# The Monogram

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### **Alumni Association of Thomas More Prep-Marian**

## **2022 Homecoming Grand Marshals**

### Gene & Theresa Flax

Eugene 'Gene' and Theresa Flax are being honored as the 2022 Grand Marshals for their incredible service and commitment to Thomas More Prep-Marian and Holy Family Elementary. They have been married for 46 years and have five children, Don (a '96 Kinsley H.S. graduate), Karen '98, Matt '01, Nick '04 and Pat '05 and 13 grandchildren. They met and both graduated from St. Mary of the Plains College in Dodge City, KS and Fort Hays State University where Gene earned his Masters in Administration degree.

Gene has served in many different roles in schools. These include: Ingalls (3 years, teacher and coach); Ransom (2 years, teacher); Kinsley (11 years, Football & Basketball Coach, teacher); TMP-Marian (20 years, Athletic Director, Football & Track Coach, teacher); Russell (2 years, Athletic Director, teacher); Ulysses (3 years, Athletic Director, teacher) and is currently the Assistant Principal at Holy Family Elementary. Some of Gene's favorite accomplishments include coaching the Shrine Bowl in 2003 and 2004; receiving the Jack Schramm Spirit Award in 2010 and being named the Edwards County 4-H Family of the Year in 1996.

Theresa retired after 13 years as a teacher at Holy Family Elementary and now does daycare for her grandchildren. They are both active members of St. Nicholas of Myra parish. Gene is a member of the St. Nicholas Knights of Columbus, has served as a member of the church finance council and is currently a Eucharistic Minister. Theresa is a member of the Ladies Guild, serves as a Eucharistic Minister, in a Bible Study Group, Family Life, Evangelism, funeral committee and has served on the Parish Council. She has also been a Cub Scout/Boy Scout leader and 4-H volunteer. Gene and Theresa have volunteered in many ways including ACE auctions, soup suppers and bierock sales at both HFE and TMP-M. When they walk into a room, if someone needs help or is struggling, they are the first to jump up and give assistance. It is with great honor that we bestow upon them the title of Grand Marshals for the 2022 Homecoming festivities.

#### **HOMECOMING 2022**

Honor classes will be the 50-year class of 1972; the 40-year class of 1982; and the 25-year class of 1997. For more information about this year's Homecoming events, check out *page 16*. This page has the schedule of events and the classes listed that are invited to celebrate their class reunions. If your class has not started planning a reunion yet, please contact the alumni office at alumni@tmpmarian.org or by calling 785-625-9434 and we will help you get organized. Class lists, photo copies and mailing labels are available anytime upon request. Each reunion class celebrating can also pick up stamps for one mailing from the alumni office. We are always here to provide support.

Some reunion classes contact us each year about raising funds for a specific project that will benefit the school. Your alumni office encourages any classes wishing to contribute to such a project to consider the 'Steps' project outlined on pages 19-21. This is a great project and gives many different options to choose from. Classes can put their class year, class crest, or individual class names, etc. on different sizes of stones that will be placed in front or around our historic building. Individuals can purchase bricks for their family, business, a deceased loved one or to place a favorite scripture verse. Please help us raise the funds needed for this project as it will add grace and beauty to the front entrance and enable us to replace the current badly decaying steps and concrete sidewalks around the main building.

Front Cover Photo: Fr. Earl '61 Befort, O.F.M. Capuchin dressed up as Mr. Monarch Monopoly Moneybags to the delight of everyone at ACE 2022!

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<u>Mission Statement</u>: Alumni Association of Thomas More Prep-Marian, to assist the school in all its aspects, to build and maintain a constantly healthy morale and to develop a system of mutual understanding, respect and assistance among its members.

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Thank You!

### **ACE 2022**

# Rich in Blessings

### **Monarch Monopoly**

ACE sported a fun game theme this year with "Monarch Monopoly - Rich in Blessings" and was truly blessed by the generosity of alumni, parents, friends and the Hays business community! To date, the largest ACE in it's 47 year history was the 2015 "Off to the Races" auction that raised just over \$810,000.00. The 48th annual Auction for Christian Education "Monarch Monopoly - Rich in Blessings" topped that amount and then some!

\$872,850.00

As you can see by the huge number listed above, we are truly "Rich in Blessings!" \$412,190.00 of ACE proceeds will benefit the annual budgets of Thomas More Prep-Marian and Holy Family Elementary. The Alumni Association of TMP-Marian will retain \$4,000.00 for their budgetary needs and Item #60 proceeds in the amount of \$456,660.00 will fund the new 6th grade classrooms in the northwest wing on the third floor (former Capuchin quarters). The amount raised for Item #60 includes a full matching contribution by the Leo J. & Albina Dreiling Trust. The Dreiling Trust continues to be a major blessing to our Catholic schools. Demolition is scheduled to begin soon with the reconstruction continuing throughout the 2022-2023 school year. Everything runs smoothly this area should be ready to greet 6th grade junior high students for the 2023-2024 school

Thank you to the ACE hosts, Ray & Olivia '93 (Neuburger) Becker and Jeff & Kathleen '90 (Emmot) Vahling for doing a fabulous job hosting this annual event. Special appreciation to all of the ACE committees involved in planning the auction in the new format, project manager, Mary '77 (Wilkerson) Lang; decorating chair, Michelle '97 (Hertel) Schlyer; soliciting chair, Wanda '66 (Weigel) Billinger; food chairs, Melissa '78 (Pfannenstiel) Holub and Suzan '90 Hess; volunteers chairs, Sandy '82 (Leiker) Losey and Eddie '96 Perrett; communication chairs, Troy '93 Ruda & Joe '12 Roth; bar committee chairs, Chris '77 Gottschalk & Bryan '90 Feauto; raffle prize chairs, Fr. Earl '61 Befort & Wanda '66 (Weigel) Billinger; and games chair, Janel '84 (Ziegler) Ruder. The alumni office staff handled all of the gift processing and bookkeeping and could not have done it without the awesome help of volunteers Joyce '70 Dinges, Carol Brull, Irvin '68 & Terry Leiker, Don '69 Klaus and the two senior alumni office aids Kassidi '22 Yost and Alexis '22 Mackey. It takes over 100 volunteers including TMP-Marian students, faculty, staff, parents, alumni and friends from the community to put on the auction and each and every one of you are so important to our event. Jason Schneider, Schneider Auction Service and staff did an exceptional job with the crowd. Thank you to everyone who purchased ACE catalog/banner ads, cash or item donations and penny donors (listed in this article) for their extraordinary donations. May God reward and bless your time, talents and service to God's school!



### 2022 ACE Raffle Winners

2022 Hyundai Accent SE donated by Kay & Dick '76 Werth Auto World

Winner - Bill '71 & Paula Robben, Walker, KS \$5,000.00 Cash Raffle donated by Ernest '53 & Joan Horinek

Winner - Vern '86 Ruder, Hays, KS

\$5,000.00 Cash Raffle donated by Art & Mae Wilkens Family Winner - Irvin '68 Leiker, Hays, KS

\$2,000.00 Cash Raffle donated by Linus & Berneice Werth Family Winner - Michelle Dewitt, Hays, KS

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Winner - Jerri '62 (McCarthy) Moore, Garden City, KS \$1,000.00 Cash Raffle donated by

Bernice '52 (Basgall) and the late Leroy Herrman

Winner - Paul '65 Jarrett, Jamestown, ND

\$1,000.00 Cash Raffle donated by Joe & Virginia Hess

Winner - Judy '73 (Gross) Werth, Hays, KS

\$1,000.00 Cash Raffle donated by Dave '78, Matt & Tyler '07 Werth Hays Car & Truck Alignment

Winner - Melissa Windholz, Hays, KS

### **2022 Friday Preview Winners**

\$500 Cash Raffle donated by Glassman Corporation

Winner - Matt '01 Allen

\$500 Cash Raffle donated by

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Winner - Ron '75 Flax

### **Saturday Game Prizes**

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Bob '68 & Susan Wolf Family

Thank You!



### Remembering Our Deceased...

If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.

Rest in PEACE dear friends.

**1939 - Celeste (Brungardt) Herman** died 3-29-19. Spouse: Leonard Herman †; Children: Larry, Doug, Lois & Annette.

1945 - Norman Karlin died 11-28-21. Spouse: Lucille †; Children: Calvin and Ronald; Siblings: Mildred '40 †, Helen †, Rita Mae †, Marvin '48 †, Margie '56, and Patty '59.

1948 - Shirley (Rupp) Rupp died 12-7-21. Spouse: Marvin †; Children: Andrew and Amy '83; Siblings: Larry, Bernie '58, Fred '55, Mary '60, Marlene '56 & Connie '51.

