



# HURRICANE ALERT

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### Our Vision

*Peregrini via Veritatis*  
"Pilgrims on the Way of Truth"

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# Rejoice, AND BE GLAD!



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# MARIAN CENTRAL CLASS OF 2018

**167**

students graduated from Marian Central in 2018

**\$315,000**

in athletic scholarships awarded

**98%**

of graduates are moving on to college

**\$20,547,414**

in academic scholarships awarded



Marian Central's 2018 Co-Valedictorians and Salutatorian

**Casey Wells**, Co-Valedictorian  
attending Northwestern University

**John Hintz**, Co-Valedictorian  
attending the University of Notre Dame

**Shelby Truckenbrod**, Salutatorian  
attending the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point



# Welcome

## TO MARIAN CENTRAL, FR. TWENTY!

Father Jared Twenty was born in Decatur, Illinois, and after moving a few times, settled in Crystal Lake at the age of 10 years old. As an underclassman, he went to Prairie Ridge High School; he then transferred to Interlochen Arts Academy in Michigan to focus on music. Father received his Bachelors of Music from the Oberlin Conservatory of Music with a major in Percussion Performance. After working for one year performing and teaching in the Chicagoland area, he decided to enter the seminary. Father studied philosophy at Kenrick Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri, and the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.; he then studied theology at the Pontifical Gregorian University, in Rome, Italy, earning a Sacred Theological Licentiate in Dogmatic Theology. Father Twenty was ordained a priest on June 28, 2014, and his first assignment was as the Associate Pastor at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Batavia.

It has been a bit of a transition for Father Twenty, coming from parish life to high school ministry. While his day-to-day work may be very different from the average parish priest, the basic principles are the same. Father believes the most important factor in his ministry is to be present and to show everyone, especially the students, that he's here and that he cares. It's important to him that they feel he's committed. "The beautiful truth we celebrate at Christmas is that God Himself came to live among us in Jesus Christ, and the role of the priest is always to follow in His footsteps."

Father Twenty says the job of being present has been really easy for him for three reasons. "First, everyone has been so welcoming. One early memory that sticks out in my mind is my first all school Mass. When all the students enthusiastically chanted, 'Rejoice, and be glad!' with me, I felt very welcomed and encouraged. Second, there are a lot of activities that go on at Marian. I can always find something to do! Finally, Marian Central is a family. For example, I remember the great community spirit exhibited at each and every one of the football games I went to, both home and away."



*Father Twenty is so thankful for everyone at Marian who has welcomed him and made him feel at home. Marian Central gives him so many reasons to say, "Rejoice, and be glad!"*

# 2018

# Hurricane Award



Thomas' wife, Patricia, and family accepted the award on his behalf, which was presented by Development Director, Kaitlin (Thompson) Bordeaux '09.

The late Thomas J. Parsley served as Marian's first football coach, athletic director, and as a math teacher. He would eventually become Marian's first lay principal.

Because Parsley believed in the power of education and its ability to open opportunities and change lives, all five of his children graduated from Marian Central: **Laura (Parsley) Hunt '84, Nancy Parsley '85, Thomas Parsley '88, James Parsley '90, and Jeanne (Parsley) Rivera '92.**

## 2018 Homecoming



### 2018 Homecoming Court

Back row: Kevin Salvi, Daniel Dusik, Daniel Truckenbrod, Cade Bokowy, AJ Leidig, Marco Gomez  
 Front row: Grace Graff, Gabrielle Sarto, Lindsey Litterer, Rachel Graham, Stefanie Henkel, Amanda Hoople



2018 Homecoming King and Queen  
 Cade Bokowy and Lindsey Litterer

# Friend of Marian

## DONALD COONEY

The late Donald Cooney was a 1947 graduate of St. Mary High School in Woodstock. He joined the State Bank of Woodstock in 1951 and worked his way up to president of the bank in 1979. Donald devoted significant amounts of time to community service. He was financial secretary of the Knights of Columbus for 25 years; six-year member of the Memorial Hospital Board; Woodstock Country Club president; member of the first parish board at St. Mary's Church; two-term city treasurer; member of the McHenry County Mental Health Board; and Dorr Township trustee for 15 years. Former colleagues and friends remember him as a man dedicated to his business, community and family.

