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Getting Ready (again) for Our 50th Reunion!

Now that our 50th was postponed until September 24, 2021, we have a little more time to 1) find the “missing persons” from our class, and 2) post your bio on the class webpage. We’ll be sending the “missing persons report” out soon, so we can see if we know where some are hiding. It’ll be our version of Treasure Hunt. Keep checking in regularly and keep up your enthusiasm!

By the way, we’ve shot all the way up to 23 bios! **Only 207 to go!**

You don’t have to include all of the latest information on yourselves. We can catch up with that at the reunion. So, post your short bios at

<https://1970classreunion.blogspot.com/p/alumni-biogra.html> ...or send them to **Tina Hudak** at tinahudak@gmail.com and she’ll post them. Remember, only 150 words...

Meanwhile, catch up with **Greg Ortwein** who writes...

“[I] Graduated Villanova University with a BS in Accounting. Worked for 35 years with International Paper (IP) in Finance, Strategic Planning, M&A, and General Management. Retired in 2009, as GM of Industrial Packaging-Asia in Shanghai. Moved ten times, living in five states and two other countries. As Finance Director-Europe (Paris, France), traveled to many European countries, same in Asia. Returned to the Lehigh Valley from Shanghai after retiring. Consultant to IP in India after retiring.

*[I] Married **Cyndy Macarro ('69)**, a retired elementary school teacher; we have two children, who are both International HS Teachers. Jacob, an architecture graduate from ASU (AZ), teaches Design Technology in Bangkok. He and his wife, who is Argentinian, have a four-year-old son, Noah, and are expecting a daughter soon. Bummer we can't be there with this virus! Megan, a Math Ed graduate from Lesley University in Cambridge, MA teaches HS Math at the American School Tokyo with her Athletic Director Japanese husband there.”*

How many this time?

This month’s edition contains the names of **418** graduates...
From **73** different classes, including...

1930s: 1931, 1934, 1935, 1938 1940s: 1940, 1948, 1949

1950s: 1951, 1956 through 1959

...and from every class from 1960 through 2020

We all share a special bond.
Stay safe and stay well.

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This month I either saw or heard from...

... Mary Maroney Marzec '51, Mary Jane Lucas Kacsur '56, Patricia Takacs Kauffman '56, Carol Malone Oroskey '57, Jack Swegel '58, Dorothy Keating Steltzer '60, Andrew Silvoy '60, Bonnie Grycko Zsilavec '66, Harry Tachovsky '66, Yogi Edinger '67, Gil Kauffman '67, Pat Urello '67, Lucille Willey Werner '68, Pat Bellew Kottke '69, Don Brugger '69, Tom Kozlowski '69, Rita Manone Frey '69, Fran McGouldrick '69, Bobby Halbreiner '71, Greg Adams '72, Sue Bartos '72, Bill and Patti (Cunningham) Ebling '73, Vicky Roberts Brind'Amour '73, Carmen Spagnola '74, Donna Guman Foley '75, Janet Perez Fetherolf '75, Mary Hitcho '77, Dan Reisteter '78, Ron Koach '79, Lou Vittorio '80, Tom Vresics '81, Mike Wavrek '84, Valerie Venezia Singley '90, Ryan Hopkins '99, Carlos Barata '10, Lauren Russo '14

...and from our class, I either saw or heard from **Bobby A, Tommy Altimare, Tony Bauer, Kathy Brady Haugh, Dave and Jean (Bringenberg) Cech, Mike Cunningham, Lisa, Ed Delluva, GI Jerry, Kathy Gaydos Bickert, Bernie Gillen, Joanie Greenfield, Paul Grube, Micky Halbreiner, Trish Holly Zechman, Tina Hudak, Jeff and Col, George and Betsy, Dot Kerecz Midash, Pat Lynch, Greg Ortwein, Karen Raykos Fatzinger, Kathy Ripper Grasso, Tommy Sculley, Grace Soltis, Josephine, Carl**

... and from **Holly DeNofa**, Becahi's principal, and Kathleen Henry, freshmen guidance counselor.

Welcome Graduates of 2020 – A Class Like No Other

They didn't get to experience what most of us had when we journeyed through our senior year. They DID experience what *none of us went through*. And for that reason, they will always be a class like no other. People will be talking about this class for years to come.

The 185 graduates are heading off in 77 different directions, including two and four-year post-secondary institutions of higher education, service, employment, and other life experiences.

They now join over 13,250 alums who will be praying for them and wishing them well. Congratulations to our history-making graduates of 2020!

BTW, alphabetically speaking, **2020 grad Anthony Aach** is now ranked 1st of all the scholars who graduated from Beca!

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Year 2020 – 2021 School Opening Plans Learning and Faith Continue!

Becahi's Reopening Committee, consisting of various stakeholders in our community, have worked countless hours to research and prepare a comprehensive plan to safely invite students back to school this fall. The plan, which, as you can understand, is subject to revision, can be viewed on the school's website under the parent's tab... <http://www.becahi.org/parents/reopening-plan>

Say a special prayer for Patti McGouldrick Doncsecz's mom who passed away last month.

