

# The Trinity

## A Hallway Rich with Tradition

Adorning the main hallway of Berks Catholic High School is a beautiful trophy case that displays the athletic history of both Central Catholic and Holy Name. In the center of this display is the legendary Campbell trophy, a Central Catholic football helmet and a Holy Name football helmet. Intermixed and surrounding the Campbell trophy are County, District and State Championship trophies from both high schools.

The trophy case was built by Steven Voelker, Holy Name Class of 1989. Steve took great pride in building this for the Berks Catholic Community and was honored that he was asked to share in such an important part of our new school. The trophy case was graciously donated by a friend of Berks Catholic.

The Campbell trophy was created in honor of James Campbell, who was a great ambassador for young people in our Catholic schools and youth organizations. Mr. Campbell died in 1968, when he was just 38 years old. He was a man very dedicated to Catholic education and had a great love for the sport of football. He was one of the originators of the Parochial Football League and also one of the original Central Catholic Boosters. After his death, a few of his close friends wanted to do something special to honor his memory, and so the tradition of the Campbell trophy began.

From 1968-2010, the Campbell trophy was the most decorated and recognizable symbol in Berks County Sports. It was the core of the Central Catholic/Holy Name rivalry and was important to every student who played for both schools. As we join as one, the Campbell family is greatly honored that Jim will continue to be remembered by the Berks Catholic community. We placed the Campbell trophy at the center of our new trophy case to keep the memory and tradition of the Campbell trophy alive.

The four children of James and Nettie Campbell said they are very appreciative of Berks Catholic displaying the Campbell trophy so prominently in the school. "The Campbell trophy game was a very important game to both football programs each year and something we all looked forward to. We are sad that there

will not be a Campbell trophy game this year, but happy that our father's memory will continue to be honored through the trophy case at Berks Catholic. It is most fitting that something both schools fought

over for more than 40 years now sits between the trophies earned by both Central and Holy Name students, bringing both schools together," said the Campbell children.

"The trophy case celebrates the strong

history of both Central Catholic and Holy Name's sports programs. It is highlighted by the center display of the Campbell trophy, a representative of the great tradition, pride and spirit of both schools, which was exhibited during each game. The trophy case is also a link to our past, which will help us grow together into the future. As our motto states: Unum in Christo, One in Christ," said Tony Balistrere, Principal of Berks Catholic High School.



## Message from the Principal



Dear Alumni, Parents and Friends:

As the principal of Berks Catholic High School I am honored to be a part of secondary Catholic education in Berks County. Our strength here at Berks Catholic will be in our unity built on the strong legacies of both Central Catholic and Holy Name. As we embark on this great endeavor, know that all that we do will be grounded in our Catholic faith.

The first few months of school have gone by quickly. On September 30th we held a Legacy Day where students, faculty and staff were invited to wear their Central Catholic, Holy Name or Berks Catholic spirit wear in order to honor the traditions from which Berks Catholic was born.

On September 9th, we held our first annual Swing Fore the Saints Golf Outing, where alumni from both high schools were in attendance, as well as sponsors. It was the first of many events we have planned for you, our alumni, and the Berks County Catholic community.

The first Berks Catholic Extravaganza was on October 7th and 8th and raised over \$250,000 for the school – \$135,000 of that is designated to the Scholarship Endowment Fund. The Scholarship Endowment Fund is critical to the school because it helps us provide scholarships and financial aid to students who may not otherwise be able to attend Catholic high school.

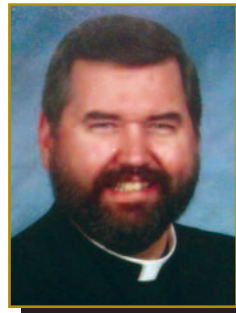
Homecoming was held on Friday, November 4th. Gifts were distributed to the alumni of Central Catholic and Holy Name, we presented our first Berks Catholic Homecoming Court, and we watched our Saints play their final football game of the season. During halftime, we inducted seven members into the Holy Name Hall of Fame and in previous weeks inducted 21 members into the Central Catholic Hall of Fame.

I'm looking forward to seeing what the rest of the year has in store for Berks Catholic!

Sincerely,

Tony Balistrere  
Principal

## From the Chaplain



Great things are happening at Berks Catholic High School, and we all need to rejoice that there still exists a superior institution for secondary education in the Berks County community that is offering academic excellence in a Christ-centered environment. Sadly though, this has come at the expense of closing two tradition-rich and well-respected schools, and the natural heated rivalry between Central Catholic and Holy Name will be replayed only in our minds, but never again on the field or court.