1951 - Annette (Doerfler) Seib passed away 12-07-21. Spouse: Richard 'Dick' †; Children: Tom '69, Phyllis '71, Debbie '72, Jerry '74, Jeff '75, Paul '77, Pat '82 & Belinda '69; Siblings: Edna '39 †, Kathy '45, Harold '56, Lucille †, Sr. Rachel †, Mildred † and Isabelle †.

**1951 - Anthony "Tony" Schmidt** passed away 2-14-22. Spouse: **Annette '54 (Karlin)**; Children: Julie, Tom & Chris.

1952 - Marilyn (Karlin) Ekey died 7-19-16.

1952 - James "Jim" Leiker died 11-5-21. Children: Terence Eugene †, Terence †, Joleen, Kim & Todd; Siblings: Herman '57, Rosie '64, Agnese '52 & Zita '55.

1953 - Dorothy (Engel) Bahl died 4-8-20. Spouse: Kerry †. 1953 - Richard "Rich" Deen passed away 12-06-21. Spouse: Berniece.

**1953 - Anita (Wasinger) Lang** died 1-1-22. Spouse: Vitus; Children: Laurie, Janet, Karen & David.

**1953 - John Linenberger** died 2-22-22. Spouse: Marlene; Child: Shaun.

1953 - Lawrence Schueler died 2-17-22. Spouse: Janet; Children: Robert, Eric, Rene & Donald †; Siblings: James '55, Lois '66 & Mary Ellen.

**1954 - Paul Gottschalk Jr.** died 4-29-22. Spouse: Bernadette; Children: Philip, David & Shelly.

**1954 - Rolland Haselhorst** died 9-24-21. Spouse: Betty; Children: Joseph, James & Jeffrey; Siblings: Walter +, **Evarist '46** +, **Merlin '47** +, Emil +, **Orville '49** & **Dennis '53** +.

**1954 - Vernon "Vern" Wasinger** died 5-23-22. Spouse: Theresa †; Children: Jolene, Tim, Brian, Pam & stepson Todd †; Sibling: **Ronald '58** †.

1955 - Charlotte (Herl) Werth died 12-20-21. Spouse: Donald †; Children: Ronald '75, Richard '77, Randal '80 & Renee '84; Siblings: Marilyn '59 & Arlene '65.

1956 - Laverne Schumacher died 12-7-21. Spouse: Janie; Children: Brian '78, Bruce '84 & Eileen '81; Siblings: Dennis '64 & Wendelin '72.

1956 - Lee Allan Leiker passed away 4-7-22. Spouses: Dolores † and Nancy (Giebler) Weber '63; Children: Debra, James, Alan, DeAnn & Dana; Step-children: Mike '83, Shelly '84 & Rod '87; Sibling: Anita '58.

**1957 - Patricia (Grabbe) Allen** died 3-2-22. Child: Julie; Siblings: **Paul '66** & **Rosemarie '68**.

1959 - Mary Ann (Stecklein) Mermis died 12-27-21. Spouse: Vernon J. "Vernie" Mermis †; Children: Debbie '79, Sondra '80, Bonnie '84 & Jennifer '92; Siblings: George, Jude '72.

**1960 - Norine M. Leiker** passed away 2-12-22. Siblings: LaVern, **Reinhold '59**, **Art '72**, **Herb '49**†, Erwin†, Kenneth† & Erma.

1960 - Terence Walters died 4-11-22. Spouse: Janet; Child: Barry; Siblings: Dave '65, Pete '68, John '69, Kathy '64, Lilly '73 & Sue '75.

**1961 - Dennis Lee Schmidt** died 5-11-2022. Spouse: Lucy; Children: Karen, Kelly & Chelsey; Siblings: **Tim '64**, **Kevin '67**, **Neal '70** & **Loren '76**.

1962 - Charlene (Klaus) Flax died 6-19-22. Spouse: Richard †; Children: Mark, Gary & Arlen; Siblings: Ken '55, Ann '64 & Harold '67.

**1962 - Donovan Gatewood** died 1-13-22. Spouse: Judy; Children: Erin, Niki & Jesse.

1962 - Gerald Karlin died 1-13-22. Spouse: Cynthia '63 †; Children: Kevin '84 & Kelly '88; Siblings: Wanda, Patty '58 & Gerri '62.

1962 - Carol Ann (Walters) Rupp passed away 4-5-22. Spouse: Roger '61 †; Children: Amy, Lisa, Suzanne & Sarah; Siblings: Erma '58 †, Lucida '61 †, Iris '68 & Richard '67.

**1963 - Stephen Hart** died 10-30-21. Spouse: Mary; Children: Lisa, John; Stepchildren: Cody, Brandon, Shiloh & Chelsie; Siblings: Joe, Delia, and **James '62**.

**1963 - Pauline (Rohr) Meis** passed away 12-31-22. Spouse: Ernest †; Children: Paula †, Paul, Eddie & Rose.

**1964 - William "Bill" Brungardt** died 12-22-21. Spouse: **Beverly '65 (Schmeidler)**; Children: **Shane '86** & **Julie '83**; Siblings: P.J., Terrence, Lionel & **Donna '60**.

**1964Sp - Thomas Brown** died 3-14-22. Spouse: Margaret; Children: Melinda, Tom & Monica.

**1965 - David Lewis** passed away 5-23-22. Children: Michelle, Janet & Mark.

**1966 - Rose Brungardt** died 5-25-22.

1966 - Lester Burgardt died 6-12-22. Spouse: Carol '69 Sp (Herl), Children: Bobbie & Jeff; Siblings: LeeAnn '65, Linda, Dennis, Esther '67 †.

1966 Sp - Lawrence "Larry" Schuckman passed away 5-1-22. Children: Joel, Jessica & Tyler; Siblings: Neil, Fred, Jeanne '65 & Pauline.

**1967 - Carol Ann (Younker) Schlegel** died 4-13-22. Spouse: Myron; Children, **Ken '05** & **Lisa '03**; Sibling: Darold.

**1968 - Richard Dodson** died 5-19-22. Spouse: Robin; Children: Adam, Kristy, Clay, Stephanie & Jordan.

1969 - Rodney "Rod" Ruder passed away 11-20-21. Spouse Donna; Children Cori '97, Erin '00 & Burke '04; Siblings: Roger '67, RaNell '71, Ronald '77 † & Russ '80.

**1969 Sp - Donald Wierman** died 1-21-22. Children: Molly and Missy †; Siblings: **Bill '58**, **Terry '61**, **Sheila '63**.

**1970 - W. Mike Gengler** died 11-29-15. Spouse: Mary; Children: Matthew & Tina.

1970 - David Legleiter died 1-10-20. Spouse: Bernice; Children: Tina, Ginger, Brandon '98; Siblings: Ron '63 & Firma '65.

**1970 - Wilma J. Payne** died 1-20-22. Spouse: John; Children: Brian and Amy.

1971 - Joseph G. Larkin died 2-9-2022. Spouse: Pat; Children: Megan & Anna Jo; Siblings: Andrew '64, Robert '66, Peg & Deb

**1974 - Joyce Dechant** passed away 2-02-22. Mother Dorothy Dechant; Siblings: **Linda '66**, **Kenneth '70**, Janice & Mary Beth.

1974 Sp - Terry Legleiter died 5-15-22. Children: Tyler; Siblings: Kathy '72, Sheri '77, Dave '77 Sp +, Darrell '80, Sandy '81 & Troy '84 +; Parents: Wilfred + & Deltha '53 (Werth) Legleiter +.

1977 Sp - David "Dave" Legleiter passed away 10-25-21. Siblings: Terrence '74, Darrell '80, Kathleen '72, Sheryl '77, Sandy '81 and Troy '84 †. Parents: Wilfred † & Deltha '53 (Werth) Legleiter †.

1978 - Mark Stegman died 1-31-22. Siblings: Tracy, Brent, Raye, Dorrene, Pam, Sharon '67, Shelly '77, Eldon †, Stan †, Gregg †, Brad †, Wes † & Bruce †.

1990 - Wendy (Legleiter) Nease passed away 4-12-22. Spouse: Michael '89; Children: Samuel & Gabriel; Siblings: Renee '86, Janell '88, Leah '97, Trisha '01 & Annie '02.

1995 - Curtis Schmidt died 6-16-22. Spouse: Amanda, Children: Avery '24 & stepson Jonathan '18 VanCampen; Parents: Tim '64 & Esther '67 (Burgardt) Schmidt †; Siblings: Leslie '94, Tammy †.

1996 Sp - Carly Mudd died 1-15-22. Child: Collin.

Non-alumni obituaries can be found under 'Class Notes'.

