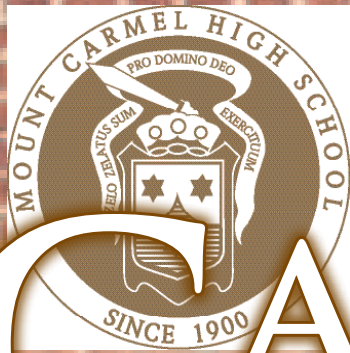


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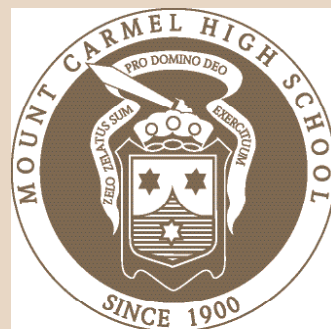
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Dear MOUNT CARMEL HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY,



This January I announced that I would be leaving Mount Carmel High School after 15 years of serving this community. Now, I take this opportunity to say good-bye to all of you as I move on, taking with me the fondest memories of Mount Carmel. I cannot begin to express my gratitude to each of you for your support throughout my time here. It is through our work together that Mount Carmel has continued to thrive.

During my time at Mount Carmel there has been much change, excitement, and celebration. I have witnessed academic excellence, superior teaching and mentoring, athletic and extra-curricular accomplishments, classroom innovations, extensive community service, and prayer with unwavering faith. Together these successes have enhanced Mount Carmel's quality of student life and driven our institution forward with great momentum.

I could not be more pleased that Fr. Tony Mazurkiewicz, O. Carm. '92 has been selected as the next President of Mount Carmel. Fr. Tony will work hand-in-hand with Principal John Stimler, the Board of Directors, and a solid team of administrators to ensure that Mount Carmel continues to flourish for many years to come. Under their guidance Mount Carmel will maintain our strong Carmelite traditions that began 111 years ago with those first eight Carmelite priest and brothers who established our school.

Again, I thank you, Mount Carmel's alumni and friends, for the instrumental role you play in our successes. Your support, involvement, faith, and loyalty to Mount Carmel is what makes our alumni community so strong. I encourage each and every one of you to remain actively involved in Mount Carmel. I look forward to seeing Mount Carmel progress even further as Fr. Tony works with you during the coming years to advance Mount Carmel's mission to live with Zeal for God, for life, and for learning.

May Our Lady of Mount Carmel continue to bless and protect you.

In Carmel,

Fr. Carl J. Markelz

Fr. Carl J. Markelz, O. Carm.
President

Leading with Z E A L

Fr. Carl Markelz, O. Carm. leaves MC

after 15 years of dedicated service

When Fr. Carl Markelz, O. Carm. leaves his office for the last time this June, he will take with him pride in having spent 15 years leading one of the most prestigious Catholic High Schools in the state.

From doubling the endowment fund, to building the Convocation Center, to increasing academic program offerings, to continued athletic success, to the recent development of a new mission statement, Fr. Carl has seen much change and success during his time in office that began in 1996.

Through the years Fr. Carl established himself as a fair and kind leader who fearlessly sought to continue pushing Mount Carmel to the forefront of academic excellence. He will be remembered by many as an organizer, guiding light, and friend. While his accomplishments are too numerous to detail, we are proud to revisit a few of the highlights of his term that will be his lasting legacy at Mount Carmel.

Centennial Celebration

Fr. Carl knew the opportunity to celebrate 100 years of Mount Carmel in the year 2000 was a once-in-a-lifetime occasion. He gathered a committee of over 60 alumni and friends to help organize the year-long celebration. It began with Carmelfest, a casual outdoor family friendly celebration held on campus in September of 1999. It was followed by the dedication of the Our Lady of Mount Carmel Memorial Prayer Garden in November. The following summer a Centennial Dinner Dance was held at Navy Pier on July 15. A Centennial Mass at Holy Name Cathedral took place the next day on July 16, the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

Endowment Fund Growth

Prior to Fr. Carl's arrival, visionaries such as Fr. David Dil-

lon, O.Carm. and Fr. Bob Carroll, O.Carm. established the endowment fund to further secure Mount Carmel's future. Recognizing the importance of this initiative, Fr. Carl continued the good work of his predecessors and worked with the Educational Foundation to further strengthen the Endowment Fund.

Through campaigns such as the McCarthy Challenge and fundraisers such as the Annual Big Event, the fund continued to multiply. In fact, under his leadership, the Endowment Fund experienced its biggest period of growth in history, more than doubling during his time here. Despite the hard times of the economy and stock market, the fund currently stands at over \$6,500,000.00.

Major Fundraising Campaigns

Never losing sight of the importance of development initiatives, Fr. Carl led three major fundraising campaigns: the Haggerty Field Campaign, the McCarthy Challenge, and the current campaign, the Campaign for a New Century of Excellence. With \$24,000,000 already raised, the Campaign is nearing its halfway point to its total goal of \$50,000,000.00.

Over \$5,000,000 in donations for Phase II alone has allowed for the resurfacing of Carey Field, the addition of two science labs and the addition of the CBN studio and computer lab. Most recently, Phase II of the Campaign continued last summer with improvements made to the Carey Aquatic Center and Murray Pool. Additional dollars raised during this phase of the campaign will support the endowment fund, student scholarships, and the renovation of classrooms in the main school building.





THEN: 1996

Campus and Facility Improvements

When any alumnus or friend of Mount Carmel who preceded Fr. Carl's era returns to campus for the first time, they are in awe when they observe the dramatic improvements that have been made over the past 15 years. There were more campus and facility additions and improvements to Mount Carmel during Fr. Carl's time than during the previous 96 years of Mount Carmel's existence.

Haggerty Field and Field House, the McCarthy Wing, Carey Field, the Prayer Garden, Centennial Hall, Champion Way, these places on campus were all built during Fr. Carl's time as President. Perhaps the most significant building was that of the Convocation Center, including the Cacciatore Athletic Center. This building not only added much needed recreational space for workouts, practices, and home contests, but it also gave the student body a new space to gather for liturgical celebrations and assemblies, added technology and science classrooms, a state-of-the-art, media center, office space, an alumni meeting room, and commons space for students to gather and eat every day.

Strengthening Academic Programs

Mount Carmel has always provided an outstanding college preparatory curriculum. Fr. Carl enhanced the already strong academic program by adding more Advanced Placement classes, using the new facilities for expanded program offerings in technology, science, and physical education, and offering new electives such as the Caravan Broadcast Network, a video broadcasting club and class.

Also with Fr. Carl's guidance, administrators began to place greater emphasis on the strength of Mount Carmel as an all-male educational environment. He supported efforts to train faculty in best practices for educating young men by sending select faculty members to the Gurian Institute. Under his leadership faculty and administrators explored

new course structures and plans that would lead to better learning outcomes for our male students.

Stabilizing Enrollment in a Turbulent Era

As the years have progressed, and specifically during the difficult economic times of recent, we have watched many Catholic schools around Chicago, and around the country, close their doors. Yet during this difficult time, Mount Carmel's enrollment remains solid with 790 students. This could not have been done without Fr. Carl's firm support of enrollment initiatives, strengthening of the Educational Foundation, and leadership in expanding the geographic area from which Mount Carmel draws students.

Focusing on the Carmelite Mission

Even with this long list of accomplishments, what Fr. Carl will be most remembered for is his sincere dedication to continue the hard work of the Carmelites who came before him at Mount Carmel. The decisions he made and the projects he initiated were all done with sound focus on meeting the mission of Mount Carmel and the Carmelites.

Today Mount Carmel remains committed to Catholic values, academic excellence, athletic achievement, diversity, and a supportive family atmosphere because of his guidance of our mission.

Thank you, Fr. Carl, from all the Carmelites, alumni, staff, parents, students, and friends who make up the Mount Carmel community, for your tireless efforts over the course of the past 15 years. Your legacy of leadership, compassion, innovation, responsibility and care will inspire us all to continue your good work at Mount Carmel, and to live every day with Zeal for God, for Life, and for Learning.



Leading with ZEAL

Fr. Tony Mazurkiewicz, O. Carm. '92 is next President of Mount Carmel

Collaborated by Sal Lema, Director of Communications for Carmelite Media, and Tessa Burke



The Mount Carmel High School Board of Members announced that Fr. Tony Mazurkiewicz, O. Carm. has been appointed the school's next president. He will assume his duties June 15, succeeding Fr. Carl Markelz, O. Carm. who is stepping down after 15 years as president.

Fr. Tony currently serves as a faculty member in the Theology department, and as an enrollment and admissions representative in the Office of Mission Effectiveness.

Fr. Tony, a 1992 graduate of Mount Carmel, was recommended to the Board of Members by a presidential search committee including Carmelites, trustees, faculty, parents, and alumni.

"I know I speak on behalf of the Board of Members when I express the fullest confidence in Fr. Tony and the direction he will provide Mount Carmel," said Fr. Carl. "His strong academic background and experience in Carmelite schools and parishes make him the perfect candidate to continue advancing the institution forward. He will guide our mission to live with Zeal for God, life, and learning with sound focus. This is a wonderful day for the entire Mount Carmel community."

Fr. Tony, who grew up in Glenwood, Illinois, is the son of Lawrence and Laura Lee Mazurkiewicz. With their support and encouragement, he enrolled at Mount Carmel in

the fall of 1988 and made the trip from his suburban home to 64th and Dante daily for the next four years.

At Mount Carmel he was an accomplished student and athlete; he graduated Salutatorian, served as Captain for the 1991 varsity football and 1992 varsity baseball teams, and started for the 1990 and 1991 Caravan football state championship teams.

After graduating from Mount Carmel, he went on to Yale University where he played football for the Bulldogs and was again named a team captain. He graduated from the Ivy League University in 1996 with a Bachelor of Arts in history.

He then began his career in education in 1996 teaching at Mount Carmel. He went on to Massachusetts where he



Fr. Tony Mazurkiewicz with parents Larry and Laura

Cardinal Francis George

Celebrates Mass at MC



Fr. Tony's Ordination on May 30, 2009

made his First Profession of Vows to the Order on June 16, 2003.

He spent time living in Carmelite priories in Houston, Texas and Middletown, New York; teaching at Crespi Carmelite High School in Encino, California; and working in Saint Agnes parish in Phoenix, Arizona, as he continued the journey to becoming a Carmelite.

Fr. Tony earned a Master of Divinity degree in 2009 from Washington Theological Union in Washington, DC and was the valedictorian of his class. While in Washington he made his Solemn (final) Profession of Vows on March 28, 2009.

Fr. Tony was ordained on May 30, 2009 at St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Hyde Park. Being open to the “Tenacity of God’s love” is how he described his journey to becoming a Carmelite priest. All who had the privilege of celebrating Fr. Tony’s ordination that beautiful spring day agree that he has held firmly to God’s Zeal for him.

Durng the ordination homily, Bishop Michael LaFay, O. Carm. stressed that Tony already has everything he needs - a loving family, a dedicated Carmelite brotherhood and family, the experiences of life, and a faith in God - for his ministry and his life. The Holy Spirit will then guide him, he noted, as the Spirit guides all Christians, to put it all together for effective ministry, the sharing of powerful love, and receiving abundance of life.

His first assignment was Associate Pastor at Saint Raphael Parish in Los Angeles, California. He served the community of Saint Raphael for one year before returning to

Mount Carmel at the beginning of this school year.

Fr. Tony says he was drawn to return to Mount Carmel for the balance of prayer, community, and ministry. He has a strong sense of Mount Carmel’s proud 111 year history of Carmelite leadership in educating young men in a Catholic environment built on faith and values.

“As a teacher, I’ve had the opportunity to see the day-to-day operations of the school,” said Fr. Tony. “I’m inspired by the interactions I’ve observed between our students, parents, alumni, faculty and staff. The passion, cooperative spirit, and commitment to the community that are clearly present in each of them are so unique to the Mount Carmel identity.”

Fr. Tony noted the position of strength Mount Carmel is in and attributed much of the school’s ongoing success



Fr. Tony greets students after blessing rings at the Junior Ring Ceremony.

to the leadership of current President Fr. Markelz. “His vision chartered the course of the school for the past 15 years,” said Fr. Tony. “It is my honor to join this wonderful community in leading Mount Carmel to a new century of excellence.”

Overall, Fr. Tony is most excited about giving back to a community which he says has given him so much. “I am humbled by this opportunity to serve the church, the Carmelites, and the Mount Carmel community,” he said. “It is a wonderful ministry.”



Fr. Tony played football for the Yale Bulldogs and graduated from the Ivy League University in 1996.

Mount Carmel students were recently honored by the presence of Cardinal Francis George, Archbishop of Chicago. Cardinal George led mass for the entire student body at the school this winter.

Other members of the Mount Carmel community joined the Eucharistic celebration, including Carmelites, faculty, staff, parents, and alumni. A number of Mount Carmel students had the honor of participating in the Mass with His Eminence, serving as altar servers, liturgical musicians, and Eucharistic ministers.

Following the mass, Cardinal George addressed students in Mr. Kevin Hansen’s theology class. Mr. Hansen, Mount Carmel’s service program coordinator, and his students eagerly told the Cardinal about their current course work, service projects, and their upcoming participation in the March for Life in Washington, D.C. Cardinal George then met with students during their lunch hour in the student commons before leaving the campus.

Cardinal Francis George, a Chicagoland native, is the sixth Cardinal to lead the Chicago Archdiocese’s 2.3 million Catholics.



TOP LEFT: A group of Mount Carmel students had the honor of meeting Cardinal Francis George, Archbishop of Chicago, when he led Mass at the school. TOP RIGHT: Senior Kevin Carey, of Beverly (St. John Fisher), acted as an altar server during the Mass led by Cardinal George. FAR LEFT: Student Council President Jack McKenna, of Hinsdale (St. Isaac Jogues), greets the Archbishop after Mass. LEFT: Cardinal George was invited to Mount Carmel by President Fr. Carl Markelz, O. Carm.

Advent Action

Mount Carmel completed another successful Advent Action program this year with students exceeding goals for food, toy, and monetary donations during the holiday season.

Phase I of the program included a mission collection, for which students were asked to donate \$2 each. The students met this goal and surpassed it, giving with generous spirit.

Phase II asked students to bring in three canned food items. These goals for the food drive

were also exceeded with students donating a total of over 3,100 canned food items to the Maplewood/Morgan Park food pantry.

In Phase III, students donated more than 800 new children's toys to local charities with the hope of making Christmas a little merrier for some Chicago area families.

Students loaded many of the toys on to buses and delivered them directly to St. Bernard's Children's Hospital. The

remaining toys were donated to

the Kevin Dowling Toy Drive.

The Advent Action program is an annual tradition organized by Mount Carmel's office of campus ministry and student council. The program reinforces service to others, which is a major element of the school's mission statement.



