

Tidings

Bethlehem Catholic High School Alumni & Class of '70 Newsletter

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72nd Issue – 6 Year Anniversary Edition

What set out as a hobby at retirement, has turned into a labor of love each month, ... a way to give back to the school, my classmates, my teachers, all the people and families that shaped the future of this kid from Main Street. One of my favorite introductions to people I've met over the years was "I was born in the little town of Bethlehem."

Each month provides me an opportunity to share "the good news" and recognize those graduates who have accomplished much along their journey after graduation.

Think about it. We all walked the halls together as one at Fourth and Webster and Dewberry and Madison. Now we are living in all 50 states and multiple countries overseas. We have much for which to be thankful. Spread the good news.

Creating the Excitement for the 100th Anniversary of Becahi



The BECAHI100 Centennial Team met over January 8th and 9th. Here are some of the outcomes...

Update on the Centennial Yearbook.

- The student work on the Centennial Yearbook will be done by the end of the 3rd Quarter

It was suggested to include current Becahi coaches and moderators involved to get additional pictures and stories. It was also suggested to include Athletic Wall of Fame Members and Distinguished Grads to get involved in the final edition of the Centennial Yearbook once the Freshmen complete their work.

Discussion for the best dates for the key #BECAHI100 Celebrations

- The Kickoff Celebration in July '25 – Noon until 10 PM
 - July 19th is seen as the better day since it is further removed from Musikfest.

Bill Rowe '11 will reach out to the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce to discuss ways they can help publicize our events and help us in other such ways. We hope to arrange a meeting with the Chamber.

We will reach out to the following media professionals alumni.

Analeigh Atiyeh '10 AD Times

Priscilla Liguori '13 WFMZ

Hannah O'Reilly '14 WFMZ

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The Grand Finale Celebration in June '26 5 PM until 9 PM

- So far, June 27th is seen as a better day than June 20 since it does not conflict with Father's Day Weekend.
- This date is closer to the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce's Events for their celebration of the 250th Birthday of USA.

Grand Finale Celebration Gift in June '26

The best idea offered was a Challenge or Commemorative Coin

- We would have a Coin Design Contest with Becahi Centennial Kickoff attendees voting for their favorite design.
 - All designs would need to be submitted by June 1, 2025.
 - The vote on the designs would take place by July 19, 2025, and announced at near the end of the Becahi Centennial Kickoff Celebration at 9:30 PM.
 - More info and details to follow.

Video Plans for each venue at the June 2026 Grand Finale Celebration were discussed, including the desire to interconnect the locations.

The venues selected are:

School Property for Bethlehem Catholic Current Families and those under 21

- Video in the Auditorium
 - Extended video of 5 minutes for the years of Graduation of the attendees.

The Clubhouse Grill for Graduates 21-30 years old

- Video on one screen upstairs so far, their technology may improve in two years to view on all screens. At worst, people will be able to view downstairs as well.
 - Extended video of 5 minutes for the years of Graduation of the attendees.

Adagio for Graduates 31-40 years old

- Video in the bar and lower level possible
 - Extended video of 5 minutes for the years of Graduation of the attendees.

Zest for Graduates 41-50 years old

- Video locations need to be worked out.
 - Extended video of 5 minutes for the years of Graduation of the attendees.

Hotel Bethlehem for Graduates 51-65 years old

- Video screen in the Grand Ballroom
 - Extended video of 5 minutes for the years of Graduation of the attendees.

Event Center at Blue for Graduates 66+

- Video in the event Center like last year.
 - Extended video of 5 minutes for the years of Graduation of the attendees.

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Promote the 2024 Golden Gala honoring Mike and **Kathy (Ripper '70) Grasso**

Promote "BECAHI Made Me Better Teacher Testimonies". (Goal of 100 Posts)

- We will place a collage of Testimonies on the Bethlehem Catholic Website.
- #BECAHI100 Team members will reach out to family and friends for others.

The next #BECAHI100 Team meeting will be on Tuesday, April 30th & Wednesday, May 1st 7:00pm in person or on Zoom depending on what works best for each.

Some Alums who checked in last month...

(Sr.) Regina Chassar '53, Harry Mitchell '57, Bill Egan '58 George Hazler '58, Shirley Zampar Labert '58, **Francis Peters '59**, Sandy Majczan Silvoy '61, Bonnie Grycko Zsilavec '66, Yogi Eddinger '67, Cat Gallagher '68, Pat Potak Mitchell, 68, Karen Cauley '71, Bobby Halbreiner '71, Larry Shea '72, Ron Davco '73, **Regina Metzger Briody '74**, Edward Kolosky '76, Sally Kammetler '78, **Drew Karabin '79**, Jim Bartha '80, Debbie DeSanto, Michael Blamar '03

...and from my Class...

...BobbyA, Jamie Angelucci Kyle, Tony Bauer, Maki, Dave Cech, Ed Delluva, Mayra Godin Focht, Paul Grube, Mick Halbreiner, Trish Holly Zechman, Tina Hudak, Jeff and Col, George Kane, J. Michael Lynch, Tommy Sculley, and Carl David James the 13th.

Alumni Cited in this Month's Tidings

If your class is low on information in this month's newsletter, let me know what to include, and I'll gladly share the news. Meanwhile, here's a matrix of **571 grads from 81 classes** for this edition, and those graduates whose names are highlighted in **Gold** are members of a reunion year class of "3" and/or "8".

Names and Classes Mentioned in February Tidings

Decades >	30s	40s	50s	60s	70s	80s	90s	00s	10s	20s	
Year Ending											
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											<u>571</u>

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Coming in March...



The Golden Gala
BETHLEHEM CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

March 23, 2024

At Blue or Bethlehem Catholic
6:00 PM-8:00 PM
with cocktail hour at Blue beginning at 5:00 pm.

Honoring Mike and Kathy '70 Grasso

5th Annual Golden Gala:

You're invited to the 5th Annual Golden Gala honoring Mike and **Kathy '70 (Ripper) Grasso!**


This year there are two live events: The Golden Gala at Blue and a live watch party at Bethlehem Catholic. Tickets and sponsorships are now available at GoldenGala24.givesmart.com.

If you are unable to attend the Golden Gala but would like to donate to the Give from the Heart Appeal, visit GoldenGala24.givesmart.com.

For more details, contact Regan Downey at rdowney@becahi.org or call 610-866-0791 ext. 323.


Driven to Succeed...

THE GOLDEN IMPACT



Mr. Mike Grasso

"Mr. Grasso is the reason I have my driver's license! His easy-to-remember safety tips as well as unwavering patience helped me hit the road with confidence."



-Aubree Cate '08

Join us on Saturday, March 23, as we honor Mike and Kathy '70 Grasso!

