

LCC Today Magazine



Home of the LCC "T" Birds!



A Big Thank you to the Class of 1962!

Check out all the Alumni activities inside.

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From our LCC President...



Dear "T" Birds:

"Which is the first of all the commandments?" Jesus replied, "The first is this: Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord above! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, with all your strength." The second is this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." There is no greater commandment than these. Mark 12:29-32

The above scripture is truly what we are striving for each and every day with the students who attend Lima Central Catholic High School. The love of God is the most important thing we can strive for as we educate our young adults for the future. That is what LCC is about; that is why we exist as a Catholic School.

It is the second commandment however, that I want to share with the "T" Bird nation that speaks volumes about the LCC students, their families and the education they are receiving. Everyone has seen the pictures and images of the devastation of what hurricane "Sandy" did to the east coast of the United States. It is however, what happens in the days and months afterward that reassures us for the future.

After the hurricane, members of the LCC student government came to Dr. Herpich wanting to do something to help. Their willingness was good but what could LCC do to really help those devastated by "Sandy". You may not know this but Dr. Herpich is from the area most devastated by "Sandy". I asked her if she could find a Catholic school or church in the area that could use our help and LCC could partner with. The picture of St. Rose High School in New Jersey was seen nationally and they became our "cause" for the school year. Our students talked to the pastors who allowed them to talk from the pulpit during Sunday Masses about what they were doing to help St. Rose High School in New Jersey. Second collections were taken at all the Masses, other fundraisers have been held and the original goal of \$10,000 has been achieved. Now a new goal of \$20,000 is within sight as is the visit to St. Rose in June to present the LCC check to them and to see the rebuilding of a school that was so devastated by "Sandy". Our young "T" Birds are truly "loving your neighbor as yourself."

Happy New Year to all Thunderbird supporters! May 2013 be a blessed year for all who wear or have worn the turquoise and red of LCC.

Blessings,


Walt Klimaski, President

At Walt's urging, Todd Elwer, Head of Buildings & Grounds, built a manger scene, decorated it with lit Christmas trees. A spot light was added to so that everyone driving down Cable Road could be reminded that: CHRIST IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON!



Comments from our LCC Principal...

Dear Friends of LCC:

Five months have passed since I arrived at Lima Central Catholic. During this time I have met many, many wonderful people who have been so welcoming and supportive. It has made my transition from Philadelphia to Lima that much easier. I can truly call Lima my home.

I cannot speak highly enough about the faculty and staff of LCC. They are hard working, dedicated individuals who truly care about the students. I have seen them go way above what is expected in order to help our students succeed. And the students? They are marvelous young men and women who fill the halls of LCC with great energy and laughter. They “do the best they can” every day and try hard to “do the right thing”. They have proven that they attend LCC to grow academically and in their faith.

We are very proud of our efforts to help St. Rose High School in Belmar, New Jersey who was ravaged by hurricane Sandy. To this date, our students have fund raised over \$11,000 and continue their plans for even more fundraising events. We plan to increase the number of *College on Campus* offerings. LCC will have a full time resource room next year in order to afford all students whatever academic help they need. Planning is taking place to strengthen our technology capability in regards to hardware/software and course offerings. We will continue to offer training to our teachers to help them utilize technology and implement the common core curriculum standards in their classrooms. LCC continues to participate in the Jefferson Awards Students in Action. We will be attending a leadership conference in a few weeks. We are happy to be a part of this great organization.

There are great things happening at LCC! Please do not hesitate to stop in, take a tour and chat. We would be glad to see you.

Dr. Kathleen Herpich

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Principal



Growing Our Faith



Meet Chalsi Eastman! Chalsi has a B.A. From Bluffton University in Religion with a concentration in Biblical Studies and Youth Ministry. While Fr. Tim Ferris still serves as LCC Chaplain, Chalsi serves as Campus Minister and teaches freshman and sophomore theology classes. Fr. Tim, who is also a chemical engineer, teaches chemistry at LCC this year.

