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Making a difference, one meal at a time. In May, students on the Regis campus helped package 30,000+ meals for Kids Against Hunger! The non-profit humanitarian organization's mission is to provide fully nutritious food to hungry children and families around the world and in our own neighborhood.

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# Report from the Dean



### Dear Families, Alumni, and Regis Supporters,

I would like to clear the air in response to rumors that have been circulating regarding our Regis Catholic Schools finances. Those rumors are seriously misleading and inaccurate. All of you have invested a huge amount of time, money, and energy into the Regis family and deserve to know what is going on, as well as what is NOT going on.

There are two main concerns. The first is that we have arrived at a cash flow problem. The second is that we should have noticed the cash problem sooner, and did not. Both concerns are being addressed with great seriousness.

### There are NOT any indications of misappropriation of funds.

Cash Flow: A cash flow problem means that during certain times of the year, you do not have enough cash on hand to pay your immediate bills. When your #1 immediate bill is employee payroll, you indeed have a problem. We are keeping up with our payrolls, but in May, we had to sign a revolving line of credit to get us through the ups and downs of the next year. I was NOT happy to sign that document. I remember how hard we all worked and how happy we were to see Regis debt free. We plan to stay that way!

Not Catching the Problem Soon Enough: We now see clearly that during 2016-2018, our cash balances were steadily dropping due to five main factors: making several capital improvements, adding staff positions, raising teacher salaries, offering more stipends to employees, and paying higher health care premiums. The money is all accounted for, but it is not in our bank accounts anymore – it is in our people and our physical assets. It is great that we spent money on worthwhile people and causes. Unfortunately, we overspent and caught it later than we should have.

### As a result, the following actions have been taken / are being taken / will be taken:

- I had volunteers from the Finance Committee conduct a more thorough examination of the cash flow problem. They found no signs of misappropriation of funds.
- 2. Kimberly Huston (finance coordinator for the Diocesan Office of Catholic Schools) has spent several hours reviewing our financial statements for the last few years and is making very helpful recommendations. She found no signs of misappropriation of funds.
- 3. We are bringing in an independent 3rd party expert to quell all rumors. More importantly, they will assist us by providing recommendations for improvement.
- 4. The Finance Committee met June 11. We combed over the last 3 years of finances and verified with confidence that the 2019-20 budget is balanced and sustainable.
- 5. The Finance Committee scheduled two additional summer meetings. A few of us are working on the matter several days a week.
- 6. By the end of the summer, I expect some restructuring in how we approach planning, decision-making, budgeting, and financial reporting.
- 7. Most importantly, in the fall we want to form a task force so that we can return in earnest to developing a detailed long-range financial plan that includes serious and sustainable increases in teacher compensation.

### We are early in the process. Here is what we have found so far:

- A. Our reporting methods in 2016-2018 were accurate, but they were more geared for the requirements of the Department of Public Instruction. They were difficult to use internally for monitoring our own vital signs or for making strategic decisions. We are reworking our methods of reporting.
- B. We did not have a business plan that we were able to consult when making strategic decisions. We will develop one.
- C. We need to make changes to our planning processes, our decision-making processes, and our meeting structures in order to maximize the involvement of key stakeholders and the skills they can offer.

Please pray for us as we work very hard to ensure a vibrant future for Regis Catholic Schools!

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Fr. Derek Sakowski Dean, Eau Claire Deanery

# **Report** from the President

### **Greetings!**

The one good thing I can say about May and June of this past school year is that we didn't have any snow days! I know summer vacation started a bit later than usual, but now that we are halfway through, I hope things have been going well. A discussion regarding the number of school cancellations we had this past year, which was abnormally high, led to some interesting questions from members of the Regis Catholic Schools Education Commission at our spring meetings.

One member asked if we could still have school, even on inclement weather days, when Student Transit does not run its buses. Technically, the answer is yes. There is nothing that legally forbids us from having school. However, there are other concerns that come into play. For example, each family's ability to transport to school without bus service, the ability of our teachers and support staff to safely get to work, and the safety of our students, parents, and staff on days with adverse road conditions. As an administrator, I have to ask what the liability is in keeping our doors open for instructional purposes on those days. It was generally agreed upon that this would not be feasible or smart.

Our discussion did, however, generate another question. If our two child development centers remain open on inclement weather days, is there a possibility to open one or more of our buildings to students for a noninstructional, but supervised, day? Again the answer is yes, and since we are not open for instruction and attendance would not be required, it removes some of the barriers that were mentioned in the previous paragraph. Thus, this summer, the administration will be discussing the possibility of providing a safe environment for families to bring their children for a structured and supervised day in the event of a school cancellation due to inclement weather. This will take time as we look at all of the logistics. We would need to answer many questions. Which building(s) would we use? Who would staff something like this? How would we provide food? How long would the day run? Would we allow non-Regis Catholic Schools students to participate? What age can we serve? What would the cost be to families? And the list goes on.

We would like to have a plan in place at the beginning of the 2019-20 school year to give us time to survey our parents to see if there is interest in a program like this. If we see there is a need, we will proceed as we can. At that time, our Finance Council and Education Commission would give input and give a recommendation to either proceed with the idea or not



spend any more time on it. I just wanted to take this opportunity to let you know the idea is being discussed.

I do not foresee another winter like we had anytime soon, yet weather cancellations seem to be trending upward the past couple of years. This could be the perfect time to offer something like this.

Thank you for being part of the Regis community. We are truly blessed to be a part of your lives.

God Bless.

Mark Gobler '73 President



# Diocesan Administrator of the Year

**Carisa Smiskey**, Principal at St. Mary's Elementary in Altoona, has been recognized as the 2018-2019 Diocesan Administrator of the Year!

This award recognizes Mrs. Smiskey's administrative leadership, drive, dedication, and talent.

"I feel so honored and humbled to be named the Diocesan Administrator of the Year," Smiskey said. "I am blessed to work with an outstanding staff who create new and innovative ways of reaching all students, making St. Mary's an amazing place to be an administrator."

We are blessed to have Mrs. Smiskey as part of our Regis Catholic Schools family!



The Legacy Lives On

**Gayle Flaig,** Administrator of the Early Childhood Programs for Regis Catholic Schools, is a strong advocate for early childhood education. In May, she was recognized for her hard work and dedication.

Gayle received an Outstanding Achievement Award at the 18th annual Children's Legacy Luncheon in Eau Claire. The event, presented by the Children's Museum of Eau Claire, honors individuals who have made important and lasting contributions on behalf of children in the Chippewa Valley.