ABOVE: The staff of St. Bernard's Children's Hospital, thanks Mount Carmel students for their generous donation of new toys. RIGHT: Mel Escamilla, of Chicago's Eastside, delivers donated toys to the Hospital. BELOW: Sean Prentergast, of Beverly; Fernando Castaneda, of Whiting, IN; Michael Brownfield of Country Club Hills; Anthony Morsovillo, of Chicago's Eastside; and Payton Brezinski, of Schererville, IN, collect canned food items donated by the student body.



Junior Ring Ceremony



ABOVE: Juniors gather at the school's annual Junior Ring Ceremony: (from left to right) Alex Austin, of Chicago's Northside; Alex Asta, of Elmwood Park; Salvador Arceo, of Beverly; Kevin Andres, of Homewood; and Kevin Anderson, of Evergreen Park. RIGHT: Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart '80 addresses students and friends in the Alumni Gym at the Class of 2012 Ring Ceremony.



Mount Carmel juniors gathered to celebrate their leadership role as upperclassmen at the school's annual Junior Ring Ceremony. Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart '80 served as the guest speaker.

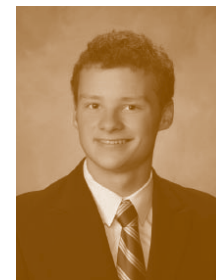
The Mount Carmel Junior Ring Ceremony is one of the school's many time-honored traditions. The ceremony honors the class as they begin the final trimester of their junior year and prepare to take over a senior leadership role for the next school year.

Parents, family and friends joined the students at the celebration which took place in Mount Carmel's Alumni Gymnasium. The ceremony began with a speech from Sheriff Dart who encouraged the students to continue serving their school and neighborhood communities and to parlay that work into future success.

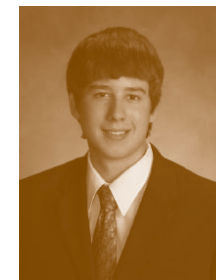
17 Seniors Named 2010-2011 Illinois State Scholars



Nick Beckman
*St. Kieran
Glenwood*



Kevin Carey
*St. John Fisher
Beverly*



Xavier Dombrowski
*St. Cajetan
Beverly*



Pat Fahey
*St. Barnabas
Beverly*



Dan Haggerty
*Old St. Patrick
Skokie*



Kris Kocinski
*St. Kieran
South Holland*



Kevin Kosiewicz
*Most Holy Redeemer
Evergreen Park*



Jack McKenna
*St. Isaac Jogues
Hinsdale*



Brian Moran
*St. Barnabas
Beverly*



Vince Morgan
*St. Walter
Calumet Park*



Martin O'Connor
*St. Barnabas
Beverly*



Victor Rivera
*Our Lady of Grace
Belmont Central*



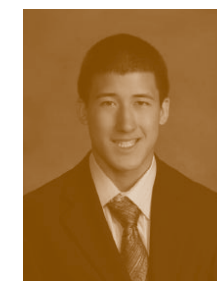
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*Most Holy Redeemer
Evergreen Park*



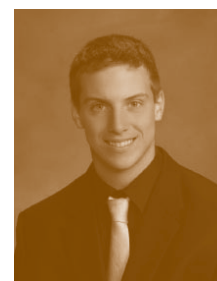
Steve Scannell
*St. Elizabeth Seton
Tinley Park*



Ricardo Scheiber-Camoretti
*St. Thomas the Apostle
Hyde Park*



Kevin Skrzypiec
*St. Elizabeth Seton
Orland Hills*



Chris Sujka
*St. Damien
Oak Forest*

Seniors Recognized for Outstanding Academics, Service



Marquis Wells
*Mark Sheridan
Glenwood*

Senior, Marquis Wells won an essay contest sponsored by First Lady Michelle Obama written on the subject of obesity. Wells traveled to Washington, D.C. where he met with President Obama and the first Lady on the White House Lawn.



Michael Brownfield
*St. Joseph
Country Club Hills*

Senior Michael Brownfield was awarded the Cook County Sheriff's Youth Service Medal of Honor in a ceremony held at McCormick place. He was presented this honor by Cook County Sheriff and MC Alumnus Tom Dart '80.



Jim Easterhouse
*Central Jr. High
Evergreen Park*

Seniors Jim Easterhouse and Vince Morgan (pictured above) received four-year, full tuition college scholarships from the Posse Foundation. Easterhouse will attend Depauw University and Morgan will attend Pomona College next year.

Caravan Alley Players Tackle Tough Teen Issues

"Sound," written by Mount Carmel students and Padre Benjamin Aguilar, O. Carm., garnered attention from friends, family, alumni, community members and media outlets this winter for confronting the issue of teen bullying

The Mount Carmel High School Caravan Alley Players brought topics of big importance to their small stage when they presented "Sound", an in-house play, written by Mount Carmel students and Padre Benjamin Aguilar, O.Carm., about the harmful effects of bullying.

After a popular run of the show on campus that garnered the attention of media outlets such as the Chicago Sun-Times, the production moved to the Beverly Arts Center (BAC) for two special encore performances February 26 and 27. Following the February 26 show, alumni, family and friends gathered for a reception in the BAC to celebrate the great success of the show.

The story of "Sound" centers on the new kid in town. "Andrew", played by sophomore Joey Casasanto, quickly becomes a target for ridicule and humiliation by the popular crowd at his high school and receives abuse from four bullies on a daily basis.

Pushed to the limit by the bullies, Andrew hatches a plan for revenge. He rallies together three other bullying victims, "Victor," played by Connor Golden, "Laurie," played by Katie Geary, of Mother McAuley High School, and "Richard," played by Ned Wilson. Together, they form an alliance and work to plot against the school's four leading bullies: "Grant," played by Vince Morgan, "Wes," played by Victor Rivera, "Mike," played by Tyler Lennon, and "Ashley," played by Allie Mason of Walter Payton High School.

As their plan begins to unfold and

the tables start to turn on the bullies, problems quickly escalate for the entire group and the audience is given a deeper view into the suffering of each of the characters.

"Sound" is written by Mount Carmel students and the show's director, Padre Benjamin Aguilar, O. Carm. To develop such an honest script that tackles such difficult issues, the writing team worked in supportive atmosphere where no topics were off limits.

The cruelty the characters endure throughout the show reflects the mistreatment that teens and their peers often experience throughout our nation.

"It is important for people to learn that bullying is an unfortunate reality for too many kids," said Padre Benjamin



Fr. Tony Mazurkiewicz, O. Carm. '92 congratulates castmember Connor Golden, of Beverly (St. Barnabas), at the alumni and friends reception at the Beverly Arts Center.



"Grant," played by Vince Morgan (left), of Calumet Park (St. Walter), teases the new kid in town, "Andy," played by Joey Casasanto (right) of Mt. Greenwood (St. Catherine), as "Mike," played by Tyler Lennon, of Bridgeport (Nativity of Our Lord), looks on in Mount Carmel's original play about teen bullying, Sound. The popular show enjoyed runs at Mount Carmel and the Beverly Arts Center.



The cast and crew of Sound gather on the stage of the Beverly Arts Center following their February 26 performance.

when asked about the importance of the show.

The show's honest subject matter, paired with a talented cast of young actors, packed audiences into Mount Carmel's student center for six performances taking place over the course of two weekends in January. Since then, the show continued to receive media attention and Mount Carmel continued to receive requests from audience members for encore performances.

Padre Benjamin notes that one reason audiences are responding so much to the show is that they are forced to sit back and watch as bullying takes place. "They audience feels helpless because they can't stop the bullying from taking place," he says. "How often does

this happen in real life? Some kids, for whatever reason, do not stop other kids from bullying--maybe it's because they, too, feel helpless."

The audience is exposed to a full-range of issues that teens must cope with; body image, sexuality, racism, and classism are among the key topics explored by the script. We see the characters suffer through verbal, physical, and psychological abuse. With the play set in the current day, cyber-bullying plays a prominent role in the plot.

"We have to face the fact that bullying is real and traumatic," said Padre Benjamin. "Yes, it's always been around, but today, because of the ubiquitous nature of cyber-technology, our kids may have to relive many of their childhood trau-

mas later on in life. Once a threat or an abuse becomes a digital tattoo, no laser treatment in the world can erase it."

Sound is the third in a series of in-house original shows at Mount Carmel inspired by the five senses, following Touch in 2009, and Sight in 2010. In addition to the annual winter play, the Caravan Alley Players also perform a fall play and spring musical each year.

Writer/performers of Sound include Casasanto, Morgan, Mason, Ricardo Scheiber-Camoretti, and Darius Johnson. Jake McCabe and cast members Rivera and Kris Kocinski also contributed.



"Sound's" Director, Padre Benjamin Aguilar, O.Carm., gathers with the Casasanto family at the Alumni and friends reception. Participation in Mount Carmel's theater program is a time-honored Mount Carmel tradition for the Casasantos. Castmember Joey's '13 brother Dan '00 starred in the 2000 musical Damn Yankees in the lead role of "Joe Hardy." His father, Paul, acted onstage along side Joey in the 2010 Winter Play "Sight." Cousin Nora (not pictured) served in the lead female role in the first Winter Play, "Touch."

Student Body Celebrates Spirit Week

Mount Carmel students recently celebrated Spirit Week, a spring tradition which is organized by the Student Council. Students participate in a number of events throughout the week designed to promote community, including dodgeball, basketball and the famed “Just Because Games.”

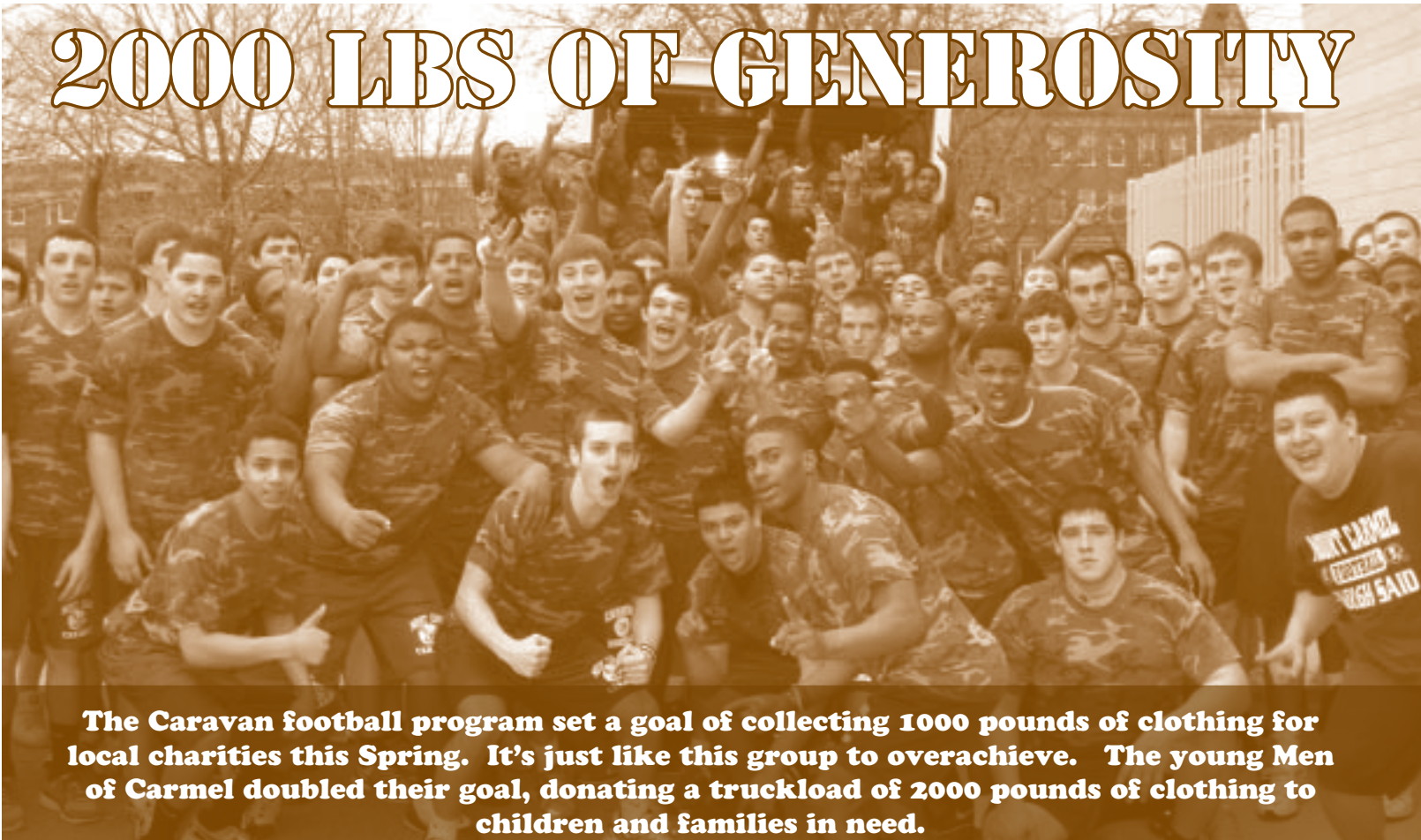
The highlight of Spirit Week is the St. Baldrick’s Day celebration. On St. Baldrick’s Day, dozens of Carmel men shave their heads after raising money for St. Baldrick’s Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to raising money for childhood cancer research. Fundraisers for St. Baldrick’s Foundation go bald in an act of standing in solidarity with childhood cancer patients, who typically lose their hair during cancer treatments.



ABOVE: A group of Mount Carmel students show off their newly-shaven heads, a symbol of the fundraising they completed for pediatric cancer. LEFT: Sophomore Sean Murphy, of Mokena (St. Mary), prepares to have his head shaved by Mrs. Cahue at the St. Baldrick’s celebration. RIGHT: 8th grader Michael Melchiorre, of Francis Xavier Warde School in Chicago was the top fundraiser in the NATION for St. Balrick’s! The incoming MC freshman raised over \$103,000.00 for the cause!



2000 LBS OF GENEROSITY



The Caravan football program set a goal of collecting 1000 pounds of clothing for local charities this Spring. It’s just like this group to overachieve. The young Men of Carmel doubled their goal, donating a truckload of 2000 pounds of clothing to children and families in need.

Class of ‘92 Scholarship Continues

Mike McCool ‘92, provides an update on the Class of 1992 Scholarship

On Dec. 17, Josh Barron, Tony DiFilippo, Jeff Schneller, Lance Kenzinger and Mike McGrew presented this year’s Class of 1992 Scholarship to Mount Carmel seniors Aki Armstrong and Dakota Mirabal. Aki plans on attending Howard University in the fall. Dakota, a starting catcher on MC’s baseball team, hopes to earn a baseball scholarship. Both Aki and Dakota were selected for the scholarship because of their hard work, dedication and drive both inside and outside the classroom. We expect both to go on and do great things in life. Thanks to all who contributed to this year’s scholarship, including:

- Josh Barron
- Tony DiFilippo
- Dave Finn
- Louie Gade
- Pat Keeley
- Lance Kenzinger
- Jim Kramer
- Fr. Tony Mazurkiewicz, O. Carm.
- Dennis McClelland
- Mike McCool
- Mike McGrew
- James Norris
- Bill Phelan
- Dan Ramos (Gaby’s Brother)
- Keith Reynolds
- Jeff Schneller
- Steve Urbon
- Don Veronesi
- Brian Wagner
- Josh Wallace
- Kevin Zanin



Class of ‘92 Scholarship recipients Dakota Mirabal (left) and Aki Armstrong (right).