Student Retreats

Freshman Retreat - scheduled for March 20.

Sophomore Retreat - was held on Dec. 5 at Our Lady of Consolation Shrine and Basilica in Carey, Ohio. The program was led by Brother Randy from the Shrine and John Collart a Youth Minister in Sandusky & Huron for over 25 years. The theme was "Being yourself in relationship to God and prayer."

Junior Retreat - was held on Sept. 26 at St. Charles Church in Lima. The program was led by the NET Team Ministries of St. Paul, MN. The program focused on keeping faith even in difficult times.

Senior Retreat - Will be held Feb 3 through 6 and will be a Kairos retreat experience. "Kairos" is Greek for "God's Time". The 4 day, 3 night retreat will be held at Bergamo Retreat Center at Mount St. John in Beavercreek, Oh. The senior class will have the opportunity to become spiritual leaders and to contemplate God's role in each of the lives.



Since none of the parishes offer a vacation bible school, Chalsi offered VBS at LCC in early August. Chalsi said next year the bible school will be bigger and better.

Hurricane Sandy Assistance

Since Dr. Herpich is from N.J., our students decided they wanted to do something to help a school in New Jersey that was severely affected by Hurricane Sandy. Our students will be working all year to help a sister school - St. Rose of Belmar, N.J. - to recover. To date the students have raised over \$11,000 for St. Rose by selling raindrops at the annual school auction and taking collections at the four local parishes. The group of students below met with local news media to advertise their campaign to help St. Rose.



Bishop Blair was greeted by student ambassadors Lauren Jennings and Daniel Rohan in October 2012. The Bishop said Mass in the gym for all the Lima Catholic School students that morning.



Students in the News

Congratulations to our students for their following achievements:

- ◆ **NWC Quiz Bowl Varsity team** finished with an 8-1 record and placed 3rd overall. The JV team finished with an 8-1 record and placed 2nd overall. 12th grade team members were Alex Swick, Emma Paton, Jared Eley, Josh Klaus, Max Odum, Molly Clements, Nicole Joseph, Sarah Pajka and Tony Wolfe. 11th grade team members were Aaron Wilker, Elizabeth Kahle, Jaegar Schlumpberger, Kyle Muha, and Miranda Wogerman. 10th grade team members were Darrell Allman, Derrick Wolfe, Jacob Tabler, Jessica Armstrong and Stephen Wells and 9th grade members were Alec Kimball and Salvador Nogueras. Coaches were: Greg Byrum and Summer Douglass.



- ◆ **Ohio Math League** (October through March) Monthly winners: October - Molly Clements, November - Nicole Joseph & Elizabeth Kahle tied, December - Jessica Armstrong with cumulative top scorers - Alex Swick and Molly Clements
- ◆ **Catholic Math League** test school winners by subject: Algebra I - Jeremy Mohler, Lane Green and Abigail Neville & Emily Rose Alderman tied for third.; Geometry - Logan Korzan, Shelby Armstrong, and Shelby Young, Alec Kimball, Sami Stechschulte & Lexi Moore tied for third; Algebra II - Brianna Broughton, Jack Huffman and Jessica Armstrong tied for second, and Lauren Bos; Advanced Math - Alex Swick, Nicole Joseph and Elizabeth Kahle & Michael Gremling tied for third.
- ◆ LCC placed 2nd in the **Ohio Northern University Math Shoot-Out**. Team members were Elizabeth Kahle, Elizabeth Kidd, Ella McNamara, & Jaegar Schlumpberger.
- ◆ Better Business Bureau's Jim Smythe Memorial **Students of Integrity Essay Contest** Winner was Austin Goodridge who earned a \$500 scholarship.



