

VIKING

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The Magazine for Alumni, Parents, Grandparents and Friends of Archbishop Wood High School



INCLUDING THE 2014-15 ANNUAL REPORT OF GIFTS

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

We are a community of many traditions and we are a family, a family that cares about all of its members and yes, we are certainly a school, a school that encourages its students to “Strive and Achieve Excellence” in everything they do. We are the “VIKINGS” of Archbishop Wood.



Dear Viking Alumni,

It is hard to believe that another year has gone by. We have closed our 50th anniversary year with many celebrations and successes. The Class of 2015 passed through the halls of Archbishop Wood for the last time as a class in June, but their legacy--as with all of our graduates--will never be forgotten. Their accomplishments are many: the Class of 2015 received over thirty million dollars in scholarships and grants to colleges and universities all over the country, and one of the class will be attending West Point and two will be attending the Air Force Academy, quite an accomplishment for these young graduates and a wonderful representation of this class, and yes, our athletic and activities programs were all very successful.

As we open the 2015/2016 school year we welcome back our upperclassmen as they take leadership of Archbishop Wood, and we welcome our new families and the Class of 2019 to begin their journey as part of the Viking Family and its many wonderful traditions.

I write to you today with my heartfelt thanks and appreciation for your support and generosity throughout this past year. Because of your support we have been able to continue to grow our academic program by adding a full time teacher for our STEM program, we have been able to continue the renovations of bathrooms and bring both our gyms up to a standard that suits the quality programs that we have, and this summer the school PA system was replaced adding intercom phones in every classroom and office, which is another addition to our security system to enhance the safety of our faculty and students.

I tell you about our successes and improvements because without your support many students would not be able to attend Archbishop Wood. Tuition and fees now total \$8,000 per student, hiring a teacher for the STEM program, having our learning specialist Mrs. Nase, and any renovations or improvements to the facility, are all paid for through the schools internal budget, which consists of the \$1200 school fee per student and the generosity of our alumni. And I am happy to report that we are growing; the incoming freshman class will have 288 students, and our total enrollment will be 1080, so I hope that you can see that the support that you, the alumni, give to your Alma Mater is most important and makes you an integral part of the success of Archbishop Wood High School and what it is today.

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Once again I thank you for all that you do and I hope and pray that you will continue to support our mission to educate the current and future students of Archbishop Wood High School for many years to come. Please know that you and your families are always in my prayers, for without you many things would not be possible. God Bless.

Sincerely yours,

Gary V. Zimmaro Sr.

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President

VIKING NEWS — ON CAMPUS



Wood Students Dance for a Cure

By Gillian Conricode '18

The Four Diamonds was founded in 1972 by Charles and Irma Millard, who started this organization in memory of their son, eleven year old Christopher. Christopher wrote a book while battling cancer. Throughout the story a knight was battling against evil. In order to be triumphant, the knight needed to capture four diamonds. Each diamond represented one of the virtues of courage, wisdom, honesty and strength. Christopher wrote this with himself being the knight and the evil he was fighting against was his cancer. He felt that courage, wisdom, honesty and strength were the necessary qualities in order to be able to overcome cancer. That is why Christopher's parents named the organization Four Diamonds. Since its beginning, this foundation has continuously worked to provide assistance to families with children who are battling cancer. Beginning in 1977, Four Diamonds partnered with Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital. In their partnership, they work to make THON possible. THON is a dance marathon that lasts forty-six hours, with all proceeds going to the Four Diamonds Foundation. In 2015, Penn State students who participated in THON were able to raise over \$13,000,000.

THON is essential to Four Diamonds to help pediatric cancer patients and their families; however, it is not the only way. There are over one hundred thirty mini-THONs raising thousands and thousands of dollars working to help win the battle against childhood cancer. This year at Archbishop Wood we had our second annual mini-THON. All Archbishop Wood students were encouraged to participate in the event. In order to do this a student must raise a minimum of one hundred dollars. All students are motivated to continue fundraising after they reach one hundred dollars. Families of the students, Archbishop Wood alumni, and other guests are invited to be a part of our mini-THON. This is not just an event for the Archbishop Wood community.

Cancer survivors and their families are truly touched by this event. Five out of the six hours of the event this year were dedicated to people who fought cancer regardless of whether they won or lost their battle. The families were then invited to speak on behalf on the cancer patient.

The first hour dedication was for a woman named Jane Anne who was the aunt of Nick Gronczewski, a senior, who spoke in honor of his aunt. For the next hour Francesca Rossillo, a junior at Wood, spoke on behalf of her family friend, Mikayla. The third hour was dedicated to a young girl named Noelle Weinhold. Noelle and her family attended our mini-THON and her mother spoke on their experiences and the impact Four Diamonds has had on their lives. The next hour was dedicated my dad who lost his fight with colon cancer. To conclude the night, the last hour was dedicated to all cancer survivors. I can personally say that this event meant so much to my family and me. I know that all the other families who spoke in honor of a relative also loved being a part of such a wonderful night. After the announcement of who each hour was dedicated to, all the students took part in a line dance. This dance was to help everyone stretch and get them ready to keep dancing for the next hour.

Another big part of our mini-THON was when both boys and girls cut their hair in honor of cancer patients. Several boys chose to have their heads shaved in support of cancer patients. It also provided girls an opportunity to cut off inches of their hair and donate it. The students at mini-THON had to stay on their feet the entire night, whether it be dancing or participating in some of the many different types of games and competitions. This enabled all the students to become involved.

Our mini-THON was very successful. Archbishop Wood raised over fifty-thousand dollars. This would not have been possible without the help of many people. Ms. McLaughlin, our teacher-moderator, led the mini-THON board, along with Katie Fennessey and Tori Doran. They worked with the other board members to make this such a successful night. The parents who volunteered their time along with the alumni who donated to our mini-THON were also a big part of the event. Everyone in the Archbishop Wood community who was involved positively impacted someone's life that night. I strongly encourage you to get involved in next year's mini-THON. It is something you won't regret and will never forget.



2014-2015 HIGHLIGHTS

Achieving Excellence in 2014-2015

- The class of 2015 earned over \$29 million in scholarships and grants
- 2 National Merit Finalists, 2 National Merit Commended Students
- 12 Neumann Scholars, 5 JCC Scholars, 19 Maguire Scholars
- 120 students earned between 3 and 12 college credits through the Dual Enrollment Programs
- Emergency Aid of Pennsylvania: 2 Founders Award Winners, 1 Scholarship Winner
- Coca Cola Scholar Winner
- Widener University High School Leadership Award Recipient
- Union League Good Citizenship Award Winner

- 4 Members All Catholic Chorus; 3 Members All Catholic Band; 2 Members All Catholic Orchestra
- Award Winning Robotics Team
- Intelligencer Art Contest Award Winners
- Joseph B. Whitehead Educator of Distinction Award Winner
- Over \$50,000 raised for Pediatric Cancer through the Mini-thon
- 3 Students attending United States Military Academies

Philadelphia Catholic League Champions

- Football
- Boys Soccer
- Girls Swimming
- Competitive Spirit
- Baseball
- Boys Volleyball

District XII Champion

- Football
- Boys Soccer
- Girls Soccer
- Girls Cross Country
- Girls Basketball
- Girls Swimming
- Competitive Spirit
- Baseball
- Boys Volleyball

PIAA State Finalists

- Girls' Cross Country
- Girls' Basketball

State Champion

- Football
- All Catholic Athletes- 116
- All State Athletes- 19



25th Annual Alumni Golf Classic Scores Scholarships for AWHs Students

The 25th Annual Alumni Golf Classic was held on May 8, 2015. Over the past 25 years, this golf outing has raised over \$400,000 for the Alumni Classic Scholarships. Six \$1,000 scholarships are awarded each year to Archbishop Wood students.

The Golf Committee did a wonderful job, and the event was a great success. Special thanks to Chairman Gene Finley '73 and the 2015 Golf Committee. Alums and friends had a great time on the golf course and especially at the post golf banquet.

The 2015 Golf Committee:

- Bob Boland '73
- Rosemary Connell Boyd '74
- Bill Ciorletti '74
- Ed Connolly '93
- Ken Karle
- Tex Kund '74
- Andy Thiers '77
- Joe Winning '73

Special Thanks to our volunteers:

- Bitzy Finley
- Kathy Laufer Kajmo '80
- Samantha Williams '08
- Bernadette Bachich Repisky '81
- Patty Roschetz '82
- Kristen Thiers

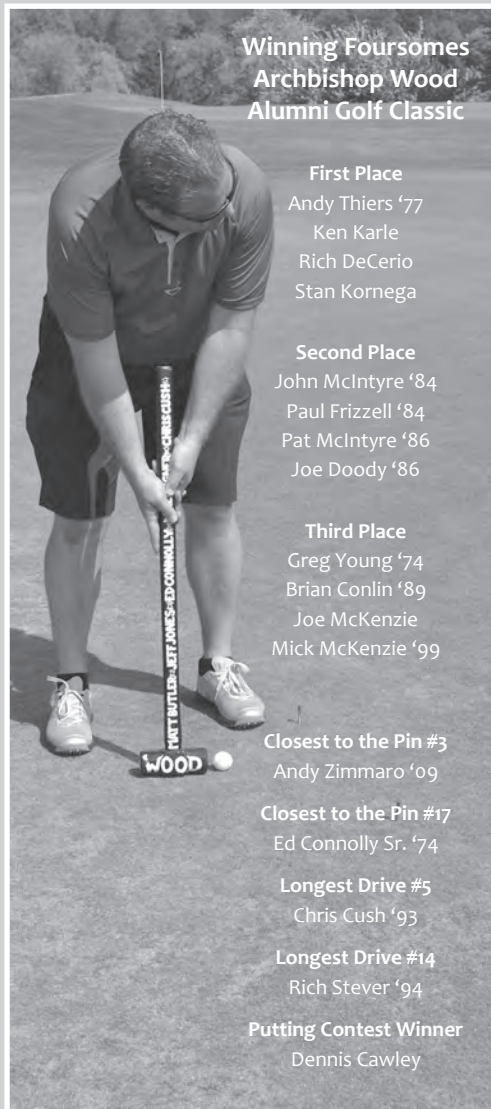
Special thanks to Alumni & Friends who donated auction items:

- Archbishop Wood State Championship Football Team
- Jack Bonner '77
- Carlow Cookery – Denis Chiappa '85
- Carrabba's – Willow Grove
- Greg Cathcart '79
- Paul Coady '73
- Dennis Day '68
- Larry Doyle '89
- Claire Finley Scholarship Fund
- Congressman Michael Fitzpatrick
- Larry Hebling '68
- O'Neil Buick – Jerry Burke '73
- Dennis Wasilewski '73
- Joe Winning '73



Save the date for the 25th Annual Classic, May 6, 2016. If you would like to join the Golf Committee, please contact Tim Dunn at 215-672-5050 ext. 227 or tdunn@archwood.org

Winning Foursomes Archbishop Wood Alumni Golf Classic



First Place
 Andy Thiers '77
 Ken Karle
 Rich DeCerio
 Stan Kornega

Second Place
 John McIntyre '84
 Paul Frizzell '84
 Pat McIntyre '86
 Joe Doody '86

Third Place
 Greg Young '74
 Brian Conlin '89
 Joe McKenzie
 Mick McKenzie '99

Closest to the Pin #3
 Andy Zimmaro '09

Closest to the Pin #17
 Ed Connolly Sr. '74

Longest Drive #5
 Chris Cush '93

Longest Drive #14
 Rich Stever '94

Putting Contest Winner
 Dennis Cawley

Alum's Love of Science Leads to International Success

By Brian Schoener '16

For many years, Archbishop Wood alumni have gone on to do extraordinary things, and have achieved great success in their respective occupations. Since its beginning in 1964, the school has been a home to a wide variety of students: Athletes, artists, scholars – generations of students with different interests. However the one constant through these generations is the first-rate Catholic education these graduates received at Wood. One graduate in particular says that his own time at Archbishop Wood helped him gain an interest in various fields, which would lead to the success of his company, Sea Box. His name is James Brennan, and his work has impacted thousands of people around the globe since his time at Archbishop Wood.

It was 1983 when James Brennan founded Sea Box, a company devoted to the modification and creation of various shipping units and structures, otherwise known as ISO containers. Since then, his company has become one of the biggest suppliers of ISO and logistics equipment in the world – if not the biggest. The standard shipping container that Sea Box makes is typically 20-40 feet long and can be transported by any means, including by air and sea. However, this construction is only one

of the duties that James' team must perform on a day to day basis. Where Sea Box truly differs from any other company is its specialty designs. "We create more unique designs than any other company in the world," says Brennan, "It is our job to suit our customers' specific needs, exactly the way they want." While Sea Box doesn't handle the actual shipping of their equipment, it is their job to make sure that it is moveable and ready for use in any condition. What they have to build is entirely dependent on what their customers imagine. "This makes our job interesting, because you never know what the next project will be," James says, "Sometimes it is something completely new. Because of this we've been a part of many great projects around the world."

Before Sea Box was even an idea, James attended Archbishop Wood High School in the late 1960s, and graduated in 1970. He remembers fondly the years he spent at the school. It was early on in his academic career that he developed a strong interest in science. "I was always inventing little ideas in my head even before high school," he explains, "I would see something interesting and think about how it worked." Unable to stay after school for sports, he had to find other ways to spend his



time. He was a member of Wood's Physics Club. During his senior year, he was accepted into a prestigious science program in which he took classes outside of school. He says it was always clear to him that he was going to be someone interested in Science and Engineering. He says that a job involving "paperwork" was never really for him. He was in love with hardware.

"At Wood, we used to take a test that would determine what job you would have when you were older. Every time I took that test, it told me I was a mechanical engineer, so I figured I would make that my major", says James. After graduating from Wood, he spent two years at Penn State, majoring in Mechanical Engineering. After this, he spent 10 years with a Tractor Trailer leasing company. It was here that James says he learned everything he needed to know about business and structure. After leaving, he went on to work with a small North Jersey Repair Depot. After seeing their good repair work, but bad business dealings, Brennan decided he would take over the sales side of the company. It was in this small Repair Depot that he thought of making his own company, and in September of 1982 he decided to do just that. Originally a "one-man show," James recruited the help of another Wood graduate, Bob Lougherty and the two men became Sea Box on February 14, 1983.

Flash forward 30 years, and Sea Box is a globally recognized company that lends its services to thousands of people. Located in East Riverton New Jersey, Sea Box headquarters has over 200 full time employees. The company has partners in Sweden, Australia and many other locations around the world. They have worked with countless organizations, including many universities, on various projects. As James Brennan said, the true wonder of Sea Box is its willingness to handle any task. They've done work with the National Science Foundation, creating shelters for equipment in the South Pole. They were also recruited by Disney to construct the world's largest movie screen, on which the film Pocahontas was shown in 1995. They have also done work with DARPA (Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency), and perhaps their greatest customer, the US Military. Sea Box provides more ISO shipping containers and shelters than any other company. They are currently redesigning all the restroom facilities for the Air force.

When looking back on his life James Brennan is thankful for his time at Archbishop Wood. He says the best part about it was that he was able to receive a well-rounded Catholic education. He has never been afraid to take on a challenge in a new field since graduating from Wood. He remains proud of his Alma Mater and focused on his future.

Archbishop Wood Welcomes Back the Hall of Fame

Do you know of a graduate who has reached a milestone or high level of achievement within his/her profession or has accomplished something of great significance? Here is your chance to have that person's accomplishment recognized!

Archbishop Wood's Hall of Fame recognized graduates for the first time in 2000 for athletic achievements. It is with great pleasure that Archbishop Wood has reinstated the Hall of Fame. This honor is given to graduates of Archbishop Wood High School. The event distinguishes six categories into which an alumni can be inducted. This is another step in our goal to reach out to our graduates and to involve them more actively.