Gayle helped open the Regis Child Development Center in September 1991 and later the Genesis Child Development Center in September 1998. Over the past 27 years, both facilities have cared for thousands of young children ages 6 weeks to 12 years. The first Children's Legacy Luncheon event was held in 2002 with the intention of creating awareness of special issues regarding the welfare of children in our community and raising funds to support nonprofit organizations serving them. For the past 17 years, the Children's Legacy Luncheon has recognized individuals who have made a positive and long-lasting contribution to the lives of children in the Chippewa Valley through innovative work, leadership, volunteerism, or philanthropy. Gayle is now a member of a prestigious group of honorees who have made a difference for children across the area.

Congratulations, Gayle!

We are blessed to have you as part of our Regis Catholic Schools family!







# Faculty & Staff Appreciation Awards



## **2019** Teacher of the Year

#### **REGIS CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

#### **Lisa Spicer**

Lisa has been a teacher in the Lullaby Lamb classroom at the Regis Child Development Center for the last ten years. Her warm smile, positive energy, and knowledge of child development help foster a wonderful environment for children to learn and grow. Dropping off your child for the very first time with a virtual stranger is one of the hardest things for a parent to do. Lisa has created an environment in her classroom where parents feel welcomed and secure. She builds a relationship of trust through her warm smile, nurturing care, and daily communication. She is patient, soft-spoken, and always knows just what to do to help comfort a child. She forms strong bonds with the infants, knowing their unique personalities and adjusting her curriculum to meet each of their individual needs. As a co-worker, Lisa is always willing to lend an extra hand and give support. She is extremely flexible and always willing to jump into another classroom, or even take on

the kitchen when needed. We know Lisa has touched the lives of many of our children and families and we are extremely proud and thankful to have her as part of our team!

### **GENESIS CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

#### **Trina Parker**

Trina has been a part of the Genesis Child Development Center team for the past two years and consistently exhibits a passion for teaching. Miss Trina is adaptable, fun-loving, and hardworking. She makes lessons fun and creative to support the love of learning. Miss Trina has a nurturing personality that fosters a wonderful environment for children to learn and grow. She provides fun, creative activities and likes to be silly with the children. She has started Chapel time for the preschool children at the center, She is a master teacher who is which she implements every Friday. Trina's calm demeanor and helpful personality make her a great role model for children and an excellent colleague. Her love for teaching is evident each day as she takes an interest in each child's success and

aids them in building their confidence. We know Trina touches the hearts of many children, and we are extremely thankful to have her as a part of our team!

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION **ELEMENTARY**

#### Holly Chilson | Kindergarten

Holly is a natural born teacher who excels at making her classroom energetic! She motivates the students with hands-on lessons such as making applesauce, ice cream, and pizza. Her goal for each child is to make him or her accountable and she implements routines and policies that build good self-esteem. She illustrates her creativity with age-appropriate displays in her classroom and hallway. As a staff member, she takes charge with her detailed organizational skills. respected by all!

### ST. JAMES ELEMENTARY

#### Heather Mecikalski | Music

Heather is an outstanding music teacher! She works extremely

hard teaching her students the fundamentals of music in addition to having band lessons for our 5th grade students. She also puts in a lot of time and effort in preparing the students for Mass. This past spring, Heather prepared a musical program for the residents at Good Shepherd Assisted Living in Eau Claire and everyone enjoyed it! Each class had its own songs to sing and they even played musical instruments. We appreciate Heather's dedication to the Regis system!

### ST. MARY'S ELEMENTARY

### Leslie Steinke | 1st Grade

Leslie has been a consistent presence at St. Mary's Elementary for the last nineteen years and an active member of St. Mary's Parish. Over the years, Leslie has been quick to volunteer to be a member of any new committee. most recently volunteering to be on the Elementary Writing Task Force. As a member of the Task Force, she has shared several resources that Regis Catholic Schools will utilize to build our own assessments. Two years ago, Leslie brought the idea of a Blessings Box to St. Mary's Elementary. With the help of her husband and son, Leslie installed the Blessings Box, which has helped countless people in the Altoona community. In the classroom, Leslie researches and implements new resources wholeheartedly and enthusiastically. Having taught a variety of classes over the years, Leslie stated, "challenging classes are the ones you become a teacher for, they're the ones that make you think and bring you new life!"

#### **REGIS MIDDLE SCHOOL**

#### Stephanie Schick | Art

Stephanie has a passion for helping students develop and cultivate their creative skills. Her work to have all students experience a wide assortment of art mediums keeps kids excited and motivated. Next year, she will begin a new metals class, and she likes to include different forms of technology in her curriculum. Stephanie is only in her second year as a teacher at Regis and has quickly become a highly regarded and respected faculty member.

#### **REGIS HIGH SCHOOL**

#### Michael Van Hemert | Religion

This year, the Regis student body voted Michael as the Regis High School "Teacher of the Year", and school administration confirm this choice. In his third year as a Senior Theology Teacher, he is highly respected among students, staff, and parents alike. His commitment to passing on the doctrine of the Catholic Faith to our students is only second to his passion in helping all students grow in their relationship with Jesus. Michael is also responsible for overseeing all service learning hours and opportunities.

# **2019** Support Staff of the Year

#### Jack Paulsrud | Maintenance Regis Campus

Jack is Glenn Berger's right-hand man. He takes care of numerous tasks on the Regis campus, including snow removal, which was a big job this past winter! He also prepares for and helps at after-school events. Jack is very respectful and relates well to both staff and students.

# Years of Service

### 5 Years

Holly Chilson Lori Bokor Robyn Brenner Krista Christianson Alexandra Esser Jonathon Jarocki Jill Klotz Brittany LeBarron Thomas Lecheler Nicole Meldahl Michael Nerbovig Stephanie Oates Angel Peck Cassandra Pettis Nan Falbo

### **10 YEARS**

Shanna Donkers Lisa Spicer Patrick Straszkowski Jill Urdahl

15 YEARS

Paul Pedersen

### **20 YEARS**

John Cook Julie Burhop Dori Fadness Suzy Sturz

### **35 YEARS**

John Snyder Glenn Berger



### RETIRING STAFF MEMBERS

Tony Olson Physical Education Renee Cassidy Principal Anne Hoffman Librarian Cheryl Hanson Kindergarten Ed Leustek Chemistry (NOT PICTURED)

# "Renee has always put Immaculate Conception Elementary at the top of her priorities." On the Road on Retirement

Be a good role model. Respect everyone. Rely on the faith. Be accountable. Communicate often. Renee Cassidy has lived by these words during her longtime career in Catholic education. They are things she will remember as she embarks on a new journey in life.

After 21 years as a Catholic school administrator and an additional nine years as a Catholic school teacher, Mrs. Cassidy is setting her sights on another adventure: retirement.

