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**Only 369 Days until the 50th Anniversary of our Graduation!
...or put another way, we graduated 17,894 days ago!!**

Our 50th Reunion News!

Friday, September 18, 2020 is the date selected and the Steel Club has been booked for the banquet event! We are now looking at activities to coincide with Becahi sporting activities for the fall of 2020. Ideally, we would like to include a Saturday home football game with a tented reception area and an event at the school on Saturday or Sunday to complement the buffet dinner with cash bar at the Steel Club on that Friday evening. This would enable classmates to pick and choose based on their schedule and budget, provide more than one event to mix and mingle, and give the out-of-towners more bang for their buck! We want to include as many grads as possible, so we are now searching for around 50 classmates who've we been unable to locate by e-mail so far. We have a "search party" out looking to reconnect. (A list is posted at the end of this newsletter.)

We will be invited to attend the June, 2020 Baccalaureate mass as 50-Year Graduates...a chance for a "Pre-Reunion" Reunion! More on that in a later newsletter.

Stay tuned for more.... The committee members are Lisa DeAngelis Hummell, Kathy Gaydos Bickert, Bernie Gallagher, Anne Gerber, Kathy Ripper Grasso, Tina Hudak, George Kane, Greg Ortwein, Karen Raykos Fatzinger, Betsy Vreeland Lavelle, Mary Jane Bartos Sikonic, Debbie Weiss Perrett and me. Betsy Horvath Kane is leading the effort. Her number is 412-400-0240 or elizabeth.j.kane@gmail.com if you'd like to help.

Please Remember:

Trish Holly's brother, Mike Machain's mother, Dave Salabsky's mom

Michael Holly passed away 4/01/19...pray also for Trisha's siblings **Bob '67** and Kathleen.

Anna Machain passed away on 4/30...pray also for Mike's siblings **David '67, Kathleen '72** and **James '75**.

Mary "Mitzie" Schadl (Salabsky) passed away on 4/30...pray also for Dave's siblings **MaryBeth '68, Paul '75** and **Judianne '77**.

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This month I heard from...

... Pat Takacs Kauffman '56, Carol Malone Oroskey '57, John McCarty '58, Yogi Eddinger '67, Pat Urello '67, John Maco '68, Pat Carisio Seidenberger '69, Susan McCandless Pfeil '69, Bobby Halbreiner '71 (who also stopped by my house), Greg Adams '72, Jane Salvatori Gonzalez '79, John Blair '84, Suzy Dotter Rogers '85, Mike Weed '86, Kristina Bartholomew Miller '87, Karen Kahl '87, Joe Lawler III '87, Dave Harmanos '90 and Ryan Hopkins '99

From our class, I either saw or heard from **Mary Jane Bartos Sickonic, Rosina, Kathy Brady Haugh, Dave Cech, Rosie Esparza, Dan Gallagher, Anne Gerber, Betsy Horvath Kane, Trish Holly Zechman, Tina Hudak, Dot Kerecz Midash, Karen Raykos Fatzinger, Sue Peters Crawford and Mary Szvetecz**

Thanks for your messages...they keep me motivated

Congratulations to...

Rosina Bierbaum '70, who was recently elected to the U.S. National Academy of Sciences in recognition of her distinguished and continuing achievements in original research. Rosina is an expert on environmental policy, sustainable development, and climate change adaptation. In addition to her appointment at the University of Michigan's School for Environment and Sustainability, where she formerly held the deanship, Rosina is the Roy F. Weston Chair of Natural Economics at the University of Maryland.



Rosina served on the Obama Administration's President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology. She ran the first Environment Division of the White House Science Office in the Clinton Administration. She chairs the Science and Technical Advisory Panel of the Global Environment Facility and is currently a science advisor to the Global Commission on Adaptation.

Rosina was the lead author of the climate adaptation chapter in the Third U.S. National Climate Assessment, released in 2014. She was a review editor of the last Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report about climate change impacts, adaptation and vulnerability. She was recently honored by University of Michigan President Mark Schlissel for her public engagement efforts, receiving the President's Award for National and State Leadership in March.

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... "As a first generation college graduate hailing from Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, I know I would not be here without "Star Trek", a lot of science fairs, and many, many patient mentors along the way... Their strongest advice to me was that doing research was not enough, but one should strive to be a 'civic scientist' and communicate the value of science to the public. My unusual career has come full circle from 'discovery' of knowledge, to 'assessment' and 'use' of knowledge for the Congress and the White House, and back to the University to mentor the next generation of environmental leaders. I pledge to mentor them as well as I was mentored."

Live long and (continue to) prosper, Rosina.