Betty Jean McGouldrick passed away on 07/11. Please also say prayers for Patty's siblings, **Fran '69, Tom '72**, the late **Tim '74** and **Michelle '75**.

Calling All Car(d)s: Patricia D'Orsi Casciano '38, Turns 100 on August 19th

Our classmate, **Celeste Casciano Silvonek '70**, wrote to tell me her mom turns 100 on the 19th...

*"...She is the only one that I know that has reached that age of 100... no one else in our family has and we can't even give her party which she well deserves. Instead we have **decided to have a card shower for her from now until her birthday. All of her friends are gone so even though people might not know her I think it be a nice idea if they want to reach out a little by sending her a card.** She is in good shape she still walks with a walker. Her eyesight is going a little bit but **she will read every single card over and over again.** I wish I could do more for her but until this whole thing is over I can't so I'm asking if you would please put this in your newsletter and hopefully some people will respond."*

Her mailing address is:

Mrs. Patricia Casciano. #302
The Palmerton
71 Princeton Ave.
Palmerton, PA 18071

Thanks everyone!
How about (at least) 100 cards?

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Looking Back 60 Years...

Read on and give the class of 1960 a virtual reunion...

Here's what I could find, and although it may not contain comprehensive and complete information, it's worth reading about and recognizing our Becahi "ancestors".

There were 147 members of the senior class, including 50 boys and 97 girls. It was the largest class of seniors at the Fourth and Webster Streets' location.

Father Daniel B. Powell, D.D. was the Rector of Holy Infancy Parish
Father Joseph V. Sangmeister, J.C.D., LL.D. was the Principal
Father John J. Nawn was the Vice-Principal and taught religion
Father Vincent I. Cronin was the Athletic Director and taught religion and Latin

The Senior Play was "Young April", and the Christmas Pageant was performed.
Mr. Charles C. Kropp was the Director of Dramatics

The Student Association elected officers were... **William Dwyer**, President; **Helen Zajacik**, VP; and **Robert Silvoy**, Secretary

Susan Cunningham, Theresa Matus and **Dorothy Keating** were page editors, and **William Gresho** and **James Link** were sports editors of the Tidings.

Patricia Kelly was the editor of the Sceptre.

Bob Bukvics reached the 1,000-point milestone, finished his career with 1,467 points, (and currently ranks 2nd in all-time boys' points scored.)

Jean Bayak eclipsed the 1,000-point mark, finished her career with 1,061 points, (and currently ranks 9th in all-time girls' points scored.)

The Boys Basketball Team captured the Pennsylvania Catholic Interstate Athletic Association (PCIAA) Class "B" State Championship, and finished with a 25 – 7 record.

The members of the boys' basketball team were...

Bob Molitorisz, John Moroney '61, Al Mucksavage, Bob Bukvics, Dennis Johnson, Dennis Votral '61, Jim Monek '61, John Shupp '61 (Asst. Mgr.), **Jim Posipanko, John McGeehan '61, Ed Angerman '61, Fran Fenerty '62, Andy Kalata, George Yellak '61, Charles Terry '61** (Official Scorekeeper) and **William Gresho** (Mgr.)

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The girls' basketball team had a record of 3 wins and 7 losses. Members of the team included:

Veronica Batley, Mary Danko '61, Bernadette Monaghan '62, Alice Shunk '62, Jean Riley, Lorraine Stofko '61 (Mgr.), Mary Lou Eddinger, Eleanor Bobb, Patricia Geitz '63, Jean Bayak, Rita Coyle, Andrea Garza '61, Agnes Kocsan (Mgr.), Elizabeth Weiss '62 (Mgr.) and Mary Beth Monaghan '61

Wrestling resumed as a club sport and was coached by Mr. Justin Carisio. "Enthusiasts hope to reinstate grapplers' contests as a varsity sport in the near future."

Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated in Holy Infancy Church in June.

The graduates were...

**Georgine Almer Cser*
Roseann Balog Levering
George Balshai
Veronica Banish Schaeffer*
Charlotte Bartakovits Pavis
Veronica Batley*
(Sr. M. Dorothy Joseph, SSJ)
Jeannette Baur Holly
Jean Bayak Dudra*
Jeanette Blaukovitch*
Eleanor Bobb Hingle*
Richard Bokan
Robert Bokan*
Brenda Boone Whitman*
Gail Bringenberg Ferguson*
Bernard Brogan*
Bob Bukvics
Mary Buragino Cochrun
Jean Bush Larizza*
Sylvia Casamassa
Michael Chaffier
Louisa Check*
Thomas Chrimer
Katiemarie Corroda Connors*
Rita Coyle Spinelli
Susan Cunningham*
Francis Curry
Mary Danko Milkovitz*
John DeBellis
Robert Demjan
Helen Dominko Cooke
Lenore Donches Repsher***