### **Hays Catholic Schools**

Back 2 School Bash
#foreveramonarch

The 3rd Annual Back 2 School Bash is scheduled for August 19, 2022. You are all invited to join Holy Family Elementary and TMP-Marian from 6:00-9:00 p.m. for an exciting evening full of fun that is sure to kick off the 2022-2023 school year with a big bang!

Events include: TMP-Marian Sports Scrimmages, Hot Dog Feed provided and served by Astra Bank, Bounce Houses, Laser Tag, Dunk Tank, Virtual Reality Roller Coaster Simulator, Watermelon Feed provided by the Knights of Columbus Council #6984, 4-Square Volleyball, Ax Throwing and so much more! This event will conclude with a street dance, karaoke and a spectacular fireworks show.

We would like to say a special thank you to all our sponsors for this event, and the individuals donating their time and talents to make it yet another success.

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If you would like to get involved or have any questions, please contact Kim Stoecklein at the Advancement Office (785-625-6577) or stoeckleink@tmpmarian.

### **DECEASED FACULTY & STAFF**

Fr. Regis Scanlon O.F.M. Cap. died at Porter Adventist Hospice in Centennial, Colo. on 11-6-21. He was ordained to the priesthood on August 26, 1972 and spent the next six years as associate paster in Capuchin parishes in Hays, KS; Thornton, CO; Dover, OH, Herman, PA; Victoria, KS & Walker, KS. He taught math courses and served as associate dean of resident students at TMP for the next ten years before moving to St. Louis, MO and then on to Denver, CO. Fr. Regis appeared several times with Mother Angelica on EWTN in the late 1980s and became widely known as a defender of the faith. He also produced a series of videos for EWTN on "What Vatican II Really Taught." Fr. Regis founded the Julia Greeley Home in Metro Denver.

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Fr. Earl Befort, O.F.M. Cap.

# 4th Annual Fr. Earl Befort O.F.M. Capuchin Golf Classic

The 4th annual **Fr. Earl '61 Befort, O.F.M. Cap. Golf Classic** opened at 8 a.m. on June 3, 2022 at the Fort Hays Municipal Golf Course to a warm sunny day. With 145 golfers (36 teams +1), the course was full but the golfers did a great job moving forward. A barbecue of hamburgers and brats were grilled by **Gerald '78 Hammerschmidt** and **Mike '66 Schmidt** and served by the alumni board to the golfers on the turn. Each golfer received a complimentary sleeve of golf balls, divot tool and a golf koozie donated by **Lil '73 (Walters) Kingsley** of Hamlin Creative Consulting.

Winners of the flights each won a dozen Srixon golf balls .

#1 - Men's 1st Flight Winners-- (L-R) Kevin Koerner, Grant '11 Holub, Zach '08 Holub & John Holub with a score of 58.

#2 - Men's 2nd Flight Winners -- (L-R) Aaron '04 Breit, Jeff '03 Keberlein, Leon Breit & Luke '03 Dreiling with a 5-way tiebreaker score of 62.

#3 - Men's 3rd Flight Winners -- (L-R) Joe Walter, Weston Coss, Austin '12 Werth & Jeremy Herl with a score of 64.

#4 - Mixed Flight Winners-- (L-R) Tyler '07 Hallagin, Jake '10 VonLintel, Jami '06 (Brull) Breit & Megan '06 (Schmeidler) Frownfelter, shot a 59.

#5 - Women's Flight Winners -- (L-R) Dorothy Gottschalk, De Roth, Karen Brug-geman, Katie Kuchar & Jolene Moore, with a score of 90.

<u>Hole Prize Winners</u>: A Cleveland CBX Zipcore Steel Wedge donated by **Tim '88 & Sandee Werth,** Werth Wealth Management was won by **Bob Huston** with a shot that landed 7'2" from the hole for the "Closest to the Pin on #9".

A Cleveland Huntington Beach Soft Putter with headcover and a dozen Srixon golf balls donated by **Dave '78, Matt & Tyler '07 Werth**, Hays Car & Truck Alignment was won by **"The Judge" Glenn '74 Braun** for the "Longest Drive on #14".

A Cleveland Launcher XL driver with headcover donated by **Dick '76 & Kay Werth**, Auto World was won by **Todd Nieman** with a 31'3" putt for the "Longest Putt on #18".

A Cleveland Launcher XL Halo Hybrid with headcover was donated by Leighton '07 & Jodie Werth, Werth Family Dental and won by Dawn '97 Billinger - Rajewski for the "Ladies Longest Drive on #6".

#### **Raffle Prize Winners:**

#1 - Golf Bag (Value: \$225.00) donated by **Hyle & Ann Hugunin, Hays Memorial Chapel** won by John Glassman.

#2 - Besrey 30L Waterproof Cooler Backpack & Refreshments (Value: \$150.00) donated by **Duane & Mary '77 (Wilkerson) Lang** won by **Mark '79 Schmeidler**.

#3 - \$100.00 Cash Prize donated by **Brungardt, Hower, Ward, Elliott & Pfeifer** won by Lyle Herrman.

#4 - Fort Hays Golf Shirt (Value: \$50.00) donated by **Mark & Kathy Kaseforth** and a Basket of Golf Items (Value: \$50.00) donated by Smoky Hill Financial Group was won by **Mike '78 Wildeman**.

#5 - Titleist Pro V1 Golf Balls (Value: \$50.00) donated by **Fr. Earl '61 Befort** won by **Tim '62 Gerstner**.









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#### **Thank You Hole Sponsors!**

### **Golf Classic Continued**

Thank you Jeremy '96 Coulter and the Fort Hays Golf Course staff for a great day, TMP-M principal, Chad Meitner and Joyce '70 Dinges for pitching in and helping the alumni board and advancement staff by taking photos, picking up ice, keeping the coolers filled, serving lunch and all of the little jobs that need to be done behind the scenes. Your alumni board members really pitch in at all of our functions and are a big part of the success of the alumni events. Thank you to the golf team of Shawn Feuerborn, Mark Miller, Tony Hermreck and Tom Van Hoeke from eastern Kansas for the delicious brats they donated for the barbecue and Trey '09 & Alyssa '09 (Post) Moeder, Moeder Meats of Ness City for the scrumptious hamburgers.

Thank you Carol Feauto and the kitchen staff for your help in food preparation, pulling supplies, etc. and cleaning up the dishes afterwards.

A BIG special thank you to our 118 hole sponsors (listed on pages 9 & 10), hole prize and raffle donors, food donors and all of those that participated. All income raised from the golf tournament goes directly into the Alumni Association annual budget and makes it possible for us to support TMP-M!

We look forward to seeing everyone back next year. It is a really fun tournament and definitely worth the high price of gas for a trip back to Hays! God bless!

Mark your calenders for the next golf tournament on June 2, 2023.



5th Annual Fr. Earl Befort, O.F.M. Cap. Golf Classic - June 2, 2023

Mark this date on your calendar for next year and plan on getting together with your classmates and friends for a fun day of golf.







Matching Gift from Schmidt Foundation

The Schmidt Foundation is generously providing up to \$100,000 in matching funds to the St. Thomas More Society (STMS), the annual fund for Hays Catholic Schools. Gifts made to the STMS between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023, will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$10,000 per gift. This gift is to encourage stewardship and philanthropy in our community and only new gifts are subject to the matching funds. A new gift is one that was not received in the past fiscal year or an increase in the amount given over the past fiscal year (FY).

Thomas More Prep-Marian and Holy Family Elementary are continually blessed with the generosity of many around the world, including our dedicated alumni following. We are excited to announce the following challenge to our alumni. The graduating class year that has the most participation in the STMS in FY 2022-2023, will earn the Bob & Pat Schmidt Philanthropy Award. This award will be displayed in the Advancement/Alumni offices and the winning class year will be recognized in the December 2023 edition of The Monogram.

"Bob and Pat were believers in giving back to those who helped them, and helped others to be successful. We hope this "Challenge Gift" will encourage others to do the same." Gary Shorman, President.

In 2012, Bob & Pat Schmidt were pacesetting contributors to the creation of the St. Thomas More Society which was created to ensure the continued growth and success of the Catholic Schools of the Heartland Parishes. Diversity and excellence in academics are a signature of our region and members of the STMS believe in furthering the success of Catholic education and are committed to financial security for the schools well into the future. This gift of matching funds has the possibility of infusing \$200,000 of new funding into our schools - funds that ensure our students receive a superior education from the best educators in the industry.



