

The Rambler Report

REGIS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS MAGAZINE FOR FAMILIES, FRIENDS & ALUMNI SUMMER 2018

A photograph of three graduates in green and yellow regalia, smiling. The graduate on the left is a young man with a pink tie. The two graduates on the right are young women. They are standing outdoors in front of trees.

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Regis High School presents diplomas to **Class of 2018**



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First Athletic Event on New Field





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Report from the Dean



“Behold how good and how pleasant it is when brothers live in unity.”

As we finish another successful school year, I want to take a moment to say thank you to our priests. Regis would not be Regis without them. I feel especially blessed to be serving in a deanery that has such talented, hard-working, and compassionate shepherds. In the words of Psalm 133, “Behold how good and how pleasant it is when brothers live in unity.”

Historically, our priests have not always gotten along with each other. In some of the other Catholic school systems, they still do not! We are blessed. All of our pastors feel confident sharing their concerns respectfully and candidly, and then uniting as one in serving the parishes and the schools.

As we look ahead to the new school year, we have big changes coming. As of July 5, three of our six Regis pastors moved on, as well as our chaplain. In just one year, Fr. Thelen warmed everyone’s hearts, making an enormous impact, both as Regis Chaplain and in my two parishes. Thankfully, he will be nearby, as he assumes the pastoral leadership of three small parishes in Alma Center and Fairchild. Fr. Sedlacek has taken his place at Regis. He will bring a youthful, fun, and dynamic personality I know everyone will love.

Fr. Hoffman becomes a “senior priest,” which means he can let go of administrative duties, but will be filling in often for Masses, funerals, weddings, and much more. I have known him since he started the seminary more than a dozen years ago. Any time I have ever needed help with anything, he has been eager to serve. I am deeply grateful that he is staying in the area, and will continue to be at our service. Meanwhile, a very familiar figure will be returning to the Deanery as Fr. Kurzynski takes over the helm at St. Olaf. I know that many of you will be very excited to have him back in the Regis family.

Fr. Meuret, as we all know, is larger-than-life. He is one of the most capable administrators I have ever met, not to mention an amazing chef. I have no idea how he accomplished all that he did at Immaculate Conception these past four years, most of that time also humbly and patiently serving as our Dean. We wish him all the best as he moves to Mosinee.

I want to give a very special thank you to Fr. George Thayilkuzhithottu. I have known him since his arrival in 2005, when we both served in Stevens Point. Despite my personal talent for foreign languages, I still cannot pronounce his name. Oh well. What I do know is that he has been a joy-filled and much beloved pastor at each of the parishes he has ever served. We will miss him deeply as he returns to his religious community in India. We look forward to welcoming Fr. Jazdzewski, also familiar to many of you from his days at Notre Dame in Chippewa Falls. He is a Pacelli graduate, but we will not hold that against him.

I must admit emitting a gasp when I found out four of our priests were moving – but then amazing relief and joy to hear of whom the four replacements were. In addition, a relief to know that Fr. Krieg, Fr. Oudenhoven, Fr. Schultz, and Fr. Nakwah will still be with us. I do not know why the Bishop is choosing to bless us with such a star-studded cast in our deanery, but I certainly will not complain. Please keep all of these priests in your prayers, and be sure to tell them how much you appreciate their service. Thank you, Fathers!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Derek Sakowski".

Fr. Derek Sakowski
Dean, Eau Claire Deanery

Report from the President

“Our goal is, and always will be, to provide the safest educational environment possible for your children.”



With a great deal of the national focus on school safety and security, I want to take this opportunity to let you know this has been a priority for our schools for a number of years. Recently, the Department of Justice announced \$100 million in grant allocations is available for all K-12 school systems in the state of Wisconsin. Regis Catholic Schools submitted a proposal the first week in June and are awaiting to see what amount we will receive.

We actually started the process with a review of our School Safety Plan last summer, which included a collaboration with the Eau Claire Police Department. The department was pleased to see we have a solid prevention and response plan. During the past school year, under the leadership of Regis Middle and High School Principal Paul Pedersen, we added an application to all the administrators' smartphones called CrisisGo. The program links directly to the Eau Claire Police Department, and the Eau Claire Area School District uses it, too. This past spring, we introduced our current staff to the concept and we will fully train them prior to the start of the 2018-19 school year.

Our next step is to add features such as shatter resistant film on all doors to each of our buildings, improve the

main entries with an enhance intercom/video system, and finally, change all classroom door locks to meet current safety recommendations and also to be ADA compliant. Those building features are not the only thing that comes into play for school security. Our staff will also be receiving training in areas of mental health. In August, Pupil Services Director Pam Foegen will inform the staff on Adverse Childhood Experiences and Trauma Informed Care. Then in January, we have a speaker lined up to address the topic of mental health issues. We are excited to add these development sessions to what Regis Catholic Schools has already established. Our goal is, and always will be, to provide the safest educational environment possible for your children.

Yours with Christ.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Gobler'.

Mark Gobler '73
President

Pastoral Changes



**We welcome
Fr. Sedlacek to
Regis Catholic
Schools!**

Please keep
all our pastors in
your prayers
as they make
these transitions.

New Chaplain at Regis Middle & High School

On July 5, **Fr. Daniel J. Sedlacek** began his new assignment as Chaplain at Regis Middle School and Regis High School, and as Associate Pastor at St. Mary Parish and St. Raymond of Peñafort Parish.

Fr. Sedlacek previously served as the Associate Pastor of St. John the Baptist Parish in Marshfield and Christ the King Parish in Spencer, and Chaplain at Columbus High School and Columbus Middle School in Marshfield.

Fr. Sedlacek was born on August 21, 1989 and was reborn in the Sacrament of Baptism on September 24, 1989 at his home parish of Holy Cross in Cornell. He grew up on a dairy farm with his parents, three brothers and five sisters. He was educated at home K-12. One of his favorite things to do while growing up was to serve Mass at his home parish.

His childhood pastor was the late Fr. Jeremiah Cashman, who planted many seeds of a priestly vocation. Fr. Sedlacek first considered priesthood at about the age of seven, but first experienced God's call when he was in fifth grade. The example of the lives of the Saints, especially those who were priests, often inspired him to consider the priesthood. Through the forthright guidance of his

youth minister, Deacon Tom Kinnick, he decided to enter seminary after graduation from high school. In the Fall of 2008 he entered St. John Vianney College Seminary at the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota. There he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy and Catholic Studies. He then was sent to study theology in Rome, Italy. There he earned his Bachelor's in Sacred Theology from the University of the Holy Cross, and post-graduate degrees in the thought of St. Augustine and Joseph Ratzinger/Pope Benedict XVI. He was ordained a deacon at St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican on October 1, 2015, and ordained a priest at the Cathedral in La Crosse on June 25, 2016 by Bishop William Patrick Callahan.

He enjoys spending time with his large and continually growing family (10 nieces and nephews and counting), playing the piano and organ, brewing beer, looking at old bookstores, playing Ultimate Frisbee, spending time outdoors, gardening, and hunting.

Additional Pastoral Updates

The Reverend Daniel L. Thelen, Associate Pastor of St. Mary Parish in Altoona and St. Raymond of Peñafort Parish, and Chaplain at Regis Middle School and Regis High School, has been appointed Parochial Administrator of Immaculate Conception Parish in Alma Center, St. John Cantius Parish in Fairchild, and St. Joseph Parish in Fairview.

Fr. Don Meuret, Pastor at Immaculate Conception Parish in Eau Claire, has been appointed Pastor of St. Paul Parish in Mosinee. As of the printing of this publication, an official pastoral replacement has not yet been named.

Fr. Brian Jazdewski has been appointed Pastor of Sacred Heart of Jesus-St. Patrick Parish in Eau Claire. Fr. George Thayikuzhithottu has returned to India.

Fr. James Kurzynski has been appointed Pastor of St. Olaf Parish in Eau Claire. Fr. Paul Hoffman has been granted senior priest status.

Staff Changes



Kelly K. Mechelke



Jackie Lutz

Please keep Kelly and Jackie in your prayers as they make this transition.

There will be a change in administrative roles at St. James Elementary for the upcoming school year.