Over the past four years, we’ve raised over \$12,000 and have helped seven MC students along their journey. Together, we are making a difference.

Left to right: Mike McGrew, Dakota Mirabal, Tony DiFilippo, Sheila McGrew, Lance Kenzinger, Mrs. Armstrong (Aki’s Mom), Aki Armstrong, Josh Barron, Jeff Schneller



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While everyone has access to the new www.mchs.org website, only you and your fellow Mount Carmel alumni and friends have access to the new Caravan Alumni Community.

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- Communicate via message boards
- Connect to your facebook page
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- Locate and select your record
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Enjoy Exploring the Caravan Alumni Community!

If you have trouble logging into the system, please contact Mr. Jim Civik, Alumni Director at jcivik@mchs.org

Enrollment Update

Mr. Bill Nolan '87, Director of Enrollment and Admissions, provides an update on the Class of 2015

You never know. It does not matter how many students shadowed during the fall or how many families attended one of our Open Houses, the number that shows up on test day remains a mystery until the last test taker straggles in at 8:15. Throughout the fall we welcomed 390 shadows and Open House attendance was the highest in a few years. We were confident, but until you see the whites of their eyes you don't know who is going to show up. That's what was going through my mind as I made the drive to 64th and Dante at 5:30 a.m. on the snowy, blustery morning of January 8th.

The eager testers started to arrive slowly at 7 o'clock, and by 7:30 the number was growing rapidly. By 8:15 the last of our 302 prospective students was securely in his seat. This was going to be a good year. The students traveled from far and wide, from Lincoln Park to Lansing, from Beverly to Burr Ridge, from Mount Greenwood to Munster and from Riverside to Lake Shore Drive. There were kids that came from familiar Carmel families like O'Keefe, McQuillan, Deneby, McCabe, Kilroy and Pappas. There were kids from families just beginning a Carmel tradition like Verta, Stratton, Szot and White. The Class of 2015 is going to be a class to remember.

The class of 2015 not only will be an outstanding class because of the size and where the students come from but also because of the Academic ability they possess. All the young men who score at or above the 85% on the Entrance Exam earn an academic scholarship. 85-89% - \$2000, 90-94% - \$2500, 95-98% - \$3000,

and the guys that score at the 99% get free tuition. This year 81 students earned academic scholarships, the highest number in several years. Ten students scored at the 99%. This group also came from throughout the area - from as far away as St. John, to as close as 64th and Dorchester.

The future looks extremely bright. But the work for the Class of 2015 is far from over. We accepted 270 students and the next task is to register the students and see them start school in August. We will continue to communicate with them and invite them down to school for a series of events: basketball games, school play, Fight Night and a baseball game. With all the selective enrollment schools and charter schools as options for many of our families, the Exam is just part of the whole enrollment process. We will continue to work with all our families until they start school on August 15.

As always we could not have been successful this year and will not be in the future without the help of the Alumni. Over 40% of the Class of 2015 has a MC Family connection. This is why we have remained strong and vibrant. We continue to need your help in the days and years to come. If you know of a young man that would be a great addition to the Caravan let me know - whether it's your son, grandson or a neighbor, please forward his contact information to us and we will add him to our list of prospective students. You can contact me, Bill Nolan, Director of Admissions, at 773.324.1020, ext. 265 or bnolan@mchs.org.

Please fill out the form below and return it to the Enrollment Office at Mount Carmel High School, 6410 S. Dante, Chicago, IL 60637.

Your Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Class of _____

Email Address: _____

Legacy Name _____ Phone _____

Grammar School _____ Grade _____ Age _____

Address _____ City, State, Zip Code _____

Email Address: _____

Relationship to you (circle one): Son Grandson Brother Nephew Cousin Other

Legacy Name _____ Phone _____

Grammar School _____ Grade _____ Age _____

Address _____ City, State, Zip Code _____

Email Address: _____

Relationship to you (circle one): Son Grandson Brother Nephew Cousin Other

TRAIN WITH THE CARAVAN

REGISTER ONLINE:

WWW.MCHS.ORG/SUMMERCAMP

CAMP HOTLINE: 773.324.1020, EXT. 298



All Camps take place from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted

Lacrosse: (June 6-9; 6-9 p.m.)

Baseball: (June 13-16)

Golf I*: (June 13-16)

Football: (June 20-23)

Basketball: (June 27-30)

Wrestling: (June 27-30)

Volleyball: (July 11-14)

Golf II*: (July 11-14)

Soccer: (July 11-14)

Water Polo: (TBA)

Honoring Men of Fame

The inaugural Men of Fame reception was held on the evening of Friday, February 25. Hall of Famers gathered at 7 PM in the Kiszka Suite of the Convocation Center for food and fellowship as below in the gym the Caravan took on the Wolfpack of St. Ignatius.

We point with the greatest pride to this group of men, and to the great things they have done for Mount Carmel. This event is our way of expressing the gratitude of the entire Mount Carmel family for the many contributions all Mount Carmel Men of Fame made over the years.

The Kid from Woodlawn

by Michael Lipkin

Tom Crane '52 was like many Men of Carmel in the late 1940's and early 1950's. Growing up only a few blocks from Mount Carmel, he was from a working class family that, during that time, felt worlds away from the University of Chicago campus which lies just a few blocks north of ours.

This feature on Crane's life in Woodlawn was originally published in the November 30, 2010, issue of the Chicago Maroon, a publication of the University of Chicago; excerpts are reprinted here with the permission of the author, Michael Lipkin.

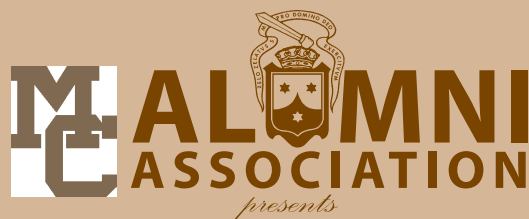
Michael Lipkin is a fourth-year at the University of Chicago studying Law, Letters and Society. He is the former news editor for the Chicago Maroon. Originally from Brooklyn, NY, he is going to Little Rock, AR after graduation to write for the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette.

Inducting New Men of Fame

On May 6, 2011, we welcomed a new group of men to the Hall of Fame at the annual Alumni Banquet. This year's banquet, which took place at Chicago Gaelic Park, also honored Tom Dart '80 and Fr. Carl Markelz, O. Carm. (H) as Co-Men of the Year, the Humanitarian of the Year, Fr. Mike O'Keefe, O. Carm. '65, and named a group of men and women honorary alumni. The classes of 1961, 1971, 1981, 1986, and 2001 celebrated reunions.

The next opportunity for alumni and friends to gather is at the annual Frank Kiszka Memorial Golf Outing. We hope to see you there August 1 at Green Garden Country Club!

For more information on upcoming alumni events, contact Jim Civik, Alumni Director at 773.359.0547 or jcivik@mchs.org. You can view a calendar of upcoming Mount Carmel alumni events at www.mchs.org/alumnievents.



Frank Kiszka Memorial Golf Outing

Monday, August 1, 2011
Green Garden Country Club

MAN OF THE YEAR

Tom Dart '80

Fr. Carl Markelz, O. Carm. (H)

HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Fr. Mike O'Keefe, O. Carm. '65

HALL OF FAME

Tom Brejcha '61

Chris Calloway '86

Richard M. Daley (H)

Maury Deering '69

Neil Kuenn '64

Mike Minogue '83

Paul Rowan '74

HONORARY ALUMNI

Fr. Tim Andres, O. Carm.,

Ray Chin

Anne Cotter

Judy Grant

Tom Crane was three when he caught lobar pneumonia: practically a death sentence in 1936, the year he fell ill. Tom remembers his sister dragging him through the December slush in their Woodlawn backyard. Their mother yelled at her for getting Tom soaked.

Soon, Tom got chills, spiked a fever of 106, and was put up in his parent's four-poster bed. He fell into a coma for a week, and Dr. Frank Wall, from the University of Chicago Hospitals, tried to open his sinuses to let him breathe. It was the first of two times before Tom reached age seven that the University Hospitals saved his life. Dr. Wall pulled out Tom's eyelashes and stuck a hypodermic needle through Tom's eye socket, beneath his eye—the doctors had to hold Tom down as he struggled and kicked through his nightmares. Tom's mother was usually ushered out of the rooms during the procedures, but she provided her own remedy.

Vapo-Cresolene lamps, a kind of quack cure from the Great Depression, were a popular all-purpose fix. A kerosene lamp would heat a platter of liquid; the instructions directed users to burn cresolene, a coal tar derivative, to kill spasmodic croup, scarlet fever, or diphtheria. It could even be used for animals, the box said, for "the distemper and pneumonia in horses and does; gapes and roup in fowls."

Mrs. Crane didn't trust cresolene and instead burned liquid eucalyptus in the lamps. That's one of the few things Tom clearly remembers from his recovery. "In the height of my pneumonia, I'd come out of the coma, or a fitful sleep, and I'd

ask her, 'Light the lamp. Light the lamp,'" Tom said. When the fever finally broke, Tom was nursed on pineapple juice. On Christmas morning, he was so excited at the prospect of seeing the tree that he ventured out of bed on his own. His legs weak, Tom stumbled and crawled down the hall, leaning against the wall for support. His sister and cousin downstairs laughed at the toddler desperately grasping towards the Christmas tree, falling over and over, but when his mother asked, they carried Tom to the tree. "It was a delight, just to see things," he said.

This is the story Tom told me over a year ago when he called the campus newspaper, the Chicago Maroon. Maybe his memory was sparked by something we had written about his old neighborhood, or about some new research grant at the Medical Center, his former employer. In surprising detail, he told me about growing up on 61st and Drexel in the 1930s, and his pneumonia. He went on about other visits to the hospital, his time in the Army, and his eventual job at the University's nuclear cyclotron during its heyday. Tom came from a blue-collar background and lived in a two-story greystone just south of the Midway—still there at 959 East 61st Street. Growing up around the University, he saw frat houses fly banners with hammers and sickles on May Day and read yellow stencils on mailboxes: "Ban the A-Bomb, Support

the Communist Party.” And now, decades since he’d left, Tom wanted to see Woodlawn again.

Three years after his pneumonia, Tom was back in the hospital. He had gone with his father on a fishing trip to Kankakee, IL, to get away from the city and his father’s backbreaking work as a roofer. When his father wasn’t looking, Tom climbed a tree and fell, breaking his arm in a compound fracture above the elbow. The local county hospital set the arm in a metal cast so tight it cut off Tom’s circulation. The trip back to Chicago was torturous, each bump on the road sending Tom into another fit of pain.

Tom’s family couldn’t get him an appointment at the Medical Center until the next morning, so his father cradled him in a rocking chair at home, singing lullabies to soothe Tom’s moans.

Once admitted, Tom passed through the Billings Hospital’s marble rotunda on his way to see Dr. Howard Hatcher, the University’s first orthopedic resident. Hatcher took one look at the metal cast, loosened the wing nuts holding it together, and flung it into a trashcan. “That cast is an instrument of torture and that county hospital will never see it again,” Hatcher said. He then pricked each of Tom’s fingers looking for any sign of feeling. With each finger that failed to twitch, the odds of saving Tom’s arm from amputation shrank. Finally, Tom’s pinky jerked.

Tom was sent to the children’s ward, still screaming in pain. From his bed in the middle of the room, Tom could see that the other children in the room were in worse shape than he was. One girl, maybe four or five years old, had broken her pelvis and had a cast from her waist to her ankles; she cried constantly as the nurse turned her every which way

to try and make her comfortable. A boy about Tom’s age had the bed next to the window, which let in the soft spring breeze carrying the smell of newly cut grass from the Midway. The boy was despondent and would only stare out the window singing: “Bring back, bring back, bring back my Bonnie to me.”

Tom was awoken that first night by flashlights and ghostly figures moving about the room. The figures spoke in low whispers and gently lifted him onto a litter with wheels. He was whisked to a room with equipment that glowed with a bluish-white light; he was brought back to this room night after night. This, Tom would realize years later when he worked at the Medical Center, was the operating room Dr. Hatcher used to work on his arm. Tom’s family couldn’t afford surgery, so Hatcher stole hours after his shift to work pro bono.

Tom had a stroke several years ago, but his childhood memories are still remarkably sharp. His stories are full of vivid but seemingly trivial details. He can rattle off the first and last names of people he met 50 years ago or important addresses: Ira Null, U of C Human Resources; DeForest Training School, 4242 North Ashland Avenue; Tom Skelling, high-school friend; 808 East 63rd Street, his father’s childhood home.

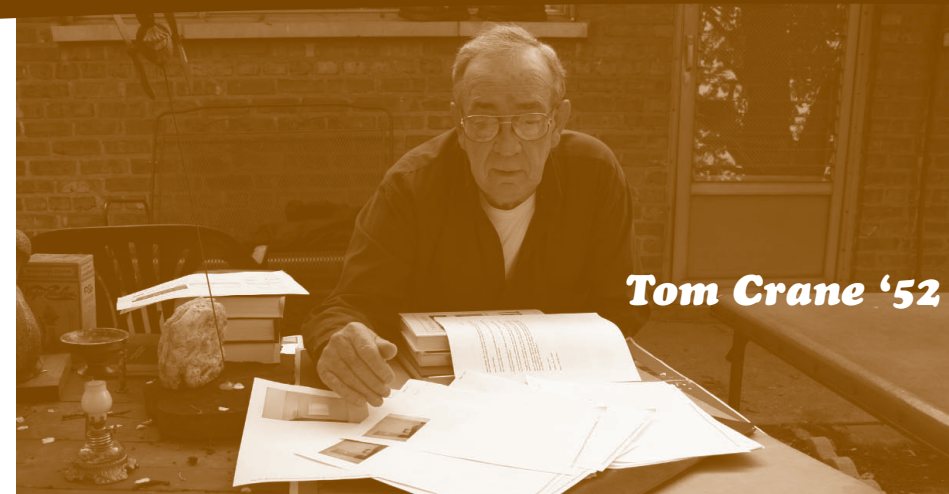
Perhaps that’s because Tom surrounds himself with his past. He and his wife still sleep on the same four-poster bed he slept in during his pneumonia. He owns two Vapo-Cresolene lamps and eucalyptus extract—a dollar each on eBay. He knows, and has written drafts of, the life story of Dr. Wall, details culled from working with his protégés at the Medical Center and research done on his own time. Tom wrote letters to Wall’s son, a doctor himself, and tracked both the careers of father and son.

Whenever Tom tells his own story, he starts with the 1893 Columbian Exposition. He likes to start at the beginning, he said, and the World’s Fair and the University of Chicago are tied together in his mind. “The University was like a giant medieval castle, in that the populace was drawn in around it,” he said. But the seemingly stuffy subjects and the lack of a football team kept Tom and his family from respecting the University. “People from Woodlawn used to look at the University as being a little out of the mainstream,” he said. “Being in a working-class family, you couldn’t understand the intellectual concepts. It was above you.”