The upperclassmen at Berks Catholic who were caught in this merger should be proud of the schools from which they came, just as we can be equally proud of our own respective scholastic heritage. In fact, we are encouraging them to continue to wear their Holy Name or Central shirts, and we celebrated their history with a Legacy Day at the end of September to honor both schools. We have also remembered the two schools that have given us birth by the two fleurs-de-lis that appear on our new Berks Catholic school seal.

The best way to honor and respect the legendary past of Holy Name and Central Catholic is to produce well-rounded, well-grounded alumni like you. With the high standards set by the faithful and successful graduates of both schools, the Berks Catholic faculty and administration embrace this challenge and we are inspired by your accomplishments. The BC students not only appreciate your support and encouragement, but they have great examples of perseverance and achievement to emulate.

We are ecstatic that the enrollment has topped the 700 mark because this reflects that parents truly value the importance of Catholic education and that they are willing to sacrifice for this benefit. The encouraging numbers enhance the vitality of this new adventure of Berks Catholic High School and we anticipate with great joy the opportunity to foster their development, nurture their talents and provide a spiritual foundation for our students. Nothing will make us prouder than the day when they join you out in the real world as outstanding, responsible and virtuous young men and women who will serve and contribute to the well-being of our community.

Of course, the most important thing that we are doing at BC is trying to help our students become saints some day by establishing and maintaining an intimate relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. When it comes down to it, it really doesn't matter where we went to school, but that we come together to live as one in His love; united in Christ as His brothers and sisters. By the grace of God, we will all grow in holiness, and, as His faithful followers, one day rejoice in the heavenly kingdom and be able to look back and realize how blessed we were to have had a Catholic education at Central Catholic or Holy Name, and now, be forever one in Christ.

Unum in Christo!

Rev. Thomas P. Bortz, CC '76

Chaplain, Berks Catholic High School

## Welcome to Our Newsletter

Dear Alumni,

I would like to welcome you to the first edition of The Trinity, a newsletter for alumni of Central Catholic and Holy Name, parents and friends of Berks Catholic High School. I am honored to work for Berks Catholic High School as the Director of Institutional Advancement to help continue the rich tradition of Catholic secondary education in Berks County. As a graduate of Catholic elementary school, high school and college, I believe in the values of Catholic education. If you are a Catholic school graduate or a parent you too understand the importance of Catholic education.

Our goal at Berks Catholic is to provide students with a strong foundation for life and give them the tools needed to succeed through a challenging curriculum and extracurricular activities that promote spiritual, intellectual, emotional, social and physical growth.

In this newsletter you will find alumni updates, and information on current students here at Berks Catholic and upcoming reunions. I hope you find this newsletter informative. The Institutional Advancement Office will continue the tradition of Catholic secondary education in Berks County through fundraising, marketing, enrollment and alumni relations. If you have any information you would like to share, please do not hesitate to contact me or Nicole Chiarelli Smith in the Office of Institutional Advancement.

Sincerely,  
Nicole Gingrich  
Director of Institutional Advancement

## The Office of Institutional Advancement

*Are you planning a reunion?*

*Do you have an update you would like to share in the Alumni Newsletter?*

*Have you moved recently?*

*The Office of Institutional Advancement is here for all alumni! On the Berks Catholic website, you can access the latest in alumni news and updates, reunion information and much more! If you have any updates, have moved recently or would like us to assist with your reunion, please contact us!*

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## Berks Catholic Students Attend World Youth Day



Zachary Moyer, a senior, and Rhiannon Wright, a junior, both had the honor to travel to Madrid, Spain, this August and be a part of World Youth Day 2011, along with 38 others from the Diocese of Allentown.

Zachary held fundraisers, such as a basketball game with the Knights of Columbus, to help pay for the trip. He explained, "I wanted to know how it would feel to be with people from around the world who feel the same way I do."

"Jesus was the reason that the youth of the world traveled so far," said Rhiannon.

Some three million people attended the various events from August 16 – 21.

They prayed with the Pope, sang with him and were blessed by him. Rhiannon and Zachary were even lucky enough to see Pope Benedict XVI from less than ten feet away. They both explained that this is one experience neither of them will ever forget. "It really helped me become a better person," said Zachary.

Rhiannon is the daughter of Robert (CC '87) and Julie Wright, and the granddaughter of Bob (CC '55) and Catherine (CC '58) Wright.