ACE 2022 - Monarch Monopoly - Rich in Blessings Co-Chairs (L-R) Jeff & Kathleen '90 (Emmot) Vahling Ray & Olivia '93 (Neuburger) Becker



ACE 2022 - Monarch Monopoly - Rich in Blessings
Bartenders (L-R)
Rosie & Gerald '78 Hammerschmidt
Brayden '18 Mader
Joyce '75 (Haas) & Tom '68 Lang



### 'In the Spotlight' Jason Casper

Junior High Science Teacher

Mr. Jason Casper has had an interesting and distinguished career path prior to becoming an educator. Joining the US Army in 1991, after high school, Jason served 22 years between active duty and reserve duty and retired in 2014. He has served in Korea and Iraq as well as traveling the world on various assignments while in the military. In 2015, Jason worked in law enforcement for the Crime Lab in Houston, TX, moved back to Las Vegas, to complete his bachelor's degree in criminal justice (Forensic Science) and found an opening as a teacher. He has been teaching junior high for the last seven years in Catholic schools. Prior to coming to TMP-Marian he worked at St. Christopher Catholic School in the Diocese of Las Vegas teaching science and mathematics.

Mr. Casper also holds a master's degree in Forensics and in December will graduate with a bachelor's degree in Anthropology with a minor in Religious Studies from Arizona State University. He is focused on education for both himself and his students.

Mr. Casper's family consists of his wife Alina, who tutors students in foreign language, his daughters Alexandria (TMP class of '25) and Samantha (TMP class of '27), his parents Dan and Harriette, a brother Joe, and a sister Jessica along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Since joining the staff at TMP-M, Mr. Casper is the coach for JH Scholars Bowl, JH Science Olympiad and Robotics as well as assisting

with the JH STUCO and Astronomy Club. This year, he put together a team of junior high students to compete at the FHSU robotics competition that was held in April. A firm believer in science, technology, religion, engineering, art, and math STREAM) in the classroom and clubs where hands on science and robotics serve as a base for learning. Robotics serves as a way for students to critically think and problem solve using logic and reasoning while using STREAM to accomplish real world problems. Students are given a scenario and then must come up with a design and program that make the robot complete the tasks. The junior high was very fortunate to receive a large donation



### **ACE 2022 Auctioneers**

(Left to Right) Chris & Jason Schneider, Nathan Legleiter, Clayton Schneider, Josie Hale, Jeremy Schneider, & John Kisner



**Robotics Students: (Front Row L-R)** Logan Dail, Brynnon Ayarza, Damian Schmidt, Michael Tiernan, Collin Haselhorst; **(Back Row L-R)** Carson Pinkney, Mattias Marintzer, Diego Fernandez, Eli Stein, Blaise Staab, Preston Mermis & Jesse Staab

from Christopher and Kathleen Brungardt, Brungardt Oil & Leasing Inc., to add carpet to areas, classroom novels sets, and expand robotics. We really appreciate their generosity! The robotics expansion included more Lego robotic sets and a Farmbot. The Farmbot is an exciting new way of getting our students involved in agriculture and ideas on how technology can be used to help in our local communities with all the items grown going to the St. Joseph's food pantry or outreach programs depending on need.

We are proud to spotlight Jason Casper in this issue of the Monogram. He has brought a whole new perspective to the classroom and the students just love it!



### From the desk of **Eddie '96 Perrett**

Alumni President
Alumni Association of
Thomas More Prep-Marian

Dear Alums & Friends

As I write this, I'm preparing for a trip to Wichita for the Hays Catholic Schools Wichita Advancement Event. A group from the Advancement office is hosting a night of Monarch pride. This joins the list of previous events in Manhattan, Lawrence, and the Kansas City area, but the first that I've been able to attend. I look forward to connecting to those no longer in the Hays area. Keep your eye out for future events and keep in touch on our



Forever-A-Monarch Facebook page. (Photo from Wichita event above: Max '15 Megaffin and Superintendent Geoff Andrews; and below: Mary & Chuck '68 Schmidt, Debbie Miller, Chris '71 (Rohleder) McNiece, Ron '71 Miller, Linda '63 (Leiker) Braun, & former principal and faculty member, Kathy Taylor.)



Back in Hays, we just wrapped up the Fr. Earl Befort O.F.M. Capuchin Golf Classic... and oh how much Fr. Earl loves us using the full name. It was another fun and successful Golf Classic, we were able to raise over \$21,000 that goes directly to support the activities of the Alumni office. This allows the Alumni office to use some of those funds on the annual Auction for Christian Education. This year your Alumni office contributed \$5,000 to the annual ACE Item 60, which will go towards the renovation of the Third Floor to further

expand the junior high. Starting in the school year 2023-2024, the TMP-M building will welcome the 6th graders that are currently at Holy Family Elementary. In total, Item 60 raised \$456,660.00. As for the operating side of the auction, it was a record breaker with \$412,190.00 going directly towards the operations of the schools and \$4,000.00 to the Alumni Association. Prior to this year, we had only eclipsed \$800,000 once, and as you can see, we blew past that by raising \$872,850.00! The support we get for the Auction and the Golf Classic always amazes me.

On a personal "braggy" note, my son, Seth '21, will follow once again in my wife (Tracy '96 Gore) and my footsteps. He first followed us by going to TMP-M. He then joined us as Alums when he graduated in May 2021. Now, starting next semester, he will officially be an employee of the Hays Catholic Schools. Tracy currently works at Holy Family Elementary in the front office. I worked in the Business office for about 3 years, and now Seth will be a Teacher's Assistant for Debate. I've always admired the generational aspect of TMP-M and take pride in knowing my son graduated from the same high school that I did (see family photo below). It excites me that my youngest, Ben, will be a future Monarch in the class of 2029. TMP-M has a host of alumni who have followed in their parents, grandparents, and even great grandparents footsteps. I know the Class of 2021 actually had a fifth generation graduate that traced all the way back to the first class at Girls' Catholic High School. What a generational legacy that the Hays Catholic Schools have laid down for my family and so many others. God willing, other generations will be able to call themselves Monarchs and maybe not only roam the halls, but also be able to call themselves part of the staff and use the title Forever-A-Monarch!

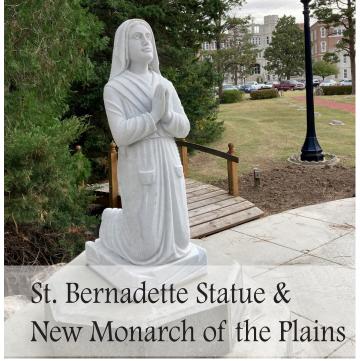
God Bless and Go Monarchs, Eddie '96 Perrett







Some local classmates from the Class of 1975 met for an evening dinner and great conversation at Thirsty's Brew Pub & Grill with classmate Mayo '75 Schmidt and his wife Zahra who were in Hays visiting Mayo's mother Donna Schmidt (wife of the late Marion '49 Schmidt). Attending from left to right were classmates: Paul '75 Geist, Ron '75 and Rhonda '77 (Peters) Flax, Gail '75 (Leiker) & Tim '75 Staab, Shelly and Tom '75 Lippert, Maggie '75 (Staab) Leiker, Ramie '75 Wasinger, Tim '75 Lang [and Lisa '76 (Rohleder) Lang not in photo], Allen '75 Leiker, Mayo '75 Schmidt and wife Zahra (photographer). Great photo Zahra! Looks like the Class of 1975 still knows how to rock a good time!



Last September at Homecoming 2021, we dedicated the new St. Bernadette statue in the Marian Grotto and the Jack '40 - '42C Schramm Endowment for the perpetual care of the grotto. John '82 Moeder and Kyle '11 Jones provided the installation of the statue and the pedestal she sits on. Thank you John, Kyle and the Moeder family for your continued dedication to TMP-Marian!

John doesn't stop there. Since the new restrooms were built in the Al Billinger Fieldhouse, the "Monarch of the Plains" statue that was once placed there has been in storage. That statue, donated by Joe & Virginia Hess, will now greet the guests to the Monarch Baseball/Softball Complex and a new "Monarch" will be placed at the entrance to the campus courtesy of the John and Amy Moeder Family.

The details of the installation are still to be worked out but thank you to the Moeder and Hess families for their constant dedication to the great "Monarch of the Plains!"