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR GOLDEN GALA, PLEASE CONTACT REGAN DOWNEY AT RDOWNEY@BECAHI.ORG

The Golden Gala
BETHLEHEM CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

2024 GOLDEN GALA TICKETS

ALL TICKETS INCLUDE

Viewing the Virtual Golden Gala Program

- *Award Presentation to Mike and Kathy '70 Grasso
- *Bidding on Auction Items & Raffles
- *Give from the Heart to Becahi

GOLD TICKET: \$200.00
View The Virtual Golden Gala Program & enjoy dinner at the event center at Blue.
Cocktail hour beginning at 5:00 pm.

BROWN TICKET: \$30.00
Becahi Viewing Party-doors open at 5:45 pm.
Virtual Program begins promptly at 6:15 pm in the Auditorium.
Celebration to Follow in the Gymnasium.

BIDDING ONLY ACCESS:
No cost ticket gives you access to view The Golden Gala program and bidding.

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Class of 1959 – 65 Years Ago 33rd Graduating Class

This was the second largest class (111) in school history up to that point in time and included 35 boys and 76 girls. They came from 12 parishes.

Mary Ann Albert Marshall
Ernest Alich
Eugene Alich*
Walter Bankowski
Catherine "Kitty" Bannon Casey
Maximina "Maxie" Barna Williams
Robert Barron
Lillian Bednar Molnar
Leslie Andrew Benzak*
Stephen Bertalan
Anita Bianco Rothrock
Mary Ann Borlodon Petrohoy
Kathleen Bowe Borner
Margaret Braxmeier Gerlach
Anita Bruehl Vince*
Sandra Bukvics DeMartino
Joel Chanitz
Robert Cofenas*
Robert Csaszar
Joseph Csordas*
Mary Lou Culligan
Judith Cunningham Chuss
Joan Cusatis Weed-Manos
Joseph Del Grosso*
Marcia Demyan Fielden
James Doddy
Helen Donches
Dorothyann "Dottie" Donchez Fox
Dolores Dougherty Demyan
Maryann Edwards Moyer
Mary Kathleen "Kathy" Egan Waldron
Barbara Fecko Bankowski
Regina "Jean" Fenerty Escott
Nancy Fistner Verbonitz
Sandra Franklin Feyrer
Gus Garcsar*
Brigido "Chick" Garza*
Judy Gerber

Manny Gonsalves
Clementina Gonzales Byrd
Clara Green Ihle
Carolyn Horning Paulson
Theresa Horvath Young
Joan Huffsmith Mervine*
Heinz Huhn
Helen Jancosko Hetrick*
Barbara Kanuck Kolesky
Patricia Kelhart Steager
Barbara Kelly Homick
Charles Kelly
Dolores Kerecz Mumbauer*
Johanna Kirk Smith
Elizabeth Kissel Pichler
George Klein
Frances Koprivsek Lamb
Jon Paul Korin
Rosemarie Kosay Cawley
Nancy Kospiah Marucci*
Thomas Kozauer*
Maryanne Kuharik*
Andrew Kulanko
Elaine Kuprian Ladics
John Laposky*
Joan Luther
Kathleen Marschang Szautner
Walter Marshaleck
Albert Martin*
Jeannie Martin Gonsalves
Judy McGraw*
Joseph Monaghan*
Geraldine Mozaeke Pastir*
Patricia Mulzet Gutekunst*
Joyce Oravec Raffensberger
Dorothy Orban Overlaur
Amelia "Millie" Ortwein Kish

Edward Ortwein*
Elizabeth Ortwein Richie
Dolores Palos
Betty Pavolko Dieter*
Francis Peters
Susan Peters Horwath*
Janie Pumberger Sabler
Carol Rau Doll
Stephen Sakovics*
Lorraine Sarvas Stone
Margaret Schamenek Adams
Ann "Nancy" Schwartz Petri
Nancy Schweisgut Washo
John Sek
Patricia Serban Dunne*
Kathleen Silvoy Wert*
Gilbert Stauffer
Jacqueline Stoll Keller
Mary Frances Stoll
Joseph Szaryas
Cecilia Talian Bedics*
Nilce Teles Ortwein*
Mary Tratnyek Hlavinka
Elaine Trivisano
Gloria Tulio Waas*
Mary Tulio Molitorisz*

Joyce Unger Feit
Patricia Vogel Paulson*
Karen Wachter Hahn*
Robert Weber
Ronald Wendell*
Charles Wightman
Joan Willey Thirion*
Lorraine Willey Snyder
Irene Yerkes
William Zaun*

* Deceased

Joe Csordas's mom was Grace McNally '38
Dolores Kerecz's mom was Dolores Long '40
Elizabeth Kissel's mom was Irene Kilgour '36
Susan Peters's dad was Joseph '34

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Their post-graduation pursuits included:

Eleven class members served in the military.

Leslie Andrew Benzak > U.S. Navy	Clementina Gonzales Byrd > U.S. Air Force
Heinz Huhn > U.S. Navy (Vietnam)	Thomas Kozauer > U.S. Army
John Laposky > U.S. Army	Edward Ortwein > U.S. Army
Francis Peters > U.S. Navy	Stephen Sakovics > U.S. Air Force
Gilbert Stauffer > U.S. Army Reserves	Charles Wightman > U.S. Army
William Zaun > U.S. Army Reserves	

Nine class members served as educators.

Anita Bianco Rothrock	Robert Cofenas
Joan Cusatis Weed-Manos	Mary Kathleen "Kathy" Egan Waldron
Andrew Kulanko	Kathleen Marschang Szautner
Elizabeth Ortwein Thomas-Richie	Mary Frances Stoll
Lorraine Willey Snyder	

Seven class members served as nurses.

Sandra Bukvics DeMartino	Clementina Gonzales Byrd
Frances Koprivsek Lamb	Maryanne Kuharik
Ann "Nancy" Schwartz Petri	Cecelia Talian Bedics
Gloria Tulio Waas	

Three class members earned Doctorates.

Bob Cofenas, EdD	George Klein, PhD	Kathleen Marschang Szautner, PhD
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There were nine "campus couples".

Walter Bankowski married Barbara Fecko
Joel Chanitz married **Sandra Strauss '60**
Dolores Dougherty married **Michael Demyan '56**
Chick Garza married **Kathryn Repsher '67**
Manny Gonsalves married Jeannie Martin
Barbara Kanuck married **Rich Kolesky '58**
Andrew Kulanko married **Margaret Hudock '62**
Edward Ortwein married Nilce Teles
Mary Tulio married **Robert Molitorisz '60**

James Doddy was selected as a Becahi Distinguished Graduate in 2007

Bill Zaun became a lawyer.

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Fourteen class members had 20 children who graduated from Beca.

Mary Ann Borlodan Petrohoy > **Stephen '78**
Judith Cunningham Chuss > **Susan '84, Tracey '86, Debra '87**
Dolores Dougherty Demyan and **Michael '56 > Thomas '82**
Barbara Kanuck Kolesky and Rich > **Richard '80**
Dolores Kerecz Mumbauer > **Paula '78, Daniel '80, Sally '82**
John Laposky > **John '84**
Susan Peters Horwath > **Michele '83, Kirsten '87**
Cecelia Talian Bedics > **Lisa '89, Carol '92**
Nilce Teles Ortwein and Edward > **Michelle '84, Jeffrey '86**
Gloria Tulio Waas > **Gene '78, Natalie '79**
Lorriane Willey Snyder > **Kathleen '83**
William Zaun > **Sharon '87**

Francis Peters checked in recently and wrote... *"After 47 years of wedded bliss, my bride passed away 12 years ago. I decided to move from Florida and construct a Father-in-Law suite in each of my son's homes. One in Seattle, WA and the other in Boise, ID.*

I spend 6 months each year in each city & am very happy."

