



From the Office of Alumni Relations



A Newsletter for Alumni, Parents and Friends of

Berks Catholic, Central Catholic and Holy Name High Schools

Summer 2024 Edition



Summer is here!

Hello fellow alumni and friends,

I hope the summer has started off a happy and healthy one for you and your families. We at Berks Catholic have had a wonderful few weeks leading up to graduation for the Class of 2024 and what great event it was! The graduation speakers were valedictorian, Nicola Polinsky and salutatorian, Caroline Matz. During her speech, Nicola highlighted a fantastic family legacy that her grandfather, Dr. Ronald Polinsky, Sr. was the valedictorian of Central Catholic class of 1966! This shows the dedication our alumni and families have to upholding a faith-filled secondary education in Berks County.

Join me in congratulations to our newly minted alumni of Berks Catholic class of 2024!

Together, we rise!

Warmly,

Sarah (Williams) Hess, HN '99

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[REUNION NEWS](#)

Central Catholic Class of 1958 - 66th Reunion - Saturday, September 21, 2024 at Victor Emmanuel Beneficial Society, 311 Hazel Street, Reading from 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm. For more information call Susan Miller at 310-378-5477.

Central Catholic Class of 1959 - 65th Reunion - Friday, October 4, 2024 at the Berkshire Country Club at 11:30 am. Details to follow.

Central Catholic Class of 1964 - 60th Reunion - Saturday, September 14, 2024 at Beverly Hills Tavern. Call Pat White at 610-582-1437 for information. Still looking for a few classmates.

Central Catholic Class of 1969 - 55th Reunion - Saturday, September 7, 2024 at Berks Catholic in the McGlenn Commons from 3-7 pm. For more information please contact the committee at cchs1969@gmail.com.

Holy Name Class of 1969 - 55th Reunion - Plans are underway.

Central Catholic Class of 1972 - 70th Birthday Picnic - Saturday, June 22, 2024 at the Evergreen Country Club in Fleetwood, PA starting at 12noon. For more information, please contact Suzanne Matus Downs at 716-749-3590 or matusdowns@gmail.com.

Central Catholic Class of 1974 - 50th Reunion - Saturday, October 19, 2024 at Berks Catholic in the McGlenn Commons. Follow our FACEBOOK page [READING CCHS CLASS OF 1974 50TH CLASS REUNION](#) for updates. Invites will go out later this summer. In the interim, if questions, please contact Sandy Lubas Hummel at sahummel@ptd.net

Holy Name Class of 1974 - 50th Reunion - Saturday, September 21, 2024 at Berks Catholic in the McGlenn Commons from 5-10pm. For more information, contact Steve Wagner at stevanwagner2920@gmail.com or 610-207-2406

Central Catholic Class of 1979 - 45th Reunion - Saturday, June 22, 2024 at Jimmie Kramer's Peanut Bar, 332 Penn Street, Reading. Meet and Greet 5:30-6:30 pm. Appetizers will be served at 6:30 pm with a buffet dinner to follow! For more information, contact Annmarie Sullivan Dallao at 610-781-8459

Central Catholic Class of 1994 - 30th Reunion - Planning is underway.

Holy Name Class of 1994 - 30th Reunion - Planning is underway.

Holy Name Class of 1999 - 25th Reunion - Saturday, November 30, 2024 at the Lincoln Park Fire Company from 6:00 - 9:00 pm. For more information, contact Sarah Hess at shess@berkscatholic.org.

Central Catholic Class of 2004 - 20th Reunion - Planning is underway. Join the facebook group, *Reading Central Catholic Class of 2004 Reunion* page for more information.

Holy Name Class of 2004 - 20th Reunion - Planning is underway.

Berks Catholic Class of 2019 - 5th Reunion - Planning is underway. Contact Sarah Hess at shess@berkscatholic.org for more information.

If you are planning a Berks Catholic, Central Catholic or Holy Name reunion and would like to list more information about the reunion here for your classmates to find, please contact Sarah Hess at 610-374-8361 ext 231 or shess@berkscatholic.org.

Summer Selfie



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WITH US!

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[Alumni Highlights](#)

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Brooke Wensel

BC 2015

received the 2024 Lifesaving Award from the Charleston Police Department.

Dr. Santo Marabella

CC 1978

has created and is in the process of filming a first-person documentary called **Il Mio Posto a Tavola** ("My Place at the Table")



Rosemarie (Sullivan) Sandman

CC 1979

is the Advancement Officer for both Ascent Clinical Services and PA Adult & Teen Challenge.

Steve Zeiber

CC 1990

featured in a documentary about Lebanon Valley College's 1993-94 Men's Basketball team winning the NCAA Divison 3 Championship.



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PA Sports Hall of Fame - Berks Chapter 2024 Inductees

Congratulations to Jack Causa HN 1972, Mike Zuber HN 1970, the members of the HN 1981 State Champion Field Hockey team and the HN 1970 State Champion Boys Basketball team for their inductions into the Berks Chapter of the PA Sports Hall of Fame.

[Read More Here](#)



Jack Causa HN 1972



HN 1981 Field Hockey



HN 1970 Boys Basketball



Mike Zuber HN 1970

Additional Alumni Highlights:

Chet Mischewicz, Jr (CC 1963) has achieved his very first Hole in One in March saying, "It was mostly luck, and not much skill."

Beth (Weinhold) Shaw (HN 1973) is celebrating 53 years as a swim coach and is head developmental coach for Southern Tide US Swim team.

Patrick Causa (BC 2015) is currently working at his father and grandfather's investment firm of 64 years. He is in his 4th year of coaching football at Berks Catholic and will be starting his 3rd year of coaching Baseball at Albright College.

Tim Born (HN 1971) celebrated both of his daughters military graduations and assignments to AF Special Operations Forces and Communications Strategy Officer (Korea).

Jennifer (Marabella) Grubb (HN 2009) was selected to the Empire 8 Conference's 25th anniversary field hockey team, representing Washington & Jefferson College. She also is participating in the Congenital Heart Walk in Pittsburgh in honor of her son, James.



Engagements:

Bryn Spezialetti (BC 2014) to Matt Shupp

Sarah Bloom (HN 2004) to Scott Braun (*see photo*)

Emma Santoni (BC 2016) to Justin Hunstman (BC 2016)

Molly Gaffney (BC 2018) to Ty Robinson

Birth Announcements:

A daughter, Mila Ann, to Macy (Bosshard) (BC 2012) and Kerem Demirci

A son, Michael Daniel, to Victoria (Schifalacqua) (HN 2004) and Dan Kramer (HN 2003)

A daughter, McKenna Jane, to Stephanie (Gonzales) (BC 2012) and Randal Guinn

A son, Bennett Patrick, to Lauren (Mastromarino) (HN 2009) and Patrick Zerbe

A son, Samuel Robert, to Chelsea and Mitch Hanna (HN 2002)

A daughter, Charli Marie, to Cory and Matthew Barber (HN 1998)

A daughter, Frankie Estelle, to Toni (Distasio) (HN 2009) and Justin DiNorscia

Events

Save the Date!

Friday, August 23 - Berks Catholic Hall of Fame Induction

Monday, September 23 - Swing Fore the Saints Golf Outing

Friday, October 11 - Extravaganza

Friday, October 18 - Berks Catholic Homecoming & Tailgate