Kelly K. Mechelke, St. James Elementary Principal and Regis Catholic Schools Curriculum Coordinator, has requested and has been granted a partial sabbatical for the 2018-19 academic year. She will retain her role as Curriculum Coordinator and step aside as Principal at St. James. We wish Kelly the best as she concentrates further on her coursework for a Doctorate in Education.

The new principal for St. James Elementary will be Jackie Lutz.

Jackie has been a 4th grade teacher at Immaculate Coception Elementary for three years. She will be completing her Master's Degree in Administration at Viterbo University in the summer of 2019. Jackie has been teaching in Catholic schools her entire professional career. She was the teacher in charge at St. Joseph's School in Menomonie for 8 years. We are fortunate to have someone with her experience.

Education Commission Report

In the recent Marvel movie, Black Panther, the main character's younger sister, who serves as his tech whiz, reminds her big brother that "just because something works... doesn't mean it cannot be improved." I really thought hard about that line after our April Education Commission meeting where we reviewed the results of the survey Regis Catholic Schools distributed to adhere to our new accreditation requirements. Our parents, staff, and students all had the opportunity to complete these surveys. Overall, we received a lot of positive news that showed us Regis Catholic Schools is having the impact we all hope it does. However, immediately after discussing all that good news, someone raised two very important questions. "Where are we lacking?" "What areas can we improve upon?"

If Regis Catholic Schools decided to maintain the status quo, our current students would still be receiving a top-notch education wrapped in a faith-filled environment. However, if we did not think on how to improve on what we do, we would be doing a disservice to our future students. It is exciting to think of the opportunities that all our students will be able to take advantage of in the coming years because someone thought of how to improve on an idea that already worked.

One could make the argument that the field on the Regis campus did not work and that it is why it needed replacing. Thanks to the massive amounts of planning, and the spectacular generosity of our donors, we now have a beautiful complex that will be used for everything from P.E. classes, to soccer and football practices and games, to having somewhere for students to stretch their legs and run around during free time.

Not satisfied with the status quo, English teacher Judine Brey thought of a unique idea and worked hard to make it a reality, developing (and ultimately filling) the new Fine Arts Director Position. As a result, the number of theater opportunities for all Regis students grew exponentially, including three yearly productions that will help deliver spiritual messages through theater and a summer workshop that will give middle school students a glimpse into all the work that goes into a production.

"Just because something works, doesn't mean it cannot be improved."

A number of our teachers and administrators have been or are working toward getting advanced degrees to become more powerful tools to educate our children. This past year, five employees completed their work on advanced degrees and another four are currently studying to complete their Masters. By working with Regis Catholic Schools to further their careers, these teachers and administrators are looking to help serve our students better by challenging themselves.

The Education Commission hears and discusses ideas like this on a regular basis and its members are always looking for ways to help make Regis Catholic Schools better. If you have a thought on how to improve on something that works, do not hesitate to contact your parish representative on the Education Commission, or email me directly at rsollberger@RegisCatholicSchools.com.

Reid Sollberger
Chair, Regis Education Commission

Faculty & Staff Appreciation Awards



2018 Teacher of the Year

Regis Child Development Center

Brittney LeBarron has a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education and has been a part of the Regis team for five years. She consistently exhibits a passion for teaching and fostering each child's love for learning. She is committed to providing a loving, educational environment for children ages 1 to 2 years old. Brittney is extremely intentional in her teaching; meeting each child at their level of development and adapting her lesson plans to meet each of their individual goals. She controls high stress situations calmly and approaches situations with a positive viewpoint. She has built a great rapport with families, greeting each parent and child with enthusiasm and making certain to start everyone's day on a happy note. She takes great pride in her work which shows through her daily interactions with children, parents, staff, and administration.

Genesis Child Development Center

Jessica Jenson has an Associate's Degree in Early Childhood Education and has been a part of the Genesis team for more than five years. She designs a developmentally appropriate curriculum for children ages 1 to 2 years old, which aligns with the Wisconsin Model Early Learning Standards. Jessi has worked closely with management to revise and develop center-wide lesson plan formats, which incorporate best practice and meet each child's individual needs. She is committed to providing a loving and

educational environment for children, while focusing on the core beliefs of early childhood development. She has a gentle, nurturing personality that children gravitate toward and parents trust. She is a true role model and leads by example.

Immaculate Conception Elementary

Jackie Lutz has taught in Catholic schools for more than 20 years and has served as a 4th grade teacher at Immaculate Conception Elementary for the last three years. She is a natural born teacher who maintains high expectations for the students. She keeps them motivated with a variety of lessons, has an excellent reward system, and has created a respectful learning environment. Jackie models the Catholic faith through frequent prayer and incorporates values into the classroom.

St. James Elementary

Deanne Eslinger travels between St. James Elementary and St. Mary's Elementary to serve as counselor. She is a calming presence for staff, parents, and especially students. This year, the St. James community experienced a tragic loss and Deanne's compassion offered comfort and support to many. She exemplifies patience and understanding when working one-on-one and with small groups of students. Her constant flexibility allows her to be available when her presence at school means so much for our school

community. Deanne is an amazing counselor who provides a safe place for students to express themselves and work through their feelings and emotions. She is a stable, reliable resource for our schools.

St. Mary's Elementary

From her days of teaching kindergarten to her many years in second grade, **Ann Hoffmann** has been a consistent, positive presence at St. Mary's Elementary and St. Mary's parish. Preparing both the students and parents for the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion is a huge undertaking, one she navigates flawlessly and becomingly year after year. Ann has become a bridge between parish, home, and school life for our second grade families, a vocal supporter of Catholic education, and the unofficial social director for the St. Mary's staff.

Regis Middle School

Andy Niese '92 has been with the Regis Catholic Schools system for 16 years. He has taught physical education at St. James Elementary, Regis Middle and now, at Regis High School. He also serves as the Athletic Director for Regis Middle School.

Mr. Niese is the epitome of what it means to be a life long Catholic school teacher. He is a believer in having students learn about healthy lifestyles and activities they can enjoy

Years of Service

5 Years

Kathleen Adams
Shelly Kern
Melissa Madson
Tanya Schmitz
Jessica Jenson
Amber Kohnert

10 YEARS

Bryant Brenner
Edward Leustek
Kim Peck

15 YEARS

Judine Brey
Heather Mecikalski
Anne Geraghty
Eric Nelson

20 YEARS

Linda Menard '74
Cynthia Sarazen
Donna Simon

25 YEARS

Wendy Peterson

35 YEARS

Mary Allen

RETIRING STAFF MEMBERS

Mariette Donovan
Peg Wahl-Hays
(Regis Catholic Schools
Sub Finder)



(L-R) Linda Menard, Ann Hoffmann, Brittney LaBarron, Sally Bartig, Deanne Eslinger, Jackie Lutz, Andy Niese (NOT PICTURED) Jessica Jenson & Warren Walicki

for the rest of their lives. He also has a very strong commitment and passion to provide our students well-balanced athletic opportunities that place a priority on teamwork, fair play, and sportsmanship. Mr. Niese exemplifies the Core Values Regis identifies with and he is truly a Rambler.

Regis High School

Warren Walicki has been a part-time math teacher at Regis High School for the past four years. During this time, Mr. Walicki taught Algebra II and was the Math Department chair. He was most noted for the extra time he spent working with students before school and during his lunch hour. His expertise was math, but his energy and passion was in working with kids.

Mr. Walicki was widely respected by his students and their parents because he maintained high standards and expected students to work hard. He was 'no nonsense' in his approach to providing traditional math instruction and played a large role in Regis High School's improved standardized assessment math scores. Mr. Walicki finished his teaching career this past year and he will truly be missed.

2018 Administrative Support Staff of the Year

During her time with Regis Catholic Schools, **Sally Bartig** has become a valued member of the St. Mary's

Elementary staff. She has worked tirelessly to create an organized, friendly, and welcoming environment where confidentiality is a top priority. Parents, students, staff, and guests entering St. Mary's are all warmly greeted and treated with respect, acceptance, and compassion. Sally's attention to detail is impeccable and her calming presence is appreciated in the hustle and bustle of an elementary school office!

