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A Look Inside



New Regis Catholic Schools President

We are pleased to introduce Paul Pedersen '89 as the new President of Regis Catholic Schools.



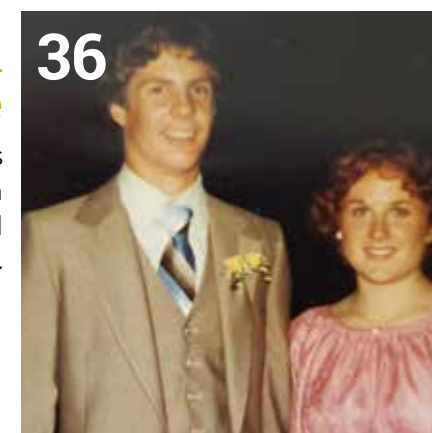
Congratulations Graduates!

In May, Regis High School presented diplomas to the Class of 2022.



2022 Walk for Virtues

In May, students at our three elementary schools participated in this annual fundraiser. Learn what the money raised will be used for.



Inspired by Faith & Gratitude

Hear the impact a Regis High School education made on Mike '80 and Paula '80 Moore.



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There is so much to be thankful for this year.

A Time of Transition

I can't put into words how much gratitude I feel for the successes of this school year. Whether it be our students, our families, or our staff, there is so much to be thankful for this year.

Considering this, I wanted to share with the Regis community these words of appreciation.

First, I want to thank Carisa Smiskey for her work as our Interim Regis Catholic Schools President this past year. At a time of great concern and stress, Carisa stepped in and did more than just “keep the

ship floating.” She flourished as our leader and was one of the greatest blessings Regis received this year. I am happy for Carisa in that she will return to having one full-time job instead of two (thank you to St. Mary's Elementary School for sharing your principal), but I will miss working with her as president.

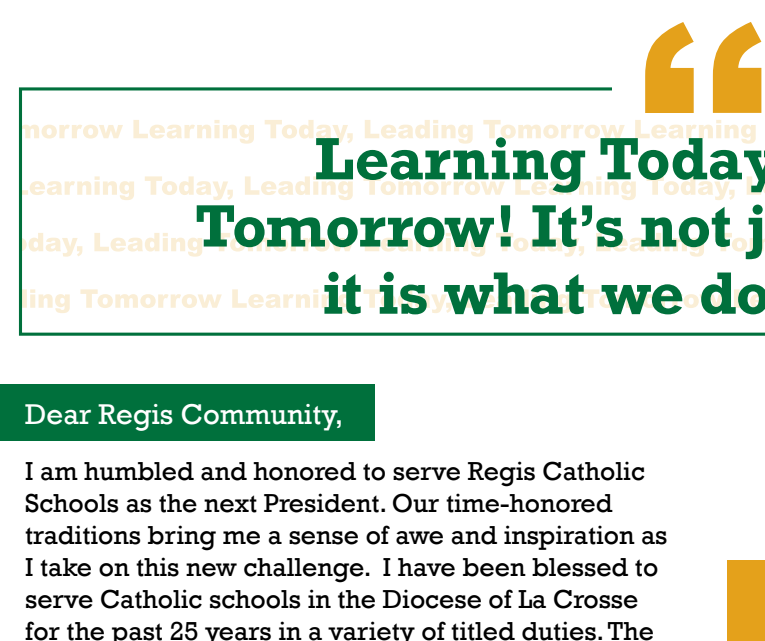
Second, I want to congratulate Paul Pedersen for being named the new Regis Catholic Schools President. As a lifer in Catholic schools, Paul will bring a ministerial heart to the position that will be needed as we transition out of the COVID-19 era. The excitement and zeal that I have sensed in Paul is infectious. I look forward to working with Paul in the years ahead.

Third, congratulations to our teachers for a great year. A few weeks ago, I was talking with priests from other school systems about the struggles they have faced with hiring teachers. It is true that interest in the teaching profession has fallen, which is why I am so thankful for the dedication of the teaching staff at Regis. At a time when teachers do not have to look far for reasons not to serve a Catholic school, our teachers have said “yes” to serving their school and their God. Thank you!

Last, but not least, I want to thank all our students and families. At graduation this year, the theme of “we did it” was echoed numerous times throughout the ceremony. Our students persevered, our families persevered, our teachers and staff persevered, and our system held strong. To echo the words of our senior class: We did do it, we made it, and now it is time to enjoy the healing rest of summer.

See you in the fall!

Fr. James Kurzynski
Dean, Eau Claire Deanery



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Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow! It's not just our motto, it is what we do at Regis.

Dear Regis Community,

I am humbled and honored to serve Regis Catholic Schools as the next President. Our time-honored traditions bring me a sense of awe and inspiration as I take on this new challenge. I have been blessed to serve Catholic schools in the Diocese of La Crosse for the past 25 years in a variety of titled duties. The previous seven years serving Regis as the Principal of Regis Middle School and Regis High School have been extremely rewarding. Several founding leaders of Regis; Monsignor Casper Dowd, Fr. John Rossiter, and Bishop John Paul, to mention a few, are the pride of Regis and I ask for your prayers in continuing the mission of Catholic schools they put in motion.

Regis Catholic Schools is my focus and passion. It is a privilege to work in a Catholic school and I consider it my life vocation to serve Christ. I am thankful that my parents, Dan Pedersen '69 and Jane (Knutson) Pedersen '69 chose for me the privilege of attending Regis. I am extremely proud of my three children who represent the fourth generation of our family educated in the Diocese of La Crosse. With that said, I appreciate all alumni who proudly have children, grandchildren, and some with great grandchildren attending Regis Catholic Schools. I appreciate the family legacy that you, much like my parents, represent.

Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow! It's not just our motto, it is what we do at Regis. We continue to be a strong faith community, excellent in academics, and enjoy strong successes in athletics. I am proud to share that the graduating class of 2022 had two students with more than 20 college credits earned as they walked across the stage at graduation. Academic success and giving our students an advantage in an ever-changing landscape of higher education is a priority. I am extremely excited about the building-level administrative team of principals we have in place for the coming school year. We welcome back Dr. Kelly Mechelke to St. James Elementary School and Mrs. Christi Machler to Regis Middle School and Regis High School as principals.

Report From the President

Congratulations to the several teams and individuals who made it to the WIAA State Tournament in their respective sport. Many of those student-athletes can now claim to be state champions! Once again, high achievements and better outcomes are the expectations of Regis. We will continue to work hard and set our sights high.

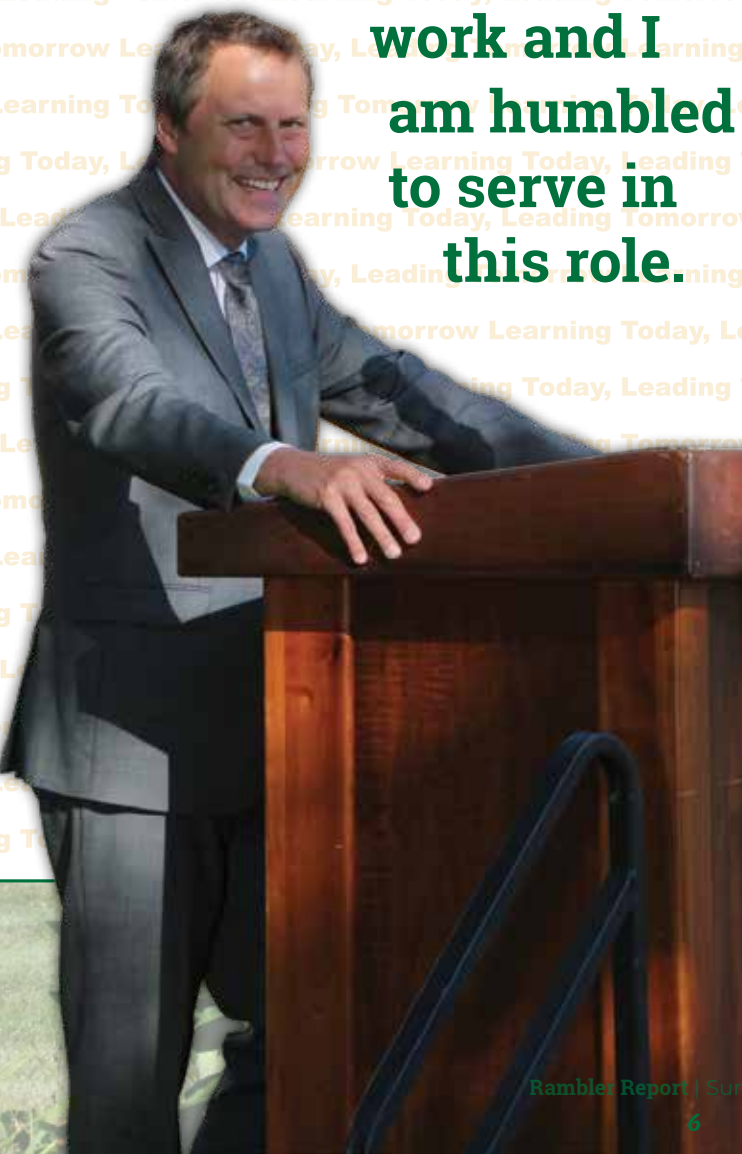
I want to acknowledge, appreciate, and thank the parishes and pastors of the Eau Claire Deanery for their continued support of our Catholic schools. With their pastoral involvement and financial contributions, our schools continue to be strong and thrive. On the Regis campus, we welcome a new chaplain, Fr. Levi Schmitt. The combined work of our campus minister, theology department, and chaplain are the lifeblood of our Regis students' faith formation. Please keep them in your prayers for the important work they do.

