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## Inching Closer to Our 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion after 51 Years!

I took a look at our Class Reunion website <https://1970classreunion.blogspot.com/p/alumni-biogra.html> to see who posted their bio last month. I'm guessing most were busy filling out their election ballots to send in...or else picking out a Halloween costume to wear around the house. Nevertheless, there is still a little more time before September 24, 2021 to complete this most difficult assignment. My classmates were always reluctant to talk (or evidently, write) about themselves.

Remember, 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](mailto:tinahudak@gmail.com) and she'll post them. *And* you can keep it to under 150 words...

Meanwhile, catch up with **Dolores Alves**, **Kathy Gaydos Bickert** and with **Rick Ressler** who write...

### **Dolores Alves:**

*I am a graduate of Kutztown State College (BS in Elem ED) where I met my husband Jeff Johns. We are married 41 years. We originally lived in Center Valley, PA (6 years) then moved to Wichita, KS for 3 years. For the past 30 years we have lived in Wescosville area of Allentown, PA. I worked for 8 years at SS Cyril & Methodius School. I left teaching to raise my 3 children. In 2000 I earned my Masters in Instructional Technology at KSU and worked at the Catasauqua Middle School until retirement in 2015. I am enjoying life with my family and 8 beautiful grandchildren (twins due this May). I am also substitute teaching, traveling, crocheting, knitting and reading.*

### **Kathy Gaydos Bickert:**

*I have lived in Nazareth for over 30 years and was married to my husband, LeRoy, for 41 years before his passing in 2018. We were blessed with two children, **Matthew ['02]** and Jennifer and three wonderful and very energetic grandchildren, Evan, Annmarie, and Matthew. I attended Northampton Community College and Moravian College. I worked at Air Products and in the banking industry for 17 years. After that, I was employed as an Operations Manager by **Gregory Falkenbach**, CLU, ChFC, a Financial Advisor and Becahi alumnus [**'68**], for 20 years. Retirement activities include spending time with my grandchildren, traveling, our neighborhood book club, and crocheting for my church's prayer shawl ministry.*

### **Rick Ressler:**

*I graduated from Harvard Law School in 1977 and went to work in New York City for a large law firm. I was married in 1984 and have two children. Later became in-house counsel for Union Pacific Railroad. Union Pacific moved to Bethlehem's Martin Tower in 1988 and I got to work a short walk from where I grew up. It was great to walk over to have lunch with my mom while I was there. Union Pacific moved to Dallas in 1997, which is why I currently live in Texas. UP then moved to Omaha and my family did not want to move, so I joined a small firm in Austin, Texas. That firm was acquired this year by Michael Best and Friedrich, a larger midwestern-based firm, and I am the managing*

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*partner of the Austin office. I remarried in 2013 and my wife Shari is also a partner at Michael Best. **Scott Hesener** and **Chris Wright** were at the wedding. My son is going to law school at University of Texas, and is joining the same firm I started with 43 years ago, working out of their Tokyo office. My daughter is working for Nintendo in Seattle. You can see her among the editors credited in some Nintendo games, such as Animal Crossing.*

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## How many this time?

This month's edition contains the names of over 200 graduates from 79 different classes, including... 1928, 1929, 1931, 1934, and every class between 1941 and 2017.

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

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## This month I either saw or heard from...

... **Carol Rau Doll '59, Charlie Wightman '59, Dorothy Keating Steltzer '60, Mary Nolan Sek '61, Margie Kovach '64, Yogi Edinger '67, Rosemary Ripper Zambo '67, Larry Gasda '69, Bobby Halbreiner '71, Carol Walchonski Cofer '76, Marek Szkudlapski '78, Tom Vresics '81, Matt Derwinski '07**

...and from our class, I either saw or heard from **Bobby A, Tommy Altimare, Tom Ardizzone, Tony Bauer, Kathy Brady Haugh, Dave Cech, Paul Grube, Micky Halbreiner, Jeff and Col, George and Betsy, Tommy Sculley, Josephine, Carl**

... and from the school, **Connie Druckenmiller, Cristin Eick and Tina Giordano.**

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## Say a special prayer for Joe Eharth's wife and for Alice Finn Freeh's sister who have passed away recently.