Nominating Categories:

- ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT/EDUCATION
- ATHLETICS
- BUSINESS/MILITARY
- RELIGION
- SERVICE TO ARCHBISHOP WOOD AND THE WOOD COMMUNITY
- THE VIKING AWARD

The Viking Award, the highest honor bestowed by Archbishop Wood High School, is awarded to an alumni who best symbolizes the spirit of a Viking. This person has achieved a level of distinction within his/her chosen field or profession and has brought extraordinary benefits to Archbishop Wood and the community.

In order for an alumni to be nominated into the Hall of Fame, it is necessary that a Nomination Form be completed. Deadline for submissions is November 1, 2015. For further information or clarification, please contact the Alumni Office.

Hall of Fame Nomination Form

Please submit by November 1, 2015

Nominee's Information:

Full Name _____

Graduation Year _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone _____

Occupation _____

Reason for Nomination _____

Nominator's Information:

Full Name _____

Graduation Year _____

Please mail or email the Nomination Form to the Alumni Office at 655 York Road, Warminster, PA 18974 Attn: Samantha Mancuso Williams or swilliams@archwood.org. Please put "Hall of Fame Nomination" in the subject line.



Sponsor A Student: 2015-2016

Every year thousands of students are given the gift of Catholic Education thanks to the generosity of people like you.

How does it work?

Archbishop Wood will identify the greatest tuition assistance needs and allocate the funds accordingly to those students.

Whom does it benefit?

Students who deserve the rewards and benefits of a Catholic Education but who need financial assistance.

How do I contribute?

Sponsor A Student provides several levels of gifting, as well as options for payment. Select the option from the category that best suits you.

Payment Methods

Contributions can be made monthly, quarterly or annually. Donors may pay by check or credit card. Complete the attached response and mail to:

Archbishop Wood High School
 Advancement Office
 655 York Road
 Warminster, PA 18974

If you have any questions, please contact
 Tim Dunn at 215-672-5050 ext.227

I want to sponsor a AWHs student!

Name _____
 Address _____
 City/State/Zip _____
 Phone () _____
 Email _____

Sponsor Levels

- Full Tuition Scholarship \$6,800
- Half Tuition Scholarship \$3,400
- Partial Tuition Scholarship..... \$2,200
- Other: \$1,500 \$1,000 \$750

Payment methods:

Check # _____
 Please make your tax deductible gift payable to "Archbishop Wood Sponsor A Student"
 Credit Card: VISA MasterCard
 Credit Card #: _____
 Name on Credit Card: _____
 Exp. Date: _____ Signature: _____



Create a Lasting Memorial in our Alumni Prayer Garden

Memorialize a family member, favorite scripture, or saying. Thank friends, alumni, faculty or corporate donors who have helped Archbishop Wood maintain its mission of providing a Catholic education to generations of young people. Your message on a 9.5-by-6 inch stone paver will be permanently displayed in the Alumni Prayer Garden. The \$150 covers the cost of the stone and engraving and contributes to the garden's ongoing landscaping expenses. The stones will be highlighted at the Memorial Garden Blessing to be held at the Alumni Mass on Sunday, April 17, 2016. Each donor will be sent an invitation to the Alumni Mass and Breakfast event.

For more information on this fundraising project, contact Samantha Mancuso Williams at the Alumni Center at 215-672-5050 ext. 229 or by email at swilliams@archwood.org.

Please PRINT exactly as you wish your stone to read on the form at right >

Alumni Prayer Garden Stones

9.5-by-6 inch engraved stone paver: \$150 each
 3 lines, 15 characters per line including spaces

PERSONAL MESSAGE LINE 1:

 PERSONAL MESSAGE LINE 2:

 PERSONAL MESSAGE LINE 3:

 Name of brick purchaser _____
 Address _____
 City/State/Zip _____
 Phone () _____
 Email _____
 Payment method: Check # _____ Payable to Archbishop Wood High School
 Credit Card: _____
 Name on Credit Card: _____
 Exp. Date: _____ Signature: _____

MAIL WITH PAYMENT TO:
Archbishop Wood High School
655 York Rd., Warminster, PA 18974

What's New

The '60s

1967- John Lubicky is still in full-time academic medical practice. He is currently a professor of Orthopaedic Surgery & Pediatrics and is the Chief of the Division of Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery at West Virginia University in Morgantown. John and his wife, Vicki, have four grown children who are scattered around the country, which leaves them as empty nesters. Both John and Vicki are cancer survivors, John with colon cancer, and Vicki with breast cancer. John's plan is to work until he is 70, and after that, who knows? He sends his best regards to his 1967 classmates.

1968- Mary (McMullin) O'Donnell and husband, Tom, will be great grandparents. Their son, **Tom O'Donnell '89**, is the new grandfather to be! Tom's daughter Kaytlyn is expecting a little boy, Liam James, in late September.

1969- Robert Fala graduated from Archbishop Wood in 1969, and his wife Nancy (Peterman) graduated from Wood in 1971. In January 2015, Robert became the Director of the Department of Natural Resources for the State of West Virginia. Aside from his career as wildlife biologist (MS degree), Robert also taught evening classes at a local college, wrote weekly outdoor-sports/environmental articles for a West Virginia newspaper, and has published numerous articles in Pennsylvania and West Virginia nature magazines. Over the past 2

years, he also published two books.

1969- Jack Mulcahy owns and operates a successful resume company, Jack Mulcahy Resume Services. Jack provides resume solutions tailored to achieve the job seeker's professional goals. His services also include cover letters, personal branding, thank-you letters, and LinkedIn profiles. For Sales & Marketing professionals, managers, or executives, Jack will build a professional resume, cover letter, and LinkedIn profile that can win the right job, in the right time, at the right salary.

1969- Donna Tonrey graduated in 1969. She is currently the Director of the Counseling and Family Therapy Master's Programs at La Salle University. Donna's doctoral degree is in Clinical Psychology, and her master's degree is in marriage and family therapy and counseling. Donna is a licensed psychologist, licensed marriage and family therapist, and a licensed professional counselor. Along with her role at La Salle, Donna also continues to see clients in her private practice.

The '70s

1970- Mary Snyder Knapp, RN, MSN/GMP, NHA, FAAN, is currently the Director of Health Services at Foulkeways at Gwynedd, the oldest Continuing Care Retirement Community in PA. She continues to publish and present at conferences on topics concerning older adults. She is a National Legal Nurse Expert Witness on the health care

of older adults. This year Mary was a presenter at Wood's career day on the topic of a career in business. Mary has been married to her husband, Karl, for 40 years, has two daughters and two grandchildren.

1971- Lance Simmens (formerly known as Dale Simendinger) has recently written a book and appeared on Hardball with Chris Matthews. This past June, Lance did a book signing at Barnes and Nobel in Rittenhouse Square, Philadelphia, hosted by former Governor Ed Rendell.

1971- After 27 years of successful teaching on the elementary level in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, **Cindy Sana** retired in June of 2014. She taught various grades with her last 17 years teaching the subjects of math, science, and social studies at Ss. Simon & Jude

School in West Chester, Pa. She is currently enjoying retirement and is also teaching preschool at the Goddard School in Malvern. One daughter and two granddaughters are her joys of her life. She is grateful for her strong Catholic education at Archbishop Wood.

1979- Mike Andrus is Founder and CEO of WeFeedUs, Inc. The company is set to build a 3.5 acre bio-secure agriculture innovation center at the University of Delaware STAR Campus. WeFeedUs, Inc., a sustainable resource management company, seeks to provide a scalable commercial model for future sustainable food and energy ecosystems by creating a commercial-scale model to produce organic produce, aquaculture, algae, and renewable energy.

Connect with us online!



The Vikings have launched a facebook page www.facebook.com/Archbishop Wood High School and twitter page www.twitter.com/Archbishop Wood High School with news items about AWHS. Students, parents and friends are invited to become fans of our facebook page and twitter updates.

Archbishop Wood is now using **Constant Contact** as a tool for communicating with you. Want to know what is happening at Archbishop Wood? All we need from you is a current email address. Register on our website: www.archwood.org



VIKING NEWS — WHAT'S NEW

The '80s

1980- Lori Quinlan has been a Florida Realtor since 2004. She is the mom of Brandon Kuzma, age 25, and Rachel Kuzma age 22, who are known for their famous Youtube video that gave them the nickname of the www.N64Kids.com. Lori's children are currently featured in a Taco Bell commercial screaming their excitement to open a Steak Double Dilla from Taco Bell, airing nationally through May 2015.

1980- Michael Wood recently started a new job as Director of Corporate Communications for American Water, based in Voorhees, NJ, the nation's largest investor-owned water and wastewater utility, serving 14 million customers in 30 states. Michael previously served as Senior Manager, Media Relations and Communications, for PECO Energy in Philadelphia and Senior Manager, Corporate Communications for PPL Corporation in Allentown. Michael lives in Warrington with his wife, Ann, and two boys, Joshua, 7, and Benjamin, 3.

1986- Tom Perkowski has co-founded Eagle Cap Software, an early stage startup focusing on aviation & aerospace software development. He resides in San Diego, CA, with his wife, Mai.

1987- Mary Beth (Johnston) Conricode, First Grade Teacher at Nativity of Our Lord, was named 2015 Bucks Happening Teacher of the Year

The '90s

1993- Since graduating from Wood, **Emilia Andrews** attended

Ursinus College, then Temple University. Emilia's degree in Psychology with Minors in Neuropathology and Statistics has helped her tremendously in her career. Since 1999, Emilia founded and is the co-owner/Chief Operating Officer of Beholder Productions, a branding and media agency based in Philadelphia with satellite offices in NYC and Miami. This started as a film and video production company, but as content delivery methods have evolved, so has Beholder. Simply put, according to Emilia, "We are passionate storytellers who thrive on growth and being an integral part of our client's team."

1994- Angela Owarzani just completed her studies with Saint Joseph's University in Special Education Certification for grades 7-12. She will be completing her second Masters in the Fall from SJU in Special Education.

The '00s



2003- Julia (Fox) and Joseph Gerlach welcomed their 3rd child, baby Lucy Elizabeth (above) on December 3, 2015.

2003- Tim Opdyke and Brittany (Sheehan) Opdyke '06 (left) got married on April 5, 2014, and welcomed their beautiful baby girl on Christmas Eve '14.

2003- After graduating with a Master's degree in Strategic Communication from Villanova in 2010, **Veronica (Michalski) McDonough** started her own Graphic Design and Marketing Agency, Blú Lotus Studio, which specializes in print and marketing materials for weddings, special events and business branding. Veronica is also the assistant Girls Lacrosse coach at Wood.

2004- Cassandra (Schuring) Allia and her husband, Dan, are expecting their second child, a little girl, Gracelyn Kelley, on January 2, 2015. They currently have a little boy, Connor Presley, who was born last year on May 1, 2014.

2004- Kevin Rakszawski is an Internal Medicine physician at Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center. He and his wife, Elizabeth, gave birth to a son in late May 2015. He is applying for a fellowship in Hematology/Oncology, to begin in July 2016.

2006- Dan McGinley and Casey Barton '07 are getting married on September 26, 2015.

2006- Mark White and his wife, Kristina, welcomed their first son, Shane Robert White, born on July 26, 2015.



2006- Austin Iorio married Alanna Pennecale, daughter of Anita (DiMarzio) Pennecale '78, on December 27, 2014. Austin and Alanna recently moved to North Carolina where Austin is serving at the Marine Corps Air Station, New River.

2006- John Williams and Samantha (Mancuso) Williams '08 got married on December 12, 2014.

2006- John Schwartz and Jackie White '07 are getting married on September 19, 2015.

2006- On May 18th 2015 **Danielle (Carfi) Wojtusik** and her husband, Theodore Wojtusik, welcomed two precious bundles of joy into their family, little Theodore Caleb and Genevieve Mae. (below)



2007- Kristin Kennedy and Andrew Brenner were married on May 16, 2015. The wedding party included Maid of Honor **Kaitlin Kennedy '04**, Bridesmaid **Anna Kennedy '12**, Bridesmaid **Katie Kelly '07**, and Groomsman **Sean Gavaghan '07**. Guests enjoying the festivities included **Megen Donovan '07**, **Wally Donovan '04**, **Bri Carroll '07**, **Amber Verbas '07**, **Tim Aulette '07**, **Billy Bieluke '07**, **Beth Bredin '07**, **Kelly Pullman '08**, **Shannon Coughlin '15** and **Cara Coughlin '18**.

2008- Lisa Strack was hired in July 2014 to be an assistant women's basketball coach at the United States Military Academy. The Black Knights are a Division I program, which won the Patriot League championship in 2014.

2009- Jeanette Lesenko is spending a voluntary year of service with the Vincentian Volunteers of Cincinnati at the St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) Outreach Center in Cincinnati, OH. Jeanette and four other volunteers live in an intentional community setting in the same neighborhood as the individuals they serve at the SVDP Outreach Center down the street. They receive a modest monthly stipend and are currently receiving SNAP benefits (food stamps) in order to live simply and to come closer to understanding how the people they serve live. Jeanette works in the social services department as a client advocate helping individuals with a variety of services such as clothing/household vouchers, bus tickets, rent and utility assistance, vouchers, state IDs, police checks, and birth certificates. At the end of the year Jeanette will receive an educational award to put toward her choice of student loans or graduate school. Jeanette will most likely be spending another year of service with the Vincentian Volunteers of Cincinnati after this year's completion in July.

The '10s

2010- After graduating from Wood **Andre Del Valle** attended the Summer Session Program at Harvard (4.0 GPA). Andre graduated Cum Laude from La Salle University in May 2014,

with double majors in Political Science and Spanish. He was Vice-President of the Political Science Society and was initiated into the National Chapter Pi Sigma Alpha. He was also initiated into the National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society, Sigma Delta Pi, was Vice President of College Democrats, and starting catcher for La Salle club baseball. Andre is currently working for Philadelphia City Council as Legislative Assistant to Council Woman Sanchez and plans on attending Law school. Andre was featured on Univision 65 Spanish television network for his new political APP on March 8. He was also featured in the Al Dia Latino Newspaper and was interviewed by Channel 17.

2010- Tim Goodwin graduated from the University of Pittsburgh. He is now following a call to be a lay missionary on a college campus. Tim will work on the campus at the Coast Guard Academy in Connecticut.

2011- Danielle Kane completed her final year of college on a program called "Semester at Sea". This opportunity allowed Danielle to visit 12 countries and travel around the world on ship. Danielle said, "It was an amazing and unique opportunity."

2011- During her senior year at La Salle University, **Jennifer Whelan** was named to the Atlantic 10 All-Academic team for volleyball. Jen's coach said, "Jen Whelan is the epitome of what a "student athlete" should be". Jen graduated this past spring with her BSN.

2012- A group of 14 students and 5 chaperons from La Salle University

attended a travel-study trip to India over spring break in 2014. **John Baxter** was fortunate enough to partake in this experience. During his trip, he studied the very rich history of the country as well as its modern-day culture. Pictured (below) is John at the Taj Mahal in Agra. This is one of the many



magnificent sites John had the privilege to visit. "The whole 10-day trip remains one of the most memorable experiences of my life!" John next plans to travel for the upcoming fall semester, where he will spend studying at The University of Alicante in southern Spain.

2012- Kyle McCloskey recently received the J Pat Miller Scholarship award from Loyola University Chicago's Department of Fine and Performing Arts. The award is given annually to an individual in the Theatre

Department who displays Artistic Potential. Kyle will also be directing Columbinus, a play about the Columbine School Shootings, spring 2016 at Loyola University Chicago.