**Nan Gifford Mayland
William Gorkos*
Joan Graser Kozauer*
William Gresho*
Robert Hercik*
Barbara Hetzel Tocci
Thomas Hovancik
Andrew Hudak
Mary Ann Huhn DeBellis
Dennis Johnson
Maryann Judd Dorman*
Patricia Judd McGowan*
Andrew Kalata*
Dorothy Keating Steltzer
Mary Keating Uhl
Sharon Kelbon Cmorey
John Kelly*
Patricia Kelly Godlewsky
Elaine Keretz Talian
Agnes Kocsan Gann
Mary Ann Koenig Reilly
Mary Kost Bishop
Rose Marie Kovacs Mraz
Beverly Kronstein Defulvio
Maryann Kuprian Kelly
Margaret Leonard Klimek*
Christine Letowt King*
Maryann Libricz
James Link
Edward Long
Theodore Lucas
Marie Lyons McGee**

**Barbara Poniktera Lightner*
April Portnova Kucsan
James Posipanko
Margaret Prutko Corrow*
Irene Pulli
Rosalie Rasich Yuhas
Joan Reed Posipanko
Eleanor Repasch Craig*
Jean Ritter Fereno
John Rodgers
Jacqueline Rogan Mills
Sarah Russ
Wolfgang Sawitz*
Margaret Schmidli Lorrach
Robert Schneider*
Ann Sciarra Mott
Madeline Sell Gregoris
Elizabeth Sides Gubich
Carole Silvester Tulio
Andrew Silvoy
Robert Silvoy*
Catherine Sneckenburg -
Kiefer

Sandreee Snell Gerencher
Mary Spinelli Coyle
Francis Staffieri
Rosemary Steixner Makosky
Elizabeth Stellato Tartaglia*
Richard Stoll*
Sandra Strauss Chanitz*
Sandra Szulborski Lukeivec**

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Grace Dougherty Zajacik
George Durako
Catherine Dwyer Mies
William Dwyer
Mary Louise Eddinger Phillips
Carolyn Elek DeBellis
Elaine Elliott Taylor
Eleanor Ellwanger Zelnick
Dave Ernhoffer
Fernanda Fantozzi Williams
Frank Filo
Marion Fistner Ehret
Rosalie Fodi Krusemark
Nancy Gallis Richter*
Mary Anne Ganssle Weisel
Eleanor Garza Bencak
William Gawlick
Helen Geitz Svanda
Christine Geld Mindler*

Francis Macik*
Marian Majczan Zulli*
Ronald Makosky*
Genevieve Martucci Hanchick
Theresa Matus Syslo*
Agnes McGowan Moroney*
Robert Molitorisz*
Judith Morecz Simpson
Maureen Morgan Young
Alfred Mucksavage*
Louise Mucksavage McKeon
David Muller*
Anthony Neri*
Lawrence O'Connor
Theresa O'Donnell Donchez
Ann Ortwein Logsdon
Patricia Pastir Purnell
Lawrence Piltman*
Theodore Polansky*
Alfred Talijan
Carol Talijan
Alfred Tocci
Joann Trotsky
Andrew Ummarino*
Martha Van Billiard Henn*
Mary Van Billiard
Joseph Vasquez*
Shirley Waldron Arnold
Frank Wehinger
Arnold Wieder*
Margaret Yelenics-
Klenovitch*
Bernard Yuhas*
Helen Zajacik Trinkle
Mary Ann Zavec
Jeanne Zelko Zongoro*

* Passed Away

There were (at least) 5 Health Care Professionals:

- > Jean Bush Larizza, RN
- > Mike Chaffier, DO
- > Mary Kost Bishop, LPN
- > Terri Matus Syslo, RN
- > Joan Reed Posipanko, RN

There were (at least) 11 members who served our country in the military:

- > John DeBellis, U.S. Navy
- > Dave Ernhoffer, U.S. Marines
- > Andrew Kalata, U.S. Army
- > John Kelly, U.S. Navy
- > Francis Macik, U.S. Marines
- > Bob Molitorisz, U.S. Army
- > Al Mucksavage, U.S. Air Force
- > Jim Posipanko, U.S. Air Force
- > Richard Stoll, U.S. Navy
- > Joseph Vasquez, U.S. Air Force
- > Frank Wehinger, U.S. Navy

There were 13 "campus-couple" weddings:

- > Jeannette Baur and **Tom Holly '56**
- > William Dwyer and **Patricia Kovacs '61**
- > Barbara Hetzel and Al Tocci
- > Beverly Kronstein and **Joseph Defulvio '61**
- > Bob Molitorisz and **Mary Tulio '59**
- > Rosalie Rasich and Bernie Yuhas
- > Sandra Strauss and **Joel Chanitz '59**
- > John DeBellis and May Ann Huhn
- > William Gawlick and **Eleanor DeBellis '61**
- > Elaine Keretz and **Stephen Talian '58**
- > Ron Makosky and Rosemary Steixner
- > Jim Posipanko and Joan Reed
- > Andrew Silvoy and **Sandra Majczan '61**