## Hall of Fame Inductions

September 16, 26 and November 4 were very special nights as the Berks Catholic Community welcomed hundreds of Central Catholic and Holy Name graduates as the newest Hall of Fame inductees were honored.

Central Catholic did not previously have a Hall of Fame and we will be inducting a total of 30 honorees this year. Central Catholic had a rich tradition of winning and excellence and Berks Catholic is excited to honor the great athletes that walked the hallowed halls of Central Catholic High School.

On Friday, September 16, during halftime, Vince Shemanski, James Campbell, Joe Murphy, Michael DePaul, Thomas "Butch" Sullivan, Mike Schorn, Ed Jablonski, Julio Pelligrini, Mike Stopper, John Stopper and David Gilmore were inducted into the Central Catholic Hall of Fame.

On Monday, September 26, during halftime, Ray Serafin, Jack Mancuso, Meg Dolan Virkar, Kerry Wrobel,

Diane Luchetta, Rob Campitelli, Alicia Yapsuga Dauble, Bill Orth, Shannon McNeil Sauppee and Coach Reggie Weiss were inducted into the Central Catholic Hall of Fame.

On Friday, November 4, seven members were added to the Holy Name Athletic Hall of Fame during a halftime ceremony at Berks Catholic's football game against Wyomissing at Forino Sports Complex. The inductees were Dr. Stephen Banco, Patrick Doyle, Jasen Esposito, Tim Lawlor, Cindy Hiester Richards, Russ "Skip" Rudy and Lisa Marrella Wortman.

There is one more induction ceremony scheduled for this year. On January 6, 2012, an additional ten will be inducted into the Central Catholic Hall of Fame.

Hall of Fame members will forever be remembered in the halls of Berks Catholic by having their picture on a plaque outside of the Gymnasium.



**September 13 Central Catholic Hall of Fame inductees.**

From L to R: Mike DePaul, Joe Murphy, Julio Pelligrini, Ed Jablonski, Mike Schorn, Jean Sullivan wife of Thomas "Butch" Sullivan, Luke Stopper son of John Stopper and nephew of Mike Stopper, Nettie Campbell wife of James Campbell, David Gilmore and Dolores Shemanski wife of Vince Shemanski.

**September 26 Central Catholic Hall of Fame inductees.**

From L to R: Shannon Sauppee, Alicia Dauble, Ray Serafin, Kerry Wroble, Reggie Weiss, Rob Campitelli, Bill Orth, Diane Luchetta and Jack Mancuso.



## Alumni Updates

### Central Catholic

#### 1945

Charles McLaughlin was the first president of the CCHS Alumni Association.

#### 1947

Gertrude (Trudy) Erlacher-Ritter received The Lifetime Achievement Award from St. Joseph School of Nursing in April 2011. She is on the Board of the Michigan State Medical Society Alliance, the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Auxiliary and the Family Council of Huron Woods, a memory loss facility.

#### 1955

John (Jack) McGoey passed away in 2010.

#### 1957

Mary Margaret Hertz lost her husband in 2009. She has six children.

#### 1958

Craig Turnbull married Patricia Bogdanski (1959). They have four married children and eight grandchildren – four boys and four girls. As a 4th Degree Knight of Columbus, Craig performs service at St. Mildred's Church in Swansboro, NC, and also for the US Coast Guard on Emerald Isle, NC. He enjoys visiting his grandchildren who are ages 10-21, and also enjoys all types of salt water fishing and boating.

#### 1959

Dr. James Davidheiser published his second textbook in 2011, "The Fairy Tales of the Brothers Grimm," for students of German, which he researched while on sabbatical in Germany in 2010.

Kathleen A. Smith is the aunt of 1996 CCHS grad Ryan Downs. He and his wife Maria are expecting their first child, a baby girl, in October.

#### 1961

Darlene Hoke is a widow and lives in a senior complex at 11th and Penn Streets in Reading. She has seven grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Joe Aiello is retired.

Margaret Krueberger is retired, but still working part time in academe.

Helen (Stephens) Howlett is working on revisions for the 7th Edition of her textbook, "Success in Practical/Vocational Nursing: From Student to Leader." Her co-author is Signe Hill.

#### 1963

Edward Heere's first grandchild Coralyn Marie was born on August 3, 2011.

#### 1964

Shirley Wertz is enjoying being retired.

#### 1966

Joanne (Andrejewski) Heintz, former principal at Central Catholic, is now the assistant principal at Berks Catholic High School.

