

LCC Today Magazine



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The 2013 Hall of Fame

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from our LCC President....



Dear Grads and Supporters:

A new retreat experience arrived at LCC from February 3-6 when the senior class experienced "Kairos" together at the Bergamo Retreat Center in Beavercreek, Ohio. Kairos is Greek for "God's Time" and God's time it was. The seniors laughed together, cried together and yes, prayed together.

Anytime you do something for the first time, you don't necessarily know what to expect. However, after having been involved with numerous Kairos, I should have realized everything would be fine because it was Christ who was in control of the retreat.

The retreat was wonderful for the seniors and the ten juniors who attended and who will lead the next Kairos in November. I could go on and on about the first LCC Kairos but instead I offered two of the seniors the opportunity to write about their Kairos experience.

Being a leader at our school's first Kairos Retreat, I was uneasy on how my classmates would take it and what they would take out of it, but the outcome and experience was better than I ever thought it would be. Going on the retreat before my classmates (last school year with Lehman High School), I understood and felt the power that overcame us throughout the experience and was just hoping my classmates would feel the same as I did. I really looked forward to the retreat after preparing for it for almost a year and just hoped and prayed my classmates would open up and take something out of it. At the retreat, I watched people open up and I was able to understand people through a whole other perspective. I understood people's struggles and watched my classmates relate with them and do everything they could to help them through it. People who had never talked to each other before cried in each other's arms and barriers and grudges came tumbling down. My classmates' faith grew right before my eyes and so did the friendships and acceptance. All along, this is what our school and class has been missing. This was an experience that will never be forgotten and a feeling that can't be replaced...Long live the fourth!

--- Sarah Scheiwiller

This February, I had the great pleasure of attending the Kairos retreat with my senior class. In the weeks before the retreat, I really looked forward to it and encouraged my friends to keep an open mind. We all expected different things; nevertheless, we were all surprised. I bonded with people whom I never expected to be friends with. I learned things about those around me that I could not have otherwise guessed in the past four years of knowing them. Because of this experience, I made a promise to myself to never again look back at how I've treated someone and realize, "I had no idea what they were going through. I wish I would have known." The retreat truly made a difference in the way I formed relationships with others. Also, I used my time at Kairos to deepen my faith. I was given the great opportunity to serve daily Mass, and with every moment of free time I had, I would pray, reflect, and write in the notebook my leader gave me. I took time to pray with my friends and I tried to get the most out of the sacraments as I possibly could. At the end of the retreat, a friend of mine received the group's cross from our leader, but before we left she passed it on to me. Now every night when I pray, I have that cross right next to me. I will remember this retreat for the rest of my life – Live the Fourth!

--- Nicole Joseph

For our seniors, Kairos was in some ways a new beginning. On the last day of the retreat, the theme of the day is the "fourth day". As our seniors will soon depart LCC, it is our hopes and prayers that they will take Christ with them and remember to "Live the Fourth Day" for the rest of their lives.

May Christ continue to bless all of you each and every day and especially during the Easter Season.

Blessings to all of you,

Walt Klimaski
President

from our LCC Principal....

Dear Friends of LCC:

Even though Spring has not yet caught up with the calendar, LCC is marching on towards the end of the school year. We continue to work toward accomplishing the projects we started. The president and I, along with 6 students will travel to Belmar, New Jersey during the first week of June to present St. Rose High School with a check that could very well total \$20,000. The Teen Leadership class has been very busy planning their "Extravaganza" to be held in May. This is an all-community fundraiser that these students are putting their hearts and enthusiasm into.

Next year juniors and seniors will be able to register for two new *College on Campus* classes. One is a Mandarin Chinese class through Akron University. This course will be taught through Akron University via Long-Distance learning. The second class will be a Music Appreciation class through Bluffton University. A Bluffton University professor will come to LCC once a week to teach this class with our LCC teacher teaching the other four days. LCC is pleased to welcome these two universities to our program.