Tribute to the Members of the Class of 1934 – 85 Years Ago

This is the reunion year for those classes that end in 4 and 9. In January's newsletter, we recognized the members of the Class of 1929 (90 years ago). Here we will recognize and remember those who graduated in 1934. Many of their names are familiar to each of us. I'm pretty sure some of us were related to them in multiple ways. I was able to collect their names from multiple sources (Newspaper (Morning Call) articles, "Becahi" student publication, etc.) even though there was no official yearbook (that I could find) during this time. Consider this their virtual reunion. This was the eighth graduating class from the Fourth and Webster Streets' location:

Margaret Ammend Seaman
Michael Ballick
Helen Bender McArdle
Agnes Boden Gifford-Clark
Dominic Braucci
Betty Bush Henn
James Cuning
Francis V. Cunningham
Margaret Dennis Silvoy
Charles Dick
Kathleen Doyle Curtis
Henry Dredge

Mary Evrard Fistner
Betty Fingers
Mary Ford Fasacus
John Freeh^

Mary Gaffney Martin
Francis Gannon
Agnes Gimpert Kovacs
Rose Gosztonyi Reece
May Harrington Wilhelm
Francis Kacar
Joseph Leary
Agnes Maley Hart
Anne Maloney
John Mangon
Harry McGlade
Margaret McLaughlin
Braxmeyer

Irene Meszaros Grund-Lux
Lucy Morrison Foster
Scobey Mueller
Louis Murnin

Joseph Murphy
Stanley Nicholson
Anne Peters McGeady
Josephine Pierog Verba
Margaret Reisteter
William Reslie
Ann Marie Rohs Szymakowski
Catherine Schick Broughal
Alex Slafkosky
Mary Talian Uherick
Geraldine Trimble
Helen Udvardi

Mary Vanni Esten
Nick Vohar^
Wilma Waters Sculley
George Yasko

^ Gussed (i.e., not sure) if the person was a member of this class

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Class of 1934 Tidbits:

- There were 28 girls (58%) among the 48 members
- Mary Evrard wrote the Valedictory Address
- Margaret McLaughlin wrote the Salutatorian Address
- Charles Dick delivered the Salutatorian Address
- Alex Slafkosky became the Chief Scientist of the US Marine Corps

2019 Distinguished Graduates Jim Benzing and John Spagnola

Bethlehem Catholic High School's Distinguished Graduates are selected from those Bechai alumni who graduated at least 5 years ago. They must be a practicing Catholic, have good family and moral values and have excelled in their profession.

The 2019 Distinguished Graduates are **John Spagnola '75** and **Jim Benzing '81**. They received their award on Friday, May 3rd during a school assembly.



Pictured (Left to Right):
Jim Benzing '81, Holly DeNofa, Principal,
and John Spagnola '75

John is the Managing Director at PFM (Public Financial Management) in the greater Philadelphia area, a graduate of Yale University, and an eleven-year veteran professional football player including 9 years with the Philadelphia Eagles and one each with the Green Bay Packers and Seattle Seahawks.

Jim, who studied at Purdue University, is the owner of Structural Services Inc., a diversified specialty contractor specializing in steel and concrete bridge and building construction located in Bethlehem.

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I read that:

A Daycare Center will be opened on the Site of Former SS. Simon and Jude Elementary School

The vacant SS. Simon and Jude School, later Seton Academy building at 6th Ave. and W. Broad St. will soon become a daycare center capable of caring for up to 150 children. The Bethlehem Zoning and Hearing Board granted the appeal on April 24th – Morning Call 4/26/19

(BTW...Did you know that over 900 Becahi scholars (including me) attended SS. Simon and Jude over the years?)

“Positive Vibes” from a Graduate

Five years ago, **Matt Bahnick ‘10** started a company called The Positive Vibe Movement...On April 2nd, Bryce Harper of the Phillies showed up wearing a black hat with the words “Positive Vibes” stitched across the front. Harper’s hat choice for the special appearance at Nationals Park... gave Bahnick his breakthrough. Matt and his brother A.J. run the business from the basement of their parents’ Schnecksville home.

In 2018, Bahnick began donating a percentage of his sales to the Crisis Center of Tampa Bay; he lived in Florida when he started The Positive Vibe Movement. Bahnick wanted to contribute to an organization that assists with suicide prevention and mental health awareness...and, as much as he has enjoyed seeing star athletes wear his company’s gear, Bahnick is thrilled to hear how his donations to the Crisis Center have provided resources for those struggling with their mental health... He also often hears from customers who say a hat or shirt arrived on a tough day and provided a pick-me-up. “It’s all about love, making an impact, helping people,” Bahnick said. “It’s bigger than clothing.” – Morning Call 5/12/19

Save the Date(s)...

To the Class of '59

Come celebrate the 60th reunion with our Becahi classmates at a luncheon at the Steel Club in Hellertown, Pa. on **Friday, October 4, 2019** from 1 to 4 pm. A mailing will be sent out to all classmates sometime in June with more details.

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A “**Class of 1967 Turns "70" Get-Together**” will be held **Saturday, October 5, 2019** from **6:30pm to 8:30pm** in conjunction with Homecoming Weekend. Four persons have signed up so far. More details to follow...Anyone have any? You know, like where?

To the Class of '69

Baccalaureate is scheduled for **June 4th** at 7 PM. The Class of 1969 will **begin the celebration at 6 PM** in the Media Center (nee “Home Ec” Room on the girls’ side) before and after the mass. Congratulations to 38 of our (class of '70) brothers and sisters who graduated in 1969!