Because he strongly believed in Catholic education, all six of his children graduated from Marian Central: **Patrick Cooney '70**, **Debra (Cooney) Riggle '73**, the late **Michael Cooney '73**, **Timothy Cooney '77**, **Daniel Cooney '78** and **Kevin Cooney '89**.



Sons of the late Donald Cooney, Daniel '78 and Timothy '77, accepted the award on his behalf, which was presented by Athletic Director, Curtis Price.



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CENTRAL CATHOLIC

2018 SPORTS  
HALL OF  
FAME  
INDUCTEES

### ABOUT THE MARIAN CENTRAL HALL OF FAME

Marian Central's Sports Hall of Fame was initiated at the direction of Athletic Director Bob Kies. Chairman **Rich Hoover '84** compiles the data from IHSA records, college, and career events. Individuals and teams are considered 10 years after graduation.

Members of the current committee are Hans Rokus, Tom VanDaele, Jim Speaker, **Pete Merkel '70**, **Christine (Thelen) Nobilio '74**, **Joe Huemann '78**, **Erin (McConnell) Widmayer '92**, and **Laura Witek-Jones '93**.

### 1993 Marian Central Volleyball Team

Athletic Director, Curtis Price, presents inductees with their awards.

Karen Bartman '94, Lesley (Delihant) Brady '95, Denise (Semrow) Casey '94, Sarah (Hoscheit) Knauf '94, Katherine (Holtman) Sieck '94, Leigh (Hadick) Fritts '95, Dana (Fortin) Hofmann '95, Madeline (Stahl) Spitson '94, Jill Palatas-Tsuji '95; Not pictured: LeeAnne (Bohne) Crane '95, Mary (Domek) Blackmore '95, Jennifer (Klos) Hartke '95, Cary Haskell '95, Erin (Marski) Sasak '95, Jennifer (Kaminski) Myers '94, Coach Erin Carver



2006

## Brittani (Smith) Ward

Brittani graduated *cum laude* with a B.A. in Digital Cinema Production from DePaul University in 2010, which was recently ranked 13th on the *Hollywood Reporter* list of the Top 25 American Film Schools of 2018. Her first two years were spent at the University of Iowa, where she double-majored in Cinematography and Theatre before transferring to DePaul.

As either a Casting Associate or Casting Director, Brittani has worked on over ten seasons of television, five network pilots, three high-profile web series, and approximately 30 feature films, many of which have won various awards.

One of the features she cast, *American Wrestler: The Wizard*, won ten awards, including “Best Ensemble Cast” at the Boston Film Festival. She’s worked on projects headed up by famous filmmakers, including David Fincher and Steven Soderberg. She’s also worked on two Jason Statham movies, one of which was written by Sylvester Stallone. As a casting director, Brittani hired the following actors: Jon Voight, Sharon Stone, Chris ‘Ludacris’ Bridges, Jane Seymour, Cary Elwes, Ali Wong, Tommy Flanagan, Kevin Dillon, Anna Camp, and many more.

When reflecting on her time at Marian, Brittani can’t help but mention some of the teachers who greatly influenced her. Kay Hansen’s creative writing class prepared her for many of her playwriting and screenwriting courses. Dr. Glenn Pinnau challenged her worldview and recalibrated her analytical brain. Between Junior Statesmen of America (JSA) and his AP Humanities class, she was fully prepared for college and beyond.

Brittani currently resides in Chicago, IL, with her husband, **Ryan Ward ’05**. Both of Brittani’s sisters are Marian alumnae: **Morgan (Smith) Burkle ’08** and **Rachel Smith ’10**. Her mother, **Erin (Gallagher) Smith ’83**, is a 2014 Alumni Excellence Award winner!

## Keri (Wiznerowicz) Wright

Keri started her aviation career at the young age of 15, soloed at 16, and received her flying license at 17. After graduating from Marian Central, Keri entered into Purdue University’s flight program. At 18, Wright became a commercial pilot and flight instructor. She stayed at Purdue and received her Master’s in International Aviation Operation. While working on projects for her degree with Boeing, IBM and the Navy, Keri found she really liked working in the corporate aviation world.