Austin Goodridge

Students in the News

Applause for our students:

- ◆ Sophia DePalma made the OMEA District Honors band, she placed 4th on Euphonium in district 8
- ◆ Fall DECA conference at Ohio Northern University: Demaree Allen and Matt McNamara – 2nd in Team Management, Jose Dominguez – 4th in Parliamentary Law, Sam Heider – 5th in Parliamentary Law, Shanna Farler – 6th in Public Relations, and Jared Eley – 7th in Public Relations
- ◆ The Allen Lima Youth Leadership Program is a county wide youth leadership program for high-school sophomores and juniors which actively involves, educates, and challenges youth to reach their full potential as leaders. 2012-2013 LCC participants: Elizabeth Kahle, Elizabeth (Liz) Kidd, Elizabeth (Ella) McNamara, Jaegar Schlumpberger
- ◆ Olivia DePalma, Sophia DePalma, Kacey Bradshaw, and Vincent Schreck auditioned for and were selected to play with the Lima Area Youth Orchestra.

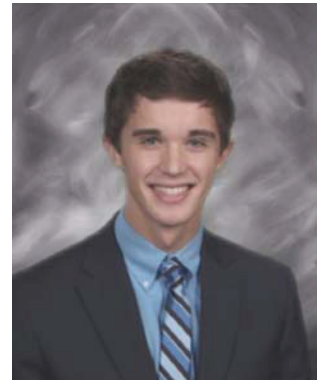


Christmas Projects

The National Honor Society collected new or gently used coats and new socks for distribution through Lima City Schools.

The Student Senate collected from the staff and student body "Toys for Tots" to be distributed locally.

- ◆ Alex Swick received the 2013 Honda-OSU Partnership Math Medal Award.



Alex Swick, Senior



Academic News

“Students in Action” Jefferson Award Winners:

The “Students in action” or SIA was started by The Jefferson Awards and Deloitte. Dr. Herpich instituted this program here because of the main goals of SIA, which are: 1) to build lifelong habits of service, leadership and ethics in young people, 2) to attempt to double the level of volunteerism nationwide and 3) to pass on the tradition of service to community.

The LCC winners so far are:



Bobby Sunderhaus, Sarah Pajka, Sarah Scheiwiller

October: three of our students quietly went about raising funds for children in Nicaragua. They traveled to Nicaragua this summer to help deliver the items that their fundraising efforts purchased. Those students are: Sarah Pajka, Sarah Scheiwiller and Bobby Sunderhaus.

November: Jennifer Huffman received the award for donating her hair to “Locks for Love”. She grew out her hair for the express purpose of cutting it to donate it for wigs for cancer patients.



Christmas Choir Concert 2012



Last school year “Leadership by Example” was awarded each quarter. 1st Quarter “Leadership by Example award winners” Freshman-Jake Loughrin, Sophomore-Emily Janowski, Junior-Colin Stolly, Senior-Josh Klaus

LCC Athletics

Fall Athletic Achievements and Awards:

- ◆ **Scott Willeke** ran in the State Cross Country tournament and finished in the top 50.
- ◆ **Shelby Warner** was named NWC Girls golfer of the year, **Shelby & Sarah Scheiwiller** were named 1st team all conference, **Sydney Hooks** was named 2nd team and **Jenna Moots** was given honorable mention. The team finished 2nd in the NWC and 8th in the state tournament. **Shelby Warner** was named 1st Team All Ohio.
- ◆ **Boys golf** won the NWC title for the 7th year and finished 5th in the state tournament, just 7 strokes from the winner. **Josh Klaus, Austin Goodridge & Aaron Wilker** were named 2nd team all conference and **James Riepenhoff** received honorable mention. **Josh Klaus** and **Austin Goodridge** were also named 2nd team All Ohio.
- ◆ **Jerry Cooper** was named NWC Football Coach of the year, **Sam Huffman, Jon Washington, Ben Stolly, Bobby Sunderhaus, Stephen Saine, Darius West and Kalito Lasenby** were named 1st team all conference; **Vince Gua-genti, Colin Stolly & Jacob Tremoulis** were named 2nd team and **Ryan Pitts and Mykale Rogers** received honorable mention.
- ◆ **Sam Huffman** was named to the Ohio Football Coaches' Academic All Ohio Team. Sam will be playing foot-