Catching up with...

A couple of months ago I heard from **Greg Adams '72**, and he offered this update to his journey...

“... served as the first Chief Operating Officer for the State of Tennessee until February of 2019. He joined the governor’s senior team in July of 2013 after working for IBM for 37 years.

Adams was a member of the company’s senior leadership team, most recently as a managing director in the financial services sector. Throughout his time at IBM, he held positions in sales, marketing, operations, reengineering & quality, and general management.

Early in his career, he spent two years in Knoxville as branch manager of IBM’s East Tennessee operations and then moved to Nashville where he was regional manager of the Mid-South region. After that, he served as managing director of operations and board member for IBM Japan in Tokyo.

In 1994, he moved to New York where he held a variety of senior executive positions related to IBM transformation initiatives. His 11 years in New York included roles from general manager of process industries for IBM North America to vice president of small and medium businesses for Canada, United States and Latin America.

In the governor’s ongoing effort to make Tennessee the best-managed state in the nation, Adam’s role was to work with state departments to ensure they were operating in the most efficient way possible. Since his retirement from the State he is engaged in various consulting and advisory activities.

Adams earned a Bachelor of Science in Engineering degree from Princeton University in 1976 and a master’s in science and management from M.I.T. in 1989. He has been married to his wife, Jeannine, for 43 years and has three married children and eight grandchildren...”

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Parishes of the Eighties...

Over the years, I have read through the yearbooks since 1950 that are now kept in the Advancement Office. A consistent notation in those yearbooks, although there were a few exceptions, was the listing of each senior's home parish. Over the last three months, we looked at the 50s, 60s and 70s in this newsletter. Let's see what parishes we came from in the Eighties.

I have the names of 2,028 scholars who were listed as seniors in the 1980s. Here's the data and information that I found in the yearbooks:

- 1,846 seniors came from 36 parishes
- 182 (9%) seniors did not have a parish reference

The 36 parishes and the number of seniors from the eighties were:

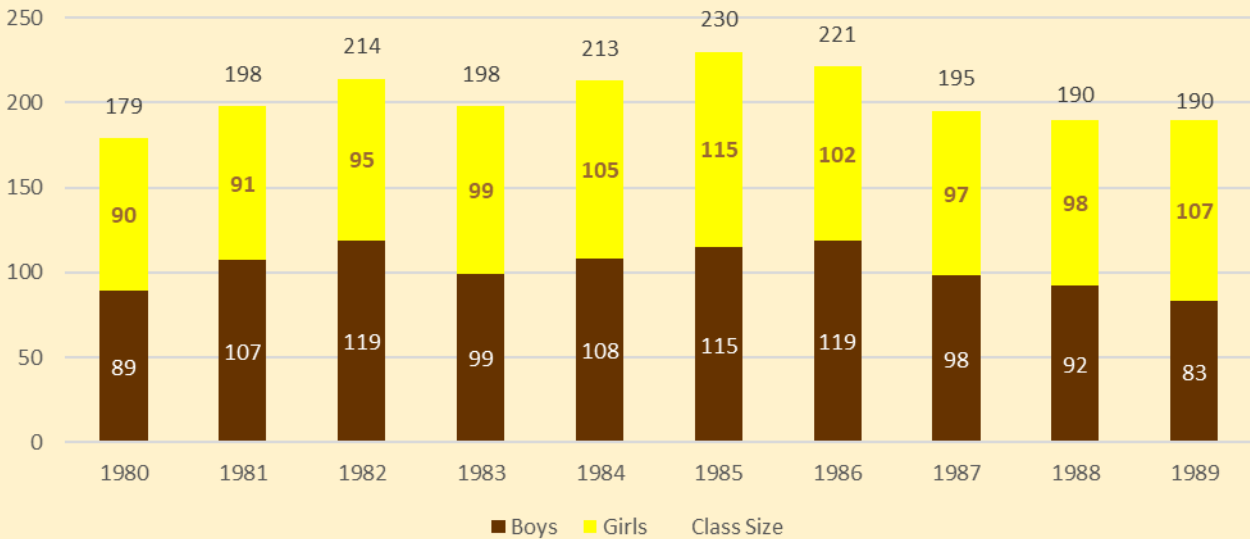
Parish	Grads		Grads	Parish
Notre Dame	455		5	St. Paul
St. Anne	264		3	St. Isidore
SS. Simon and Jude	182		3	St. Stanislaus
St. Ursula	166		2	Holy Rosary
Holy Infancy	118		2	Immaculate Conception
Our Lady of Perpetual Help	115		2	St. Andrew
St. Theresa	85		2	St. Jane
SS. Cyril and Methodius	75		2	St. Josaphat
Holy Ghost	64		2	St. Joseph, Limeport
St. John Capistrano	54		2	St. Michael
Sacred Heart	53		2	St. Nicholas
St. John the Baptist	48		2	St. Thomas More
Assumption B.V.M.	40		2	SS. Peter and Paul
St. Joseph	31		1	Our Lady Help of Christians
Sacred Heart, Bath	21		1	Our Lady of Hungary
Our Lady of Pompeii	16		1	Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Holy Family	12		1	St. George Orthodox
St. Lawrence	11		1	St. Matthew