She joined Universal Asset Management, Inc., climbed the corporate ladder quickly and became Project Director at 22, Vice President of Asset Management at 23, COO at 25, and by 30, bought UAM from the previous owner, becoming Chairman and CEO of the company.

Based in Memphis, TN, with additional offices worldwide, UAM buys, sells and leases commercial airliners. The company also manages an airliner’s end-of-life, recycling the components and recirculating them into the airline industry.

2000



# DISTINGUISHED Alumni Award

UAM was acquired by Aircraft Recycling International Limited (ARI) in 2017; however, Wright remains CEO, in an industry that is in short supply of female leaders.

Keri has won many awards, including the “40 under 40 National Award” from *Aviation Week and Space Technology* (2014), “Top 40 under 40” from *Memphis Business Journal*, “CEO of the Year” from *Inside Memphis Business* (2015), among many others.

Keri is never going to stop flying; she loves the inspiration she gets above the clouds. “It’s limitless,” Keri says. “There are no stop signs, no speed limits. I’m a paint brush in the sky; it’s my canvas.” Keri currently resides in Lakeland, TN, with her husband, Philip, and son, Grayson.

*“There is no question in my mind that without the Marian education, I would not be where I am today. The curriculum was challenging, focused on college preparation, time management, and a diverse skill set to prepare its students for the world requirements of dynamic individuals. I’m grateful to my parents for the sacrifices they made to make the investment in my education at Marian Central.”*



## Mike Domek

This year’s Distinguished Alumnus joins us from the graduating class of 1987. Mike Domek, president of the Domek Group, is an entrepreneur who launched TicketsNow.com, the first online marketplace for event tickets in 1999. He sold the company to Ticketmaster in 2008, which today remains the engine behind all ticket marketplace sales, such as the NHL, NFL, and NBA ticket exchanges.

Mike has served on the Board of Directors for the Illinois Technology Association; Big Brother, Big Sisters of America, including two years as chairman; and Lift Up America. He is also active with United Way and their Allocations Committee.

Domek has used his success to assist local nonprofits in their own strategy formation, operations, and fundraising efforts. Mike is an avid supporter of the INCubator program, which teaches entrepreneurship at Marian Central, as well as seven other high schools throughout McHenry County.

*“Marian prepares you in a way that is completely unique. It’s the combination of having a faith-based education and the culture of a school like Marian, coupled with the extraordinary students and their parents. All of this creates an environment in which students are able to succeed and excel in school and in life.”*

# John Jaeger

John Jaeger had a variety of jobs after graduating from Marian Central in 1994. From working his way up to an IT director in Silicon Valley, to working finance in Chicago throughout the financial crisis, he eventually ended up working for the government in 2012. Through a friend who had worked on President Barack Obama's reelection campaign, Jaeger was introduced to someone in the State Department. The US government was recruiting people who could bring corporate experience and technical expertise to Syria. John was eager to work overseas and relocated to Istanbul, Turkey, where he became a consultant for individuals who

were trying to gain a sense of normalcy in Syria. People like chiropractors and dentists who, because of the conflict, had to suddenly respond to the needs of their local communities in ways they had never anticipated. "These guys needed clean water. These guys needed power. These folks needed medicine," John said. His job was to help provide these services and maintain some stable governance.

John became attached to many of his Syrian contacts and mourned for them when they were killed. After two years, everyone he knew lost family members, which led him to focus on a problem for which he had the technical expertise: warning civilians of incoming air strikes. After approaching the State Department with the idea of an early-warning alert system that did not gain any interest, he decided to leave the agency. John was determined with his new idea, but he knew he needed help.

Through a Syrian activist, John was introduced to Dave Levin, founder of Refugee Open Ware, an organization that helps people start projects using technology in troubled regions. The two connected, and Dave signed on right away. Two months later, a Syrian coder who shared the same mission, joined their team.