"I have great gratitude and appreciation for all of the memories I have with students, staff, parents, administration, and pastors," Cassidy said. "I thank all of them for making my journey complete."

That journey included serving as one of the founders of the consolidated Regis Catholic Schools system in 1998.

"I have seen positive growth and excellent progress for Regis Catholic Schools over the years," Cassidy said. "In 1998, I was chosen to become the first Regis Middle School principal and I started the school from the ground up, which was a daunting task."

After six years as the Regis Middle School principal, the position consolidated to one acting principal for both the middle school and the high school. At that time, Cassidy became the principal at St. Joseph's Elementary School in Menomonie, a position she held for four years. She was called back home to Regis to serve as the principal at Immaculate Conception Elementary in 2004.

"Renee brought a feeling of community to our school," said longtime kindergarten teacher Mary Donnellan. "She was always so visible and the students really got to know her. She also helped strengthen the school's Catholic atmosphere through handing out holy cards, the placement of Catholic statues throughout the building, and her daily prayer with staff and students."

During her long and successful career, Cassidy served on several Diocesan committees, oversaw the faculty religious training program, helped with curriculum decisions, and created the Walk for Virtues event at our elementary schools. In 2015, she was named the Diocesan Administrator of the Year, an honor she was grateful to receive. Cassidy says being a Catholic school educator was her vocation, one she not only fulfilled by completing her duties, but by working to instill the faith through daily prayer and actions with staff and students.

"I met many wonderful people along the way who are dedicated to Catholic education," she said. "Each one of them has given me many rewards with their examples and advice. Mentoring and hiring staff, assisting students to become successful adults, and working with supportive parents has given me great satisfaction."

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"Renee has always put Immaculate Conception Elementary at the top of her priorities," added 3rd grade teacher Dori Fadness. "She takes great pride in the building and how our students do academically, socially, and spiritually. She brought back the Catholic identity of the old days when Sisters graced our halls."

Cassidy has served as the accreditation chairperson for **Regis Catholic** Schools for the last seven years, a position she will continue to hold as we complete another round of accreditation this coming November. Working with the committees and overseeing that process will be her final duty.

While she calls retirement bittersweet, Cassidy is excited for what lies ahead.

"I will not be setting the alarm anymore," she laughed. "But I will be cycling, reading, completing crafts, and traveling more. I will also be busy helping with Immaculate Conception Parish's 75th Jubilee committee for 2020."

As for her staff at Immaculate Conception Elementary? There is a lot they will miss.

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teachers, and the

students," Fadness said. "She was a

hands-on principal

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"She brought an excitement to the building that the

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who you could find scrubbing windows, cleaning railings, bandaging a skinned knee, or running an errand to help a teacher."

"We will miss her," echoed librarian Nancy Lynch. "She brought an excitement to the building that the students loved."

"I was blessed to serve," Cassidy said with a smile. "Thank you for the opportunity!"



### Welcome Kayla Bahnub!

We are pleased to announce Kayla Bahnub has returned to the Regis Catholic Schools family as our new principal at Immaculate Conception Elementary.

Mrs. Bahnub holds a bachelor's degree from UW-Eau Claire and a master's degree in Educational Leadership from St. Mary's University in Minnesota. Her husband, Bryan, is an alumnus of Immaculate Conception Elementary and Regis High School.

Mrs. Bahnub previously taught Spanish and Social Studies at Regis Middle School and Regis High School and served as the Dean of Students at Regis Middle School. She then served as Elementary Principal at McDonell Area Catholic Schools before returning to the Regis Catholic Schools system.

# Congratulations Graduates!

On May 29, Regis High School presented diplomas to 40 graduates. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin a new journey in life.

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### Class of 2019 Valedictorians Adam Pernsteiner, Laura Sokup, Morgan Rohrscheib, Heidi Skwierczynski





# **Regis High School Graduates**

Kathryn AO Syracuse University

> **Leanne Back** UW-River Falls

**Gavin Bowe** University of St. Thomas

> Sophia Burgess UW-Stout

Keaton Comero Chippewa Valley Technical College

> Evan Cook U.S. Navy

Andrew Ernstmeyer lowa State University

> **Jonah Forden** UW-Eau Claire

**Grace Gilles** University of Sioux Falls

> Nathan Gorzek UW-Eau Claire

**Kimberly Henriksen** UW-Barron County

**Maegan Jiskra** Winona State University

William Jordahl University of St. Thomas

**Teryn Karlstad** University of St. Thomas

> **Jarrett Kowski** Gap Year

**Nicholas Maenner** University of Minnesota

**Mitchell Merkel** University of St. Thomas

> **Isaac Michels** UW-Madison

Marne Milanowski College of St. Benedict

Jack Nicolai University of Sioux Falls

> **Ana Nunez** UW-Eau Claire

> Payton Oliver UW-Eau Claire

Cade Osborn St. Cloud State University

Adam Pernsteiner University of Minnesota

Kadin Peterson University of St. Thomas

> Samuel Petit UW-Eau Claire

Morgan Rohrscheib University of St. Thomas

> Thomas Schmidt UW-Eau Claire

Celee Schuch St. Catherine University

Gabrielle Semerad UW-Eau Claire **Izabella Setla** Montana State University

Heidi Skwierczynski University of Minnesota - Rochester

> **Laura Sokup** UW-Eau Claire

Andrew Solberg MATC

**Christina Tao** Boston University

**Rebekah Thurner** St. Catherine University

> Mandi Van Brunt Chippewa Valley Technical College

Elizabeth Wiltgen Marquette University

> Samantha Wolff UW-Eau Claire

Jackson Wolterstorff St. Norbert College

# 2019 Senior Exit Survey

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



98% Yes 2% No

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



**90% Excellent/Good 10% Average** 

subject matter in the courses you took at Regis High School? 95% Yes 5% No

Did you feel you received challenging

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



**90% Excellent/Good 10% Average** 

Did your teachers have high expectations for quality work?