The Population Demographic in the Eighties... 1,029 Boys, 999 Girls

- The average class size was 203, including 103 boys and 100 girls
- The largest class was 230 in 1985, and there were 115 of each!
- The smallest class was 179 in 1980, and there were 90 girls to 89 boys.
- A year by year graphic follows:

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I also read that:

Mary Ann Antalics Hoyt '67, is the author of a collection of humorous essays in her book titled "In Heaven There's No Money, No Stuff – and No Porta-Potties." With tongue-in-cheek views of her everyday observations and quirky experiences, the pages are filled with anecdotes about her fear of hummingbirds, the burial of the family cat in a cardboard box decorated with her son's Grateful Dead pencil drawings, and her concern that, because of her unphotogenic smile, she won't have enough decent photos for the obligatory collage at her funeral. – Cape Gazette April 25, 2019

Gail Rentzheimer Benincasa '68, RN, is a care coordinator at the Nicholas and Athena Karabots Pediatric Care Center of Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, and received a Coordinating All Resources Effectively (CARE) Award grant from the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation.

Kathleen Hogan Boyer '72, who holds a certification from the American Floral Art Design School, is the owner of Hogan's Flower Shop at 618 W. Broad St. in Bethlehem.

Mary Anne Gillen Hoffman '74, is a member of the Dance & Figure Skating Faculty of The Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts in Bethlehem. Mary Ann also held the position of Artistic Director of the Moravian College Dance Company from 2002-2014 and is currently their Artistic Advisor.

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Dave Bolcar '83, who received a BS in Mechanical Engineering from Penn State University, is Vice-President, Virginia-Class Submarine Construction for Newport News Shipbuilding, a division of Huntington Ingalls Industries, located in Newport News, Va.

Jeff Mergel '83, who received a BS in Marketing from Bloomsburg University and an MBA from Moravian College, is Senior Manager, Strategic Retail Execution at Johnson & Johnson in Skillman, NJ.

Michael Hoffman, '87, who received a BS in Biology, Natural Sciences from Muhlenberg College and an MD from Penn State University College of Medicine, is a urology specialist in Winchester, VA.

Kimberly Riss Wetherhold '87 is Regional Branch Administrator/Vice President. She is responsible for the operation of the Muncy Bank Community Office System.

Mary Sefranek '90, is a Linguistics/Applied Linguistics Professor at the University of Puerto Rico: Mayagüez Campus (UPRM). She received her Ed.D. from Teachers College, Columbia University in 2006.

Andrea Aragon Gosz '91, who received a BA from the University of Michigan, serves as Korn Ferry's Senior Client Partner in the Financial Services Markets specializing in Global Insurance, Consumer and Commercial Banking Practice, based in the Firm's Chicago office.

Mike Bedics '93, who received a Bachelor of Music Degree from Moravian College, is the Pastoral Associate for Worship and Music at the Catholic Community of Christ Our Light parish in Cherry Hill, NJ.

Lisa Dell'Alba '96, a graduate of DeSales University, is the President and CEO of Square One Markets Inc., a nine-store convenience and gasoline retail chain in Northeast Pennsylvania.

Damien Lubiak '97, who received a BA in Television & Film from DeSales University, is President for Damien Lubiak Productions in Los Angeles, CA.

Alexis Reightler '13, recently graduated from St. Luke's School of Nursing. Congratulations, Alexis.

Zach Blair '14, graduated on May 9th from Temple University with a Bachelor's Degree in Supply Chain Management/Logistics. Well done, Zach.

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All-State Honors...

Justin Paz '19, was named to the 20018-2019 First Team, All-State Boys Basketball Team by the Pennsylvania Sports Writers Association. Justin finished his career as the winningest player in school history, helping the Golden Hawks to a 90-26 record over the past four years with three district and two league championships. He finished by scoring 1,903 points, the most in Becahi boys' history, and had 263 career three-pointers, the most in EPC/Lehigh Valley League conference. – Morning Call 5/15/19

Coaches of the Year...

Jason Roeder '95, Freedom's football coach, and **Jose Medina**, Becahi's girls' basketball coach were named Coaches of the Year at the Sixth Annual Coordinated Health Foundation's Athlete of the Year Award ceremony. This was the first year that coaches were honored.

Senior Class (of 2019) Athlete Signings

I have been told that 29 athletes from the Class of 2019 have made their commitments known for their post-Becahi athletic pursuits. They are...