2013 & 2014- Tom Shute '13, Brendon Furlong '13 and Stephen Kajmo '14. As members of the Temple Men's Club Lacrosse team they won the NCLL Division II National Championship on May 3, 2015, at Penn State University. They were also awarded the NCLL



President's Award as Team of the Year with a record of 21-0.

2014- Jessica Parker, an elementary education major, was chosen as a Maguire Foundation Scholar at Neumann University. Jessica was one of five first-year students to have been selected for this extraordinary gift from the Maguire Foundation, one of which enable as many as 20 students to achieve their dreams of attaining a university education and preparation for a professional career.

Reunions for 2015

- 1970 – Saturday, October 10, 2015 – VE Club – Warminster, PA
- 1980 – Saturday, September 12, 2015 – Mercer Museum – Doylestown, PA
- 1985 – Saturday, June 27, 2015 – Roman Delight – Warminster, PA
- 1990 – Saturday, October 10, 2015 – Maggio's - Southampton, PA

In Loving Memory of Our Deceased Alumni, Faculty & Staff

Kyle Atras '07	Timothy McKeivitt '78
James Campbell Jr. '88	Sheila Morris '70
Kathleen Dalton '68	Christopher Muldoon '12
Kevin Dunn '84	Joseph Schulingkamp
Gino Francescangeli '71	Wilhelm Sipmeier '84
Christine Magda '86	Dominic Zupito '13



Alumni Class News

Please let us know any new contact, marital and/or educational information. Mail us at: Archbishop Wood High School, 655 York Road, Warminster, PA 18974 or email at: swilliams@archwood.org

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From the Office of Alumni Relations Class Agents

Archbishop Wood Alumni take pride in the fact that Wood is well known for sustaining lifelong friendships that started in the halls and on the fields of Archbishop Wood High School. Are you the Viking alum who organizes get-togethers, exchanges Christmas cards, and has "friended" or "followed" nearly the entire class on Social Media? Perhaps there are one or two classmates with whom you have remained close throughout the years. Or maybe you are the alum who loved your days at Wood so much that you chose the same path for your children which has allowed you to reconnect with the Wood Community. Whether you fall on one end of the spectrum or the other—or somewhere in between—please consider becoming a Class Agent.

The Class Agent's role is essential to the Wood community. As a Class Agent, you play a critical role in connecting your classmates to Archbishop Wood High School. It's the perfect way to get back in touch with your classmates and Alma Mater. As a Class Agent, you will work with other class agents to contact your classmates informally (by phone, email, or social media) a few times a year about upcoming Alumni events, fundraising or volunteering opportunities, and other school-related activities or accomplishments.

Please contact Samantha Mancuso Williams '08, Director of Alumni Relations, at 215-672-5050, ext. 229, or by email at swilliams@archwood.org, for further information on the program. We hope that with your help we can make our alumni bond more vibrant!

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A planned gift may be the most worthwhile gift you ever make...

Once you have taken care of your family members, just a few sentences in your will is all that is needed. The official bequest language for Archbishop Wood High School is: "I, [name], of [city, state, ZIP], give, devise and bequeath to Archbishop Wood High School [written amount or percentage of the estate or description of property] for its unrestricted use and purpose."

For information on creating your first will or more information regarding estate planning, contact Tim Dunn at 215-672-5050 ext. 227 or www.archwood.org- Click Giving to Wood - click Planned Giving.

Thank you for remembering Wood!

Career Day

By Marybeth Gerdelmann '16

Freshmen, sophomores, and juniors came together on May 8 for Archbishop Wood's annual Career Day. As usual, Wood gets a hold of the best speakers and alumni from all types of career paths, from doctors to television personalities! Even some of Wood's most recent graduates returned to their alma mater to speak to the freshman about how what they do in high school

will set them up for success in college.

Throughout Career Day, students travel to three different locations to listen to a speaker representing a certain profession that grabs their attention. These professionals were extremely helpful and provided beneficial advice to each group on the importance of going after a career interesting to them.

Altogether, this year was yet another successful and informative Career Day for the student body. Special thanks to all of our speakers (listed below). The Archbishop Wood community cannot thank all of you enough for taking the time out of your busy schedules to be with us!

- Dr. Dominic McFadden
- Mr. Kevin Lynn
- Mr. Andy Lafond
- Mrs. Lauren Herman
- Mr. Raymond DeStephanis
- Mr. Matt McDonald
- Jessica Pritchard
- Mr. Troy Lingo

- Mr. William Galvin
- Stephanie Salvatore-Brophy
- Lauren Sheriden
- Kelly Drieble
- Mary Knapp
- Mr. James Plunkett
- Ms. Megan DeCaloris
- Mr. Ed Lis
- Ms. Ali Ingersoll
- Ret. Col. Jon Lightner
- Mr. Alfred Poor
- Mr. Ryan Smith
- Rev. Robert Mulligan
- Chris O'Neill
- Dr. Amanda McClain
- Other various graduates

Striving to Live the Fourth

By Mackenzie Conricode '16



Kairos is a religious retreat offered at St. Francis Retreat House in Easton to seniors and some chosen juniors at Wood. Its purpose is to reconnect or strengthen relationships with God and with people. Kairos was first brought to Wood by Archbishop Ryan in the winter of 2006. That first year only two retreats were offered. Since then three Kairos retreats are offered every year. They take place in the fall, winter, and spring. There have been 28 Kairos retreats and counting. Its popularity has been growing steadily over the past 10 years. In the beginning, the retreats would have 20 to 30 students. Now they have about 60 students per retreat. Its growth is due mainly to the students' enthusiastic response. Over the years many students have been touched deeply by Kairos. A testimony to this is that even after graduation the experience is still remembered with great joy. Some even come back to be adult leaders.

Going on Kairos has been one of the best decisions I have made so

far at Wood. As one of the few juniors to go, I was very apprehensive about it at first. I am so glad I went because my relationship with God and my own faith grew. Since I had this experience as a junior, I will hopefully have the opportunity to lead my classmates in my senior year. I made so many new friends--juniors and seniors--by attending Kairos. It is an amazing, eye-opening experience for everyone. You have to be open to and trust in God. I wish I could tell you everything about Kairos, but in order for you to know what happens, you must experience this amazing opportunity for yourself.

Kairos isn't offered just at Wood, but also at many other Catholic and private schools in the area. It is even offered for public schools. There is a regional Kairos for public and home schooled students. It was started by the Greenhalgh's family in 2013. Kairos is a very unique experience for a high school student. It gives us a special place and time where we can realize God's presence in our lives and realize God's love for us. It is the key for every high school young man or young woman, especially as we near graduation, to know that God loves us and that He is on our side. This is so important because every young person needs God. If there is to be real joy in a person's life, he or she needs God. Hopefully the Kairos retreat will help to convincing a young person that God's way is the way to go. Living one's faith is where true joy is found.

You cannot share the secrets that happen there; all participants must find out for themselves when it is right for them. It is a truly amazing experience that I shall never forget.



FIRST Robotics Shine at World Championships

By Kaitlyn Krewson '15 and Julie Seif '14

FIRST Robotics was founded in 1989 by Dean Kamen (Segway inventor) and Dr. Woodie Flowers (professor emeritus at MIT). FIRST, which stands for "For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology," is a world-wide program that aims to educate students on much more than just the process of building a competition class robot. After many years of rapid growth, this program caught the eye of Mr. Thomas Galie, physics teacher at Archbishop Wood, who introduced the FIRST Robotics program to his school and founded Team 2607, the Fighting RoboVikings, in November 2006. Over the past nine years, what started as a small group of students interested in technology has blossomed into a diverse group of students, faculty members, and mentors. From artists to athletes and everyone in between, there is a spot for everyone on this team, not just the "techies."

The 2014 season had many highlights. We ranked second offensively in the Tri-State Region (PA/DE/NJ) and 113th world wide out of 2729

teams. After receiving an invitation to the Virginia Regional and winning undefeated, we went on to the FIRST World Championships in St. Louis, MO. However, our 2015 season would be even more impressive. After winning undefeated at both the Hatboro-Horsham and Upper Darby District Qualifier events, we went on to the District Championships. It was there, that we finished as semi-finalists and we qualified for the World Championships once again. This year's trip to St. Louis ended with the team finishing its season as Quarter Finalists and ranking in the top 2.5% of the world (72 out of 2872 teams) offensively.

Our team's success is the result of many sources. First, we would not be able to run without the generous support of our current sponsors (Lockheed Martin Corp, EHS Edge LCC, Merck, Healthcare Receivable Specialists Inc, Moo Hope Ice Cream, Prieto Machine Co., the Czerwonka Family, and IBEW Local Union 98) and past sponsors (PECO, Signature Consultant Solutions, the US Navy, Senator Stuart J. Greenleaf, State

Representative Thomas Murt, NASA, and AT&T) as well as donations from various sources including local businesses, families, and alumni. At the start of each season, a new game is announced and we must design our robot to be able to play the game effectively in order to win. To do this, we must allocate \$3,000 to \$4,000 of our annual operating expenses just to the purchase of new parts. Moving forward, in order to compete, we must pay registration fees that total about \$15,000 per year.

Secondly, teachers, parents, and mentors make an invaluable commitment of their time to working with the students. During the countless hours that are spent assembling the robot, students are learning STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) concepts, which are in-demand skills that are needed in the 21st century. The project-based and mentor-guided learning environment provides a springboard for students to learn mechanical, electronic, electrical, CAD, computer programming skills, and new technologies with ease.

The growth of the Team 2607 has influenced the introduction of more STEM course offerings at Archbishop Wood. The top students in these STEM classes are usually students who are also members of the team. These classes include: 3D Design, Printing, and Production; Applied Technology & Engineering; AP Computer Science; Automotive Engineering; Engineering Fundamentals/Robotics; and Introduction to Architectural Design.

FIRST also cultivates many other skills including teamwork, responsibility, self-confidence, problem solving, and it fosters a love



of innovation and creativity in students. Learning how to build something from the prototype to the finished product, as well as learning how to effectively manage projects within a team, FIRST also gives the young entrepreneur the business and management skills required in the working world today.

From being surrounded by adults who share their love and knowledge of STEM with them, students learn that knowledge must be shared. We do this through community outreach in multiple forms. For the past two years we have hosted an FLL or First Lego League event. FLL is a program for students in middle school to learn problem-solving and the introduction to the design process. This September, students on Team 2607 will begin their first season of mentoring two FLL teams. They will help and guide students to have a successful season and pass on what they've acquired through FIRST to the next

generation of students. Besides just FIRST or STEM-related outreach, annually we create and donate Christmas boxes for St. John's Hospice and help in preparing meals for Aid for Friends.

On the surface, the goal of FIRST Robotics is for each team to build a competition class robot. However, FIRST delves deeper than the surface by bringing students together to learn and cultivate a level of professionalism that will stay with them long beyond graduation.

Please visit www.robovikings.com and the FIRST website. www.usfirst.org, to learn more about this wonderful organization. If you or your employer supports the development of future business and STEM leaders, please consider being a sponsor or donor to the Archbishop Wood Fighting Robo-Vikings.

A Closer Look at the Class of 2015

By Celine Links '16

Archbishop Wood's class of 2015 was an especially remarkable one, earning nearly \$30,000,000 in scholarship money. The top three universities that former Vikings are headed to are Penn State, West Chester, and Bloomsburg. There are students going to local and state schools, as well as going out of state. Some of the out of state schools the graduates are headed off to include UNC Chapel Hill, University of Texas, San Diego State and Virginia Tech. Additionally, several students of the class of 2015 have been accepted into the Air Force, Coast Guard, Merchant Marine and US Military Academies. A big congratulations to the class of 2015, who are all bound to do great things!



Vikes Sail Away with the Catholic League Crown

By Eric Dyke '15

At the beginning of every sports year, it is common for individuals on a team to set personal and team goals together to achieve throughout the season. Some goals may be easy to reach, and other goals may not have been reached in 22 years. For our baseball team, a goal that had not been achieved in 22 years was the elusive Philadelphia Catholic League championship. We knew going into the season that achieving this goal would not be easy because of the level of competition in the PCL. Nevertheless, the whole team came together during offseason workouts and our Myrtle Beach trip and set our sights on a successful season.

After the disappointing loss in the first round of the state playoffs the previous year, our team was determined to make sure we got over the humps that we weren't able to get over the year before. Our long journey began in our offseason workouts. We worked hard every week to prepare our minds and bodies through repeated drills and workouts to hit the ground running once the season began. As the season grew closer and closer, the excitement and anticipation among all of us grew significantly, and we all wanted to prove that we had gotten better and were ready to do bigger things. Finally, we were ready to take our spring trip to play down in Myrtle Beach for an extended weekend. After we got to play some live games against great competition, we were able to evaluate our strengths and pick out areas we needed to improve in order to have our greatest success in league play when we returned.

This past year was also special for PCL baseball because instead of having two separate divisions, there were no divisions anymore. This meant that we would get the opportunity to play everyone in the Catholic League and see how we competed with every team during the year instead of waiting for the playoffs to see some teams. As we began league play, we were still brushing off some rust, but by mid season we were on a roll. We picked up many big-rivalry wins in the regular season, including our 6-0 victory at home against Neumann-Goretti, where RHP Joey Lancellotti threw a no-hitter in a dominant performance. After that game, we knew if we played the way we were capable, no one in the league could beat us.

At the end of the regular season, we had compiled a record of 13 wins and 4 losses, with a record of 10 wins and 2 losses against Catholic League opponents. This record gave us the regular season title for the Catholic League and a number one seed in the playoffs. We were three wins away from accomplishing something that no Wood baseball team had done in 22 years. Everyone on the team was excited to be so close,



and we didn't want the opportunity to slip away from us. After we won two games, the second one a walk-off against LaSalle in the semifinals, we were set up for a rematch of our regular season game with Neumann-Goretti. It was a matchup that we wanted and were very excited for. After seven long, suspense-filled innings, and we had gotten the final two outs on a double play, we had done it. The 22-year wait for a title was over. The feelings and emotions everyone on the team and in the stands supporting us experienced were ones that will never be forgotten. The privilege of raising

the plaque at the end of the game was something everyone on the team had been waiting for. To see the many hours of work we as a team and coaching staff had put in during the offseason and into the season finally reward all of us was such a relief and blessing.

Fortunately enough, our season didn't end with the Catholic League championship. We went to the District 12 championship to face Franklin Town Charter, the team we had beaten the previous year in the same game. By beating them for the second year in a row, we moved on to the state playoffs to chase a state championship. Unfortunately, also for the second straight year, we lost in the first round and our season was over in the blink of an eye. But, that didn't mean it was an unsuccessful year because we lost our last game. The goals we accomplished, the friendships we made, and the times we shared will not soon be forgotten by anyone who was a part of our championship run. We all grew as a team and as individuals, and each one of us made the most out of the whole season. Being able to say you won one of the most competitive leagues in the state is not something everyone can say. But now, everyone on our team can say that they did it. At the end of the year, it is now safe to say that we accomplished our goals and exceeded everyone's expectations.



Never Ending Smiles

By Megan Szanajda '16

Athletes Helping Athletes is a non-profit organization that has organizations throughout high schools in the Philadelphia Archdiocese and public high schools as well. The program's purpose is to give special needs children/young adults the chance to participate as honorary captains at high school sports games. Not only is this an experience for the kids who are in AHA, but it is an amazing feeling to those who participate in this club or interact with them.

Rick Leonetti, Sr. decided to start Athletes Helping Athletes at Council Rock North High School in 2002. He grew up in Northeast Philadelphia and attended Father Judge High School. His children went to Council Rock North, which is where the program began in our area. He didn't originally plan on starting Athletes Helping Athletes there, but the idea sprouted from wanting to end boosters for football and start giving things to charity that the players would usually receive. AHA was at North just for football games until Mr. Leonetti's son graduated. He thought that was the end of it. However, due to the people enjoying this program so much, it stayed and is still a program at North.