Planned Tidings Virtual Reunions for 2024

This year Tidings will feature classes ending in "4" and "9", and the grads' names will be highlighted in **Gold**.

I (thought) I featured the first 47 classes in Tidings over the years. I went through my files and found that I did not *exclusively* feature the classes of **1959, 1964** and **1969**. So, I will recognize these classes in 2024. Meanwhile I try to keep all class history current.

This year the following **reunion-year** classes will be featured in Tidings...

1959 – February, 65 years

1964 – March, 60 years

1969 – April, 55 years

1974 – May, 50 years

1979 – June, 45 years

1984 – July, 40 years

1989 – August, 35 years

1994 – September, 30 years

1999 – October, 25 years

2004 – November, 20 years

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

February 25th – Designer Bag Bingo, 2:00pm in the cafeteria

March 23rd – The Golden Gala, live events at Becahi and The Event Center at Blue, 6-8pm

April 5th – 7th, 12th – 13th – Becahi performance of Rogers and Hammerstein's *The Sound of Music*

April 18th – Distinguished Graduates Induction Ceremony

September 13th, 2025!!!! – Class of '85's 40th Reunion, TBD

Reunion News...

Many of us survived the 60s... twice.

- **Classmates of '58** meet every 3rd Thursday of the month at various restaurants in the Lehigh Valley. **Marie Posipanko Spisak '58** sends e-mail reminders the Sunday prior to the luncheon to let classmates know when and where they will be gathering. Usually, the "where" is decided during the previous luncheon. Any of their classmates who are not on the e-mail list and would like to join them please contact Marie. Her address is mso462@rcn.com
- **Class of '85's 40th Reunion**
 - Save the date: Saturday, **9/13/2025** More information to follow!
 - Please reach out to Becahi Advancement Office and make sure that they have your current mailing address and email address. Thank you, **Sherri Hines '85, Dave Feist '85 and Missy DaRe '85**

Remember Bingo in the Gym on Saturday Evenings? Beca Band Parent Association Presents...



Designer Bag Bingo –

In the cafeteria

Sunday, February 25th

Benefitting the Becahi Marching Band

Doors open at 1:00pm, Bingo starts at 2:00pm

Tickets \$25 in advance / \$30 at the door includes 15 regular games.

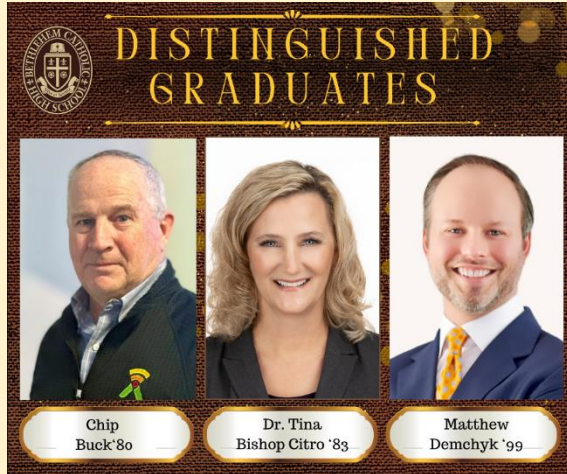
For more information and tickets, contact Jennifer Kirk by email: becabandbingo@gmail.com or by phone: or by phone: 610 704-2576.

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Introducing the 2024 Class of Bethlehem Catholic High School's Distinguished Graduates

As a fitting end to our Catholic Schools Week activities, Bethlehem Catholic is pleased to announce our 2024 Class of Distinguished Graduates: **Chip Buck '80** for Cloud Computing & Cybersecurity, **Dr. Tina Bishop Citro, DNP, RN '83** for Health Care Leadership, and **Matthew Demchyk '99** for Finance & Investments.



We look forward to them sharing their memories of Becahi with our current generation of Golden Hawks during their Induction Ceremony in April. Our Distinguished Graduates will also explain how their faith has inspired their all-around growth and helped them get through difficult times.

Teacher and Staff Testimonials "Becahi Made Me Better Thanks to..."

Sarah Baumann '18, who received a BS in Health Care Administration from Penn State University and is attending graduate school at Columbia University, writes...



BECAHI Made Me Better
Thanks to **MRS. GINA DEVLIN**

ALUMNI
SARAH KATHRYN BAUMANN '18
MHA CANDIDATE '24
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

TEACHER
MRS. GINA DEVLIN
ART TEACHER

"From the minute I walked into Mrs. Devlin's Art class, I knew I was in the right place."

*"The most influential teacher I ever had at Bethlehem Catholic was **Mrs. Gina Devlin**. I knew from the minute I walked into her Art class that I was in the right place. She made every student feel special and was a breath of fresh air during my busy schedule. Gina Devlin was more than a teacher. She was a confidant, mentor, and wonderful all-around educator who gave students the space to be themselves and have fun together."*

*The other teachers I would like to publicly thank are **Mr. Robert Gowell, Mrs. Ann Ruth, Mr. Stephen Tomaszewski, Mrs. Ann Hennan, Mr. Mike Grasso, and Mr. Robert Schiller.***

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Somebody Call Them a Doctor!

Because that's what they are.

Our Alumni "Hall of Doctors"

Doctor of Chiropractic Medicine (DC)

Robert "Bob" Quarry '67
Brian Tarola '83
Jeffrey Messinger '83
Christine Fagan Mannarino '86

Jonathan Kropf '95
Mark Augello '85
Brad Palank '04

Doctor of Dental Medicine (DDS, DMD)

Michael Coulter '73
Mary Prah Counts '77
Ronald Hersh '85
Sibel Tasci Johnson '86
Dominic Rachiele 89

Lauren Ballard '04
Elizabeth Gedney Boig '05
Matthew Heckenberger '05
Adrian Arreola '08
Elise Esposito McCollum '09

Doctor of Education (EdD)

Robert Labdik '56
Joseph Marcin '56
Robert Cofenas '59
MaryAnn Zelko Impink '65
Thomas Seidenberger '66
Harry Tachovsky '66
Charles "Chuck" Vohs '72
Jane Holahan '74
Mary Karol McCarthy Matchett 83
Kathleen Snyder Adolt-Silva '83

Edwin Cora '79
Linda Check Toth '80
Christopher Bennick '81
Susan Arner Noack '83
Robert Carpenter '89
Mary Sefranek '90
Matthew Link '93
Michael Alogna '99
Caitlin Sullivan Allen '01
William McGowan '02

Doctor of Medicine (MD, DO)