#### 1967

Joann Matijasich is married to classmate Martin Matijasich. They celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on October 9, 2011.

#### 1970

Gregory Noll received the John M. Eversole Lifetime Achievement Award from the International Association of Fire Chiefs for leadership and contributions to further and enhance

the hazardous materials emergency response profession. He received the award in May 2011.

#### 1973

James McFadden completed a trip to Italy with his wife Glenda in celebration of 30 years of marriage. Highlights of the trip include a visit to Assisi to see the tombs of St. Francis and St. Clare. James and Glenda are both Secular Franciscans.

#### 1975

Dr. Beverly Edwards, a Central Catholic Distinguished Alumni recipient, passed away on February 18, 2011.

#### 1977

Matthew Brile received a special gift from his brother. Five years ago, on August 23, 2006, he received a second kidney transplant.

#### 1978

Patricia Spatz is married to Elmer (Butch) Spatz and they have a son named Thomas.

Janet Loeper Scull finished her 25th year of teaching with the Schuylkill Valley School District as a speech therapist. She has a 23-year-old son Eric and a 20-year-old daughter Bethany who is a 2009 graduate of CCHS. She also works with various home health agencies as a per diem speech therapist. In 2008, she organized the 30th Class Reunion for the class of 1978.

#### 1979

Lawrence B. O'Boyle celebrated his 25th wedding anniversary with his wife Susan in July. Their oldest son Larry graduated from Williams College in 2010 and is now at Dickinson School of Law. Their youngest son Tim is starting his

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third year at Cornell and he is studying Food Science.

### 1980

Kathleen Mundell is a registered nurse. She and her husband Mark have two children. Sarah is 14 years old and Chris is 12 years old.

### 1982

Jacquelyn Wilson is married and has two daughters. Tricia is 20 years old and Gabriella is 16. She also has a step-daughter Alexis who is 23 years old.

### 1983

Ray Gaspari is married. He and his wife Melissa have a son, Nicholas.

### 1984

Thomas Nein married Julie (Chiarelli '86) and works as a Financial Advisor for Wells Fargo.

### 1986

Julie (Chiarelli) Nein has two boys and enjoys volunteering at St. Catharine's and Berks Catholic.

David Grim works for Ralph Lauren in New York City.

Susie (Green) Nordhoy is married, has five children and owns Valhalla Fitness Club in Exeter.

Carolyn (Piasecki) Rettura owns a beauty salon in Boston.

Joe Miller is a Physical Therapist for St. Joe's and coaches basketball for Berks Catholic.

Anne (DiCerchio) Miller married her high school sweetheart Joe Miller and they have three children.

### 1987

Michael Barnhart returned from a year-long deployment in Afghanistan with the US Navy Seabees where he was awarded the Navy & Marine Corps Achievement Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, and the NATO Article 5 Medal. He'll continue his civilian career with Promontory Financial Group in Washington, D.C.

Chris Reber has two sons Nick age 13 and Jake age 11. He is engaged to Lee Ann Payne and they are planning a wedding for June 9, 2012.

### 1988

Jeffrey A. Curtis is married to his best friend Yvonne. They have a son Christian who is 10 years old.

Michael Murphy and his wife Cindy have three children. Michael recently retired as Asst. Coach of Boys Varsity B-ball at CCHS. He also put his teaching career on hold to be a stay-at-home dad.

### 1989

Michele (Rathman) Reese married Dustin Reese in July 2011 and welcomed son Tabyn in August 2011.

Nicole Chiarelli married Jeff Smith on 11/11/11 in the Dominican Republic. Nicky currently works at Berks Catholic in the Alumni and Community Relations Office.

Jacqueline (Concordia) Hearing and her husband Peter have three children and co-own Knight's Rental Inc.

JoAnna (Sychterz) has a daughter Lila. She is engaged to Simon Blair and lives in England.

Mary (Rogosky) Zeleznik and her husband Fred have two daughters and live in New Jersey. Mary recently went back to teaching and works at her daughter's school.

Andrea (Killian) Sarko and her husband Roland have three children and live in Media, PA. Andie is a Yoga I Instructor.

Marisa (Yapsuga) Gilbert teaches at Whitehall in Allentown. She, husband Paul and little sister Morgan are anxiously awaiting the arrival of their new baby.

Peter Kowal and his wife Bari live in New Jersey and have three children.

Mike Green and his wife Bobbi have two children and live in Pennside. Mike teaches at Daniel Boone and coaches girls basketball at Wyomissing.