AHA came to Archbishop Wood in 2009 when Wood alum Kasey Ozckowski became the coordinator. At the time she was one of the basketball coaches. Because of her involvement and the sport she coached at that time, only girls' basketball games featured AHA honorary captains. That was the first year here at Wood, but since then, the program has expanded and there are AHA participants at almost all sports games at Wood now. The kids are asked what sports they like to play or enjoy watching, and it goes from there.

Athletes Helping Athletes is now an official and very popular club at Archbishop Wood. Those who join get to be "buddies" at sports games, go to different schools' Fun Nights (basically a night mixed with different sports stations for the kids to play in), and just have a blast. Being a part of AHA can change the way you look at life. One story that Mr. Leonetti tells and one that is my personal favorite is about our Girls' Basketball team years ago. A little background-- AHA is also a partner with the Special Olympics of Bucks County Basketball, which many kids in AHA are also members in. One night at one of Wood's games, two AHA kids

went up to play with our players. The kids were doing great and they were making almost every shot they took. Before this night, it was hard for these kids to make 1 out of 10. The parents of the kids even asked Mr. Leonetti if our nets were lowered! Our girls were confused when Mr. Leonetti explained to them why they were doing so great. They didn't believe they had anything to do with the success the AHA children were having. He suggested that the Wood players attend one of the basketball practices to see them in action. When the Wood girls watched them at their game, they weren't as successful and they missed almost every shot. Mr. Leonetti then turned to see that the Wood girls had tears on their faces because they were so touched. He shared with them that the reason the AHA kids did so well as honorary captains was because of the players who reached out to work with them and support them, a real team effort. The participants at the Wood games cheered each one of the AHA buddies on that night in the big gym, and that made the kids feel on top of the world. To me, that awesome story is the true explanation of what AHA is all about. It lets special needs kids participate in things they wouldn't normally do, but also touches the players or buddies who witness their happiness.

Athletes Helping Athletes has grown so far and continues to grow every year. In March, guests from Brazil came to Archbishop Wood for a meeting with AHA. They came because they wanted to examine U.S. organizations and how they use sports and other interactive programs to equip youth with life skills and encourage them to participate in their communities. This was not only an incredible experience for me as part of the panel, but an amazing day that allowed us to share what we do in AHA and listen and learn what these groups do in their countries for their organizations as well. Athletes Helping Athletes is an incredible program that deserves all of the recognition it gets. I am so grateful that I joined as a freshman and get to be included in this amazing organization.



Archbishop Wood Fun Night:

Lindsay McClain has "Chopped her way to the top"

By Celine Links '16



Lindsay McClain is a graduate of the Archbishop Wood class of 2003. Lindsay was a contestant on the Food Network's television show, "Chopped." Currently, Lindsay works as the chef de cuisine at Jamonera in Center City. We got the

opportunity to speak to Lindsay not only about her career path, but what her time at Archbishop Wood provided her with that she was able to take with her throughout her life.

Q: What was it like behind the scenes of a television show?

Being behind the scenes of a television show as a contestant was kind of boring actually. Other than the time that you are filming you are just waiting around for the crew to get the set ready. Because I was on a competition with secret ingredients, we weren't allowed to go anywhere by ourselves, not even the bathroom. Every time we walked down a hallway or into a different room, the person escorting us would have to yell "chefs on set" just in case one of the secret ingredients or judges was around the corner.

Q: At what age did you begin to take an interest to cooking? ?

I've been cooking my whole life. My time with my family pretty much revolves around food so I started cooking with my grandmother when I was little, sitting on the countertop helping her. My first restaurant job was at little Leo's cafe where I started cooking and waitressing at 15.

Q: What college did you attend following your graduation from Archbishop Wood?

I went to IUP (Indiana university of Pennsylvania). I started off as a marketing major and after three weeks realized it wasn't for me. Lucky for me, IUP has a small culinary school at another campus in Punxsutawney and a really good hospitality program.

Q: Is the career path you chose different than you had expected?

Looking back, my career path is exactly what I had expected it to be. I went into college as a marketing major only because friends and family had talked me out of going for hospitality and culinary, but I quickly changed my major. I know not everyone knows exactly what they want to do at a young age and that's okay; things just happen to work out for me as planned.

Q: What did you learn during your time at Wood that has influenced/ been beneficial to you in the real world?

This may sound cheesy but the most beneficial thing I took away from my time at wood was meeting my two best friends. There's not a day that goes by that I don't talk to them. They understand my busy schedule and make time to see me at the weirdest hours.

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 Hail with pride our honored seal
 And beneath our glowing colors
 Pledge to you our Faith and Zeal.
 With our banner's cross to guide us
 Bringing wisdom to the world
 Ever by our faithful striving
 Will our colors stand unfurled.
 Hail the black, green and gold
 Of Archbishop Wood
 May we bring to your banner renown
 For in Youth's loyal might
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Sister Jeannette Goglia (pictured below at our 2015 Hall of Fame) helped to compose the Archbishop Wood Alma Mater. Hail the black, green and gold!



A Curriculum Rooted in STEM

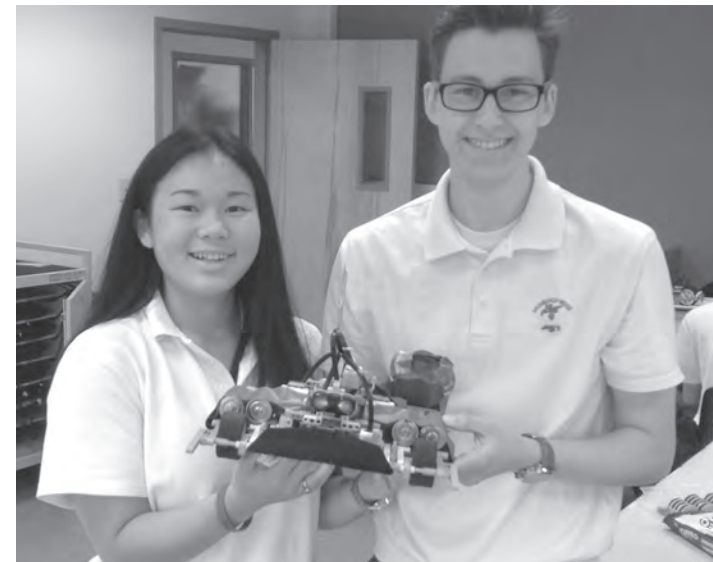
By: Kristen Boligitz '16

Since its inception, Archbishop Wood has been a leader in academics. Recently, one of its programs has started getting an upgrade. The STEM curriculum, which stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics, uses an interdisciplinary and applied approach to integrate these four disciplines into an engaging program based on real-world application. This program at Wood emphasizes hands-on learning and applying skills to actual problem-solving situations. The classes utilize two 3D printers, which were funded through a generous gift by Mr. Gregory Kirk (Class of 1969). Students participate in open-dialogue classes and often work together in groups, where they build valuable teamwork skills. One of the students involved in STEM at Wood, Michael Rosicky, says, "We do 'hands on' work, which is a much more effective and enjoyable form of learning than reading from



Placement (AP) Computer Science. These courses were offered in addition to the usual core subjects of mathematics, chemistry, biology and physics. While continuing to offer these three existing courses, the 2015-16 year will introduce four additional STEM-related classes, which are Introduction to Architectural Design, Automotive Engineering, Applied Technology & Engineering, and 3D Design, Printing & Production. In the near future, Mr. McLemore would like to see even more courses added, such as Electronic Engineering and Technical Writing & Communications.

Archbishop Wood's STEM program is rapidly becoming one of the most comprehensive in the area, and is certainly growing faster than most of them. With a wide range of STEM-related offerings, Wood provides a strong foundation for further study at the university level. The program is well respected by all the students involved. Colleen Hanisco (Class of 2015) said, "I just wish I had another year at Archbishop Wood so I could have the opportunity to take other STEM courses." With the enthusiasm of the students and the handiwork of Mr. Kevin McLemore, Wood's STEM curriculum looks to be headed toward a bright future.



a textbook. We have to think creatively. When we work on projects, every group has different ideas; therefore the results of the work look different too." Outside of class, the Wood Robovikings are one of the top Robotics teams in region and the world. The team has won numerous awards and has had much success, such as placing as a Quarter Finalist at the 2015 World Championships and ranking 72nd out of 2,872 teams in the world.

The STEM education at Wood is undergoing an important growth phase now, led by Mr. Kevin McLemore. During the 2014-15 school year, about 32 students were involved in the STEM program, but there will be at least 62 students involved during the 2015-16 year, which is nearly double. The "Introduction to Engineering" course alone is going from 11 students this past year to 30 next year, a nearly three-fold growth rate. In the 2014-15 school year, only three STEM-specific classes were offered: Engineering Fundamentals, Robotics Exploration, and Advanced

What It Means to Be An Alumni

By Nolan Murt '15

For as long as I can remember, the Archbishop Wood name had always been seemingly floating around me. As a kid growing up with parents, siblings, aunts, uncles, cousins, and close family friends all calling themselves Archbishop Wood alumni, I always knew that it was only a matter of time until I would be enjoying my own four years at Wood and, somewhere down the road, would be able to associate myself with the same tremendous Archbishop Wood alumni base that had always been positively influencing my life. Although it has still not yet completely hit me, I am now an Archbishop Wood alumnus, and after the amazing experience that I had myself, I can't wait to begin to support this wonderful school and its students, just as our alumni had done for me over the past four years.

When I entered Wood as a freshman, I had the luxury of possessing a recognizable name among many of the administrators and faculty within the building. My parents, Patrick and Maureen Murt, are proud members of the 1982 class of Archbishop Wood. I also have two older brothers, Kevin and Ryan, who graduated with the classes of 2010 and 2013, respectively. In addition, many of my other family members came through Wood before me, so I was never surprised when an administrator or teacher would tell me things like "I know your mom and dad" or "I taught your brothers" or "I loved having your uncle in my class." So, due to that sense of familiarity I had with many of the authoritative figures around me, I was always simply comfortable at Wood, which is a feeling that I know I share with many of my fellow classmates. Because of that state of comfort that I relished every day, I was motivated to get involved in as many different ways as possible. In retrospect, I truly feel that my involvement was what made my experience at Wood so incredible, and made me appreciate all of the opportunities that I was given day in and day out.

One of the reasons that I feel Wood is so special is because of the



plentiful number of ways its students can get involved. Personally, I served four years on the Student Council, and as the Student Council and Class President as a senior, was a member of the National Honor Society in my junior and senior years, played on our back-to-back defending State Champion football teams, and was active in our Athletes Helping Athletes Program for four years and served as the Vice President in my last two years. To me, the most incredulous part of my great involvement was that I didn't even delve into our awesome Robotics Program, perform in any of our marvelous plays put on by our Theater Program, or partake in the fascinating events of the International Club, and that is just to name a few. I am so grateful for my experience at Wood and am very excited to see how this great school continues to enhance the everyday life of its students throughout the coming years.

As a new part of the Archbishop Wood alumni, I am aware of the school's need for support from its alumni, so I look forward to contributing to that cause in an effort to ensure that the classes that come after mine can have the same thrilling experience that we did!

Once a Viking, Always a Viking

By Tommy Rosenbaum '15



Michael Valentine Conricode, Jr. was born into an Irish family in Horsham with loving parents and four older sisters: Cathy, Clare, Annemarie and Joanne. As the youngest by nearly 10 years and the only boy, he was by far the favorite child as his sister, Joanne (class of 1978), admits, and I'm sure he wouldn't deny it. While attending St. John Bosco as a young boy, his love for soccer developed first through his father, who was a semi-professional Gaelic football player (a sport combining soccer, football, and rugby) and an Irish immigrant. During his years playing travel soccer for Warminster Soccer club, Michael had an opportunity to go with his team to compete in tournament in Europe. Because of their talent and the support they received from parents and fundraisers, Michael was able to make the trip with his team. His sister Joanne recalls that this trip really showed how loved Mike was because of the way the whole family helped fundraise to make this opportunity possible.

As he graduated eighth grade and headed to Archbishop Wood in the fall of 1982, Michael had no way of predicting the impact this school would have on him and also his undeniable reciprocation. Starting out the soccer season swinging between JV and Varsity as a freshman proved to be legendary and recently retired coach Joe Krantz said that Michael was a very talented player. However, Mike's time at Wood was not limited to his presence on the soccer field. A bona fide leader on the field, he also took charge in the classroom, earning admittance into the National Honor Society. Socially, Michael did not falter, as he was a member of Student Council and Secretary of the class of 1986. While he had many successes on the field and in the classroom, the friendships he made in the halls of Archbishop Wood were his favorite gifts from his Alma Mater.

These friendships carried him as he went on to graduate from Villanova University. Mike took over the family bar business, the Horsham Inn, in 1993. In 1994, Mike married his high school sweetheart

Marybeth Johnston (class of 1987). While running the bar and having four beautiful children, Mike never forgot where he came from and how much Archbishop Wood meant to him. After a brief stint coaching girls soccer at William Tennent High School, Mike came back to his Alma Mater to coach boys soccer in 2011 as a JV head coach and Varsity assistant.

As a freshman I had the honor of playing for Coach Conricode, as we called him, in his first year back as a JV head coach. It became clear that his intentions were not only to help us improve as soccer players and young men, but to make sure we had the same amazing experience at Wood that he did. While he loved winning (which we did a lot of) he also loved having fun, cracking jokes at his assistant and friend Tony Giamo, and telling funny stories about his soccer career in high school. We never had a dull moment with him on the field, even when he would come to Varsity practices and games during the next few years.

We quickly found out that behind faith, family, and St. Patrick's Day, Archbishop Wood soccer was woven deeply in Mike Conricode's heart, which was why the news hurt so much when he was diagnosed with stage 4 colon cancer on March 15, 2014. While visiting him at his home when he was sick with some of my teammates, he made sure to let us know that all of his friends and teammates from Archbishop Wood visited him,



which is true evidence of how impactful our school was to him. Shortly thereafter, with family by his side, Michael Valentine Conricode passed away on July 4, 2014. Hundreds of people showing up for his funeral services at Nativity of Our Lord parish was a testament to his character and kindness as a friend, coach, and role model.

With the soccer season approaching we knew that, although Coach would not be with us on the sidelines, he'd be watching every game from a better view. With "MC" armbands worn during every game, Coach led us to our first Catholic League Championship since 2004, and second title in coach Joe Krantz's 36 year career. Even after giving our school community so much, leading the soccer team from heaven was something none of the players, coaches, and fans will ever forget.

Fran Dougherty- Continuing his Basketball Career Overseas

By Joanna Wuko '17

With so many talented athletes at Archbishop Wood, it is amazing that some are able to follow their dreams and continue their athletic career past high school. Fran Dougherty, who graduated from Wood in 2010, is one of these people. He played basketball in college, and is currently a professional basketball player in Ostrava, Czech Republic.



Q: What is your basketball career overseas like?

Basketball overseas was somewhat different than what I had been used to in college. Our season started in September and didn't end until late April, so in terms of length, the season was about two months longer than a college basketball season. Basketball itself was similar to what I was used to in college. We spent about 5-6 hours per day in training and practice. The competition was slightly higher than the competition level of the NCAA Division 1 level that I played at for the previous four years. Players overseas playing professionally are all in outstanding shape but the main difference is how smart and more experienced they are. They play a very team oriented style in Europe and one-on-one basketball style that we are taught here in the U.S. is more uncommon. Since it was a professional career overseas, we were held to a more professional standard. Each player had to sign a contract before the season and within these contracts were agreements and terms which we (the players) and the club (GM, coaches, etc.) had to follow. We had PR events like meet-and-greets at malls and fundraisers that we had to attend. This professional aspect was something that I had to adjust to. The nice part about the experience is that basketball is your full time job. Not worrying about school work was a relief and completely focusing on basketball really helped me develop into an even better player.