- ball at Princeton next year.
- ◆ **Sydney Santaguida** was named NWC Player of the Year for Girls Soccer. **Sydney & Meredith Shepherd** were named 1st team all conference; **Tatum Wise, Ashley Hunt and Kayla Verhoff** were named 2nd team **Taflinger & Elizabeth Kahle** received honorable mention.
 - ◆ **The majorettes and flag corps** competed at the Allen County Fair Contest, Out of 8 schools LCC received: Majorette Squad - 1st Place, Feature Twirler - **Samantha Garlock** - 1st Place, Open Class Dance Twirl (**Samantha, Alexis, and Olivia Garlock**) - 1st, Rifle twirling (**Chelsea Ball, Michaela Armstrong, Aja Fisher**) 2nd place, Dance Team (Majorettes and Flag corps) - 2nd place, Feature Flags (**Chelsea Ball, Michaela Armstrong, Emily Rose Alderman**) 3rd place & Flag Corps - 4th place
 - ◆ **Sarah Pajka** was named NWC volleyball player of the year, **Sarah & Shanna Farler** were named 1st team all conference; **Sydney Mohler, Meredith Niese, & Molly Clements** received honorable mention. **Wes Horstman** was named co-coach of the year. **Sarah & Shanna** were selected to play in the all district all star game and **Wes** was selected to coach the all star game. **Sarah Pajka** was also named to the 3rd team All Ohio.



Athletic Director
Ron Williams

TRACK

Spring track will find a nice surprise ...

We have resurfaced the track and resolved all the drainage issues!



The Boys Soccer team won the Adidas/National Soccer Coaches Association Award for Team's High G.P.A. and finished the year 12-6.

Alumni News

Alumni Updates Send us your news & photos (kkirk@apps.lcchs.edu)

1997 - Keith Hustak went to Eastern Kentucky University and then Wayne State for his Masters as a Physician's Assistant and OSU for another Masters in Public Health. He is married to Melissa, also a physician's assistant and has two daughters Avery and Sadie. They reside in Byron Center, Mi.

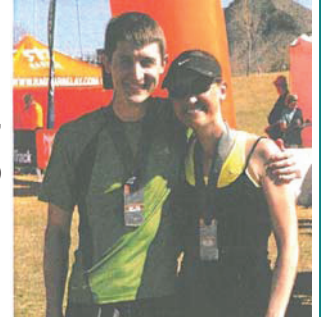
2000 - Erik Hustak attended OSU and OSU College of Medicine. He did an anesthesiology residency at the Univ. of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston where he was the chief resident for 2011-12. He is doing a 1 year fellowship now on pain management at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, TX. He is married to Kristi who is doing a plastic surgery residency and they have one son, Trenton.

2011 - Michael Rogers is studying neurobiology at the University of Cincinnati. He left for Ghana in January to work along side medical school personnel on infectious diseases and studying "Exploring Public Health in Ghana." Contact Michael at "mikerog11@gmail.com"

2005 - David Kidd Greetings from the Eternal City! I hope things are going well at LCC. I just wanted to give an update on life here in Rome as a seminarian. I am in my second year of theology at the Pontifical North American College. I have three and a half years to go, God-willing, before I am ordained a priest for the Diocese of Toledo. Please know of my prayers for the staff and students at LCC.