James Henick '47
Robert Fuisz '52
Thomas Tachovsky '54
John Dobrota '57
Richard Fuisz '57
Michael Kostelnik 57
Michael Chaffier '60
Robert Stull '63
Frank Carl "Bill" Zondlo '63
Gregory Lang '65
Joseph Bacak '67
Maryellen Ahern Dodson '68
Francis "Fran" Lazorik '68
Paul Bartos '69

Edward Boyko '71
Roseanne Cech Borowski '71
Andrew "Andy" Cichelli '71
Joseph Daday '71
Thomas "Tom" Griffin '71
Joseph Moyer '72
James Balshi '73
Charles "Anthony" Brown '74
Thomas Ahern '75
Carl Connors '75
Eric Kane '76
Frances Feigl '78
Valerie Augello Carregal '79

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Diane Begany Brown '80	Karen Carpency Perkins '94
Christine Blobe Redmann '80	Daniel Csaszar '94
Elizabeth "Libby" Cerva '80	Milan Milosevic '94
Richard Kolesky '80	Parish Vaidya '94
Joseph Zaladonis '80	Jason Fehr '95
Patrick "Pat" Chiles '81	Matthew Behme '97
Vincent Stravino '81	Chia Haddad '97
Regina Zvitkovitz Lilly '81	Kirstin Thode '98
Kasra Behfar '83	Steven Breault '99
Suzanne Ellwanger Adam '83	Elizabeth "Beth Ann" Scharle '00
Gregory Prah '83	Mary Kathryn Story Mitchell '00
Suzanne Sartori '84	Alejandra Camacho-Soto '01
Dean Otto '85	Paige Klingborg '01
Mario Visperas '85	Joseph Petfield '02
Susan Domchek '86	Elias Dayoub '04
Michael Hoffman '87	Mark Keller '05
Chrysten Cunningham '88	Andrew Lambour '05
Cromwell Estrada '88	Jaimie Shah Mittal '05
Neal Walker '88	James Kaus '07
Mary Griffin McComb '89	Christina Mingora '07
Karen Schray Heard '89	Dana Poloni '07
Camille Cegielski '90	Shenel Franklin Heisler '08
Melissa Geitz '90	Stuart Changoor '09
Amy Kelleman Gould '90	Stephen Long '12
Scott Sauer '90	Jasmine Singh '12
Dave Weisman '92	Meaghan Roszyk '13
Jason Bell '94	Jennifer Schadt '13
	Bridget Smith '13

Doctor of Ministry (DMin)

James Kirk '73

Joseph Barth '83

Doctor of Music Arts (DMA)

Amanda Bono '05

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)

Tina Bishop Citro '83

Doctor of Optometry (OD)

Rosemary Egan McPherson '84

Jaime Blyskal Marcolini '94

Anh Dinh '01

Benjamin Foreman '07

Jenna Wayne '10

Jeffrey Stefanik '11

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Doctor of Occupational Therapy (DOT)

Lizabeth "Betsy" Talian '71
Eileen Dougherty Turgeon '77

Lauren Reightler '13

Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD)

Frederick Augello '55
Phillip Mello '55
Maria Concilio Barr '84
Mark Harmanos '93
Stephen Kochenash '93
Shawn Boyle '95
Carrie Boris Rea '96

Kristen Dulick Hartzell '00
Peter Hlavinka '00
Amy Valkovec '03
Kevin Reed '04
Stephen Lock '05
Amber Zigmont '14

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

Alexander Leonard Slafkosky '39
Mary Kathryn Quinn, S.S.J. '42
Nicholas Kozauer '51
John Fischer '54
Regina "Jean" Quinn '58
George Klein '59
Kathleen Marschang Szautner '59
Daniel Nolan '62
William "Bill" Seaman '64
Mary Jeanne Olexa Smith '65
Timothy Casey '66
Tim Foley '66
John Zondlo '66
John Szczepanski '67
Stephanie Olexa '68
Constance Spagnola Weiskopf '68
Tom Barnett '69
Lucy Bednar Gaughran '69
Lawrence "Larry" Hundersmarck '69
James Kahl '69
Rosina Bierbaum '70
Philip "Phil" Meguire '70
Tom Sugalski '70
Pete Walsh '70
Stephen Gal '71
Debra Torok '72
Christopher Connors '73
Janice Yanushka Bunn '73
Maryellen Dye '74

Susanne Brenner '76
Jerald "Jerry" Fagliano '76
Peter Guidon '76
Kerry Hickey Cheever '76
Patrick "Pat" Lawler '76
Francis "Frank" Loncar '76
August "Gus" Evrard '77
James Gottwald '77
Patrick Hynes '77
David Casagrande '78
Terese Guman Wignot '79
Terrence Murphy '79
Laura Martocci '80
Catherine Petruccelli Bryan '80
Fred Brady '81
Steven Shive '81
Maryann Cusimano Love '82
John Francis Horvath '82
Anne Tabor Morris '83
Renee Emkey '84
Eric Funk '84
Christopher Gillen '85
Matthew Uliana '85
Christopher Landry '86
Michael Gentilcore '87
Anne Fink '88
Ellen M. Murphy '88
James C. "Jim" Walker '88
Lara Diefenderfer Wulff '90

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Edward Salaski '74

John Talian '74

Stephen Contakes '91

Marifel Estrada Currie '91

Marie Christine Hoffner Barthold '91

Michele McCracken Stites '92

Shirin Arastu Kapur '93

Siva Raja '93

Christina Dickert Fattore '97

Christina Fattore '97

Colleen Martell '97

Michael McNevin '97

LaKeisha Thorpe '97

Gianmarc Grazioli Johns '98

Lisa Vuchak '98

William A. Phillip '00

Ryan Fehr '01

John Koempel '02

Jason Saliba '02

Kyle Siddons '02

Veronica Jaramillo '90

Keith Vanic '90

Nathaniel Dubbs '03

Kathryn Haymaker '03

David Lugo '03

Lauren Neveling Rouleau '03

Amir Francois '04

Jamie Rankis Kheir '05

Elizabeth Raposa '05

Melissa Rogalski Suckey '06

Joseph Kaus '07

Victoria Alogna '08

Ana Jurcak Detter '08

Mary Rose Mintzer Hilaire '08

Sara Kovacs '09

Linnea Turco '10

Monique Woodard '11

Kelly Angelucci '14

Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)

Mary Sinnott '72

Cheryl Morykan Hancock '83

Matthew Johnson '01

Kylene Campbell Logorda '04

Julius Eggleston '04

Colin Hunsberger '04

Devin Christman '05

Elizabeth Ryan '07

Alexander Brown '08

Kerry McDermott Baxter '08

Madison Burke '09

Nicole Dennis '10

Amelia Llanos '12

Kyle Michalski '12

Julia Madison '14

Doctor of Podiatry (DPM)

John Lux '32

Paula Mendes Novabilski '86

Doctor of Psychiatry (PsyD)

Marianne Millen Carlson '08

Sarah Gulick '10

Doctor of Public Health (DrPH)

Patricia Burkhardt '57

Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM)

Beth Derr Zmijewski '87

Jennifer Chabot '91

Natalia Jurcak '11

Cortney Esposito Luce '13

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Past and Present Teacher Appreciation Lunch at the Clubhouse Grill

On January 18th, past and present Becahi Teachers gathered at the Clubhouse Grill to enjoy a fantastic Chili Bar with Mac-n-Cheese, vegetables, fruit trays, and adult beverages.