2018 Support Staff of the Year

Linda Menard '74 deserves praise and recognition for the many ways she has helped staff and students during her numerous years with Regis Catholic Schools. Her patient demeanor builds trust and respect with students from kindergarten through fifth grade. Each day, Linda brings smiles and calm to the kindergarten classroom, along with organizational skills and efficiency in completing many projects. Linda is quick to volunteer to help in any way possible throughout the entire school building, often stating, "Just tell me what you'd like me to do." She is a team player in every sense, helping students, staff, and parents without complaint, and is an integral component for the success of our school.



Erika Galewski named Private School Teacher of the Year

The Herb Kohl Foundation and the Wisconsin Council for Religious and Independent Schools (WCRIS) selected Erika Galewski from St. Mary's Elementary as the Private School Teacher of the Year!



We surprised Mrs. Galewski during a school assembly on Teacher Appreciation Day in early May. She is a 3rd grade teacher at St. Mary's Elementary in Altoona and was one of the 14 Kohl's Teacher Fellowship Winners who received \$6,000 for themselves and another \$6,000 for their school.

A WCRIS statewide panel then selected Galewski as the 2018 Teacher of the Year.

"The Teacher of the Year award is a way to honor a teacher whose hard work plays a vital part in making Wisconsin private education excellent," said Executive Director Sharon Schmeling of WCRIS.



WCRIS is a non-profit, nonpartisan, membership association representing more than 100,000 K-12 students in 600 Catholic, Lutheran, Christian, Seventh Day Adventist, and independent schools across Wisconsin. It is the official state chapter of the Council for American Private Education.

Congratulations, Erika! We are blessed to have you as part of our Regis Catholic Schools family.

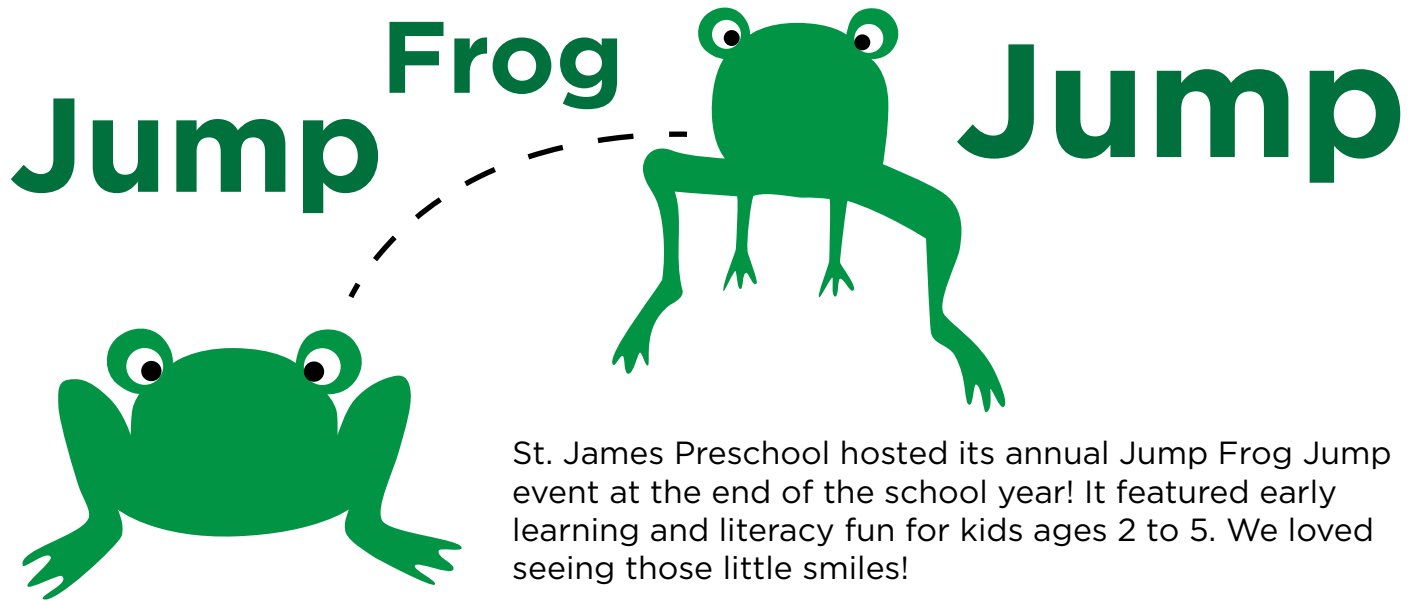


Nancy Lynch, librarian and 5th grade religious teacher at Immaculate Conception Elementary, was chosen as the recipient of the 2017-2018 Diocesan Mother Teresa Award.

Nancy unselfishly gives to her community through service and her kindness towards others is an inspiration to us all. She received the award on April 25, during the annual Diocesan Staff Development event.

Congratulations, Nancy! We are blessed to have you as part of our Regis Catholic Schools family.

Jump Frog Jump



St. James Preschool hosted its annual Jump Frog Jump event at the end of the school year! It featured early learning and literacy fun for kids ages 2 to 5. We loved seeing those little smiles!



Congra Class



tulations of 2018!



On May 23, Regis High School presented diplomas to 59 graduates. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin a new journey in life.



Class of 2018 Valedictorians

FRONT ROW (L-R)

Taryn Alexander
Celine Sabbagh
Emma Kowieski
Lorren Postl
Audrey Newby
Josie Seelen

BACK ROW (L-R)

Keelin Norman-Klatt
Andrew Reis
Trenton Cronk
Amber Darge
Ethan Petersilka



Class of 2018 Salutatorians

(L-R)

Zachary Yengo
Ryan Ciresi
Anne McMenomy
Alayna Deignan

Class of 2018

Taryn Alexander
UW-Eau Claire

Michael Beckfield
UW-Eau Claire

Bailey Bergeman
Mankato State University

Samantha Bergum
University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

Carter Brown
UW-Superior

Ryan Ciresi
University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

Tucker Comero
University of St. Thomas

Trenton Cronk
Nova Southeastern University

Amber Darge
University of St. Thomas

Alaina Darnell
University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

Alayna Deignan
UW-Eau Claire

Calvin Diaz
UW-Eau Claire

Jared Dieckman
UW-Eau Claire

Declan Dooley
Chippewa Valley Technical College

Austin Erickson
University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

Afton Fedie
UW-Green Bay

Bergen Finn
University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

Alexis Fisher
UW-Eau Claire

Keea Grotte
Chippewa Valley Technical College

Dayton Gutsch
Hamline University

Emily Haag
Marquette University

Aleah Hogan
UW-Eau Claire

Taylor Johnson
UW-Eau Claire

Ariel Kern
University of Mary

Laith Kidess
University of St. Thomas

Jacob Klink
Winona State University

Jaxon Kostka
University of Mary

Emma Kowieski
UW-Madison

Anne McMenemy
UW-La Crosse

Hannah Mehtala
Winona State University

Morgan Metz
University of St. Thomas

Andrew Millington
Texas Christian University

Martha Mohan
UW-Eau Claire

Elliott Morning
Undecided

Audrey Newby
Montana State University

Vy Thai Khanh Nguyen
Binghamton University

Keelin Norman-Klatt
Beloit College

Ethan Petersilka
University of St. Thomas

Laura Pierce
UW-Eau Claire

Ryan Pire
UW-Stout

Lorren Postl
University of Mary

Natnael Raehl
University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

Esme Reinders
UW-Stevens Point

Andrew Reis
Southern Methodist University

Dakota Roettger
UW-Madison

Andrew Root
University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

Jordan Ruppelt
Western Technical College

Celine Sabbagh
Macalester College

Jacob Salonek
University of Minnesota-Duluth

Jenna Schabert
Winona State University

Josie Seelen
Boston College

Natalia Sexton
Chippewa Valley Technical College

Kathleen Seyer
University of St. Thomas

Matthew Talley
UW-Eau Claire

Samantha Wackwitz
Chippewa Valley Technical College

Marjorie Willer
UW-La Crosse

Jacob Woodie
Undecided

Zachary Yengo
UW-Eau Claire

Justin Zwiefelhofer
Marquette University



The Tradition Continues

FRONT ROW (L-R)