As we enjoy the summer, please know that the administrative team continues to set the stage for next school year. Just as I am excited to serve this new role for Regis Catholic Schools this coming school year, I am most excited for your child's academic successes and faith formation. My personal blessings to you and your family.

Paul Pedersen '89
President

Paul Pedersen '89 Named New Regis Catholic Schools President

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more than a job to me.
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**We are pleased to introduce
Paul Pedersen '89 as the new
President of Regis Catholic Schools.**

Mr. Pedersen has served as our Regis High School and Regis Middle School Principal for the past seven years, making him the 3rd longest serving principal of Regis High School since 1963. Prior to that, Mr. Pedersen served as a classroom teacher and middle school athletic director at Notre Dame Middle School in Chippewa Falls and later as a classroom teacher at Regis High School and Regis Middle School, giving him 26 total years of experience in education.

The Pedersen family has a long history of pride in Catholic education. In fact, Mr. Pedersen is a third-generation graduate from a Catholic school in the Diocese of La Crosse. His grandfather (Robert Knutson '45, La Crosse Aquinas), parents (Dan Pedersen '69 and Jane (Knutson) Pedersen '69), and sister (Jennifer (Pedersen) Roach '93) are all Catholic school graduates. Mr. Pedersen's three children (Jacob Campbell '07, Jenae (Pedersen) Florke '13, and Cameron Pedersen '15) are also proud Regis High School graduates.

"It is with excitement and honor that I serve our community as the next Regis Catholic Schools President," Mr. Pedersen said. "As an alumnus, I am filled with tremendous pride to be given the opportunity to lead our school system into the future while preserving its time honored traditions and excellence from the past. Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow has no finish line."

A committee of fourteen people, representing various groups of stakeholders within the Regis Catholic Schools community, assisted in the candidate selection and interview process this

spring. We thank them for their time and service. After prayerful consideration and taking into account feedback from the committee, Fr. James Kurzynski, Dean, offered the position to Mr. Pedersen.

"During Mr. Pedersen's interview, his passion and excitement to move Regis Catholic Schools forward was abundantly clear. He offered a comprehensive 90-day action plan that greatly impressed us. I look forward to Mr. Pedersen sharing that vision with the Regis community as we continue to strengthen and grow our Catholic schools. We have full confidence in his ability to serve as a dedicated and knowledgeable leader of our school system," Fr. Kurzynski said.

"Catholic education is more than a job to me. It's my passion and life's work and I am humbled to serve in this role," Mr. Pedersen added. "Faith is at the center of everything I do and I consider it a blessing to be able to represent and serve our alumni, current students, families, and supporters."

We thank Carisa Smiskey for filling the role of Interim President for Regis Catholic Schools during this past school year. Mrs. Smiskey will continue to serve as the St. Mary's Elementary School Principal.

"I very much appreciate Mrs. Smiskey taking on the responsibility of two important and time-intensive positions to help us keep moving Regis Catholic Schools forward. Your dedication has been truly inspirational," said Fr. Kurzynski.

Mr. Pedersen officially began in his new role on July 1. 🇺🇸





Christi Machler Named Regis Middle School & Regis High School Principal

We are pleased to announce Christi Machler has been named Principal of Regis Middle School and Regis High School.

Mrs. Machler has been part of the Regis Catholic Schools system for ten years. She previously served as a 5th grade teacher at Immaculate Conception Elementary School and as a 6th grade reading and language arts teacher at Regis Middle School. She most recently served as the Regis Middle School and Regis High School Academic and Career Planning Coordinator.

Over the past ten years, Mrs. Machler has filled the role of teacher-in-charge, mentored new hires, served as a domain lead on our systemwide accreditation committee, revamped the Regis Academic & Career Planning Guide, grown dual credit opportunities, established community partnerships, and is working to help identify new sponsorship opportunities for the Regis Catholic Schools Foundation.

“One of my greatest accomplishments has been bringing new academic options to Regis High School,” Machler said. “The number of courses we have for our students has exploded over the past school year. It is an honor for me to offer rigorous academics while supporting our students in a faith-filled environment.”

Mrs. Machler looks forward to strengthening the vision of Regis Catholic Schools as she serves in this new role. She is committed to providing the highest quality programs possible to nourish each student’s body, mind, and soul.

Two committees representing various groups of stakeholders within the Regis Catholic Schools community assisted in the interview process.

Mrs. Machler officially began in her new role on July 1. 🇵🇸



Kelly K. Mechelke Named St. James Elementary School Principal

We are pleased to announce Kelly K. Mechelke, Ph.D. has been named as the new Principal of St. James Elementary School. We welcome her back to our Regis Catholic Schools family!

Mrs. Mechelke has 19 years of experience within our system, having most recently served as the President of Regis Catholic Schools from July 2020 to September 2021. She is excited to return to continue her service to Catholic education.

Mrs. Mechelke earned her Ph.D. in Educational Leadership in July 2021. She holds two Bachelor’s degrees in Regular Education and Special Education and a Master’s degree with principal and director of instruction licenses. She has worked as a classroom teacher for Regis Catholic Schools and previously served six years as the Principal of St. James Elementary School, with five of those years spent also serving as the Principal of St. Mary’s Elementary School. In the past, Mrs. Mechelke has served as our Curriculum Coordinator, Central Office Supervisor, and most recently, as our President.

can teach, profess, and share my faith openly. “I am excited to be able to serve for Regis again,” Mrs. Mechelke added.

Mrs. Mechelke is the proud mother of two boys who both attended Regis Catholic Schools from preschool through high school, as well as a step-daughter currently attending Regis High School.

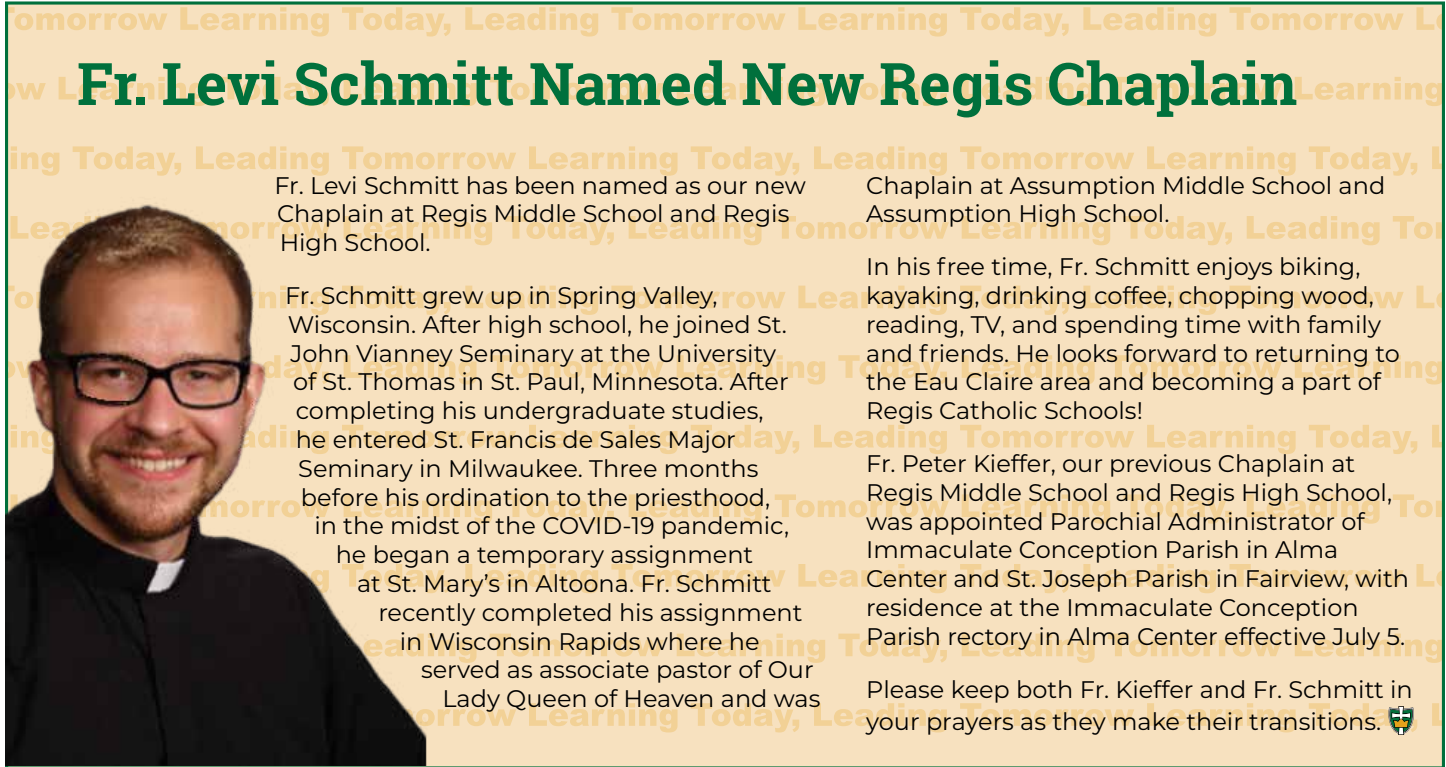
Our previous Principal of St. James Elementary School, Mrs. Jackie Lutz, will continue to work in Catholic education in a location that puts her closer to her family. We thank Mrs. Lutz for her dedicated service and wish her the best.