Carol Eharth, Joe's wife of 46 years, passed away on September 10<sup>th</sup>. Please say a prayer for Joe's and Carol's children Rebecca and Matthew as well.

**Mary Ellen Finn '69**, passed away on October 16<sup>th</sup>. Please remember Mary Ellen's and Alice's siblings in your prayers as well, **Kevin '73, Gerald '76, Brian '81** and Neal.

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

### Reunion News...

Now that Homecoming 2020 is past, the alumni classes for years ending in "1" and "6" are hopefully beginning to plan their reunions. **Tom Vresics '81**, our Advancement Director and his office stand ready to help, and planners can contact him at [tvresics@becahi.org](mailto:tvresics@becahi.org). Tom is looking forward to working with every class, but especially the milestone classes whose celebrations are approaching quickly.

**Kay Fenerty Lynn '57**, writes that the **Class of '57** have reserved the Prime Steak House for their 64<sup>th</sup> Reunion luncheon on **September 29, 2021!**

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

### Class of 1971

Will there be a Golden Reunion for you next year? Let me know and I'll try to help spread the word.

**Class of 1972's 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion** plans are continuing. A questionnaire and contact site were developed, and they're looking for your 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 - **Sus Bartos '72...** [sbartos54@yahoo.com](mailto:sbartos54@yahoo.com)

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

Philip A. Bansbach, Music Composer for Becahi's Alma Mater

I found a copy of the Alma Mater and discovered that the words were written by the Sisters of Saint Joseph and the music was composed by Philip A. Bansbach. It got me asking "I wonder who Philip Bansbach was..." and I found a write-up (obituary) about him from the Philadelphia Inquirer, September 12, 1974. A synopsis follows...

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Born in St. Louis, Mr. Bansbach was a violinist with the Philadelphia Orchestra under Leopold Stokowski, and a nationally known choirmaster at Roman Catholic cathedrals in Pittsburgh, Los Angeles and Salt Lake City. He later taught at Immaculata University, the College of Chestnut Hill and Villa Maria Novitiate in West Chester. He was also one of the five members of the board of St. Gregory Society of America, an arm of the Catholic Church charged with accepting or rejecting church music submitted by contemporary composers.

He passed away on September 9, 1974 at the age of 85.

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While doing research on the “early” years of Becahi alums, I came across this posting on the fallenotforgotten.nl website...

**U.S. Army 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. John L. Dougherty '34**, was killed in action on January 11, 1944 in Raalte, the Netherlands. He was a member of the 367<sup>th</sup> Bomber Squadron, 306<sup>th</sup> Bomber Heavy Group. Born in Bethlehem, Jack was the youngest of seven children born to Harry and Rose (Kelly) Dougherty, Irish immigrants. Prior to enlistment, Jack graduated from Catholic University with a BA in Education and married Nora Byrnes of Washington, DC.

As we head towards Veteran’s Day, we remember those who served and we salute you now, Jack and thank you for your ultimate sacrifice.

**PS.** I did some further research on Becahi grads whose last name was “Dougherty” to see if I could guess the *possible* siblings or cousins of Jack. **Harry Dougherty '28, Esther Dougherty Borda '29, (Fr.) James “Jimmy” Dougherty '29, Mary Dougherty '31**

**Sr. Sally Dougherty SSJ, '43**, celebrated her 75<sup>th</sup> Jubilee in the Sisterhood at St. Joseph Villa, in May, 2019.

**Eugene “Gino” Demyan '62**, is the Owner at Allentown Applicators & Erectors, part of the Structural Steel & Precast Concrete Contractors Industry, in Allentown.

**Andy Soos '65**, who received a BS in Chemical Engineering from New Jersey Institute of Technology is now “Honorably Retired” after a successful career as a Safety and Environmental Professional Manager. Well done, Andy! - JOB

**Lynne Calvo '67** is now “Happily Retired from Private/Corporate Aviation Career of 30 years!!” in Bethlehem. – The sky was the limit, right Lynne? - JOB

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**Kathleen Bringenberg Misunas '68**, currently serves as an Advisor and Board Director to various businesses, and acts as a principal of Essential Ideas, a consultancy specializing in the global travel & tourism, technology, and e-tailing fields.



