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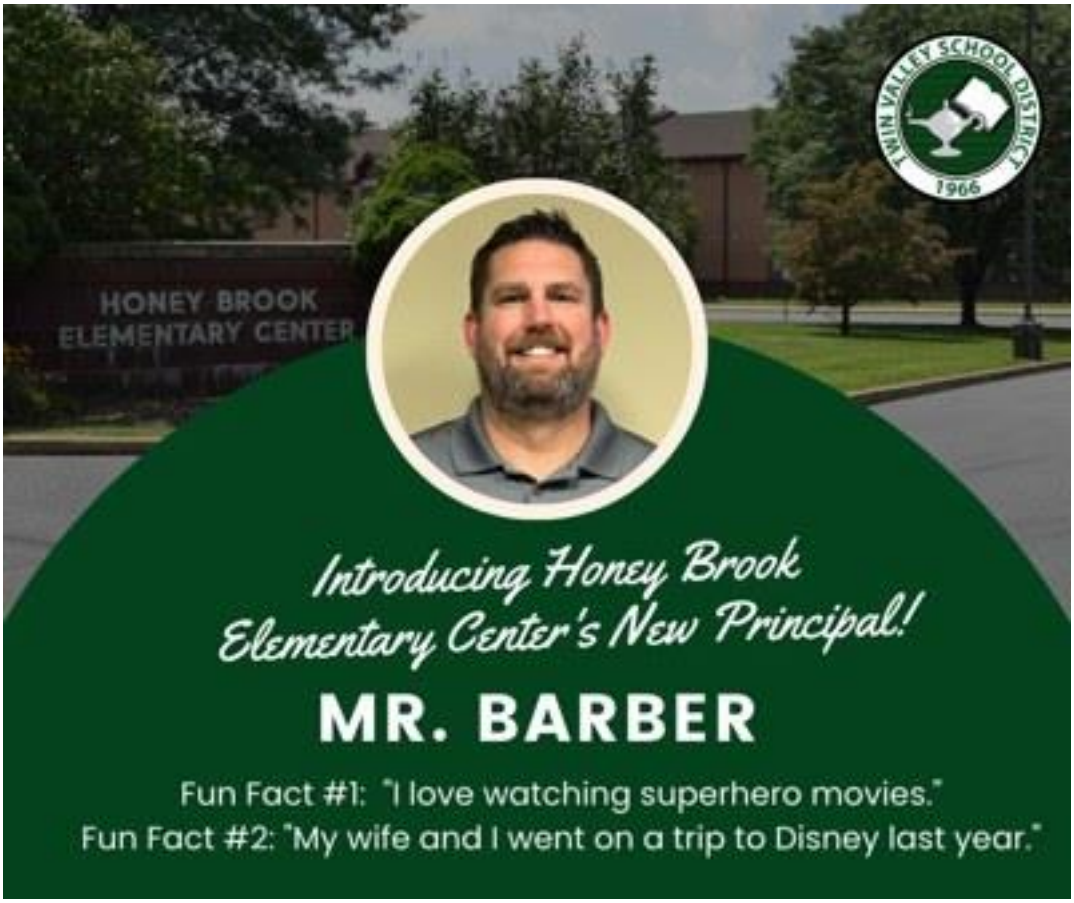
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Alumni Highlights

Congratulations to Chris Giddens (HN 2010)
Director of Student Activities for Freire Tech High School.
In his new role Chris will be overseeing all extracurricular programs within the school, including 15 different after school clubs for students.



Congratulations to Matt Barber (HN 1998)
Principal of Honey Brook Elementary School



Congratulations to Brandon George (BC 2019)
Starting linebacker for the University of Pittsburgh Football Team
and to his teammates on their 2022 Sun Bowl Championship



Congratulations to Eric Esterbrook (HN 1991)
Successful merger of two of his three pharmacies, Esterbrook Pharmacy and West Reading Drug Store. Eric is also the owner of Outlook Pharmacy Services.