We ask you to please keep Mrs. Mechelke and Mrs. Lutz in your prayers during this time of transition. 🇵🇸

“Sharing my faith in everything I do is ingrained in my very being,” Mrs. Mechelke said. “I have missed that this past year and feel blessed to return to the Regis system where I

“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.”

- 1 Peter 4:10



Fr. Levi Schmitt Named New Regis Chaplain

Fr. Levi Schmitt has been named as our new Chaplain at Regis Middle School and Regis High School.

Fr. Schmitt grew up in Spring Valley, Wisconsin. After high school, he joined St. John Vianney Seminary at the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota. After completing his undergraduate studies, he entered St. Francis de Sales Major Seminary in Milwaukee. Three months before his ordination to the priesthood, in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, he began a temporary assignment at St. Mary’s in Altoona. Fr. Schmitt recently completed his assignment in Wisconsin Rapids where he served as associate pastor of Our Lady Queen of Heaven and was

Chaplain at Assumption Middle School and Assumption High School.

In his free time, Fr. Schmitt enjoys biking, kayaking, drinking coffee, chopping wood, reading, TV, and spending time with family and friends. He looks forward to returning to the Eau Claire area and becoming a part of Regis Catholic Schools!

Fr. Peter Kieffer, our previous Chaplain at Regis Middle School and Regis High School, was appointed Parochial Administrator of Immaculate Conception Parish in Alma Center and St. Joseph Parish in Fairview, with residence at the Immaculate Conception Parish rectory in Alma Center effective July 5.

Please keep both Fr. Kieffer and Fr. Schmitt in your prayers as they make their transitions. 🇵🇸



Congratulations and best wishes to our retiring staff members!
May God bless you as you begin this new adventure.

Ann Hoffmann (17 Years)
St. Mary’s Elementary School

Laurie Zukaitis (10 Years)
Regis High School

Linda Menard (23 Years)
St. Mary’s Elementary School
(Paraprofessional)

Toni Buck (5 Years)
Food Service (NOT PICTURED)



2022 Faculty & Staff

Appreciation Awards

Teacher of the Year

Genesis Child Development Center

Stephanie Best

Stephanie has been part of our Genesis Child Development Center team for the past 11 years. For ten years, she was a teacher in our young toddler classroom where she planned and implemented age-appropriate activities that helped the children flourish in their development. For almost the past year, Stephanie has taken on a new position as our cook. With this position, she has shown great pride and creativity in creating healthy meals and snacks for our program.

Stephanie's love for working with children is evident each day as she walks through the doors. While she is no longer working directly in the classrooms, she still has a positive impact on the children in our program. She always has a friendly smile and makes sure to greet the families and children when they come into the building.

Stephanie's positive attitude, sense of humor, and warm smile make her an excellent colleague. She is a great mentor for new staff and will always lend a helping hand when someone is in need. As an employee, Stephanie is dependable, flexible and loyal. She is kind, hardworking, and respectful. We know without a doubt she touches the hearts of all children and families in our program!

Regis Child Development Center

Victoria (Tori) DeMars

Tori has her associate's degree

in early childhood education and has been a part of the Regis Child Development Center team for the last five and a half years. She is committed to providing a loving and educational environment for our terrific two-year-olds to learn and grow.

Tori's love and passion for teaching shows each day when she walks through the doors. She has a calming presence and nurturing nature that parents and children respond to. Her warm smile, positive energy, and knowledge of child development help to create an environment where toddlers can flourish. Her hands-on activities promote independence and help children learn how to navigate the big world all around them. There is always time in their day for laughter, singing, dancing, stories, and snuggles; which is so important in the world of a two-year-old.

As an employee, Tori is dependable, flexible, and takes great pride in her work. She is kind, loyal, respectful, and has a positive spirit that is contagious. We know Tori has touched the lives of many of our children and families!

Immaculate Conception Elementary School

Holly Chilson | Kindergarten

Holly is a great example of what it means to be a Regis Rambler! She embodies Our Core Values in everything she does. She lives her faith and brings her young students to a greater understanding of what it means to attend Mass. Her involvement in many aspects of the Regis community help her build strong and lasting relationships with her students and their families.

Holly dedicates a lot of time to ensure every detail of her classroom and the school as a whole meet her high standards of excellence. She goes above and beyond to make sure

her students have a firm foundation as they continue their school journey. Holly took on an extra leadership role as acting principal this school year when Mrs. Bahnub was on maternity leave, and did a wonderful job running major school events.

Despite being confronted with challenging students, Holly is always patient and continues to advocate for them. She is a great teammate who is always willing to brainstorm a new idea or give solid advice so that we can all be at the top of our game!

St. James Elementary School

Amanda Bell | 5th Grade

We have watched Amanda grow into a strong and confident teacher over the past four years. She is an amazing 5th grade teacher who loves her students and will do anything for them. Words like determined, creative, and dedicated are a few that come to mind when describing Amanda.

She has strong leadership skills, which were evident when she was the teacher-in-charge this year and took on the extra responsibilities of that role. She is also our go-to person for our technology needs!

Amanda works hard to build strong relationships with her students. They know that she cares very much for them and she will go above and beyond to help them be successful. This year, she started tutoring students after school on her own time. She started with one of her students and then added other students in the school who would benefit from one-on-one tutoring. Amanda is well respected by the students, parents, and staff!

St. Mary's Elementary School

Erika Galewski | 3rd Grade

Within every school, there are quiet

leaders who work behind the scenes to ensure all parts of the school run smoothly. At St. Mary's Elementary School, that is Erika Galewski! When we needed a technology teacher this school year, she stepped up, found new curricular resources, and set to work to create memorable experiences for all students.

Erika is constantly finding new and creative ways to reach all children and looks for opportunities to enhance learning. Erika is rarely rattled, but meets all challenges with calm and poise. Each experience is a learning opportunity, no matter the outcome.

Taking on the additional responsibilities of the technology teacher has not slowed Erika down. She continues to support staff as a mentor and organizes staff celebrations and gifts. As teacher-in-charge, she ensures the staff, students, and school are well cared for when Principal Smiskey is away. Erika is an inspiration to all of us lucky enough to know her!

Regis Middle School

Ellen Killian | Student Services Teacher

Ellen is one of the best examples of what it means to be a committed Catholic school teacher. Working in a Catholic school is often more about where the Lord asks you to serve Him. Ellen does this in her work with the children at Regis every day.

Ellen started teaching at Regis ten years ago as a 9th and 10th grade religion teacher and now works in our student services area primarily with middle level students. She is the daughter of Carol Donohue, who was Regis longtime librarian for whom the library is named.

Ellen's hard work, determination, and commitment to her students and Catholic education is simply amazing!

Regis High School

Mike Bruning | Language Arts

After joining the Regis staff four years ago, Mr. Bruning has become one of the most respected teachers in the building. Among Regis students and families, his love and passion for the classroom is unparalleled.

On a daily basis, Mike has a keen sense of student engagement in lesson design and delivery. He is also a master in knowing how to connect with students

at their learning level.

Mike is a prayer-filled individual whose joy in teaching and serving Christ are witnessed in his classroom every day.

Administrative Support Staff of the Year

Meghan Kulig | Communications Director

One might be surprised by the amount of work Meghan does on a daily basis. As our system's hard-working, ultra organized communications director, Meghan is not only responsible for our social media accounts, systemwide newsletters and alerts, Rambler Reports, branding, apparel, and advertisements... but also takes the lead on the Regis Catholic Schools Auction - the largest fundraiser for the St. Benedict Tuition Assistance Scholarship.

Meghan's attention to detail is outstanding; she works diligently to ensure the image of Regis Catholic Schools reflects who we are and conveys how we live out our mission. She proudly promotes our schools and is always looking for bright, fresh ideas to help our system grow. She is always willing to jump in and help wherever she is needed.

Support Staff of the Year

Diane Kuhnert | Preschool Paraprofessional (St. Mary's Elementary School)

Diane has dedicated her life to helping our youngest learners grow in mind, body, and spirit. Her calm presence and compassionate demeanor helps create a safe space for children who, for many of our preschoolers, are experiencing their first times away from their mom and dad. Diane is quick to greet students with a smile, hug, and lots and lots of patience and love!

Diane is not only a role model for our preschool students, she is also a great model of faith for our entire school community. Most mornings, before school begins, you can find Diane praying in the church. On Fridays, she comes in on her day off to join our student body for all-school Mass. Diane is a shining light in our building and we are blessed to work beside her day after day!

Years of Service

5 Years

Lori Anderson
Astreia Bauer
Kim Bowman

Amanda Brahmer
Toni Buck

Trent Christophersen
Victoria DeMars

Jennifer Eager
Jamie Grant

Heidi LaRose
Trina Parker

Mary Pomerening
Lori Travis

10 Years

Kayla Bahnub
Deanne Eslinger
Ellen Killian

Christi Machler
Traci Swenson

Laurie Zukaitis

15 Years

Erika Galewski
Jessica Hatzinger
Lynne Larabee

20 Years

Andy Niese

30 Years

Mary Donnellan
Diana Kuhnert

35 Years

Kelly Wirz

Thank you teachers!



May 2-6 marked National Teacher Appreciation Week, a time to show our outstanding educators just how much they mean to us!

Thank you to our families and area businesses for showing our teachers lots of love.