Ariel Kern '18

Jeff Kern '80
(Father)

Esme Reinders '18

Mary Jo (Juster) Reinders '59
(Grandmother)

Samantha Wackwitz '18

Eric Wackwitz '85
(Father)

Emma Kowieski '18

Carole (Zachau) Skutley '65
(Grandmother)
Mark Skutley '65
(Grandfather)

Andrew Root '18

Dr. Richard Ohm '52
(Grandfather)

BACK ROW (L-R)

Emily Haag '18

Daniel Haag '87
(Father)

Urban Haag '56
(Grandfather)

Catherine Haag '56
(Grandmother)

Ryan Pire '18

Julie Bennett-Pire '82
(Mother)

Dayton Gutsch '18

Steve Gutsch '82
(Father)

Jacob Salonek '18

Dave Hehli '60
(Grandfather)
Mary Hehli '60
(Grandmother)

Michael Beckfield '18

Mark Beckfield '75
(Father)
Cathy Beckfield '75
(Mother)

Austin Erickson '18

Marlo (Steinmetz)
Erickson '85
(Mother)

Kathleen Seyer '18

Mary (Wilkinson) Seyer '76
(Mother)
John Seyer '76
(Father)
Helen (Haugen) Seyer '53
(Grandmother)
Henry Seyer '53
(Grandfather)



Erickson Family



Haag Family



Pire Family



Root Family

Aiming High

Flagpole rehab project among ways grad has made **his mark**

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Eric Nelson, dean of students at Regis High School, has one word to describe graduating senior Dakota Roettger: **reliable.**

“He has a bright future ahead of him,” said Nelson, who also teaches history and has had the 18-year-old Roettger in his class.

“He’s a doer, he’s got a knack for being organized, and you can just count on him to get done what he needs to.”

Roettger, the son of Lisa and Todd Roettger, is one of 59 students (who graduated from) Regis.

This fall, he’ll take the lessons he’s learned from the staff, classes and activities at the Catholic high school and his involvement in 4-H to UW-Madison, where he plans to pursue “something in business, probably market research or brand management.”

“I’ve learned a lot here,” said Roettger, referring to Regis and its teachers, several of whom became mentors as well.

“He has been a pleasure to teach,” said Nelson, one of the educators Roettger mentioned as such. “He has been very attentive in class, added things to the conversation and went over and above on assignments.”

The same can be said about a National Honor Society project Roettger and fellow student Audrey Newby are working on, Nelson said.

In the coming weeks, the pair will remove the old materials from around the flagpole outside Regis; put in new soil, mulch and plants; wash the bricks around the pole; and put out a new flag — one flown over the U.S. Capitol.

“Audrey and I both like to be outside and get our hands dirty,” said Roettger, noting the project also included putting together a budget and applying for funds from the Rotary Club of Eau Claire.

“It’s been really fun to make sure that all of our information is correct and going in the right direction,” said Roettger, who wants the project to be done by Memorial Day “as a tribute to those who gave their lives to our country.”

In addition to National Honor Society, Roettger has been involved with mock trial and forensics and ran track during his high school career. He has had leadership roles in the latter two, this year serving as a team captain for the varsity track team and senior officer in forensics, which he has been involved with since sixth grade.

“It’s been really cool to work with other youth (in track) and watch them grow through the season,” Roettger said, noting it also has been interesting to watch young people in forensics “expand their craft.”

Roettger learned a lot about leadership skills through his involvement in 4-H.

“It’s one of the biggest players in who I am today,” said Roettger, who joined a club in first grade.

“Definitely, 4-H is seen as an agricultural organization,” he said. “Recently at the state and national level, it has moved to a leadership organization.”

At the club level, Roettger has been president of the Maple Drive Boosters. At the county level, there is an older youth council, which brings together clubs once a month

for community service activities, fun things such as trips to Action City and leadership skill expansion.

From there, youth are able to apply for educational travel opportunities. Roettger has attended the Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference in Madison and was a Wisconsin delegate to the National 4-H Congress in Atlanta.

Roettger has had a chance to meet U.S. Sens. Tammy Baldwin and Ron Johnson and discuss with them what America’s youth can do in the future.

“We are powerful as a generation,” Roettger said. “4-H has shown me that youth can definitely make a difference.”

“He’s a doer, he’s got a knack for being organized, and you can just count on him to get done what he needs to.”

He has come far since Jodi Thesing-Ritter met “a shy, little boy” through 4-H many years ago.” Dakota has grown into a phenomenal leader, and he is eager to make the world better and willing to do the work necessary to do that.”

Roettger credits his parents for his work ethic.

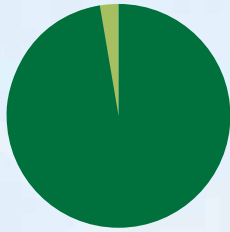
“My mom and dad have both really pushed me to reach for my goals and enabled me to work hard and see the fruits of that hard work,” he said.

“We are powerful as a generation.”



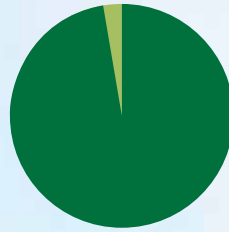
2018 Senior Exit Survey

Did you have a positive learning experience at Regis High School?



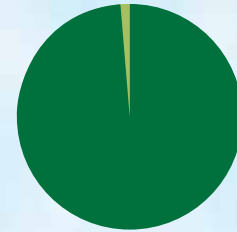
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Did you feel you received challenging subject matter in the courses you took at Regis High School?



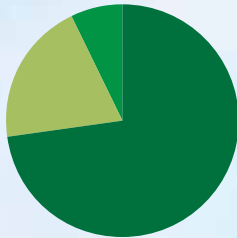
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Did your teachers have high expectations for quality work?



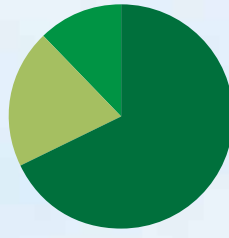
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Overall, how would you rate the learning environment at Regis High School?



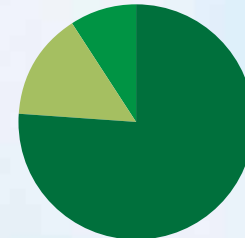
73% Excellent/Good
20% Average
7% Below Average

Overall, how well did your experience at Regis High School help you become a positive contributing member of society?



68% Excellent/Good
20% Average
12% Below Average

How proud are you about having graduated from Regis High School?



77% Excellent/Good
15% Average
8% Below Average



Scholarship Recipients

SENIOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Charter Bank Scholarships

Taryn Alexander,
Emily Haag,
Lorren Postl,
Dayton Gutsch &
Josie Seelen

Earl Benning Memorial Accounting or Business Major Scholarship

Dakota Roettger

Jason Yarrington Scholarship

Zachary Yengo

AnnMarie Foundation Scholarship

Alayna Deignan

Eau Claire Energy Cooperative Scholarship

Ethan Petersilka

Eau Claire Rotary Club Scholarship

Josie Seelen,
Amber Darge &
Dakota Roettger

West Wisconsin Telecom Co-Op Scholarship

Dayton Gutsch

Edwin & Lucille Eggen Scholarships

Trenton Cronk,
Josie Seelen,
Zachary Yengo &
Dakota Roettger

Wisconsin Alumni Association Scholarship

Emma Kowieski &
Dakota Roettger

Wisconsin Academic Excellence Scholarship

Andrew Reis

RETURNING STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Earl Benning Memorial General Scholarship

