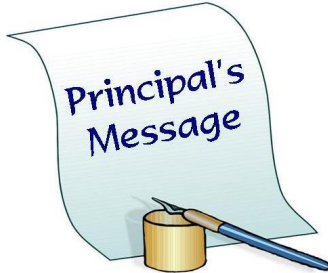




**Roman Catholic High School**  
**Parent Newsletter—February 1, 2019**  
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**Important  
Calendar  
Reminder:**

Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup> is a Principal's Holiday—School will not be in session. School

will resume on Tuesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>.



**Freshman/Sophomore Dance—Save the Date**

The Freshman/Sophomore Date Dance will be held on **Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> from 7 to 10pm**. Permission forms are now available in the Student Affairs Office.

Please encourage your son to attend this memorable event! The dance will be held at Roman Catholic High School. All questions can be directed to our dance moderator, Ms. High via email at [ahigh@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:ahigh@romancatholicshs.com)



**Important Request—Title 1 Survey**

Roman Catholic High School participates in several federal programs that provide our students with a variety of materials and services. It is one of the ways in which we receive benefits from your tax dollars. We certainly wish to receive our fair share of federal dollars in education, and your assistance is critical in supporting our efforts. *With last year's allotment, we were able to purchase art and music supplies, computers, calculators, supplemental course materials, textbooks, science lab resources, among other items.*

This past week during Theology classes, each student received the Title I survey. This survey is to be brought home and completed by you. **It MUST be completed and returned to your son's Theology teacher by Friday, February 8th.** Your prompt response, **which will be kept confidential**, is used in reporting only the number of students in our school who are entitled to materials and services, and in no way has any effect on financial assistance you may receive through the alumni association, school, or private programs. A parent's last name is not required on this survey.

For your convenience, an electronic copy of this survey is attached to this edition of the Parent Newsletter. If you have any questions or concerns about this survey, please feel free to contact me via email at [vtarducci@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:vtarducci@romancatholicshs.com). Thank you for your support of our efforts in providing all Roman students with the materials and services they justly deserve through federal programs.



**Save the Date: Junior  
College Information Night**

Mrs. Desmond and the Guidance Department would encourage all junior parents to attend the Junior College Night on February 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in

the school cafeteria.

**Attention Senior Parents**

Jostens recently extended the deadline for Senior Recognition Ads in the yearbook **to Saturday February 16th**. There are eighth, quarter, half and full-page options available, each with the option to include photos and a message from parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc. Go to [www.jostensadservice.com](http://www.jostensadservice.com) to create your ad. If you have any questions, email the yearbook moderator, Mr. Buck, at [cbuck@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:cbuck@romancatholicshs.com)



### Roman Catholic High School Participates on Fox 29's ClassH-Room Gameshow

On Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, Roman Students faced off against Roman Faculty on Fox 29's ClassH-Room Gameshow. A special thank you to Mr. McAndrew, Ms.

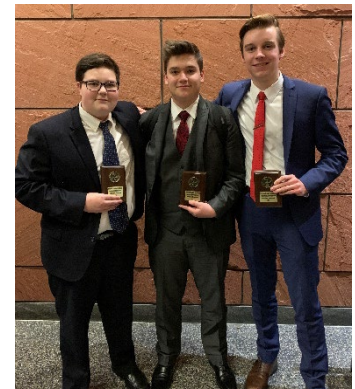


Canavan, Mr. Coyle, and Ms. High for agreeing to represent the faculty during this competition. Members of the Senior Class, TJ Fitzpatrick, John Cepis, Evan Matos, and AlJohn Bayhon should also be recognized for competing on behalf of the student body. Members of the Roman community also participated in the experience by serving as audience members for the event. Attendees and competitors had a wonderful experience during this filming and the episode of the gameshow will air soon on Fox 29. When details about the airing are released, information will be shared to our school community.



### Mock Trial Takes 1st and 2nd Place in UPenn Tournament

The Roman Catholic Mock Trial Team had a successful weekend competing in the University of Pennsylvania's Ben Franklin Invitational. Roman entered four teams: The Varsity A, B, C, and D teams, and every team finished with a winning record. The A Team compiled a perfect 8-0 record, capturing first place in the tournament. The D Team continued their recent run of success, finishing 8-0 and taking home second place. The B Team finished 6-2 and just narrowly missed placing due to tiebreakers. Several individual awards were given to Roman students as well. Tim Krapp '21 and Anthony Kafel '20 were presented with Best Witness Awards, while Nick Hamilton '19 was awarded a Best Attorney Award. The team looks to continue their success at the City Tournament, which begins on Friday at the Criminal Justice Center.





