

Campbell Memorial High School Alumni Association

Once A Red Devil Always A Red Devil

Summer 2023

Peter Psaras - Class of 2006



Mr. Peter Psaras, Campbell Memorial High School class of 2006 valedictorian, delivered a dynamic commencement address to the class of 2023 graduates on June 1, 2023.

high school After his **Psaras** graduation, Mr. his lifelong pursued interest in Aerospace Engineering by attending Purdue University in West Layfette, Indiana, where he received Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Space

Propulsion and Aerospace Vehicle Design. He then went on to secure a career at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration at the John Glenn Research Center in 2012, where he began work on NASA's Evolutionary Xenon Thruster (NEXT), which launched in November 2021. NEXT propelled the Double Asteroid Redirection Test (DART) spacecraft which was aimed at testing methods of planetary defense.

Since 2016, he has been an integral part of the Artemis program, which is a NASA collaboration with the European Space Agency, Lockheed Martin and various other commercial partners, aimed at returning astronauts to the Moon to establish a permanent human lunar presence. NASA will use what they learn on and around the Moon to take the next giant leap: Sending the first astronauts to Mars. He previously served as the Reaction Control System Engineering Lead for the European Service Module, successfully guiding the development of RCS flight hardware for Artemis-1 and 2 though assembly, Acceptance and Qualification testing and delivery.

Mr. Psaras is currently the Lead Engineer for all Propulsion Subsystem Components, responsible for guiding flight hardware through development, testing, integration into the vehicle and flight operation support. The culmination of these efforts have resulted in a successful completion of the Artemis-1 mission on Dec 11, 2022, setting the distance record for a human space rated vehicle at 260,000 miles, previously set by Apollo 13.

Mr. Psaras's multitude of accolades and accomplishments gives further credence to the fact that Campbell City Schools does produce the very best students in this Valley and beyond. In his impactful presentation, Mr. Psaras credited his family, our schools and our community for fostering his exceptional work ethic, strong moral values and cultural traditions. Mr. Psaras provides our students with yet another outstanding Campbellite to emulate.

Welcome home, Peter! The Red Devil Nation salutes you!

Campbell Memorial Alumni Gathering

Sponsored by:
The Campbell Memorial
High School
Alumni Association

Thursday, August 17, 2023 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm The Bunker / Double Bogey's (Boardman)

Light appetizers will be provided Dinner & drinks on your own

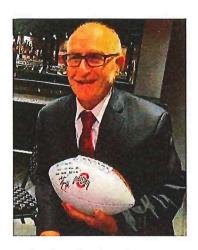
Please RSVP by August 14th to alumni@campbell.k12.oh.us

We look forward to seeing you!!

NEW SCHOLARSHIPS AND CHANGES FOR 2023

The Dr. Michael Patzakis Scholarship of \$2,500

1955 CMHS graduate, Dr. Michael Patzakis, has established a \$2,500 scholarship to be awarded to a graduating senior, continuing education or post graduate alumni who has achieved academic success, volunteers in school and community functions and intends to receive a college or post graduate degree. Preference will be given to those who wish to secure a degree in the field of medicine. Dr. Patzakis is a world renowned orthopedic surgeon and professor emeritus at Keck School of Medicine, USC. His list of lifelong educational, medical and career achievements are far too numerous to mention. The association is honored to add Dr. Michael Patzakis to our outstanding list of scholarship sponsors.



The Carovallesi Mutual Aid Society Scholarship of \$1,000

The Carovallesi Mutual Aid Society has established a \$1,000 scholarship to recognize the academic, school and community achievements of a Campbell Memorial High School graduating senior. This altruistic organization has long fostered the support of citizens throughout the Valley. The alumni association is very grateful for their assistance in advancing the education of Campbell's students.

The American Legion Post #560 of Campbell Scholarship of \$500.00

The Campbell American Legion Post #560 has sponsored a \$500 scholarship for a number of years, but has generously chosen to award an additional scholarship of \$500 beginning in 2023. We are very thankful for their continued support of our Campbell students.

The John M. Maillis Memorial Scholarship of \$1,000 The John M. Maillis Memorial Trade Scholarship of \$800

These two scholarships were established this year by the Jack & Melanie Maillis family to honor the memory of their beloved father and grandfather, John M. Maillis. Mr. & Mrs. Maillis have been staunch supporters of Campbell students for decades, providing countless students with scholarships and necessities throughout the school year. We applaud and are thankful for your efforts.