Q: How has Wood impacted your life?

The amount that Archbishop Wood HS has impacted my life cannot be justified through words. I look back and feel like it was just yesterday I was roaming those halls. I can't believe it has been five years since I've graduated. Wood left me with so many life lessons and opportunities that

led to where I am now. I could've easily gone to a different high school and not have been given the opportunity to play and grow in basketball and academics like I had at Wood. I miss playing basketball and other activities that go on throughout the school year there. However, what I cherish most from Wood is the relationships with fellow students and staff. I see people from Wood all the time and even though it may have been a while since I last saw them, it feels like we all haven't skipped a beat and nothing has changed in our relationships since high school.

Q: What was your Wood basketball career like and what other teams have you played for?

My Wood basketball career was something that I will remember forever. Freshman year, I played for the program at all three levels: the varsity team, the JV team, and the freshmen team. It was quite an experience traveling to different games on the same night and playing at all different levels, but it really helped me grow as a player. I started playing significant minutes on varsity during my sophomore year and then had a breakout year during my junior season and was also captain that year. Senior year I came back as a captain again, but unfortunately three games into the season and during the best game I've ever played in high school - beating powerhouse Roman Catholic at Philly U - I went down with a broken foot that ended the rest of my senior season for me. The Wood teams I played on and people I played with are still like family to me.

After Wood, I went on to play for the University of Pennsylvania down in University City. Penn is part of the Ivy League and also the Big 5. I got to play all my home games at the historic Palestra and wouldn't



have done it any differently. I was also a two year captain there during my junior and senior seasons and had a pretty successful career, which led to me pursuing a career overseas.

Q: What grade school did you attend?

I attended St. Jude School in Chalfont, PA from first to eighth grade.

Q: What was one of your best memories from Wood?

Besides the unforgettable basketball experiences at Wood, I would have to say that watching the football team play in the State championship my junior year was one of the best memories I have from Wood. A bunch of my best friends and basketball teammates also played football, so it was one of those events where I was really excited for them to have an opportunity to play in a game of a lifetime. The greatest part about it was how incredible the turnout was in the fan section for the Vikings from students, alumni, teachers, and other fans. Wood always shows the best school spirit and that was a fun, energetic crowd of people that I will never forget.

Q: How did you get involved in playing overseas?

It was a goal of mine to play professional basketball ever since I was a 7 year old kid playing in my first intramural basketball league. In high school, I started realizing that maybe playing at that level would be quite the stretch of imagination. However, throughout my college career, it started to become more of a possibility. I had great junior and senior seasons personally and my coaches started to ask me about my future in basketball. Even though we knew that an NBA career would probably be a long shot, the possibility of playing overseas was developing into a real, attainable goal. After my senior season at Penn, a good number of sports agencies and agents were contacting me and trying to get me to sign to their agency in order to help me land a pro basketball contract. I signed with the GoEmpire Group out of Chicago and my agent, Eddie Grochowiak, was able to get me a few contract offers overseas. I then decided to take the best offer that I received for a basketball team in Ostrava, Czech Republic.

Alum Keeps Local Pooches Looking Their Best

By Fran (Boyle) Cotellese '01

After spending eight years honing my skills as a dog groomer for a local pet store, I ventured out on my own in November 2013 and opened up my own business right here in Warminster.

Fur Street Pet Salon operates out of a small shopping center on York Road, sandwiched between a Mexican restaurant and a spy shop. I service all breeds of dogs, big and small. In less than two years, my salon has built a strong reputation for keeping all my furry clients happy and looking sharp.

We provide a variety of salon services in a peaceful and relaxing environment. I have added two more groomers to the staff, and our main goal is to keep your best four-legged friend clean and healthy. We do bathing, clipping, tooth-brushing, nail and ear care. Between the three of us, we are equipped with more than 25 years of grooming experience.

My small business allows me to build strong relationships with my customers and their pets. When they walk through the door, I greet them personally and make sure the owners are comfortable with leaving their dogs with me for a day of pampering at the salon.

Our Facebook page highlights the finished work of the talented groomers, sharing pictures of their freshly cut coats and pearly whites. We treat every dog that comes to Fur Street Pet Salon as our own by always doing what is best for the pet.

The best part of my day is when my two boys come to visit me



at the shop. Jackson and Declan like to come behind the counter and help me out. You can find them greeting customers as they walk in, vacuuming up the dog hair or filling the water bowls.

When I am not managing Fur Street Pet Salon, I am usually at my home in Warminster with my children, my husband, Joe, and my own dog, Paddy. We like to take walks around the neighborhood and have fun at the nearby playgrounds.

I grew up as an animal person, but never really thought it could be a career. It has been extremely rewarding to find success while doing something that I love.

Helping Alaska's Homeless: Combating Cold Weather with Warm Hearts

By Lauren Cartlidge '10

I graduated from Wood in 2010 and went to DeSales University, where I studied sports communication. I graduated in 3.5 years, spending my last semester abroad in Rome. When I returned home and graduated, my heart was in love with the adventure of travel, and I job-searched unsuccessfully for about seven months before I committed to my next adventure, which started August 2014: a year of volunteer service through Covenant House Faith Community. The program runs through Covenant House International, based in New York City, so I went through orientation there and they decided to place me in Anchorage, Alaska!

I live in community with three others from around that area, and we all serve in various capacities at Covenant House, a homeless shelter for youth. In Alaska, we serve ages 13-20. When young people arrive at the shelter, we provide basic needs like food, clothes, and a warm shower. I've worked as a Dayshift Case Worker. I've taken my experiences as a Resident Advisor at DeSales and built upon them to assist our youth.

At different times, I have between two and six youth on my case load, and I create success plans with them to map out their goals and the steps they should take each week to get there. We help them get off the streets and into a more stable living environment,



whether that is a foster placement for a minor or their own apartment for those over 18. Many times, youth will leave before accomplishing their goals, but they often come back and we help them work toward a second chance (or a twelfth one!) We connect the youth with resources in our shelter and in the community, like workforce services, counseling, medical help, and even some fun through programs like baking group or gym time.

The work is so frustrating at times, because as they say, "you can lead a horse to water but can't make it drink," but it is also so rewarding to share in the little joys with our youth when they get a job or develop their talent for playing guitar, or more. I enjoy working with people because my success isn't measured by how well I can write a business proposal; it's about how I make others feel. People are unpredictable. And I wouldn't trade this year for the world, because it's taught me to interact with people in a way that honors their innate humanity, whether they are a drug addict, someone with a mental health disorder, an abuse victim, or just a kid with a run of bad luck. I wish everyone could experience that.

My year ended in last month, and I'll be returning to the Philadelphia area with no idea yet what my next step will be! But I'll hold this year in my heart for the rest of my life.



Archbishop Wood Inducts New Members into the Hall of Fame

By Marybeth Gerdelmann '16



The Archbishop Wood Hall of Fame made some changes this year. In the past it was all for athletics, but this year Wood honored alumni who may have had successful athletic careers while at Wood, but even in their time after being a Viking, they used their education to lift themselves to even more success in their careers.

“Archbishop Wood held its first Hall of Fame Ceremony in a number of years. It was a great night,” said Wood’s President Gary Zimmaro, “We inducted six wonderful candidates into the Wood Hall of Fame, and our new inductees were joined in celebration by family, friends, and a number of past inductees.”

Those honored were:

Sister Susan Walsh, RSM '70 -

Education/Arts/Entertainment

Chris Meister '98 - Athletics

Sister Mary Pat Garvin, RSM '73 -

Religious

The Honorable Mark A. Kearney '80 -

Business/Military

Ed McCormick '81 -

Service to Archbishop Wood and the Wood Community

Dan Finello '68 - The Viking Award

These six inductees have done so much since they graduated from Wood. Some have spent their years traveling the world teaching others, while others have stayed close to their roots at Archbishop Wood coaching and mentoring students to make them better athletes. If there is one thing all of these inductees have in common it is that they used the skills they learned at Wood to make themselves not only successful, but also influential. Altogether the evening was very well put together. It was definitely great seeing past and present students of Archbishop Wood come together to celebrate the six well-deserving inductees.

“The night was a wonderful success and I hope it will become a tradition and part of the Wood community,” said Mr. Zimmaro. Archbishop Wood would sincerely like to thank the inductees as well as everyone who attended for making the Hall of Fame Ceremony a very special event!



Teacher's Retirement Marks a New Beginning

By Gillian Conricode '18

"The influence of a good teacher can never be erased." Louise Ciabarra has touched many lives throughout her teaching career. She spent her first year teaching a seventh grade class at St. Jerome's. After that, she continued her career at Archbishop Wood. Mrs. Ciabarra remained at Wood for forty-nine years. In addition to being a teacher at Wood, she also was the Future Nurses Club moderator.

Throughout her years at Wood, she witnessed the school going through many changes. One major change was when the boys' school and the girls' schools combined and became coeducational, in 1990. After teaching in the girls' school for many years, there was an "initial shock" due to the merger. However, in time she learned to love the fact that the girls and boys were in class together. She firmly believes it is a healthy experience for the students. Mrs. Ciabarra taught biology for twenty-five years in the girls' school. Following the merger, she taught chemistry for sixteen years. After forty-one years in the classroom at Wood, Mrs. Ciabarra made the decision to retire.

Mrs. Ciabarra's time at Wood was among the happiest years in her life. She loved being able to teach students, who were hardworking, how to succeed and to strive always for excellence. Taking all this into consideration, Mrs. Ciabarra made the decision to remain at Wood and work part time. She started teaching the medical careers course. Mrs. Ciabarra loved this so much and continued teaching this class for the last eight years of her career. This enabled her to combine her love for teaching and medicine. Her love for medicine was something that she pursued later in life. At age forty-eight, Mrs. Ciabarra went back to school to become a nurse. In 1989, she started working as a nurse on weekends in a Catholic hospital. Mrs. Ciabarra is truly a selfless person. She was able to do all of this while raising six children. Although Mrs. Ciabarra was a very busy woman, she was able to find time to be involved in her

children's lives. She was a role model for her children and taught them the importance of volunteering. One of Mrs. Ciabarra's favorite activities of volunteer work was at summer camps. She worked with teens at these camps for a total of ten summers. She constantly works to use her talents, given to her by God, to help better the lives of others. Mrs. Ciabarra truly sets an example for all her students.

Mrs. Ciabarra is hoping to continue volunteering after retiring this year. Due to the fact that she loved Wood so much, she is planning on staying involved in any way possible. Mrs. Ciabarra also has a desire to volunteer in a recreational therapy nursing home and continuing her parish work. Archbishop Wood is very grateful to have had such a special person be involved in our community for so many memorable years. "To teach is to touch a life forever." Thank you, Mrs. Ciabarra.



The Waltrich Family Continues their Legacy at Wood

By Joanna Wuko '17

The Waltrichs have been a part of the Archbishop Wood family for two generations. Since 1976, there has always been at least one member of this large family attending this wonderful school. So far, fourteen children and seven grandchildren have graduated from Wood. An astounding total of eight grandchildren will be students here in the 2015-2016 school year.

"There was never any doubt that the children were going to a Catholic high school," said Mrs. Margaret Anne Waltrich, who is the mother and grandmother to all of those in the family who have attended Wood. "The teen years are very important in the development of any person. We wanted our children to spend those years in an atmosphere imbued with Catholic values. The structure and discipline in a Catholic high school enforces what we tried to instill in the children at home. Academically, the fact that the faculty have opted to forego more lucrative positions to teach in the Catholic school system provides the students with teachers who are dedicated to the students' learning."

These Catholic values have been with most of the grandchildren since their first years of school. They have attended the Catholic elementary schools of St. Joseph/St Roberts, Queen of Angels, Our Lady of Mercy, and Our Lady of Good Counsel. Because of this, it is very clear that this family's faith is very important. When asked how all of the children were taught these values, Margaret Anne said, "We didn't preach to the children. Mostly we tried to show by example that we valued our Catholic faith. The children learned from the earliest age that attending Mass and receiving the sacraments was an important part of life." With so many grandchildren who have been students at this school and are currently students here now, it is evident that these beliefs and values

have stuck with the first generation of children.

"As a student I valued the education I was offered but it was not until I became a parent that I realized how valuable it truly was," said Mrs. Celestine Taylor, who is the second oldest Waltrich. "Education is very important to both my husband and I and we are grateful that our parents chose to send us to Wood." Celestine married Chuck Taylor, who is a Wood alumni as well. They have sent all of their seven children here. She stated, "The values that were instilled in me at Wood made it an easy decision when it came time to send our children to high school. We recognized the sacrifices that our parents made when they chose Wood and we chose to send all seven of our children there."

Mr. Frank Waltrich has a similar view. "I graduated from Wood and my son, Frank Jr., is heading into his senior year. The reason we chose Wood for him was because when I was there I liked the whole atmosphere, culture and over all feeling of being in a close, Catholic community." He also described how in his own life, he still imitates his teachers' caring attitude. Archbishop Wood has been very positive experience for this large family, and still is today.

The last names of the eight grandchildren who will be attending Wood next year are Waltrich, Taylor, Powell, and Moffett. With two seniors, three juniors, one sophomore, and two freshman, it is certain that 2015-2016 school year will still be continuing the family's legacy here at Archbishop Wood. "Once the first group went to Wood," said Margaret Anne, "the others never considered any other school."

It seems that this family will be Vikings for a very long time. The Waltrich family surely has left its mark on Wood and will continue leaving this mark for many years to come.



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Mike & Christa Speranza embrace their Catholic Faith

By Brian Schoener '16

Archbishop Wood is a school built upon tradition and legacy. For 50 years, the value of a Catholic education has been passed on through generations of graduates. It is safe to say that many Wood Alumni cherish the time that they spent at this school – so much so that they want their own children to have the same experience. This is true for graduates Mike and Christa Speranza, class of 1984. After graduating and starting a family, they too decided to embrace tradition and send their children to Archbishop Wood. The family was recently featured in an article on CatholicPhilly.com about their commitment to their Faith.

Mike Speranza and Christa Kirchner were born into Catholic families. Growing up, both remained practicing Catholics and attended Catholic school for most of their lives. In the early 80s they were both students at Archbishop Wood. “I remember liking Wood”, says Christa, “I came in 11th grade, was involved in the German Club and was also an Activities Aide.” While the school was still divided between boys and girls, the two knew each other through Christa’s brother Jim Kirchner, with whom Mike was friends. After high school, Mike attended Penn State and majored in Mechanical Engineering. Christa went to school at Southeastern Academy in Florida. The couple married in 1992 and has since had 6 children: Nick, Benjamin, Victoria, Gianna, Angela, and Daniel. Mike currently works at Harold Beck & Sons as an engineer, and Christa has devoted her time to being a full-time parent.

When the Speranzas began having children, they knew what type of life they wanted their family to lead. “We knew it was our responsibility to give our children the same strong roots that we had received,” says Christa. The decision to send their children to Catholic school was an



easy choice to make. After attending grade school at St. Joseph/St. Robert’s in Warrington, their children, Nick (class of '14), Benjamin, and Victoria all went to Wood for high school. Mike and Christa say that they wanted their children to have a good education, and they knew that Wood was the best place to do that.

“Having a Catholic education means that I will be able to have a better understanding of my faith,” says Victoria, a sophomore, “The fact that I am receiving my continued Catholic education at Wood means a lot because of the fact that my parents went there.” It is clear that tradition is very important to the Speranza family. By sending their kids to Wood, Mike and Christa have embraced the school’s legacy and allowed their children to grow in their faith – just as generations of Viking Alumni have done before.