Joseph Edge

Greg "Mouse" Bement Memorial Scholarship

Tristan Root

Robert & Patricia Devney Memorial Scholarship

Katie Andrews

Cheryl Wackwitz Memorial Scholarship

Grace Multhauf

Hrubesh Family Scholarships

Maggie Andrews &
Julia Weisenberger

Judy Bye Henderson Memorial Scholarship

Teryn Karlstad

Charles & Caroline Loechler Memorial Scholarship

Sydnee Yengo

Edward A. Carlson Class of 1958 Scholarship

Michael Usher

Knights of Columbus John F. Kennedy Council Scholarships

Leanne Back &
Lauren Semerad

St. Olaf PCCW & St. Olaf Men's Club Scholarship

Madison Olson

Frances Kurth Memorial Scholarships

Liz Wiltgen &
Rachel Szeplieniec

Trent Mobraaten Scholarship

Heidi Skwierczynski

Regis Bridge Club Scholarship

Joseph Edge

Mary Kay Bissell Memorial Scholarship

Harrison Shepich

Michael J. Fedie Memorial Scholarship

Bria Thalacker

Emilio & Patricia Rinaldi Family Scholarships

Devin Dykes &
Lilian Radant

John, Patricia & Neil McElroy Memorial Scholarship

Mitchell Merkel

George "Mike" & Patricia Carroll Memorial Scholarship

Will Jordahl

Michael Carroll '67 Memorial Scholarship

John Wolterstorff

Joseph Janz Class of 1983 Memorial Scholarship

Marne Milanowski

Bishop John Paul Class of '51 Scholarship

Andrew Ernstmeyer

Fred & Patricia Urmann Scholarship

Quinn Petersilka

AWARDS

Bishop's Medal

Lorren Postl

Frank Zukaitis Awards

Ryan Ciresi &
Emily Haag

2018 First Communion



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION ELEMENTARY

FIRST ROW (L-R) Quinlan McCauley, Preston Smith, Mason Sisko, Mark Patchin, Emily Halfen, Charlie Beaver, Lillabeth Derouin, Marlie Radle, Rachel Ridenour, Katie Toutant, Johnathan Lewis

SECOND ROW (L-R) Ava Hoytomt, Dante Moreno-Itehua (3rd Grade), Abel Yigezu, Chloe Edwards, Mirabella Patten, Helen Muehlenkamp, John Joles, Macy Bowman, Anya Hendrickson, Griffin Boda

THIRD ROW (L-R) Ryan Majeski, Jacob Shih, Taylor Smith, Avery Ludescher, Mason Flannery



ST. JAMES ELEMENTARY

FIRST ROW (L-R) Anthony Smith, Evan Gohre, Asher Haasnoot, Camden Sedlacek, Ava Whiteside, Steven Bergh, Emilia Lee

SECOND ROW (L-R) Benjamin Erickson, Camryn Penk, Alexander Abbott, Jenille Villarte, Dane Nodolf, Amelia Beck

THIRD ROW (L-R) Carter Atkinson, Sophia Cerny, Chesnie Yakesh, William Candell, Michelle Ahrendt, Hunter Hardwick, Aaron Smith



ST. MARY'S ELEMENTARY

FIRST ROW (L-R) Aiden Rau, David Laporte, AnaLyn Kostka, Riley Catt, Lucas Rosener, Keylany Juarez Solis

SECOND ROW (L-R) Kellen Crow, Dylan Bilda, Alexis McCrery, Vaughn Brogelman, Olivia Mueller, Tenley Wold, Fr. Sakowski

2018 Confirmation



Zade Kidess, Evan Swanson, Max Salonek, Robbie Burhop, Harrison Shepich, Matthew Klink, Abe Rocksvold, Hayden Reinders, Brent Martin, Henry Theisen, Andrew Schlitz, Riley Bauer, Hailey Chilson, Lilyan Kostka, Caroline Kowieski, Joe Edge, Julia Weisenberger, Maddie Brown, Tristan Root, Fletcher Theisen, Donovan Wogernese, Ryan Whiteside, Nick Madson, Griffin Johnson, Branton Paulsrud, Bria Thalacker, Elle Matson, Elena Bourget, Lily Niese, Mykaila Reynen, Noelle Pawelski, Maggie Andrews, Quinn Petersilka, Sydney Bates, Anna Daniels, Emma Knobloch, Ashlee Woodie, Sophia Picco, Ida Fugoso

4K Graduation

In May, students from the 4K programs at the Regis and Genesis Child Development Centers celebrated with two special graduation ceremonies.

Good luck to the Class of 2031!



Regis Child Development Center



Genesis Child Development Center

Track & Field of Dreams



We are pleased to report that all aspects of our Track & Field of Dreams Project should be completed and ready to go for the start of the 2018-19 school year! It has been exciting to watch this dream become a reality, and we thank you for your generous support.

However, we have not yet completed our fundraising efforts to help cover the costs associated with this two-year campaign. As was mentioned in one of our mailings, the last 10% to 15% of a major fundraising campaign is the hardest part. We are confident that with your support we can reach our goal of \$1.3 million!

The process of re-grading the surface, laying the synthetic turf, asphaltting the track, and adding the new fence was a big undertaking, but one that was necessary to overhaul our physical education facility and athletic field on the Regis campus. Many people have already commented on how nice the new upgrade looks and we are very proud of this new facility.

Rettler Corporation out of Stevens Point was the general contractor for this project and its representatives understood our needs and were able to work within our budget. We also want to thank Haas Construction Company Inc. out of Thorp for the great work crews did re-grading the surface to help us create our new field.

We thank these generous donors for making major gifts to help us fund this project.

**HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital
Oakleaf Medical – Kidess Family
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Speros Family**

**Multhauf Family
Northwestern Bank
Bourget Law
Chippewa Valley Endodontics
Vinopal Title – John Vinopal**

**WIN – Scott & Ann Hoffmann
Huebsch – Jim Vaudreuil
Regis High School Booster Club
Regis Catholic Schools Foundation, Inc.**

Many other alumni, community members, and friends of Regis Catholic Schools made generous donations in support of this project and we thank you!

If you would like to make a donation in support of the Track & Field of Dreams Project to help us reach our goal, we invite you to either make your tax-deductible donation in one lump sum or spread out over two years. Visit www.RegisCatholicSchools.com/giving/track-field-of-dreams-project/ to donate online or send a check payable to Regis Field Project to:

Regis Track & Field of Dreams Project
c/o Perry Myren, Regis Athletic Director
2100 Fenwick Avenue | Eau Claire, WI 54701

2018 Walk for Virtues

On Friday, May 11, students from our three elementary schools gathered at Regis High School for the annual Walk for Virtues.



At **Immaculate Conception Elementary**, the funds raised will be used for new flooring for grades 3 and 4, ukuleles for students in grade 5, and to cover all field trip bus transportation and admission fees.

At **St. James Elementary**, the funds raised will be used for security updates in the building and student lockers.

At **St. Mary's Elementary**, the funds raised will be used to replace desks and chairs in the first grade classroom, to upgrade classroom furnishings throughout the building, for playground equipment, and to fulfill teacher wish lists.

Thank you for your donations and to those of you who volunteered!





Spring Sports Report



BASEBALL

A historically harsh winter-like spring condensed the 2018 Ramblers baseball season into a hectic, five-week campaign with a strong overall record of 17 and 5. The team claimed its second consecutive conference title and eighth in the program's history, tying Altoona for first place with a 10 and 4 record. After winning the Western Cloverbelt outright in 2017 with a 13 and 1 ledger, the consecutive conference titles mark the first time since 1972 and 1973 (in the old CWCC) that Regis has repeated as conference champs in baseball.

Senior Jaxon Kostka and junior Cade Osborn were named 1st Team All-Conference, while seniors Michael Beckfield and Dayton Gutsch were named 2nd Team All-Conference. Senior Jacob Salonek was given an Honorable Mention nod.



BOYS GOLF

No season recap available.



GIRLS SOCCER

A fantastic season for the Regis/McDonell Girls Soccer team ended in the semi-final game at the WIAA State Tournament in a 3-0 loss against Kenosha St. Joseph. Our girls outshot Kenosha 12-11, but luck was not on their side. Two shots hit the cross bar while Kenosha made the best of their scoring opportunities. The team ended with a 15-4 record, the most wins ever, and was the first team to make it to the state tournament in the 8-year history of the program. The team graduates seven seniors.



BOYS TENNIS

The Regis Boys Tennis team finished the season 13-8 and 6-0 in Middle Border Conference. The team won both the regular season and conference tournament championships, with this being the 10th straight Middle Border Conference Championship. The team qualified seniors Austin Erickson and Tucker Comero to the individual state tournament.