Joey (Paradiso) Druecker recently raised over \$5000 for the Leukemia Foundation.

Mark Mazurkiewicz is married and is the Director at the Reading Planetarium.

### 1990

Maria (Thompson) Hoover has been named principal of Wickersham Elementary in Lancaster School District. She lives in Lancaster with her husband and 3 children.

John Chiarelli has three children and is a Realtor with Coldwell Banker in Wyomissing.

### 1992

Tara (Heintz) Lawlor is practicing Dermatology in Exeter. She is married to Keith Lawlor ('92). They have 3 children – Kevin, Sadie and Caroline.

Jen (Barr) married her high school sweetheart, James Campbell '93. They have two sons and a daughter. Jen owns Polish Me Perfect & Beautiful Do's in Exeter.

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### 1993

James Campbell married his high school sweetheart Jen (Barr '92).

### 1995

Jeneve Mihal Keczely and her husband Mike are pleased to announce the birth of their son Michael. He was born on July 19, 2010.

### 1996/1995

Beth Wrable McNichol and Tim McNichol welcomed their second child Timothy Charles on January 31, 2011.

### 1996

Andrea (Heintz) George is teaching at Governor Mifflin and is married to John (Pat) George ('96). They have 3 children – Alex Heintz, Peter and Robert.

### 1997

Greg Uzar welcomed twins Christopher Ryan and Madison Elizabeth on July 14, 2011.

### 1998

Tara (Konlow) Lawhorne recently had twin boys, and big brother Ryan is very proud.

Camille Rylak had her third daughter Zoe in September 2011.

Ryan Katzenmoyer and wife Colleen (Mann '98) are having another baby December 18th.

### 1999

Jennifer Hess has been working at Trident Technical College in Charleston, SC, since 2010. She was just promoted to the position of Instructor of English.

### 2000

Timothy and Melissa (Rihl) Ferro had a baby girl Evelyn Grace on Sept. 16, 2011.

Shannon Hoffa welcomed daughter Kylee Morgan Simons on Oct. 15, 2009. She is engaged to David Simons, Jr., and they are planning a June 2012 wedding.

Onelia Timmons married Edward J. Timmons, Jr. in 2007. They have two children. Warren Rafael was born on July 17, 2009, and Francisco Lucas was born on May 17, 2011.

Jeremy Wrable is the lighting designer for "Three Doors Down".

Erin (Katzenmoyer) and husband Daryl Miller '00 are having a baby due January 5th.

### 2001

Megan Cirulli Jones married Robert Jones on June 11, 2011.

### 2002

Megan K. (McGrath) Bermudez married husband Michael in 2010. She is currently Director of Alumni Relations at Albright College.

### 2003

Matthew Ferro married Jessica DeMarco on Sept. 5, 2011.

Elizabeth Blackwell passed away on Aug. 21st in a fatal car accident.

Kelly (Katzenmoyer) and husband Chris Williams are having a baby on December 6th.

### 2005

Amy Katzenmoyer is engaged to Eric Clemens.

## Holy Name

### 1967

Donna Pierce Jerome was blessed with her fifth grandchild Julianne Faith Jerome. She was born on August 1, 2011.

### 1969

Clare Hollenbacher has been happily married for 38 years. The Hollenbachers

have three daughters, three grandsons and one granddaughter.

### 1971

David Booth started started coaching high school football at Holy Name in 1975. After 36 years he has bowed out of full-time coaching. He still has two more years of teaching before retirement.

### 1972

William Seaman had a successful kidney transplant on April 4, 2011, and reports that all is well.

### 1977

Camille DeMarco married John F. McCormack '80 in 2006. Camille has been employed by Kutztown University since 1998 working in public relations. She received a master's of education/student affairs degree in 2001 from KU. After working in the juvenile detention field for 21 years, John has been self-employed with The Marathon Group in Wyomissing. He received his B.A. in criminal justice administration from Alvernia College in 1984.

Kathleen Murray Schell was named interim director of the School of Nursing at the University of Delaware. She was associate professor of nursing at the university. She received her bachelor's degree in nursing from Indiana University, a master's degree in nursing from the University of Delaware, and a doctorate in nursing from Widener University in Chester, Delaware County.

### 1979

Lois Kubinak received the Collegiate Conference and Events Professional Certification through the Association of Collegiate Conference and Events Directors-International at the 2011 Annual Conference in Orlando, Florida. Additionally, she received the Region 11 Scholarship provided to a member to attend the conference.