< **Jim McCauley '81** (on the right), a US Navy Veteran and Becahi Athletic Wall of Fame member, discusses strategy with the Golden Hawk, at the 2020 Homecoming game.

## Advancement Office Note:

“On Thursdays, Becahi seeks to engage our Alumni through social media. We do this through "Throwback Thursdays" and "Alumni Focus" campaigns. On other Thursdays we will show a current tradition at Becahi and ask for alumni stories about their experience when they were at Becahi.”

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## November: Dedicated to the Saints and to the Souls in Purgatory

As we move into the end of the year, let's remember and say a prayer for those who have gone to their heavenly reward in the last year. We pray that they will help us to become better persons to one another. The following are 72 of our fellow alums who have passed away in the last year.

**Marie Fink Hoch '41**, 01/05/20  
**Veronica Godovin Semanick '41**, 05/10/20  
**Trudy Bringenberg Palmer-Fenton '42**, 03/13/20  
**Sr. Mary Katherine Quinn, SSJ '42**, 12/17/19  
**Genevieve Taglang Urello '42**, 04/25/20  
**Veronica Turek Perkins '44**, 11/12/19  
**Mary Louise MacLean Litsch '45**, 11/10/19  
**Elizabeth Folkman Feiertag '46**, 08/11/20  
**Elizabeth Dugas '47**, 01/14/20  
**Geraldine Barron Husovsky '48**, 10/16/20  
**Marie Petruny Bartholomew '48**, 07/06/20  
**George Sikora '48**, 02/07/20  
**Barbara Kohlmier Ebeling '49**, 01/15/20  
**Dennis Monaghan '49**, 07/17/20  
**Jeanne Ryan Maurer '49**, 03/23/20  
  
**Margaret Kauffman Sewald '50**, 01/29/20  
**John Long, Jr. '50**, 09/22/20  
**Betty Lynn Nehilla '50**, 08/31/20  
**John Anderson '51**, 02/12/20

**George Durako '60**, 06/21/20  
**Sharon Kelbon Cmorey '60**, 08/21/20  
**Ronald Makosky '60**, 05/11/20  
**Teri Matus Syslo '60**, 11/10/19  
**Robert Molitorisz '60**, 06/19/20  
**Mary Gresho Collins '61**, 06/18/20  
**Raymond Ortwein '61**, 10/07/20  
**Paul Pavelko '61**, 02/02/20  
**Eugene Demyan '63**, 05/03/20  
**Michele Lipsky Ortwein-O'Hara '63**, 03/31/20  
**Dr. Robert Stull '63**, 11/30/19  
**Martin Seglets '66**, 03/09/20  
**Joseph Gasper '67**, 03/22/20  
**Christina Stavnický Szczepanski '67**, 06/10  
**Beverly Krokus Hughes '68**, 08/07/20  
**John Maco, Jr. '68**, 08/07/20  
**Jim McGovern '68**, 10/07/20  
**Mary Schweitzer Haldaman '68**, 06/29/20  
**Mary Ellen Finn '69**, 10/16/20  
**Nick Maioriello '69**, 06/02/20

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William Connell '52, 11/11/19  
Mary Alice Riccaboni Roarty '52, 07/30/20  
Rosalie Pursell Zsilavetz '53, 05/26/20  
Judy Sullivan Barwick '53, 09/23/20  
Thomas Culligan '54, 06/08/20  
Mary Elizabeth Pavelko Chubbuck '54, 05/04/20  
Mary Ann Valentin Kospiah '54, 01/11/20  
Geraldine Tocci Deak '55, 08/02/20  
Joseph Marin '56, 12/01/19  
Robert Fertal '57, 04/19/20  
Joseph Oroskey '57, 04/25/20  
Br. Michael Smith, CSC '57, 08/18/20  
Monica Carpency '58, 08/10/20  
Nancy Kospiah Marucci '59, 08/20/20  
Maryanne Kuharik '59, 04/15/20  
Edward Ortwein '59, 08/03/20  
Stephen Sakovics '59, 11/04/19