95% Yes 5% No

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



95% Excellent/Good 2.5% Average 2.5% Below Average



### The Tradition Continues

Kimberly Henriksen '19 Carol Lippert '61 (Grandmother)

Marne Milanowski '19 Dave Mickelson '45 (Grandfather) Jean Mickelson '46 (Grandmother) Elizabeth (Mickelson) Milanowski '79 (Mother)

Celee Schuch '19 Mary Kathryn Wolf '58 (Grandmother)

Nicholas Maenner '19 Jim Maenner '85 (Father)



# Scholarship **Recipients**

### SENIOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Charter Bank Scholarships Samuel Petit Celee Schuch Laura Sokup Jackson Wolterstorff

### Edwin & Lucille Eggen Scholarships

Heidi Skwierczynski Jackson Wolterstorff Gabrielle Semerad Adam Pernsteiner Laura Sokup Rebekah Thurner

AnnMarie Foundation Scholarship Nicholas Maenner

**EC Rotary Club Scholarship** Laura Sokup Rebekah Thurner

West WI Telecom Co-op Nicholas Maenner

**Compeer Financial Scholarship** Andrew Ernstmeyer

WI Academic Excellence Scholarship Adam Pernsteiner Seymour Lions Club Leanne Back

**Red Cross Scholarship** Payton Oliver

Ashley Furniture Scholarship Gabrielle Semerad

Jason Yarrington Memorial Scholarship Payton Oliver

**Grace Walsh Scholarship** Laura Sokup

John F. Kennedy Scholarship (St. Norbert) Jackson Wolterstorff

Hallie Optimist Club Scholarship Jackson Wolterstorff

### RETURNING STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS (REGIS HIGH SCHOOL)

Regis Catholic Schools Foundation Scholarship Makenna Peterson

**Bob Duren Memorial Scholarship** Sydney Bates Robert & Patricia Devney Memorial Scholarship Michael Usher

Earl Benning Memorial Scholarship Madison Olson

Edward A. Carlson Class of 1958 Scholarship Olivia Schneider

John, Patricia & Neil McElroy Memorial Scholarship Harrison Shepich

Charles & Caroline Loechler Memorial Scholarship Quinn Petersilka

**George "Mike" & Patricia Carroll Memorial Scholarship** Marianna Kern

Marie Steubing Memorial Scholarship Greg Sokup Lillian Niese Emma Vinopal Sydnee Yengo

Daniel & Marilyn Brey Family Scholarship Quinn Petersilka

Fr. John Rossiter Memorial Scholarship Noelle Pawelski







Jerome Miller Family Scholarship Anna Allen

**Greg "Mouse" Bement Memorial Scholarship** Leela Schuch

**Bishop John Paul Class of 1951 Scholarship** Julia Weisenberger

Mary Kay Bissell Memorial Scholarship Chiamaka Kanu

Judy Bye Henderson Memorial Scholarship Sara Postl

**Hrubesh Family Scholarship** Joseph Edge Griffin Johnson

**Frances Kurth Memorial Scholarship** Kendall Alexander Bria Thalacker Michael Carroll '67 Memorial Scholarship Lauren Semerad

Regis Bridge Club Scholarship Andrew Schlitz

Knights of Columbus John F. Kennedy Council Scholarship Michaela Niedzwiecki

Joseph Janz '83 & James Janz Memorial Scholarship Allison Whiteside

Fred & Patricia Urmann Scholarship Kevin Byrne

Emilio & Patricia Rinaldi Family Scholarship Rachel Szepieniec Devin Dykes **Francis & June Harrington Memorial Scholarship** Grace Multhauf Eydie Myers

Earl Benning Memorial Business Scholarship No Applicants

Mal Mosing Memorial Scholarship No Applicants

Grace Walsh Scholarship Laura Sokup

Michael J. Fedie Scholarship John Wolterstorff

**St. James the Greater Catholic School Tuition Endowment Scholarships** Kevin Byrne Matthew Kent Kaden Jordahl



# Leading Story and photography by Sharon Sliwka

(Article originally published in Catholic Life | April 2

ost people remember their high school years. These four years likely influenced us more than any other time in our life. We were at an age of independence — wanting our voices to be heard and be treated as adults, with dignity and respect. Though we perhaps believed we knew everything about life, our parents, guardians and high school teachers guided us through these vulnerable years and helped shape us into who we are today.

John Snyder is one of these influential teachers who helps guide students down the path of life. John has taught at Regis Catholic High School for 35 years and earned the respect of co-workers, parents, students, and the Eau Claire community.

John's philosophy — respect is earned, not deserved. "Treat kids the way they need to be treated and try to model what Christ did. It's easy to respect people who act like this," he said.

Born in La Crosse into a devout Catholic family, John didn't plan on becoming a teacher. "I always wanted to become a priest. I played Mass when I was young and hoped to be a priest in a Catholic high school," he said.

He entered Viterbo University, majoring in religious studies and history, with a fallback on teaching. Upon graduating from college, "I wasn't quite ready to make the decision to become a priest yet, so I decided to go out and teach for a year," he explained.

John arrived at Regis High School in 1984 to teach religious studies. He didn't know what to expect, but "had a pretty good first year." He reconnected with his college girlfriend, Mary, and made the decision to continue teaching. They later married and are the proud parents of a daughter.

Mary is a special education teacher in Menomonie. Though John began his career as a religious studies instructor, his passion for history would lead him to pick up a history class when the school needed someone to substitute. Eventually, he was teaching mostly history classes. John is now the head of the Social Studies Department at Regis and teaches history exclusively. "My father was a big history buff. Historical documentaries would be on TV in the 1970s. We'd always watch them as a family," he said.

Not only has John influenced students in the classroom, for 35 years, he's been the crosscountry and track coach, along with coach of the school's Academic Challenge team. Numerous trophies for these achievements line his classroom, with more than 150 trophies not on display, due to lack

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### "I'm thankful for the years I've taught at Regis and, hopefully, for the years I'll have in the future. I hope I've been a positive influence on people."

of space. But John's legacy isn't about the number of years he taught or the collection of trophies his teams have won. It's about how he's helped mold students of today into spiritual leaders of tomorrow.

It's clear his high school teachers influenced him and helped mold the values he passes on to his students. "I was on the High Quiz Bowl team when I attended high school," he noted. His team made it to the championship game his senior year, but lost. John was also a member of his high school track team. "I really enjoy running — it's my hobby. My track coach was Catholic, and I was greatly impressed by how he modeled his life," he said.

"When I coach, I make a commitment to my athletes. I never ask them to do something I won't do myself. If they make a commitment to be part of the team, then I also make a commitment. I expect them to give 100 percent when practicing and competing. But then they should expect 100 percent of my efforts and attitude."

### John's teams pray before

competition. They don't pray for victory, but to use the abilities God has given them and to be free from injury and bearers of good sportsmanship. "You can't tell kids what to do if you're not willing to do so yourself. Ultimately, it's not the winning or losing. It's how you conduct yourself," he explained.