Our Jefferson Awards Student in Action Team (SIA) took second place in the district finals. A group of ten students made a video and wrote about what SIA had accomplished during the year. The judges were very impressed with our students particularly since this was their first year in the program. Next year... 1st place!

I continue to have great optimism and confidence in Lima Central Catholic. The faculty will attend professional development on the new Core Curriculum Standards as well as the new PAARC assessments. We will continue to think outside the box in order that LCC can offer the best Catholic Academic program in the area.



Dr. Kathy Herpich and "R.J." greet students before classes. R.J. came to school as he had a veterinarian appointment later that morning. Brings back memories of Fr. Herr and "TBird"!

Dr. Kathleen Herpich

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Principal

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growing our faith....



The Kairos Retreat

The first annual Senior Kairos retreat was held Feb 3 through Feb. 6 at the Bergamo Retreat Center at Mount St. John in Beavercreek, OH.

68 seniors, 10 junior leaders for the next retreat, and 5 faculty members participated.

welcome to the newest member of our Catholic Faith...



Sophomore, Tobe Dick came to LCC last year from North Middle School. At the same time, his brother Kene was enrolled at St. Charles in the 8th grade. Kene decided last year to participate in RCIA and became a Catholic. Tobe saw how Kene was embraced by his new Catholic family and he wanted the same for himself. So this past September, Tobe enrolled in RCIA and asked his friend Cameron Hahn to be his sponsor. He said it was a big commitment for Cameron to go to all the classes with him and he really appreciated it. Tobe & Kene grew up as Christians and studying the Catholic religion has made Tobe's faith stronger. He also reads the Bible. At the Easter vigil service, Tobe received the

sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. Tobe said "it was cool, and the candle light ceremony was very moving". Welcome to our Catholic family Tobe!

upcoming school events....

May 10 - Positive Addiction Race and LCC Extravaganza

May 16 - Last All School Mass to honor graduating seniors

May 16 - Band Concert and Banquet

May 18 & 19 - Annual St. Rose Festival

May 20 - Last Academic Booster meeting
7 p.m. Quatman Room

May 24 - Senior Award Breakfast following Mass with parents

May 26 - Graduation, Class of 2013 2:00 p.m.
Msgr E.C. Herr Gymnasium



LCC Students at the Ed Choice Conference in Columbus

academic news....



Congratulations John Schnieders!

John was named in the March edition of *Ohio Magazine* as one of 50 top educators in private schools in Ohio. John teaches various Social Studies classes including Tiffin College classes for our "College on Campus" program. John has taught at LCC for 14 years and is also the varsity head baseball coach.

Congratulations to our very talented writers and photographers!

Works of fiction, nonfiction, poetry and photography were submitted for an area high school competition. The Buckeye Creativity Award will go to: Taylor Schulz, Maria Dominguez, Emma Goedde, Alex Swick, and Nicole Joseph. The following students will have their works published in *The Ohio State University - Lima's Hogcreek Review*.

Fiction

Molly Clements
Jamir Coleman
Emma Goedde
Tre'on Johnson
Connor Mahler
Max Odum
Taylor Schulz
Morgan Smith
Eliza Stanford
Alex Swick
Evan Wilker

Nonfiction

Maggie Brodbeck
Nicole Joseph
Alexa Nieman
Sarah Pajka
Maddison Stallkamp
Sarah Scheiwiller
Shelby Warner

Poetry

Chelsea Ball
Kacey Bradshaw
Joey Cunningham
Maria Dominguez
Kolleen Duffy
Elizabeth Goedde
Sam Heider
Sydney Hooks
Nicole Joseph
Stephanie Lamoreau
Connor Mahler
Sydney Moeller
Jenna Moots
Tyler Rigg
Taylor Schulz
Mary Stoll
Alex Swick
Darius West