Lou Malpedo '69, 02/19/20  
Mark Stefl '69, 01/14/20  
Frank Tomko '71, 04/12/20  
Philip Gahagan '72, 04/10/20  
Patricia Mitko Terry '75, 09/25/20  
Scott Schnalzer '76, 04/24/20  
Joe Prah '79, 06/26/20

Michael Gallagher '80, 08/08/20  
James Kranyecz '81, 06/26/20  
Greg Prah '83, 09/03/20  
Sherry Doyle Hart '85, 12/09/19  
Gerald Mooney '85, 12/14/19  
Tracey Chuss Silfies '86, 10/21/20

Thomas Burkhardt '91, 12/22/19  
Stephanie Miner Pucci '91, 09/25/20  
James Bartholomew '96, 09/16/20

Chuck Csaszar '00, 04/23/20  
Patrick Pereira '04, 04/29/20

## Recent Passings

Alumni	Class	Passed Away	Age
Elizabeth Folkman Feiertag*	1946	08/11/2020	92
Geraldine Barron Husovsky	1948	10/16/2020	90
Raymond Ortwein	1961	10/07/2020	76
Martin Seglets*	1966	03/09/2020	72
Jim McGovern	1968	10/07/2020	69
Mary Ellen Finn	1969	10/16/2020	69
Tracey Chuss Silfies	1986	10/21/2020	52
Stephanie Miner Pucci	1991	09/25/2020	47

\* I just found this notice

## Our Family and Friends Passings

- † Anita Baba, wife of the late **George Baba '56**, and mother of **Jeff '81** and **Eric '85**, on 10/08
- † Timothy Barlock, father of **Tim '99**, on 10/04
- † **Geraldine Barron Husovsky '48**, mother of **Rich '72** and **John '78**, grandmother of **Marta '98**, **Mia '01** and **Jenna '08**, and sister of the late **Irene Barron Leary '41** and the late **Eugene Barron '53**, on 10/16

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- † **Tracey Chuss Silfies '86**, daughter of **Judy Cunningham Chuss '59**, and sister of **Susan '84** and **Debra '87**, on 10/21
- † Robert DeOre, husband of **Dolores Stefanik DeOre '66**, on 10/20
- † **Mary Ellen Finn '69**, sister of **Alice '70**, **Kevin '73**, **Gerald '76**, **Brian '81** and Neal on 10/16
- † Emil John Gecsek, brother of the late **Betty Gecsek DeSort '47**, on 10/08
- † Jack Gecsek, husband of **Dolores Durako Gecsek '64**, and brother of **Irene Gecsek Skelly '54**, on 05/14 (I just read about this)
- † Richard McGinnis, father of **Maureen '79** and **Rich '85**, on 10/17
- † **Jim McGovern '68**, brother of **Kathleen '67**, on 10/07
- † **Stephanie Miner Pucci '91**, sister of **Lindsay '99**, on 09/25

Please say a special prayer for our classmate, **Chris Gorski** who passed away during the month of November. (11/13/72)

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## Sports

**Fall Summary – Regular Season Finals** (This? was a “regular” season with COVID-19?)

Boys' Cross Country: Won 0 – Lost 4      Girls' Cross Country: 0 – 4  
Field Hockey: 1 – 9      Golf: 0 – 10  
Boys' Soccer 1 – 10 – 1      Girls' Soccer: 0 – 12

Girls' Volleyball: 13 – 0

Highlights:

- 👉 EPC Northampton County Division Champions 12-0
- 👉 District XI Tournament Underway
  - Next up: Finals vs. Southern Lehigh on 11/04

Girls' Tennis: 13 – 2

Highlights:

- 👉 EPC Northampton County Division Champions 11-0
- 👉 District XI Team Silver Medalists
- 👉 Shannon Stewart, Silver Medalist, District XI Singles
- 👉 Cara Magliochetti, Bronze Medalist, District XI Singles
- 👉 Shannon and Cara, Gold Medalists, District XI Doubles
- 👉 Cecille Szollas moves in to 2<sup>nd</sup> place all-time Becahi Doubles wins with 63, behind **Maureen Mazza '17** (66) and ahead of **Julia Atiyeh '13**, (58)