Tom’s perception changed when he was delivering pizzas as a teenager in Hyde Park. Without a football team on [the University’s] campus, Tom was taken aback to see a hulking grad student answer the door on one delivery. When he found out the student played football in college, Tom asked how a football player managed to get into such a rigorous graduate program. “He gave me such a lecture on being scholarly,” Tom said. He began dreaming of getting out of Woodlawn and going to college. “I don’t know if he knows to this day what an impact he had on my life.”

Around the same time, Tom’s father, a pinochle and three-cushion billiard champ, opened a gas station near their house. His father’s connections to organized crime ensured that runners of the “policy rackets” visited the station to pay their respects and keep it afloat.

One alleged hit man, “a typical Humphrey Bogart type,” would often tell Tom to appreciate what a great father he had. “He had left all that. My father counseled me against gambling. ‘Tom, you can only lose. Stay away from it.’” Tom returns to his father often, comparing him to his supervisors at the University, or Dr. Hatcher, whom Tom practically deifies. “They were exactly like my father. Their word was law.”



The advice from his father and the football-player-turned-student pushed Tom into technical training. Drafted into the Army towards the end of the Korean War, Tom chose to build and repair electrical devices: infrared sniper scopes, mine detectors, and searchlights. When he came back to Woodlawn, his technical expertise made him think work at the University was the natural next step.

His first job was a bit of shock: assisting professors at the Fermi Institute’s underground cyclotron. The cyclotron, one of the most complex pieces of equipment on campus, was used to study radioactive particles. “And here I was, with only seven college credits,” Tom said. “I went to night school under the G.I. Bill. Only seven college credits so far, and I was working around nuclear physicists.”

Tom took Geiger readings throughout the complex and assisted researchers in dozens of experiments. The self-styled “kid from Woodlawn” was soon a part of the University community. Grad students shared their latest findings with him, and during their downtime, tutored Tom in the college math classes he was taking. “They were such a giving bunch of people,” he said.

The lab’s work soon turned to radioactive material’s medical applications, and Tom was transferred to the Medical Center. As cancer patients elected to receive radioactive implants, Tom

prepared the materials and watched in the operating room. “For any isotopes that were put into patients, we had to be there,” he said.

But the methods used at the Medical Center weren’t initially successful, and Tom had to attend dozens of postmortems. After being saved twice by the hospital himself, he now saw patients who weren’t as lucky. “I saw a lot of death and dying,” he said. “It made me appreciate things more.”

Tom suggested we visit his old house together, but his wife, Madeline, was initially against the plan. Even though his memory of the distant past is clear, Tom’s stroke makes him easily confused about the present. He can forget what train he’s supposed to catch or where he’s going. Tom was insistent though.

His wife relented, as long as she could come along—so my girlfriend and I picked both of them up from the train station. This was Tom and Madeline’s first train ride together, and they talk about the novelty as they get into my minivan. They’re clearly a devoted couple—they remember the Woodlawn bowling alley where they first met and argue about insignificant details. “They had the most delicious pizzas there,” Tom said. “I never had them,” Madeline replied. “They did.” “I had the burgers.”

We drive through Tom’s old haunts,

past where his father’s gas station once stood, and pulled up on the house he lived in when he was three. While my girlfriend and Madeline talk about the colleges her grandkids attend, Tom stands in the yard and points to the room where his father used to sit on the floor and read the Sunday funnies. Tom walks around to the back, and points to a window. When his father stormed out of an argument, his mother threw hot tea out the window, trying to scald him.

He points to another window—this is the one he looked out of while he was sick with pneumonia, and his voice weakens. His eyes water, and I begin to get uncomfortable. Tom pulls me aside and gives me a speech that didn’t help. “Sometimes, you feel like you’re forgotten in life. You’ve not only honored me, you’ve honored my family,” he said. “Basically, I’m a commoner. And you’ve taken this occasion to really take an interest in myself. What I’m saying is, you’ve taken this story of a commoner, and you have done a great honor to me.”

The four of us pile back into the van and drive over to the Medical Center to find Tom’s old office, which, in a strange coincidence, was the room he stayed in after breaking his arm in 1939.

Madeline is tired from the day’s walking, so only Tom and I get out of the car. Like little boys, we hold our hands up to the windows and peer into the main hall, looking at the rotunda Tom was carried through almost 75 years ago. The memories don’t come flooding back, Tom says, because he’s blocked out most of the bad ones, and he’s already told me most of the good ones. We take a few steps back and look at the building’s façade until we see the window of his old office. Tom is uncommonly silent.



Champions Reunite

The Reunion of Champions, held on September 11, gave the members and coaches of five championship football teams, their spouses, children and grandchildren, an unprecedented chance to renew friendships and relive some treasured moments.

Players from the 1950 and 1960 Chicago City Championship teams, and the 1980, 1990 and 2000 Illinois State Championship teams will be recognized at the Caravan's varsity match-up vs. the Fenwick Friars. Special guests include former coaches Terry Brennan, Tom Carey and Bill Barz, as well as current head coach Frank Lenti.

At Gately Stadium the honorees enjoyed burgers and hotdogs prepared and served by the Mount Carmel Fathers Club, and then watched the Caravan prevail over the Friars of Fenwick. At halftime they were introduced on the field, and came back to school for more festivities after the game.

Members of the Mothers Club and Alumni Association handled food service and bartending, and the crowd enjoyed a wonderful video tribute to the five teams. The DVD is available for purchase (\$10) through the Alumni Office, or at the Alumni Home Page on mchs.org.



(Above) Players from the 1950 and 1960 City Championship teams and the 1980, 1990 and 2000 Illinois State Championship teams enjoy an evening of dinner and camaraderie. (Below) Team members of the 2010 State Runner-up Caravan join alumni for dinner.



(Above) Coach Bill Barz returns to Mount Carmel to address Caravan football players from past and present at the Reunion of Champions.

Welcome Home, Joel

The Fall 2010 issue of Carmel Life featured an article by Alumni Contributor Joel Jarosky '03. Joel shared observations and reflections about his remarkable two-year experience as a Peace Corps volunteer in the village of Bereket in the Central Asian country of Turkmenistan.

We are happy to report that Joel has returned safely home from Turkmenistan. Joel (left) was the guest of honor on Sunday, December 12, at a reception at the Glenwood Oaks Restaurant, organized by his cousin John LeRose '84 (right).

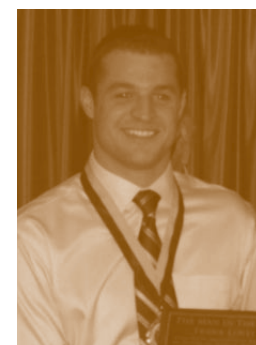


Men in the Arena

On Saturday, December 11, 2010, the MC Foundation, an organization of alums and friends of Mount Carmel committed to serving financial needs of students, presented the annual "Salute to the Champions" at Hawthorne Race



Don Barry '63



Frank Lenti Jr. '03



Simeon Rice '92



Fr. Tony Mazurkiewicz, O. Carm. '92

Course. For more than a decade, this organization has raised tens of thousands of dollars that have been used to support the educational aims of hundreds of young men here at Mount Carmel.

Each year at this event, the MC Foundation presents the Man In the Arena Award to a group of individuals who by their character and dedication have had a significant and lasting impact on Mount Carmel High School.

The awards were presented by Fr. Carl Markelz, O. Carm., president of the school. Howie Fagan '51, Executive Director of the MC Foundation, served as master of ceremonies.

MAN IN THE ARENA 2011 Award Recipients

Mike Blake '76
Cornell Smith '73
Brad Cozzie '00
John Fordon '83
John Hunter '74
Jason Erwinski '98
Kevin Kilroy '93
Frank Lenti Jr. '03

Fr. Tony Mazurkiewicz, O. Carm. '92
Jim McDonough '91
John Mulherin '69
Dan O'Brien '03
Simeon Rice '92
Donal Barry '63
Matt Piotrowicz '00
Tom Powers '83
Pat Ryan '65
Jimmy Smith '99
Dave Supple '80
Bill Walsh '89
Bob Fattore '55

SPOTLIGHT ON THE



CLASS OF 1938 WHERE ARE THEY NOW? A look by the numbers



compiled by:
Steve dePyssler '38
Col. USAF Retired
Col. dePyssler began this project at his 50th reunion

- 230** Size of the graduating class
- 175** Served in military during WWII (75%)
- 147** Went to college; some before the war, some after (64%)
- 18** Known to be living in the year 2010 (8%)
- 8** Are retired from service
- 5+** Average number of children per graduate; several have more than 11
- 2** Graduates from Military Academies (West Point and Annapolis)
- 1** 4-Star General: General Hennessey
- 1** 3-Star General: Lt General Casey
- 1** Served more years in the military than any other known graduate: Col. dePyssler with 38 years on active duty





SPOTLIGHT ON

LANCE
BONNER
FOUNDATION

Classmates, family and friends join together to raise money for Mount Carmel in memory of Bonner '87



Lance Todd Bonner, '87 was an all-star student-athlete whose zest for life and dedication to his academic and athletic pursuits impressed all who came across the young man. Sadly, this wonderful life was cut short when Bonner tragically passed away in a traffic accident at the young age of 23.

At Mount Carmel, Bonner was a star running back. He scored the winning touchdown in the Prep Bowl against Lane Tech in 1985.

His athletic talent coupled with his academic success attracted the attention of Ivy League universities. Following his Mount Carmel graduation, Bonner went on to study and play football at Yale University. At Yale he was a member of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity.

Bonner graduated from Yale in 1991 with a degree in history and political science and worked for a law firm and as a foreign exchange trader for Citibank of New York. He was also very involved with Big Brothers Big Sisters, an organization dedicated to providing responsible adult mentors for all children in need of a caring adult friend in their life.

Following Bonner's death friends and family rallied together to preserve the memory of this cherished Man of Mount Carmel. Under the leadership of Bonner's parents, LT and the late Barbara, and classmates John Furjanic and Andre Burke, the Lance Bonner Memorial Foundation was established in 1993.

The mission of the Lance Bonner Memorial Foundation was formed to perpetuate the life and good works of Lance Bonner. And this they did. Over the course of the past 18 years the organization raised over \$120,000.00 in memory of Lance by hosting golf outings, banquets, and receptions.

Much of the money raised was given to Mount Carmel in Lance's memory while the remaining amount was given to other non-profit organizations close to the Bonner family's heart.

When asked why the foundation selected Mount Carmel as one of its primary benefactors, foundation representative and close friend of Bonner's Andre Burke '87 gave no hesitation in his reply.

"Mount Carmel played an integral role in Lance's formative years and was very special to him," said Burke. After he left Mount Carmel he and his family continued to have relationships with Mount Carmel and many members of the Mount Carmel community. We knew Mount Carmel would be a great place to honor his memory."

2010 - 2011 Society of St. Cyril Recognition Dinner

The Society of Saint Cyril was established by the Carmelites in order to recognize those who support the mission of Mount Carmel High School at an exemplary level. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Society, membership begins with sustaining members whose gifts total \$1,000 or more in a calendar year or \$10,000 in a lifetime.

Members are invited to be the guest of President Fr. Carl J. Markelz, O.Carm. at our exclusive Annual Society of Saint Cyril Dinner. The 2010 dinner was held in October at the Willis (Sears) Tower. Guests reaching new levels of membership, including John and Jann Reardon (right) were honored and recognized by Fr. Carl Markelz, O.Carm, President and David Lenti, Vice President for Institutional Advancement.



The Society of Saint Cyril congratulates all members who moved from one level to the next this past year. For more information about the Society of Saint Cyril please contact Patrick Joyce at 773.359.0426 or pjoyce@mchs.org.

Associates to Partners

Madeline and Michael Hughes '58
Marie and Anthony Rossi, Parent

Patrons to Sponsors

Fr. Leopold Glueckert, O. Carm.
Margaret and Dr. Donald Hollansworth, Parent
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Mount Carmel Mother's Club
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Debbie and Peter Nau, Parent
Darlene and Richard Prendergast '54
Norbert Sieracki (Hon)

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John Brosius '55
Liam Jude Caferty Scholarship
Nancy and Griff Ehrenstrom '80

Carl Eigelsbach '52
Wilma and George Jacobsmeyer '37
Sharon and Harry Kenny '51
Bob Kuenster, Parent
Edward O'Rourke '45
Dale and John Schuble '57
Jeanne and Robert Sheehan '63
Lani and Thomas Tyrrell '63

Sustaining Members to Friends

Yousif Chafari
The Czarobski Family Foundation
Patricia and Tom Dart '80
Margaret Dubois, Friend
Thomas Galbreath '42
Louis Munin '51
Janice and Tom Murray '62
Janet and John Plezbert '74

Jann and John Reardon '72
Teresa and Charles Roberts '60
Robert Scurio '53
Mike Wagner '83

New Sustaining Members

Bansley and Kiener, LLP.
Alfred J. Burke '42
James Carlson '62
William Carrigg '43
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Connors, Parent
Anthony Dramisino
Frank Pinn Sr. '53
John Ruel '61
Mr. and Mrs. David Vajda, Parent
John Van Zeyl '53



Annual Fund Update

“You came to Carmel as a BOY. If you care to struggle and work at it, you will leave a MAN.

These words have echoed throughout the halls of MC for generations. They stand at the core of what it means to be a Man of Mount Carmel. Becoming a Carmel man is not easy. It takes years of hard work, dedication, and sacrifice.

Many parents work multiple jobs in order to give their sons the best chance to be great, caring people. For generations teachers like Mike O'Connor, Br. John, Sean Daly, and Tom Nicklas have dedicated their careers, time, and energy to all the students whose lives they helped mold. Classmates sacrifice their time tutoring each other and share in their experience on the field or in extracurricular activities like drama and video production. Generation after generation of alumni continue to give their valued resources so future generations may benefit the same way they did from their Mount Carmel Education.

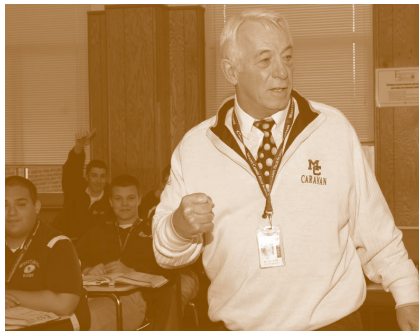
It is because of all this, We are MC; we are Men of Mount Carmel.

The 2010-11 Annual Fund supports all the teachers today who mold the lives of future generations of Carmel men. It also supports those parents who are working two or three jobs and are struggling to complete their tuition payments. This is your last chance to affect the Mount Carmel class of 2011. We need your help in making a difference in their lives one last time before June 30th. Please consider making a contribution at whatever level you are comfortable.