With their team in place, they were ready to fundraise. They received a lot of support for their idea, however, this support did not lead to any financial investments. John and Dave eventually funded their idea through their own bank accounts along with someone who they call an "angelic" investor. It was time to launch their start-up, which John named Hala Systems, to try to make a business out of saving lives. Hala Systems now receives grants and funding from countries including Britain, Canada, the Netherlands, and the United States as well as private donors, friends, and family.

Hala's warning system depends on both human observers (spotters) and remote sensors to collect data on potential air strikes. When observers near government air bases spot warplanes taking off, they enter the type of aircraft, heading, and coordinates into an Android app, which sends the information to Hala's servers. Before Sentry was introduced, the main warning people had of an air strike was when they heard the planes themselves. A former English teacher, Abdel Razzaq, has been diligently watching planes since 2011, later joining Sentry as an observer. "We're a bunch of guys who are everywhere. Each of us holds a specific district," he said. "We see the plane, the type of plane, with the naked eye, and then send the warning." Sensors, which are placed in trees or on top of buildings, collect the data, which



# 1994

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helps confirm the type of plane, its location, and flight path. Software gathers all the data and compares it to past attacks, predicting the likelihood of an air raid, as well as when and where it might occur. The data is processed by a program, known as Sentry, that estimates the plane's trajectory and sends a warning, triggering Facebook and Telegram messages, tweets and, most importantly, loud sirens throughout cities in opposition-held Syria.

Hala has also set up air raid sirens that Sentry can activate remotely. This warning system gives people an average of eight minutes to seek shelter. An automated system continuously scans Facebook, Twitter, and Telegram for posts that might indicate air strikes. Through constant tweaking and help from a pilot who defected from the Syrian air force, they were able to fine-tune their predictions to be accurate to within 30 seconds of the airplane's arrival. Hala was constantly monitoring video and social media evidence to match it against Sentry's predictions, but it took hours to verify all the information, and some days there were dozens of air strikes. John hired engineers and researchers to develop software that could search Arabic language media for keywords that would help confirm the location and timing of an air strike. They also needed a way to get the warnings out to civilians. They wrote scripts for Telegram, Facebook, and Twitter, along with the walkie-talkie app, Zello. On August 1, 2016, Sentry went live. "Within a day and a half," Jaeger says, "we got a testimonial video from someone who said, 'My family is alive because I logged in, got this message, and I moved from my house. The house got blown up; my neighbors got killed.'"

They shared the news on social media, and volunteers passed out flyers. They continued to work on important improvements. There are now as many as 150 sirens inside the country.

Everything about Sentry relies on a simple fact: The more time someone has to prepare for an air strike, the greater their chance of survival. Over 60,000 people follow their Facebook page, and its Telegram channels have 16,400 subscribers. A local radio station broadcasts Sentry alerts, and there are all the people who are in the range of the sirens.

Per the company's website, over 2,000,000 people have been warned of an impending airstrike. There have been over 100,000 observations. There's an average of 140 warnings per day, and at least 250,000 civilians have benefitted from a reduction in traumatic anxiety.

The company has gone public and now employs 29 people, with half living all over the United States.

One would think that there would be major differences when moving to Istanbul, Turkey, from Chicago; however, John states that, "The most shocking difference between us and Syrians is how much we're alike. We all have the same desires and needs; we all want to live our lives in peace and prosperity."

While attending Marian, John was strongly influenced by four teachers whose lessons clearly remain with him today.

Deacon Hans Rokus taught him to stay apprised of current events worldwide. "He recognized the importance of watching the world change before our eyes and beyond our borders."

Mrs. Kay Hansen was "the kindest, gentlest, and most patient person at Marian. That helped teach me the value of those qualities."

Mr. Stan Cebrznski helped instill a curiosity in science and experimentation.

Finally, Mrs. Mary Kresse "brought France to the classroom and made me genuinely curious about a faraway place. I really believe she loved France and French culture, and it was a window to some other part of the world that made me want to travel and see for myself."

John believes the best lesson to learn is to travel and talk to people who live in different parts of the world and learn about their culture, including their food. The more one does that, the more one sees how alike we all really are.

For more information on Hala Systems, please go to the company's website: <https://halasystems.com>, Facebook page: Hala Systems, or Twitter: @HalaSystems.