An Apple for the Teacher

Carisa Smiskey, our Regis Catholic Schools Interim President, visited all of our schools on May 3 to deliver a small gift of appreciation in honor of **National Teacher's Day!**



Our generous donors who attended the 2021 Regis Catholic Schools Auction helped us raise \$35,750 in support of our Fund-a-Need. That money was used to show our love and appreciation as we spoiled our staff during this past school year. Check out how each facility used those funds!

Genesis Child Development Center

Christmas Gift (Scrip Cards)
Food for Staff Meetings
Special Gifts

Regis Child Development Center

Christmas Gift (Scrip Cards)
Food for Staff Meetings
Special Gifts

Immaculate Conception Elementary School

Christmas Gift (Scrip Cards)
Christmas Party
Dinner for Staff
Staff Luncheon
Teacher Appreciation Week Gift (Scrip Cards)

St. James Elementary School

Christmas Gift (Scrip Cards)
Staff Luncheon
Teacher Appreciation Week Gift (Scrip Cards)

St. Mary's Elementary School

Christmas Gift (Scrip Cards)
Professional Development Day Lunch
Teacher Appreciation Week Gift (Scrip Cards)

Regis Middle School & Regis High School

Christmas Gift (Scrip Cards)
Pre-Christmas Break Lunch
Staff Luncheon
Teacher Appreciation Week Gift (Scrip Cards)

Regis Catholic Schools Central Office

Christmas Gift (Scrip Cards)
Pre-Christmas Break Lunch
Team Building Activity

Congratulations to the Regis High School Class of 2022



On May 25, Regis High School presented diplomas to our graduates. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin a new journey in life.





Class of 2022 Valedictorians

Chichi Kanu &
Sofia Merrick



Class of 2022 Salutatorian

Evelyn Shepich



Class of 2022 Bishop's Medal

Alicia Ricciardi

Class of 2022

Kendall Alexander
University of Mary

Hank Axelrod
University of Minnesota

Lauren Bauer
Viterbo University

Carter Bounk
Gap Year

Ridgley Caporusso
Belmont University

Alice Catalano
Return to Italy

Zane Cullinan
Chippewa Valley
Technical College

Julia Druzgala
Return to Poland

Abigail Erickson
University of St. Thomas

Casey Erickson
Minnesota State University,
Mankato

Soren Giles
UW-Madison

Alison Haag
University of New Mexico
Albuquerque

Lily Hopkins
Pepperdine University

Chichi Kanu
Barnard College

Mason Kostka
Vermilion
Community College

Riley Kostka
College of St. Benedict

Griffin Kristo
Montana State

Isabella Larsen
University of St. Thomas

Alexander Leis
University of St. Thomas

Giulia Mariotti
Return to Italy

Nenookaasi Hero Martin
University of Las Vegas

Sofia Merrick
UW-Madison

Madison Metz
University of St. Thomas

Cormac Moss
Marquette University

Erich Multhauf
UW-Eau Claire

Eydie Myers
University of Minnesota

Julia Oliveira Rocha
Return to Brazil

Madison Olson
Viterbo University

Isaac Petersilka
Gap Year

Makenna Peterson
Viterbo University

Paige Peterson
Gap Year

Alice Pham
Chippewa Valley
Technical College

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Seton Hall University

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University of Minnesota
Duluth

Hannah Reynen
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UW-La Crosse

Brandon Sommers

Jonah Steinmetz
UW-Eau Claire

Hailey Talley
UW-Eau Claire

Lou Tesse
Return to France

August Theisen
University of St. Thomas

Matthew Vesperman
Northwestern University

Taylor Wolff
Chippewa Valley
Technical College

The Tradition Continues

The Regis High School Class of 2022 had several multi-generational graduates among its ranks.



Once a Rambler...always a Rambler!

FIRST ROW (L-R)

Riley Kostka '22

Ryan Kostka '93
Father

Abby Erickson '22

Marlo (Steinmetz) Erickson '85
Mother

Makenna Peterson '22

Tamara (Larson) Onsager '63
Grandmother

August Theisen '22

Dr. Joseph R. Theisen '60
Grandfather

SECOND ROW (L-R)

Leela Schuch '22

Mary Katherine Wolfe '58
Grandmother

Alison Haag '22

Dan Haag '87
Father
Catherine (Myers) Haag '56
Grandmother
Joe Haag '56
Grandfather

Ben Salonek '22

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

Bella Larsen '22

Wayne Gonyea '55
Grandfather

Merle Gonyea

(Wrote Regis High School Alma Mater)
Great Grandfather

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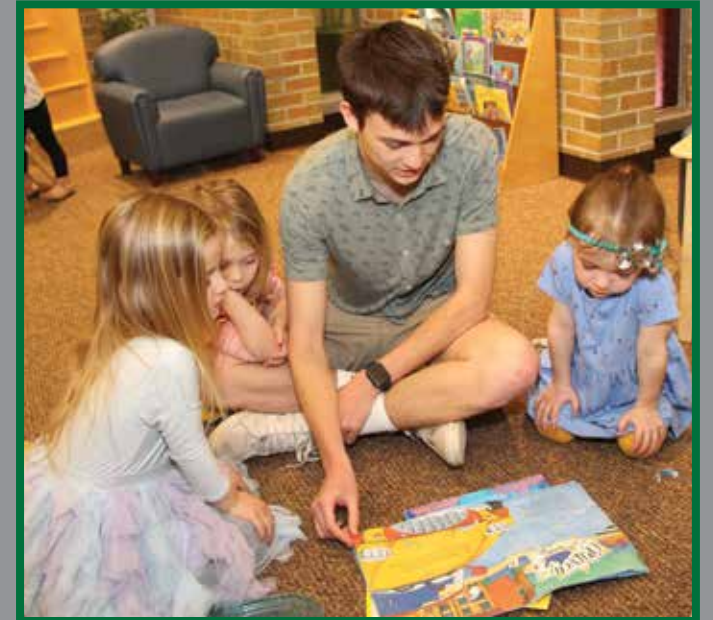
Hailey Talley '22

Tim Russell '57
Grandfather



They grow up
so fast!

Regis High School seniors Cormac Moss, Samantha Schaeffer, and Ridgley Caporusso all attended our Regis Child Development Center when they were young. In April, they returned to read some of their favorite books to the children.



To say the littles *loved* them would be an understatement!

Scholarship

Recipients

Did you know? The Regis Catholic Schools Foundation awarded more than \$36,000 in K-12 scholarships to our students this year and more than \$20,000 to graduating seniors!

These scholarships are made possible by generous supporters who wish to create a legacy in their family's name or in memory of a loved one. Many of our supporters believe so strongly in their Regis Catholic Schools education that they wish to "pay it forward" by providing financial support to students today. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Jackie Bachmeier, our Regis Catholic Schools Foundation Advancement Director, at (715) 830-2273, ext. 1407.

We would like to thank the following supporters for funding four new endowed scholarships for 2023.

- Larry & Jeannie McFarland
- M. Colette Haut-Eislinger Memorial Scholarship
- Cairns Family Scholarship
- Kevin Roach 93 Memorial Scholarship

2022 Memorial, Community & Alumni Scholarships Graduating Seniors

AnneMarie Foundation Scholarship
Olivia Schneider

Ann Marie Technical School Scholarship
Alice Pham

Ashley Furniture Scholarship
Lauren Semerad

Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative
Abigail Erickson

Eau Claire County Employee Scholarship
Greg Sokup

Eau Claire Energy Cooperative Scholarship
Riley Kostka

Eau Claire-Seymour Lions Club Scholarship
Samantha Schaffer

Edwin and Lucille Eggen Renewable Scholarship
Greg Sokup

Edwin and Lucille Eggen One-Year Scholarship
Greg Sokup

Grace Walsh Scholarship
Jonah Steinmetz

Jason Yarrington Memorial Scholarship
Jonah Steinmetz

Jim and Jennifer Rooney Family Foundation Scholarship
Kendall Alexander
Madison Olson

Mal Mosing Memorial Scholarship
Alicia Ricciardi

Mayo Clinic Dependent Scholarship
Zane Cullinan
Chichi Kanu

Mayo Clinic Health System Scholarship
Lauren Bauer

Mike Voth Memorial Chapter 5 Vietnam Vets of WI Scholarship
Alice Pham

Rotary Club of Eau Claire Scholarship
Makenna Rohrscheib
Greg Sokup

United States Post Office Branch 728 Scholarship
Makenna Peterson

West WI Telecom Cooperative Scholarship
Lauren Bauer

2022 Memorial, Community & Alumni Scholarships 9th - 11th Grades

Bishop John Paul Class of '51 Scholarship
Cole Chilson

Cairns Family Scholarship
Angelo Brantner

Charles and Caroline Loechler Memorial Scholarship
Colton Mohr

Dr. Stephen Kurth Scholarship
Calista Danielson
Nguyen Nguyen

Earl Benning Memorial Scholarship
Carly Borst

Eau Claire Catholic Women's Club Scholarship
Aryanna Cardona Ferrer

EC County Chapter of WI Right to Life Scholarship
Ava Skwierczynski
Preston Szeppeniec

Edward Carlson Class of 1958 Scholarship
Spencer Gehling
Isabel Skwierczynski
Lily Walker

Emilio and Patricia Rinaldi Family Scholarship
Cooper Dykes

Father John Rossiter Scholarship
Caden Weber

Francis and June Harrington Memorial Scholarship
Teigan Petersilka
Lucas Kovacevich