### Point of Light Recipients

<u>1995</u> - Sr. Remigia Neder, Fr. Cletus Blockinger, Charles Budke, Fr. Timothy Gottschalk, Leo & Albina Dreiling, Coach Alvin '41 Billinger, Sr. Annabel Dreiling & Coach Gene Flax

<u>1996</u> - Sr. Amadea Wirtz, Fr. Claude Vogel, Coach Lewman Lane, Fr. Anselm Martin, Jack '40 Schramm, Dr. Jeff '78 Colyer, Don Bickle & Wendelin '33 Sander

1997 - Fr. Blaine Burkey, Jerry '74 Seib & Irvin '42 Karlin

1998 - Angeline Cepelka, Dan '54 Rupp & Joyce '70 Dinges

1999 - Sr. Lois '31 Karlin, Fr. Paulinus '35-'37C Karlin, Al '34 Rupp & Coach Sy Palmer

**2000** - Fr. Michael Scully, Norbert '65 Kuhn, Fr. Christian Fey & Wanda '66 Billinger

2001 - Fr. Earl '61 Befort & Gerald '43C Roth

2002 - Wayne '53 & Marie '53 Gabel & Dick '76 Werth

2003 - Marlene '54 Brull

2004 - Jim & Susan Werth & Eugene '34 'Dusty' Glassman

**2005** - Sharon '70 Drees & Bob '65 & Karla Sp'67 Dinges

2006 - Irvin '68 & Terry Leiker & Jerry '72 & Marilyn Luetters

**2007** - Fr. John '69 Lager & Ken & Cheri '65 Haas

2008 - Robert Schmidt, Leroy Gnad & Charles Staab, Jr.

2009 - Bishop George Fitzsimons, Lil '73 Kingsley & Jean Ross

2010 - Debbie '72 Dinges & Chris '77 & Krista '78 Gottschalk

**2011** - Tom & Debbie '75 Bohm, Tom '65 Drees, Tony '75 &

Cyndy '77 Dreiling, Pat Schmidt & Kay Werth

**2012** - Ron '75 & Rhonda '77 Flax, Don & Jolene Moore, Greg & Pam Schmidt & Frank '60 & Rosie '61 Werth

2013 - Galen & Cathy Pfeifer, Gene & Mary Ellen '66 Zimmer

**2014** - Fr. Harvey '53 Dinkel, Sr. Paul Ann Dinkel CSA, Sr. Francis Rose Dinkel CSA, Robert '68 & Susan Wolf, Lillian Schumacher and John & Shannon Allen

**2015** - Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, Glenn '76 & Becky Diehl, Linda '63 Braun, Jim Dinkel & Juleen Stecklein

**2016** - Robert & Carol Feauto, Fr. Fred Gatschet & Larry '73 Reichert

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2018 - Dean & Julie Haselhorst, Marvin & Jennifer Rack

2019 - Don '69 & Debra Klaus, Glen '67 & Anita Neuburger

2020 - Randy '62 & Carol Brull, Kathy Taylor

**2021**- Mark '80 & Jan Bieker, Kraig '78 & Laure Gross, Vernon Gross, Mark & Cindy '73 Washburn

### **Annual Bierock Sale Information**

Do you always seem to miss out on getting your name and order added to the list to purchase delicious bierocks from TMP-Marian?

Now is the time to add a reminder to your calender! Orders are due by October 19, 2022! Watch the TMP-M website for the start date to put in your order at www.tmp-m.org. We will start taking orders in mid September and the list fills up quickly.

Bierocks will be made on Friday, October 28, 2022 and will need to be picked up after 3:00 p.m. and before 6:00 p.m. Yummy!

### Point of Light Nominations

Would you like to nominate someone you admire and respect for the prestigious Point of Light Award? Thomas More Prep-Marian chooses the recipients for this award each year based upon the following criteria:

1) Commitment to our Tradition of Excellence; 2) Activities that bring honors to the inductee and to TMP-Marian; and 3) Dedication to TMP-Marian in service.

Mail your nomination to Chad Meitner c/o TMP-Marian, 1701 Hall St., Hays, KS 67601 or you can e-mail it to meitnerc@tmpmarian.org.

All nominations must be received before May 15th each year for consideration in the same calendar year. Recipients will be announced each year during the Homecoming events.

Homecoming 2022 is just around the corner! It is with great joy that we invite reunion classes back to campus on **September 23-24, 2022** to participate in

### **Homecoming 2022**



the Homecoming events. Classes that are invited to join us this year are listed below:

70 Year - 1952

65 Year - 1957

60 Year - 1962

55 Year - 1967 - Whiskey Creek

50 Year - 1972 - Hilton Garden Inn

45 Year - 1977 - Brass Rail

40 Year - 1982 - Defiance Downtown

35 Year - 1987

30 Year - 1992

25 Year - 1997 - The Fort

20 Year - 2002

15 Year - 2007

10 Year - 2012 - Golden Q

5 Year - 2017

Changes have been made to the annual format so be sure to check out the schedule for this year. One of the major changes is the cancellation of the Saturday night **Homecoming banquet and dance.** Due to a lack of interest, it was decided to discontinue this event. The honor classes are the 50, 40 and 25 year classes listed above. The classes in bold print have already begun planning their reunions. If your class has not - give us a call at 785-625-9434 or email alumni@tmpmarian.org and we would be happy to help you get started. The alumni office will supply as many class lists, mailing labels and photocopies as you need. We also supply stamps for one mailing. If you are not listed above, but have already started planning your reunion, please contact the alumni office and update us on your plans so we can respond to your classmates questions and refer them to the correct class contact individuals.

You do not have to be in a reunion class to attend the school Homecoming events such as the Open House, School Tours, Parade, Football Game, Mass for Deceased Alumni or Dutch Lunch.

### Homecoming 2022 Schedule of Events

#### Thursday, September 22, 2022

7:30 p.m. Introduction of HC Candidates, Pep Rally

& Bon Fire

#### Friday, September 23, 2022

9:00 a.m Open House, School Tours

4:00 p.m. Parade Lineup on School Campus

5:30 p.m. Parade

7:00 p.m. Football Game, TMP-M Monarchs vs.

Scott City Beavers at FHSU Lewis Field

9:00 p.m. Individual Class Reunions

Individual Class Reunion locations available at tmp-m.org/homecoming or inside the football program.

#### Saturday, September 24, 2022

10:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation, TMP-Marian

School Lobby

11:00 a.m. Deceased Alumni Mass, Marian Chapel12:00 a.m. Dutch Lunch in TMP-M Dining Room

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Please vote for the candidate listed or write-in the candidate of your choice under each office.

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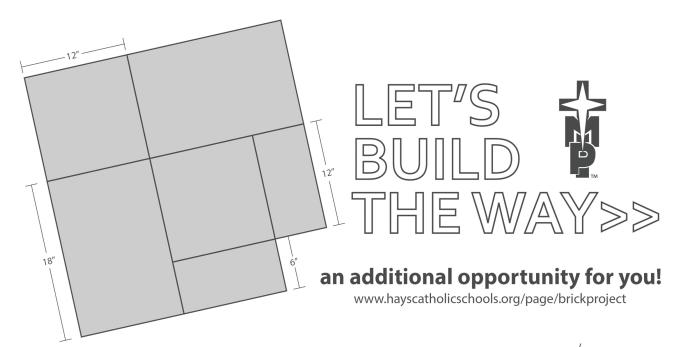
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Visit our website at www.tmp-m.org for current events, contact information, donation options, etc.

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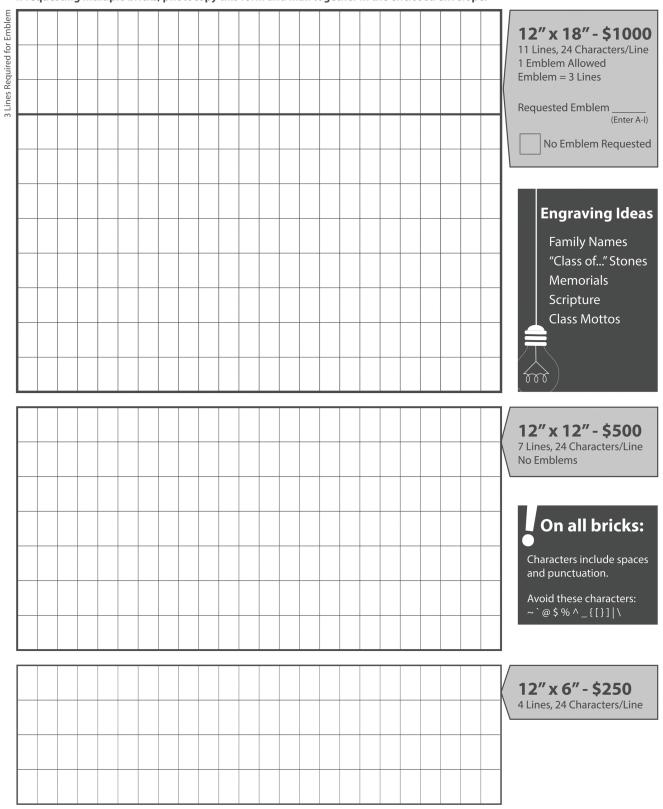
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**1943 - Mildred Walters** lost her niece Sr. Mary Louise Pfannenstiel, CSA who she helped raise after her mother passed away.