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(At least) 11 class members had 28 children who graduated from Beca:

- > Charlotte Bartakovits Pavis
- > Bob Bukvics
- > Catherine Dwyer Mies
- > Robert Hercik
- > Andrew Hudak
- > Andrew Kalata
- > Mary Keating Uhl
- > Patricia Kelly Godlewsky
- > Agnes McGowan Moroney
- > Rosalie Rasich and Bernie Yuhas
- > **John '86, Michael '91**
- > **Jennifer '86, Roberta '89, Molly '05**
- > **John '84, Kathleen '85, Michael '87**
- > **Robert '81, Michael '85, Chris '89**
- > **Coreen '91, Robin '93, Christa '95**
- > **Maria '84, Elizabeth '86, Kathryn '89, Michael '96**
- > **Thomas '82, Susan '83, Kathleen '85**
- > **Edward '84, Carolyn '86, Elizabeth '85**
- > **Deb '84, Dan '85, James '92**
- > **Bonnie '88**

Five class members had parents who graduated from Beca:

- > Jean Bush Larizza
- > Mary Danko Milkovitz
- > Mary Lou Eddinger Phillips
- > Barbara Hetzel
- > Al Tocci
- > **Bernadette Durning '40**
- > **Mary Baca '38**
- > **Len '34, Margaret Egan '34**
- > **John '35, Rose Auer '35**
- > **Alfred '31**

Save the Date(s)... for now...

2020 Golden Hawk Golf Classic

This year's outing is scheduled for **Friday, September 11th, 7am-3pm** at the Whitetail Golf Course | Whitetail Golf Club in Bath. This annual event benefits the school's athletic program. Check out the link on the Becahi website to get more information.
<https://becahi.org/advancement/golden-hawk-golf-classic/>

Homecoming 2020

The 2020 Homecoming is (still) officially slated for **Friday, September 25th** vs. Liberty. The "Pig 'N Swig" will be **September 24th**. More details will be forthcoming as they develop.

Reunion News...

The **Class of '57**, will hold their 63rd Reunion at the Prime Steak House in Bethlehem on **Wednesday September 30, 2020** from 12:00-4:00

The **Class of '70's** Golden Reunion has been rescheduled for the weekend of **September 24-26, 2021**.

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Class of 1972's 50th Reunion plans are underway. A questionnaire and contact site were developed, and they're looking for input...

1. Date: September or October, 2022
2. Interested in golf outing on Friday afternoon? (Yes or No)
3. Small social on Friday at local bar (6-9PM), with small plates and cash bar? (Y/N)
4. Dinner and dancing on Saturday, place TBD? (Y/N)
5. Mass, coffee and donuts on Sunday at Becahi chapel (if available) and farewell? (Y/N)
6. Interested in serving on committee?

Please respond to the Class of '72 Reunion Site... becahiclass72@gmail.com

The **Class of 1985's** 35 Year Reunion is still set for **Saturday, October 10, 2020**, 8-11 PM, at The Bayou Restaurant in Bethlehem. All other classes are welcome to join them. Any questions, email **Sherri Hines '85** at artteacherscsp@gmail.com

ATTENTION: Classes of 1989 AND 1990!

30th year reunion is set for Beca Homecoming weekend, **Saturday September 26th, 2020** at the Steel Pub in Bethlehem. Please join our Facebook group for up to date information as the date approaches (1989 & 1990 BCHS Class Reunion) or email **Valerie (Venezia) Singley '90** at... rvsings@ptd.net

I also either saw, heard from, or read about:

Bob Bukvics '60, was cited by the Morning Call as being one of the Lehigh Valley's top high school boys' basketball players of all-time in a story released on 06/18/20. Bob, the only player from Becahi that was listed, received Honorable Mention among those announced.

Greg Lang '65, who studied Biology and graduated from DeSales University and received an MD from the University of Pittsburgh's School of Medicine, now lives in Ladysmith, British Columbia. - FB

Gil Kauffman '67, a graduate of Washington University in St. Louis, retired in 2003 after working in chemical research and automation of the manufacturer of drugs at the J.T. Baker Chemical Co. Gil has a few patents, mainly in waste reduction using ozone, and now lives in Coudersport, Potter County, PA.

Jill Kidulic Whiskeyman '03, is Co-Founder & CEO of Simpatico Studios—a full-service ad agency based in the Greater Philadelphia Area, which was recognized in February as a 2019 Best Branding Agency.

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Paul Rinkenberg '04, who earlier received an AAS in Accounting from Northampton Community College, recently received a BSBA in Accounting from Kutztown University.

Fiona Reed '10, received her JD from the University of South Carolina School of Law in May. She had received her undergraduate degree from the University of South Carolina as well. Congratulations, Fiona. You'll get no objections from us.