Senior	Post-Graduate Plan	Senior	Post-Graduate Plan
Francis Abi – Daher	Marywood University	Elizabeth Lieb	Dickinson College
Briana Barnard	Mercy College	Nicholas Lucien	Wyoming Seminary
Arianna Basile	Alvernia University	Brenna Magliochetti	Providence College
Margaret Benzing	Lafayette College	Elias Marte	East Stroudsburg University
Victoria Camacho	Cabrini University	Natalia Matos	Moravian College
Paul Carreras	East Stroudsburg University	Amirah Moody	Muhlenberg College
Dalton Daddona	Penn State University	Dillon Murphy	Harvard University
Luca Frinzi	Lehigh University	Justin Paz	East Stroudsburg University
Caden Giordano	Gettysburg College	Nathan Petke	Clarion University
Lauren Hull	Rhodes College	Jarius Rosado	East Stroudsburg University
Domenico Italiani	Kutztown University	Skylar Sutton	Moravian College
Alyssa Jimenez	Lock Haven University	Madeline Wickel	Moravian College
Josiah Kelly	Kutztown University	Kyle Young	Siena College
Bobby Kulp	Keiser University	Julia Zambo	Johns Hopkins University
Nathan Lackman	Rhode Island College		

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District XI Tennis Scholar-Athlete of 2019

Brenna Magliochetti '19, who finished her BecaHi career with the all-time leading record of 104-14, three District XI 2A championships, 2017 State 2A Champion, 2018 State 2A runner-up, *and* she has a 4.0 GPA. Brenna plans to pursue her post-Beca journey at Providence College. All the best, Brenna!

Spring Sports Update...

Boys Baseball

- Coach Mike Grasso's 32nd season (371-282)
 - The team finished the year with a record of 9-11, after a quarterfinal loss in the District XI playoffs to Wilson HS.

Girls Softball

- Coach Rich Mazza's 17th season (278-115)
 - The team finished the year with a record of 13-10, after a semifinal loss in the District XI playoffs to Blue Mountain HS.

Boys Tennis

- Coach George Harmanos' 46th season with the boys (359-327)
 - The team finished the year with a record of 6-11 after a District XI quarterfinal loss to Moravian Academy.

Boys Lacrosse

- Coach Joe Assise's team finished winless in 13 attempts this season.

Boys Volleyball

- Coach Jeff Koch
 - The team is currently 14-9, after defeating Lower Dauphin HS in the first round of the PIAA 2A Playoffs.
 - Next up: Ambridge HS, PIAA 2A Quarterfinals, on 6/1/19

Notable:

Elizabeth "Liz" Lieb '19, carried over her school record in the long jump to clinch a gold medal at the District XI Class 3A Track and Field Championships. Liz reached 18'-02.50" on her second jump. – Bethlehem Press 5/22/2019

Madeline "Maddie" Wickel '19, won the bronze medal in discus with a distance of 115'-05.00" at the District XI Class 3A Track and Field Championships. – Bethlehem Press 5/22/2019

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The Angels for Alex are (still) coming!

A few months back we set out to help Alex Tucker, a Becahi junior who lost his father in 2010 and his mother to cancer last July, raise money to complete his education at Beca. (Tuition is \$10,200/year). I am pleased to report that **we have now received \$8,400 from multiple donors to date.** **THANK YOU!** If you have been thinking about helping out, now is your chance. Please know that each gift is important. No gift is too small, but a sacrificial gift is greatly appreciated and will compensate for those not in a position to donate at this time.

If you are willing to commit to a pledge with a one time or recurring payment, the Advancement Office notes that there are many ways you can donate to Alex Tucker's Bethlehem Catholic High Schools tuition and become an Angel Sponsor:

1. Call the Advancement Office and pay with a credit card. Call Tina Giordano at (610) 866-0791 ext. 321 and pay with a credit card. **Be sure to say that this is for Alex Tucker's Tuition.**
2. Use this link to donate using our online form - all major credit cards are accepted. Click the link <https://becahi.org/advancement/> and then click on "Donate Today!". **Be sure to note in the "Tribute" field - Alex Tucker.**
3. Mail a check payable to "Bethlehem Catholic High School" to "Bethlehem Catholic High School, 2133 Madison Ave., Bethlehem, PA 18017. **Be sure to note "Alex Tucker's Tuition" on the subject line.**
4. Or, stop by the Advancement Office at Bethlehem Catholic High School if you wish to pay with cash and say hello!

Below is a bit more information about Alex.

Alex Tucker is a second-semester junior at Bethlehem Catholic High School with three older siblings who also attended Beca. He has achieved Honors each quarter, was on the wrestling team and is described as respectful and conscientious with amazing potential. He works part time, loves sports in general and the Philly sports in particular. Alex's mother Mary passed away from brain cancer on July 23, 2018. She was predeceased by Alex's father, Brian Tucker, who passed away on May 2, 2010 at the age of 53. For a student who has lost both parents, the Bethlehem Catholic family and the spiritual strength that a Catholic Education offers provide stability and strength. Freshman Guidance Counselor, Kathy Henry, said, *"I watched Alex grow up while working at Notre Dame of Bethlehem School. Now at Becahi, I see what an awesome young man he has become. Alex is a humble, thoughtful, and kind person due to the love and guidance he received from his parents, Mary and Brian, and the influence of his brothers and sister. There are people in our lives who are more than friends. They are like family. Alex is that kind of person to our community. He is a special part of our Becahi family."*