While in college, John was encouraged to get to know students outside the classroom. "This is a way I can connect with them. Running with them, talking with them, being on the bus trip with them. I always thought this was a bigger part of my ministry. Even though I didn't become a priest, I always thought that when teaching religion and teaching in a Catholic high school, I was modeling the Faith. I spread the Faith by being an example to the kids. Using the proper language and having the proper attitude helps keep things in perspective," he said. John's key to success and inspiration can easily be seen through his ideology: "As a teacher, I realize that these years at Regis will be some of the best years of many students' lives. For every kid that I've influenced, in hopefully a positive way, the kids have influenced me in a positive way. They've rubbed off on me."

A member of St. James the Greater Parish in Eau Claire, John is a prayer leader, lector, parish council member, and extraordinary minister of holy Communion. He believes he can't encourage people to practice the faith if he's not involved himself. This has always come

naturally for John, as his parents were very active in their parish.

"I'm teaching at Regis because I want to speak about religion openly. I didn't want to be like it's winter break instead of Christmas, or mid-winter break instead of Easter. This makes teaching in a Catholic school much more attractive. I'm thankful for the years I've taught at Regis and, hopefully, for the years I'll have in the future. I hope I've been a positive influence on people," he said.

Even the best teachers can't force students to believe or practice their Faith. All they can do is create an atmosphere and provide the tools for them to take the journey.

"It's part of the ministry of the Church. It's just not as direct as a priest or a nun would be. I tell the kids that religion is the most important class. It's the one you want to do the best in. Ultimately, when you meet your Creator at the end of time, it's not going to be about how well you did in history class or chemistry class. It's going to be about how you lived your life. What choices did you make? What kind of relationship did you have with Christ and with others?"





At Immaculate Conception Elementary, the funds raised will be used to cover the cost of all field trips, update technology, and obtain items to fulfill teacher wish lists.

At St. James Elementary, the funds raised will be used to adaptive seating options in classrooms and to purchase Chromebooks with a cart for 5th grade students.

At St. Mary's Elementary, the funds raised will be used to fulfill teacher wish lists and to update outside equipment and classroom furnishings.

### Contributing Photographer: Riley Victures Life Photography





**On Friday, May 10,** students from our three elementary schools gathered on the Regis campus for the annual Walk for Virtues.



REGIS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS Walk for Virtues Thank you for your generous donations and to those of you who volunteered at the event!



# Living Faith

# Congratulations to our students who received the sacraments of First Communion ...



### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION **ELEMENTARY**

1st ROW (L-R) Olivia Noland, Claire Strope, Noah Romack, Brady Quinn, Yaretzi Moreno-Itehua, Andrew Prihoda, Ryan Wampler

2nd ROW (L-R) Tegan Anduze-Bell, Nolan Spangler, Caleb Borton, Allie Zepplin, Lessa Boda

3rd ROW (L-R) Quinn Theisen, Ryan Drenth, Spencer Vallez, Will Berschback



### ST. MARY'S ELEMENTARY

Ally Roers, Katelyn Kovacevich, Grace Olson, Ethan Straw, Dominic Smiskey

(MISSING FROM PHOTO | Adam Eaton)



### ST. JAMES ELEMENTARY

1st ROW (L-R) Isaiah Martin, Isaac Helland, Presslie Larson, Finnegan McAnarney, Grayson Lawrence, Olivia Jilek

2nd ROW (L-R) Troy Nelson, Aubrey Lovaas, Jacob Brahmer, Aliyah Paul, Phillip Reyes, Joy Huang





1st ROW (L-R) Mac Lokken, Adrienne Morning, Jessica Sabbagh, Sydnee Yengo, Marissa Cicha, Sara Postl, Anna Allen, Ella Blaskowski, Margaret McMenomy

2nd ROW (L-R) Benjamin Boda, Alejandro Nunez, Caitlin Klink, Katie Andrews, Emma Wahl, Maddy Carlson, Isaac Cook, Natalie Thurner, Addison Swanson, Arianna Smith

3rd ROW (L-R) Matthew Kent, David Hasselwander, Jack Merrick, Drew Goettl, Adler Bowe, Payton Kostka, Ally Leis, Bergan Buesser, Maddy Ott, Michaela Niedzwiecki

4th ROW (L-R) Aaron Hasselwander, John P. Wolterstorff, Bennett Seelen, Kevin Byrne, Devin Dykes, Blayde Lecher, Gabrielle Bergum, Rachel Szepieniec, Alison Whiteside, Ellie Atkinson

# 4K Graduation

In May, students from the 4K programs at the Regis and Genesis Child Development Centers celebrated with two special graduation ceremonies. Good fuck to the Class of 2032!





Spring Sports Report



### Baseball

The 2019 Regis Baseball team ended the season with a 19-9 record, marking the seventh consecutive winning season in a row. That sets a program record for the consecutive winning season in the program's 66-season history. All-Conference Awards went to Cade Osborn and Matthew Klink (1st Team), Mason Bauer and Joe Edge (2nd Team), and Tristan Root (Honorable Mention). Wisconsin Baseball Coaches Association Awards for the All-Northwest District went to Cade Osborn (1st Team/Utility), Mason Bauer (Honorable Mention/2nd Base), and Matthew Klink (Honorable Mention/Utility).

During the May 11 game vs. Whitehall at Independence, several single-game records were set in the Ramblers' 33-0 victory over Whitehall. They include the most runs scored (33), most extra-base hits (13), most hits (25), and home runs (7, tied old record). Individually, Matthew Klink and Mason Bauer both hit 3 home runs and had 9 RBI's, both stat totals set single-game records.

Cade Osborn graduated with a 13 and 3 pitching record. His .813 winning percentage is good for second place all-time in the program. Mason Bauer set a singleseason record for runs scored with 42 and tied the single-season mark for total bases with 63. Matthew Klink set a single-season record for RBI's with 36.



### Boys Golf

Regis letter winners for this past Boys Golf season were Fletcher Theisen and Isaac Petersilka, with Theisen also named to the Golf Coaches of Wisconsin Academic All-State team.



### Girls Soccer

After losing seven seniors from last year's state tournament team, 2019 looked to be a rebuilding year for the Regis-McDonell Girls Soccer team. The team had an excellent 12-4-1 season, which ended in a 2-1 regional final loss to Northland Pines. After an opening game loss, the team went on to lose only two of its next twelve games while scoring 80 goals and allowing only 16. Senior Teryn Karlstad lead the team with 33 goals. The team had excellent depth this year and outplayed the opponent in the majority of its games. The defense was consistent all year long and a main strength of this year's team. The team graduates seniors Teryn Karlstad and Kim Henriksen.