## Ryan Knott: Acoustic Truth

**Ryan Knott '07** had his first guitar debut during a talent show at Marian Central. He accompanied classmate and friend **Ann (Manning) Oates '07** as she sang, “Hey There Delilah.” “It was the first time I played in front of people,” Knott said. “And I never put the guitar down again.”

Knott continued to play throughout college; he also played baseball for Duke University. During a summer internship for special needs children, he met Sarah, his future wife.

*“Marian has had a tremendous impact on my life. I don’t think I would have been accepted into Duke University if it wasn’t for the education Marian gave me. It was a challenge but so rewarding. During my four years there, I developed so much as an individual and learned about how important being a kind person is, as well as how important education is. I’m forever grateful to be a Hurricane.”*

“We didn’t know until the last day of camp that we both enjoyed music. We set up a jam session one night, and we just clicked.” The two wrote a song together and put it on YouTube. By the next day, the song had over 200 views.

The two continued to collaborate when Knott returned to college baseball. With the possibility of a professional career within his grasp, Ryan suffered a devastating, career-ending injury. When his

faith was shattered, it was Sarah who was by his side and who brought back his musical passion. Eventually it would be the Christian messages of truth and love that would shine through and land them on the iTunes charts. Ryan and Sarah formed the country/pop duo Acoustic Truth in 2011, and recently, the married couple switched genres to Contemporary Christian.

Much to their surprise, while playing their guitars at the airport, they were approached by famed videographer and director, Michael Estrella, who has directed Katy Perry videos.

He offered to record a music video for them for their original song, “Time.” When this music video was eventually released, the couple’s popularity soared.

The Facebook page Gods411 picked up Acoustic Truth’s music, exposing even more people to their music. “Time” recently debuted across Europe through an MTV-like music show, “Musicalidades.”

When their recent album “Impact” was released on iTunes, it hit No. 3 across all genres and No. 1 on the contemporary Christian chart.

The duo has a new song and music video, “Able,” which has become an anthem for people with special needs. The message is about hope and loving God as a child does; it is about the gift that is found in those who have special needs. Recently, the music video reached 26,000 views on YouTube.

While they’ve been offered recording contracts in the past, the duo turned them down, as it did not feel right at the time, and they wanted to be sure they were performing for the right reasons. Knott said, “If we could inspire one person a day, still remaining humble, then we are doing it for the right reasons.” The couple plans to record more music videos and hopes to sign with a record label soon.

Ryan and Sarah Knott reside in Elk Grove Village, IL, with their son, Jeremiah.

For more information about Acoustic Truth, visit the duo’s website: [acoustictruthofficial.com](http://acoustictruthofficial.com), Facebook page: Acoustic Truth, iTunes, or YouTube.

# ANNUAL GOLF OUTING 2018



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On June 13, 2018, Crystal Woods Golf Club was once again a gracious host for our 46th Annual Golf Outing. The sold out golf outing included 144 golfers, consisting of alumni, faculty, staff, parents, and friends. After the outing, the golfers socialized in the clubhouse and enjoyed food catered by Woodstock's BBQ King Smokehouse. The golf outing raised over \$40,000 for the Marian Central athletic program.



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1 - Kurt Rohloff, Andrew Hartlieb '85, Sean Haley, Kevin Noonan '81; 2 - Julie Thompson, Sharon Anderson, Tina Gruebnaue, Julie Diamond; 3 - Mike LeClair, Cameron T. Clark '62, Richard Thennes '64, Paul Bruggeman, Jim Zambon; 4 - Jack Gilleland '08, Erik Reibel '08, Jordan Peart '08, Sean Cwynar '08; 5 - Brooke Poci, Madeline (Stahl) Spitsen '94; 6 - Tom Sharp '81, Craig Hesch '76, Tim Sherwood '81, Tim Bachmann '81

# HURRICANE DAY

Hurricane Day was created for the Marian Central community to celebrate the school and share their Hurricane pride. This year was the first annual Hurricane Day on Tuesday, November 20, 2018. Alumni, students, staff and parents were encouraged to share Hurricane pride by wearing red and Columbia blue, posting on social media with #HurricaneDay, and giving back with a gift to reach our goal of 591 donors. This represents the number of students' lives currently being formed at Marian Central.