In attendance were: **Bob Bukvics '60, Kelly (Baur) Comber '99**, Cathy Schneible, Anna Marie Culver, Dick Culver, Mike Grasso, **Deb DeSanto, Amy (Markovic) Solano '00**, Mary Ann Harmanos, George Harmanos, Carrie Weed, Brenda Sanchez, Danny Kendra, Joe Kramer, **Barb (Weed) Kozo '00**, Karen Fitzpatrick, Tom Rutherford, Tim McGorry, Karen Minorics, Lisa Toolan, Gary Mohylsky, Karen Redding, Sarah Kazor, Mark Wladyslawski, Irene Kurtz, **Chris (Culver) Calantoni '87, Mary Ann Seaman Nickles '69**, Stephanie Rivera, Diane Young, **Regan Downey '17** and **Tom Vresics '81**.

There will be two more of these events next year as well. If you are a former or present teacher at Becahi, contact Regan Downey at rdowney@becahi.org for information.

I heard from, saw, or read about...

Jim Bartha '80 wrote to tell me of the passing of Fr. Louis Solcia last March out in San Diego. He also wrote... ***"Craig Kocsis, David Domin, Shane Hudak and I joined Gary Kocsis (all class of 1980) for the wedding of his daughter Jenna (Central Catholic) at Fordham University on 10 Dec 2023. Everyone is in good health."***

Creating Excitement by Planning for the Next 100 Years

At last month's Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce's annual Economic Outlook held at the ArtsQuest Center at SteelStacks, economists believe that the economy will continue to grow through the year, but "We're not out of the woods, yet."

The executive director of Workforce Board Lehigh Valley said helping to improve worker's skill levels can help employers retain employees. She said, "Employers need to continuously increase worker skill levels, become a workforce training employer, bring training options into your business and embed into your organization." She suggested taking advantage of the Lehigh Valley's nearly dozen institutions of higher learning for those skills. – Morning Call 1/25/24

Let's (re)connect with those institutions and look for opportunities to embed some of those skill sets into our curriculum offerings to give our students a head start.

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Recent Passings

Alumni	Class	Passed Away	Age
Dorothy Demyan Green	1947	01/26/2024	94
Natalie Keating	1949	01/18/2024	92
Theresa McGee D'Emilio	1957	12/23/2023	84
Rocco Bambu	1964	11/21/2023	77
Jessica Albright LaBarge	1998	12/20/2023	43
Jacob Michael Bobko	Soph '26	01/14/2024	15

Our Family and Friends Passings

- † **Jessica Albright LaBarge '98**, daughter of **Deborah Fernandes '75** and sister of **Lauren '06**, on 12/20/23
- † **Rocco Bambu '64**, brother of the late **Freddie '61**, on 11/21
- † **Jacob Michael Bobko**, sophomore, Class of **2026**, brother of Brianna, on 01/14
- † Mary Jane Curzi, sister of the late **Bob '68** and sister-in-law of **Kathy Kondash '69**, on 01/25
- † **Dorothy Demyan Green '47**, mother of **Judy '75** and **Susan '76**, on 01/26
- † **Natalie Keating '49**, sister of **Jane '55**, and the late **Miles '50**, the late **Geraldine '51**, and the late **Ann '54**, on 01/18
- † **Theresa McGee D'Emilio '57**, sister of **Peter '50**, on 12/23
- † Joseph Santangini, brother of **Richard '88** and the late **Analise '84**, on 01/24
- † Marion Schnalzer, mother of **Joseph '68**, **Marianne '71** and **Jayne '76**, on 01/24
- † Barbara Sokolosky, wife of the late **Richard '62**, on 01/24
- † Maria Sousa, mother of **Antonio '80** and **Maria '82**, on 01/23
- † Kathleen Vlasaty, mother of **Robert '87**, on 01/15
- † Edward Zubia, husband of **Frances Rose Kapusi '56**, on 01/25



Father Louis Solcia, C.S.C., longtime (1990-2023) associate pastor at Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church in Little Italy, San Diego, CA, passed away on March 2, 2023, at the age of 91.

Father Solcia, or "Father Louie" as he was known in San Diego, taught at Becahi between September 1977 and June 1982.

And so, as he was known to say in his parish...
"God bless you real good."

... and please remember to say a special prayer for our '70 classmates...

Marilyn Ackerman Geiger (2/04/22)

Ed Hartigan (2/12/16)

... who passed away during the month of February...

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Sports Section Alumni Notables

College Hall of Fame

Sean Shea '95, was inducted into the George Mason University's inaugural class of its Wrestling Hall of Fame this past October. Among Sean's many accomplishments, he was the only 4-time NCAA Division I Qualifier in program history, a three-time Colonial Athletic Association (CAA) Champion, and a three-time Virginia Intercollegiate Champion. – Proud Uncle Larry Shea '72

On the College Circuit

Justin Paz '19 dished out 20 assists in East Stroudsburg University wins over Goldey-Beacom and West Chester recently. The team was 13-1 overall in mid-January. – Stephen Miller, Morning Call 1/18/23

Emily Sekerak '21, is a key performer for the Chestnut Hill College Griffins basketball team, who were 10-5 overall in mid-January. Emily is second on the team in scoring with an 11.1 ppg average and second in rebounding with a 6.1 average. She was leading the team in blocked shots with 18. – Bill Arsenault, Morning Call 1/18/23

Girls Basketball 1,000 Points of Light – The Shooting Stars

CiCi Hernandez, Sr. > 1,000 points and counting... has joined the team below.
Working her way up the list of Stars.
Congratulations and Good Luck, CiCi!

	Player, Class of...	Points		Player, Class of...	Points
	Kalista Walters '15	2,273	W	Christy Cochran '95	1,092
W	Tiffany Bedics '95	1,804	W,6	Jean Bayak '60	1,061
	Hope Brown '18	1,256	W,P	Cheryl Morykan '83	1,022
	Andrea Veres '10	1,238		Alyssa Antolick '01	1,005
W	Jen Kish '93	1,186	6	Annette Sullivan '55	1,000
	Taliya Medina '20	1,168			
W,P	Terri Guman '79	1,111			

W = Becahi Wall of Fame
P = Pre-3-point Era
6 = Pre 5 on 5 team make-up

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Becahi Honors the 1969 National Interscholastic Catholic Wrestling Championship Team.

On January 10th, members of the 1969 Wrestling team gathered before and after the Bethlehem Catholic Match against Easton in front of a packed house at the Hawk's Nest.