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## Football Fun Fact

This is the 60<sup>th</sup> season, including the 1926-29 pioneer teams.... Here's the record:

Decades	Seasons	Games	Won	Loss	Tie	Pctg.
1926 -1929	4	29	14	12	3	0.483
1965 - 1969	5	48	27	20	1	0.563
1970s	10	106	54	49	3	0.509
1980s	10	117	86	28	3	0.735
1990s	10	116	86	29	1	0.741
2000s	10	115	70	45	0	0.609
2010s	10	125	76	49	0	0.608
2020	1	6	3	3	0	0.500
<b>Seasons &gt;</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>662</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0.629</b>
		<b>Games</b>	<b>Won</b>	<b>Loss</b>	<b>Tie</b>	<b>Pctg.</b>

2020 Season results through 10/31/20

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

**Charlie Wightman '59**, a Temple University graduate, is Co-Founder and Vice-President of Career Changers USA, a company that provides training that improves auto sales from the floor, through Finance & Insurance, and even in the service departments. Charlie is in Port St. Lucie, FL.

**Bob Ward '69**, who received a BA in English from Tufts University and a JD from New York University's School of Law, is a Partner at Schulte Roth & Zabel, LLP in the greater New York City area.

**Bill Doncsecz '70**, who received a BS in Secondary Education, Mathematics from Penn State University, is now retired after serving the Bangor Area School District for over 43 years as Teacher and Coordinator of Educational Technology. Time for recess, Bill! -  
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**Dave Tich '71**, a U.S. Air Force Veteran Officer who received a BS in Business and Economics from Lehigh University, is involved with Asset Protection, Prior Inventory Control and Quality Assurance for Macys Logistics and Operations in Martinsburg, WV.

**Rob Stevens '72**, who received a BA in English from Moravian College and an MS in Human Resource Administration from the University of Scranton, is a Corporate Communications Specialist at Lehigh Valley Health Network.

**Dave Tachovsky '73**, who received a BSBA in Management/Marketing from Shippensburg University, is now retired after a successful career as a Key Account Manager at Swagelok® Allentown, a supplier of the highest quality fluid system components. Congratulations, Dave! – JOB

**Patricia Quarato '74**, who received a BA in Criminology, Psychology from Indiana University of Pennsylvania, is an experienced Investigations Specialist, and is now a Recruiting Assistant 2020 CENSUS at U.S. Census Bureau.

**David Gavura '75**, who received a Bachelor's Degree in Government and Economics from the University of Pittsburgh, is now retired after his extensive experience in purchasing, price negotiation and vendor management, most recently as Purchasing Manager at McCarter & English, LLP in Pittsburgh. Well done, Dave! Enjoy every minute! - JOB

**Denise Kertsmar Wolst '76**, who received a BS in Speech Pathology & Audiology from East Stroudsburg University, is a Speech Pathologist at Lehigh Valley Hospital in Allentown.

**Fr. David Begany, SSJ '77**, a graduate of the University of Scranton and the Pontifical Faculty of the Immaculate Conception at the Dominican House of Studies, is Parochial Vicar at Corpus Christi-Epiphany Church in the greater New Orleans area.

**Marie Brockway '78**, who received a BA in English from Mount St. Mary's University, is Paralegal at Chiesa Shahinian & Giantomasi PC in West Orange, NJ.

**Ozzie Breiner '79**, is the Director of Residential Services at Lehigh University.

**Richard Korpics '80**, who received a BS in Industrial Engineering from Lehigh University, is an Indirect Buyer at Gemalto, now Thales, the global leader in Digital Identity & Security, in the greater Philadelphia area.

**Miriam Mello '81**, who received an AA in Education from Northampton Community College, a Bachelor's Degree in Secondary Education from Moravian and a Master's Degree in Educational/Instructional Technology from DeSales University, is a Teacher at St. Jane Frances de Chantel School in Easton.

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**Kim Weber Trautman '82**, a former US Army Captain, who received a BS in Molecular and Cell Biology and Engineering Sciences from Penn State University and a Master's Degree in Biomedical Engineering, is Executive Vice President, Medical Device International Services at NSF International in the Washington D.C. metro area.