### Catholic Students Making Sense of PA's Tangled Voting Districts

Last week's Parent Newsletter provided information on the Draw the Lines competition where Roman students received the First Prize, Second Prize, and a number of Honorable Mentions for their entries. These young men were offered this opportunity by Mr. John Corrigan, our Social Studies Department Chair. Mr. Corrigan should be commended for his efforts in providing real-world learning opportunities to our students.

**Regional Champion:** Colin Long

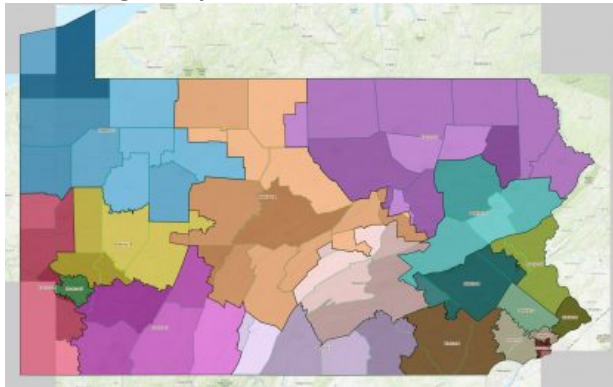
**Regional Runner Up:** Derek Nguyen

**Honorable Mentions:** Oisin Carthy, D'kai Duncan, Nathaniel Butler, Sean Greeby, and Timothy Krapp

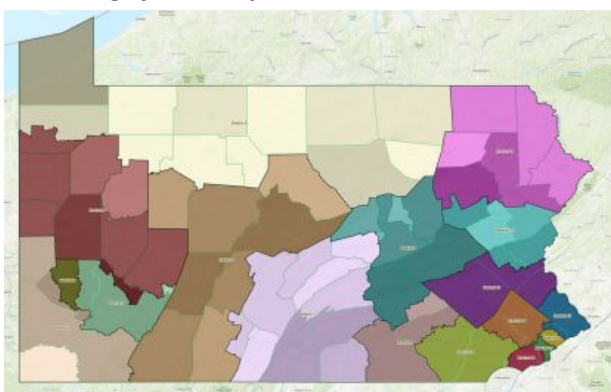
This week, our students were interviewed by a reporter from Catholic Philly regarding this experience. The link to the full article can be found at: <http://catholicphilly.com/2019/01/news/local-news/catholic-students-making-sense-of-pa-s-tangled-voting-districts/>

Below you will find the maps created by Regional Champion, Colin Long and Regional Runner Up, Derek Nguyen:

**Colin Long's Map:**



**Derek Nguyen's Map:**



The winners will now travel to the State Capitol Building in Harrisburg on Wednesday, February 6<sup>th</sup> to be recognized for their achievements.

### Fathers Club Winter Social Invitation



Attached to this edition of the Parent Newsletter, please find the registration form for the Fathers' Clubs Winter Social which is scheduled for Saturday, February 9, 2019 at the Avalon String Band Hall! Our Fathers Club works hard to support the young men of Roman Catholic, so gather a few friends and support our parent organization.

### Class of 2019 College Acceptances and Scholarships Update



As of February 1, 2019, members of the Class of 2019 have been accepted to **59 colleges and universities** and have earned **\$7,437,869** in scholarship money.

If your son is a senior, please remind him to bring acceptance and scholarship letters to Sr. Jane in the Guidance Office. This information is utilized to create the graduation booklet. Also, remind your sons that they receive candy bars for each letter of acceptance and

scholarship submitted!

## Government Students Assist Those Impacted by the Shutdown



Ms. Toman-Logan's Government students collected paper products, pet food, and can goods for members of the Coast Guard impacted by the shutdown. A


copy of the "thank you" letter sent by the Coast Guard is to the right:

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of the Philadelphia Coast Guard members and their families, I offer my sincerest thanks for the abundance of generosity you have shown. Your contributions directly support the men and women engaged in carrying out the mission of the United States Coast Guard. As a community, you have rallied together with caring and heartfelt demonstrations of support.