Congratulations to Our Recent Post-Secondary Education Graduates

(a partial list): ...**A Virtual Recognition from your fellow alums...**

Rachel Seibert Margetis '07 MS Social Work, Marywood University

Dana Neupauer '16 BA Sociology, Moravian College

Mackenzie Hoenig '17 AAS Communication Design, Northampton Community College

Carly Kocher '17 AA Liberal Arts, Northampton Community College

Melissa Kacar '17 AA, Northampton Community College

Kayla Corrado '18 AAS Early Childhood Education, Northampton Community College

Aidirelys Velez '18 AA, Northampton Community College

If I have missed your announcement, I apologize, but please let me know and I will post your accomplishment in next month's *Tidings* newsletter. - JOB

42 Years of Service – Mrs. Ann Ruth Retires

Please join us in honoring and celebrating another one of our teachers, Mrs. Ann Ruth, who is retiring. Just as we did with our other retirees, **we are collecting short video clips of congratulations** (30 seconds or less). **Please consider doing this.** The feedback received from those who retired was very positive and no doubt, these videos touched their hearts in a very special way. We'd love to do the same for Mrs. Ruth. Close to 8,000 students have graduated from Beca during her tenure.

Thanks for sending your video in by Sunday, August 9th.

Please upload your video to Dropbox at:

<https://www.dropbox.com/request/jB5RexHMiiMOb6kXnt2z>

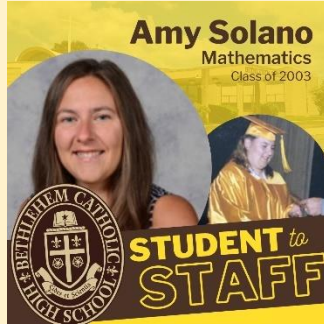
Did you know...

...that several of our faculty and staff once graced our halls as students?

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Say "Hello" to Ms. Amy Markovic Solano '03, Math Teacher



As a Golden Hawk, Amy recalls some fond memories from BECAHI's football games, homecoming weekend, and of course, the legendary Senior-Faculty Basketball Game during Anything Goes. As a student she won various awards for academic achievement in geometry and physics, and credits Mrs. Janice Little for inspiring her to become a Math teacher. Amy earned her B.S. and secondary education certificate from DeSales University, and has been at BECAHI for a total of 13 years. "Ever since deciding I wanted to be a teacher, I've always wanted it to be at Bethlehem Catholic. When I was

there as a student I very much appreciated being in a school where it was so evident that the teachers cared so much about the students. Now I get to be one of those teachers, and it really does just make my day to see my students succeed - from class to athletics, extracurricular activities, college and beyond." Once a Golden Hawk, always a Golden Hawk!

Recent Passings

Alumni	Class	Passed Away	Age
Marie Petruny Bartholomew	1948	07/06/2020	90
Dennis Monaghan	1949	07/17/2020	88
MaryAlice Riccaboni-Eder Roarty	1952	07/30/2020	86
Tina Stavnicky Szczepanski	1967	06/10/2020	
Joseph Prah	1979	06/26/2020	

Our Family and Friends Passings

- † Patricia Beaky, mother of **Mark '79**, Monica, **Mike '82**, **Melinda '83**, and **Matt '84**, on 06/27
- † Thomas Bednar, father of **Constance '69** and **Patricia '74**, on 07/13
- † Joanne Feigl, mother of **Fran '78**, **Ann '83** and Clare, on 07/19
- † Bernie Ferry, son of the late **Bernard Ferry '35**, on 07/01
- † Robert Koch, father of **Jill '85**, on 07/01
- † Betty Jean McGouldrick, mother of **Fran '69**, **Pat '70**, **Tom '72**, the late **Tim '74** and **Michelle '75**, on 07/11
- † Jose Luis Pena, father of **Judy '78**, **Angel '84** and **Manuel '86**, and grandfather of **Deanna Fontanez '01**, on 07/25
- † **Joe Prah '79**, brother of **Mary '77**, **Chris '81**, **Greg '83** and **Ted '86**, on 06/26

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† **Christina “Tina” Stavnicky Szczepanski ‘67**, wife of the late **John Szczepanski ‘67** and sister of **Bernadette ‘64**, on 06/10.

Please say a special prayer for our classmate, **Margaret Szvetcz**, who passed away during the month of August. (08/15/2017)

Sports

Let the debates/discussions begin.

Greatest Lehigh Valley (High School) Girls’ Basketball Players of All Time

– Morning Call, 7/03/20

Second Team **Kalista Walters ‘15** (2,273 points)
Third Team **Tiffany Bedics ‘95** (1,804)
Honorable Mention **Taliyah Medina ‘20** (1,168)

I found a citing from the Morning Call on our 1,000-point scorers. They deserve a shout-out at this time!