**Duane Peoples '83**, who received a BA in International Business from Penn State University, is Vice President and Financial Advisor at the 515 Hamilton Group at Morgan Stanley in Allentown.

**Pat Rethore '84**, who graduated from Mount St. Mary's University, is a Gambling & Casinos Professional at Station Casinos in Las Vegas.

**Nicholas Chaffier '85**, who received a BS in Pharmacy from the University of the Sciences, is the President of Fountain Hill Pharmacy.

**Joni Green Elekes '86**, who received a BBA from Muhlenberg College, an MBA from DeSales University and an AAS in Accounting from Lehigh Carbon Community College, is Director of Property Management at J.G. Petrucci Co. Inc, a privately held, full-service, design/build specialist, owner, and developer of commercial, industrial and residential properties throughout PA and NJ.

**David Soares '87**, who received a BS in Aeronautic Science and Technology from Parks College of St. Louis University, is Quality Director and Human Capital Lead at Asbury Carbons, "The world's most reliable source for high-quality graphite, cokes, coals, carbon materials and engineered solutions," in Asbury, NJ.

**Donna Gaugler Roman '88**, who received a BA in Science, Technology and Society and an MA in Secondary Education from Lehigh University, is Social Studies Department Chair in the Bethlehem Area School District.

**Paul Sabota '89**, who received a BS in Education from Indiana University of Pennsylvania, is a Teacher at the Howard County Public Schools and is the Owner of Imperial Crane Martial Arts, in Crofton, MD.

**Stephanie Wasil Weirauch '90**, who received a BS in Pharmacy from the University of the Sciences, is a Pharmacist at Shop Rite Pharmacy in the greater Philadelphia area.

**Patti Cusimano Gomas '91**, who received a BBA in Marketing from the University of Massachusetts and an MBA in Leadership & Marketing from the Leonard N. Stern School of Business at NYU, is a Strategic Marketing Transformation and eCommerce Consultant for Deloitte Digital, in the Orlando area.

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**Paul Iampietro '92**, who received a BS in Forest Science from Penn State University and an MS in Organizational Development & Leadership from Shippensburg University, is a Professional Forester in the greater Harrisburg area.

**Danna Gombocz Williams '93**, who received a BA in Social Relations from Lehigh University, is President at Dynamic Medical Works LLC, in the Knoxville, TN area.

**Sarah Lichty Toth '94**, who received a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology from Bloomsburg University, is a Building Solutions Specialist and Area Manager for Butler Manufacturing, a building-solutions company providing the design, manufacture, and marketing of metal building systems for commercial construction, in Annville, PA.

**Elisa Rybak Coyle '95**, who received a BAS in Environmental Engineering Technology is Senior GIS Analyst for the City of Allentown.

**Kevin Cresko '96**, who received a Bachelor's Degree in Economics from Muhlenberg College, and an Executive MS in Finance from the City University of New York-Baruch College, Vice President, Research Analyst at BNY Mellon in the greater Philadelphia area.

**Tara Lukievics-Olson '97 Salutatorian**, who received a BS in Biochemistry and an MS in Analytical Chemistry, and an MS in Organizational Dynamics from the University of Pennsylvania, is an Associate Director at Merck & Co., Inc.

**Erin Boyle '98**, who studied Marine Science at Coastal Carolina University and received a Master's Degree in Quality Systems Management from the National Graduate School of Quality Management, is a Helicopter Pilot and a Search and Rescue Satellite Aided Tracking Officer for the United States Coast Guard.

**Matthew Bartholomew '99**, who received an AA in General Studies from Northampton Community College, a BA in Sociology from Moravian College and an MEd in College Student Counseling and Personnel Services from Kutztown University, is an Associate Professor, Counseling at Northampton Community College.

**Thomas Donatelli '00**, who received a Bachelor's Degree from Temple University and a Master's Degree from Stony Brook University, is an Account Manager at ADP in Bethlehem.

**Peter Bogunovich '01**, who received a BS; BA in Computer and Information Science; Mathematics from Temple University and an MS in Computer Science from Drexel University, is a Software Engineer at Vistar Media, a programmatic technology company, in the greater Philadelphia area.