SOFTBALL

The Regis Softball team won its third WIAA Regional title in the last five seasons defeating Colfax 12-2 and Augusta 9-1 before losing 12-2 to WIAA Division 4 state finalist Thorp in the sectional semi-final. Regis finished third in the Western Cloverbelt Conference with an 8-5 record. Pitcher Audrey Newby and catcher Grace Gilles were named 1st Team All-Conference. Gilles also earned 1st Team All-State Honors in the small schools division. Newby was selected to play in the Wisconsin Fastpitch Softball Coaches Association All-Star game. Regis finished the year at 11-7, improving on its 2017 record of 8-12.

After 11 seasons with Regis, including two as an assistant coach, Mark Wirz is stepping down from the head softball coaching position. The Ramblers were 87-76-1 under Wirz, including a 14-5 record in 2011.

TRACK & FIELD

Both the Boys and Girls Track & Field teams had successful seasons. The Boys team won the WIAA Sectional and Regional meets, along with the Conference Championship. The Girls team took third at the Conference level.

Fourteen members of the two teams qualified for the WIAA State Track & Field Championships. The two-day event was packed with season bests and personal records. The Boys team took 10th overall. Isaac Michels took 2nd in the 110 hurdles and 3rd in the 300m hurdles. The Boys 4x200m relay took 7th place; with athletes Jack Nicolai, Andrew Ernstmeyer, Hayden Reinders, and Tommy Schmidt. Zach Yengo took 8th in the 1600m and 6th in the 3200m, setting a new school record time in the 3200m of 9:53.26. (The old record was set back in 1987!) Josie Stender made the finals in the 100m hurdles and 300m hurdles, also setting new freshman records this season.



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Longtime

Regis Boys

Basketball Coach

Retiring

34 YEARS

“I will miss the players and managers and the relationships I made through coaching over the years, I will miss preparing for the season, being in the gym for practice, and the fans who supported the teams over the years.”

Bill Uelmen has been a fixture within the Regis Boys Basketball program for decades. During that time, he has made an impact in the lives of countless players who hit the court under his watch. However, this past season was his last as head coach of the team.

Uelmen took over as head boys basketball coach at Regis High School in 1977 after playing basketball and coaching at Northern Michigan University. The Athletic Director at the time, Terry Allen, the Head of the Social Studies department, Howard Campbell, and Principal Dr. Jerome Wray, all played a part in bringing him to the school. Allen, Campbell, and Uelmen remain friends to this day.

“My basketball philosophy has been to put my team in a position to win by doing whatever it takes,” Uelmen said. “If that meant playing a zone, a box and one, holding the ball, pressing, or playing a 3-1-1, we would do it.”

500 Wins

When Uelmen started, Regis always played tough competition, scheduling non-conference games that included Memorial, North, Hudson, Rice Lake, Menomonie, Logan, De LaSalle, and more. Regis competed in the old Central Wisconsin Catholic Conference, which included Aquinas, St. Point Pacelli, McDonell, Assumption, Columbus and Newman. Uelmen says he always took pride that Regis would play a strong schedule, which in turn would make the team better. He says his team played in many of the Holiday Tournaments throughout the state, regardless of the division.

Uelmen had seven teams that qualified for the old WISAA State Tournament in Milwaukee. His first team to qualify for the state tournament was in 1979, a group that he still remembers well - Tim Devine, Rob Smith, Bill Pabich, Tom Vaudreuil, Tim McCann, and manager Paul Schmidt. The team lost to Dominican that year. Regis qualified again in 1988 and 1989, and in that year, the team was defeated by Kenosha St. Joe's, led by Nick Van Excel. Regis also qualified in 1993, 1994, 1995, and 1997. In 1995 and 1997, the team finished as the WISAA State Runner Up, losing both times in the championship game to Milwaukee Messmer.

Since the merger from the WISAA to the WIAA, people have become more aware of how good the teams were in that league; Dominican, St. Catherine's, Xavier, Aquinas, Roncalli, Pius, Edgewood, Marquette, etc. Regis won five Central Wisconsin Catholic Conference Championships and Uelmen was select CWCC "Coach of the Year" seven times.



2010 WIAA State Tournament

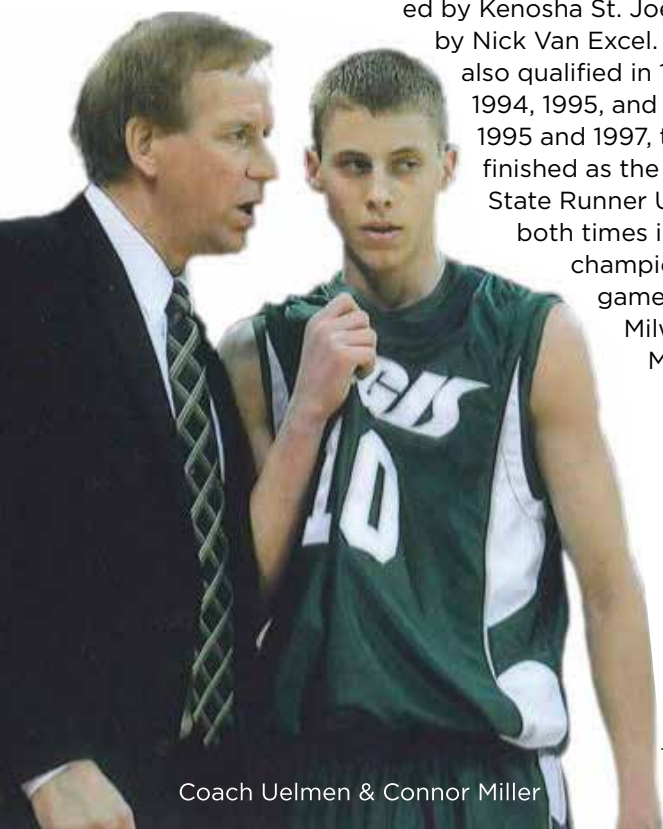
Uelmen stepped down as the head coach of the Ramblers after the 1997 season. At that time, the Regis School Board made a decision not to allow the school's principal to coach, so Uelmen had to step down. In 2000-2001, he returned to coaching, becoming the head basketball coach at Cadott High School for one year and then from 2001-2003, taking over the basketball program at Mondovi High School for two years.

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"While at Cadott I had one of the more challenging coaching experiences, when I had to coach against Regis for the first time and against my son Brian, who was a starter on that Regis team," Uelmen remembers. "We got beat, but I was happy for Brian because he had a real good game against us. In addition, not many coaches I know get to coach against their own son, so that was unusual. I enjoyed coaching at both of those schools and I met some great people there."

Uelmen's second stint at Regis began in 2003-2004 and went through the 2017-2018 season. During that time, Uelmen's teams won eight Western Cloverbelt Conference Championships and qualified for the WIAA State Tournament in 2007 (the first Regis team to qualify for the WIAA State Tournament in Madison), 2008, 2010, and 2015.

The 2010 team finished as the WIAA State Runner Up, losing to Racine St. Catherine's, a team that included Connor Miller, Adam Ganske, Jack Eaton,



Coach Uelmen & Connor Miller

307 Losses

“It was a big part of my adult life and I appreciated the support everyone gave me and my family.”

and Steven Hofacker. The 2015 team, led by Billy Wampler and Logan Rohrschieb, finished the season with a 26-1 record.

Uelmen had the pleasure of coaching some of the best players to come out of the city of Eau Claire. They included Eau Claire City All-Time career scoring leaders Andy Fisher (1989-1993 - 1,786 points), followed by Billy Wampler (2011-2015 - 1,966 points), and currently held by Logan Rohrschieb (2012-2016 - 2,014 points). He found coaching his son Jeff from 1993-1997 to be a special time. Jeff played on three WISAA State Tournament teams, which included the WISAA State Runner Up teams in 1995 and 1997. Jeff was named to the all-tournament team both years.

“I will miss the players and managers and the relationships I made through coaching over the years,” Uelmen said. “I will miss preparing for the season, being in the gym for practice, and the fans who supported the teams over the years.”