Class of 1980 Grad Inducted as Federal Judge

By Kristen Boligitz '16

Many graduates of Archbishop Wood have achieved success in their post-Wood careers, and the Honorable Mark A. Kearney, a member of the Class of 1980, is no exception. With his recent investiture as a federal judge and his 2015 induction into the Archbishop Wood Hall of Fame, Judge Kearney is a stunning example of the values and spirit of Wood. During his four years at Wood, Judge Kearney was very involved. He was a member of the baseball team as a freshman, attended school dances, and was Senior Class President his senior year. After graduating from Wood, Judge Kearney attended Villanova University, earning his B.A. in Economics and English with honors in 1984, and then attending Villanova School of Law, graduating in May 1987. He also attended Drexel University for his Masters in Business Administration, and Temple University for landscape design but has yet to finish those degrees.

Upon graduating Villanova Law School, Judge Kearney was hired as a law clerk by Vice Chancellor Maurice Hartnett III of the internationally renowned Delaware Court of Chancery. A year later, he began practicing law as an associate at Elliott, Mannino, and Flaherty, where he worked from 1988 until 1990, when Judge Kearney started working at Elliott, Greenleaf, and Siedzikowski, P.C., in Blue Bell and Wilmington as an associate, shareholder, and eventually a managing and co-hiring shareholder. His peers elected him President of the Montgomery Bar Association and most recently, the Pennsylvania Bar Institute. In early 2014 after extensive Department of Justice, FBI, and U.S. Senate investigations and recommendations from Senators Casey and Toomey, President Barack Obama nominated Judge Kearney as an Article III District Court judge with life tenure headquartered in Philadelphia. He testified before the U.S. Senate’s Judiciary Committee on July 23, 2014. On December 3, 2014, the U.S. Senate unanimously confirmed the President’s nomination by a voice vote and President Obama signed his commission on December 4, 2014. On this date, Judge Kearney became the 100th judge in the 226 year history of the nation’s first trial court, and became the first lawyer elevated directly from the practice of law in Montgomery County to this distinguished federal court. Thereafter, Judge Kearney resigned from his law firm to begin his public service.

As a Federal Judge, Kearney annually resolves hundreds of disputes



between citizens of different states with a value in excess of \$75,000 and issues arising under the U.S. laws. Despite his busy work, Judge Kearney remains a large presence in the community. He has coached back-to-back little league baseball champions and started a thriving charity baseball tournament. Judge Kearney also was the first Chair of the Welcoming Center for New Pennsylvanians, has represented dozens of abused boys and girls in trials through the Montgomery Child Advocacy Project, and

was a longtime director of Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania. He is happily married and is blessed with two teenage children. He stays active running, having finished seven marathons, while traveling with family and spending time with loved ones, including his dear friends from Wood.

In addition to thanking his parents and sister Karen (Class of 1983), Judge Kearney is grateful for his four years at Wood. He says,

“Wood taught me about loyalty and perseverance, talents which prove more important than ever.” He also appreciates the Vincentians, who taught that there is no substitute for honesty, collegiality, preparation and hard work, and his classmates, who taught the values of tolerance and patience. Judge Kearney is the quintessence of Archbishop Wood, the perfect example of the values of hard work and dedication. We wish him to best of luck in all his future endeavors.



Viking Valentines

Join us for our first Alumni Valentine Mass and Breakfast where we will celebrate couples whose love started at or stemmed from Archbishop Wood. Whether you are high school sweet hearts, crossed paths later in life, are dating, engaged or married, we want to celebrate you.

The Alumni Valentine Mass and Breakfast will be held at Archbishop Wood on **Sunday, February 7, 2016**. If you or someone you know is interested in attending, please reach out to **Samantha Mancuso Williams**, Director of Alumni Relations, swilliams@archwood.org. More information will follow.

Dating



The Colin Durnin ('12) and Maura Glemser('12) story goes all the way back to 1997 at St. Paul's Preschool. Although they went their separate ways—he to Nativity of Our Lord and she to SJR, they crossed paths once again in 2008 when they walked the halls of Archbishop Wood. Both were very involved in sports between football, lacrosse, and field hockey. After being friends for a long time, the two made it official in 2012 when Colin asked Maura to the senior prom. They have been together since, spending their summers on the Jersey Shore surrounded by family. He is currently at Marymount University studying Political Science with a minor in Communications and is a member of the Men's Lacrosse team. Maura is at La Salle University studying Business Systems and Analytics. They are both looking forward to their senior years and what adventures the future has in store for them.

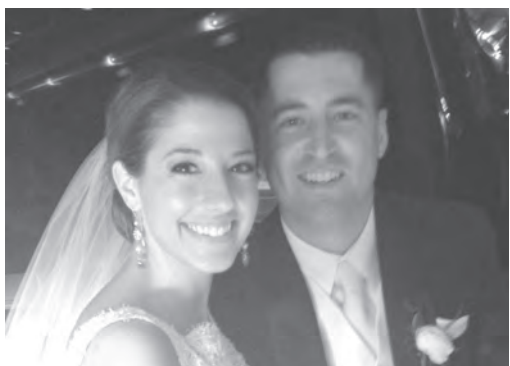
Engaged

John Schwartz ('06) and Jackie White ('07) met in the summer of 2005 at SJR's CYO day at Dorney Park. Although John and Jackie roamed the same halls, this was the first time they officially met. They spent the rest of their summer going to the church carnivals and have been together ever since. Their days at Wood were filled with sporting events, proms, and numerous walks to class. John graduated from Wood in 2006 and shipped off to Happy Valley to study Kinesiology at Penn State while Jackie had one more year at Wood. Jackie graduated the following year and went to Drexel to pursue her degrees in Biomedical Engineering. Despite the distances, John and Jackie stayed together and will be married September 19 after 10 years of dating. They remain active in the Wood community and are grateful that they have been able to share many milestones together.



Married

Mike Piselli ('05) and Kristen (Pollock) Piselli ('05) met in their freshman year in homeroom class ('D8 we even remember')! They sat right one behind the other so they found each other pretty easily. Mike and Kristen dated all through high school and, even after a small break, they found each other again when they finished college. Mike and Kristen will be married for two years in September. They live and work in Philadelphia. Kristen is a nurse at Children's Hospital, and Mike works for Septa. Mike and Kristen have so many wonderful memories from Archbishop Wood and it will always hold a special place in both their hearts. "Not only did it give us our high school diplomas, it brought us our soul mates!"



Baby

It all started with the school play, *Beauty and the Beast*. Kaitlyn (Benner) LaPergola ('08) was in charge of the spotlight, and AJ LaPergola ('07) worked backstage, but doing stage crew brought them together. Opening night was mid-December, and by January 1, 2007, it was official. After three proms, four graduations, and five years together, AJ finally popped the question back where it all began, in the gazebo at Wood. On January 3, 2014, after seven years together, they exchanged vows at St. Albert the Great and danced the night away at The William Penn Inn. They honeymooned in Italy later that year, and were blessed with a baby girl, Camryn Nicole, on April 8, 2015. It all started with the "fairy tale" school play, and now they are living their happily ever after.



Milestone

Ed Connolly ('74) and Megan (Halpin) Connolly ('75) met at a swim meet in January 1972. Megan swam on Archbishop Wood's swim team, and Ed and his friends often came to the swim meets held at Klinger Middle School. Their first official date was June 30, 1972. They attended one another's proms, dances, and sporting events. Ed and Megan have been married 40 years and have four children and five grandchildren. Ed graduated from Bucks County Community College in 1977 and was employed by UPS for thirty years. He has retired from UPS and is now a real estate agent for Felte Real Estate. Megan graduated from Immaculata University with her BSN degree and has been a nurse at Abington Hospital for 26 years. Two of their four children, Ed ('93) and Tina ('99), attended Archbishop Wood High School, and in September, their grandson, Eddie, will be a member of the Class of 2019. Ed and Megan have many great memories from high school and still remain in contact with many Wood alumni.



Robert B. Chamberlain III '10 Graduates from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy

Robert B. Chamberlain III (Trey) '10 participated in the 134th commencement ceremony at the United States Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT on Wednesday, May 20, 2015. President Barack Obama delivered the keynote commencement address and presented Chamberlain with his new commission as an Ensign.

While at the Coast Guard Academy, Chamberlain majored in American Government studies and earned a Bachelor of Science degree. He was also on the men's soccer team all 4 of his years. In his final season and for the first time in 33 years, the Coast Guard Academy's soccer team advanced to the NCAA playoffs. Chamberlain, a key starting midfielder, was named Athlete of the Week in September 2014.

Chamberlain will report in June as a Deck Watch Officer on the USCGC Campbell, a 327-foot Secretary Class Coast Guard ship whose homeport is Portsmouth, NH.



Chamberlain graduated from Archbishop Wood High School in Warminster, PA in 2010. He spent one year at Marion Military Institute in Marion, AL before attending the Coast Guard Academy.

Student Athletes Committing to Further Their Academic Career



Left to Right: Tommy Cain to Chestnut Hill College (Lacrosse); Aubree Brown to Drexel University (Basketball); Ryan Bates to Penn State University (Football); Jarrett McClenton to Villanova University (Football); Christian Lohin to University of Delaware (Football); Justin Rubin to University of Richmond (Football); Jeffrey Panara to United States Military Academy West Point (Football); Ryan Neher to Bloomsburg University (Football); Dave Bateman to La Salle University (Soccer); Alex Arcangeli to Bloomsburg University (Football); Brandon Razler to Georgian Court University (Lacrosse); Eric Dyke to Franklin & Marshall (Baseball); Nick Lafferty to Kutztown University (Baseball)

Not Pictured: Jake Cooper to Penn State University (Football); Devon Cobb to Kutztown University (Football); Tom Cardozo to Ursinus College (Football)

Alum Maureen Kund Takes Law Into Her Own Hands

By Marybeth Gerdelmann '16



Q: What intrigued you about being a detective? What made you interested in this particular profession?

When I graduated from Kutztown University with a Criminal Justice degree, I really thought I was going to go the research route or intelligence route. I quickly realized I wanted more interaction with people and I wanted to be in a service-oriented career. After about six months at a retail security position, I became a Police Dispatcher, and immediately fell in love with the job. I loved the fast pace and the excitement. I was a Police Dispatcher for six years at Upper Moreland Police when I decided I wanted to become a Police Officer. I took the test, scored well, and before I knew it I was in the Police Academy for four months. I was a Patrol Officer for Upper Moreland Police from 1990 to 1996, and I loved every minute. The fast pace and excitement were still there, and even better. Every day there was something different, and I enjoyed the community interaction. I was assigned to the Criminal Investigation Division in 1996 after I applied for a vacant Detective position. I wanted the assignment to further my career, and to experience the criminal investigations from beginning to end. I wanted to "see a case through." I also wanted to learn and experience more facets of police work such as crime scene processing, interviews and interrogations, major criminal investigations, working with other agencies, and so many other components of police work.

Because of my career in Law Enforcement, I have been able to serve as a volunteer Law Enforcement Officer in three Olympics: Atlanta 1996, Sydney 2000, and Salt Lake City 2002. My Olympic assignments led to life-long friends and colleagues from all over the world.

Q: What does the usual day in the life of a detective entail?

Responding to crimes in progress; following up on all types of investigations including crimes, deaths, fires, and missing persons; trying to find and fit one more piece of the puzzle; crime scene processing; interviews and interrogations; juvenile cases involving protection of juveniles and prosecuting juveniles; charging defendants; court appearances; community interaction and public relations; and so many other duties. Some days it will be a shift of paperwork, follow ups, and case preparation, and other days it will be responding to a few scenes. You never really know!

Q: How did your education at Wood impact your life and career?

My parents sacrificed more than a few things in order to provide a Catholic education to five children. The combination of strong values from great parents and the faith-based education from Wood taught me gratitude, acceptance, diversity, compassion, perseverance, respect, strength, and the skills to think on my feet and act appropriately. My education at Wood also gave me other tools to succeed in this career. Writing and speaking skills are very important in this job because you have to be able to clearly articulate the components of an investigation in reports, official documents, and testimony. The writing instruction at Wood gave me those skills. My parents and my education at Wood helped me develop the "people skills" needed for this job. In this line of work, most of the time we see people at their worst, and only for a short period of time. The "people skills" are needed for a successful resolution and a positive impression. People are people regardless if they are right, wrong, in crisis, criminal or victim. Treat them with the appropriate respect and it goes a long way.

Q: What are some of your favorite memories from Archbishop Wood?

The sporting events, championship games, my four years on the volleyball team, the social aspects, and of course the camaraderie.

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As we look ahead, we embrace the 2014-2015 year, celebrate its success, and honor all those who have helped to make our future bright with promise.

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Class Participation: 8%

VIKING CIRCLE

Gifts of \$1,000 to \$2,499

Jeffrey Plunkett ~

VIKING CLUB

Gifts of \$250 to \$499

Matthew Kearney *~
Franklin & Marianne Ludovici Parker + *~
Joseph Rowley +

CENTURY CLUB

Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Bernadette Weber Connison +
Robert Cwik
William Meyer ~
Francis Schluckebier
Ronald Triolo +
Marie Tumolo +



CONTRIBUTORS CLUB

Gifts up to \$99

Eileen McGough Consiglio + ~
Joseph Duca +
Robert Finkelston *~
Christopher Murphy +
Alexander Prusacki + *~
Barbara Timko Quinn *~
Jane McFarlane Staats *~
Patricia Quinn Vegetabile

CLASS OF 1977

Total Giving: \$4,514
Class Donors: 15
Class Participation: 5%

BLACK, GREEN AND GOLD CIRCLE

Gifts of \$2,500 to \$4,999

Newton Hill

VIKING CLUB

Gifts of \$250 to \$499

Linda Cantwell ~
Joan Snyder +

CENTURY CLUB

Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Damian Capacchione
Margaret Clark *~
David Eichenlaub
Paul Hanks +
Frank & Cynthia Weston Hart *~
Marianne Lanzetta Long *~

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB

Gifts up to \$99

Patricia Steiner Achilles +
Janet Cerceo Chonka +
Joanne Canuso Corless +
Barbara Campbell Creighton +
Stephen Lomaka +
Thomas Rakszawski *~

CLASS OF 1978

Total Giving: \$58,000
Class Donors: 12
Class Participation: 3%

PARTNERS IN THE MISSION

Gifts of \$50,000 and above

James Hirschmann + *~

BLACK, GREEN AND GOLD CIRCLE

Gifts of \$2,500 to \$4,999

John Long *~

VIKING CIRCLE

Gifts of \$1,000 to \$2,499

Kevin Leslie +

BLACK, GREEN AND GOLD CLUB

Gifts of \$500 to \$999

Thomas Kirk +
Jerome Lezynski + *~

CENTURY CLUB

Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Brian Adamsky ~
Kathleen Haney +
Michael Mahon *~
Ellen Resinski Rosen *~
Christopher Rosica +

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB

Gifts up to \$99

John Dougherty ~
Charles Durnin +

CLASS OF 1979

Total Giving: \$12,835
Class Donors: 18
Class Participation: 5%

BENEFACTOR'S CIRCLE

Gifts of \$10,000 to \$14,999

Jeannie Doyle O'Neill +

BLACK, GREEN AND GOLD CLUB

Gifts of \$500 to \$999

Michael Cannon +

VIKING CLUB

Gifts of \$250 to \$499

Francis Brulenski *~
Charles Carroll +
Joseph & Mary Jester D'Alonzo ~
Maureen Kund *~
Susan Baumher Mitchell +

CENTURY CLUB

Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Keeler
Michael Moffa *~
Richard Schmid + ~
Jane Weber Weber Stoddart *~