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Congratulations to Tom Hunkele (HN 1994)
VP of Sports Medicine for the Philadelphia Eagles



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Congratulations to Alex Cloak (BC 2018)

Enlisted in the U.S. Coast Guard, graduating from boot camp in January Out of 70 fellow recruits, Alex earned the Manual of Arms award and Honor Graduate! Alex's first duty assignment is aboard the US Coast Guard Cutter Harriet Lane, stationed in Portsmouth, VA. His Cutter will be responsible for Drug and Migrant Interdiction in waters of the Southern Atlantic and Caribbean.



Congratulations to Dr. Robert Banco (HN 1973)
Orthopedic Spine Surgeon with Boston Spine Care Group
named top doctor by Boston Magazine for 6 consecutive years



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Congratulations to Andrew Adams (HN 2004)
Associate Professor of Biology at Harford Community College
named 2023 Northeastern Maryland Technology Council Visionary Award Recipient



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Congratulations to Mike Barnhart (CC 1987)
Pinned Chief Petty Officer at SEAL TEAM EIGHTEEN in Virginia Beach, VA. At 19 years of service, he recently returned from his third overseas deployment with the US Navy onboard the USS Portland (LPD-27) where he served as the SOFLE Communication Chief for the 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit. He returned to his civilian job as IT Manager for the

Data & Analytics division at Philadelphia-based Radian Group. Mike lives in Frederick, Maryland with his wife Lindsay, daughter Riley, and twin sons Finnegan and Macalister.



Engagements:



Brian Levering (HN 2004) to Katie de Haan (HN 2009) *(pictured above)*
Jacqueline Perez (CC 2011) to Cory Firmani
Megan Serafin (CC 2011) to Matt Budock (HN 2009)
Angelise Stuhl (HN 2011) to George Johnson
Marcus Leaf (BC 2012) to McCalee Corson
Kyle Eliiff (BC 2014) to Caroline Ruff
Alyssa Riccione (BC 2014) to Robert Devane
Sarah Hayes (BC 2015) to Mark Campanile
Summer Rose Biros (BC 2016) to Michael Hudson
Mary Francos (BC 2016) to Jaylin Calloway
Grant Higinbotham (BC 2016) to Sandya Rajan

Births:



A son Oliver Rostam to Aminah Famili (HN 2003) and Connor Caples
A daughter Brooklyn Drew to Jessica (Radka) (HN 2004) and Andrew Edwards
A son Henry Vincent to Jason Morrissey (HN 2004) and Sarah Morrissey (former BC teacher) (pictured)
A son Connor Benjamin to John Roussel (HN 2004) and Amy Roussel
A son Julian Ross to Jeff Brown (HN 2005) and Anna Brown
A son Philip Joseph to Rachel (Mastromarino) (HN 2006) and Alex Patterson
A daughter Elliott Clementine to Emily (Zuwiala) (HN 2006) and Nick Rogers
A son Roman Gregory to Maggie (Kennedy) (HN 2008) and Nick Battista
A daughter Campbell Cate to Colleen (Eliff) (HN 2008) and Drew Rubright
A daughter Nevaeh to Amelia (Spring) (HN 2008) and Tito Vazquez
A son Mason Michael to Savannah (Rentschler) (HN 2009) and Kevin Butler
A son Chase James to Collin Hecker (HN 2010) and Brielle Hecker
A son Oliver Michael to Hannah (Fatzinger) (HN 2011) and Mike Hoke (HN 2008)
A son Luke Patrick to Ryan Walter (BC 2012) and Jeannie Walter
A son Wesley Jameson to Sarah (Moult) (BC 2012) and Darren Wright
A daughter Gabriella Rose to Rachel (Bechtel) (BC 2016) and Jon Moreno