Photography

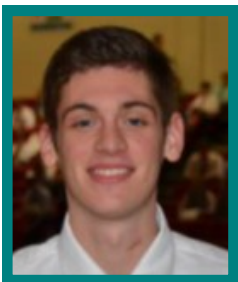
Kacey Bradshaw
Taylor Bresson
Molly Clements
Joey Cunningham
Connor Dee
Maria Dominguez
Meredith Bruno
Elizabeth Goedde
Jamaal Hairston
Sam Heider
Nicole Joseph
Josh Klaus
Connor Mahler
Max Odum
Emma Paton
Maddison Stallkamp
Jacob Tremoulis



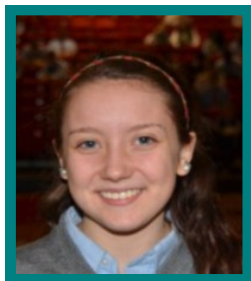
Alexa Nieman was recognized as one of 15 state wide **LAWS OF LIFE WINNERS**. **Blake Birkmeier, Alex Swick and Sarah Scheiwiller** all received an honorable mention award.

This is a very challenging writing contest. It is a "non-sectarian, academic activity that encourages a dialogue between students and teachers, parents and community members to advance positive, universal ethical principles (laws of life) such as perseverance, forgiveness, honesty, respect, and love." The contest is sponsored by Ohio Partners in Character Education.

second quarter "leadership by example" award winners....



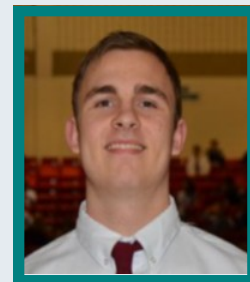
Sr. Nick Watkins



Jr. Melanie Hire



Soph. Casey Clark



Fr. Ryan Rhodes

athletics.....



Wrestling: Brandon McCormick finished 4th and Bobby Sunderhaus finished 8th in their respective weight classes at the State Wrestling Tournament.



Girls Soccer: Received the *Team Academic Excellence Award* from the Ohio Scholastic Soccer Coaches Association for maintaining a 3.0 GPA during soccer season.

Swim Team: qualified for the district meet again this year.

All NWC Basketball team

selections included:

Tre'on Johnson and Martyce Kimbrough - 1st Team; Darius West & Xavier Simpson - honorable mention.

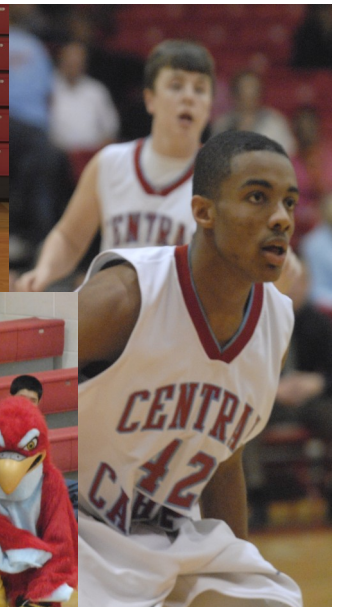
The team finished 8-1 in the conference and were co-champions. Martyce was also named 1st Team all NW District and special mention on District III All Ohio Team. Tre'on was named 3rd team all NW District. Tre'on was also named to *The Lima News Dream Team*.



Girls Basketball: Meredith Shepherd was named 1st Team all NW Conference; Sydney Santaguida received honorable mention for NWC. The girls finished 6th in the conference with a 4-5 NWC record.



Claire Ucat, senior, was selected to sing the National Anthem for the Division II State Championship basketball game. Coach Bob Seggerson, who attended all the games that day, said Claire was by the far the best!



Winter Sports

students in the news....

DECA students competed at Ohio Northern University on January 28, 2013

2nd place winners Brian Downton and Shaine Jackson – Sports and Entertainment Marketing Team Decision Making; Demaree Allen – Sports and Entertainment Marketing Series; Miranda Wogerman – Business Services Marketing Series

3rd place winners Vincent Fosburgh and Brandon McCormick – Buying and Merchandising Team Decision Making Event; Mikaela Brown – Quick Serve Restaurant Management Series

4th place winners Emma Goedde – Quick Serve Restaurant Management Series; Jared Eley and Sam Heider – Travel and Tourism Team Decision Making Event.