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB

Gifts up to \$99

Mark Cangelose +
James Dehope +
Joanne Mehler Fabian +
Anna Malandra Filipkowski +
Victoria Gradel
Virginia Heiler Mintzer +
Brian Williamson ~

CLASS OF 1980

Total Giving: \$8,621
Class Donors: 17
Class Participation: 4%

PHILANTHROPIC CIRCLE

Gifts of \$5,000 to \$7,499

Michael Jacobs + ~

VIKING CIRCLE

Gifts of \$1,000 to \$2,499

Ralph Wolstenholme +

BLACK, GREEN AND GOLD CLUB

Gifts of \$500 to \$999

Kathleen Maher Mansour +

VIKING CLUB

Gifts of \$250 to \$499

Edward Boscola *~
Francis Dougherty +
Patricia Grey Edwardi +
Hon. Mark Kearney ~
Donna Neiley + *~

CENTURY CLUB

Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Stephen Gozdan +
Erin Kelly + *~
Thomas Kuzma
Denise Davis Neason +
Joseph Schulingkamp +

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB

Gifts up to \$99

Nancy Doyle Doyle
Walter Jones
Mary Ann Masucci +
Michael Rausch +

CLASS OF 1981

Total Giving: \$2,575
Class Donors: 9
Class Participation: 2%

VIKING CIRCLE

Gifts of \$1,000 to \$2,499

Lisa Penn + *~

BLACK, GREEN AND GOLD CLUB

Gifts of \$500 to \$999

Marylou Rainone + ~

VIKING CLUB

Gifts of \$250 to \$499

Mary Wagner Mease

CENTURY CLUB

Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Michael Faherty +
Steve Happ ~
Kathy Leach Reilly +

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB

Gifts up to \$99

Angelo DeSantis ~
Vincent Happ *~
Celestine Waltrich Taylor +

CLASS OF 1982

Total Giving: \$10,225
Class Donors: 12
Class Participation: 4%

BLACK, GREEN AND GOLD CIRCLE

Gifts of \$2,500 to \$4,999

Joseph & Cindi Callaghan + *~

BLACK, GREEN AND GOLD CIRCLE

Gifts of \$2,500 to \$4,999

Ria Tielman + *~

VIKING CIRCLE

Gifts of \$1,000 to \$2,499

Richard Fonash +

VIKING CLUB

Gifts of \$250 to \$499

Stephen & Lisa Kettelberger +
Andrew Lafond *~
Gina Malandra *~

CENTURY CLUB

Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Kevin Buck
Joseph Carosi +
Michael & Karen Stanton DeAngelis +

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB

Gifts up to \$99

Anne Waltrich Bacho +
Karen Marie Hasson Koch +
Karen Zechman Fleming +

CLASS OF 1983

Total Giving: \$13,265
Class Donors: 18
Class Participation: 4%

BENEFACTOR'S CIRCLE

Gifts of \$10,000 to \$14,999

Joseph Sifer *~

VIKING CIRCLE

Gifts of \$1,000 to \$2,499

James Gallagher +

VIKING CLUB

Gifts of \$250 to \$499

Kellyanne Forte Lafond +
Paul Pugnetti +
Gerald Waddington +
Joseph Walicki +

CENTURY CLUB

Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Karen Stanton DeAngelis +
Regina Schluckebier Falco +
John Haurin +
Joanne Cardie Stanton +
Linda Bogle Thorbahn *~

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB

Gifts up to \$99

Melissa Webb Adams
Kellyanne Conroy +
Mary Owen McCue +
Scott Pickford +
Lawrence Senour *~
Charles Siegfried
Michael Spearing +

BLACK, GREEN AND GOLD CLUB

Gifts of \$500 to \$999

Maureen Johnston Abbott ~

VIKING CLUB

Gifts of \$250 to \$499

Eric McCaffery +

CENTURY CLUB

Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Michael Conricode +
David Dryden + ~
Francis Eells +
Kathleen Greenberg May ~

CENTURY CLUB

Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Kathleen Burke Munroe +
Maureen Spearing Kuhar *~

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB

Gifts up to \$99

Rosemary Gallagher Boyle *~
Kevin Cunningham ~
Victor Marcantoni +
Maria Rombola Nobile +

CLASS OF 1985

Total Giving: \$5,895
Class Donors: 13
Class Participation: 5%

BLACK, GREEN AND GOLD CIRCLE

Gifts of \$2,500 to \$4,999

Fred Thiele + *~

VIKING CIRCLE

Gifts of \$1,000 to \$2,499

Kelly Greenberg *~

BLACK, GREEN AND GOLD CLUB

Gifts of \$500 to \$999

Jacqueline McNulty Bandish-O'Hara
Vincent Cordova + *~

VIKING CLUB

Gifts of \$250 to \$499

Craig Hamilton +
Clare Fisher Walicki +
Robert O'Donnell *~

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB

Gifts up to \$99

Michael Callaghan ~
Kathleen Coyle +
Thomas Diamond ~
Kathleen Zinzer McCarthy +
Suzette Campellone McHugh +
Michael Stepanski +
Class of 1986
Total Giving: \$2,950
Class Donors: 9
Class Participation: 3%

VIKING CIRCLE

Gifts of \$1,000 to \$2,499

Jeffrey McQuaite +

BLACK, GREEN AND GOLD CLUB

Gifts of \$500 to \$999

Maureen Johnston Abbott ~

VIKING CLUB

Gifts of \$250 to \$499

Eric McCaffery +

CENTURY CLUB

Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Michael Conricode +
David Dryden + ~
Francis Eells +
Kathleen Greenberg May ~

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB

Gifts up to \$99

John Carpineta +
Frederick Cieri + *~

CLASS OF 1987

Total Giving: \$3,975
Class Donors: 7
Class Participation: 2%

BLACK, GREEN AND GOLD CIRCLE

Gifts of \$2,500 to \$4,999

Nancy Duffy Dufner +

BLACK, GREEN AND GOLD CLUB

Gifts of \$500 to \$999

Michael Hirschmann + ~

VIKING CLUB

Gifts of \$250 to \$499

David Graeber



CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Mary Beth Johnston Conricode +
Michael Lezynski +
Susan Bulling Robinson +

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Jennifer Rupprecht +

CLASS OF 1988

Total Giving: \$3,200
Class Donors: 10
Class Participation: 3%

BLACK, GREEN AND GOLD CIRCLE
Gifts of \$2,500 to \$4,999

Daniel Dufner +

VIKING CLUB
Gifts of \$250 to \$499

Michael Boedewig *~

CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Christopher Barbier + ~
Nicholas Destephanis + *~

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Michele Zechman Choate
Susan Eckert +
Edward Gordon +
Julia Forcino McFadden ~
Michael Richards +
Paul Wagner +

CLASS OF 1989

Total Giving: \$5,350
Class Donors: 6
Class Participation: 1%

PHILANTHROPIC CIRCLE
Gifts of \$5,000 to \$4,499

Lawrence Doyle +

CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Neville Mehta +
Julie Wahl Williams *~

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Kelly Milewski Firriolo +
Eric John ~
Edward Kohlhepp ~

CLASS OF 1990

Total Giving: \$875
Class Donors: 9
Class Participation: 3%

CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

J. William & Gina Ward Gordon + *~
Marie Conley Lammando +
Joseph Schmidt +
Ellen Thiele ~
Bernadette Mandes Wildemore +

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Gregory Adamsky + ~
Amy Rueter Donovan +
William Lynch ~
Daniel Stewart +

CLASS OF 1991

Total Giving: \$585
Class Donors: 7
Class Participation: 3%

VIKING CLUB
Gifts of \$250 to \$499

Eric Laub + ~

CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Linda Delp ~

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Andrea Capozzi Brecker +
Michael Guischarde +
Joseph Long +
Dominic Neitzel ~
John Roche +

CLASS OF 1992

Total Giving: \$900
Class Donors: 5
Class Participation: 2%

BLACK, GREEN AND GOLD CLUB
Gifts of \$500 to \$999

Jessica Pritchard ~

CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Kristen Pietrzak Destephanis +
James DiGuiseppe ~
Patrick O'Leary + ~

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Jennifer Duffy Annulis *~

CLASS OF 1993

Total Giving: \$400
Class Donors: 3
Class Participation: 1%

VIKING CLUB
Gifts of \$250 to \$499

Sharon O'Brien *~

CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Gregory Wiercinski +

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Kara Lecker Blome ~

CLASS OF 1994

Total Giving: \$402
Class Donors: 6
Class Participation: 3%

CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Michelle Harte Costo +
Kevin Sullivan ~

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Christopher Conlon +
Karen Weitort Ferrante +
Douglas Rossino
Dianne Moser Stout + ~

CLASS OF 1995

Total Giving: \$585
Class Donors: 4
Class Participation: 2%

BLACK, GREEN AND GOLD CLUB
Gifts of \$500 to \$999

Thomas Kenney ~

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Raymond Destephanis
Kerry McEachern Donahue +
Robert Hoffman +

CLASS OF 1996

Total Giving: \$125
Class Donors: 2
Class Participation: 1%

CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Brandi Reardon *~

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Michele Rogers Roche +

CLASS OF 1997

Total Giving: \$50
Class Donors: 1
Class Participation: %

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Tracey Spinelli

CLASS OF 1998

Total Giving: \$1,000
Class Donors: 1
Class Participation: %

VIKING CIRCLE
Gifts of \$1,000 to \$2,499

Jonathan Tyburski + *~

CLASS OF 1999

Total Giving: \$300
Class Donors: 5
Class Participation: 2%

CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Michael Hakos +

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

David Lynch +
Kathryn Ferko Peditino *~
Heather Spaeth Pollock
Thomas Viviano +

CLASS OF 2000

Total Giving: \$150
Class Donors: 2
Class Participation: 1%

CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Raymond Tarnowski +

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

David Bruestle +

CLASS OF 2001

Total Giving: \$27.50
Class Donors: 1
Class Participation: 1%

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Katherine Reilly + *~

CLASS OF 2002

Total Giving: \$615
Class Donors: 4
Class Participation: 2%

VIKING CLUB
Gifts of \$250 to \$499

Brian Rane +

CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Thomas Dugan *~

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Megan Halferty Famular +
Nick Townsend ~

CLASS OF 2003

Total Giving: \$400
Class Donors: 4
Class Participation: 1%

CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Fionna Boyle +
David Friel
Joseph and Julia Fox Gerlach ~

CLASS OF 2004

Total Giving: \$400
Class Donors: 2
Class Participation: 1%

VIKING CLUB
Gifts of \$250 to \$499

Michael Rakszawski + *~

CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Anthony Tarnowski +

CLASS OF 2005

Total Giving: \$150
Class Donors: 1
Class Participation: %

CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Kristin Delucia Buzinski +



CLASS OF 2006

Total Giving: \$125
Class Donors: 3
Class Participation: 1%

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Michelle Gould +
Caitlin Slover
John Williams +

CLASS OF 2007

Total Giving: \$50
Class Donors: 1
Class Participation: %

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Charles Taylor +

CLASS OF 2008

Total Giving: \$150
Class Donors: 2
Class Participation: 1%

CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Rosemarie Tarnowski +

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Samantha Mancuso Williams +

CLASS OF 2009

Total Giving: \$205
Class Donors: 4
Class Participation: 2%

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Katie Costa +
Michael DeLucia +
Emily Ruzicka +
Benjamin Worthington +

CLASS OF 2010

Total Giving: \$175
Class Donors: 2
Class Participation: 1%

CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Sean Bolger +

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Mark Nessel +

CLASS OF 2013

Total Giving: \$20
Class Donors: 1
Class Participation: %

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Thomas Shute +

CLASS OF 2015

Total Giving: \$914
Class Donors: 16
Class Participation: 6%

CENTURY CLUB
Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Alex Arcangeli +
Nicholas Gronczewski +
Kaitlyn Krewson +
Taylor Sloan +
Emily Taylor +

CONTRIBUTORS CLUB
Gifts up to \$99

Michael Ammaturo +
Christian Burke +
Sean Connolly +
Alexandra Harris +
Elaine Hawe +
Pairic Kearney +
Christian Lohin +
Julia Martin +
Brandon Razler +
Robert Verdon +
Bridget Welsh +



CURRENT PARENTS & PARENTS OF ALUMNI

GIFTS RECEIVED BETWEEN JULY 1, 2014 AND JUNE 30, 2015

We remain so very grateful to our parents who actively support our mission here at Archbishop Wood. In addition to fulfilling their tuition obligations, many current parents volunteer in the Parents Association, booster clubs, in the athletic & fine arts departments as well as in the Advancement Office, over 25% have donated this year which enables Wood to continued being one of the top schools in the area. We are also grateful to the Parents of Alumni who continue to support Wood even though their children have graduated.

Leadership Circle

Gifts of \$7,500 to \$9,999

Mr. & Mrs. Quentin Cole ~

Black, Green and Gold Circle

Gifts of \$2,500 to \$4,999

Anonymous +
Mr. & Mrs. Kevin J. Sweeney +

Viking Circle

Gifts of \$1,000 to \$2,499

Anonymous +
Francis J. Hess 1989 +

Black, Green and Gold Club

Gifts of \$500 to \$999

Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Weeks +

Viking Club

Gifts of \$250 to \$499

Mr. & Mrs. Francis Dougherty '80 +
Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Lafond, CPA '82 *~
Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Spray +

Century Club

Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Mr. & Mrs. Benedicto Arbizio +
Mr. & Mrs. Earl Baker
Mr. Gerald J. Boggs '75 +

Mr. & Mrs. Richard J. Brittingham ~
Mr. & Mrs. Matthew A. Clayton +
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Conricode, Jr. '86 +
Mr. & Mrs. Jeffery D'Ardenne +
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Eisele
Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Flynn +
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Gallagher +
Mr. Jerry Gregory
Mr. Thomas Leahy +
Diane M. Luffy +
Mr. & Mrs. Brent May +
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph McCloskey
Mr. & Mrs. Kevin F. McQuillen ~
Mr. & Mrs. Carl F. Reinert ~
Mr. & Mrs. Mark J. Robinson + ~
Mr. & Mrs. Timothy J. Scroger +
Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Taylor ~
Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Woodring + *~

Contributors Club

Gifts up to \$99

Mrs. Taffy Connolly ~
Mr. & Mrs. Alvaro Costa +
Mr. & Mrs. Franco D'Andrea ~
Mr. & Mrs. John W. Fleming +
Mr. & Mrs. Scott A. Flinn
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kane +
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph McFadden *~
Mr. & Mrs. Mark Melillo +
Mr. & Mrs. Mark Noonan *~
Mr. & Mrs. Chris Oyer +
Mr. & Mrs. Victor Perez
Mr. & Mrs. David Pflugfelder +
Mr. & Mrs. Charles F. Siegfried, III '83
Mr. & Mrs. William W. Somershoe, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Charles J. Taylor, Jr. '75 *~

+ Increased Gift This Year
~ Three Year Giving History
* Five year donor

FRIENDS OF ARCHBISHOP WOOD

GIFTS RECEIVED BETWEEN JULY 1, 2014 AND JUNE 30, 2015

At Archbishop Wood, our "friends" are those individuals who have come to Wood as neighbors, extended family, connecting with a student, or from their belief in Catholic education. Over \$250,000 has been contributed by our Friends for the 2014-15 school year and we are so grateful for their presence in our community

Partners in the Mission

Gifts of \$50,000 and above

Henkels Foundation + *~

Presidential Circle

Gifts of \$25,000 to \$49,999

Bridge Educational Foundation +
Maguire Foundation +

Principal's Circle

Gifts of \$15,000 to \$24,999

The Danny Craige Foundation +

Benefactor's Circle

Gifts of \$10,000 to \$14,999

BP Environmental Consultants Inc ~
Pamela Minford Charitable Foundation ~

Leadership Circle

Gifts of \$7,500 to \$9,999

Bravo Foundation
The Michael S. Monaghan Scholarship Fund +

Philanthropic Circle

Gifts of \$5,000 to \$7,499

Anonymous +
Dick Bedesem Scholarship Fund +
Edward J. Shea Scholarship Fund +
Giuseppe Giaimo Scholarship Fund +