Frances Kurth Memorial Scholarship
Trevor Kern
Cameron Olson

Fred and Patricia Urmann Scholarship
Nathan Pearson

George "Mike" & Patricia Carroll Memorial Scholarship
Annabelle Schroeder

Greg "Mouse" Bement Scholarship
Nash Cullinan

Hrubesh Family Scholarship
Ava Highman
Caroline Shepich

Jerome Miller Family Scholarship
Sawyer Webster

John, Patricia, and Neil McElroy Memorial Scholarship
Makayla Hawker

Joseph Janz '83 and James Janz Memorial Scholarship
Vince Slaby

Judy Bye Henderson Memorial Scholarship
Olivia Miller
Rowan Webster

Knights of Columbus John F. Kennedy Council Scholarship
Harrison Haas

Marie Steubing Memorial Scholarship
Luke Betcher
Abby Hawker
Leo Krueger
Christinia Niedzwiecki

Mary Kay Bissell Memorial Scholarship
Alex Chinander

Michael Carroll '67 Memorial Scholarship
Mattie Albright

Michael J. Fedie Scholarship
Peyton Steward

Regis Bridge Club Scholarship
Sydney Marx

Robert and Patricia Devney Memorial Scholarship
Macyn Cullinan

St. James the Greater Tuition Endowment Scholarship
Joshua Brickner
Grant Buesser

Alex Chinander
Calista Danielson
Lucas Furst
Spencer Gehling
Emilia Jaquish
Noah Knobloch
Karenn Lokken
Truman Lokken
Brittany Martin
Alaina Milner
Joseph Rindt
Ava Skierczynski
Isabel Skierczynski
Lucas Sommers
Peyton Steward
Jagger Theisen
Lily Walker

2022 Memorial, Community & Alumni Scholarships Middle School

Al Corneiller Class of 1958 Memorial Scholarship
Jack Schroeder

Bob Duren Memorial Scholarship
Adelia Krueger

Bob & Elsie Kappus Scholarship
Ashlee Dykes
Tyler Gehling
Logan Hoff
Blake Risler
Kara Roers
Luke Usher

Class of 1980 Scholarship
Lily Lewis

Earl Benning Memorial Scholarship
Dominic Santine

Eau Claire Catholic Women's Club Scholarship
Therese Kern

Emilio and Patricia Rinaldi Family Scholarship
Zachary Niedzwiecki
Alex Rosener

Father Daniel O'Reilly Memorial Scholarship
Evelyn Market

Francis and June Harrington Memorial Scholarship
Ryder Hadt
Ryan Semerad

Knights of Columbus John F. Kennedy Council Scholarship
Max Danielson

Lydia Hanson Rock Memorial Scholarship
Micah Olson

Sacred Heart/St. Patrick's Parish Scholarship
Therese Kern

St. Olaf Parish Council of Catholic Women and Men's Club Family Scholarship
Ashlee Dykes
Nick Helland
Adelia Krueger
Kara Roers
Landon Semling

St. James Parish Council of Catholic Women Scholarship & St. James the Greater Tuition Endowment Scholarship
Charlotte Abbott
Max Danielson
Claire Diaz
Tyler Gehling
Katelynn Gohre
Logan Hoff
Karah Nelson
Avery Paul
Dominic Santine
Matthew Simonson
Carter Whiteside

Bishop's Scholarship
Adelia Krueger
Dominic Santine



Congratulations to Gregory Sokup for being selected as a 2022 Herb Kohl Student Excellence Scholarship recipient! Gregory was chosen to receive the \$10,000 award because of his exceptional scholarship, leadership, citizenship, and school and community involvement.

Academics Report



Regis High School Offers New Academic Pathways

Science and Math Pathways provide high school students with the vision and skills necessary to plan for their post-high school futures. Our new Science and Math Pathways encourage Regis High School students to become active participants in scheduling courses based on interests and academic strengths. Pathways provide a seamless connection between high school coursework and future career goals.

Regis Graduation Requirements in Math and Science

3 Credits of Math, including Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra 2, or elective options

3 Credits of Science, including Biology and two elective options

Minimum Requirements for University of Wisconsin - Madison

When available, all applicants should complete challenging courses, including honors and AP.

3 Credits of Math required, four preferred, including Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2

3 Credits of Science are required, four preferred

Minimum Requirements for University of Minnesota

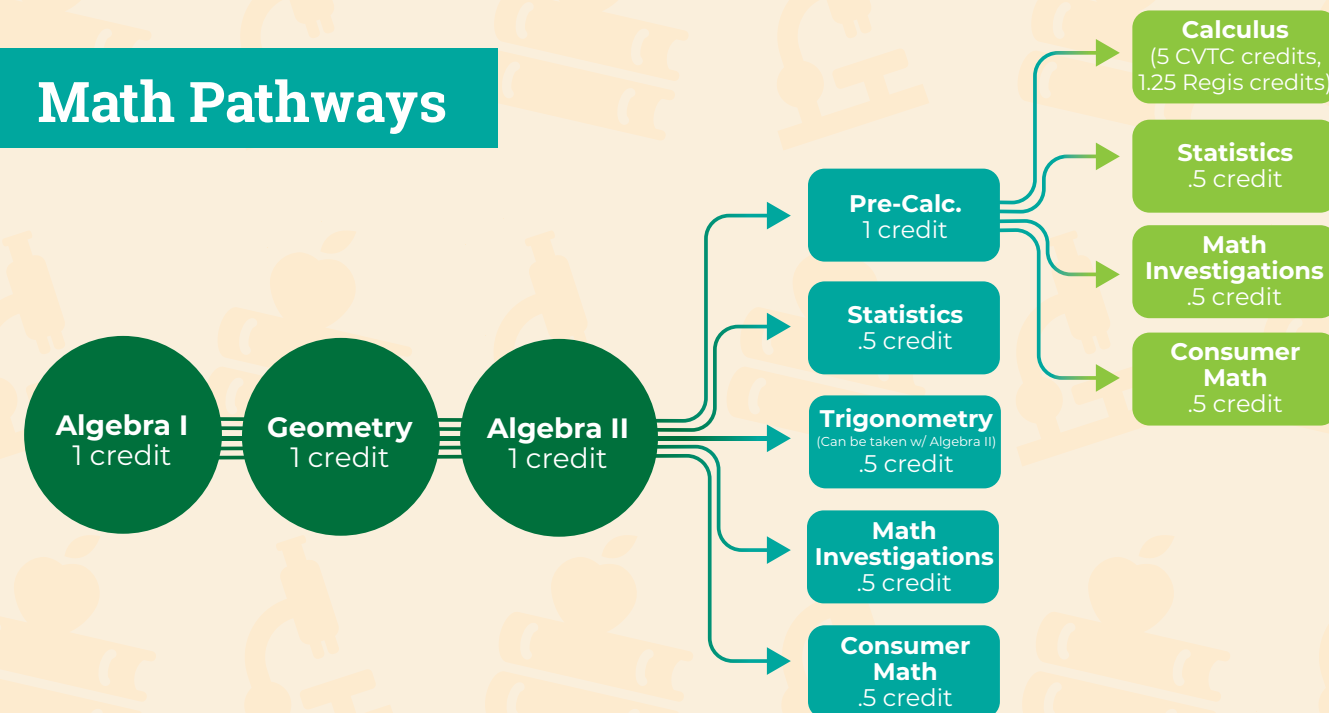
All applicants are expected to have completed, at a minimum, the university's high school course preparation requirements as follows:

4 Credits of Math, including Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2

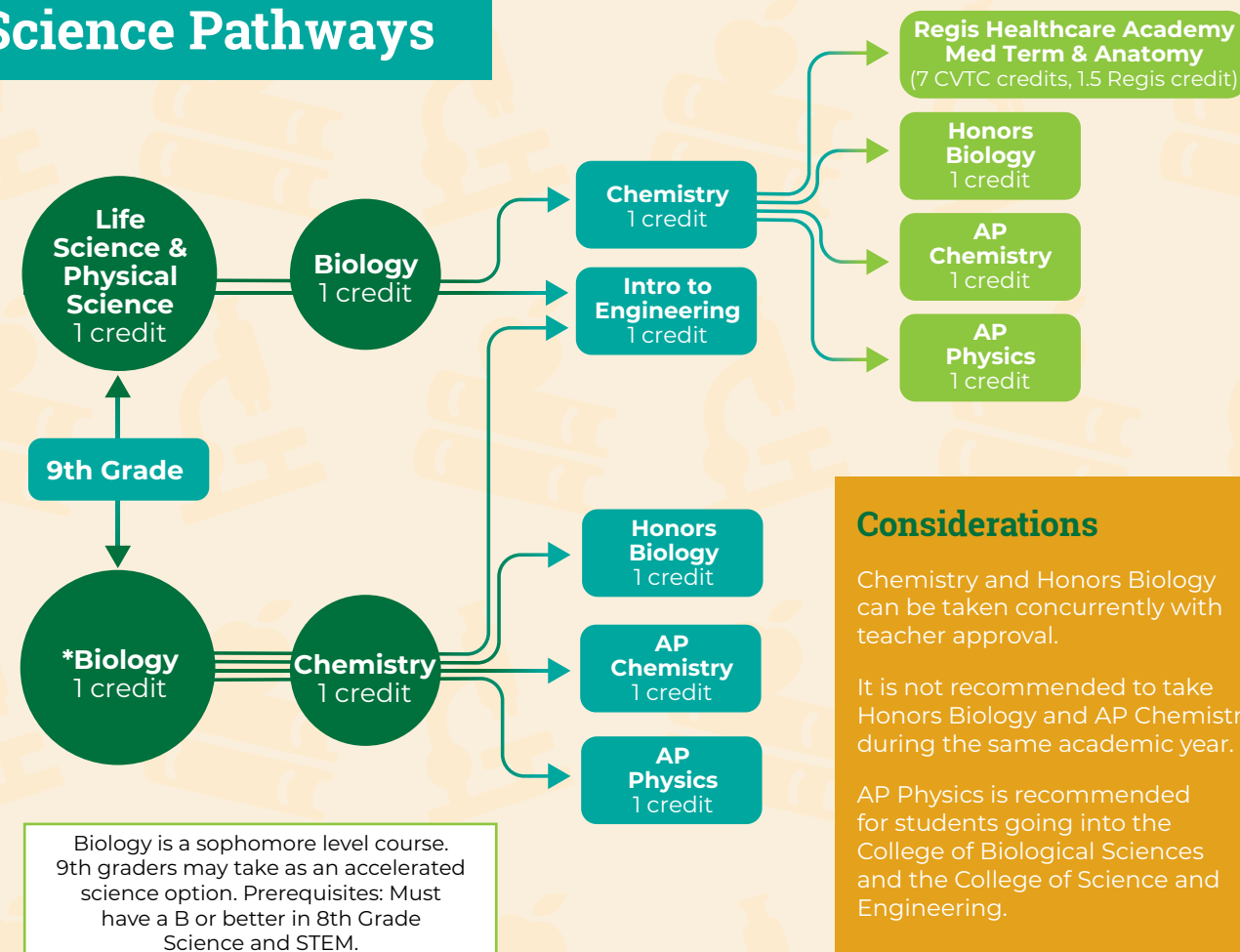
3 Credits of Sciences (1 credit each physical/biological)