Ohio DECA Career Development Conference on March 16, 2013: Kelly - Brian Downton and Shaine Jackson placed 5th in Sports and Entertainment Marketing Team Decision Event.

AMC 10: 1st place - Jacob Williams, 2nd and 3rd place tie - Emily Clements and Morgan Schroeder

AMC 12: 1st place - Alex Swick, 2nd place - Elizabeth Kahle, 3rd place - Jaegar Schumpberger

OCTM math tournament at Rhodes State College: Jaegar Schlumpberger placed 1st and Jessica Armstrong placed 2nd. This was a great showing for LCC as this is the first time that we participated!

Ohio Math League Contest: top scorers for March are Jaegar Schlumpberger and Nicole Joseph and Molly Clements and Dylan Niese. Cumulative top scorers for the year :1st / 2nd tie: Molly Clements and Nicole Joseph , 3rd/4th tie: Elizabeth Kahle and Alex Swick, 5th: Jaegar Schlumpberger

Shawnee Optimists recognized Sam Huffman, Alexa Nieman, Molly Clements, Joey Cunningham, Sarah Pajka for their community service involvements and academic achievements.

Lima Noon Optimists recognized Claire Ucat for community service

Lima Exchange Club Youth of the Year: Sarah Pajka for Community service involvements

Lima Exchange Club ACE (Accepting the Challenge of Excellence) award recognized Alex Turner-as improved student from freshman year.

TEAMS EVENT (Tests of Engineering Aptitude, Mathematics & Science): 1st place team for 11th & 12 grade among small schools included members: Alex Swick, Conner Mahler, Josh Klaus, Max Odum, Molly Clements, Sarah Pajka, Michael Gremling and Jaeger Schlumpberger. This team was ranked 10th in the state and 21st in the nation!

Science Olympiad Team Members: Alex Swick, Eliza Stanford, Max Odum, Molly Clements, Nicole Joseph, Sarah Pajka, Jaeger Schlumpberger and Vincent Schreck brought home 9 medals from the Regional Tournament in Defiance and placed 8th out of 21 schools.

LCC JETS team: placed #1 in regional competition besting 99 other teams to win at ONU



Hall of Fame 2013



2013 HALL OF FAME

1951 State Champion St. Rose Baseball Team, Athletic Achievement

Seated: Don Cygan-'51, Dick Finn-'51, Jim Falk-'51,

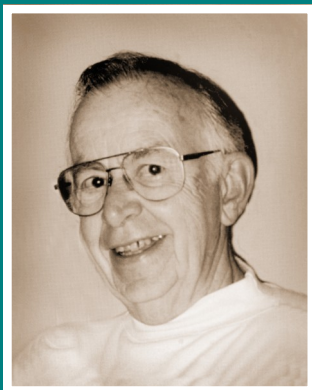
Standing: John Zerante-'52, Ernie Bonanno-'54, Gene Reaman-'54, Dave Shanahan-'54

Additional Team Members: Bill Bourk-'51, Tom Cunningham-'54, Mike Giovinazzo-'51, Kevin O'Connor-'52, Tom O'Connor-'53, Mike Sites-'53, Ron Willet-'51, Bob Williams-'52, Manager Don McNamara-'51, Coach Harry Schlott

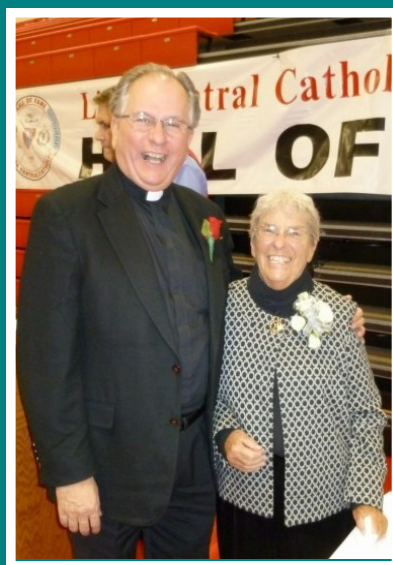
V.J. (Tom) Wiechart, Service to Lima Central Catholic (posthumously, accepted by his wife, Maralyn), St. John 1944 standing 3rd from the right.