A \$310 donation is .001% of our 310,000 goal. As of April 30th, we have reached \$225,000. Thank you to those who have helped us reach this point and to all those who will help us exceed our goal. Let's come together and show our gratitude to our past and present educators as well as show the younger generation how strong our Mount Carmel Family truly is!



Celebrating past . . .



. . . and supporting future . . .



. . . Men of Carmel



For more information on the Annual Fund, please contact Patrick Joyce '01, Assistant Director of Institutional Advancement, at pjoyce@mchs.org or 773.324.1020, ext. 226.

Campaign for a New Century of Excellence

The Campaign for a New Century of Excellence is a \$50 million, three-phase capital campaign that supports the overall goals of placing Mount Carmel in a position where it can continue to serve as Chicago's premier Catholic college preparatory school for young men.

When you support Phase II of the Campaign, you are directly impacting the lives of individual Men of Carmel in the following areas: student scholarships, the Endowment Fund, and the renovation of the main school building.

Student Scholarships	Endowment Fund	Classroom Renovations
<p>The Mount Carmel High School experience is unlike any other. We provide an exceptional college preparatory education in a Catholic values-based environment. Our talented faculty are specially trained to educate in an all-male environment. Our students thrive in the active, challenging, and competitive classrooms they create.</p> <p>When you donate to Phase II of the campaign you help continue the traditions that the Carmelites began in 1900 by helping students who otherwise couldn't afford it learn in our unique environment.</p>	<p>One of the greatest successes in the history of Mount Carmel High School's advancement initiatives is that of the Endowment Fund.</p> <p>Each year, a portion of the endowment fund is contributed to the school for educational, charitable, and religious activities. The remaining amount is retained in the account and reinvested. Currently, there is a balance of over \$6,500,000.00 in the fund.</p> <p>With your support the capital will continue to grow further securing the present and future of Mount Carmel!</p>	<p>For over 111 years, young men have traveled to the corner of 64th Street and Dante Avenue for one of the city's top college preparatory experiences. Since 1924 student have been entering the doors of the main building that are still used for the majority of our academic classes today.</p> <p>Financial support is needed to update this building and accommodate the continually increasing technology needs of our students and faculty. Help us make the building of your past the ideal learning environment for the students of our future.</p>

For more information on the Campaign for a New Century of Excellence, contact David Lenti, Vice President for Institutional Advancement at 773.324.1020, ext. 260.

Planned Giving

Planned gifts allow you to give back to Mount Carmel and allow future members of the Caravan access to the outstanding and unique educational experience that only Mount Carmel can provide young men. Planned gifts directly impact Mount Carmel students in the form of financial aid as well as campus and building improvements. If you are unfamiliar with planned giving, consider these three benefits:

1. The process is easy and consists of adding just a few sentences in your will or trust.
2. You may select from a variety of gift options including leaving a specific item or amount of money or leaving a percentage of your estate to Mount Carmel.
3. Your estate is entitled to an estate tax charitable deduction for the gift's full value.

In addition to directing your money and assets where you'd like them to go, the benefits of having a will include making sure your children are entrusted to the guardian of your choice and that your chosen representative is the one representing your estate, rather than someone selected by a court. Creating a will is very simple and we are happy to help guide you through the steps needed to complete the process. Contact Patrick Joyce, Assistant Director of Institutional Advancement, for more information at 773.324.1020, ext. 226.

Caravan Fall & Winter Sports Wrap-Up

By Dan LaCount, Athletic Director

Since the beginning of Mount Carmel's rich tradition, student-athletes from all generations have experienced a strong athletic experience at Mount Carmel. Known for our outstanding athletics, Mount Carmel continues to set the standard among high schools in Chicago. The success of our teams during the 2010-11 school year reflects the commitment of our students and coaches. As Carmel Life goes to print, our varsity programs have won 4 Chicago Catholic League titles and have 6 Lawless Award winners this school year alone.

Football

Beginning in the fall, the Caravan football team surprised the pundits finishing in a three-way tie for the Chicago Catholic League (CCL) Blue Championship and advanced to the Class 8A State Championship. Thanks to strong senior leadership, the Caravan improved every week rolling through the playoffs. Coach Frank Lenti passed an amazing milestone getting his 300th victory with the playoff victory over Homewood Flossmoor. Although the state championship game did not go their way, the football team had a tremendously successful season. Following the season Coach Frank

Lenti and quarterback Chris Sujka were awarded the **TONY LAWLESS AWARD** for most outstanding coach and player.

The Caravan continues a recent tradition and opens the 2011-12 season at Soldier Field against Simeon on the weekend of August 26th. The time and date are TBD. All other games are tentatively scheduled for the dates listed on the next page.

Golf

Under the guidance of 24-year veteran coach Tom Nicklas, the Caravan won their 8th Golf Regional and qualified his 16th player for the State Tournament.

Senior Bobby Sloan not only holds all the school records for golf, but finished his Senior year in style as the **TONY LAWLESS AWARD** winner for Golf.

Wrestling

The Caravan wrestling team, winner of the Chicago Catholic League team championship, enjoyed another tremendously successful season under the direction of Head Varsity Coach Jason Erwinski '98.

In addition to the team and individual accomplishments listed below, Coach Erwinski was honored as the **TONY LAWLESS AWARD** winner by his fellow coaches. This is his second Lawless since being named head coach five years ago in the 2006-2007 season.

- Team Chicago Catholic League Champions
- 2 Chicago Catholic League individual champions: Ricky Robertson and David Denne (2 for 2)
- Team Regional Champions
- All 14 wrestlers advanced to sectionals
- 5 qualified for state: Mike Mizaur, Brendan Hall, Tyler Argue, Kevin Skryzpiec, and Ricky Robertson
- 8 wrestlers had 20 wins or more: Jack Diana (21), Mike Mizaur (23), Brendan Hall (20), Tyler Argue (39), Kevin Skryzpiec (25), Ricky Robertson (36), Jim Mickens (30), and David Denne (24).

Basketball

The Caravan basketball program finished the season a top the CCL South Division, and won its 3rd regional title in 4 years. For the second consecutive year, they lost in the Sectional to the eventual State Champion. This was a special year for Coach Mike Flaherty who, with a Regional Championship victory over St. Rita, won his 700th career victory. With the victory, Coach

Flaherty is among the elite in Illinois high school history.

Senior Tracy Abrams finished his high school career as the 5th leading scorer in Mount Carmel history. Tracy Abrams and Coach Flaherty were each honored by the league as **TONY LAWLESS AWARD** winners.

Tracy Abrams earned the following awards/recognitions this season in addition to the Lawless Award. We wish him well as he moves on to play for the University of Illinois next year:

- Named 1st Team All State by the Associated Press, IBCA, and Chicago Sun-Times

- Named Player of the Year by the Northwest Indiana Times
- Named All Area by the Southtown Star and the Chicago Sun-Times
- Named a Top 10 player of the year by the Chicago Tribune
- Participant in the All-American All Star Game in Houston, TX
- Named All-Tournament by Chicago Heights and Pekin

Bowling

The Mount Carmel bowling team

under the watchful eye of Coach Steve Gorchas, clinched the Catholic League South title, as well as winning the Catholic League tournament. They finished fourth in the Sectional, and Senior Ted Holsapple advanced to the individual state championship for the second straight season, averaging 206 for six games.

Coach Gorchas has a strong group of underclassmen that will return next year and fight to defend their Catholic League crown.



2011 TENTATIVE VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Location
TBD	Simeon	Soldier Field
9/2/2011	Morgan Park	Gately Stadium
9/9/2011	De La Salle	Gately Stadium
9/16/2011	St. Joseph	St. Joseph
9/23/2011	Brother Rice	Gately Stadium
10/1/2010	Loyola	Loyola
10/7/2011	St. Laurence	St. Laurence
10/14/2011	St. Rita	St. Rita
10/21/2011	Providence	Gately Stadium

TONY LAWLESS AWARD

Notice anything interesting about the stories on the previous page? How about the number of Lawless Awards the Caravan racked up so far this year?

The Tony Lawless Award is presented to outstanding coaches and players in the Chicago Catholic League. Each year, one coach and one player is selected for each sport. Already this year, Six members of the Caravan community have been named Lawless Award winners: three coaches and three athletes.

Mount Carmel's 2011-12 fall and winter sport Tony Lawless Award winners are Coach Frank Lenti (Football), Coach Jason Erwinski (Wrestling), Coach Mike Flaherty (Basketball), Chris Sujka '11 (Football), Bobby Sloan '11 (Golf), and Tracy Abrams '11 (Basketball).



Coach Jason Erwinski



Chris Sujka
St. Damien, Oak Forest



Bobby Sloan
St. Ann, Lansing



Tracy Abrams
John Fiske School, Chicago

Spring Sports Shorts

Varsity Baseball

As of printing, their record stands at 25-5.

Lacrosse

As of printing the JV are 11-1 and Freshmen are 6-3. Next season we will have a varsity and a JV team. Lacrosse now plays on campus at Carey Field so stop by for a game!

Rugby

The team is having a tremendously successful season with wins over Brother Rice, St. Ignatius, Culver Military, Lincoln Way just to name a few.



Two Caravan Sports, One Thousand Coaching Victories

By Dan LaCount, Athletic Director



Coach Frank Lenti

Two Mount Carmel coaches reached monumental coaching milestones during their respective seasons this year.

Head Football Coach Frank Lenti inched closer to the all-time record for Illinois High School coaches with his career 300 victory over Bolingbrook in the state playoff game at Gately Stadium. Coach Frank trails Coach Gary Korhonen (Richards), who amassed 315 career victories.



Coach Mike Flaherty

Head Basketball Coach Mike Flaherty got his career 700th victory over St. Rita as the Caravan defeated the Mustangs in the state regional championship. Coach Flaherty, who ranks in the top 15 all-time wins for coaches in Illinois High School history, began his coaching career at Mendel and spent many successful years at Thornwood before coming to MC.

Mount Carmel is blessed to have these two legendary coaches leading two of our most prominent programs. Their professionalism, leadership and wisdom set the standard very high for all our coaches. Their ability to continue to mentor coaches, teach the game they love, and inspire generations of young men is remarkable.

On behalf of the Carmelites, and the entire Mount Carmel community we say congratulations to Coach Frank Lenti and Coach Mike Flaherty who have combined for over 1000 victories.





Mount Carmel Class of 1998

B A B Y A L B U M



Abigail Lynn Cushing
December 6, 2010
Daughter of Adam '98 and Jaime



Luke Thomas Erwinski '29
February 8, 2010
Son of Jason '98 and Carrie



Olivia Grace Petrungaro
February 22, 2010
Daughter of James '98 and Kate



Sophia Grace Zilz May 10, 2010
with brothers Parker Henry and Addison Daniel
Children of Kevin '98 and Stacey



Liam Murphy Burke '28
August 27, 2010
Son of Dan '98 and Tessa

Do you have a birth announcement you'd like to share?

Email a photo with date of birth, height, weight, baby name and parent name(s) to Tessa Burke at tburke@mchs.org

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Class of 1938

See page 21 for a special spotlight on the class of 1938 compiled by Col. dePyssler.

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Class of 1945

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What better way to kick off the Spring Column than.. The Alumni Banquet will be Friday May 6, 2011 at The Gaelic Park, 6119 West 147th St., Oak Forest, IL. If you are unfamiliar with my neighborhood, the Irish are almost everywhere you go. In addition to an Authentic Irish Pub you will see a very large Banquet Hall and plenty of parking. This being our 66th Anniversary how about planning to be there. If you need assistance or have a question, I

can be reached using the info above.

I received an Email in November 2010 from RAY MILLER who lives in Monterey, CA. RAY was interested in making contact with any Carmel Alumni who might live in his general area in CA. I was able to provide him with the info on CHARLES HEGWEIN, TIM O'CONNOR AND FRANCIS O'TOOLE. No one from the Class of '44 or '46 but, I was able to slip in one each from the Class of '56 and '57. You may remember several column's ago I reported that RAY retired from the US Army Air Corps as a Major and went on to fly for the Monterey County Sheriff's Department. His wife (Joan Reitz) was in the Class of 46 at Loretto High School.

In October of 2010 I received an Email from the Editor of Carmel Life. It seems that he had learned that two mass graves had been uncovered on Iwo Jima and that two Mount Carmel Alumni may have been among the deceased. One of them was RAY OTTEN a member of our Class who was with us for our first three years and enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1944. On October 23, 2010 CASI-

MIR (Casey) WISNIEWSKI passed away. CASEY was part of our class who graduated in January. The wake was in my general area and MARIO ORTIGARA and I met in the Parking Lot having arrived at the same time. I learned in the fall of 2010 that our Classmate JOHN RITTER passed away. JOHN had retired from the Riverdale, IL Police Department and regrettably I did not receive any additional information. Then in November 2010 PACKEY BUTLER lost his wife Anna Mae on November 23, 2010. PACKEY had been very loyal to his wife for many years following a stroke. I learned in January 2011 that Mary Jane Helmick, wife of our deceased Classmate ROLAND passed away.

Please pray for the Repose of the Souls of those above as well as our deceased Teachers and Classmates. "OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, PRAY FOR US"

In Closing, be careful out there. See you at the Alumni Banquet. Our Alumni Association depends on all of us to keep it going. The Committee is a large one and is NOT financed by

MC Class Notes

the School. Our yearly dues is what pays the postage and keeps the Association going. The dues is falling far short of the expenses. PLEASE: to those who have not paid for 2011, DO IT NOW. Thank You.

Class of 1948

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Breda Gallagher reported the death of her husband Jack (John P.) on August 10, 2010. He had been diagnosed with ALS four years ago and was in and out of the hospital for the last 1 1/2 years. All our Gallaghers are now gone - Jack J. in 2003 and Bill. Breda contributed to our ad in the Big Event in memory of Jack.

Thanks to Dick Brennan, Ron Brown, Claude Broze, Dave Creagan, Jack Gallagher, Matt Gross, James Jackson, Pat Kirk, Bill Lemm, Gene McMahon, Hank McTigue, Johnny Mohar, Joe Mularski, James Murphy, Joe O'Neill, Charles Pratscher, Ed Swanson, Bill Sweeney, Bernie Rossbach, Bill Taafe, and Terry Yeager who contributed a total of \$838 to our Ad in the Big Event.

Bernie Rossbach and Fred Tetreault represented our class at last year's Alumni Banquet held at the Hawthorne Race Course. I was in Toledo attending the Confirmation of my grandson. Hopefully we can have better attendance at this year's reunion in May to be held at Gaelic Park.

Our monthly breakfasts, now over seven years old, have been discontinued. It was a long drive for me from

Winfield to Denny's on 95th on the south side, and fewer classmates were able to come. If anyone is interested in starting again let me know. At the May breakfast we were surprised by Pat Kirk and his wife. Pat is recovering from cancer treatment and looks good. Also on the sick list - Larry Gliemi is undergoing dialysis. Bob Dunne is recovering from cancer treatment and he and his wife were at our March breakfast. Our condolences go out to Charlie Pratscher whose wife died on March 1.