Former Cross Country Coach and long time friends of LCC athletics **Dr. Tom Ahman and wife Cathy** celebrated their 35th Anniversary with their children, two nephews, two of their kids boyfriends, and one friend as "team dAHMANator" running a Ragnar 200 mile relay race from Cumberland, MD to Washington, DC. Daughter Marcie, served as Captain and orchestrated the event including wedding running attire. All five of the Ahman children are LCC alumni; **Marcie Ahman Flack** '98, **Kevin** '99, **Stephen** '02, **Lisa** '07 and



Kelly '12. Team dAHMANator was featured in "Ragmag" a runners magazine.

PLANNING A REUNION?

- 1) Call or email the Development Office to get a list of your classmates with their contact information.
- 2) Give the Development Office the details of your reunion to have it posted on our website.
- 3) Consider planning your class reunion around the 2nd Annual Alumni Weekend, scheduled for September 13-14, 2013. Your class members can participate in the all alumni reunion on Friday, golf on Saturday morning at Hawthorne Hills with all LCC alumni and then attend your individual class reunion Saturday evening.

Alumni News



Thank You LCC Class of 1962!

The Class of 1962 celebrated their 50th class reunion this past fall. Many of the class members came on a tour of the LCC Campus and reminisced about days gone by. During the school tour they presented President Walt Klimaski with a check for \$10,000. What a wonderful way to honor their 50th reunion!

Rumor has it...that the class of 1963 is planning to show up their predecessors at their 50th reunion this September.



2012 Alumni Homecoming Weekend



Everyone had a great time at our first Alumni Homecoming Weekend, September 21 & 22, 2012. Former band members, thunderettes, majorettes and flag corps members were all invited to march with the band at halftime. Many decided to forego the game and go straight to the K of C for the reception because of rain. We learned a lot our first year and are planning an exciting and fun time for our **2013 Homecoming Weekend September 13-14** It will not be held on homecoming weekend so all the attention will be focused on alumni.

MAKE PLANS TO JOIN US IN SEPTEMBER FOR ALL THE FUN!

Alumni News

REGIONAL LCC REUNION - WASHINGTON, D.C.

Alumni in a 75 miles radius of Washington, DC were invited to the first LCC regional reunion. In addition, the Class of 1959 had planned a weekend reunion in DC, so they joined us as well. Rear Admiral Tom Lynch ('60) arranged for tickets to the Navy v. Indiana game at Annapolis and a tent for an LCC tailgate party. Tom & Melinda (Quatman) Mooney ('61 and '60)) hosted the group the following day for a fabulous buffet brunch at Murphy's Irish Pub in Old Town Alexandria, Look for more regional reunions to come...we are working with Mark Childers ('81) on a reunion event this summer with a Cincinnati Reds game.

KEEP WATCHING FOR MORE INFORMATION AND PLAN TO JOIN US!



**Our weekend hosts:
Melinda & Tom Mooney
& Rear Admiral Tom Lynch**



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LCC Calendar of Events

- Feb. 9** **Night at the Races** presale \$25, all food & drink included, dinner at 6:00pm races at 7:30 p.m.
- Feb. 14** **7th grade open house and tours of school** open to any potential students. Call Stephanie Williams 419-222-4276 x 2014 for additional information.
- Feb. 22-23** **Annual Hall of Fame Weekend** (Friday, Basketball game followed by reception at K of C, Saturday, Mass at 5 p.m. at St. Gerard and awards banquet at 6:30 in Fr. Herr Gymnasium)
- Mar. 20** **Freshman Retreat**
- Aug. 17** **45th Reunion of LCC Class of 1968** at the K of C, check out the 1968 facebook page or email Pat Black "lblack98@yahoo.com" or call 419-223-5511.
- Sept.13-14** **2nd Annual ALL Alumni Weekend** Lots of fun, food, football, golf and reminiscing. Contact Alumni Joe & Judy Landwehr..."landwehr@centurylink.net" or call the LCC Development Office 419-222-4276 X 2012.
- Sept. 13-14** **50th Class Reunion Class of 1963** for information contact Linda Shanahan Wensole at lindalouw@embarkmail.com or 419-999-5754.