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Recent Passings

Alumni	Class	Passed Away	Age
Bob Boyle	1957	4/29/19	79
Susan Cunningham	1960	5/22/19	76
Elaine Stoll Bull*	1969	12/23/18	67
Bill Bosak	1978	5/19/19	59

➤ I just read about Elaine's passing

Family and Friends Passing

James Ammend, Sr., father of **James '82** and **Kevin '84**, on 5/06/19

Mary Bauer, mother of **Mary Ann '64** and **John '64**, on 5/17/19

Bill Bosak '78, brother of **Jeff '84**, on 5/19/19

Bob Boyle '57, brother of **Francis '56**, on 4/29/19

Helen Cassidy, mother of **Tim '69** and **Bob '73**, on 5/23/19

Mary Hrin Harvilla, mother of **Cindy '73** and sister of **Bernadine '54** on 5/27

Michael Holly, brother of **Bob '67**, **Trish '70**, and Kathleen, on 4/01/19

Lawrence Jani, father of **Donna '81** and **Larry '84**, stepfather of **Georgine (Sabolick) '72**, on 4/29

Ron Koach, Sr., father of **Ron '79**, **Scott '82** and **Janice '88**, on 5/27/19.

Anna Machain, mother of **David '67**, **Mike '70**, **Kathleen '72** and **James '75**, on 4/30/19

Mary "Mitzie" Schadl (Salabsky), mother of **MaryBeth '68**, **Dave '70**, **Paul '75** and **Judianne '77** on 4/30

Harry Tachovsky, father of **Harry '66**, **Karen '69** and **Dave '73**, brother of **Mary '38**, **Betty '45**, and **Tom '54**, on 5/17/19

Joseph Tobin, father of **Joseph '82**, **Dierdre '83**, **Dorothy '84**, **Mary '84**, **Kathy '94** and Kelly, on 5/15/19

Paul Ulincy, uncle of **Doreen '74**, on 5/22/19

Please remember our classmate, **Al Calvo**, who passed away in the month of June... 6/30/2011.

Did you know that...

...the first two persons to graduate from Becahi who were members of Notre Dame parish were **Marion Doyle '55** and **Helen Polansky Hubach '55**.

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“BLinkedIn” Profiles

LinkedIn is an online platform that people use to build social networks with other people who share similar personal or career interests, activities, backgrounds or real-life connections. Many of our classmates have profiles on LinkedIn that are viewed by and shared with the public. In future newsletters, some of those profiles of Becahi grads will be posted so we can continue to share our stories and connections with each other. It's a great way to market our school and her alumni. (...and because they are Becahi Grads, I call it “BLinkedIn”). I found the following grads on LinkedIn this year:

Barbara Stern Grozio '65 is the Manager, Physician Referral Service at University of Pennsylvania Health System.

Tim Foley '66, who received a BS in Mathematics from Moravian College, an MS in Math from the University of Illinois at Chicago, and an EdD in Educational Technology from Lehigh University, is the Chief Technology Officer of Library and Technology Services at Lehigh University.

Kathy Salos '67, who received a BA from the College of Notre Dame of Maryland, is the Office Administrator at Sandy Springs Psychiatry in Roswell, GA.

Lucy Bednar '69, who received a BA in English Language and Literature from Moravian College and an MA and PhD in English Literature from Lehigh University, retired after 30 years of teaching at the university (James Madison) level, and is currently testing her wings as a freelance editor and writer.

Chuck Ortwein '69, who received an AS in Business from St. Gregory's College and a Bachelor's Degree in Marketing from Oklahoma State University, is Principal Consultant at Ortwein Sales & Consulting LLC in Boyertown, PA.

Dolores Alves Johns '70, who received both a BS in Elementary Education and a Master's in Education (M.Ed.) from Kutztown University, and who retired from full-time teaching, is now a Substitute Teacher in the Catasauqua Area School District.

Eileen Evans Colahan '70, who received a BS in Business from Lehigh University and an MBA from Wilkes University, is Materials Management Specialist at Bristol-Myers Squibb in the Allentown area.

Jeff Jennings '70, who received a BS in Accounting from the University of Scranton, is Director of Product Management at Metropolitan Region Information Systems (MRIS) in the Metropolitan Washington, DC area.

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Rick Ressler '70, who received a BA in Economics from Princeton University and a JD from Harvard Law School, is Managing Partner at RWR Legal, a unique business law firm founded 12 years ago to provide sophisticated and personalized representation to growing companies in the Austin TX area.

Tom Sculley '70, who graduated with a degree in Accounting from Lehigh University's College of Business and Economics, is a Managing Partner at Outer Circle Sports in the Reading, PA area.

Joe Veilleux '70, who received his undergraduate degree from Duquesne University and an MBA from the University of Virginia's Darden School of Business, is GM of Euromed USA in the greater Pittsburgh area.