1946 - Dolores (Dreiling) Schlyer's husband Robert (Bob) Schlyer passed away 11-18-21. Their children are Pamela '66 Diehl †, Butch & Skip Schlyer.

**1949 - Norbert L. Pfannenstiel's** wife Dolores died 11-25-21. Their children are Cynthia Meter, Debra Thompson, and Kevin Pfannenstiel.

**1953 - Father Harvey Dinkel, O.F.M. Cap.** lost his sister Viola Richmeier on 2-11-22.

1953 - Alan Ross' † wife Wilma passed away 11-20-21. Their children are Mark '75 † and Brian Ross.

1954 - Elmer Dinkel lost his brother, Leon on 1-6-22. Leon is survived by his wife, Lillian; children: George, Joseph, Diana, Mary, Annette & Therese. Their siblings are Ralph, James, Irvin †, and Alfred †.

**1954 - Anna (Schmeidler)** and Laverne **Lessor** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married on 4-17-71. Congratulations!

1957 - Judy (Polifka) Rohr Flaherty lost her husband John on 1-22-22. Survivors include his children: Mike, John & Shelly and step-children Jeff '84 & Jackie '74 Rohr.

1958 - Tom Boyle lost his wife Nancy on 5-18-22.

1958 - Ronald Walters, Rosemary '40 Gerstner, Leona Fross and Janet '61 Gerstner lost their sister, Sister Mary Alice Walters CSA on 11-4-21. She was preceded in death by siblings Marcella Dreiling, Cecelia Wolf, Catherine Schmidt, Mary '34 Pfeifer, Alice Windholz, Frances '42 Schmidt, Rita Mae Walters, Wilma Bieker, Miriam Walters, Ralph '37 Walters & Robert '51 Befort.

**1959 - Larry** and **Terry '64 Ruder** lost their sister Ann Rose Ruder on 3-5-22.

**1960 - Della (Dreiling) Fields** lost her husband, Robert Fields on 2-22-22. He is also survived by a daughter **Melissa** '91 Roif

**1961 - Fr. Earl Befort O.F.M. Cap.** received the highest honor awarded at the Annual Chamber of Hays Banquet, the Golden Belt Bank Hall of Fame Award, which recognizes years of selfless service to the Hays community in years of excellence in their profession with a long history of civic involvement. Congratulations Fr. Earl!

1961 - Stephanie (Harris) Schumacher, Sheila '69 (Ross) Boos, Janet '73 (Schmidt) Koerner, Stephanie '75 (Dinkel) Dechant, Patty '75 (Lang) Wolf & Renee '78 (Harris) **Hoffman** attended the Daughters of Isabella of the Salina Diocese convention in Hays. Members participated in Mass, a memorial service, business sessions, local and state officer installation, community service and social time.

**1961 - Gloria (Geist) Leiker** lost her sister Virginia Geist on 12-24-21.

**1962 - Geraldine "Jerri" (McCarthy) Moore** lost her husband, Dick Moore, on 12-24-21. He is also survived by daughters Sue, Shelly, Sherry, Shannon & Stacie.

1964 - Dan Dischner revived the Marine Corp. Toys for Tots distribution in Ellis, Rush, Trego and Rooks Counties after it had lacked volunteers in the past few years. Roxie (Billinger) VonLintel '66 and Glen Neuberger '67 were also volunteers for the event. Dan joined Bishop Jerry Vincke, Congressman Tracey Mann with the Coalition of Veterans at the Memorial Day ceremony at St. Joseph's Cemetery in Hays.

**1964 - Connie Hoffman** lost her husband Robert "Bob" Grant on 1-14-22. Survivors include sons Mike and Steven.

**1964 - Carol (Schukman) Baker** has moved to Overland Park, KS, and will be living with her son Brian and his wife Cindy Baker. She will miss seeing her classmates in Hays when they meet for their mini reunions.

1965 - Ron Klein, Sherry '67 (Klein) Bieker, Bonnie '70 (Klein) Trilck and Susan Trembley will miss their mother, Cleopha (Cleo) Klein who passed away 1-9-22. Her husband was Victor Klein.

**1965 - Rose Pfannenstiel** lost her daughter Robyn (Bobbi) Pfeifer on 12-11-21. Bobbi is survived by her husband Jay and children: **Weston '20** & **Janessa '23**.

**1965 - Charlene (Werth) Droste** lost her husband Bernard "Ben" Droste on 1-17-21.

**1966 - James, Dennis '70** and **Jerry '78 Karlin** lost their mother, Laurita Marie Karlin, on 12-9-21. She was preceded in death by her husband Francis "Blackie" Karlin.

1967 - Can you believe it has been 55 years since we graduated from high school? A group of us got together at the VFW and decided we should bring as many members of the great class of '67 together again as we can. We have reserved a room at Whiskey Creek in Hays in the evening on Friday, 9-23-2022. They will provide a sandwich buffet and one side for \$14-\$16 per person or one meat, two sides buffet for \$20.00 per person. All alcohol will be purchased from the bar. What we need to know now, is an estimate of how many of you will plan to attend and if attending, what you would like to eat. Majority rules. Please e-mail Don '67 Degenhardt - dond@eaglecom.net or Kathy '67 (Coupal) Atkisson - atkissonfarms@yahoo.com. Please respond asap so we can set the wheels in motion. Even if you are not coming please let us know.

1967 - Patricia (Brown) Frost, Roger '71, Steven and Thomas † Brown mourn the loss of their mother, Genevieve Brown on 11-25-21. Their father was the late Melvin "Bob" Brown †.



### 8th Annual Military Appreciation September 29-30, 2022

The 8th annual Military Appreciation will kick off on Thursday, September 29th, 2022, with a dinner in the Thomas More Prep-Marian dining room with the Monarch football team, coaches and their families. All St. Joseph's Military Academy Cadets, and all past and present individuals that have or are currently serving in any branch of the United State Military (Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, National Guard, Navy & Marines) are invited to join the football team, coaches and their families for a delicious

**1967 - Jo Ann (Giebler) Gottschalk Thiessen** lost her husband Lauren Thiessen on 10-27-21. His children are Garry, Brent, Scott and Nicole Thiessen and Cory & Chad Gottschalk.

**1968 - John, Bryan '69** and Rebecca **Johnson** were saddened by the death of their mother, Bertha Johnson, on 11-6-21. She was preceded in death by her husband John Johnson †.

**1968 - Tom,** Greg, Jerry and Terry **Nemecheck** lost their mother Eileen Nemecheck on 3-12-22.

**1968 - Elden Klaus** along with his siblings: Robert & **Ellen '77**, were saddened by the death of their mother, Laura Klaus on 5-22-22. She was predeceased by her husband, **Edwin '48 Klaus** on 9-20-2007.

1968 - Bob Wolf visited Tuson, Arizona, on a recent trip. While his car with a Fort Hays State University decal was parked at the hotel, a note was left on it that stated the writer had attended SJMA and was signed "Pat." With the help of the Alumni Office, Bob got the phone number for Patrick '68 Leach who lived nearby. They connected and found out they were members of the same class.

1969 - Scott Mans, Linda '72 Mans Leary, Debra '77 (Mans) Fort '77 and Michael Mans '81 lost their mother Peggy Mans on 2-15-22. She was preceded in death by her husband Joseph Mans.

**1969 - Colin Schmidt,** who lives in West Bend, WI, will soon be relocating and enjoying retirement in Stillwater, OK, to be nearer his granddaughters who "need" him. He

meal of fried chicken, potato salad, pasta salad, 'Old Settlers' beans along with apple pie for dessert. Visitors can come early to watch the team practice, attend the dinner and help hand out special "Cadet" jerseys to the football players. Please R.S.V.P. to the alumni office at (785) 625-9434 or rothj@tmpmarian.org before 9-23-22.

On Friday, September 30, 2022, we invite all Cadets, military personnel (past and present) to join us at half time of the Thomas More Prep - Marian Monarchs vs. Russell Broncos football game at FHSU Lewis Field to be recognized. We will line up at the south side of the home stands when there is five minutes left on the game clock. All Cadets and Military personnel or veterans will get into the game free of charge- just let the gate worker know.

If you would like to be a donor/sponsor for the event, please contact the alumni office at 785-625-9434. Donations will help cover all expenses incurred for this event. Any money that is leftover will benefit the Victory Gate Memorial Fund.

Please watch the tmp-m.org website and facebook page for additional details closer to the date.

plans to continue to be active in his local parish and write spiritual essays whenever a word moves him. He knows he will miss the spring, summer and fall seasons in Wisconsin.