Uelmen says his assistant coaches became his best friends on and off the court, especially Larry Ausman, Eric Wackwitz, Mark McHorney, Adam Schilling, and Bryant Brenner.

“What I won’t miss is determining playing time for who plays and who doesn’t, Uelmen said. “I know it is human nature for parents to get upset when their son does not play. Most of the parents and former players get it as time goes on. We were making decisions as a staff to play the best combinations to give us the chance to win. I always said the game of basketball is 40% ability and 60% confidence. As a coach, I felt it was my job to get players and teams to develop that confidence, get the players to except what their role on the team was, and to trust one another.”

Uelmen thanks Regis for giving him the opportunity to be the head Boys Basketball coach for 34 years. “It was a big part of my adult life and I appreciated the support everyone gave me and my family,” Uelmen said. “I would especially like to thank my wife, Mary, for all her support as well. I feel it is time for someone else to have the opportunity to coach at this great school.”

Uelmen finishes his coaching career with 590 wins and 307 losses and is a member of the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

Uelmen will continue his work as the Regis Catholic Schools Advancement Director.



Thank you, Coach Uelmen, for your hard work and dedication to the program. You will be missed!

Coach Uelmen's Highlights & Memories

- 10 WIAA Regional Championships & 7 WISAA Regional Championships
- 11 State Tournament Appearances; 7 WISAA & 4 WIAA
- 1979 | Defeating Aquinas and securing his first coaching trip to the WISAA State Tournament.
- 1982 | Winning his first CWCC conference championship, led by Rich Bourget.
- Winning five Central Wisconsin Catholic Conference Championships and being selected CWCC "Coach of the Year" seven times.
- 1987 | Defeating Eau Claire Memorial on Darin Blang's last second shot.
- 1995 | The Regional Championship game at Marshfield when Jeff Uelmen hit a 25' shot to tie the game to go into overtime against Pacelli. The team eventually won to qualify for the WISAA State Tournament.
- Coaching his son, Jeff, in the WISAA State Tournament in 1994, 1995, and 1997. Not many coaches have the experience of coaching their son!
- 1995 & 1997 | Ending the season as WISAA State Runner Up, losing in the Championship game both times to Milwaukee Messmer.
- 2001 | Coaching against his son, Brian, when he played for Regis and Uelmen coached at Cadott. He was happy for him because he had a very good game against Cadott!
- 2007 | Defeating Webster and securing the school's first trip ever to the WIAA State Basketball Tournament in Madison.
- 2010 | Defeating Brillion in the WIAA State Tournament semi-finals and finishing State Runner-Up, losing to Racine St. Catherine's in the championship game. Connor Miller was a special player on that team and it felt like having another coach on the floor!
- Defeating Thorp to reach his 500th career coaching win at Thorp. Uelmen appreciated all the people who came to support the team on that night. Special thanks to Emi Uelmen, Mike Andrews, and Terry Allen for all they did to make that night special. Having Billy Wampler and Logan Rohrschieb also helped.
- Seeing his mother at many of the games. She was a big supporter of Regis basketball!
- He will miss coaching the rivalry games. The games he always looked forward to were the La Crosse Aquinas games, Fall Creek (it seemed the team always had to play them in the tournament), Altoona, and early on in his career, Eau Claire Memorial.

The games Coach Uelmen lost that stuck with him include...

- 1982 | Regional Championship Game to Go to State Against Madison Edgewood
- 1992 | WISAA Regional Championship Game Against Columbus at Marshfield
- 1997 | WISAA State Championship Game Against Milwaukee Messmer
- 2006 | Sectional Championship Game Against Glennwood City at Osseo
- 2008 | WIAA State Semi-Final Game Against Iola-Scandinavia
- 2011 | Regional Final Game Against Colfax at Eau Claire Memorial
- 2018 | Game Against Altoona

Coach Uelmen says there were many talented players he had the opportunity to work with through the years. They include...

- Mike Devney (Northern Michigan)
- Rob Smith
- Tim McCann (The first Regis basketball player he met when he came to Regis!)
- Rich Bourget
- Mark Golden
- Joe Haselwander
- Jon Hagen
- Kevin Pavelski
- Mike Andrews
- Darin Blang
- Mike Blang
- Andy Fisher
- Nate Rykal
- Jeff Milkie
- Joe Winter
- Mark McHorney
- John Pristash
- Adam Schilling
- Jeff Uelmen
- Jeff Kassing
- Matt Riley (Cadott)
- BJ Vetterkind (Mondovi)
- Bryant Brenner (Mondovi)
- Rick Eaton
- Josh Huettl
- Matt DeMars
- Kilian Murphy
- Adam Ganske
- Connor Miller
- Steven Hofacker
- Jack Eaton
- Nick Stanke
- Billy Wampler
- Logan Rohrschieb
- Cody Osborn
- Brock Martin
- Keelin Norman-Klatt

Many of these players went on to play basketball at the next level!

Activities Report



BAND & CHOIR TRIP

Members of the Regis High School band and choir enjoyed a fun and educational trip to St. Louis in April. Highlights included music clinics at Washington University in St. Louis, a visit to the Gateway Arch National Park, a stop at the St. Louis Zoo, and special performances at the Missouri Veterans Home.



GERMANY TRIP

A group of students from Regis High School traveled to Germany March 15-27. They visited Munich, Garmisch-Partenkirchen, and Marktredwitz, Germany, as well as Salzburg, Austria.



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY PROJECTS

This past school year, 31 senior National Honor Society members completed 14 different service projects. The projects included serving food at the Community Table, running a Diaper Drive for Apple Pregnancy Care Center, creating and running a middle school chess club, helping at the Feed My People Food Bank, and running a school-wide blood drive.

2018 REGIS PROM COURT



Queen Celee Schuch,
escorted by
King Will Jordahl

Bekah Thurner,
escorted by
Cade Osborn

Heidi Skwierczynski,
escorted by
Mitchell Merkel

Teryn Karlstad,
escorted by
Jonah Forden

Morgan Rohrscheib,
escorted by
Jack Nicolai

Maegen Jiskra,
escorted by
Andrew Ernstmeyer

Ana Nunez,
escorted by
Nathan Gorzek

Grace Gilles,
escorted by
Isaac Michels



STATE FORENSICS

Congratulations to the 31 members of the Regis High School forensics team who qualified for the Wisconsin High School Forensics Association state festival held in Madison on April 21!

Students who qualified but were unable to compete included:

Sophomore Brent Martin | GROUP INTERP
 Junior Sam Petit, Sophomores Robbie Burhop, Zade Kidess & Ryan Whiteside | PLAY ACTING
 Sophomores Ida Fugoso & Quinn Petersilka | PROSE
 Sophomore Emma Knobloch | STORYTELLING

At the state festival, students receive medals based on their score out of a scale of 25. Individual award winners included:

BRONZE MEDAL (20-22 POINTS)

Sophomore Lily Kostka | POETRY

SILVER MEDALS (23-24 POINTS)

Junior Nick Maenner | EXTEMPORANEOUS
 Senior Lorren Postl | EXTEMPORANEOUS
 Senior Dakota Roettger | FARRAGO
 Sophomores Nick Madson, Elle Matson & Max Salonek | GROUP INTERP
 Senior Anne McMenemy | MOMENTS IN HISTORY
 Senior Ethan Petersilka | MOMENTS IN HISTORY
 Freshman Michaela Niedzwiecki | POETRY
 Freshman Sara Postl | PROSE
 Sophomore Michael Usher | PUBLIC ADDRESS

GOLD MEDALS (25 POINTS)

Juniors Celee Schuch, Iza Setla, Heidi Skwierczynski & Laura Sokup | GROUP INTERP
 Junior Will Jordahl | IMPROMPTU
 Sophomore Sydney Bates | MOMENTS IN HISTORY
 Sophomore Grace Multhauf | MOMENTS IN HISTORY
 Junior Leanne Back | POETRY
 Junior Jonah Forden | POETRY
 Senior Taryn Alexander | PROSE
 Sophomore Evan Swanson | PUBLIC ADDRESS
 Senior Jacob Woodie | SOLO ACTING



Judine Brey Receives Lyn Luce Leadership Award

The Wisconsin High School Forensic Association (WHSFA) recognized three high school educators at the 123rd annual State Speech Festival in Madison in April. One of them was Judine Brey, teacher, forensics speech coach, and Fine Arts Director at Regis High School.