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**1981**

Doug Kubinak was named Assistant Vice President, Private Brand and Automotive Batteries, for East Penn Manufacturing. He holds a degree in business management from Shippensburg University.

**1984**

Ann Sterley has a four-year-old daughter McKenna and a 16-month-old son Jacob.

Stephen Weiss is Director of Product Development at Crayola.

Steve Banco is a Spine Surgeon with Flynn and Hanley Surgical Associates.

**1985**

Natalie Parisi Bell is presently the President of the Middle Atlantic Association of Orthodontists. She is also teaching part-time at Temple University's Dental School in the Department of Orthodontics.

Maria Biancone is continuing another season as Game Day Operations Manager with Penn State Berks Ice Hockey.

**1986**

Josh Ditsky and his wife Andrea have three daughters. He works as the Director of College and Career Counseling for Berks Catholic.

Chris Mancuso is an Orthopaedic Surgeon in Wyomissing and he has two children.

**1988**

Mary Armstrong is getting married on January 13, 2012.

Chip Kline is married with a four-year-old daughter living in Lansdale, PA. He owns his own law practice specializing in Social Security disability law.

Nina (Wolf) Balistrere coaches cheerleading for Berks Catholic. Her husband Tony was named 1st Principal of Berks Catholic. Nina works part-time at her brother's medical practice.

AnnMarie (Stubbs) Metz married Greg Metz and they have three children. She recently went back to teaching and works for the Governor Mifflin S.D.

Courtney (Diener) Stokes and husband John have three children and reside in Oley.

**1989**

Bill Hess is the Athletic Director for Berks Catholic and married Robin (Wenrich '88) from CCHS. They have three children, including twins.

**1990**

Lloyd M Wolf III (Tres) and wife Kim have three daughters. Tres is a practicing physician in Wyomissing.

Amy (Wentling) Birmingham has three children and recently went back to teaching at Berks Catholic. Her husband Bob is Principal at St. Ignatius and is the Varsity Girls B-ball Coach.

**1991**

Dr. Yamil Sanchez has been appointed as the first headmaster of Berks County's first charter school. The I-Lead Charter school will open in September and is intended to serve at-risk students in the Reading School District.

**1992**

Maggie Nelis Arentz is married to Jim Arentz '92 and they have three beautiful girls – Catherine 6, Maureen 5 and Cassidy 1.

Christen Demsko and Jason Glessner were married October 24, 2009, in St. Margaret's Church. Christen is a graduate of Randy Rick Beauty Academy. She is employed by The Salon at Boscov's East.

**1994**

Amy Frangipane and her husband Sean Graham have a son Emmett Deane Frangipane Graham who was born on September 18, 2010.

Melissa Potts and her husband have a 14-month-old little girl named Chloe.

**1996**

Justin Hagan and Billie Klunk were married on July 10, 2010. Billie is from Virginia Beach, Virginia. The ceremony took place at The Links at Gettysburg.

Scott Saul has two sons: Lucas who is 3 years old and Casey who is a year old.

**1997**

Jessica Stout recently got engaged to Christopher Schmidt of Chadds Ford, PA. The wedding is planned for fall 2012.

Sandra Urban and Nicholas Hower have announced their engagement. Sandra received a degree in business management from East Stroudsburg University. She is employed by SAP Global Marketing in Newton Square, Delaware County.

**1998**

Jennifer Dougherty and Ryan Linn were married on March 5th. Jennifer received a bachelor's degree in American Studies from the University of Notre Dame. She earned her juris doctorate from Villanova University School of Law, and she is employed by Steinbacher and Stahl in Williamsport.

**1999**

Michael Bernardo opened a new restaurant. Amie Wanner is living in Exeter with her husband of almost seven years and their three-and-a-half-year-old son. She was recently promoted from Buyer of Table Linens to Buyer of Basic Bedding and Table Linens at

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Boscov's Department stores, where she has been employed for over 11 years.

**2002**

Kristin Igusky and David Meek are engaged. Kristin graduated magna cum laude from Gettysburg College with a bachelor's degree in environmental studies. She received her master's degree in environmental management, global environmental change from Duke University. She is employed by SAIC in Washington.

Adam Krick joined Noah Bank in May after working at National Penn for three years. He earned his MBA from Alvernia University in May.

Angela Penrice and Patrick Freestone were married on November 6, 2010. Angela is pursuing a master's degree in finance from St. Joseph's University. Angela and Patrick reside in Wynnewood, Montgomery County.