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|--|---|
| 1. Kalista Walters ‘15 (2,273 Points) | 7. Terri Guman ‘79 (1,168) |
| 2. Tiffany Bedics ‘95 (1,804) | 8. Christy Cochran ‘95 (1,092) |
| 3. Hope Brown ‘18 (1,256) | 9. Jean Bayak ‘60 (1,061) |
| 4. Andrea Veres ‘10 (1,238) | 10. Cheryl Morykan ‘83 (1,022) |
| 5. Jen Kish ‘93 (1,186) | 11. Alyssa Antolick ‘01 (1,005) |
| 6. Taliya Medina ‘20 (1,168) | 12. Annette Sullivan ‘55 (1,000) |

Greatest Lehigh Valley (High School) Wrestlers of All Time – Morning Call, 7/12/20

These were the guidelines used when considering the contenders:

- High school accomplishments only
- Competitors had to medal at least twice at the PIAA tournament and win at least one state title
- Wrestlers must have completed their high school eligibility

First Team **Luke Karam ‘16** (156-10)
Second Team **Darian Cruz ‘13** (153), **Randy Cruz ‘12** (162...2nd most),
Mikey Labriola ‘17 (167...most)
Third Team **Ryan Anderson ‘19** (118), **Bernie Brown ‘81** (103-4-1),
Zeke Moisey ‘14 (141)
Honorable Mention **Mike Brown ‘76**, **Andrew Dunn ‘15**, **Joey Gould ‘16** (126),
Ziad Haddad ‘08 (133-27), **John Likins ‘87**, **Rich Santoro ‘79**

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I did a little digging and found a website - lehighvalleywrestlinghistory.com that includes all Wrestling State Champions, including those who competed in the Pennsylvania Catholic Interscholastic Athletic Association (PCIAA) arena, i.e., before catholic schools were included in the PIAA.

Becahi's PCIAA State Wrestling Champions and Year(s) of Title 1966 - 1972 Wrestling Competition in the PCIAA – 5 State Team Championships

18 State Champions – 29 Titles

Harry Tachovsky '66	1966	Jim Gaydos '71	1971
Mike Fenton '68	1966, 1967	Billy Kametz '71	1970, 1971
Chris Keating '68	1968	Mike Kozo '71	1970
Tim Cassidy '69	1969	Marty Lynn '71	1971
Billy Farrell '69	1968	Steve Cichelli '72	1972
Greg Karabin '69	1967, 1968, 1969	Dennis Fenton '72	1971, 1972
Don Lonergan '69	1969	Jack Sculley '72	1971
George Fidmik '70	1967, 1968, 1970	Pat Sculley '73*	1970, 1971, 1972
Tom Sculley '70	1968, 1969, 1970	George Macasevich '75	1972

* **Pat Sculley** went on to capture his fourth state title in 1973 – the first PIAA State Title-Holder at Beca, and the team's first year in the PIAA.

Check out the Becahi Athletic Wall of Fame Members, on-line at...

<https://becahi.org/alumni/athletic-wall-of-fame/>

“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 its alumni. (...and because they are Becahi Grads, I call it “BLinkedIn”). I found the following grads on LinkedIn this year:

Sue Sikora O'Hare '70, a fellow grade school and high school classmate, and a graduate of Moravian College, is the Associate Director of Student Accounts at Moravian College.

(Sue, **Tony Bauer**, **Jeannine Becker**, **Jessie Daniels** and I rode the “1st bus” together to SS. Simon and Jude school for 8 years!)

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Jim Fiorentino '71, who received a BA in Political Science from Duquesne University and a JD from the University of Pittsburgh's School of Law, is an Attorney in Bethlehem.

Charles Vohs '72, an Ordained Priest, who received a BA in Foreign Service from Penn State University, an MBA from Xavier University, an MA in Counseling Psychology from Lesley University and an EdD in Educational Leadership from Johnson and Wales University, is a Licensed Mental Health Counselor at South Bay Community Services and Pastor, The Chapel of St Therese of Lisieux in Providence, RI.

Bob Downing '73, who received a BS in Business Administration and Accounting from Bloomsburg University and an MBA in Finance from San Jose State University, is a Corporate Controller - Start-up / Pre-IPO Companies in the San Francisco Bay area.

Tim Gower '74, who received a BS in Psychology from DeSales University, is a Senior Captain at AMR in the Miami/Fort Lauderdale area. Tim has flown internationally for 34 years and has covered 62 countries.

Thomas Ahern '75, who received a BS in Chemistry from Lehigh University and an MD from the Drexel University College of Medicine, is a Physician at Scripps Clinic, a computer software company, in Coronado, CA.

Sandy Butryn Todd '76, who received a BFA in Graphic Design and Photography from Temple University's Tyler School of Art, is an Art Director / Graphic Designer in Chester Springs, PA.

Gabe Casas '77, who studied Fine / Studio Arts at the Pratt Institute, is a Realtor at Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Fox & Roach, Realtors in Bethlehem.