My favorite part of Marian Central is the amazing bonds that I have formed with so many people that I feel I might not have made with people from the school I was intending to go to originally. My confidence has boosted, and my horizons have expanded.

#HurricaneDay #Pride  
ALEX HARDT, JUNIOR

My favorite part of Marian Central is all the resources it gives me to grow stronger in my faith and how it helps me live it out in my community.

#HurricaneDay #student  
JANE WALSDORF, SOPHOMORE

Thanks to Marian Central I have been given the tools to be a successful student-athlete and share my faith with the world. I learned how to prioritize and always find room for something more.

Will always love MCC.  
#alumni #HurricaneDay  
EMILY MILLER '17



*Alumni from all across the world shared heartwarming thoughts about the impact their Marian Central education had on their lives, and current students posted on social media what they liked most about Marian Central.*

Donors were encouraged to give a gift to Hurricane Day and could designate their donation. By doing that, they would give a student the gift of academic excellence (academics), expression (fine arts), leadership (athletics) and opportunity (tuition assistance), which were the four designation options.

Development Director, **Kaitlin (Thompson) Bordeaux '09**, was overwhelmed by the involvement and support of the first Hurricane Day. "With the help and support of our Marian Central community, Hurricane Day was a great success! Whether you sported your spirit wear, donated, shared what Marian means to you, or prayed for our community, thank you from the bottom of our hearts."

While donations are still coming in, Hurricane Day raised over \$12,000 from over 100 donors thus far. With the donations from Hurricane Day, our donors have helped ensure that the tradition of a Marian Central Catholic education remains strong. Thank you for bringing all that Marian has to offer to the next generation of Hurricanes!

If you are still interested in making a gift to Hurricane Day, text CaneDay to 52182 or visit [www.marian.com/hurricaneday](http://www.marian.com/hurricaneday). Thank you for supporting our students!



Current faculty and staff at Marian Central include 12 alumni.

Front Row: Kaitlin (Thompson) Bordeaux '09, Kasey Gallagher '08, Laura (Martino) Littner '85, Erin (McConnell) Widmayer '92, Brittany (Hull) Solomon '08, Andrea (Stahl) Radcliffe '90; Back Row: Benji Winkelman '92, Steve Lalor '87, Tom Kruse '90, Tim Lalor '93, Steve Liggett '87; Not pictured: Jacob Tonkin '10

# ALUMNI: CLASS NOTES

## CLASS OF 1963

**PATRICIA (VANDERKARR) VON BERGEN** of Wonder Lake, IL, was named Woman of Inspiration for Christ the King Church.

## CLASS OF 1968

**SHARLENE (CONERTY) CARROLL** of Michigan Center, MI, is enjoying her retirement as an executive assistant after 40 years at Western School District. She and her husband, Robert, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 20, 2018.

## CLASS OF 1972

**PEGGY (COUGHLIN) MODORY** of Kenosha, WI, is enjoying her retirement from a middle school principal by traveling and spending time with her grandchildren. She and her husband, Jerry, split their time between Florida and Wisconsin.

## CLASS OF 1973

**CHRISTOPHER TOREN** of Wheeling, IL, is a medical sales representative.

## CLASS OF 1979

**MARIE (LESLIE) SCHRETZMANN** of Lake Butler, FL, is a veterinarian.

## CLASS OF 1981

**DR. BRAD GREGORY** of South Bend, IN, is the director of the Notre Dame Institute for Advanced Study and Dorothy G. Griffin Professor of Early Modern European History. He received a 2018 Expanded Reasons Award Honorable Mention for his book, *The Unintended Reformation: How a Religious Revolution Secularized Society*. The Expanded Reason Awards aim to recognize academic achievements that advance Pope Benedict's proposal to widen the horizon of reason.