Maryanne Post and Andrew Bell were married on October 23, 2010. She is employed as a Human Resource Manager at Post Precision Castings, Inc. Andrew and Maryanne live in Cumru Township.

Jacqueline Roman is engaged to Theodore Pascavage, Jr. Jackie received her associate's degree in specialized business in medical assistant sciences from the Berks Technical Institute. She is employed by Reading Hospital.

**2003**

Melvyn Mayo and Ashley Gerhard were married on October 10, 2010 in the Villa St. Elizabeth.

**2004**

Dara Carman is currently pursuing an MFA Choreography from Jacksonville University.

**2005**

Monika Hofmann is engaged to Thomas Hanson. Monika received her bachelor's degree in accounting from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She is employed by Naval Audit Service in Washington, D.C.

Anne Koch received a bachelor of science degree in nursing from Marymount University in Arlington, Virginia.

Lucas Schmura and Jessica Klein are engaged to be married. Jessica is a graduate of Upattinas School and Resource Center in Chester County. She received her bachelor's degree in metals from Arizona State University, and she is employed by Desert Botanical Gardens in Phoenix

**2006**

Kayleen Piszczek received a degree in pharmaceutical sciences from the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia.

Patrick Schenk received his bachelor's degree in sports management from York College of Pennsylvania.

**2007**

Patrick Buckley was student marshall for the Eberly College of Science during fall commencement ceremonies at Penn State University.

Mark Keith received a bachelor of science degree in accounting from Fairfield University in Connecticut.

Evangelia Koutroulelis received her bachelor's degree in nursing from Cedar Crest College in Allentown.

Kelly Nicodemus received the Annadora Shirk Readers Theatre Award for communications at the Honors Awards Ceremony at Albright College. Kelly majors in English and women's and gender studies.

Danielle Ozment received the Society of Jacob Albright Scholars Departmental Distinction at the Honors Awards Ceremony at Albright College. She majors in psychology and Spanish.

Amelia Serine received the Fiat Award for academic excellence and achievement. She is a student at Washington and Jefferson University.

Nathan Sutherland received a bachelor of science degree in business from the Miami University of Ohio. Nathan recently won the prestigious Hawley Quier Golf Tournament.

Estrella Torres received a bachelor of arts degree from the College of Notre Dame, Baltimore. She was the winner of the Sister Maura Eichner Award in creative writing and the Constance Burch Award. She merited induction into Kappa Gamma Pi honor society, and she received recognition as a Morrissy Honors Scholar.

**2008**

Colleen Mancano has been inducted into the Wall Fellows program at Carolina Coastal University in Conway, South Carolina. The program teaches leadership skills to select students. Only four students were admitted this year. Colleen is a junior majoring in finance and marketing.

Sam Scaffidi is a senior at Towson and was published in the national Cross Fit magazine WOD Talk

**2009**

Allison Hurley is a sophomore at Lycoming College in Williamsport. She was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship by St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Reading.

**2010**

Alan Lytz, a freshman at Gettysburg College, has received an 1832 Founder Scholarship, valued at \$7,000 annually.

## Planning a reunion and need a class list?

Contact Nicole Chiarelli Smith at 610-374-8361 x244  
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## Homecoming

Thank you to all who attended our first homecoming celebration. We were so glad to see the alumni from Central Catholic and Holy Name. We hope to expand our homecoming celebrations next year and look forward to seeing you there!

## Website

Attention all Central Catholic and Holy Name Alumni. To find the most recent alumni information and sign up for email updates visit:

[www.berkscatholic.org/ccalumni](http://www.berkscatholic.org/ccalumni)  
[www.berkscatholic.org/hnalumni](http://www.berkscatholic.org/hnalumni)

## Central Catholic Alumni Association

President - Rob Katzenmoyer

## Holy Name Alumni Association

President - Peggy Reimels '03  
Vice President - Lois Kubinak '79  
Activities Director - Barbara Hess Hagan '68  
Secretary - Gina Ortiz '84  
At Large - Ronnie Piszeck '85 and Denise (Rogers) De Antonio '85  
Ad Hoc - Donna Hess '79

### Next Meeting:

- December 3rd at Berks Catholic library. Board meeting at 9:30 a.m. General meeting immediately following. All alumni are invited to attend.

Would you like to submit an update for the summer alumni newsletter? Please email Nicole Chiarelli Smith at [nchiarelli@berkscatholic.org](mailto:nchiarelli@berkscatholic.org) by June 1, 2012.