Those who made it were the following: Marty Lynn '71, Bobby Cassidy '73, Dennis Fenton '72, Billy Farrell '69, Tommy Sculley '70, Don Lonergan '69, Greg Karabin '69, Larry Gasda '69, and Bill McCoach '74. Mrs. Terry Iasiello and Mr. Richard Culver were also in attendance. Recent Wrestling Coaches Jeff Karam and Randy Cruz Sr., as well as the Seniors on the 2024 Wrestling Team, were also honored.



The honorees, left to right: Terry Iasiello, Marty Lynn '71, Bobby Cassidy '73, Mike Fenton '68, Billy Farrell '69, Tommy Sculley '70, Don Lonergan '69, Greg Karabin '69, Larry Gasda '69, Billy McCoach '74.

Current Winter Sports Status

Regular season now in the homestretch...

Boys Basketball – 98th Season

Scott McClary, Head Coach, 6th Season

Through 1/31...Won 6 – Lost 14 with 2 regular season games remaining.

Girls Basketball – 98th Season

Arnold Alleyne, Head Coach, 1st Season

Through 1/31...Won 17 – Lost 3 with 2 regular season games remaining.

Wrestling – 59th Season

Mike Cole, Head Coach, 1st Season

Through 1/31...Won 9 – Lost 1 with tournament time around the corner.

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Bethlehem Catholic High School Is Now on LinkedIn

<https://www.linkedin.com/school/bethlehem-catholic-high-school/>

Once a week, Bethlehem Catholic will share a noteworthy event or compelling article about what is happening at our alma mater, "enthroned mid-Bethlehem's verdant hills." To gain access, type "Bethlehem Catholic LinkedIn" on your phone or computer search bar to follow us online. We will limit ourselves to one post a week. – Tom Vresics '81

**Get (re)connected.
 Take advantage of the Becahi Alumni network!**

“BLinkedIn” Profiles

Potential Mentors and Colleagues...

Get Connected to your Classmates... 145 graduates from 46 classes have been recognized so far in 2024. Check it out at <https://becahi.org/alumni/alumni-newsletter/>.

This edition of *Tidings* contains the names of 66 graduates from 46 classes (see chart below).

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BlinkedIn Profiles

Decades > 70s 80s 90s 00s 10s 20s

Year Ending

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3		1	1	1	2	
4	2	2	2	2	3	
5	1	1	1	1	2	
6	1	1	1	1	2	
7	1	1	1	1	2	
8	1	1	1	1	2	
9	2	2	2	2	3	

Classes:

46

Grads:

66

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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").

Here's what I found this month...

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Cynthia Barna Himpler '74, who received an Associate's Degree in Nursing (RN) from Northampton Community College, a BSN from Gwynedd Mercy University, and a Master's Degree in Nurse Practitioner from Rutgers University, is a Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner (CRNP) at the Lehigh Valley Health Network.

Tim Gower '74, who received a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology/Chemistry from DeSales University, is Senior Captain at AMR, international jet transport, in Pompano Beach, FL. He has flown internationally for 34 years and covered 62 countries.

David Gavura '75, who received a Bachelor's Degree in Government/Economics from the University of Pittsburgh, is RETIRED after last serving as Purchasing Manager at McCarter & English, LLP in Pittsburgh. (Congratulations, Dave! Onward to the next chapter. - JOB)

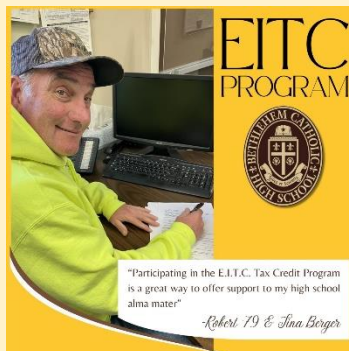
Denise Kertsmar Wolst '76, an East Stroudsburg University graduate, is a Speech Pathologist at Lehigh Valley Hospital.

Jeffrey Schuster '77, who received a BS in Business Administration from Valparaiso University, is the Owner at Creative Tiling And More, in the Charlotte metropolitan area.

Joyce Danko McAllister '78, who studied Microbiology and Immunology at Penn State University, and received a Master's degree in medical Microbiology and bacteriology from the medical College of Pennsylvania, is Product Offering Compliance Manager at Quest Diagnostics in the Collegeville, PA area.

Colleen Butryn Munion '79, who received a BS in Management from Philadelphia University, is Administrative Manager at Lehigh University, Energy Research Center in Bethlehem.

Kathy Connell Willner '79, a St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing and Kutztown University Graduate, is Director, Educational Services at St. Luke's University Hospital.



Robert Berger '79 writes... *"Participating in the E.I.T.C. Tax Credit Program is a great way to offer support to my high school alma mater."*

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Rose Nagy Szabo '80, who studied at the University of Scranton and Thomas Jefferson University School of Nursing, is an RN at the St. Luke's University Health Network.

Mona Ortwein Duwell '81's Valedictorian, who received a BS in Chemical Engineering from Worcester Polytechnic Institute and a Master's in Jewish Professional Studies, is Chief Operating Officer at Siegel JCC in Wilmington, DE.

Joan Stangl '82, who received a BS In Industrial Design from the University of the Arts, is an Event and Trade Show Manager, Marketing Lead for Kami, a digital learning platform that empowers 32 million teachers and students to love learning in and out of the classroom.

Tina Bishop Citro '83, who received a BSN and MSN from the University of Delaware and a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) in Health Systems Leadership from Chamberlain University, is President at WellSpan Ephrata Community Hospital in the York, PA area.

Maria Concilio Barr '84, who received a BS in Pharmacy from Rutgers University and a Doctor of Pharmacy from the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia, is Principal Medical Science Liaison-Metabolics at Alexion Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Leslie LaChapelle Young, '84's Co-Valedictorian, who received a BBA in Finance for the University of Notre Dame, is Financial Advisor Personal Advisor Services at Vanguard in Wayne, PA.

David Bennett '85, who received a BS in Mathematics from Washington and Lee University and an MS in Applied Mathematics from Lehigh University, is Sr. Director, Communications Technology at Lutron Electronics in Coopersburg.

James Steele '86, a U.S. Army Veteran, who received a Bachelor's Degree from Bucknell University, is a Wealth Management Advisor, Senior Vice-President at Merrill Lynch Wealth Management in New Canaan, CT.

Melissa Hudak King '87, who received a BA in Liberal Arts from the University of Pittsburgh, is Director of Marketing and Public Relations, CityCenterDC, at Hines, a global real estate investment, development and property manager, in the Washington, DC area.

Chris Altemus '88, who studied at Wilkes University, is General Manager at Rx Home Care in Bethlehem.

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Lisa Bedics Haflett '89, who received a BS in Civil and Architectural Engineering from Drexel University, is Executive Director Capital Project Business Lead at Merck in the greater Philadelphia area.

Christine Slick '89, a former U.S. Air Force Officer, is Slot Manager at Tropicana Atlantic City Casino.

Scott Klapac '90, who received a BS in Exercise and Sport Science from Penn State University and an MS in Exercise Physiology from West Chester University, is in Sales and Sales Management at Savvas Learning Co., providing the highest-quality content spanning all PreK-12 grade levels and disciplines, in Downingtown.