John Campbell '78, who received a BS in Business & Finance from Mount St. Mary's University and a JD from Widener University's School of Law, is Partner at Cipriani & Werner PC in Blue Bell, PA.

Valerie Augello Carregal '79, a graduate of Moravian College and the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, is an Independent Medical Consultant, a Clinical Laboratory Immunologist, Allergy, Asthma and Immunology Specialist in the Washington DC metro area.

Robert Pullen '80, who received a BS in Marketing from Lehigh University, is a Realtor at Keller Williams Realty in the Northern Virginia / Washington, DC metro area.

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David Palenchar '81, who received a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting from Alvernia University, is skilled working remotely, and has experience as Collections Manager | Billing Manager | Accounts Receivable | Warehouse Management in the Bethlehem area.

Elizabeth Bernier Blunck '82, who received a BS in Interior Design from Drexel University, is Director at DCS Design, that provides outsourcing services to companies (advertising agencies, graphic design studios and programming companies) and end clients to produce cutting-edge websites, in McLean, VA.

Susan Arner Noack '83, who received a BS in Business, Accounting, an MEd in Elementary Education, and an EdD in Educational Leadership from Lehigh University, is a Science Educator with a focus on STEM in the East Penn School District.

Jane Bolcar How '84, who received a BSN, RN from Penn State University, is a Self-employed Registered Nurse in Center Valley.

John Bloys '85, who received a Bachelor's Degree in Economics from Lafayette College, is VP, Client Engagement at RelationalAI, innovators in artificial intelligence, in Bethlehem.

Michael Henn '86, who received a BS in Business Administration from Kutztown University, is a Commercial and Residential Real Estate Appraiser in Allentown.

Steve Diacont '87, who received a BA in Business Management from Moravian College, is a Consultant at MAJ Companies in the Lehigh Valley.

Ann Marie Falcone '88, who received a BM in Music from Northwestern University, a MM in Music from the University of Arizona, and an MFA in Creative Writing, nonfiction from Chatham University, is a Writer - Composer - Clarinetist, Soprano, Music Instructor & Freelance Music/Essay Editor at Arts Manager in Cleveland, OH.

Elvia Bermudez '89, who received a BS in Business Administration from Kutztown University, is an Experienced Guest Relations Manager / Executive Casino Host with a demonstrated history of working in the casino industry.

Theresa Cusimano '90, who received a BS in Marketing from St. Joseph's University, a Masters in Higher Education from Stritch University, and a JD from the SUNY at Buffalo Law School, is the Civic Engagement Director at Bucknell University.

Anjie Curzi Oberholzer '91, who received her undergraduate degree in Psychology from Gettysburg College, is a Public Relations Consultant/Freelancer with over 20 years corporate and agency PR/marketing experience in Bethlehem.

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Vincent Cooper '92, a US Army veteran, who received a BS in Telecommunications from Kutztown University and an MA in Information Technology Management from Webster University, is a Computer Network Defense Manager for the US Army in Appling, GA.

Michele Geronimo, '93's Valedictorian, who received a BA in Economics and Spanish from Wellesley College, is an Innovation-Focused Product Manager with 15 Years of Product Leadership and Revenue Growth for Internet Startups and Digital Media, in the Allentown area.

Jacob Burghoffer '94, who received a BS in Mechanical Engineering from Penn State University and an ME in Energy Systems Engineering from the University of Michigan, is Project Lead Engineer, Performance Parts & Motorsports at General Motors.

Kate Kastelnik '95, who received a BA in Dance from Point Park University, is a Ballet and Pilates Instructor and Faculty Member at the Nashville Ballet in Tennessee.

Brendt Stier '96, who received a BS in Biology from Penn State University and an MS in Pharmacology from Thomas Jefferson University, is Executive Account Director, Business Development, Early Development Services at PPD, a leading global contract research organization providing comprehensive, integrated drug development, laboratory and lifecycle management services, in the Boston area.

Janelle Dornblaser Massey '97, who studied at St. Joseph's University, is a Regional Sales Trainer at Ryan Homes in Allentown.

Lindsay Bensinger Rowe '98, who studied at Shippensburg University, is Senior Account Manager at LaFrance Corporation, that specializes in corporate product branding, in Concordville, PA.

John Eyen '99, who received a BS in Business Management from Penn State University, is CSG Foundational Client Consultant High Net Worth Senior Associate at Vanguard in Valley Forge.

Trevor Behr '00, who received a BS in Accounting and an MEd in Special Education from Lehigh University, then an AS in Registered Nursing from Northampton Community College, is a Nurse Aid at St. Luke's Hospital.

Noel Panebianco '01, who received a BA in History from Villanova University and an MA in World History from New York University, is Events Manager at the Institute of International Education in Washington, DC.

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Desiree Denker '02, who received a BA in American History and an MBA from Centenary University, is Training Administrator at Picatinny Federal Credit Union in Dover, NJ.