Jim Bartholomew '71, who received an AA in Business Administration from Northampton Community College and studied at Bucknell University's PBA School of Banking, is Executive Vice President/Senior Loan Officer at Embassy Bank for the Lehigh Valley in Bethlehem.

Scott Higgins '73, who received a BS in Computer Science from DeSales University and an MBA from Moravian College, is now retired in Charlotte, NC after a distinguished career leading and managing internal audit functions, including SOX (Sarbanes-Oxley) compliance, advisory and testing services within a wide array of industries.

John Kardos '75, who received a BS in Finance from Lehigh University, is the Chief Executive Officer at JAK Enterprises, that assists clients with contract compliance within the regulatory environment of governmental agencies in San Diego, CA.

Ed Szkudlanski '75, who received a BS in Industrial Engineering from Penn State University and an MBA in Management from Widener University, is Founder & President of Eclipse Business Solutions, Inc., a management consulting firm specializing in supply chain optimization, sales & marketing effectiveness, and business analysis & reporting across multiple industries, in the greater Philadelphia area.

Ed Blonar '77, who received an AA in Liberal Arts from Northampton Community College and a BS in Health and Physical Education from East Stroudsburg University, now Teaches Health and Phys Ed at the Agua/Buckeye Union HS Districts in Phoenix, AZ.

Dave Casagrande '78, who received a BS in Geology from Southern Connecticut University, and Master of Forest Science, Ecology and Policy from Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies and a PhD in Environmental Anthropology from the University of Georgia, is Associate Professor of Anthropology at Lehigh University.

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Paul Kahler '79, who received a BA in Communication from St. Mary's College in Orchard Lake, MI., is Vice President at JS Clark Agency, a full-service employee benefits firm in the greater Detroit, MI area.

Eric Zinczenko '86, who received a BA in Economics, Fiscal & Monetary Policy from Penn State University, is Chief Executive Officer at Bonnier Corporation, one of the largest consumer-publishing groups in America with over 30 special-interest magazines, multi-media extensions, digital properties, books and events, in New York City

Autumn Bayles '88, who received a BS in Industrial Engineering from Lehigh University and an MBA from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, is VP of Global Supply Chain at ARAMARK Corporation in the greater Philadelphia area.

Rich Grube '88, who served in the U.S. Navy and received a BS in Electrical Engineering from Old Dominion University, is an Electronics Engineer - Aerospace Technologist at NASA Langley Research Center in the Norfolk, VA area.

John Paolino '88, who received a BS in Mechanical Engineering from Lafayette College and a JD from the University of New Hampshire, is Partner at Finch Paolino, LLC. in Bedminster, NJ.

Liz Godlewsky Hendricks '89, who received a BSN from Bloomsburg University and an MSN in Acute Care Nurse Practitioner, is a Nurse Practitioner at Johns Hopkins Hospital in the Baltimore, MD. Area.

Mary Beth Anfuso Horner '90, who received an AS in Accounting from Northampton Community College and a BA in Accounting from Moravian College, is Chief Financial Officer at LifePath, Inc., an organization that provides homes and services to individuals with autism, intellectual and developmental disabilities in Bethlehem.

Veronica Jaramillo '90, who received a PhD in Chemistry from the University of Arizona, is a Chemistry Professor at Pasadena City College in the greater Los Angeles area.

Ray Lipsky '90, who received a BS in Economics from the United States Naval Academy and is a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, is Senior Vice President of Global Sales, Data Protection Solutions at Dell EMC in the greater Philadelphia area.

Brian Urbano '90, who received a BA in Political Science and Government from Georgetown University and a JD from the University of Virginia School of Law, is Assistant United States Attorney at the U.S. Department of Justice in Hoboken, NJ.

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Melissa Zeller Kiebort '90, who received a BS in Marketing from St. Joseph's University, is the Mission Advancement Director at Villa Maria Academy Lower School in Malvern, PA.

Joseph Giordano '91, who received a BA from Moravian College and an MBA from Boston University, is Chief Business Development Officer at SIMON Markets LLC in the greater New York City area.

Christine Hoffner Barthold '91, who received a BA in Psychology from Moravian College, a MS in Special Education from Temple University and a PhD in Special Education- Severe Disabilities/Autism, is Assistant Professor of Applied Behavior Analysis at George Mason University.

Erik Marsh '91, who received a Bachelor's Degree in Business and Economic from Lafayette College, is Vice President of Business Development at LifeAire Systems in Allentown.

Tanja Szautner Vaneman '92, who received a BS in Biology from the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia, is a Sr. Specialist, Clinical Research at Merck & Co., Inc. Perkasie, PA.

Dave Weisman '92, who received a BA from Franklin & Marshall College and an MD from Penn State University College of Medicine, is a Neurologist at Abington Memorial Hospital in the greater Philadelphia area.

Karen DeKeukelaere Tefteau '93, who received a BS in Finance from Lehigh University, is Managing Director at PineBridge (formerly AIG) Investments in the greater Charleston, SC area.

Celina Fernandes Mount '94, who received a BS in Marketing from Bloomsburg University and an MBA from the University of North Carolina – Flagler Business School, is Director, Program Management at Fidelity Investments in the Raleigh-Durham, NC. Area.