## CLASS OF 1989

**MICHAEL DICKOW** of Waedewnswil, Switzerland, is a reinsurance controlling expert for Zurich Insurance Company, LTD.

## CLASS OF 1997

**MARK MENZEL**, battalion chief, of Woodstock, IL, **SHAWN SCHADLE**, captain, of Belvidere, IL, and **MATT SCHULIEN**, firefighter and paramedic, of Johnsburg, IL, reconnected at the IFSI (Illinois Fire Service Institute). They spent the week working together to better their skills with real-time, live fire scenarios.



## CLASS OF 1999

**CHARLES JAMES** of Easley, SC, is a detective.

## CLASS OF 2000

**MARK JACOBS** of Twin Lakes, WI, is an electrical design engineer.

## CLASS OF 2001

**KATIE (MURWIN) CAMPBELL** of Delavan, WI, is an elementary school music teacher.

## CLASS OF 2003

**CRAIG FIEDLER** of Saint Paul, MN, is the Director of Advancement at St. Agnes School.

**MICHELLE ROSSI** of Elgin, IL, is a bilingual special education teacher and an active volunteer with Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois.

## CLASS OF 2008

**RJ CARVIS** of Cary, IL, is a sports marketing manager at Vital Proteins.

**AUTUMN CHODOROWSKI** of Miami Beach, FL, is a violinist with the New World and Quad City Symphony.

**DAVID DICKER** of Burlington, WI, is a proposal engineer with Metso Minerals.

**KASEY GALLAGHER** of Lake in the Hills, IL, is an English and journalism teacher, Educational Technology Integration Specialist, theatre director, and a yearbook and newspaper advisor at Marian Central Catholic High School.

**LUCAS GOINS** of Woodstock, IL, is a comic artist, animator, and storyboard artist.

**REGINA GOMEZ** of Chicago, IL, is a talent manager.

**AMANDA (GRADY) DOUGHERTY** of Lake in the Hills, IL, is an account executive at Vintage Wines, LLC/ The Winebow Group.

**BRITTANY (HULL) SOLOMON** of Algonquin, IL, earned a teaching fellowship and travelled to Costa Rica to help complete research on leatherback sea turtles through Ecology Project International. She is a biology, AP biology, and general science teacher at Marian Central Catholic High School.

**STEPHANIE (GOTTER) MALLETT-GOTTER** of Hoffman Estates, IL, is a hospice social worker.

## CLASS OF 2009

**ANTONIO AGUILAR** of Lake in the Hills, IL, is a musician.

**JACKIE BOWLER** of Woodstock, IL, is a certified hoof care professional.

**ZACH BUCHEL** of Cody, WY, is the president of FarmTableWest.

**KIM (BULAGA) NELSON** of Sioux Falls, SD, is a preschool teacher at Christ the King School. She is also a JV volleyball coach at O'Gorman High School.

## CLASS OF 2014

**JACQUELINE GUILBEAULT** of Sheboygan, WI, is a director of youth ministry for the Sheboygan North Catholic Parishes.

## WEDDINGS

### CLASS OF 2009

**STEPHANIE ROBSON** of Harvard, IL, married Philip Suchowski on June 30, 2018 in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.

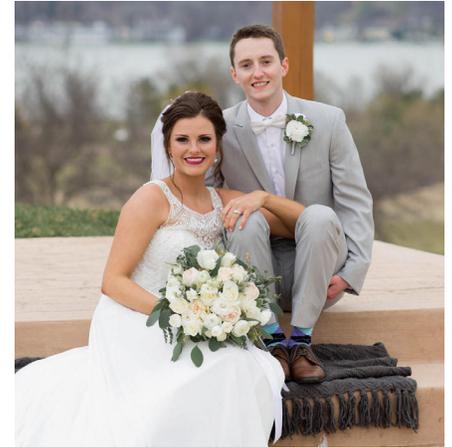


**KAITLIN THOMPSON** of Huntley, IL, married Benjamin Bordeaux on August 11, 2018 in Rockton, IL.



### CLASS OF 2010

**ASHLEY GUZAK** of Huntley, IL, married Blake Rosensteel on April 21, 2018 in Lake Geneva, WI.



## BIRTHS

### CLASS OF 2007



**ABBY (JACOBS) KANE** of Woodstock, IL, and husband, **BRIAN KANE '01**, welcomed Raeley Ann on September 26, 2018. Raeley weighed 7 lb 14 oz and was 19 in. long.