The Joseph "Puffy" Sirilla Memorial Scholarship of \$850

This scholarship, sponsored by Mr. Sirilla's wife, Joann, and daughter, Stacy (Sirllia) Donofrio (class of 2006), was reestablished this year to provide support for a deserving senior. Mr. Sirilla was a longtime Campbell educator and a devoted Red Devil!

The Campbell Memorial High School Alumni Association Trade Scholarship of \$500.00

The Campbell Memorial High School Alumni Association established a \$500 trade scholarship this year in response to the growing number of students who will pursue a career in the trades.

Changes in Monetary Awards

The Dr. William & Mrs. Delores (Schrieber) Suarez Medical Scholarship has increased from \$1,500 to \$2,000.

The Michael Elias Maillis / Nicholas Ellinos Scholarship, sponsored by Atty. Michael & Mrs. Celeste (Koulianos) Maillis to honor the memory of their grandfathers, has increased from \$1,500 to \$2,000.

The John Kovach Memorial Scholarship, sponsored by his brother, Robert Kovach, has increased from \$1,000 to \$1,250.

Renewable Scholarships

We would like to recognize our scholarship sponsors who provide renewable scholarships as well as their recipients over the years.

The Anthony "Buck" Nolfi Memorial Scholarship of \$2,500 (renewable to total \$10,000)

This renewable scholarship offered every four years was established in 2021, by the **Atty. Gregory Nolfi Family**, to honor the memory of their much loved father and grandfather, Anthony Nolfi, a longtime Campbell City Schools teacher and principal.

The first recipient of this award was 2021 graduate, **George Kindinis**, who recently completed his second year of study at Youngstown State University. He has received \$5,000 in scholarship funds to date. An honors student, George has been accepted into the BaccMed program at Youngstown State University where he will pursue a doctorate in pharmacy.

The Dr. Richard Barr Scholarship of \$2,000 (renewable to total \$8,000)

This renewable scholarship, sponsored through the generosity of **Dr. Richard Barr**, class of 1974, is awarded to a Campbell Memorial High School senior every year.

Currently, these students are receiving scholarships:

Rita Torres – A summa cum laude Youngstown State University 2023 graduate received the full \$8,000 in funds.

Anthony Kantaras – Anthony, an honors pre-med student at the Ohio State University, has received \$6,000 thus far.

Luke Collins – Luke is an honors student majoring in engineering at Youngstown State University. He has earned \$4,000 in scholarship funds after two years of study.

Angelina Levendis – An honors engineering student at Toledo University, Angelina has completed her freshman year of study and has received \$2,000.

Nicholas McGoogan – a 2023 Campbell Memorial High School graduate, Nicholas will begin his studies in pre-med at Youngstown State University this fall.

The Campbell Memorial High School Alumni Association expresses our sincere gratitude to each of you!

2023 Scholarship Banquet

On May 31, 2023, Alumni Association scholarship sponsor, founding trustee and Hall of Fame member, Attorney Michael Maillis (class of 1986) presented scholarship awards to the graduating seniors of the Memorial High School. The Campbell Memorial High School Alumni Association is pleased to award our 2023 graduates \$40,150 in scholarshipss. Coupled with and full freshman tuition, generously sponsored by the Ricchiuti Family, our 2023 seniors were awarded well over \$50,000 in scholarships funds. We were pleased to have scholarship sponsors Mrs. Phyliss Ricchiuti, Mrs. Marge Hanikso, Mr. Bob Kovach, Captain William Toti, and Dr.



Richard Barr (represented by Joan Galida) in attendance to present awards.

The Campbell Memorial High School Alumni Association congratulates all of our recipients and applauds our most generous sponsors. Graduates, you are now the newest members of the CAMPBELL MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION. We welcome you and look forward to your active participation as we seek to keep our RED DEVIL PRIDE alive!











Pictured Above: Curtis Megginson and Marge Hanisko; Curtis Megginson and Bob Kovach; Meoisha Moore and Ken Carano; Anahy Nieves and Ken Carano; and Maria Kindinis and Phyllis Ricchiuti

Pictured Below: Nicholas McGoogan and Ken Carano; Lizbeth Alvarez and Captain William Toti; Jalaya Bonilla and Ken Carano; Nicholas McGoogan and Joan Galida (representing Dr. Richard Barr); and Jacob Cerech and Ken Carano.







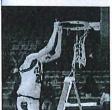




1993 STATE CHAMPIONS CELEBRATE 30 YEAR ANNIVERSARY



In 1993, a group of fine young Red Devil athletes accomplished the unthinkable — back to back State Championship Titles. First, they captured the State Championship Division III Basketball Title by defeating Belpre 47-39 in a "down to the wire" thriller. Coach Brian Danilov celebrated with team members, coaching staff, and most of Campbell's population on that great day in March.