### Softball

The 2019 season was one of opportunity for the Lady Ramblers, as the team's twelve-player roster included seven freshmen, most of whom had no playing experience. That said, the team rallied around each other considering the lack of knowledge and playing experience, as well as the weather difficulties that limited players significantly from practicing outdoors. Players became "live" during games and they continually learned lessons, as Regis struggled to compete both offensively and defensively in a very tough Western Cloverbelt conference. Though their 0-17 record does not indicate it, much progress was made through the season and the team played with heart. Thanks to seniors Maegan Jiskra and Leanne Back for their contributions to the team during their high school years.

### Check out our new online home for the Regis Ramblers! www.regiscatholic.rschoolteams.com



- Up-to-Date Athletic Schedules
- Scoreboard
- Athletic News
  + Highlights
- Photo Galleries
- Easy Access to Activity Registration

...and more!



# Spring Sports Report



### **Boys Tennis**

The Regis Boys Tennis team had another successful season. The team finished 10-5 overall, winning their 11th consecutive Middle Border conference championship! The team finished 4th out of 18 teams at the WIAA Sectional. Mitchell Merkel and Brent Martin qualified for the individual state tournament, losing in the first round to Manitowoc Roncalli.

### Track & Field

The Regis Boys and Girls Track & Field teams had a successful last season for long time Head Coach John Snyder in 2019.



**The girls team** finished fourth at City, fifth at Conference, fourth at the WIAA Regional, and 13th at the 45 team WIAA Sectional Meet. The team qualified the following for the state meet; junior Bria Thalacker in the Triple Jump and the relay of Thalacker, sophomore Josie Stender, junior Ellie Matson, and senior Gabrielle Semerad in the 400 and 800 relays. This relay team broke the school record in both relays and finished eighth in the 800 Relay and third in the 400 Relay to score seven team points. Tracy Yengo, Steve Nelson, Hayden Frey, Kim Charles, and Sarah Glidden assisted Coach Snyder this season.



**The boys team** had 23 participants and the Girls 21. The boys finished third at the City meet, second at the Conference Meet, second at the WIAA Regional, and a surprising second at the tough WIAA Sectional Meet at Cameron. The team qualified the following for the state meet; seniors Jack Nicolai and Isaac Michels in the 110 Hurdles, Michels in the 300 Hurdles, and the Relay team of Jack Nicolai, Andrew Ernstmeyer, Tommy Schmidt, and junior Hayden Reinders in the 800 Relay. Isaac Michels finished second in the 110 Hurdles for eight team points.



# Adventures In March, a group of Regis High School students had the amazing

It was an experience filled with awe, grace, and wonder as the 16 students and 8 adults (teachers & parents) visited Assisi, Florience, Pisa, and Rome. A beautiful mix of faith and history and something we know they will never forget.

"Traveling to Italy for spring break was an amazing experience. This was my first time going across the pond to Europe and I loved it! Being able to experience the cities and cultures of Italy was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Our tour director, Lavinia, really made the trip special. We all got to see parts of Rome, Florence, and Assisi we would have never been able to experience without her. My favorite part of the entire trip was traveling to Pontifical North American College in Rome. There we received a tour given by Deacon Brandon Guenther from Independence, Wisconsin and went to the lookout. Being able to see top of the dome of St. Peter's Basilica and the entire city was breath taking! There was no other view in the city that could compare. My second favorite part was visiting the city of Pisa. I had the opportunity to climb up the leaning Tower of Pisa, followed by Mass in the Cathedral of the Assumption of Mary located in the main plaza. One thing I learned is that I will be going back to Italy in the near future." - Evan Swanson









### **Forensics**



Congratulations to the 38 members of the forensics team who competed at the Wisconsin High School Forensic Association's state festival in Madison in April. Speakers received medals based on the number of points scored out of a possible 25. The team earned 5 bronze, 11 silver, and 9 gold medals. The team also earned an **Excellence** in Speech Award, putting it among the top 5% of schools. (This is the first time the school has received this award since 2015!)

### Individual award winners included: BRONZE MEDALS (20-22 POINTS)

### Junior Maggie Andrews Assisted by Freshman Ally Ricciardi | DEMONSTRATION Sophomore Michaela Niedzwiecki | FARRAGO Junior Grace Kristo | INFORMATIVE SPEAKING Junior Lily Kostka | PROSE READING Junior Emma Knobloch | STORYTELLING

### SILVER MEDALS (23-24 POINTS)

Juniors Caroline Kowieski and Harrison Shepich | DEMONSTRATION Senior Leanne Back | FARRAGO Sophomore Sara Post | FARRAGO Freshmen Adelaide Hoeschen, Sammi Schafer, and Leela Schuch | GROUP INTERPRETATION Juniors Nick Madson, Brent Martin, and Max Salonek | GROUP INTERPRETATION Junior Griffin Johnson | INFORMATIVE SPEAKING Junior Sydney Bates | MOMENTS IN HISTORY Junior Andrew Schlitz | PUBLIC ADDRESS Freshman Shalom Raehl | PUBLIC ADDRESS Junior Ida Fugoso | SOLO ACTING HUMOROUS Junior Riley Michaud | SOLO ACTING SERIOUS

### GOLD MEDALS (25 POINTS)

Seniors Celee Schuch, Iza Setla, Heidi Skwierczynski, and Laura Sokup | GROUP INTERPRETATION Senior Nick Maenner | IMPROMPTU SPEAKING Sophomore Ellie Atkinson | MOMENTS IN HISTORY Junior Grace Multhauf | MOMENTS IN HISTORY Senior Sam Petit, Juniors Robbie Burhop, Zade Kidess, Ryan Whiteside, and Freshman Greg Sokup | PLAY ACTING Junior Elle Matson | POETRY READING Senior Jonah Forden | POETRY READING Junior Noelle Pawelski | PROSE READING Junior Quinn Petersilka | SOLO ACTING SERIOUS

### **2019 Prom Court**



Queen Elle Matson + King Tristan Root Julia Weisenberger + Jackson Curtis Bria Thalacker + Henry Theisen Grace Kristo + Griffin Johnson Hailey Chilson + Hayden Reinders Maddie Brown + Brent Martin Elena Bourget + Mason Bauer

### **International Students**



We were happy to have four international students at Regis High School during the 2018-19 school year!

Sophia Chong-Romero | Pueblo, Mexico MingYu Liu | China Huiying Tao | China Jiaman AO | China

MingYu from China will return for the 2019-20 school year. Additional international students expected next year include Filip from Czech Republic, Emilija from Lithuania, Gabriele from Italy, and Frederica from Italy.



### **Service Learning Hours**

Our Faith inspires us to serve others. Each year, students from all age levels participate in ongoing community service projects and activities. We are happy to report the following service hours from the Regis campus.