Class of 1949

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Big thanks to Jim Civik '64, our Alumni Director for the e-mail last December indicating that the Spring issue is due no later than Friday, February 11, 2011. Jim, your e-mail came through electronically loud and clear. It is amazing how this electronic world changed almost everything that moves or standstill - watch our grandchildren manipulate the laptops, various types of phones, etc. Just amazing, but very good. Where would we be without texting?

Thanks to the following '49ers who graciously and generously contributed to our full page ad in the Big Event XXX, dedicated to the deceased members of our 1949 graduating class! Ray Best, Art Barnas, Joe Lowery, Steve Pack Mayer, Don Ryan, Bob Hultquist, Adrian Ignowski, Ray Oliva, Steve Wilson, Fr. Jim Gillen, Charlie Bay, Bob O'Keefe, Tom Hergenboth, Jim Hanley, Jim Sullivan

and Gene Powers. 16 '49ers donated \$650.00 Thank you! You are the best!

A few comments that were made on the return donation form; Bob Hultquist, Oconomowoc, WI; Gene, thanks for all you do, keep up the good work and say hello to our fellow '49ers; Steve BZ Wilson, Niantic, CT; noted that his grandson Patrick Wilson 6'3 - 235lbs turned down Penn State, Boston College, Syracuse, Yale, and Princeton and others to go to University of Connecticut, defensive end #52. He will have to go a long way to compare with the right side of the '49 line of Gillen, Wilson, Edwards, Mesch. Some "D". Jim Gillen, Venice Florida regards to the family especially our two girls a get well message for me. Charlie Bay, North Richland Hills, TX., Hey Gene, long time since we last communicated - probably our 50th Reunion. I keep up with the newsletters, seems the '49 class hasn't had any bad new, that's good. Charlie hope you continue to get better and stronger after your surgery, especially after your 40 radiation treatments. Hope your plans work out for a visit Chicago this Spring. Keep in touch and maybe we can arrange something while you are in town. I will give regards to all I see from Mount. Carmel. Bob O'Keefe, Chicago, IL; Gene, stay in good health, Bill Zegers moved back to Floosmoor, see him regularly. Thanks for the info on Bill, keep in touch, please! Jim Sullivan, Herndon, VA; thank you for your generous contribution. Good luck in your rehab with those illness. I did send you some info on our '49 class and Mount. Carmel. I hope you received them and enjoyed the data about Mount. Carmel. Black Jack McCarthy, Lady Lake, FL. Jack thanks for the note and letter saying Merry Christmas and Happy Healthy New Year. I enjoyed your prospective

on current events and your opinion's are right on. Have a happy 80th and enjoy a cup of hot tea on me (yeah). Also, have a nice lunch with Fr. Jim Gillen when your in Venice, FL.

Received phone calls (the old fashioned way) from Vince Mesch. Before Christmas wishing our family a Happy and Healthy New Year, Beezee Wilson called had a nice conversation about current and past events. He was looking for Ted Cachey '51 phone number as he met a teammate of his when at the University of Michigan. Hope he got in touch with him. Fr. Niles Gillen, O. Carm. of Venice, FL., called to inquire about the Powers Family. He sent his prayers for two of girls and hopes I recover sooner than later. Ray Best and Don Ray communicate often during the year and we try to solve all the problems that we endure, like going to football, basketball games and all functions that Mount. Carmel has going. Conrad Sanders, wrote: Mush, if I remember correctly, you had by pass surgery a few years ago. It has been 10 years since my own 3x bypass surgery, and I am able to do 40 minutes on a treadmill without difficulty, three times a week at local gym. Frank O'Connor's wife, nee Barbara Hogan, died December 6, 2010. Frank now lives in Orchard Park, NY. In 1949, the Hogan's lived across the street from Mount. Carmel, seven daughters, I believe, I used to dance with Barbara at the Island and the Mount Carmel dances.

Received an e-mail from Fr. Carl Markelz, O. Carm. on January 20, 2011 announcing his resignation as President of the Mount Carmel H.S. effective June 15, 2011. I was very fortunate and delighted to be associated with Fr. Carl for most of his tenure. We '49ers wish you the best as you're shown to be conscious and considerate in all your endeavors at Mount Carmel and all that you have accomplished. Please be assured that your skilled

achievements will be a strong test for those who follow in your footsteps. Good luck, good health, God Bless and may our Lady of Mount. Carmel Pray for us.

The Powers are doing good. Kathleen and Annie are still having doctor's appointments. Annie has a 4 year old going on 12 and five months ago adopted a baby girl, Avery - the most adorable beautiful baby on this planet. The whole clan is ecstatic and the parents, Mike and Annie are off the planet. Sgt. Ryan Markmann USMC ('07), grandson is to be deployed sometime in February, 2011 to Afghanistan. Keep the three in your prayers. That was good news one-good news two the "The wedding"! Lake Geneva, Wisconsin absolutely fabulous. Eugene ('87) and Rebecca exchanged vows at St. Mary Catholic Church, December 18, 2010. A great weekend, although not too many enjoyed the ride back to Chicago on Sunday. Me, I had a few bumps in the road, on November 23, 2010 I had open heart double bypass, replacement of the aortic valve, all is ok. January 17, 2011 heart still out of sink; pacemaker inserted, thank God for the men and women in the medical profession, especially for my team, my daughter Ann RN., Rebecca, daughter-in-law RN., Mike my anesthesiologist son in law and Mark cardiovascular PE son in law.

Hey don't forget to check the Mount Carmel website, lots of information and any news about the '49ers, keep in touch.

Class of 1950

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I hope all of you are in good health.

I want to thank all of our classmates who sent me money for the Class Ad in the Big Event Ad Book.

It is with deep regret that I advise you of the death Paul Niquette on December 18, 2010 in Tucson, Ariz. where he had spent his retirement years. He was married for 53 years to Elizabeth Ann "Betty" Ballinger. He is also survived by his four children and nine grandchildren. His brother Callis was a 1952 graduate of M.C. He graduated from Illinois Institute of Technology in 1954 with a degree in Metallurgy and spent his working career at U.S. Steel and Interlake Steel from where he retired in 1993 as Chief Metallurgist. Paul and his wife were enthusiastic duplicate bridge players. He had a passion for keeping in touch with family and friends with cards and letters filled with much detail. I was one of those friends and maybe some of you were also who received those cards and letters with information about what was going on in his life in Tucson. In the last few years he used email. I wish I could write letters like he did.

I wish some of you would send me some information for this column about what interesting things you are doing in your lives now. I sometimes think I am writing an obituary column. Also, if you have an email address that the Alumni Assn. does not have, please send it to me and I will be glad to forward it to Jim Civik.

I am going on that river trip down the Rhine and Mosel rivers on April 23 that I tried to go on last year that got cancelled by the eruption of the volcano in Iceland. I fly to Amsterdam, get on the river boat and we stop in France and Germany and wind up in Basel Switzerland where we fly back to Chicago.

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Class of 1952

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Here is the latest from our classmates.

Dick Duffner:

Another year has come and gone and so have a few of our classmates.

Another milestone has come. My youngest grandson, Jordan Mikolajewski (fourth generation) has just taken the entrance exam at Mount Carmel. We have to wait till Feb 15 to see where he falls in the pecking order. He is a stalwart baseball player. Has been playing travel league baseball for the Romeoville Rattlers Baseball Club for the past 5 years.

He has been involved with Carmel baseball all that time, going to clinics, being the bat boy for the varsity team etc. He also has just finished four years as the ballboy for the varsity football team. Needless to say I get to see a lot of Carmel games both baseball and football. His brother Kyle is a freshman at Plainfield North High School. He'll run track indoors and outdoors and will try out for basketball with the hopes of making the sophomore team.

We are expecting our second great grandchild sometime late February or early March. Grandson John '2000 and wife Kelly live down in Indianapolis, IN along with the first great grandchild Peyton Alexandra.

We again hosted the gathering of the "Fab Five minus One (Rolowicz) here in Palos Heights. A grand time was had by all. The tales get taller every year.

It doesn't appear that Fr. Rolowicz will ever return from Korea. He is happy there and keeping active with the church. Cal Niquette lives in Indianapolis and when ever I go see my grandson John, I try to hook up with Cal.

I am still involved in appraising real estate just to keep busy. As if driving the bus for the grandchildren doesn't keep me busy enough. Granddaughter Rachel graduates from Oak Forest High School this year (daughter Jean's youngest. John is her oldest)

As I am writing this, I received an email from Jim Civik about Bob Harter. Another one of our classmates gone to the great beyond. Bless his soul.

Tom Cadell:

I have not provided information in the past, so here goes.

I was married on November 9, 1957, at St. Anne's Church, Lansing, Illinois, to Loretta June Young. We have three children, Tim, Peggy and Pat, and four grandchildren. After our marriage, Loretta and I lived for almost eight years in Dolton, Illinois, before moving in 1965 to the city of Poway, near San Diego, California. After attending law school, I was admitted to the California Bar in 1974 and worked for thirty years with the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, an agency of the State of California. I served as a hearing officer and, later, as a trial and appellate attorney. My last thirteen years with DLSE was as chief counsel. In that position I had the opportunity to argue most of the Division's cases before the California Supreme Court, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and, on one occasion, the U.S. Supreme Court.

Loretta, between raising children,

worked as an elementary school teacher in a Catholic school in San Diego County, and, later, in public schools in Sonoma County. I was transferred to the headquarters of the DLSE in San Francisco in 1985 and we lived for twenty years in Petaluma, Sonoma County, California. Both Loretta and I retired in 1998, and in 2005, after the last of the children went out on their own, we sold our home in Petaluma and moved to Geneva, Illinois, on the Fox River. We have a stock answer for those who ask why we would leave Sonoma County and move back to the Midwest: It was for the weather.

Don Boyle:

I had my right knee fixed in July and then went to London to see my daughter (Colleen). This was a second time we visited England and their food is still not very good. The car drivers are nuts but the schools are interesting. Oxford University was the first University and started in 1000 and is still working very well.

On January 10, 2011 I had my other knee fixed and I hope I don't have to fix them again. Our daily people for Church have had their knees fixed and also their hips are being fixed. My wife, Carolyn, has her knees fixed last year. After that when we took a walk she would gradually end up a block ahead of me. But now, I hope I can keep up with her.

So I hope you are in good shape. Life isn't worth it if you are not in good shape.

Barney Keating:

You caught me in time before my wife Kay and I left for Florida to spend time with Mickey and friends. I had a good time at the reunion. Plan now for 2012, when our class will celebrate 60th anniversary. Everyone should make it.

I attended six Caravan football games this season. You get to see many old alumni. The games and the enthusiasm were great.

I now wear Red Grange's number, since I turned 77 the first of the year. Our Lady of Mount Carmel has been good to me and my family. I pray that all you guys are well and healthy.

Ken Flaherty

Time flies, years accumulate and rewards are granted. My wife Alice and I celebrated our 50th anniversary on July 23, 2010 in our home in Las Vegas. About 100 people attended our banquet, which was planned by our three children, Mike, Michele and Mary. We had some special guests from Chicago – my friend of 76 years Neil Glynn '52 and his lovely and comedic wife Joyce. Neil was our best man, and we appreciated them coming all that way.

Class of 1953

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Gathering information for this Carmel Life is like listening for 'clams' at the Symphony. I wrote to 42 classmates and low-lifes. Zilch! Okay, 3! Our only reader, Feldmeier, bemoaned Borders' passing. Brennan called, spoke 4 words into Bell's switchboard, hung up, no call back. After Matt Taylor fell demonstrating hip hop, his emails ceased. Like Bob Fattore, his column arrived on time, but do they share leads? Does the devil hunt with a spoon? Fattore fishes the Little Cal; his beleaguered, hard-slaving bride Jackie shoveled 23 inches of snow. Jerry O'Connor, Donal Mahoney, John O'Hara, Elthelreda Bill Donnelly, our professional writers: Hiding!

Remembered I, Felicitas Bill Donnelly's daughter Laura, 23 year county juvenile probation officer, learned her trade watching juvies gathered in the living room-- dad, Cronin and Brennan. Laura wouldn't disclose her funniest of these "Three Stooges." Bragging, Cronin indicated his handicap is 4; Donnelly's is 24. Oops, Donnelly: "Reverse those." Bill, Jim, and Jack have had hips replaced.

Bob LaMontagne reported still no Phoenix sightings of 1956's John O'Donnell. Bill Miller's gym workouts have replaced his daily runs. Ray Kozinski retired CPD in '99 but Donna swears he looks great in shorts. Daughter Kim's a softball pitching coach at St. Xavier. 1955's John Cavanaugh's daughter Kelly's a teacher-softball coach at HFHS. Jim Gould's spice Nancy throws the best parties assisted by her daughter and granddaughter while his eminence is doorway greeter.

Jay McMahan finished three-years as wrestling coach at Kelly HS this year; head coach Jamie Pales reports Jay an effective contributor. Jay's sophs took

4th in CPS this winter.

Mike Koehler disappeared into the north woods with camera. Also, no word: Rooney, Gus Zernial, Zencka, Zegers, Zbierski, Zavala, Young, Chico Carrasquel, Zajac, Prof O'Neill, Ray Kroc, Roy Smalley, Magwa Walsh, Urban, Justin Bieber, Ucherek, Stan Kenton, Trotter, Tracy, Br.Jude Such, OSB, Mazurek, Krutzler, Ciresi, Clark, Lady Gaga, Drake, Roddy MacDonald, Bridgman and Shana-han. Planning a cruise? Check Chuck Larson's Facebook.

Tom Grojean is happily retired in LA. Tom McLaughlin's emails are 1956's steadiest. He, Kaz and Sout' Chicago guys' provide informative Chicago history. Phil Gleeson graduated from and played basketball for Detroit U, joined the Marines, then home to Cincy.

Illinois' annual Bird Count assesses our state ecology; John McKee will soon be forwarding his Ottawa's report.

My Granddaughter Rose Wosepka is seeded #1, US'9-year-olds snowboarding, approaching 2011 finals.

Jim Heffernan died this winter playing handball, stunning everyone. Since he was in shape and a classy fellow, his wake and funeral were well attended. Speaking condolences to his kids and wife was difficult as they were devastated. Paying respects: Terry Ahern, Dan Small, Ed Lyons, Bill Miller, Bill McCain, Dennis Kasper, Frank just-retired- from-the-Cubs Maloney, Dennis Panozzo, Bob Glynn, and Jay McMahan.

Also, Ray Leuser's son reported Ray died last fall. Ray had been a caring hardworking CPD cop since I can remember.

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See you: 55th anniversary reunion, May 6-- Gaelic Park, 6119 W. 147th Oak Forest, 5:00 p.m.