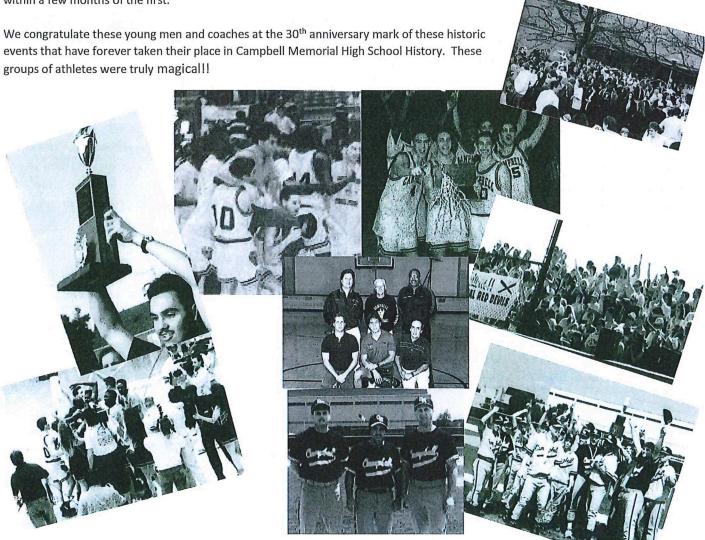


Not long after returning home, several team members began the next leg of a history in the making - a state championship baseball season. Proud Red Devils once again cheered as these amazing athletes, coached by Wayne Zetts, progressed to each level as the Red Devils achieved their second state title by beating Cincinnati Indian Hill 20-6!! On June 6, 1993, the Campbell community

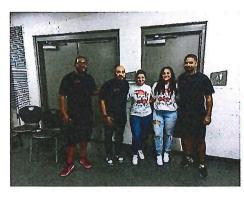
welcomed home these fine young men in true Red Devil fashion. Coming off the big win, the

team bus literally drove our boys straight from Columbus to St. Lucy's Palermo Center for the scheduled celebratory banquet honoring the 1993 basketball team. Upon arrival, they were welcomed by the Red Devil community as they proceeded to the stage to savor the second state championship trophy awarded within a few months of the first.





Red Devils Helping Red Devils



In August 2022, several Red Devil Alumni coordinated a day of salon services for the students of Campbell City Schools. Edwin Bonilla (class of 2006), Carlos Morales (class of 2005), Alexandra Galantis (Class of 2019), Maria Koullias (class of 2021), and Louis Parilla (class of 2006) {pictured at right}, volunteered their time and services to provide haircuts for students prior to the start of school. Under the direction of Memorial High School nurse, Debbie Tanner, the event quickly came together once word of the planning got to the ears of these fine young alum. Each of them was eager and excited to give back to their alma mater and school district. Just proves, yet again,

"Once A Red Devil Always A Red Devil!!"

Campbell Memorial Alumna named 2023 Ohio Teacher of the Year

Melissa Kmetz (class of 1999) is Ohio's 2023 Teacher of the Year. Ms. Kmetz, an elementary teacher in Lakeview, graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Science in Education degree; and then, continued her education to attain her Master's degree as a reading specialist. Ms. Kmetz was also honored with a trip to Washington D.C., where she had the distinct privilege to meet President Joe Biden.

This award, presented to outstanding teachers since 1964, identifies and celebrates exceptional teachers who work with students, both inside and outside of the classroom.

Ms. Kmetz gives credit to her former teachers in Campbell for life's lessons learned in Campbell City School classrooms. Ms. Kmetz "pays it forward" in teaching her students those same strong values. Congratulations, Melissa!!!

Campbell Native, James Richard Vrabel, Honored

Marine Corps veteran, James Vrabel, MHS class of 1964, will be inducted into the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund in Memory Program. Sadly, Jim passed away in April 2022. The In Memory Program honors those veterans who died after returning from the war. The Memorial Fund committee members believe all who served in Vietnam should be honored and remembered for their selfless service to our country. The Campbell Memorial High School Red Devils are proud to salute on of their own!



Fedora Open Celebrates Milestone

Congratulations to The Michael "Mickey" Soroka Charitable Foundation on the 10th anniversary of the Fedora Open. This annual fundraiser has been instrumental in the distribution of over \$80,000.00 in funds supporting four annual scholarships, educational competitions/opportunities, and incentives/tools for students' education.

