to give back to the school that had given so much to me. It's a small token of my appreciation to the school, administrators, classmates, and teachers that walked and continue to walk the halls."



AS A 1983 GRADUATE OF OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS, SUSAN WALSH WAGERS, GIVES A GIFT OF \$83 PER MONTH TO THE ANNUAL FUND DRIVE.

"As a very proud 1983 graduate of Our Lady of the Angels High School, I will tell everybody within the sound of my voice how my Catholic education changed my life. I came to OLA from a public school and found things so different in such a great way. Those years were three of the greatest years of my life and every day was full of learning, activities and friendships. Even though OLA closed its doors, I will continue to support Roger Bacon, as it is a continuation of the wonderful school that I went to! At OLA, I counted. And today, my monthly gift counts!"



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