**1970 - Dennis Karlin** greatly misses his wife Cathleen "Cathy" who passed away 5-2-22. Their children are **Anthony "Tony" '96**, Angela & Audrey **Karlin**.

**1970 - Clem Karlin** was named Contractor of the Year by the Kansas Land Improvement Contractors Association.

**1971 - Sue (Dechant) Basgall** lost her husband Mike Basgall on 2-6-22. He is also survived by sons Aaron and Christopher.

**1971Sp - Thomas Lynch** and sisters Sheryl, Christina, Mary and Elizabeth lost their mother, Betty Irene Lynch, on 1-23-22.

1971 - Allen Schmidt is in his fourth year serving on the Kansas Board of Regents. The Kansas Board of Regents is a 9 member board that governs the six state universities in Kansas. He was appointed to this position by then Governor Jeff '78 Colyer. He also serves as a regent on the Washburn University Board of Trustees, was recently appointed as a commissioner to the Midwestern Higher Education Compact (MHEC) which works to ensure strong, equitable postsecondary educational opportunities and outcomes for 12 member states.

**1971 - Sue (Schuvie) Niernberger** retired from Sunflower Bank where she was the Treasury Management Officer in western Kansas, after 31 years of dedicated service to the bank.



### Wanda's Corner

### Wanda '66 Billinger Alumni Director

The 48th Auction for Christian Education (ACE) "Monarch Monopoly - *Rich in Blessings*" theme was the brain storm of board member Michelle '97 (Hertel) Schlyer. She had a vision on how to decorate and with the guidance of Linda Augustine (with her special gadgets and techniques), our theme took shape. The fieldhouse walls became the setting for 81 Monarch Monopoly board pieces, each one sponsored by different businesses and families, displaying a school related organization, sport or historical theme. With the help of our ACE co-chairs, Ray & Olivia '93 (Neuburger) Becker and Jeff & Kathleen '90 (Emmot) Vahling, along with the alumni board, staff and office volunteers, ACE 2022

became a very successful event! Little did we know that "Rich in Blessings" would take on such an unbelievable meaning for us this year with the incredible support given by alumni and friends, both in business and personal donations. The monumental total of ACE 2022 exceeded \$872,850.00 and was a truly rich blessing to God's school. People often tell us, "Your success is unbelievable!" That it is. Michelle did a great job putting together a new decorating committee, giving the auction a totally new look and it was received very well.

We welcomed 41 graduating seniors from the Class of 2022 to our illustrious Alumni Association of Thomas More Prep-Marian. There were 19 students that earned a 96% or higher GPA (equivalent to a 4.0) and 22 earned 85% or hight GPA (equivalent to a 3.3 or better). All of the boys sports competed in

state action. Some sports took their league titles as well in athletics, activities and fine arts. Their scholarships totaled \$1,361,068.00. To top that off, they had the priviledge of **Fr. Gale '90 Hammerschmidt** deliver their commencement

address. I followed this class in sports all four years. Jace '22 Wentling lettered in four sports all four years. I worked for Jace's parents and grandparents and have literally known him since birth. He played football, basketball, baseball and track. His love is baseball and he will go on to play for Neosho County. Best wishes to all of the Class of 2022! You will be 'Forever a Monarch!'

The Fr. Earl Befort O.F.M. Capuchin Golf Classic was on June 3, 2022. I love saying all of that title because it drives Fr. Earl crazy! We had a beautiful 80° day with a light breeze until about 11:30 a.m. and then the wind picked up a bit. Even that did nothing to hinder the golfers. My daughter **Dawn '97 Billinger Rajewski** won a Cleveland Launcher XL Halo Hybrid with headcover that was donated by **Leighton '07 & Jodie Werth**, Werth Family Dental for the "Ladies Longest Drive on #6". It was the first time she played golf this year. Even though I really rubbed it in to her brother **Scott '91 Billinger**, he was still pretty proud of her. It was good to see everyone enjoying themselves while still supporting their alma mater.

Our deceased list keeps getting longer and longer, filled with our alumni and friends, whether it is a classmate, spouse, parents, siblings or a supportor of Thomas More Prep-Marian. My class of 1966 lost Rosie '66 Brungardt, Larry '66 Sp Schuckman and Lester '66 Burgardt. Other



a 4.0) and 22 earned 85% or hight Wichita Meet & Greet Sponsors (L-R) Mary & Chuck '68 Schmidt, Ronald '71 GPA (equivalent to a 3.3 or better). Miller, Allen '71 Schmidt & Doug '71 & Brenda Roth

special friends that passed this year were Dave '65 Lewis, Bill '65 Brungardt, Mary Ann '59 (Stecklein) Mermis (those great hamburgers at Vernies), Lee Allen '56 Leiker (former Flipper-Lee was our Elvis), Wilma

Ross, Carol Klaus, Ken Braun and Bobbie Pfeifer. Rod '69 Ruder "Mr. TMP" died on 11-21-21 after a massive stroke. Rod's death hit us pretty hard. He was instrumental in the baseball/softball complex, served on the alumni board, and was always here to help anyway he could along with the entire Ruder family. Rod and his wife Donna had just received the 2021 Jack Schramm Spirit Award at Homecoming last year. Just this week while writing this letter, it was jolting to hear that Tom Bohm [spouse of **Deb** '75 (Walters) Bohm] and Curtis '95 Schmidt had died. Tom and his crew cooked many ACE Auction meals and Curtis helped us with ACE, soliciting for gifts and helping us the weekend of the auction. It really gets difficult for us. We build such close relationships with these folks and it breaks our hearts when we lose them. We miss them deeply, rest in peace dear friends.

We just came back from a meet and greet at the Chicken N Pickle in Wichita with advancement director **Troy '93 Ruda** on June 16, 2022. Troy, **Joe '12 Roth**, Kim Stoecklein, Alumni President **Eddie '94 Perrett** and I visited with about 35-40 alums and spouses. **Pat '47 (Wasinger) Rupp** stopped by. She is a classy lady at 94 years of age, she looked 30 years younger and was the hit of the party. I was impressed she even knew what the Chicken N Pickle was, because I had no idea. I have to get out more! This was a great event and I knew almost everyone there. My dad never knew a stranger and I guess I get that from him.



Homecoming is just around the corner on September 23-24, 2022. We have had some contact with honor classes and it seems everyone is gearing up to have some fun. Please contact the alumni office at 785-625-9434 or email: alumni@tmpmarian.org if your class has not started planning and we will help you get started with class lists, mailing labels, stamps, etc. Check out page 16 of this issue for the schedule of events and which classes are celebrating Homecoming 2022. Homecoming is my favorite time of year and that is when I really get in my element, visiting with alumni and their families! It is also how I came up with my personal motto for the alumni office. We are the envy of many and second to no one! God bless and Go Monarchs!

### + FOREVER A MONARCH



Above - Kevin '07 Sander and Amy '83 (Rupp) Perez pose for a quick photo at the Chicken N Pickle.

Left - Wanda '66 (Weigel) Billinger, Pat '47 (Wasinger)

Rupp and Troy '93 Ruda at the Wichita Meet & Greet.



### Geoff Andrews

Superintendent of Catholic Schools

Diocese of Salina

### Striving for Heaven leads to Postsecondary Success

In April I had the honor of presenting to the Kansas State Board of Education along with former Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Nick Compagnone. They invited us to speak about the diocese's success with students after high school. "Postsecondary Success" is a buzzword in education and is a measuring tool states use to look at quality of education individuals receive. The last couple of years the Salina Diocese has received Kansans Can School Recognition Awards for Postsecondary Success, Graduation Rate, and having students Prepared for Postsecondary.

While Dr. Compagnone and I were preparing for the presentation, we discussed how "Postsecondary Success" was not our goal or how we measured ourselves. As Catholics, our goal is to spend eternity in the kingdom of Heaven. When we strive for Heaven and try to live our lives in the way Christ would, "postsecondary success" comes naturally. The value of education that a student receives at Thomas More Prep — Marian goes beyond academics.

Mass attendance, receiving the Eucharist, opportunities for reconciliation, and daily prayer are all a part of being a Monarch. When students can bring themselves closer to God and in a community that encourages and supports the formation of their faith, they are setting themselves up for success after high school.

The students at TMP-M are learning to serve as Jesus Christ did. The long-term Senior Capstone project is providing the students the stage to move their faith into the community. Research, planning, collaboration, and facilitation of this project allows the students to showcase what they have learned over the years and go out to serve the Hays community. Helping to instill a heart of service is just part of the students' "postsecondary success."