Christine Hoffner Barthold '91, who earned a PhD in Special Education from the University of Maryland and is an Associate Professor of Applied Behavioral Analysis at George Mason University, recently obtained a new certification: National Board-Certified Health and Wellness Coach from the National Board for Health & Wellness Coaching.

Vincent Clervi '92, who studied Theatre & Dance at Westminster College, is Senior Expert Designer, Advanced Innovation, at Nike, Inc., in Portland, OR.

"My job is to make a mess through innovation exploration and hopefully put smiles on faces with product and experiences."

Kim Frankenfield Chiz '93, who received an AS in Professional Nursing from Northampton Community College, and a BSN and MSN/MBA from DeSales University, is a Board-Certified Nursing Instructor at the Falcon Institute of Health and Science in Bethlehem.

Robert Svitilla '94, who received a Master's Degree in Mathematics from Villanova University, is a Mathematics, Physics, Computer Science, and Robotics Teacher at Saucon Valley School District.

Erman Tasci '94, who received a Bachelor's Degree from Penn State University, is a Chartered Retirement Planning Counselor, CRPC®, and First Vice President, a Senior Financial Advisor at Merrill Lynch in Allentown.

Joshua Braxmeier '95, who received an Associate's Degree in Education from Northampton Community College and a BS in Elementary/Special Education from Kutztown University, is a Teacher in the Allentown School District.

Mary Garza Hodrick '96, who received a BS in Marketing from DeSales University, is Vice President, Director of Marketing & Community Relations at American Bank PA in Allentown.

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Elizabeth Walker '97, who received a BS in Chemistry from Lebanon Valley College, is a Research Scientist at ExxonMobil in Annandale, NJ

Gennaro Marchese '98, who received an Associate's Degree in Specialized Electronics from Lincoln Technical Institute and a BS in Information Systems from Albright College, is ITS IA Domain Analyst / Digital Site Deploy Lead at Sanofi Pasteur in Swiftwater, PA.

Reid Albright '99, who received a BS in Leisure/Sport Management from Elon University, is Sales Manager with Global Supply Exchange, a woman owned business specializing in medical equipment, services and testing supplies., in Coopersburg.

Jamie Frey '99, who received an Associate's Degree in Elementary Education from Northampton Community College, a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education at East Stroudsburg University, and a Master's Degree in Educational Psychology from DeSales University, is an Administrative Assistant at Staley, Inc., IT Services and IT Consulting.

Rebekah Holzinger '00, who received a BS in Marketing from Shippensburg University, is Director of Global SEO (Search Engine Optimization) at GoDaddy in the Philadelphia area.

Brian Meares '01, who received a BS in Business Management from the University of Scranton and an MBA from Kutztown University, is Program Evaluation and Accreditation Manager at Kutztown University.

Hanh Nguyen '02, who received a BS in Neuroscience & Spanish from Allegheny College and an MHA in Health Policy & Management from the University of Pittsburgh, is Director of Strategic Initiatives at MemorialCare Long Beach Medical Center in Orange County California.

Joshua Reda '03, who received a BA in History from St. Joseph's University and a Master's Degree in College Student Personnel from Seton Hall University, is a Higher Education Administrator, recently Director of Housing, Recruitment & Conferences at Northampton Community College.

Susan Nastasee '04, who received an AS in Nursing from Northampton Community College, a BSN from Penn State University, and an MSN from Moravian University, is an RN at the Lehigh Valley Health Network.

Emily Nomeir '04, who received a BS in Finance from the University of Delaware, is a Managing Director, Direct Credit Investments at Hamilton Lane, committed to enhancing financial wellbeing for more than 30 years. <https://www.hamiltonlane.com/en-us/about/our-team/emily-nomeir>

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Mark Keller '05, who received a BA in Biology from Arcadie University, a Master's Degree in Biomedical Sciences from Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine and a Medical Degree from St. George's University, is a Physician at the Holy Redeemer Health System.

Elizabeth Rossi Potechko '06, who received a BA in History, Social Sciences, Secondary Education from Marywood University, and a Master's Degree in Classroom Technology from Wilkes University, is a World Cultures and Geography Teacher at Commonwealth Charter Academy Cyber Charter School in Andreas, PA.

Rachel Seibert Margetis '07, who received an AA in Social Work from Northampton Community College, a BA in Social Work from Cedar Crest College, and an MSW from Marywood University, is a Forensic Therapist for PrimeCare Medical, Inc in Bucks County, PA.

Zach Cronauer '08, a U.S. Army Veteran, who received a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Ohio Christian University, is technical project manager at Tillman FiberCo. In Allentown.

Gabrielle Donchez '09, who received a BBA in Marketing from Penn State University, is Director of Marketing at Rubicon, building technology solutions for waste, recycling, and fleet operations, in the New York City metropolitan area.

Jaclyn Kurtz '09, who received a BS in Psychology from DeSales University, is Direct Support Professional at LifePath, Inc. in the Lehigh Valley.

Michael Hall '10, who received a BS in Accounting from the Catholic University of America, is Manager, Advisory Services at KPMG in Marina Del Rey, CA.

Fiona Reed '10, who received a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of South Carolina and a JD from the University of South Carolina's Joseph F. Rice School of Law, is an Attorney with Clawson & Staubes, LLC in Charlotte, NC.

Nicholas Gray '11, who received a BAsC in Electrical and Electronics Engineering from Wilkes University, is Manager Transmission Substation Engineering at PPL Electric Utilities.

Erin Hoppe Connell '11, who studied Biology at East Stroudsburg University, is Patient Concierge at the St. Luke's University Health Network and is open to the new opportunities.

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John Valkovec '12, who received a BS in Public Health from Temple University, is Associate Project Manager at RadMD, the global leader in providing medical imaging expertise for clinical trials, in the greater Philadelphia area.

Caitlyn Shuster Thuel '12, who received a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education from DeSales University and an MEd in Elementary Education from Neumann University, is a Teacher at St. Ann's School in Bethlehem.

Tyler Pieper '13, who studied Criminal Justice at Northampton Community College and Intelligence and National Security at Coastal Carolina University, is a Supervisor at PepsiCo in Bethlehem.

Brendan Redington '13, a U.S. Navy Electricians Mate, is currently training the next generation of Naval Nuclear operators and supervisors in Charleston, SC.

James Downey '14, who studied at Arcadia University, is Development Coordinator at Danaher Lynch Family Foundation in the greater Philadelphia area.

Chrsitopher Mathur '14, who received a BS in Biology from Lycoming College, is a Quality Control Supervisor, Microbiology CAR-T Manufacturing, at Legend Biotech in Raritan, NJ.

Stefanie Recchio '14, who received a BS in Psychology from St. Joseph's University and a Master's Degree in Mental Health Counseling from Villanova University, is a Staff Counselor, providing compassionate counseling services to students facing mental health challenges, at Moravian University.