### CLASS OF 2008

**TANYA (CARRAN) RETTIG** of Great Lakes, IL, and husband, James, welcomed Emilia Grace on July 15, 2018. Emilia weighed 8 lb 9oz and was 21.5 in. long.



### CLASS OF 2009



**MICHELLE (SPEAKER) CURRIER** of Woodstock, IL, and husband, **ANDREW CURRIER '08**, welcomed Sadie Lynn on August 15, 2018. Sadie weighed 6 lb 15 oz and was 19 in. long. She is the granddaughter of retired math teacher, Jim Speaker.



**CASSANDRA (SROKA) IRIZARRY** of Garden Prairie, IL, and husband, **IAN IRIZARRY**, welcomed Josephina Rae on June 6, 2018.



**JORDANNE (LETOURNEAU) PREGONT** of Janesville, WI, and husband, Joseph, welcomed Charlotte Mae on December 2, 2018. Charlotte weighed 6 lb 15 oz and was 18.5 in. long.



**KAYLA (WELCH) SHANNON** of Woodstock, IL, and husband, Zach, welcomed Jameson Michael on July 30, 2018. Jameson weighed 6 lb 9 oz and was 19.5 in. long.



**BRITTANY (WIGHTMAN) VOS** of Burlington, WI, and husband, Ryan, welcomed Emma Grace on July 25, 2018. Emma weighed 6 lb 7 oz and was 19.5 in. long.

## REUNION

The Class of 1968 celebrated their 50th Reunion with various events during Homecoming weekend.



Back Row: Patrick Schmid, Robert Welter, Thomas Formanek, Roger Ladd, Robert McAllister, Paul Gauer, James Ruggero, Allen Freund, Tom McConnell, John Gallagher  
Middle Row: Bernard Tallman, David Pictor, Carol (Connell) Longhini, Mary (Anderson) Pokorny, Carolyn (Master) Tager, Mary (Billimack) Klos, Carol (Gabrielson) Zarnstorff, Bernadette (Clove) Moerschbaecher, Marianne (Cummings) Bennett, Sue (Conway) Meyer, Colleen (Joyce) O'Brien, Kathleen (Sullivan) McConnell, Julienne (Grimm) Zell, Joanne (Desmond) Sieck, Sharlene (Conerty) Carroll, Bonnielynn (Olson) Brankey, Janet (Frederick) Waltz, Vicki (Brda) Winkelman  
Front Row: William Pokorny, Harold Stilling, Thomas Brankey, Richard Meyers, Diane (Hiller) Calhoun



The Class of 1968 remembered their deceased classmates at a Memorial Service in the Marian Central Chapel.

### *In Prayerful Memory of...*

**JOHN HORELED '69**, May 3, 2018.

**MICHAEL KELLY '71**, August 12, 2018, father to **Kristen (Kelly) Ryan '00**, **Jennifer Kelly '01**, **Shannon Kelly '05**, and Michael Kelly III; grandfather to Miri Kelly, Michael Shawn Kelly IV, Robbie Ryan and James Kelly; brother to **Kimberly (Fitzharris) Kelly '74**, **Kevin Kelly '74**, **Brian Kelly '83**, and Karen Kelly.

**PAUL REAGAN '68**, May 3, 2018, father to Shea Reagan and Carlin Bowers; brother to **Michael Reagan '66**, Mimi Brownell, Ellen Mills, Maryelizabeth Pender, John Reagan, Joseph Reagan, Shea Reagan, and Mary Grace Weaver.

**CHRISTOPHER WIRTZ '67**, October 26, 2018, wife to **Barbara (Huemann) Wirtz '67**; father to Jessica Justen and Jonathan Wirtz; brother to **Patrick Wirtz '66**, Jennifer Kueffner, Jill Siler, Peter Wirtz, and Tony Wirtz; grandfather to Amanda Frazier, Austin Frazier, Brody Frazier, Colby Frazier, Katelyn Wirtz, and Trevor Wirtz.

**ANTHONY ZALUCHA '66**, May 9, 2018.



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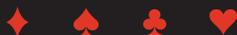
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