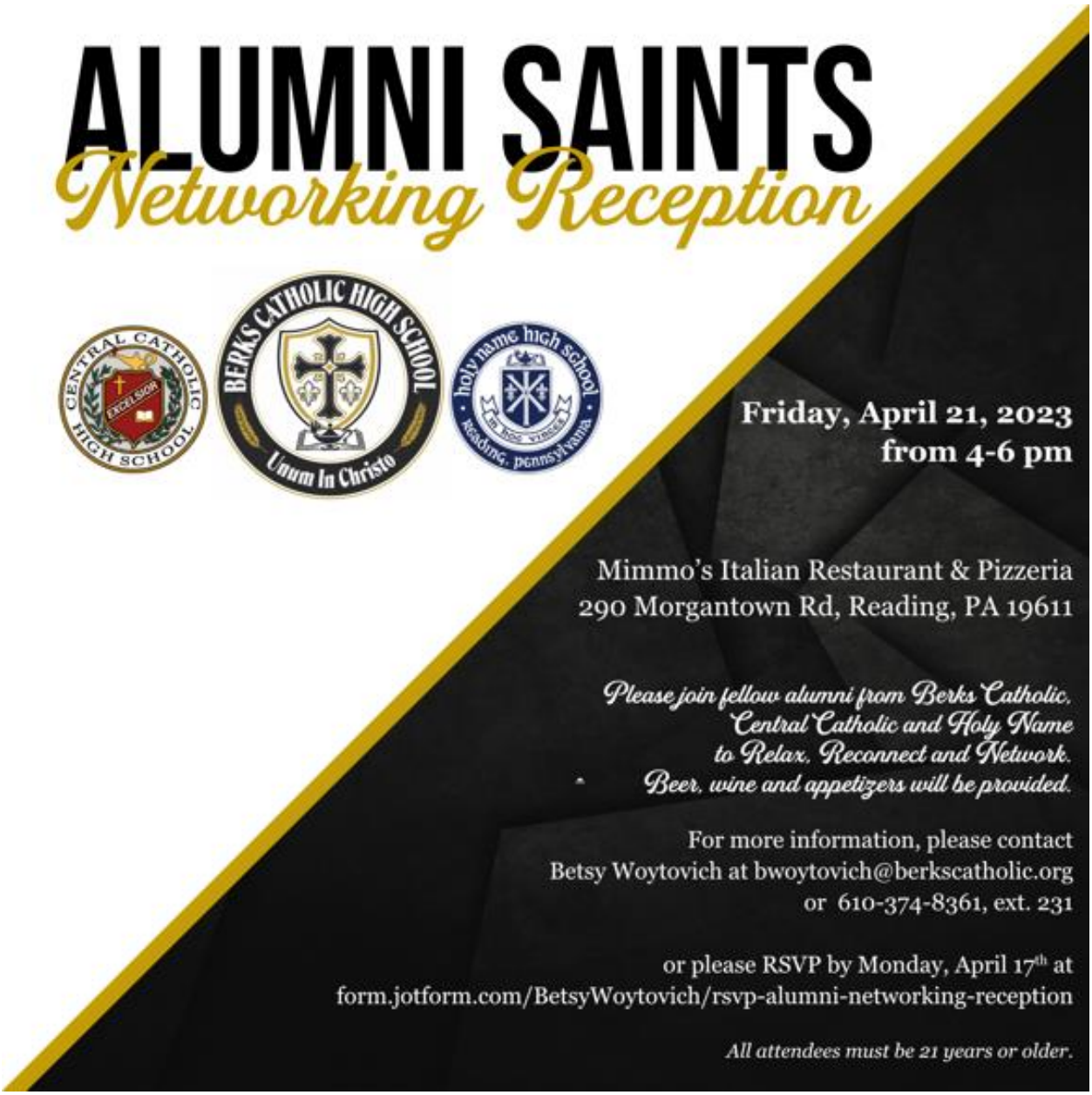


BERKS CATHOLIC ATHLETIC BOOSTERS
IS HOSTING

A NIGHT AT THE RACES

DATE: APRIL 15, 2023
TIME: 6:30—POST TIME 7:15
LOCATION: BERKS CATHOLIC--LLOYD M. WOLF GYMNASIUM
FOOD, DRINK AND FUN INCLUDED
** BYOB IF YOU WANT SOMETHING SPECIAL
(MUST BE 21 TO ATTEND)

COST:
$20 W/0 A HORSE
$30 WITH A HORSE (NAME YOUR HORSE-LIMITED QUANITY AVAILABLE)
All tickets are presale
For more information or questions- contact Danielle Fowler 610-374-1695 or email
dfowler@berkscatholic.org



Register for Alumni Reception

Upcoming Class Reunions

Central Catholic Class of 1965 - 55th Reunion (third time's a charm) - Saturday evening, May 20, 2023, at McGlinn Commons of the John R. Post Learning Center at Berks Catholic High School. Mass will also

be celebrated in the school chapel prior to the reunion. Contact Mary Anne (Fleckenstein) Gilbert with any questions at mgil712076@aol.com.