Rebecca Nixon '15, who received a Bachelor's Degree in Music from Rider University, is an Operations Team Specialist at Chubb, the world's largest publicly traded property and casualty insurance company, in Phillipsburg.

Libby Orth Carroll '15, who received a BA in Psychology from Penn State University, is Business Development Representative at Oracle NetSuite, empowering business with the #1 Cloud-Based ERP Solution, in the Nashville area.

Sarah LiCari '16, who received a BS in Biology from East Stroudsburg University and an MS in Biology from Texas Christian University, is a Teaching Assistant at Texas Christian University. She is a researcher, passionate about renewable energy and wildlife conservation.

Alexander Tyers '16, who received a BS IN Marketing from East Stroudsburg University, is Sales Development Representative for Fort Health in Easton. He is also **seeking an opportunity in a Marketing and Business Development role.**

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Allison Hontz '17, who received a BS in Biology from Penn State University, is Lead Medical Assistant at the Pennsylvania Pain and Spine Institute in Chalfont.

Olivia Keller '17, who received a BASc in Neuroscience from Muhlenberg College and a Master's Degree in Pre-Medical Studies from Drexel University's College of Medicine, is a Graduate Student at Drexel University's College of Medicine.

Sara Redington '18, who studied Sports Management at Fairleigh Dickinson University and is in a Master's Program in Higher Education at DeSales University, is a Field Hockey Graduate Assistant Coach at DeSales University.

Joseph Roethel '18, who received a Bachelor's Degree in Economics & Business Administration from Lebanon Valley College, is Valuation Associate at Centurisk in the New York City metropolitan area.

Joseph Gimaro III '19, who studied at Kutztown University, is a member of the Front Desk Staff at The Quality Inn in the Lehigh Valley.

Kaitlyn Hartman '19's Salutatorian, who received a BS in Mechanical, Biomedical Engineering from Penn State University, is a Graduate Student and a Technical Writing Teaching Assistant at Penn State University.

Kaylie Konish '19, who received a BSN and RN from DeSales University, is a Registered Nurse at the Lehigh Valley Health Network.

From the Advancement Office

Tom Vresics '81, Director

Could You Become the EITC Donor Who Puts Becahi Over the \$1,000,000 Mark?

If your income is \$35,000 a year, can you help Becahi reach \$1,000,000 in EITC funding from Pennsylvania annually?

Every \$1000 of PA State Income Tax you redirect to Becahi costs only \$100 (less than \$100 if you itemize), which is the most tax-savvy way to donate. We are close to receiving over \$1,000,000 annually from Pennsylvania through the Becahi EITC PA Income Tax Program. Many new EITC donors are in the pipeline, but we still need a few more to reach the \$1,000,000 mark. Contact Tom Vresics at tvresics@becahi.org

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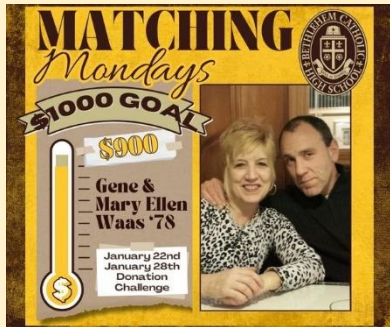
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Would You Be Willing to Attend a Networking Reception to Connect with Other Becahi Graduates in Your Profession?

Our Centennial Yearbook hopes to have an honor roll by profession (Religious Vocations, Nurses, Doctors, Teachers, Military Service, etc.). If you are interested in a networking event to connect with other Becahi Alumni in your professional career, please get in touch with Tom Vresics at tvresics@becahi.org

Becahi Fund Matching Mondays!

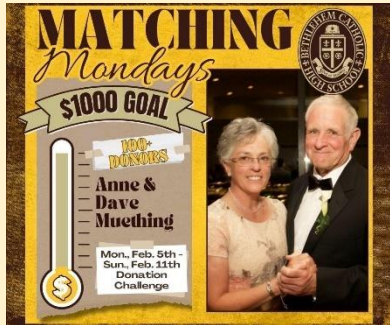
Help Us Reach Our Goal of 1,000 Donors



At least once a month, a Bethlehem Catholic benefactor will offer a Becahi Fund Challenge Match to the Becahi Family. While the challenge will be in dollars, we aim to gain 1,000 new donors. So, any donation is appreciated so we have up-to-date information for our Centennial Celebrations from July 2025 through June 2026.

Our First Matching Monday Challenge offered by **Gene & Mary Ellen (Bold) Waas '78** was a big success.

Our next Matching Monday Challenge comes from Anne and Dave Meuthing P' 96, '97, '00, '03, '09. The Meuthing Challenge will run from **Mon., Feb. 5th through Sun., February 11th.** Use the following links to answer their challenge.



2023-2024 Becahi Fund donation link:
<https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/WebLink.aspx..>

For Venmo, use the GiveButter link:
<https://givebutter.com/EOHBYr>

If you are willing to make a Matching Monday Challenge, contact Tom Vresics at tvresics@becahi.org

Missing Yearbooks!


We are missing many of the Bethlehem Catholic Yearbooks from 1930 through 1949. If you have parents or grandparents who graduated in these years, reach out to Tom Vresics at tvresics@becahi.org.

The first people who hand in a useable yearbook from each particular class will be guaranteed to have their family member included in Bethlehem Catholic's Centennial Yearbook.

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Holtz's Heroes Soar with Golden Hawks Collection Drive
Sat., Feb. 3rd & Feb. 17th from 8 AM until 9:30 AM near the main office entrance.



February Drop-Off Dates:
Saturday, Feb. 3rd & Feb. 17th

"Do what's right. Do
your best. Show
others you care."
-Coach Holtz

Items Needed:
Baby Formula
Bottles & Liners
Diapers & Wipes
Brand New Infant &
Toddler Clothing



Items Needed:
Travel Sized Hygiene
Products
M/W's Undergarments
Mountain House
Dehydrated Food
(No Dollar Store Brands)

Bethlehem Catholic students run a collection drives on designated Saturdays from 8:00 AM until 9:30 AM to help local charities. Please consider dropping off items at Becahi at these times. If you have any questions, please email holtzsheroes@becahi.org

Reflection

Find this song. Turn it on. Relive the movie.
Relive the 1965 or 2007 Becahi Productions.
Then go enjoy the Sound of Music at Becahi this spring, April 5th – 7th
and April 12th – 13th. It's Gonna Be "Something Good".

MARIA:

Perhaps I had a wicked childhood.
Perhaps I had a miserable youth.
But somewhere in my wicked miserable past
There must have been a moment of truth.
For here you are standing there loving me
Whether or not you should
So somewhere in my youth or childhood
I must have done something good.
Nothing comes from nothing.
Nothing ever could
So somewhere in my youth or childhood
I must have done something good.

CAPTAIN:

For here you are standing there loving me
Whether or not you should

MARIA:

So somewhere in my youth or childhood
I must have done something good.

MARIA AND CAPTAIN:

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MARIA:

So somewhere in my youth

CAPTAIN:

Or childhood...

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MARIA:

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Something good...

And now...

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