Black, Green and Gold Circle

Gifts of \$2,500 to \$4,999

Bailey Landscaping
William J. Boyle +
Carr & Duff +
Neil J. Brassell Foundation for Youth Development +
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Scholarship
Skip Duffy Memorial Scholarship +



Viking Circle

Gifts of \$1,000 to \$2,499

Archbishop Wood Parents Association
Christopher Ciabarra +
Janet Donohue +
Kent & Donna Duffy +
Exelon Corporation Matching Gifts +
James Fahy +
Thomas Galie + ~
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Ginieccki +
Matthew Holmes Scholarship Fund +
Saint Robert Bellarmine Church
Ms. Margaret C. Schneider + *~
St. John Bosco Holy Name Society +
St. Joseph- St. Robert's CYO +
Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Veneziaie +

Black, Green and Gold Club

Gifts of \$500 to \$999

Archdiocese of Philadelphia +
Mr. & Mrs. George Griffin
Johnson, Kendall & Johnson, Inc. ~
NACEL Open Door, Inc. +
Nativity Bands LLC +
Patrick and Patricia O'Leary + *~
Saint Albert the Great +
The Merck Foundation +
Weis Markets, Inc +

Viking Club

Gifts of \$250 to \$499

Claire Finley Memorial Scholarship Fund +

Century Club

Gifts of \$100 to \$249

Lafferty Chevrolet +
Mr. & Mrs. Mario Ciabarra *~
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Cochrane ~
Ms. Mary Jane Courtright
Nancy Deluisi + ~
Mary Desmond +
David Flood ~
Richard J. Gannon +
Genesco - Lids Team Sports +
Mrs. Joseph Greenberg *~
Mr. & Mrs. David Harp ~
Mr. & Mrs. William Hartwell + *~
Dorothy Kelly +
Mr. Harry Koper ~
Ms. Claire Lezynski *~
Kevin D. McKeon ~
John O. Meyer +
Mulhern & Kulp Structural Engineering, Inc. +
Susan Newman +
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Niederriter
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas J. Reilly, Jr. +
Mr. & Mrs. Don Schaller *~
Gertrude A. Scholl +
William Stephenson *~
Trevoze Family Shoe Store +

Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Troy *~
Eileen E. Waters +
Joni Lee Whetstone +

Contributors Club

Gifts up to \$99

Ms. Patricia Achilles '77 +
Brian & Janet Beerley +
Mr. & Mrs. G. Edward Bilger +
Robert E. Bolger *~
Joseph M. Callaghan +
Maryellen Carew +
Mr. Marshall Coakley
Ms. Margaret Mary Fitzgibbons
Mr. & Mrs. Edmund T. Gernavage +
Mr. & Mrs. John Gibbons ~
Edward P. Graham +
Mr. & Mrs. Kevin P. Hutchinson
Ms. Susan Macrone ~
Rev. Lawrence J. McElroy *~
Mr. & Mrs. William F. Moroney *~
Barbara L. Santucci +
James J. Thomas Sikora
Mr. & Mrs. J. Slover *~
Mrs. Colleen K. Walsh ~
Esther C. Wooley +

+ Increased Gift This Year
~ Three Year Giving History
* Five year donor

SPECIAL GIFTS TO ARCHBISHOP WOOD

GIFTS RECEIVED BETWEEN JULY 1, 2014 AND JUNE 30, 2015

Bequests and Planned Gifts

Many alumni and parents have remembered Archbishop Wood in their estate plans. This year we realized the following planned gifts:

Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program

Archbishop Wood High School is grateful to the many businesses who have made a contribution to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's EITC Program in support our Archbishop Wood.

Aetna
Anonymous
Bravo Foundation
Bridge Educational Foundation
Crown, Cork & Seal
Crown Holdings
Enterprise Rent-A-Car
Healthcare Services Group Inc.
Henkels Foundation
J.P. Mascaro & Sons, Inc.
Parx Casino

Gifts to Scholarships

Many students at Archbishop Wood are able to receive a quality Catholic education because of the support of those who made a gift to the school's Scholarship Program. Thank you to those donors listed below for their support last year.

Anonymous
Archbishop Wood Parents Association
Dick Bedesem Scholarship Fund
Brett & Janet Beerley
Jennifer Beerley Scholarship Fund
Bravo Foundation
Maryellen Carew
Nancy Deluise
Timothy Fallon '72
Claire Finley Memorial Scholarship Fund
Charles Finley '68
Thomas Galie
Giuseppe Giaimo Scholarship Fund
Edward Graham
Mr. & Mrs. David Harp
Henkels Foundation
Pamela Minford Charitable Foundation
Jessica Pritchard
Kelly Richards
Margaret C. Schneider
Paul Schneider
Edward J. Shea Scholarship Fund
Skip Duffy Memorial Scholarship
Jean Smith
Henkels Foundation
The Danny Craige Foundation
The Robert Stillwell Scholarship Fund

Gifts to Viking Educational Trust

Gifts to the Viking Educational Trust Fund are most appreciated. The Trust Fund functions as the schools Endowment Fund and is used for Tuition Assistance to qualified Wood families.

Anonymous
Nancy Deluise
Charles Finley 1968
Joseph Foley
Mr. & Mrs. David Harp
Patricia Ann Fogel Memorial Scholarship
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Payne
Jessica Pritchard 1992
Kelly Richards 1984
Margaret Schneider
Paul Schneider 1971
The Shawn McCartney Memorial Scholarship Fund

Gifts to Sponsor a Student

Many students at Archbishop Wood are able to receive a quality Catholic education because of the support of those who made a gift to the school's Sponsor a Student Scholarship Program. Thank you to those donors listed below for their support the last year.

Anonymous
William J. Boyle
BP Environmental Consultants Inc
Joseph & Cindi Callaghan '82
Christopher Ciabarra
James Fahy
Jeffrey McQuaite, DC '86
Michael T. Rakszawski
Mr. & Mrs. Kevin J. Sweeney
Mrs. Mary E. Sweeney '84

Gifts to the Robotics Program

The names listed below represent those individuals, corporations and foundations who designated their gift to the Wood Robotics Program

Anonymous
Thomas Galie
I.B.E.W Local Union 98
Lisa Halteman
Lafferty Chevrolet
Lockheed Martin Corporate Engineering and Technology
LM NOVA Robotics
Denise Mangold
John O. Meyer
The Merck Foundation
MIL Partners
Mulhner & Kulp Structural Engineering, Inc.
Eileen E. Waters

Paver Stones

The names listed below represent those individuals, corporations and foundations who made a gift to our Paver Stones in the Alumni Prayer Garden

Archbishop Wood Performing Arts Parents Association
Kristin Buzinski
Matthew Clayton
Mary Beth Conricode
Bernadette Connison
Robert Cwick
Kathleen Haney
Marylou Rainone
Sandra Van Horn
Gloria Walker

Gifts to Other Designated Funds

The names listed below represent those individuals, corporations and foundations who designated their gift to a specific program at Wood such as the Arts, Athletics, Campus Ministry, STEM, etc.

Anonymous
Bailey Landscaping
BP Environmental Consultants Inc
James A. DiGiuseppe 1992
Heritage Creek
Newton Hill Jr 1977
Johnson, Kendall & Johnson, Inc.
Mary Lenore Keszler MD 1970
Joseph Krantz
John J. Long III 1978
Joseph McFadden 1981
Merck Partnership For Giving
Jeffrey Plunkett 1976
Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Venezia

Matching Gifts and Foundations

Many business and corporations will match the amount of a donation from one of their employees or retired employees, increasing the value of the gift dramatically. The companies listed her matched the donations of to Archbishop Wood received from our constituents: alumni, parents, parents of alumni and friends. Please check with your employer to see if your company, like the companies identified below, will match your donations either in cash or gifts in kind.

Bank of America
Michele Costo
David J. Dryden
Francis McHugh '72

Exelon

Joseph and Cindi Callaghan

Glaxosmithkline Foundation

Nancy Doyle
Judith Meyer

Merck Partnership for Giving

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Venezia
Kenneth Woodring

Microsoft

Fred J. Thiele
MMC
Vincent Cordova '85

National Fuel Gas Distributor Corporation

Paul J. Pugnetti

Prudential Foundation

Susan Mergen
Michael Williamson

Pfizer Foundation

Thomas Kenney

Radian Guaranty, Inc.

Mary Conway-Sweeney '84

Vanguard Group

Ronald J. Manion

Verizon

Franklin and Marianne Parker '76
Ria A. Tielman '82
Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Troy

Memorial Fund Gifts

We are grateful to those donors who are listed below who made a gift to Archbishop Wood in memory of a loved one.

Gifts in Memory

Special thanks for the gifts in memory of loved ones during the past year.

In memory of

Jennifer Beerley '90
Irv Brambley
Michael Conricode '86
Micky Franzak
Roger Kirk '73
John Klein '93
Diane Powers '78
Louis & Mary Rainone
Rose Wallrath

Gifts in Kind

Thank you to the donors below who made an in kind gift to Archbishop Wood during the past year

Anonymous
Bailey Landscaping
Susan Newman

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Advancement Program is to obtain charitable gifts for Archbishop Wood High School through the friend/fundraising cycle comprising identification, information, cultivation, solicitation and recognition of our constituencies, which include current parents, parents of alumni, alumni, grandparents, faculty, students, friends, corporations and foundations.

We seek support for the following initiatives:

- To raise endowments funds in order to fund our academic and extra-curricular programs
- To raise endowment funds to provide for financial aid support to qualified students
- To raise capital funds to provide facilities and their endowment as deemed necessary
- To raise restricted and unrestricted annual giving to support the ongoing programs of Archbishop Wood High School.

Class Year Totals for 2013-14 School Year

YEAR	DONORS	CLASS SIZE	PARTICIPATION	DOLLARS
1967	12	170	7%	\$3,615.00
1968	10	286	3%	\$2,745.00
1969	13	295	4%	\$85,595.00
1970	20	333	6%	\$10,005.00
1971	16	311	5%	\$3,285.00
1972	13	347	4%	\$27,525.00
1973	28	266	11%	\$5,906.96
1974	19	335	6%	\$5,939.00
1975	18	239	8%	\$5,960.00
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1980	17	381	4%	\$8,621.00
1981	9	415	2%	\$2,575.00
1982	12	337	4%	\$10,225.00
1983	18	452	4%	\$13,264.72
1984	11	348	3%	\$15,180.00
1985	13	283	5%	\$5,895.00
1986	9	357	3%	\$2,950.00
1987	7	314	2%	\$3,975.00
1988	10	303	3%	\$3,200.00
1989	6	316	2%	\$5,350.00
1990	9	298	3%	\$875.00
1991	7	250	3%	\$585.00
1992	5	255	2%	\$900.00
1993	3	218	1%	\$400.00
1994	6	197	3%	\$402.50
1995	4	221	2%	\$585.00
1996	2	175	1%	\$125.00
1997	1	217	0%	\$50.00
1998	1	201	0%	\$1,000.00
1999	5	233	2%	\$300.00
2000	2	261	1%	\$150.00
2001	1	259	0%	\$27.50
2002	4	261	2%	\$615.00
2003	3	253	1%	\$400.00
2004	2	280	1%	\$400.00
2005	1	247	0%	\$150.00
2006	3	263	1%	\$125.00
2007	1	249	0%	\$50.00
2008	2	279	1%	\$150.00
2009	4	263	2%	\$205.00
2010	2	276	1%	\$175.00
2011	0	257	0%	\$-
2012	0	248	0%	\$-
2013	1	238	0%	\$20.00
2014	0	239	0%	\$-
2015	16	263	6%	\$914.00
	409	13707	3%	\$309,185.31



Top Ten of Participation Raised

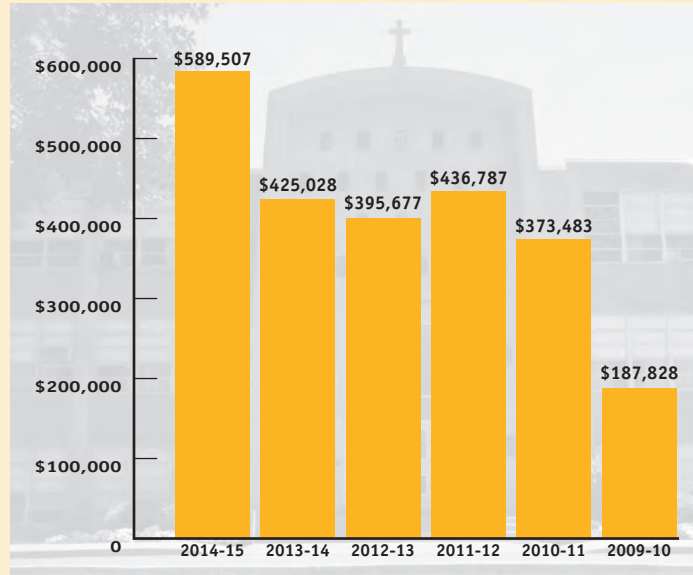
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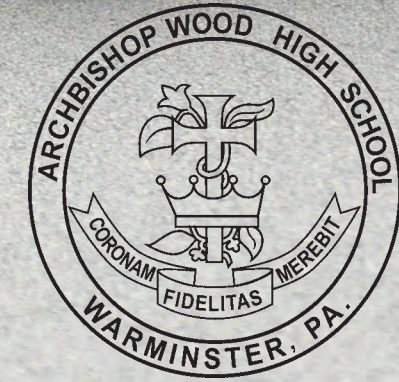
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Five-Year History of Wood Giving

	DOLLARS	DONORS	\$1,000 DONORS
2014-15	\$589,507	626	70
2013-14	\$425,028	626	59
2012-13	\$395,677	525	53
2011-12	\$436,787	545	58
2010-11	\$373,483	442	32



RememberR 5K Walk/Run

Saturday, October 17, 2015
655 York Road, Warminster, PA 18974

All proceeds will benefit the Rich Kelly Fund. Rich Kelly taught physical education for many years at Archbishop Wood. Rich died suddenly in April of 2010. Rich will always be remembered for his humor, dedication and friendship. Help us to RememberR Rich by participating in the 5K Walk/Run.

Race Day Schedule

7:45am-8:45am Registration
9:00am Start time
Awards for the top overall male/female finishers
Awards for the top overall Wood male/female finishers
Age group awards for 1st place

Entry Fees

If received by 10/12/2015
Adults \$25
Kids 13 and under \$15
Team (minimum of 10) \$10/person
Adult entries received after 10/12) \$35

For more information, contact: Mary McDonald at mmcdonald@archwood.org



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Calendar

Remember 5k Walk/Run & VikingFest

October 17, 2015

Homecoming Football Game

October 24, 2015

Open House & Mass

November 8, 2015

8th Grade Academic Scholarship Exam-

November 21, 2015 &
November 23, 2015

Young Alumni Christmas Gathering Class of 2012-2015

December 22, 2015 at 1:00pm

Catholic School's Week

January 31, 2016 to February 7, 2016

Alumni Valentine Mass & Breakfast

February 7, 2016

7th Grade Visitation & Open House for Prospective Students and Families

April 14, 2016

7th Grade Practice Exam

April 25, 2016

Hall of Fame

April 16, 2016

Alumni Mass and Garden Blessing

April 17, 2016

25th Annual Alumni Golf Classic

May 6, 2016

Viking Fund Concludes

Make Your Gift Today June 30, 2016