Central Catholic Class of 1993 - 30th Reunion - Friday, November 24, 2023 from 7-10 pm at GNA Ristorante, West Reading. Shuttles will be available to the DoubleTree in Reading. For more information please contact Melinda (Weidner) O'Neill at 610-301-2742 or moneill@empirebp.com.

Central Catholic Class of 1973 - 50th Reunion - Saturday, September 16, 2023 at Sly Fox from 6-11 pm. For more information please contact Rob Katzenmoyer at 610-451-9267 or rdk0413@aol.com.

Holy Name Class of 1973 - 50th Reunion - Plans are underway for the 50th Class Reunion. For more information please contact Pete Prydybasz at p.prydybasz@gmail.com.

Holy Name Class of 1978 - 45th Reunion - Plans are underway for the 45th Class Reunion. For more information please contact Deb (Mazurkiewicz) Carfagno at 610-780-9879 or dlcarfagno#3@aol.com
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 Betsy Woytovich at 610-374-8361 ext 231 or bwoytovich@berkscatholic.org.

Also, see below for a checklist to help plan your next reunion.



Attention All Berks Catholic, Central Catholic, and Holy Name Grads.
Berks Catholic can help you plan your next reunion!
Contact Betsy Woytovich, Director of Alumni Relations, at bwoytovich@berkscatholic.org.

Checklist:

- ☐ Form a class reunion committee and solicit volunteers to help.
- ☐ Request class list from Berks Catholic.
- ☐ Create a Facebook page for your class to help spread the word and locate lost class members.
- ☐ Create a class reunion budget. Decide how much each attendee will pay and whether drinks will be included.
- ☐ Choose a venue that meets your budget and pay deposit. The McGlinn Commons in the John R. Post Learning Center at Berks Catholic is a good option with no rental fee.
- ☐ Set up pay site such as PayPal or Venmo and designate a volunteer to collect money.
- ☐ Share reunion information with Berks Catholic, and we will post on our website.
- ☐ Send "Save The Date" postcards or e-mails at least 6 months prior.
- ☐ Print and mail formal invitations or flyers.
- ☐ Collect any class reunion memorabilia and yearbooks for display.
- ☐ Research and develop deceased classmate tribute.
- ☐ Create nametags (Yearbook pictures are a fun addition to nametags).
- ☐ Decide on decorations/flowers.
- ☐ Create photo slide show.
- ☐ Finalize agenda with a set schedule (when food will be served/when bar will be open/will anyone speak?).
- ☐ Finalize headcount and report to venue or caterer.
- ☐ Collect contact information from attendees as well as classmates that can't attend.
- ☐ Designate someone to take photographs and please share with Berks Catholic for newsletter and website.
- ☐ Finalize class reunion budget/Consider a class gift with any surplus.
- ☐ Update alumni office on any new contact information for your classmates and return borrowed items.

What Berks Catholic can provide for you:

- *Class list*
- *Plastic BC, CC, or HN cups, magnets, notepads, and other giveaways for your attendees*
- *A BC, CC or HN table covering for registration table (must be returned)*
- *Memorabilia or yearbooks for display (must be returned)*
- *Suggestions for venues and printer for your invitations*

Save the Date

Friday, September 8 - Berks Catholic Hall of Fame Induction
Friday, October 13 - Berks Catholic Homecoming Ceremony

Recent Gatherings and Reunions



Central Catholic 1973 Men's Basketball Team, honored as we mark 50 years since they won the Suburban Catholic League Championship



Central Catholic Class of 1970 luncheon



Holy Name 1972 Dinner











Holy Name 1969 Luncheon