Above all, know that it is our privilege and honor to serve you – the American people. Despite the current fiscal challenges, we stand ready to answer the call and will continue to deliver mission excellence anytime, anywhere. On behalf of our crew and families, thank you again for your most generous support.

Sincerely,

  
S. E. ANDERSON  
Captain  
U. S. Coast Guard

## Charlotte Drummond Memorial Scholarship Foundation

The Charlotte Drummond Memorial Scholarship is a legacy scholarship that keeps the spirit of Charlotte Drummond and her dedication to Catholic education alive. In 2019-2020, we're awarding one \$2,000, one \$1,000, and one \$500 scholarship. The Foundation is also proud to announce an inaugural \$1,000 CD Alumni Scholarship for a student who is a legacy of Cardinal Dougherty (a student whose grandparent, parent, or sibling attended Cardinal Dougherty High School). Attached to this edition of the Parent Newsletter, please find the application for this scholarship opportunity.

The Charlotte Drummond Foundation

2019

# MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



## Roman Catholic Scholarship Entrance Test

If you know any 8th graders who are interested in attending Roman Catholic next year and joining the Class of 2023, please inform them of our next Scholarship Exam which is scheduled for **Saturday, February 9, 2019**. The link to the application is:

<https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=d68788>





## Romauction—Save the Date!

Attention RCHS families, please save the date of **Saturday, April 13, 2019** to attend RCHS Romauction in the RCHS gym, one of our largest and most important fundraisers. This year's theme is **"Roman in Bloom."** There will be a lavish buffet, open bar and many wonderful items in our live and silent auction. Proceeds benefit all of the sports teams at RCHS and activities too. You won't want to miss this fun night. Details and ticket information coming soon. If you have any unusable gifts or items from the holidays you would like to donate, please send them into the office of Student Affairs indicating it is an auction donation. Gift certificates, Sports events, and theater ticket donations are also most welcome. Anyone interested in helping on our committee can email Kim Petrucci at [ckpetrucci@verizon.net](mailto:ckpetrucci@verizon.net).

## Save the Date

### La Salle University's Annual Grimes/Burke Lecture

La Salle University's Department of Psychology presents the

Annual Showcase for the Science of Psychology and its Application featuring the 40th Annual Grimes/Burke Lecture

**"SUICIDE:  
A PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERN  
IN NEED OF A SOLUTION"**

**TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2019**

**RECEPTION, POSTERS, AND AWARDS**  
6-7:20 p.m. | Ballroom, La Salle Union

**LECTURE**  
7:30-9 p.m. | Dan Rodden Theatre, La Salle Union

The Grimes Lecture is sponsored by the Department of Psychology and the Concert and Lecture Series.

## SPEAKER:

**ARTHUR M. NEZU, Ph.D., DHL, ABPP**

Arthur M. Nezu, Ph.D., DHL, ABPP, is a Distinguished University Professor of Psychology, professor of medicine, and professor of public health at Drexel University. He is also co-director of New Beginnings, a free, community-based program aimed at reducing suicide risk among U.S. veterans. A licensed and triple-board certified psychologist and elected fellow of multiple psychological associations, he has published close to 250 journal articles and book chapters, as well as 24 books. Dr. Nezu was a member of the APA expert panel that developed Clinical Practice Guidelines for the treatment of depression. He is a recipient of multiple awards for his research and professional contributions. The American Board of Professional Psychology also named an annual award in his honor that is given to a recent doctoral degree recipient whose dissertation addresses multicultural diversity.

## DONDERO AWARD RECIPIENT:

**DIANE M. UNGVARSKY, MPhil, '84**

Diane M. Ungvarsky, MPhil, '84, is a Research Psychologist for the U.S. Army Research Laboratory (ARL), Human Research and Engineering Directorate, and a co-chair of the ARL Institutional Review Board (IRB). Her research interests include human performance, robotics and artificial intelligence, cyber operations, and women in the military. Her awards include the Commander's Award for Public Service Medal, the Achievement Medal for Civilian Service, the ARL HRED 2017 Award for Partnering, and the Order of St. Joan D'Arc Medallion.

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