Matthew Kurtz '94, who received a BS in Computer Engineering from Penn State University and an Executive MBA from the Kellogg School of Business at Northwestern University, is a Product Line Manager at Texas Instruments in the Dallas/Fort Worth area.

Mark Macek '94, who received a BS in Psychology from Kings College, an MS in Developmental Psychology from Johns Hopkins University and a JD from the University of Baltimore School of Law, is an Attorney with the United States Department of Veterans Affairs - Board of Veterans' Appeals in Washington, DC.

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Dana Shak Bender '94, who received a Nursing degree from the University of Delaware and an MS in Family Practice Nurse Practitioner from Cedar Crest College, is a Sales Professional at Novo Nordisk A/S in the Allentown area.

Michele Anfuso '95, who received a BA in English from DeSales University and a Master's Degree in Library Science from Clarion University, is the Information Services and Interlibrary Loan Librarian at Lehigh Carbon Community College.

Jocelyn Bellew Dickey '95, who received a BA in Business Management from Moravian College and an MBA from Kutztown University, is the Owner / Maker & Designer at Dickey Sack, uniquely crafted one of a kind bags, pillows & more from up-cycled coffee sacks... Handmade in the USA, in the greater Los Angeles area.

Tom Harper '95, who received a BS in Advertising & Public relations from Ithaca College and an MA in Integrated Marketing Communications from the University of Colorado, is VP, Account Services at Rauxa, "the largest independent women-owned advertising agency," in the greater New York City area.

Cara Blume Light '98, who received a BA in Psychology from Bloomsburg University, is an Undergraduate Program Assistant at the University of Connecticut in Tolland, CT.

Colin Anderson '99, who received a BA in Business Administration from Colby-Sawyer College, is an Accredited Investment Fiduciary (AIF) & Financial Advisor at Vantage Financial Group, Inc. in Bethlehem.

Ryan Hopkins '99, who received a BA in Architecture from the University of Notre Dame, an MBA from Penn State University, and who served in the Pennsylvania Army National Guard, is a Licensed Architect at Gensler, widely recognized as the world's leading collaborative design firm, and is an Engineer Operations Officer for 56th Stryker Brigade Combat Team in Horsham, PA (Pennsylvania Army National Guard).

Cuba and the Caribbean! Start your plans for the Third Annual Alumni Cruise... A Reunion at Sea, perhaps?

It's a perfect way to celebrate a class reunion next year, leaves February 17th, 2020 for 8 days! Departure from Miami. More details are in the attached flyer or contact Angel Rivera Class of '71 for more information 484-241-1059.

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News about the school from the Advancement Office

- **Julia Zambo** was named this year's Valedictorian and **Kaitlyn Hartman** was named Salutatorian. Well done and congratulations! You join an elite membership over the years.
- For more Becahi News go to: <https://becahinews.com/bethlehem-catholic-high-school/>

Reflection

The month of June is set apart for devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The following are three short prayers for us this month...

- *"Sacred Heart of Jesus, may you be known, loved, and imitated!*
- *Sacred Heart of Jesus, protect our families.*
- *Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us."* – *ourcatholicprayers.com*

Class of 1970 Missing Persons Report ...

(* We have an address and phone number on some (not sure if all current,) but no e-mail contact on file)

*Joe Bender	*Kathy Gyorek Transue	*Mary Catherine Murphy LoVerme
*Karen Berg Hobbs	*Dave Hartzell	*Mimi Nolan Wiber
*Paul Bolick	*Cecelia Holotyak Fox	*Graciela Ocampo
*Nancy Cacciatore Huber	*Bob Iampietro	*Jeanne Reese
Nancy Carrington Behler	*Nick Ierovante	*Lee Repsher Poff
*Jeff Cassano	*Tom Kacar	*Roseann Righi Repasch
*Anthony Check	*John Kovach	*Dave Salabsky
*Sandy Check Cross	*Ken Krizan	*Jim Santo
*Jeff Christein	*Maureen Lawrence	*Liz Slafkosky Kerekes
*Joe Csencsits	*Mike Machain	*Tom Stefl
*Joan Danko Buchert	*Tom Maio	*Peggy Steirer Mohouska
Mike W. Dougherty	Nancy Majczan	*Steve Triber
*Joe Eharth	*Janet Martinez Lezoche	*Steve Vargo
*Jocelyn Farrell	*Jane Meder Mignogno	*Joe Villeux
*Tom Farris	*Phil Meguire	*Mike Ver
*Mary Jane Galle Spinner	*Mike Molchan	*Steve Watsula
*Mayra Godin Focht	*John Zelko	*Karen Yatsko Hashimoto

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And now...

Despite every effort to prevent errors, sometimes they occur. If I inadvertently misinterpreted a story or fact, or if your name has been omitted or misspelled, please notify me and/or the Advancement Office and accept my sincerest apologies, and...

If you have any stories, comments, concerns, opinions, etc., that you'd like to share, please let us know.

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