6th Grade | 675 Total Hours 7th Grade | 586 Total Hours 8th Grade | 633 Total Hours Grades 9-12 | 6,082 Total Hours

That is 7,976 total hours of service learning during the 2018-19 school year! Way to go, students!



# You are truly making a difference for the students of Regis Catholic Schools. Thank you!

### 2018-19 Annual Regis Fund & Tuition Partnership Program

We are pleased to announce the total amount raised through our annual appeal this past year was \$355,871.

We used these generous donations to fund scholarships for our students, give our staff a monetary gift at Christmas, support the Track & Field of Dreams project, help fund the printing of The Rambler Report, subsidize college credit for our teachers earning a Master's Degree, build the Regis Catholic Schools Foundation endowment, and more!

Included in this issue of The Rambler Report is an envelope you can use to submit your donation to the annual Regis Fund. Your gift will be included for the 2019-20 Annual Regis Fund Appeal.

Whether your passion is/was band, choir, drama, forensics, art, athletics, or of course, strong academics and a faith based education, this donation will help fulfill the mission of our founders and support our current students at Regis Catholic Schools. We also ask for your prayers for our Catholic schools.

A special thank you to Howard and Rita (House) '68 Campbell, who were the co-chairs of the 2018-19 Annual Regis Fund.

Wishing you an enjoyable summer!

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### Mark your calendars!

# The 2019 Non Sibi Awards Dinner & Regis Gatholic Schools Night of Recognition

### is only a few months away!

The Regis Catholic Schools Foundation will host the annual event on Saturday, October 5 at Regis High School. We celebrate the individuals who help make our Catholic schools successful during this important night. As always, we hope you can attend!

The premier award of the night goes to our Non Sibi Award recipient(s). We are thrilled to announce the 2019 Non Sibi Award will honor Tim and Maura Nash, both long-time supporters of Regis Catholic Schools. Tim and Maura have six adult children, all of whom graduated from Regis High School. They include Kevin '95, Mike '97, Meghan '98, Brian '00, Tim '03, and Molly '06.

The Regis High School Hall of Fame Class of 2019 inductees will include Rich Bourget '82, Shannon McCombs Tanzer '92, Teresa Gonzaga '00, and Eli Sheets '01.

Our Volunteer of the Year Award will honor Scott Alexander, Jim Gobler, Tom Behling, and Julie Matson, all long-time members of the Regis High School Booster Club.

The Regis High School Distinguished Alumni Award will honor Laurie Zukaitis.

In addition, we will recognize Carisa Smiskey, Principal at St. Mary's Elementary, for earning the Diocese of La Crosse Administrator of the Year Award for 2018-19.

This evening of recognition and fun will include a delicious meal prepared by Connell's Supper Club, a social hour, and a chance to catch up with old friends. For more information, visit **www.RegisCatholicSchoolsFoundation.com** and click "Non Sibi Awards Dinner". Watch for your official invite in the mail soon and we hope to see you at this year's event!

### Nem Regis High School Alumni Association

We are excited to announce the formation of the new Regis High School Alumni Association. This endeavor is in the beginning stages and we need your help!

We would like to recruit official representatives from each graduating class in an effort to help you reconnect and stay connected with friends, classmates, and their families through fun events, social gatherings, volunteer opportunities, and more. A member of the Regis High School Alumni Association will reach out to our alumni soon. Please watch for more information and announcements from the Regis High School Alumni Association regarding alumni news and system events, including Homecoming, the Regis Catholic Schools Auction, the Non Sibi Awards Dinner & Regis Catholic Schools Night of Recognition, and the ScRambler Golf Outing. We also plan to schedule official alumni gatherings, including happy hours, lunches, and more!

If you would like to get involved and be a representative for your graduating class, please contact Robyn Brenner at **rbrenner@RegisCatholicSchools.com** and/or (715) 830-2273, ext. 1406 or Mark Golden '83 at (715) 829-0429.

# Alumni Report



**Helen Kiernan Dougherty** '32 of Opelika, AL recently celebrated her 105th birthday with her family including her brother James Kiernan '38, of Austin, TX and her children, grandchildren, great grandson, and niece.



Jim Collins '62 and Maribeth Anderson Raullerson were recently married. Maribeth and Jim were going to marry in 1965, but separated over a miscommunication. After losing their spouses, they reunited. Jim and Maribeth live in Seattle, Merida, Mexico, and South Minneapolis. They each have two adult children and numerous grandchildren.



**Rick Meyer** '63 is enjoying life and exercise after retirement from the Eau Claire Police Department in 1997. He has lived in New Bern, North Carolina since 1998.

**Sally (Knudtson) Adams** '64 visited the cities and Belgian battlefields for the 75th anniversary of our soldiers liberating Europe. She is a retired French and World History educator.

**Jim Anibas** '68 is now officially retired from all jobs, except caring for his lovely bride (Margaret), two daughters (Ellie and Cassie), and grandkids.

**Mark Bechel** '68 recently moved from Oregon to Denver, Colorado to welcome the arrival of his first grandchild.

Mike Kappus '68 recently finished producing a spoken word album by Betty Reid Soskin that is due for release via the Little Village Foundation on August 17. At 97, Betty is the nation's oldest currently active park ranger, working at the Rosie The Riveter/World War II Home Front National Historical Park in Richmond, CA. Among many other milestones this past year alone, Betty's autobiography was published and she was also chosen as one of Glamour Magazine's Women of The Year for 2018. Three separate films are currently in the works documenting different sides of Betty's incredible life. On the new record, she presents those stories including her first hand experience of the arc of civil rights in America from her great grandmother (a slave until the age of 19 who lived until Betty herself was 27) to Betty's activism and her own struggles with racism and her personal victories and special experiences such as being honored by President Obama and endorsed by Ken Burns among many others. The record will be available at the standard online outlets including Amazon and others.



**Dan Lavalle** '74 has retired from Associated Bank in Appleton as SVP – Corporate Banking. He spent the last 40+ years in the financial services industry, all in Appleton, Wisconsin with his wife, Lori. He looks forward to enjoy more time golfing, traveling, and finally getting to the "honey do" list. Dan and Lori are Legacy Gift donors and look forward to continuing to support the Regis Catholic Schools system.



**Pete McCann** '84 performed in Carnegie Hall, New York City on June 10. He and 7 other instrumentalists were playing new music by Kirby and Markita Shaw with the Masterwork Festival Chorus. Pete is married to a graphic artist, Patricia, who is teaching art in a New Jersey elementary school. His sons are in college; Patrick is a junior in Ithaca College in New York and a member of their A Cappella Chorus and Joseph is a sophomore at Eastman College of Music, Rochester, New York.