**Do you own a business or know someone who does?**

**Did you know you can provide scholarships to Berks Catholic students with tax credits?**

A growing number of Berks County Business owners and executives are providing scholarship assistance to Berks Catholic families and you can too through the Eastern PA Scholarship Foundation (EPSF) and the Educational Improvement Tax Credit program (EITC).

Your company will receive a 90% PA Tax Credit that is forwarded directly to Berks Catholic.

Your business has to pay the taxes anyway, this way you can designate those funds to BC and keep your tax dollars in our community. It is an easy one-page application form available at [www.inventapa.com](http://www.inventapa.com).

If you have any questions or for an easy explanation on this program, contact Nicole Gingrich at 610-374-8361 ext. 231 or [ngingrich@berkscatholic.org](mailto:ngingrich@berkscatholic.org).

## About the Berks Catholic School Seal

By no mistake, at the heart of the Berks Catholic seal stands the Cross which symbolizes Christ, who is at the center of not only the academic excellence, but of everything we do at BC. The Cross is the sign of our salvation and the symbol of our faith, for it represents the ultimate sacrifice Jesus made for us on Calvary, and it serves as a reminder of all who have made, and continue to make, sacrifices to provide for Catholic education in Berks County. The actual style of Cross that we chose is called a Budding Cross, suggesting young disciples on their way to sainthood.

The Cross is mounted on the Shield of Fortitude. We had to have a shield because at Berks Catholic we're into superheroes (Saints). Fortitude serves as both a supernatural moral virtue and one of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The shield of Fortitude acknowledges our dependence on God for the grace to be morally strong and to safeguard our faith.

Flanking the Cross, we have incorporated two Fleurs-de-lis on the seal which represent Central Catholic and Holy Name; the schools that gave birth to Berks Catholic. They also identify our connection to our Diocese which has two Fleurs-de-lis on their coat of arms in honor of Pope John XXIII, who established the Diocese of Allentown during his papacy 50 years ago. For Pope John, the Fleurs-de-lis signified the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Joseph. Not surprisingly, the purity of Mary and the chastity of Joseph are two

of the saintly qualities to which the students at Berks Catholic should aspire.

At the foot of the Cross are the Lamp of Knowledge and Open Book, which have both been traditionally associated with learning, wisdom and the inherent value to be illuminated. These symbols appeared on both the Holy Name and Central Catholic school seals, and have now been adopted into the BC seal.

The sheaves of wheat that adorn the outer identification band are one of the customary symbols that represent All Saints. The wheat is also a traditional sign for the Holy Eucharist, which will nourish our souls at Berks Catholic, and serve as a reminder of Christ's constant presence in the school.

The gold outer ring, which encircles the entire seal, is a halo representative of a saintly spirit.

Boldly imprinted in the outer band is the school's motto, *Unum In Christo*, which captures the integration of two traditionally rich institutions, now united as one family formed in the love of Jesus Christ, who brings all people together in Himself. The Berks Catholic family is encouraged to live as *Unum In Christo* and aspire to the reality of our hearts and minds working as one, growing in holiness, and united in Christ. Upholding the motto will one day lead to our ultimate goal of Sainthood; living eternally as One In Christ.



## Berks Catholic Golf Outing a Success!

Alumni, friends, and parents came out on September 9th to Golden Oaks Golf Club for the First Annual *Swing Fore the Saints* Golf Outing. Over \$5,000 was raised for scholarships for Berks Catholic students.

Congratulations to the winners of the 1st Annual Berks Catholic *Swing Fore the Saints* Golf Tournament.

**1st Place:** Barry Zientek, CC Class of 1970  
Josh Joseph, CC Class of 1990  
Matt Dolinsky, HN Class of 1991  
Jeff Zientek

**2nd Place:** Jim Doyle, HN Class of 1985  
Matt Doyle, HN Class of 1984  
Monsignor Ed Domain  
Brad Lloyd

**3rd Place:** Donald Kozik, CC Class of 1992  
Tom Nein, CC Class of 1983  
John Chiarelli, CC Class of 1990  
John Gehris

**Closest to the Pin Women:** Annemarie Sullivan,  
CC Class of 1979

**Closest to the Pin Men:** Josh Ditsky,  
HN Class of 1986

**Long Drive Women:** Diane Luchetta,  
CC Class of 1976

**Long Drive Men:** Brad Lloyd

A special thank you to all the golfers who came to Golden Oaks to support Berks Catholic!



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