The foundation was established by family and friends after Mickey's passing in 2011, with 100% of fundraising dollars returning to the students of Campbell City Schools. The 2023 Fedora Open will be held on Sunday, July 30, 2023, at Bedford Trails Golf Course. Contact our office for more information. To date, the foundation sponsors four scholarships for Memorial High School graduating seniors and alumni. Congratulations to this wonderful organization!

We Remember

Florence Katula Galida

The City of Campbell lost its "favorite lady" CMHS 1952 graduate, Florence Katula Galida, on January 29, 2023. From her early childhood, her highly involved Campbell family fostered Florence's involvement in every facet of Campbell life; and, indeed, she grew up to become our most fearless advocate. Among a myriad of accomplishments, Florence co-founded the Campbell Historical Society and the Campbell Academic Association, co-chaired the Campbell Bicentennial Committee, organized the renovation of the Pioneer Cemetery, formed the Campbell Business Association and penned The Fascinatng History of the City of Campbell.

Florence and her husband, Dr. John Galida, and their three daughters, Gale, Lynn, and Joan, immediately pledged to become founding trustees

of the Campbell Memorial High School Alumni Association. Florence became the

first vice president of the association and served in that capacity until the untimely death of our founding president, John Kovach. She admirably took over the presidency of the association for the next four years and was an integral part of our association's flourishing.

To honor her steadfast dedication and advocacy, Florence was elected into the Campbell Memorial High School Alumni Association's Hall of Fame and the Campbell Memorial High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

It is very clear that Florence was driven by a fervent desire to bring positive recognition to our city and dedicated her life to the preservation of our proud traditions. She has long been considered the foremost authority on the history of the city of Campbell. When one speaks of Campbell's elite, the conversation must always include her name!



Gloria Katula

Shortly after the loss of her beloved sister, Florence, Gloria Katula, beloved Campbell Memorial High School teacher, passed away on April 18, 2023. Gloria, a 1954 Campbell Memorial High School graduate and lifelong Campbell resident, will be fondly remembered by her students as Mademoiselle Katula. A truly altruistic educator, Gloria sought to include every child in her teachings. She had a knack of making each person feel special and important. Gloria had an insatiable thirst for knowledge, a passionate love of travel and a positive outlook on life that was contagious. She will be truly

missed as a wonderful sibling, aunt and friend and a

Campbell alumni, here and around the globe, mourn

the loss of these truly special women. We offer our heartfelt condolences to the Katula and Galida families and pray God grants each of you His peace and comfort.

most trusted confidante.



UPCOMING DATES

ALUMNI GATHERING

AUGUST 17, 2023 - DOUBLE BOGEY'S (BOARDMAN)

ALUMNI HALL OF FAME DINNER & RAFFLE SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2024

ALL ALUMNI REUNION
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2025

CLASS OF 1973

REUNION – SEPTEMBER 23, 2023 LUVA BELLA WINERY

YEARBOOK SEARCH

We have received requests for old yearbooks. Unfortunately, Revelers were processed through various vendors over the years, and most likely are not available for purchase any longer.

If anyone would like to donate yearbooks they may no longer want, please contact us. We would love to put them in the hands of those looking to replace theirs. This is donation only – no sales involved.

EMAIL REGISTRATION

If you would like to continue receiving or begin receiving email communications from us, please send your name, year of graduation, and email address to us at alumni@campbell.k12.oh.us

We will no longer have access to our registration data base after June 30, 2023. Emails from us will now show as "Campbell Memorial Alumni" in your inbox.

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Our logo is our profile picture.



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FALL FUNDRAISER WINNER!!!!

Congratulations to Mary Beth (Fabian) McLain, who was the \$2,500 winner of the Fall Fundraiser 50/50 Raffle

Thank you to everyone that purchased tickets and made such generous donations to the alumni association. With your support, we hope to continue to bring Red Devils together for many years to come.

CAMPBELL MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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WE'RE MOVING

Effective August 2023 our office location will be located at Campbell Memorial High School.

Phone number, mailing address, and office hours remain the same as above.

Alumni Association Officers

President – Ken Carano (1961)
President Emeritus - Jim Cioffi (1956)

1st Vice President – Greg Rosile (1984)

2nd Vice President – Judy Patellis (1958)
Treasurer – Bob Kovach (1969)
Corresponding Secretary – Patty Sgambati (1962)
Recording Secretary – Lisa Kish (1990)

Office Staff

Jo Galletta (1967) Rena Regula (1982)