Mary Comerford Brinkman, Community Service, LCC Class of 1959, standing 2nd from the right.

Dr. William Klepper, Professional Achievement, LCC Class of 1962, standing last on the right.



V. J. "Tom" Wiechart



Fr. David Ross, 2012 Hall of Fame with Marilyn Wiechart



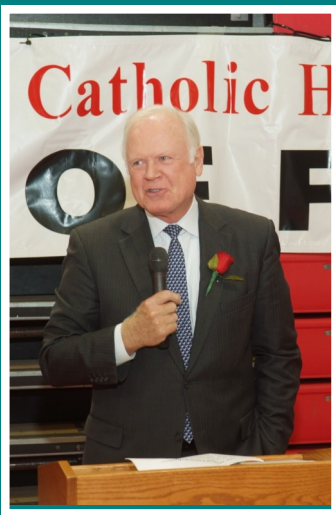
Banner that hangs in the Msgr. Herr Gym



The 2013 Hall of Fame Banquet held in the gym



Members & Family of the St. Rose 1951 State Championship Baseball Team



Dr. William Klepper



Mary Commerford Brinkman



T. R. Wiechart



Dianna Ireland



Don Cygan



Members of the St. Rose 1951 Baseball Team



Tom Bonifas



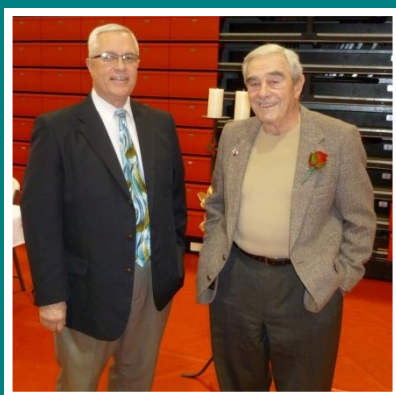
Ron Williams



Introduction at halftime



Tom Williams



Walt Klimaski with Dick Finn



Bob Whitlatch



Past Hall of Fame Members welcome new members

alumni news....

Send your news to share on the LCC Today magazine
Alumni page....include photos and email to
kkirk@apps.lcchs.edu

- **Trisco Systems**, currently owned and operated by brothers **Steven Walter, '98** and **Brian Walter, '82**, received The Associated General Contractors Award for Construction Safety Excellence. This is a 3rd generation family business, previously owned and operated by their father, **U. William Walter, St. John '44**.
- **Karen Pitson Lingrell, '84**, earned a BA from Bowling Green State University and married Scot in 1989. She completed her Masters in Education in 2012. Both work in higher education. Karen is an Asst. Director of Collaborative Programs for the University System of Georgia. Scot & Karen have a 20 yr old daughter at UWG and a son graduating high school this year.
- Graphic artist, **Bryan Coleman, '98**, had a big job this year. He did all the graphic design work for the Superbowl.
- **Paul Ferri, 2000**, and wife **Megan Bertling Ferri, 2004**, welcomed their daughter, Charlotte Ann Ferri (or Charlie as they affectionately call her) to their home earlier this year.
- **Rebecca (Becky) Brunelle, '08** was featured as an example of careers in musical theater for the Newspaper-in-Education (NIE) career discovery series. Becky graduated from ONU in 2012 and of course appeared in numerous productions at ONU. Since then she has worked at Peach State Summer Theatre in Valdosta, GA., Surflight Theatre in Beach Haven, N.J. and in April begins as the lead in "The Days of 98" in Skagway, AL.
- **Matt Childers, '85**, serving as President of Childers Media Group, LLC, recently purchased 5 local Lima radio stations previously owned by Marverick Media. Matt has been with Maverick Media since 2004 and previously served as their general manager.

upcoming alumni events....