Wayne Horton '03, who received a BA in Public Policy and a JD in Arts, Entertainment and Media Management for Syracuse University, is Manager, Original Independent Features at Netflix in the greater Los Angeles area.

Nicole Burke '04, who received a BA in English and Political Science from Hofstra University and a Master's in Education (EdM) in College Student Affairs from Rutgers University, is Associate Director of First-Year Experience at Lehigh University.

Karl Avard '05, who received a BS in Environmental Business and Finance from Rutgers University and an MS in Computer Science from Georgia Institute of Technology, is Senior Technical Project Manager at Civitas Learning in Austin, TX.

Melissa Rogalski Suckey '06, who received a BS in Chemistry from Kutztown University and a PhD in Analytical Chemistry from Clemson University, is Senior Scientist at Sealed Air Corporation in the Charlotte, NC area.

Doug Brooks '07, who received a BS in Marketing from West Chester University, is Senior Account Director at B+T Group, a turnkey professional services firm specializing in the wireless industry, in the greater Boston area.

Alexandra Blair '08, who received a BA in Psychology from Moravian College and an MS in Managing Human Capital from St. Joseph's University, is Sr. Manager, Learning at L'Oréal in the New York City metropolitan area.

Jenna Blanchard Triplett '09, who received a Bachelor's Degree in Neuroscience from Lafayette College, is Director of Clinical Operations at RadNet, the leading national provider of freestanding, fixed-site diagnostic imaging services in the US, in the greater Los Angeles area.

Christian Max Andreychak '10, who received a Bachelor of Technology (BTech) in Aviation Management from Purdue University, is a Senior Analyst in International Fleet Scheduling at United Airlines in Chicago.

Kimberly Garcia '11, who received a Bachelor's Degree in Sports and Exercise Science from DeSales University, is Flight Commander, Operations Support in the U.S. Air Force.

Connor Casey '12, who received a BS in Occupational Safety and Health Technology from Millersville University, is a Safety Engineer at Air Products.

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Anna Borges '13, who received a BA in Psychology from Catholic University of America and an MA in Student Affairs in Higher Education from Indiana University of Pennsylvania, is the Graduate Coordinator of Student Activities at Saint Vincent College in Latrobe, PA.

Megan Beaupre '14, who received a BA in Psychology from King's College, is Intensive Case Manager at Holcomb Behavioral Health Systems - A Chimes Company in Easton.

Lauren Biege '15, who received a BS in Registered Nursing from West Chester University, is an RN in the Lehigh Valley Health Network.

Emily Hilliard '16, a 2020 BA Communications recipient from the University of Maryland, is a former White House Intern and now an Account Executive at Black Rock Group in the metropolitan DC area.

Past BLinkedIn Now On-Line

Go back and view other BLinkedIn profiles from your class and others. Previous Tidings editions are kept on-line for one year. You can find the posts on the BecaHi Website <https://becahi.org/alumni/alumni-newsletter/>

“Thank You” from the Advancement Office!

Although this year's Golden Gala didn't go as originally planned, thanks to all of our donors, sponsors, alumni, students, and families because we were able to make it special and raise \$75,000 in support of Beca's technology and virtual learning. Now, more than ever...we can truly invest in technology and our future.

Calling all Holy Ghost Parish alumni!

Holy Ghost Parish is planning to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of its Parish in **June, 2021**. They will be hosting events to honor its School alumni. Please check out more information at Holy Ghost Church 150th Anniversary Facebook Page and/or contact **Ron Koach '79** or Lisa Benedek at the Rectory 610-867-9382 #3 or to receive an anniversary packet in the mail. E-mail at... hghostchurch@gmail.com

By the way, there were over 460 parish members who graduated from Beca!!!!

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Calling all St. Isidore Parish alumni!

St. Isidore Parish in Quakertown is planning to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of its school in **September, 2020**. They will be hosting numerous events to honor its alumni. Please check out more information at www.stisidoreschool.com/alumni

By the way, there are at least 45 Becahi grads who were/are members of St. Isidore's parish.

2020 Fides et Scientia Award-Winner Selected

Since 1995, our Fides et Scientia (Faith and Science) award has been presented annually to recognize those individuals who've given at least 10 years of dedicated service to the BECAHI community. Recipients of this award are those who live their lives in a manner that exemplifies Christian values, dedication, loyalty, and service to BECAHI.

I was honored to be selected as this year's recipient. I join the wonderful group of selfless individuals who've demonstrated their love for the school through their generous gift of time to the school that's close to their/my heart.

I am most grateful to receive this very special honor, and as some say during the Oscars... "I'd like to thank the Academy for this award."

Sincerely,
John

Reflection

Lord Jesus Christ,
To Your Sacred Heart I confide.
Only look, then do what Your Heart inspires.
Let Your Sacred Heart decide.
I count on It. I trust in It. I throw myself on Its mercy.
Lord, Jesus, You will not fail me.
Please, help me to be a better, loving person to everyone.

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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.

Sincerely,
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