Math Pathways



Science Pathways



Considerations

Chemistry and Honors Biology can be taken concurrently with teacher approval.

It is not recommended to take Honors Biology and AP Chemistry during the same academic year.

AP Physics is recommended for students going into the College of Biological Sciences and the College of Science and Engineering.



2022

Non Sibi

AWARDS DINNER &
REGIS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
Night of Recognition

Congratulations to those who were honored at the
2022 Non Sibi Awards Dinner & Regis Catholic Schools Night of
Recognition, held on Saturday, April 30 on the Regis campus.

The Latin phrase “Non Sibi” means “not for one’s self alone.” The Non Sibi Award, initiated in 1985, is given to one “who has given outstanding service to Regis Catholic Schools either in the form of time, talent, and effort, or by financial contribution”.

It was a wonderful evening
HOSTED BY OUR REGIS CATHOLIC
SCHOOLS FOUNDATION.



2022 Non Sibi Award
HOWARD LUDWIGSON



2022 Distinguished
Alumni Award
DAN PICHLER '79



2022 Honored Volunteer
Award
ZANE CULLINAN '22



2022 Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees
KATIE RYAN '03,
JAMES E. GARVEY III '77
ERIC GONZAGA '91
NICK SIMON '00 (NOT PICTURED)

Non Sibi Award recipient Howard Ludwigson gave all attendees at this year’s event the Prayer of St. Francis on a prayer card. He told the crowd that if you follow through and ask God for these things in your life, you harness the power of serving “not for one’s self alone”. Life is about the giving of yourself to others.

Prayer of St. Francis

Lord make me an instrument of your peace,
Where there is hatred let me sow love.
Where there is injury, pardon.
Where there is doubt, faith.
Where there is despair, hope.
Where there is darkness, light.
And where there is sadness, joy.
O divine master grant that I may
not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love
For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned.
And it’s in dying that we are born to eternal life.
Amen



wiLd abouT Jesus

2022 Walk for Virtues

On May 13, students from our three elementary schools participated in the annual Walk for Virtues fundraiser.

THIS YEAR, OUR STUDENTS FOCUSED ON THE “YEAR OF FAITH”. THE VIRTUES THEY WALKED FOR WERE FAITH, REVERENCE, STEWARDSHIP, GENEROSITY, GRATITUDE, HONESTY, MERCY, JUSTICE, AND ZEAL.

At Immaculate Conception Elementary School, the funds raised will be used to cover the cost of field trips, including transportation, make upgrades to bathroom plumbing, purchase die cuts and new rosaries for all classrooms, replace SMARTboards with Clever Screens, and for a retreat team.

At St. James Elementary School, the funds raised will be used to install new water fountains with a bottle filler near the school kitchen, add Chromecast technology in our classrooms, and to fulfill teacher wish lists.

At St. Mary’s Elementary School, the funds raised will be used to purchase a rock climbing wall for the playground, a green screen kit, a classroom set of Bibles, and add additional flexible seating options.





Congratulations to our students who received the sacrament of First Communion this spring!



Immaculate Conception Elementary School

FIRST ROW (L-R) J.J. Fadness, Jude Nowak, Isabelle Bauer, Mary Kate Gallaher, Gabriella Doering, Henry Becker, Mariano Ortiz, Luke Sackett, Gretchyn Haus, Evelyn Bydash

SECOND ROW (L-R) Elijah Lotts, Mollie Frey, Ellie Beckfield, Adrienne Hegge, Vivian Anthony, Bryce Stombaugh, Winston Olmstead

THIRD ROW (L-R) Thomas Mather, Jada Joas, Ella Blaeser, Jack Murphy

FOURTH ROW (L-R) Zayden Reichert, Lucas Johnson, Thomas Joles, Charles Spangler, Ava Flannery

FIFTH ROW (L-R) Landon Goethel, Alexander Schneider

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St. James Elementary School

FIRST ROW (L-R) Hadley Nett, Danica McFarlane, Jonathan Simet, Briella Rupnick

SECOND ROW (L-R) Ryker Yakesh, Evan Brahmer, Ian Stewart, Isaac Osborn, Noah Stolp, Gabriel Ahrendt



St. Mary's Elementary School

FIRST ROW (L-R) Jocelyn Bauer, Ava Nyberg, Vincent Bergeron, Lily Glassbrenner, Emma Rosener

SECOND ROW (L-R) Joe Jensen, Charlotte Johnson, Elijah Olson, Jack Jensen, Onnika Smiskey, Pressley Addis

THIRD ROW (L-R) Aavier Darnell, Liam Roers, Richard Erickson, Michael McMenomy, Lyli Mago



Congratulations to our students who received the sacrament of Confirmation this spring!



FIRST ROW (L-R) Ava Highman, Anna Helland, Calista Danielson, Finley Moss, Emma Klink, Lucy Auth, Ava Smith

SECOND ROW (L-R) Annabelle Schroeder, Karenn Lokken, Colleen Callaghan, Ashley Chilson, Brittany Martin, Teigan Petersilka

THIRD ROW (L-R) Ethan Eager, Ian Andrews, Fred Parish, Charlie Radant, Brandon Myher, Luke Betcher, Preston Szeplieniec

FOURTH ROW (L-R) Brayden Albee, Alex Ciulla, Gabe Quinn, John McMenomy, Ik Kanu, Chase Kostka, Lucas Kovacevich

FIFTH ROW (L-R) Preston Semling, Cameron Olson, Tyler Burhop, Cole Chilson

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Praying for our Regis High School Graduates

The Alexander family made special green and white rosaries for each senior as a graduation gift, adding a special sentimental feel to them.

In early May, students at St. Mary's Elementary School prayed for our seniors using the rosaries and on their last day of school, the seniors gathered one final time to pray the rosaries together as a class.

STATE CHAMPIONS



Baseball

The 2022 Regis Baseball season was truly one for the ages, as the Ramblers capped off one of the greatest campaigns in program history by winning the WIAA Division 4 State Championship with a 12-3 win over Bangor in the title game at Fox Cities Stadium in Appleton on Thursday, June 16. The victory gave Regis its second WIAA baseball title in school history, with the other occurring back in 2002.

In concluding the 2022 season with a sterling 23 and 1 record, Regis set a single-season record for wins as well as team batting average with a robust mark of .390. Within those 23 wins, the Ramblers also won the Western Cloverbelt with a perfect 12 and 0 record. The only other time Regis went undefeated in conference play was 1989 when they won the CWCC with a 6 and 0 ledger.

This year's road to Appleton was not easy. Incredibly, within the Ramblers' last five playoff games, the team had to rally to win each contest. On three occasions within that stretch, the Ramblers were down by as many as three runs. Specifically, their playoff run unfolded as follows:

Regional Semi-Final, May 31 | Regis 12, McDonell 3

Regional Final, June 1 | Regis 9, Immanuel Lutheran 3 (Regis trailed 2-1 going into the bottom of the 5th inning.)

Sectional Semi-Final, June 7 | Regis 7, Independence-Gilmanton 5 (Regis trailed 3-0 going into the bottom of the 3rd inning.)

Sectional Final, June 7 | Regis 13, Northwoods-Solon Springs 10 (Regis trailed 6-3 going into the top of the 5th inning.)

State Semi-Final, June 15 | Regis 14, Oakdale 4 (Regis trailed 4-1 going into the bottom of the 6th inning before exploding for 11 runs to end the game by the 10-run rule.)

State Final, June 16 | Regis 12, Bangor 3 (Regis trailed 3-2 going into the bottom of the 3rd inning.)

During the two state games at Appleton, Regis set an all division record for total steals with 20, including a single-game all divisions state record for stolen bases with 15 vs. Bangor in the title game. Moreover, Regis set a Division 4 record for most runs in an inning with 11 vs. Oakfield in the bottom of the 6th, and Ramblers' senior outfielder Alex Leis also set a single-game D4 record for triples, lacing two vs. Oakfield.