Class of 1957

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A group of us gathered on December 29 for lunch at Carriage Green Golf Course. In attendance was Ed Kostek, Jim O'Donnell, Jerry Cunningham, John O'Donnell, Fr. Dave Dillon, Len Bajenski, Bob Schmidt, Jim Dunlavy, Bob Glynn, Frank Bugos, Charley Drumm, Neil Fitzmaurice, Gene Orchowski, Pat Sullivan, Tom Cook, Marty Stadler, Ken Jackson, Tom Mc Farland, Bill Nebel, Bob Lucas, Joe O'Gallagher, Matt Kulusic, Joe O'Connor and myself. Bob Krajewski, Dennis Meehan and Bill Hayes had to cancel for various reasons. Tom Mc Farland received his coveted Chicago Cubs Budweiser Bottle Opener ("Cubs Win, Cubs Win"). Some of us attended Mass previous to the luncheon at the Shrine of St. Theresa, The Little Flower and it was said by Fr. Dave Dillon and assisted by Deacon Ken Jackson.

Tony Matz e-mailed this information.

"About the only positive things that have happened to me in the last few years are:

After a 14 year test audition, I married Gerri at half time of the Arizona Oregon State football game. It was a spontaneous reaction to a somewhat boring game.

I started a fishing charter business in San Carlos, Mexico. I am now work-

ing on a vessel assist program for pleasure craft in Mexico and Central America. Similar to roadside auto assistance. I am recovering from my second back surgery in five years. It goes along with two knee replacements and two shoulder surgeries."

Ralph Genovese was in town on January 24 from Rancho Santa Fe, CA and had lunch with Matt Kulusic, Charley Drumm, Bob Glynn and Terry Ahearn. A good time was had by all and more importantly, nobody got hurt or caused embarrassment.

South Shore Bob Walsh recently returned from a three week trip which included visiting with Fr. David Murphy (signer of everyone's diploma but mine) at the Carmelite retirement village in Florida. Father David told him he just missed Jack Grace, who is a regular visitor with Fr. David. Bob also stopped in Vero Beach and spent some time with George Tadrowski. Bob travelled to Quincy, Illinois on December 18 for the wake and funeral of his St. Philip Neri and Mount. Carmel classmate, John Mc Court.

Received this e-mail from Ed Jaeky.

"I was awarded the Cook County Sheriff's Medal of Honor Award for Volunteerism, and received an award from the Township of Lyons for ten years of service on the Township's Mental Health Commission, serving as the Commission's president. (I am certain; members of the class would agree that I could have personally used mental health commission services for many years). Some day, I might even expose the fact that Jerry Salamie and I wrote a school "newsletter" and distributed to class members. If ole Eagle Eye...found out who did it...we probably would not have graduated with the class.....Other news, had a total knee replacement recently...ouch..."

Received this e-mail from Rich Hobson.

"Butch Lewis is definitely on the mend after his prostate surgery three weeks ago and I'll get a chance to see him and wife Jhenna on Feb 26 in Walnut Creek along with Bill Hartney. Still say some prayers for Tony Mills who showed amazing courage in these last few years. His wife Bunny is simply the greatest. I will leave for Africa next month to visit a child I sponsor with Child Fund who lives near Victoria Falls in Kenya.

Received this e-mail from Bill Hayes. While my little grandkids were up to their elbows in snow, Kathy and I were on the beach at Mustang (the poor man's Padre) Island, Texas, flying kites and eating shrimp thiiiiis big. I'm planning a trip this summer with my brother John (Carmel Niagara and Calumet '59) to Ketchikan AK to visit the Coast Guard Cutter I served on in 1958. The cheapskate CG is still running the 65-year old ship - in the Bering Sea. Talk about catching the most dangerous assignment! Update in the Fall."

Rest in peace William Broderick, William Egan, John Mc Court, Gerald Sheahan and Robert Barnas.

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Jack Ahern was telling me that this past spring that his grandson, his son Joe's boy, graduated from high school. Cortney, Jack's 38 year daughter, is a

large animal doctor in western New York State. She is expecting her first child and is also starting her own dairy farm. His son Peter is a police officer. Daughter Crissy just graduated from Miami of Ohio where she was the captain of the water polo team. Tash is at Notre Dame and she is studying the immigration patterns of the Irish to the mid-West. She went to Ireland this summer to study and then they went to Beaver Island, Michigan to find artifacts of the Irish that settled the island. She is also on the water polo team at Notre Dame.

Jack and his wife spend their travel time going to college water polo events around the country. They are held almost every weekend from January to May.

Tom Boland and his wife were back in the area for the summer from their winter home in Mexico. They have been going down to the same place for the past 25 years but have been spending the entire winter there for the last 10 years. Both of Tom's daughters work and live in Chicago.

Mike Edwards has recovered from cancer very nicely. He spent 6 out of every 15 days down the street from Mount Carmel at Mitchell Hospital, University of Chicago Medical Center, for about ten weeks. He got released last November and is back at work and doing well. He celebrated his 55 anniversary from St. Barnabas at the end of June.

Any of you that has not sent in your alumni association dues (a mere \$30.00) please do so. These dues go a long way to help the association help Mount Carmel. \$30.00 is less than it cost to take the grandchildren to McDonald's play land and buy happy meals. Please get those dues in.

I thank all of you that have sent me information or let me interview you so that we would have an article for this issue. Please continue to send me

items and keep me updated on your lives.

Peter Woods now has a new granddaughter, his daughter Brigit's, and a new grandson, his son Patrick's. Peter and Virginia celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary in January.

My daughter Megan and my son-in-law Michael had a son in November, Rory Thomas. God willing he will be part of the Class of 2028.

I saw Bernie Casella in December and he is still doing very well. Keep him in your prayers though.

I am writing these early since I am having knee surgery the end of January and want to make sure that I get them in on time. I hope you all had a great Christmas season and that you all have a healthy and happy New Year.

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After two years of nights, weekends and the rest of his spare time, Wally Farrell completed restoring a 1962 Volkswagen Beetle at his home in Oakland, California.

Handling all the body and mechanical work, himself, Wally hired an upholsterer for the mohair headliner and seats. A professional paint shop applied the final coat of the Beryl Green original color. Wally says that Beetles are very easy to restore: "only nine bolts per fender, and it's light enough to lift yourself. With an 1100cc 4-cylinder engine, single switches for the lights and wipers, and a crank for the forced air -- no fan -- heater, they can't be much simpler."

Wally got lots of advice from, "How to Keep Your VW Alive" or, as he puts it,

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“VW Repairs for Dummies.” Original parts for Beetles are still manufactured, and the extensive VW owner community and technical forums proved to be very supportive.

Wally says that “no road salt” means lots of rust-free vintage cars readily available in the Bay Area. Previously, Wally restored a ‘61 Volvo 544, and both a ‘74 and a ‘79 VW camper. The campers were eventually shipped to The Netherlands where his eldest son lives.

Wally and his wife, Peg, limit driving their classic locally for shopping and fun. “After all, it’s almost 50 years old and I don’t want to push my luck.” Wally has placed the car for sale.

Great news from Larry Kappel. He’s now 90% recovered from Stage 3 esophageal cancer. He and his wife, Jane, arrived home from Cancun just in time for the February blizzard. Meanwhile, Ralph Rangel tells me he retired as a Chicago Public Schools architect at the end of 2010. His fourth child, Vincent, (‘07) is working on his BS in Civil Engineering at IIT (Ralph’s alma mater.)

I was very sorry to learn that Brendon Moriarity died January 7th. Brendon received a football scholarship from the University of Indiana, where he played two years, before transferring to Tulsa. He finished his career playing semi-pro ball in Florida. Later, he worked as a millwright at Nabisco, but the medical problems he faced for the past twenty years forced him to retire.

According to his sister, Barbara, he was an avid sports fan who could “fix just about anything.” Upon his death, I heard from many of his classmates. Mike Smith recalls him as “a fine guy - a classmate that left a long and positive standing memory.” Said Jim

Cusack, “Brendon always had a smile on his face,” while Bob Davis remembers him as “a good guy who enjoyed life.”

Brendon was preceded at Mount Carmel by brothers Tim (‘50) and Gene (‘54). His is survived by son, Timothy, and grandson, William.

Men, if you enjoy reading this column, and you want to see it continue, please let me hear what you’re doing: johnmcq@aol.com. Thanks.

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By the time you read this, I will have been Alumni Director for about one year. It’s been an interesting transition from the classroom to the Advancement Office, and from talking to 16 and 17 year olds all day to talking mostly to adults. And even after 15+ years on the Alumni Board, within a month of taking this new job I had gained a much richer understanding of how vital our alumni are to the mission of Mount Carmel.

It is extraordinary to encounter men who graduated 50 years ago and more, and hear them speak of the positive impact that this school has had on their lives. I am continually hearing alumni praise particular priests and lay teachers, or passing along special memories about classmates, dances, basketball games and their old neighborhoods.

We can be rightfully proud of our class, and together have so many fine things to remember about our time hear. Now I am fortunate to be able to get glimpses into the lore of so many other classes. Each day I open multiple old yearbooks to get some piece of information or to scan a picture. Closing them and putting them back on the shelf is like saying “see you later” to a group of new/old friends.

My office in the Convocation Center faces our “Wall of Fame”, which holds pictures of former Men of the Year as well as the members of the Hall of Fame. I hope you all get to see it someday, because I know you would find it as inspiring as I do.

But I digress.

Dennis Kranc was one of several men who mentioned a 50th reunion of their grammar school class.

“St. Mary Magdalene Class of 1960 had a double celebration. Not only was it 50th anniversary of our grammar school graduation, but it was the 100th anniversary of the parish. Mount Carmel was well represented at both events, with alumni singing the MC fight song after dinner.”

Phil Wilson reports the following:

“I have worked for the U.S. Army for the past 32 years as an Audit Manager. In December 2010, I was informed that I am the oldest Auditor for the Army by age (64) and seniority. I plan on working a few more years. I’m a rarity - I like what I do, I like my boss and coworkers, and get paid pretty well. The work is interesting and it has taken me to a lot of places (36 states and 15 foreign countries such as Germany, Italy, Saudia Arabia, Kuwait, Panama, Honduras, Chile, Columbia, Ecuador, etc).

“This spring my wife (Pat - Mother McAuley alumna) and I are going on 15 Day Cruise to celebrate our 40 Year Anniversary.”

And from Paul Reynolds...

“After having been laid off in July 2009, I finally got a new job at the end of October 2010. I’m a VP at a company named Garnet Capital Advisors in Harrison (Westchester County) NY. Garnet does loan portfolio valuation and sales for the FDIC and for commercial banks, S & L’s, and credit unions. We also do valuation and advisory work for bank mergers and acquisitions. My particular specialization is commercial real estate (including multifamily) loan portfolio valuation and pricing.

“On another upbeat note, my son (Paul III, nicknamed Trey) returned from his second deployment to Iraq just before Christmas, safe and sound and in one piece. A nice Christmas present!!

“Hope to see you and all the other guys at the Alumni Dinner this year.”

Class of 1967

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I have been able to be in contact with some more of you since my last column.

In the Summer, I spent time with Peter Moulder, who lives in Pittsburgh with his wife of 30 years, Donna, who is a practicing physician with a large practice. Peter is a consultant for business development and account manager for Manager Science Associates. Both Donna and he have lived in Pittsburgh for the last 30 years.

They have two sons, Peter and Glenn, who have both gone into the medical profession.

We were able to go to a baseball game at PNC Stadium which is a great venue to see a game. Peter showed me and my friend a very good time.

I heard from Terry Funderburk. He will be coming to the banquet in May. Terry had a busy Fall working at three volleyball camps after taking the team to the AAU Championships in Orlando in June. He did a lot of officiating and was honored to officiate the Missouri State Championships in early November.

I hope you join Terry, me and others for the banquet in May.

Tom Dybsky came into the City in September, and I had the opportunity to meet with him. Tom comes to Chicago with some frequency, and he would like to see some of you, if possible. Perhaps you can call me, and I will try to schedule a time when Tom would be available before he has to go back to Minnesota. It was great to see Tom.

Ed McCambridge is doing great as the principal at his law firm, having offices in seven cities. Manager of all toxic tort litigation for his firm, he unfortunately has had both of his knees replaced. That won’t stop him from coming to the banquet in May. Ed and his wife have one son who is married and another one getting his PhD. in Computer Engineering at the University of Arizona. He still “enjoys the life of a trial lawyer.”

Ed King contacted me and advises he has been living in Oklahoma and working for the Air Force as an occupational medicine specialist.

I had the pleasure to have a long conversation with Ray Sellers.

Ray lives in Cal City. Unfortunately,

he has had surgery to his back in 2009 and is on disability. His wife has worked as a public health inspector. They have had a total of eight children. He previously worked for 30 years at Canfield’s. Ray, like some of our class, served in Vietnam. He talks to Charlie Cornfield on occasion.

John Desmond wrote me and advised that he has lived in Park Ridge for the last 25 years. He and his wife have a son and daughter who are now self-sufficient. He has turned his wife “into a golf addict.” He takes her golfing every weekend weather permitting. His daughter and her husband presented both him and his wife with their first grandchild, Jack, last August.

I had a great conversation with Charlie Cornfield recently. He lives in Glendale, Arizona for the last 18 years working as a police aid at Arizona State University. Charlie has two boys by a prior marriage and six grandchildren. He also has a six-year old daughter. It was a pleasure to talk to Charlie who comes to Chicago from time to time. He told me that Jerry Mitchell lives in Bridgeview and worked for AT&T for a number of years.

I hope to see you all at the Reunion. Once again, don’t hesitate to contact me.

If anyone would be interested in trying to get a group together for our 45th Reunion next year, give me a call. Perhaps we could have some type of meeting in the Summer.

Keep those cards and letters coming in. Give me a call at 312-726-5151 (ext 232) at any time.

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It is that time again so here's hoping that all is well. A quick reminder that this is our 40th Anniversary. Thanks to all who turned out to celebrate on Friday, May 6, 2011, at Gaelic Park, located at 147th and Ridgeland Ave.

I got an email from John Larmon who stated his son Bill, a senior at Carmel, played on Carmel's inaugural lacrosse team last year and is planning on continuing his playing this year. John comments on this being his last year of paying high school tuition and he is looking for one of those many Lacrosse scholarships that are out there. John is still making custom furniture so feel free to give him a call for that oversized chair. John's wife, Sue, is teaching 7th and 8th graders at Mount Greenwood School. A big congratulations to Len McEnery's son Colin, who signed on with Indiana University to play baseball. Colin plays for Providence High School and is a left handed first baseman.

Heard from Tom "Tank" O'Brien who has retired from coaching the St. Ignatius rugby team after 10 years. Tank vowed that from now on he would be rooting for the caravan in the future rugby games vs. St. Ignatius. St. Ignatius currently holds the traveling trophy for rugby vs. the Caravan with the the next match on April 10, 2011 at Bernie O'Brien field at Eckersall Stadium. Tank heard from

Jim McCormick who has taken the Humanitarian approach to life. Jim took a staff job with the Peace Corps. in Lesotho, South Africa. He is there with some other organizations trying to get a handle on the growing HIV/AIDS epidemic. His wife, Deborah, and their girls will be joining him when the school year ends and they will be there until June 2012. Jim says it's a great feeling to "circle" back to the Peace Corps after almost 30 years. God Bless you and your family.