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**Matthew Bickert '02**, who received an Associate's Degree in Computer and Information Sciences and Support Services from Northampton Community College and later studied at Bloomsburg University, is a Desktop Engineer at Victaulic in Easton.

**Paul Cosenza '03**, who received a BA in Applied Psychology from Penn State University, is Associate Director Global Commercial Learning at PTC Therapeutics, Inc., a science-led, patient-centered biopharmaceutical company focused on discovering, developing and commercializing medicine for patients with rare disease, in South Plainfield, NJ.

**Elias Dayoub '04**, who received a BA in Chemistry, Economics from the University of Rochester, an MD from the University of Michigan Medical School and an MPP from the Harvard University Kennedy School of Government, is a Cardiology Fellow at Penn Medicine, University of Pennsylvania Health System in Philadelphia.

**Paulina Cioce '05**, who received a BFA in Studio Art from Rosemont College and has completed 15 credits toward an MFA at the California College of the Arts, is a Graphic Design Artist and Coach, and the Sole Proprietor of Paulina Cioce Art+Design in Bethlehem.

**Peter Houdek '06**, who received a Bachelor's Degree in Athletic Training from Duquesne University and an MS in Exercise Science and Health Promotion, Corrective Exercise from California University of Pennsylvania, is Athletic Trainer at UPMC, a \$20 billion health care provider and insurer in Pittsburgh.

**David Deming '07**, who received a Bachelor's Degree in Physical and Biological Anthropology from Temple University, and a Master's Degree in Cell and Developmental Biology from Thomas Jefferson University, is co-founder of an education website called [www.BioisLifeMedia.com](http://www.BioisLifeMedia.com). The stated goal of the website is to encourage active engagement with the population in the field of the Biomedical Sciences. Dave is also currently a PhD student at Thomas Jefferson University.

**Karissa Basile '08**, who received a BA in Communications Arts from Marymount Manhattan College, is District Service Operations Manager at Schindler Elevator Corporation (U.S.) in New York, New York.

**Nick Behmke '09**, who received a BS in Accounting and Finance from Penn State University, is a Financial Analyst at Mentor Worldwide, LLC, a Johnson & Johnson Company, in Santa Barbara, CA.

**Courtney Campbell '10**, who received a BFA in Communication Design from Kutztown university, is a Web Designer at Bethlehem Shared Services (Cigars International).

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## 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/>

## From the Advancement Office

As a follow-up to the picture of Jim McCauley '81 earlier, please go to the social media of your choice and look up Bethlehem Catholic's Facebook, Instagram or Twitter Alumni Focus post for October 29th with Jim "Bubs" McCauley with the Hawk. The Advancement Office requests you "like", but most importantly "share" this post with your friends. Alumni sharing on Social Media is the most effective way to get the word out about all the great things happening at our Alma Mater. It truly makes Becahi shine every night on social media.

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## Throwback Thursdays

On Thursdays, Becahi seeks to engage our Alumni through social media. We do this through "Throwback Thursdays" and "Alumni Focus" campaigns. On other Thursdays we will show a current tradition at Becahi and ask for alumni stories about their experience when they were at Becahi. Take a look at some of the previous Throwback Thursday features as well (there's even one for the **Class of 1970!**)

## Say "Cheese"

The Advancement Office is looking for us to send in pictures of us wearing Becahi gear or memorabilia, hats, golf shirts, sweatshirts etc. They want to include them in future Thursday Alumni Focus posts with a brief message to their classmates. Please include your mailing addresses and phone numbers so they can inform you when your picture and message will be used. They also need to build up the mailing address portion of their database.

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## 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](mailto:hghostchurch@gmail.com)

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## Reflection

On November 3<sup>rd</sup>, as we move towards making one of the most important decisions of our lives, let's take a minute to read the Peace Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi...

"Make me a channel of your peace,  
Where there is hatred let me bring your love,  
Where there is injury your pardon Lord,  
And where there's doubt true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace,  
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope,  
Where there is darkness, only light,  
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

O Master grant that I may never seek,  
So much to be consoled as to console,

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To be understood as to understand,  
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace,  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
In giving of ourselves that we receive.  
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

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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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