This year's trip to Appleton was the second consecutive year Regis had made the trek to state for the WIAA classic and its fourth overall. Regis' first trip to state for WIAA baseball happened in 2002, when the team beat DeSoto 4-1 to capture the Division 3 State Championship. In 2007, the Ramblers lost 8-7 in eight innings to former CWCC rival La Crosse Aquinas. Fourteen years later in 2021, Regis got knocked off by Coleman 6-4 in the Division 3 semi-final. Going farther back in Regis Baseball history, the Rambler Nine made appearances in the WISAA State Tournament in 1952, 1972, 1973, 1994, 1995, and 1999.

Congratulations to our 2022 WIAA state champion Regis Ramblers Baseball team! They will rightfully – and forever – be remembered as one the greatest baseball teams Regis has ever had.



Three cheers for Regis Baseball Head Coach Andy Niese! He reached a big milestone on May 13 during the game against Bloomer. The Ramblers won 5-4, giving Coach Niese his 200th win!



Track & Field

The Regis Boys and Girls Track & Field teams both worked hard by coming to practice every day this season, even when they were tired and sore. Our student-athletes had success this year by taking care of their bodies off the track by taking ice baths, stretching, hydrating, eating right, and being on time. All of these good habits helped lead the teams to great accomplishments!

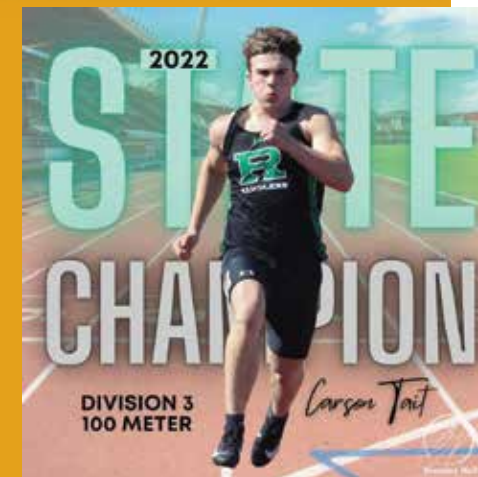
During the Western Cloverbelt Conference Championship meet, our boys placed 2nd overall as a team and had six conference champs while the girls placed 6th overall and also had six conference champs. During regionals at Durand, the girls earned the title of regional champions, winning by three points, advancing six regional champions to sectionals. The boys earned 2nd place overall, advancing eight regional champions to sectionals. At sectionals in Colfax, the girls placed 4th overall, advancing four student-athletes to state and the boys placed 5th overall, advancing four student-athletes to state.

We are so proud of our student-athletes for a great showing at the 2022 WIAA State Track & Field Championships! Carson Tait became a state champion

in the 100-meter dash with a photo finish and a winning time of 11.30! Carson also placed 7th in the 200-meter dash with a time of 23.06. He also is a new school record holder for both races! (The 100-meter dash record was held for 28 years by Brian Walter and the 200-meter dash record was held by his teammate Gus Theisen. Carson makes history by being the fastest sprinter to come through the Regis Track & Field program!)

The 4x100 meter relay team of Ian Andrews, Carson Tait, Alex Figy, and Gus Theisen also became state champions with a winning time of 43.27, breaking the school record which stood for seven years.

Gus Theisen placed 5th in the 100-meter dash, Carly Borst placed 8th in the 400-meter dash, Ashley Chilson placed 10th in the 800-meter run, and the 4x800 meter relay team of Carly Borst, Ava Moore, Eydie Myers, and Ashley Chilson ran the best of the season and placed 8th.





Boys Golf

The Saints golf season was one to remember! Both the varsity and junior varsity teams set the standard for the Cloverbelt Conference, both going undefeated throughout the year. The varsity was led by strong play from Josh Brickner and a great ending to the year with Isaac Petersilka winning the conference championship match at Skyline Golf Course. The varsity team had five invitationals, all against mostly division 1 schools. The athletes' hardwork and determination gave them the opportunity to succeed in every competition they were in. Some highlights from this season included setting a new program record 18 hole score of 309 (twice!),

playing Blackwolf Run in 40 mile-per-hour winds, and winning the conference championship by 40 shots!

The junior varsity team was led by Jagger Theisen, Nathan Person, and Jack Hernandez; who all have greatly improved since the start of the season. They steadily grew to be leaders amongst a large field of freshmen and have paved the way for a bright future in the program. The freshmen class deserves recognition for their determination and willingness to try something new and succeed along the way! Overall, every player put in lots of work and it has shown. As always, fairways and greens!



Girls Soccer

The Regis-McDonell Girls Soccer team finished a successful season with a 12-2 conference record, placing 2nd in conference, and with a 15-7 overall record. The team developed into an excellent passing and possession team as the season progressed. The team received the #4 seeding in its region and lost a 4-3 heartbreaker in the final five seconds of the

game to #1 seed Washburn/Bayfield. The team had two first team All-Conference selections in sophomores Annabelle Schroeder and Colleen Callaghan. Senior Alison Haag earned Honorable Mention. Annabelle Schroeder led the team in scoring with 24 goals and 17 assists and was selected as the team's Most Valuable Player.



Softball

The Regis Ramblers Softball team worked hard again this season to field a competitive team in a very challenging Western Cloverbelt conference. Unfortunately, the team's 0-17 record doesn't speak to the effort put forth, but much was accomplished as the team worked through the season's highs and lows...and extended winter weather!

Many thanks to the players, coaches, and parents for their contributions, and to senior captain Riley Kostka for her leadership. Best wishes to Riley, Lauren Bauer, Makenna Peterson, and Lily Hopkins as they continue their academic pursuits in college.



Boys Tennis

The Regis Boys Tennis team completed another successful tennis campaign in 2022! The team compiled a 9-5 overall team record and won its 13th consecutive Middle Border Conference Championship!

The team finished tied for second at sectionals and advanced three individuals to the state tournament. Alex Erickson qualified in singles, while Jude Multhauf and Hank Axelrod qualified in doubles. The team would like to thank seniors Jude Multhauf and Hank Axelrod for their leadership and dedication to the program!

Connor Miller '11 Named Head Boys Basketball Coach



Regis High School has named Connor Miller '11 as the next Head Boys Basketball Coach. Miller has a strong history with Regis Catholic Schools, having graduated from Regis High School in 2011. After playing professionally overseas, he has returned to the Eau Claire area with his fiancée, Crystal, and they are excited to have the opportunity to be involved with the Regis Catholic Schools system.

Miller fills this position with extensive basketball experience. As an accomplished Regis High School player under Coach Bill Uelmen, Miller helped lead the Ramblers to two state appearances. He went on to play at Division 1 Samford

University and Minnesota State University. After college, he pursued his dream of playing professionally in Europe. During his offseason, Miller coached and developed youth players around the state with his own basketball program.

"I am humbled and very grateful to have the opportunity to return to Regis High School as the Boys Basketball Coach," Miller said. "I have been fortunate to have had many great mentors and experiences from the game of basketball. This position will allow me to give back, mentor, and develop young talent within a system that has given me so much. I am beyond excited to support and build a successful program that continues to elevate the Regis tradition."



Forensics

Thirty-six members of the Regis High School forensics team competed at the Wisconsin High School Forensic Association state festival this spring.

Students received medals based on their score on a scale of 25. Our students received the Excellence in Speech Award (top 5% in the state) and senior Greg Sokup received the cumulative gold medal award for all four years of high school. **Individual award recipients include:**

Bronze Medalists (20-22 Points)

Sophomore **Ava Moore** - Impromptu
Junior **Christi Niedzwiecki** - Impromptu
Senior **Hannah Reynen** - Impromptu
Sophomore **Preston Szeplieniec** - Moments in History

Silver Medalists (23-24 Points)

Seniors **Makenna Peterson** and **Olivia Schneider** - Play Acting
Freshman **Sydney Marx** - Poetry
Senior **Alicia Ricciardi** - Prose

Gold Medalists (25 Points)

Seniors **Eydie Myers** and **Madie Olson** - Demonstration
Seniors **Hank Axelrod**, **Soren Giles**, **Griffin Kristo**, **Ben Salonek**, and **Greg Sokup** - Group Interpretation

Seniors **Samantha Schaffer** and **Leela Schuch** - Group Interpretation
Junior **Maggie Sollberger** - Moments in History
Senior **Kendall Alexander** - Oratory
Seniors **Lauren Bauer**, **Lily Hopkins**, **Riley Kostka**, **Sofia Merrick**, and **Lily Radant** - Play Acting
Sophomores **Alex Chinander**, **Ivan Nispel**, **CJ Olson**, and Freshman **Henry Sollberger** - Play Acting
Sophomores **Brittany Martin**, **Madeline McLain-Heath**, **Teigan Petersilka**, and **Caroline Shepich** - Play Acting
Freshman **Carly Borst** - Poetry
Freshman **Rebecca Catt** - Poetry
Senior **Chichi Kanu** - Public Address
Freshman **Bernie Falbo** - Storytelling



Support Regis Today, Make a Difference Tomorrow

The annual Regis Fund and Tuition Partnership campaign for this past year ended on June 30, 2022. We are pleased to report that we have raised more than **\$455,000** thanks to generous donations from our current parents, alumni, parents of past alumni, friends, and community supporters!

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 our high school. These funds help to support our dedicated teachers and staff, provide tuition assistance, fund scholarships, enhance curriculum opportunities, and more. In addition, your generous donations help to bridge the gap between tuition and the true cost to educate our Regis Catholic School students. We are very grateful and humbled by your generosity. Thank you.