Brey was honored with the Lyn Luce Leadership Award, which is presented to an educator who is a successful coach in a variety of activities and performances areas, shows leadership on multiple levels, has strong community involvement, and is a willing mentor.

Nine years ago, peers selected Brey to serve as the Eau Claire regional district chair for WHSFA, coordinating theatre and speech contests, as well as providing mentorship support to her colleagues. She began her coaching career 13 years ago at Regis High School, building the school's speech team into a thriving, respected program. As a mentor to educators at other schools, she emphasizes focus on student growth and achievement over accolades. As a leader in the WHSFA, she brings objectivity and professionalism to every interaction with colleagues and students.

Congratulations, Judine! We are blessed to have you as part of our Regis Catholic Schools family.

Alumni Report



Helen Kiernan Dougherty '31 recently celebrated her 104th birthday at home with extended family. Her brother **James Kiernan '38** and two of his daughters from Austin, Texas were able to attend.

Jim Ganther '51 and his wife, Gloria, were recently featured in a Leader-Telegram article highlighting their continued generosity to graduating seniors in the area. For the past five years, the two have sent checks and certificates of congratulations to high-performing students in the Chippewa Valley. Jim estimates 100 students are sent the awards each year. Both in their 80s, the Ganthers hope to continue the Jim and Gloria Ganther Youth Recognition Fund for years to come.

Joyce Krumenauer '58 is retired from the Chippewa Falls Area Unified School system where she was the assistant superintendent's private secretary. She has two children, four grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. She and her husband, Lyle, have been married for 57 years.

Dan Pedersen '69 has been inducted into the National High School Athletic Coaches Association Hall of Fame. Pedersen was honored statewide in March at the Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame ceremony in Middleton and on a national basis at Sioux Falls, South Dakota in June.



Brian Goldbeck '70 gave a joint presentation with Ambassador (ret) Pam Slutz at the Mongolia Society Conference at the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C. in March. Their presentation was entitled "President Bush's 2005 Mongolia Visit: A Bilateral

Relations Milestone." Goldbeck was the deputy ambassador at Embassy Ulaanbaatar from 2005 to 2008.

Kevin Crane '04 and his wife, Stephanie, are the proud parents of an almost one-year-old named Cody. Kevin is an attorney as a contract specialist with Medtronic. Stephanie teaches at St. Stephen's Catholic Elementary School in Anoka.

Ryan Crane '05 has completed his Ear, Nose & Throat Residency at the University of Cincinnati. He and his wife, Meredith, are moving to San Diego where Ryan will fulfill his four-year obligation with the U.S. Navy for his HPSP scholarship for Medical School. They will welcome their first child in early October.



Megan (Flynn) Krause '06 and her husband **Bill Krause '06** welcomed twin boys, Peter (left) and Otto (right) Krause, on February 7, 2018. Big brother Ronnie (2 years old) was very excited to add two more boys to the family!

Chelsea Crane '07 and Joe DeMarre were married at a ceremony on May 26, 2018. The officiant was the Hon. John Manydeeds. Chelsea will begin a Doctorate, Nurse Practitioner program this fall.



Sean P. Branick '13 was recently commissioned as an Ensign in the United States Navy. This follows graduation from the University of Minnesota, where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics and an emphasis in Actuarial Science. Branick is slated to begin Flight School this fall in Pensacola, Florida.

IN MEMORIAM

ALUMNI

Beverly J. (Flynn) Brainard '44
(St. Patrick's)

Rosemary Elliot Prissel '44
(St. Patrick's)

John M. "Jack" Flynn '48
(St. Patrick's)

Dale Wollum '46
(St. Patrick's)

Fr. Thomas Finucan '48
(St. Patrick's)

Mary Haines Lahner '50
(St. Patrick's)

Glenn St. Arnault '56

Jerome McFaul '57

Patricia Falk '57

James Welch '61

Thomas Meindel '65

Mike Hoier '71

Richard Kaiser '73

Alex R. "Al" Menard '08

Ben Rohland '10

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Richard Dick Moore

*Eternal rest, grant unto him/her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him/her.
May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

Lil' Ramblers!



Two-year-old Aria Haasnoot has a big brother (Asher) at St. James Elementary!



Little Jane's grandma, Mary Donnellan '79, is a kindergarten teacher at Immaculate Conception Elementary! The entire family has a strong connection to Regis Catholic Schools.

Mary's dad, Richard Rathke '47, his brother Bill '46, and sister Mary '50 went to St. Olaf's Elementary and St. Patrick's High School. Mary and her siblings, Steve '77, Kay '84, and Jim '90 all attended Immaculate Conception Elementary and graduated from Regis High School. Mary's children, Katherine '05, Annie '06, and Jimmy '09 also attended Immaculate Conception Elementary and graduated from Regis High School.

Annie is the mother to Mary's grandson, Charles, who just finished kindergarten at Immaculate Conception Elementary, and her new granddaughter, Jane.

The entire family is happy to be part of the Regis family!

Remembering Billy Noss



Billy Noss was a fixture known by all Eau Claire community organizations, events, and sporting teams; and this was definitely true for Regis. Regis High School athletics welcomed Billy to be a part of our sports programs.

During football games, he would be on the sidelines as ball boy and at basketball games, he would provide security. Trips to the WIAA State Football Championships were also a part of Billy's role with Regis. All of the Regis coaches were special to Billy, especially football coaches Chris O'Connell and Bryant Brenner.

"Billy came with the team, just like the Rambler mascot," Coach Brenner told the Leader-Telegram. "Billy had a special dedication to Regis football and took pride in keeping balls dry during games. (He) was a great example of the idea that no matter how simple or mundane your job might seem, it is important to the success of the team. Billy always took his job seriously, no matter what."

Billy always knew the schedule of upcoming games and was knowledgeable of our team records, especially when end of the season tournament time rolled around. We will miss his upbeat personality and genuine love of people.



2017-18 Regis Fund Update

The annual Regis Fund campaign for this past year concluded on June 30, 2018. Thank you to all of the donors who generously supported the annual appeal!

Thank you to Dan and Jane Pedersen '69 for serving as co-chairs of the 2017-18 Regis Fund.

Our supporters of Regis Catholic Schools understand their gifts are important and needed to help us continue to provide a quality Catholic education to every student from our child development centers to Regis High School.

We are pleased to report that we raised more than \$341,000 as part of the 2017-18 Regis Fund thanks to generous donations from our alumni, current families, friends, parents of past alumni, and community supporters. These funds help cover tuition assistance for our students, supports annual scholarships, makes up in the difference in the actual cost to educate our students, helps enhance curriculum, and supports programs for our Regis Catholic Schools students. We truly appreciate our supporters' efforts to help our current students and teachers.

The 2018-19 annual Regis Fund and Tuition Partnership Program will kick-off in August. Please be aware that your gifts are not taken for granted and are appreciated and essential to help our Catholic schools provide a quality education to all of our students.

Have a great summer!

Bill Uelmen
Advancement Director

All Class Reunion

We were excited and happy to welcome some of our alumni back home as part of the Regis All Class Reunion, held June 22 and 23 at Regis High School!



Reunions

Class of 1958 (60th Reunion)
Event Canceled

Class of 1963 (55th Reunion)
Saturday, September 15

Organizers ask you to please update your email address via the Regis Catholic Schools website. They look forward to hearing from you!

Class of 1968 (50th Reunion)
Ice Breaker - Friday, September 7
Side Bar on Grand Avenue
Dinner - Saturday, September 8
UW-Eau Claire

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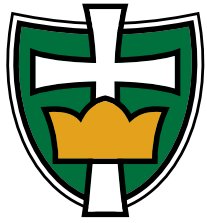
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Faith Night at the Eau Claire Express

On June 2, families and staff from Regis Catholic Schools gathered at the ballpark for Faith Night at the Eau Claire Express! Regis Catholic Schools sponsored a game again this year as a way to celebrate our faith-based education.