**Erica Cameron** '04 married Kay Panah on May 11 at the University Club in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The bride and groom reside in the suburbs of Washington, D.C. Erica completed her Bachelors from University of Wisconsin – Madison and her Masters from Johns Hopkins University School of International Studies. She now works in the electric vehicles department at Volkswagen's North America headquarters. Kay, a native of Frankfurt, Germany, studied at the University of Westminster in London and currently works as a civilian for the German Armed Forces Command.

The couple met in 2013 after a close friend of Erica's introduced them at a dinner party in Washington, D.C. During their wedding ceremony, they honored Kay's Persian heritage with a poem by Rumi, Man O To, read in Farsi by Kay's sister. Another highlight from the evening was a rendition of Frank Sinatra's "Summer Wind" by Erica's cousin Brendan, who studies vocal performance at Drake University.

The celebration brought together family and friends, including twelve Regis high school alums! They included Erica's sister Jessica Helfer (née Cameron) '05; Erica's brother Hunter Cameron '14; Jillian Smith (née Rankins) '04; Patti Benitez (née Gunderson) '04; Abby Vollman (née Meixner) '04; Bethany Ellwanger (née Stearns) '04; Rick Eaton '04; Billy Bowers '04; Marc Hofacker '04; Joe Krause '04; Dustin Warner '04; and Joey Holtman '04.

**Megan Loftsgaarden, DO** '07 is a Captain with the U.S. Army. She graduated from Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation residency training in June 2019. She is now serving as a staff physician at the Center For The Intrepid at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas.

# Alumni **Reunions**

### Class of 1945 (St. Patrick's) | 75th Reunion

SAVE THE DATES! JULY 26, 27 & 28, 2020

Details to follow, but the gathering will include dinner, Mass, and a tour of St. Patrick's School.

For questions, please contact Mary Lou Tomashek at (715) 835-9506 or Mary Lou Culbert-Gleason at mgleason@tampabay.rr.com.

(Friends from the class of 1946 are welcome to join!)

### Class of 1969 | 50th Reunion

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 Wild Ridge | Eau Claire 4:30 p.m. | Social 6 p.m. | Three Entree Dinner Buffet 8 p.m. | Johnny Andrews and the Moonshine Band

Please RSVP and send your check for \$30 by August 15 to Kathy Schultz at 2115 Goodview Court, Eau Claire, WI 54703. (715) 450-2125

Questions? Please call us. Lenny Drescher | (715) 828-1005 Dave Mickelson | (715) 828-1878 Jim Ryder | (715) 226-8037 Kathy Schultz | (715) 450-2125

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 11 a.m. | Regis Homecoming Football Game, Carson Park 4 p.m. | Regis High School Tour 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. | Lazy Monk Brewing, Eau Claire

Questions? Please call us. Gerry & Pat Candell | (715) 874-6895 Ken & Barb Stolp | (715) 834-9734 Karen Anderson | (715) 834-7559

### Class of 1974 | 45th Reunion

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 9

Pub Crawl | Downtown Eau Claire (Wear Rambler or green clothing and purchase your own food and drinks.)

6 p.m. | The Livery 7 p.m. | The District 8 p.m. | The Firehouse

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10 | 6 p.m. 44 North | Altoona (\$30/Person)

Please RSVP and send your check by August 5 to 1607 Harding Avenue, Eau Claire, WI 54701. Please make checks out to "Regis Class of 1974, c/o Pam Kozuch".

#### Questions?

Toni Schroer-Dewitz | tonidew1@yahoo.com Jean Rodel-Fisher | fishjpjm@gmail.com Pam Dingmann-Kozuch | pam@tsi-eauclaire.com

### Class of 1979 | 40th Reunion

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9 | 4 p.m. TO ? Ray's Place | Eau Claire

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10 Bus Trip to Loopy's | Chippewa Falls Gather at The Oxbow Hotel & The Lakely | Eau Claire

For latest updates check out our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/groups/Regis79/ or the class website at www.classcreator.com/Eau-Claire-WI-Regis-1979/class\_ index.cfm.

Please be sure we have your updated email address for future communications!

RSVP to Lisa Barrett at lcb0809@gmail.com.

#### Class of 1994 | 25th Reunion

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Specific details to follow! Contact Jill (Candell) Hoeft at JillHoeft@me.com to ensure we have your updated contact information. We invite you to check out the Regis Class of 1994 Reunion Facebook group!

### Class of 2004 | 15th Reunion

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

Save the date! Reunion details still need to be finalized. Contact Patti (Gunderson) Benitez at (715) 529-5033 or pgunders12@gmail.com for more information.

## IN MEMORIUM

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.

ALUMNI Richard Pederson '51 (St. Patrick's) William Charles Huber '53 (St. Patrick's) Janet (Watt) Caballero '62 Marc Schultz '67 Anthony Giammona '82

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We thank our donors for making the new Track & Field of Dreams a reality for our students. We are pleased to report they have benefited greatly from the new facility. Our physical education students have been able to use the new facility during instructional time and if you drive past the new facility after school, you will see our athletic teams getting in practice time. As expected, the new facility has been getting a lot of use and our students greatly appreciate it.

We are also pleased to announce donations have covered the cost of the project. Thank you to everyone who contributed to support the Track & Field of Dreams to benefit our current and future students!

We are still waiting to receive approximately \$46,000 in individual pledges made as part of the two-year campaign in support of the project. In addition, we are still counting on an approximately \$50,000 pledge of support from the Regis High School Booster Club.

If you wish to help the Regis Booster Club gather these funds, please make your donation today. This will help us complete this major project at no cost to our Regis Catholic Schools budget. The Regis Booster Club supports not only our athletic programs, but co-curricular and academic programs, too.

To donate to the Regis High School Booster Club as it helps to support this project, please mail a check to:

Regis Booster Club 2100 Fenwick Avenue Eau Claire, WI 54701







### "The Taming of the Shrew"

by William Shakespeare

### PERFORMANCES

August 16 & 17 at 7 p.m. August 18 at 2 p.m.

Fr. Dowd Auditorium

TICKETS \$10 Available at the door!





## SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, October 5, 2019 Regis High School

2019 Non Sibi Awards Dinner & Regis Gatholic Schools Night of Recognition





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## **Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow**

Regis Catholic Schools is dedicated to educating students of all faiths in a Catholic, Christ-centered environment. We are united by Our Core Values of *Living* Faith, *Accepting* Responsibility, *Promoting* Teamwork, *Achieving* Excellence, and *Inspiring* Leadership.







In May, St. James Preschool hosted its annual Jump Frog Jump event! It featured early learning and literacy fun for kids ages 2 to 5. We loved seeing those little smiles!

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