Big congratulations to the Class of '61 on their 50th Anniversary. There were a few members of that class that had an influence on our class. I'd like to thank Chuck Kelly, Ron Madrick, Len Davia, Tom "Tucker" Lyons and the late Tim Moran for donating their time and services while we were seniors. We all know they didn't do it for the money.

I'd like to thank all the Alums who paid their Alumni dues this year. I would also like to thank all my fellow class note authors for mentioning the importance of the Alumni dues in the last Carmel Life issue. I hope all is going well and hope to see you at the Alumni Banquet.

On a final note, I heard from Don Doubek who stated that he had nothing to tell me except he is "still married to the prettiest gramma in Chicago". NOTE: Don didn't mention the suburbs.

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Currently I am a senior writer for Suburban Life News in the western suburbs, and am in contact with John McHugh on a regular basis via e-mail, so I am able to stay in touch with Caravan happenings.

I live in Bolingbrook and follow Mount Carmel news as often as I can. Mike O'Connor '59, who lives a few blocks away from our family, is an old acquaintance.

Please contact me with any information that you think would be of interests to MC alumni in general and the Class of 1973 in particular.

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Happy 2011 to you and your families, I hope the year is going well with each of you. I have been in contact with a few of our classmates over the last few months either at MC football games, MC events, email or Facebook (I am using it a little bit and by no means an expert). Hopefully I will get better with time. Jim Reilly is one of the few contacts that I have made through Facebook.

As I mentioned in my email, the mystery and the search for Paul Rupcich in the 1975 yearbook has been solved. Matt Naglich made it his mission to find Paul and he did. Paul Rupcich

can be found on page 75. Paul can be found running in Jackson Park with Bob Arendziak. Capturing Paul running is a miracle in itself, most likely one of the few times in the 4 years and we have a picture of it! Just kidding Paul! Matt, thanks for your work on this.

Matt Naglich and I had a few email exchanges in November and here are a few highlights that Matt wanted to pass along:

- I guess I'll sound "old" now and say that it hardly seems possible that 35 years have come and gone since we left Mount Carmel. I'm sure you heard that a lot at the banquet. In almost every way, I still feel the way I did back then - Happy to have my health, and family. Optimistic about the future. Still inspired to try new things. Still have a lot of energy. But the mirror doesn't always agree with the way I'm sure most of us feel!

- Speaking of JUG (and I'm not sure how I escaped being served with it), remember the "task" people had to perform? I believe it was to calculate 26 to the 26th power. Also Matt sent me the answer as well.

- After Mount Carmel, I went to Marquette, and became lifelong friends with a Carmel Mundelein grad and a Joliet Catholic Grad. I'll ask them what they did in JUG. They probably made paper airplanes or something.

- I hope all is great and, again, I miss Chicago, especially pizza!

In the Fall, I met up with Gib Fagan, we talked via Facebook and met at the game. We spent the whole game catching up on everything as well as talking about the days at MC. It was a good time. Thanks Gib for contacting me. Gib is back in the Chicago area after spending a lot of time living in California. Good to have him back. In talking to him, he made me aware of another item missing from the 1975

yearbook. Gib informed that his bio is not there. What a year!!!

I heard from Bob Reilly and he wanted everyone to know that he is retiring after 30 years of employment with the Orland Park Police Department. Bob is retiring as a Lieutenant in early June. Bob also wrote "I have to say that many of the things learned at MC supported me in having a wonderful career. I don't plan on just sitting around the house though, so if anyone knows of any good retirement jobs, let me know." If anyone can help Bob with his next career please let him know.

From Patrick Grady, who checked in with me:

Most recently I have been involved with the running of my own media sales business. Although we are a rather small company, with a staff of retired or out of work media sales executive willing to work on commission only, we have been successful in working with Fortune 500 companies such as McDonald's, Burger King, Coke, American Express and more.

We work with fleet owners who operate tours in markets all over the USA to place ads via vinyl print, on the sides of vehicles plying the streets of cities all over the country. We also work with major parking garage companies and management companies to place ads for messages such as "Don't Drink and Drive", "Click It or Ticket", "Don't Text and Drive".

On a personal note, I am a very proud father of three children, one in college at UC Boulder, one in high school at New Trier in Winnetka, and one in eighth grade. I have been divorced for over the 13 years and live on the North shore for the last 25 years.

Bob Arendziak enjoys seeing everyone on Facebook. He also attends a few football and basketball games each year. Hopefully I will see him there

along with some other classmates. Baseball season is around the corner maybe we can have an outing?

Doug Panfil emailed me and told me that he has made a connection with Dan Goodfriend in a business network. Dan has been married for 30 years and has 2 daughters. Dan is working in Manhattan. Doug also found out that Dan had lived in the Dallas/Forth Worth area for 3 years and neither one knew the other was there.

Doug also wanted everyone to know that he and his wife will be marrying off their third son this Fall. His son is marrying a northern girl that he met at Purdue but they will be going south to Texas to live.

I wanted to make everyone aware of the Annual Father's Club Fight Night which is Saturday, April 30th. If you have not gone, it is a great night out and a lot of fun. Let me know if you are attending and maybe we can get together.

Thanks to everyone that has contributed to this article. Please keep in touch; everyone would love to hear from you.

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Not much to report again, other than Pat Grant sightings;) PLEASE send me something and I'll add it to my mutterings.

While dining in one of Western Ave. mainstays on Friday December 10th at Foxes Pizza on 101st and Western I spotted Marco (Mark Loncar), Mark Bornholdt, JB Brncich and Pat Grant. Also Moon's bro Dan Mahoney. Another Pat Grant sighting with his lovely wife Marianne at the Beverly Arts Center Auction on February 12th, along with fellow alum Steve Golden with his lovely wife Penny.

As anyone else I've spoken to in the last year well knows, after 33 years of service with the City of Chicago, I retired on June 30th, 2010. With children 9 and 11 years old, I've yet to see any free time as of this writing. Keep in touch, feel free to call!

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I hope all is well with you, and I hope 2011 brings you health, wealth and luck. Things are relatively good in the Toland camp. I lost some weight...I found it again. My kids are doing great. I signed my son Charley up for tackle football with the Oak Forest Raiders this year. He will only be 6-years old, but he weighs 67 lbs. and this might be his only chance to play with kids his own weight. I can't believe he might be too big to play with his age group. I don't know where he gets it. My daughter Samantha is doing great in swimming. She has some regional times and some state times which will extend her season until the middle of March. I can't wait until Charley starts swimming this summer. Then we will be able to go to these

swim meets from like 7:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. every weekend. Double time in a hot pool is not fat guy friendly. Maybe my wife will agree to split time. Some of my friends told me I should get Charley into wrestling. Swimming and wrestling? Shoot me now. As far as business goes, mortgage rates are still super low. If you have any need to refinance to pay off bills, pay tuition or do some home improvements, now is the time to do it. Programs change every day, and it is getting harder and harder to get loans done. It is a great time to purchase as well. There are great deals out there, and banks are willing to negotiate prices on foreclosures down to \$.70 on the dollar. I am also, the proud new owner of an event planning business. ChiTown Event Planners is a business we started about a year ago to help people enjoy their events and not have to put all the work into it. We do all the work while you enjoy the day. Check out our website at www.ChiTownEventPlanners.com We even use Rich Mosior '82 for on-sight cooking and catering.

Here is some news from/about some of our classmates. If you want contact info, let me know. Also, please keep the updates coming. I will get them in and pass them on.

Some of you know that Rich (Lew) Lewis '83 moved back to the area to stay and help his mother out. She has been OK, but needs a lot of help with her every day tasks. I dread getting old...or much older. Rich went out to LA for a visit, and he could really use some help in the employment area. If there is anything you can do to help him out (he fixed his resume spelling college correctly) please contact him or me.

John Rogers '83 writes:

"Another banner year for the MC freshmen football team! We went 8-1 this year and won our last 3 games against Rice, Laurence and Providence by a combined score of 148-6! Having a blast coaching with MC alums Pat Grant 78, Nate Turner 87, Mike Lynch, Dan O'Brien, Matt Evans. These awesome kids really make us coaches look good!"

Also you all know that John owns Rogers Roofing which you can find info at www.rogersroofing.com.

Garrett Magon '83 writes:

"Hey Chuck, hope you are well!!! I am still living in Orlando with My wife Bonnie. Working for Cathay Pacific Airways flying Boeing 747's. Talk to Mike Whalen on occasion, he is back in Chicago now. I will send you his email; he dropped off the list after his last job Change."

Joe O'Brien '83 writes:

"My life these days is that of a gypsy. I work during the week in Alsip for a global food company in IT (computer geek), and my home (with beautiful wife who I married in St. Lucia 07/11/07) is in Grand Rapids, MI. I live in an apartment in Oak Forest during the week, and head home most Friday evenings with a return trip Monday morning. I am also a SCUBA and CPR instructor working at Scuba Emporium in Orland Park. Drop by some time or send me an email (jobrien0125@yahoo.com) if you want to learn how to get wet and have a great time. It is awesome whether you're single, married, or have children. I have two sons (24 and 25) and two step-sons (12 and 13). Life is busy. I love to travel and still play a lot of sports including softball, golf, hockey, bowling, racquetball, and tennis."

Matt Walsh '83 writes:

"My wife Michele is slowly recovering from her bout with breast cancer.

Bobby is a junior and Matthew a freshman at MC. Both are playing basketball and volleyball at the same time. Megan is a sophomore at Marian Catholic and is having a good year playing on the varsity girl's basketball team. Mary Cate is in 7th grade at St John Fisher. Where does the time go? Denis Guest and I have been assigned to work together on a committee to set up Administrative Law Hearings in Cook County."

"I stop by to see Wags from time to time as he is recovering from a knee replacement. Mike, Lisa and the kids are doing great. I see Rich Lewis less now than when he lived in California. I still run into Paul O'Grady frequently; however, he is extremely busy running a law firm and serving as the Orland Township Supervisor. I last saw Mark Holder right before Christmas and he, Natalie and the kids are doing well. And, last but not least, if Terry McGuire owes you money, you can usually find him at MC Basketball games.

"A side note is that I see Matt less now that Lew has moved back from California. I wonder if there is any connection???"

Joe Haffner '83 says:

"I just finished a two year stint as President of the Evans Scholars Alumni Association. My new project is helping young kids get into caddying programs, especially those kids who are relatively good students (top 25% of class) and in need of financial assistance. For our fellow grads who may have kids who fall into this category, great clubs like Beverly, Midlothian, Olympia Fields, etc. are great places for kids to learn life lessons as well as earn non-taxable income, and maybe a Chick Evans scholarship to boot. You may not remember, but in my family, the three Carmel boys went to Northwestern, Marquette (me) and Illinois

on the Chick Evans Scholarship. Not sure the newsletter is the appropriate forum to get this info out, but wanted to share this info with you as you are the conduit to all things Carmel. I am currently mentoring 3 Chick Evans recipients and just started another young man in that direction yesterday."

"Anything I can do to help anyone you know who has an interest in getting their kids caddying, please feel free to contact me or have them contact me directly."

Rodney Mucenski '83 update:

"I'm doing well in Arizona with my wife Beth and son Zach (12). Zach's Jr Pee Wee football team, the Chandler Wolves, won the Arizona State Championship and finished 3rd at the Under Armour National Championships in Florida this past December. He's a real chip off the old block (Guard and D-tackle); good thing that size thing skips a generation! I am the Vice President for Océ Display Graphics and currently have an open sales position in the Pacific North West (San Fran/Seattle/Portland) if any of your readers have an interest. Hope all is well with you and keep the emails coming."

Principal Pete Sullivan '83 chimes in:

"This year, I moved to Lisle Senior High School where I am Principal after thirteen years at Lockport. Have four kids ranging in age from seventeen to seven and live in Lockport with my wife of 18 years, Chris."

I need to hear a "skew Stu" or some other Gorchesisms from Pete soon. Well that was a great amount of information from our brothers. I am glad you guys sent me the updates. I just wish we heard from Roger Lawrence a little more often. C'mon, sing the song...Roger Lawrence, Roger Law-

MC Class Notes

rence, we love you, we love you, and your silly mustache, and your spiked bracelets, yes we do. Sure that might be a little mean, but heck, we were jerks in high school...were? Yes I am still a jerk.

If you want to start sending me information for our next issue, please do. It's better than getting it all in one day right before the deadline. I will hold on to it for the next issue, and believe me; I hear all the time that everyone enjoys the updates. We had a good class, and we need to stay in touch. Remember, if I don't hear from you in a while, I will probably make something up about you.

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Tommy Leyden has two kids, lives in Frankfort, and is in sales. Dan Harvey is a banker and lives in the western burbs, and he's got twins. Harvey said Luke Waitkus is also out west with three tikes. Jimmy D'Andrea has a little guy (Class of 2028) and while a electrician, also has a business installing home security video equipment. Myles Moriarty has three kids and works in insulation/construction. He also sold his wave runner.

Kevin Norris is living the dream and when he's not "killing it" he works in Oak Park. Tommy Gorman, Mat Lopez, Tim Jones and Tim Gaskin are keeping it safe for the traveling Carmel students with CPD. John McGowan, Matt Zakaras went out with a couple of us for an annual Fr. Tim Dinner at Tufano's. Former teachers Mr. Doherty and Mr. Rodde also attended. Lots of laughs were had and Fr. Tim gave us a dispensation.

Ben Nowak is in St. Louis, and married with children, I think he's in forestry. Sean McAuliffe is a 399 guy and lives in Evergreen Park, and Peter Kratzer is also in Evergreen Park, not sure if they are still on the same block or carpool. Jim Donovan is working with the elevator operators and is churning out future MC grads as well. Chris Russo has two little guys and works for a painting company. Steve Proper has one little guy and is a principal. Scott McQuillan has a couple little (ones) and is in construction (spotted on the concourse at Comiskey). Matt King is married and still on the southside with one tike. Congrats to Joe Joyce who recently got hitched. McGowan added some updates. Brendan Conway is a TV reporter in Milwaukee, Steve Munoz is a musician back from an extended tour of Japan and is now in the Bay Area. John Egan works for Oracle, and he ran into Julio Rosso on a bus. He's a graphic designer and has a bunch of kids.

If anyone has any other news (especially non-Bevrats) and/or corrections regarding the class of '94 please email me at peterkramer76@yahoo.com.

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*Blessed are those who have died in the Lord;
Let them rest from their labors,
for their good deeds go with them.*



William "Cody" Gibson '13

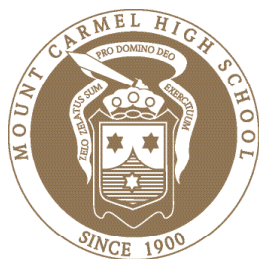
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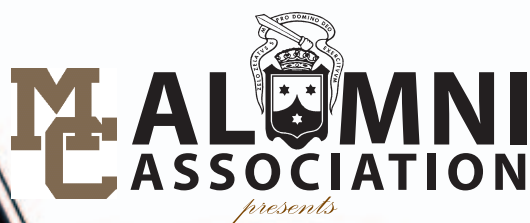
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