50th Reunion - Class of 1963 Sept, 13-14, 2013

Contact: Bill Taflinger at mid_bt@wcoil.com or
Bill Lyons at abalyons@aol.com

45th Reunion - Class of 1968 August 17, 2013 at the K of C

Contact: Pat *Shanahan* Black at lmblack@yahoo.com 419-223-5511
or Lima Central Catholic Class of 1968 Facebook page

40th Reunion - Class of 1973 August 16-17, 2013

Contact: Patti Briggs at pbriggs@yahoo.com, Tim Garlock
timgarlock@hotmail.com or Sheila Riepenhoff at 419-222-7436

35th Reunion - Class of 1978 Sept. 13-14, 2013

Contact: Donna *Williams* Creamer 419-234-8014
Lima Central Catholic Class of 1978 Facebook page though Donna's page

20th Reunion - Class of 1993 June 22, 2013 at the K of C

Contact: Holly *Coon* Tomlinson 419-371-6098 or
Brian Contini 513-668-8711

The classes of 1988 (25th Reunion) and 2008 (5th Reunion) are in the planning stages, please check the website later for more information or call the Development Office, 419-222-4276.

Sept 12-14, 2012

All Alumni Reunion
Weekend....check
the back cover for
Details and the
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Development Office....

Dear Friends:

One of my biggest goals came true and it is all thanks to you who love and support Lima Central Catholic High School! Each of your generous donations has made it possible to freeze the tuition for the coming 2013-14 school year. When I came to work at LCC in 2009, I told folks that I had an intimate relationship with tuition...because I had paid it from 1996 through 2008! Every year, since 1996, the tuition has gone up and sometimes it was a hefty increase. Therefore, when the school Governing Board agreed not to raise tuition this year, I felt that it was due to all your very generous donations! I cannot thank you enough for helping to achieve this first goal.

If you read the last *LCC Today Magazine* as well as this edition, then you know there are numerous changes coming in the new school year, more College on Campus classes as well as technology improvements. Soon the entire building will be wireless and our students will utilize IPADs. These are necessary changes as we move forward and keep preparing our students for college and adult life. We can not accomplish these changes without your continuing financial support. Please help us achieve our 2012-13 Annual Fund Goal of \$150,000. We are getting closer each day but we still need your help.

If you are a parent, please consider sending a donation of even \$25.00. I know you pay tuition, but that little additional amount can help us keep from raising the tuition again in the future. If you are alumni, please think about what your years at LCC have helped you accomplish in your life then give accordingly. No amount is too small and every donation is greatly valued!

Thanks For All You Do For LCC!

God Bless You!



Kelly A. (Canavan) Kirk '74

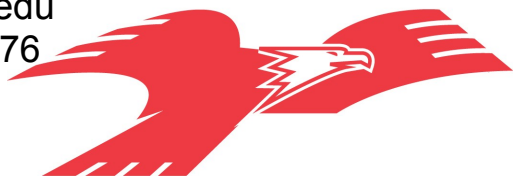
Director of Institutional Advancement

Cincinnati Regional Alumni Reunion!

Plans are in the works for a Reunion event including a Reds baseball game! More information coming soon! Interested?

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2nd Annual LCC Alumni Weekend

Friday, Sept. 13 and Saturday, Sept. 14, 2013

Friday Football game followed by “Taste of LCC” reception in the gym

Saturday, golf at Hawthorne Hills, 9 a.m. shotgun start.

Many things are still being planned.

**Chairpersons: Joe & Judy Landwehr landwehr@centurylink.net for Joe
and judylandwehr@centurylink.net for Judy**

**Or contact Kelly Kirk at the Office of Institutional Advancement
kkirk@apps.lcchs.edu or call 419-222-4276 x 2012**

Watch your mail for more information!

Come Join the Fun!