The 2022-23 annual Regis Fund and Tuition Partnership campaign will kick-off in August 2022. With your help, we can top this past year's appeal! Please know that your gifts are not taken for granted and are appreciated and essential to help our Catholic schools provide a quality and affordable education to all of our students.

(Please note, all donations made to this past year's Regis Fund and Tuition Partnership campaign will be recognized in the Rambler Report - Fall 2022.)

Have a great summer!

Sincerely,

Jackie Bachmeier

Jackie Bachmeier
Regis Catholic Schools Foundation
Advancement Director

We have a strong Catholic school system, but we can be better. Your help in growing the Regis Fund will truly impact the future of our schools now and for many years to come!



To Positively Impact Lives: Mike Moore '80 Named Menomonee Falls Humanitarian of the Year



An Alumni Story by
Madeline McLain-Heath '24
Regis High School
Student

I love hearing stories about Regis Catholic Schools alumni and how their Catholic school experience shaped who they are today. Recently, I visited with Mike and Paula Moore, who both graduated from Regis High School in 1980. I found the accomplishments of Mike and Paula both interesting and amazing. Humility, kindness, and faith are very much a part of their lives, from setting up businesses to raising a family. They are grateful for their Regis education, as it provided them strong faith-based roots that shaped their lives.

"Gratitude is the memory of the heart."

Jean-Baptiste Massieu

Mike and Paula met in second grade at Immaculate Conception Elementary School and they were both born and raised Catholic. They dated throughout high school and got married shortly after they finished college. Mike and his wife have been inseparable ever since. Both think very highly of the other and are very proud of each other. I think that they are truly an amazing couple, a team through and through. They have four children together, all of whom attended Catholic school and three who currently work at Moore Construction Services, their family business. Mike believes he found his passion for helping others and his love for construction through his classes at Regis.

Mike recently won the Humanitarian of the Year award in Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin for his generous contributions and impact on the community around him. This award is given to an individual who has promoted the welfare of humanity, helped to better the community, and improved the quality of life for citizens. Throughout his years as a business owner, Mike has always strived to express kindness and understanding, values that he grew up with.

Mike finds these traits to be so important that he encourages his employees to show these values as well. He is a strong believer in community bonds and interacting positively with those around him.

"To positively impact lives sums up the values I try to live out each day," he said.

This has become Mike's motto for life and his reason for everything he does. It is amazing to see how the values and habits that were formed in his years of schooling have had such a large impact on his life. When receiving this award, he was humbled and thanked the many people that helped him throughout his journey.

Both Mike and his wife have very fond memories looking back at their time at Regis High School and they have some words of wisdom for those in school right now. Paula is an advocate for knowing that people "remember how you make them feel", so she reminds others to always be kind. She and Mike believe firmly that forgiveness is a very important part of being Catholic and having a happy life.

Both Mike and Paula believe it is important to take care of yourself and understand that focusing on faith, family, and goals are good things to incorporate into life. Mike also reminds others that having a positive mindset and taking advantage of opportunities is key to living a happy and successful life. He encourages everyone, especially our youth, to 'tune out all the

discourse of today and focus on what is truly important to you'.

Both Mike and Paula reflected that their experiences at Regis Catholic Schools set the foundation for shaping them into who they are today.

Congratulations Mike and Paula! We are Rambler proud!

Are you an alumni who would like to share your story about how attending Regis High School impacted your life? If so, we would love to hear from you!
Please email Jackie Bachmeier, our Regis Catholic Schools Foundation Advancement Director, at jbachmeier@RegisCatholicSchools.com.



Alumni Report

After serving as part of our Holy Cross mission in Mexico, **Fr. Tom Zurcher, CSC '63** completed 14 years in July 2021 and received a new assignment. The new assignment is as a parochial vicar at Holy Cross Parish in South Bend, Indiana. His residence is at Fatima House on the University of Notre Dame campus.

"Together with the others in my ordination class of 1972, this year I celebrated my 50th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood."

Steven Wise '70 welcomed a new great granddaughter in November 2020. Congratulations!



Philip Noland '00 recently returned from his ninth deployment after serving during the war in Ukraine. Noland is a Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Air Force and is a navigator on the C-130 Hercules. He was recently named Commander of the 96th Airlift Squadron at the Minneapolis-St. Paul Air Reserve Station.

Josh Thiess '07 and his family recently moved into a home on the south side of Eau Claire and his children will be students at Immaculate Conception Elementary School during the coming school year. Josh recently moved into a SR Engineering position at 3M and his wife was recently promoted to a Clinical Research Specialist at Medtronic.



Marc Santolin '10 and his wife, Emily, welcomed Luciana "Lucy" into the world in October 2021. She is an extremely happy baby and is enjoying her first summer in Chicago!



Bobby Mickelson '12 recently partnered up with **Hayden Frey '13** and started a one-stop shop insurance agency. Chippewa Valley Advisors strives to inform and educate people based on different insurance needs. Whether that be home, auto, business, farm, life, or anything benefit-related in the fast-changing health insurance market. In our agency, we feel passionate about three components. Education of coverages and anything policy related, exceptional service and always being accessible to clients even if after business hours, and of course affordability of insurance. We feel very fortunate that many in the Regis community have reached out and trusted our agency with their insurance needs. We look to continue to abide by our standards, give us a call today to evaluate your insurance needs and ask about your Regis alumni discount.



Sarah (Snyder) Wille '13 gave birth to her first child in early May, blessing Regis High School teacher Mr. John Snyder with his first grandchild! Theodore William Wille was 6 lbs. 15 oz. May God Bless Sarah, her husband, and Baby Theodore!

After graduating with her Bachelor's in Therapeutic Recreation from UW-La Crosse and completing a TR internship at Munroe Meyer Institute at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Nebraska in 2018, **Grace Morning '14** decided to move to Omaha for the foreseeable future. She got a job in the career field of ABA (Applied Behavior Analysis) as a BCaBA (Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst) and supervisor at Radical Minds in Omaha. Radical Minds provides behavioral therapy for children on the Autism Spectrum. Grace is now currently in graduate school online at Arizona State University and will be graduating in October with her Masters of Art degree in Special Education with an emphasis in Applied Behavior Analysis. After that, she will be able to sit for the board examination to become a BCBA (Board Certified Behavior Analyst).

In August 2021, **Jared Merkel '16** graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison with a Bachelor of Science in Biological Systems Engineering with an Emphasis in Machinery Systems. In January 2022, he accepted a Design Engineering Position at the Vermeer Corporation in Pella, Iowa. Jared is a member of the Fluid Power Team where I design Hydraulic Systems for Heavy Equipment applications.



We are so excited to show off our new Fight Song sign in the gym on the Regis campus! A big thank you to the Andrews family...which is made up of three generations of Ramblers... for making it possible. The full family history is below, with Stan, Mike, and Ian pictured under the sign.

Stan '63 & Mary Andrews
(Children: Mike Andrews '89 & Jennifer Andrews Gonzaga '91)

Mike '89 & Nikki Andrews
(Children: Maggie Andrews '20, Katie Andrews '21 & Ian Andrews '24)

Reunions

Class of 1967 | 55th Reunion

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*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.*

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Catholic Order of Foresters Agent Geoffrey Wolterstorff of Eau Claire recently earned a Richard Benevolence Tobin Award and chose to donate the \$500 associated with the award to the Regis High School Booster Club.

"The [booster club] does so much for all Regis High School sports," said Wolterstorff. "[My sons] have benefitted from participating in Regis sports programs."

Wolterstorff hopes the booster club uses these proceeds to benefit the school's basketball program.

Catholic Order of Foresters' (COF) top 20 agents earned Richard Tobin Benevolence Awards, worth \$500 each, based on production year 2021. COF donates the money to the church, school, or community organization of each agent's choice.



Thank You!



The Regis High School Booster Club hosted its 30th annual Regis ScRambler Golf Outing at Lake Hallie Golf Course on June 18. This year's ScRambler was a huge success thanks to the many alumni, family, and friends who played and/or supported the event. (Mother Nature also did her part by ordering up an absolutely beautiful day for golf!)

This year's ScRambler welcomed 138 golfers, the largest crowd to play in the last 20 years! As a result, we raised more than \$12,000 to support Regis High School athletics and extra-curricular events. Thank you Rambler Nation!

The Regis High School Booster Club would like to thank the following Regis ScRambler Golf Outing sponsors: Dr. Austin Crow - Chippewa Valley Orthopedic & Sports Medicine, Northwestern Bank, Chippewa Valley Advisors, Kristo Orthodontics, Ray's Place, Marshfield Clinic Sports Medicine, Everyday Surveying & Engineering, Bohl & Proulx Plumbing, Beautiful Minds Child Care, Ryberg Law - Drew Ryberg, Area Electric - Steve & Brenda Gobler, Rock-N-Stone Masonry - Ryan & Charly Kostka, Oakleaf Clinics, Buesser Concrete, Mega Holiday, and Eau Claire Chiropractic. Special thanks goes to our Beverage Sponsor Park Ridge Distributing, Food Sponsor Anibas Drywall Services - Tom Anibas and crew for the fabulous chicken dinner, and Raffle Sponsors Menards, Princeton Valley Golf-Bar-Grill, DogDen Enterprises, Silver Springs Food, Scott & Becky Alexander, Jim & Jane Gobler, and Mark & Sandy Gobler.

Please mark your calendars to attend next year's event on June 17, 2023. Go Ramblers!





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