Having a connection when you go off to college is very beneficial to a student's post-secondary experience. It is so cool to see TMP-M alumni serving as priests at Kansas State University and Fort Hays State University. **Fr. Gale '90** 

Hammerschmidt and Fr. Andy '07 Hammeke bring great joy to their vocations and proudly talk about their times at Thomas More Prep – Marian. I know not all Monarchs land at one of these two institutions, but our shared Catholic faith allows us to find comfort and connections at any Catholic Church we walk into.

Many high schools struggle with staying connected to students after they graduate, however the Alumni Association at TMP-M is the strongest I have ever seen. A genuine connection between the Alumni Office and Monarch Alumni aids in the post-secondary success of our students. Almost every time I visit the Alumni Office, there is a proud Monarch visiting and sharing stories with Mary, Sandy, Kim, Joe, Kathy, Wanda and Troy.

It was with great pride I was able to share about our students' success after high school with the State Board of Education. The partnership with parents in forming their children in the Catholic faith, and striving for Heaven in all that we do, makes the academic part of education a very nice by product.

1972 - Sylvia (Younger) Kinderknecht, Joyce '74 (Younger) Creek, Greg, Terrance, Rosemary, Mary and Christine along with their mother Betty Jean miss their father, Richard Younger, who passed away 2-22-22.

1973 - Helen (Unrein) Pianalto lost her daughter Ann Marie Avila on 3-14-22. Other survivors include Marie's father Carmen Schmidt, husband Aaron and children Asher & Emery.

1974 - Lila (Haselhorst) Montgomery, Sheila '75 (Haselhorst) Thompson, Diane '77 Haselhorst, Nadine '79 (Haselhorst) McGrath and Stacey '90 Haselhorst lost their mother, Henrietta Haselhorst on 10-27-21. She was preceded in death by her husband Harold Haselhorst †.

1975 - Debbie (Walters) Bohm lost her husband Tom on 6-16-2022. Tom is survived by his wife Deb, a son Matt '98 and two daughters, Sarah '00 and Claire '11. He was preceded in death by five children: Thomas, Sean, John, Dawn '88 & Stacy '84.

1975 - Joyce (Haas) Lang has officially retired from USD 489 in February after 28 years of service. She plans to help her husband Tom '68 Lang on the farm and spend time with their four grandkids: Cooper, Parker, Nolan and Elizabeth, who live in St. Francis, KS.

**1976 - Kevin '76** and **Aaron '78 O'Brien** with siblings Terence & Marla lost their mother Twila O'Brien on 1-19-22.

1976 Sp - Adele (Kuchar) Rich's husband, Douglas, died 12-8-21. He is survived by children Derek, Damien, Nicole '06 & Jessica '07.

**1977 - Tim Koerner** and his sister Debbie Eller lost their father Robert "Bob" Koerner on 4-23-22. He was preceded in death by his wife Betty.

**1977Sp - Shelly (Stegman) Harrell** and Robert Harrel were greatly saddened by the death of their son Robert "Bobby" Harrell Jr. on 5-10-22.

1977 - Tony Pianalto and siblings Jeanette '78 (Pianalto) Hermes, Mary Ellen and Ed '82 Pianalto lost their mother Rose on 10-30-21. She was preceded in death by husbands Charles Pianalto † and Urban Baalman † and a son Joe '74 †.

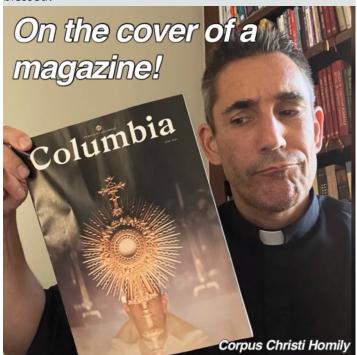
**1977 - Terri (Loesch) Brungardt Rogers** lost her husband Sanford "Sandy" Rogers on 10-31-21. Sandy is survived by a daughter Dusti Ann and stepson Travis. He was preceded in death by a stepson Ryan †.

**1977 - Neal, Jeff '81** and **Steve '75 † Schmidt** lost their father Melvin Schmidt on 2-19-22. Melvin was predeceased by his wife Mary Ellen † and his son Steve.

1978 - Mark Klaus, Jean '80 (Klaus) Pfeifer, Arthur '66 Sp† and Donna Harkness lost their mother Carolyn "Carol" Klaus on 4-4-22. Her husband was Wilfred Klaus†.

1979 - Tom, Steve '80, Kevin '81 and Chris '84 Braun lost their father Kenneth Braun on 3-6-22. Other survivors include his second wife Yvonne and step-children: Kathy Mead, Lisa '76 (Rohleder) Lang, Cheryl '77 (Rohleder), Craig '79, Niel '80, Eric '82, Ann '85 (Rholeder) Noble, Kent '87 & Scott '88 Rohleder. Ken was preceded in death by his first wife Mary †.

1979 - Dave and Judy '80 (Bedard) Koerner are beyond thrilled to add another grandchild to their family. Blake Hazel Stutzman was born 9-1-21 to Matt and Lindsay Stutzman. She has a brother, Beau Levi, aged 4. Dave and Judy stated that, "Grandparenting is the BEST!! We are so blessed!"



**Fr. Gale '90 Hammerschmidt** was the guest speaker at graduation for the Class of 2022 and is pictured above holding the Knights of Columbus magazine cover that captured his image raising the Blessed Sacrament in benediction.

1980 - Ken Pavlu, Tonetta '82 (Pavlu) Stieben, Diana '85 (Pavlu) Kuhlman, Gina '86 (Pavlu) Harris, Vickie '90 (Pavlu) Hennes & Ashley '93 Pavlu lost their brother, Michael Ray Pavlu on 10-24-21.

**1981 - Don Dinkel** was saddened by the death of his father LaVerne on 11-19-21.

**1981 - Barb (Goebel) Hunt** along with siblings Kim, Bill, Lynn, Susan, Jane and Mary lost their father Nicholas Goebel on 12-15-21 and mother Wilma "Pat" Goebel on 2-16-22.

**1981 - Curt Hoffman** and his wife Kaye feel truly blessed with the birth of their second grandchild, Jolee Grace Dickinson. She was born 3-9-21 to Casey and Katelyn Dickinson and has a sibling Stetson, age 3.

1981 - Richard, Robert '81, Phillip & Kevin Schamberger along with their sisters Chris '78 (Schamberger) Wilson, Mary Engelman, Elaine Orluk, Paula '86 (Schamberger) Petersen & Loretta Scalcione lost their father Joseph Schamberger on 3-3-22.

1982 - Sandy (Leiker) Losey has accepted a new position working for Fr. Andy '07 Hammeke as Vocations and Comeau Catholic Campus Center Administrative Assistant after 31 years at TMP-M in the advancement and alumni departments. Sandy has done a tremendous job and will be greatly missed. We wish her well in her new endeavor.

**1982 - Lori (Pfannenstiel) Schmidtberger**, Paula Grubb, Randy & Kurt Phannenstiel lost their mother Frances Pfannenstiel on 3-18-22.

**1983 - Kevin, Tom '85, Paul '87** and Matt **Malleck** along with their sister Vanessa were greatly saddened by the death of their mother Marilyn Malleck on 1-24,22.

**1984** - **Dr. Eric Davidson** and siblings Calvin and Warren lost their father, Harvey Davidson on 2-5-21. He is survived by his wife Marilyn.

1987 - Chris (Pfannenstiel) Schumacher and husband Jeff announce the birth of grandson Westin Judd Higdon, son of Shelby and Kiowa Higdon who was born 9-1-21. Also as a nursing professional specialist, Chris has co-authored Chapter 2 in the second edition of the <u>Leadership in Nursing Professional Development: An Organizational and System Focus</u> - which was available in March, 2022.

**1988Sp - Vernon Rupp** lost his brother Bernard "Bernie" Rupp on 4-10-22.

**1989 - Andrew Desautels** married Isabel Moctezuma Alvarez on 9-9-21 at Most Holy Nativity Parish of Rio Rica, AZ.

1989 - Tammy (Myers) Dreiling, Jodi '90 (Myers) Harkin & Angie '93 (Myers) Lachner lost their father James Myers. He is also survived by his wife Fritz.

1990 - Jenny (MacDonald) Clark, Stacey '93 (MacDonald) Wingert, Calley '97 (MacDonald) Conley, & Shannon '01 MacDonald were saddened by the death of their father, Paul MacDonald, on 11-29-21.

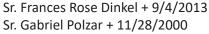


In the Summer 2021 issue of the Monogram, we featured an article on the Capuchin friars and where are they now? Feedback from our female alumni base came in immediate response. "Where are the Sisters of St. Agnes and are you going to do an article on them next?" Contact was made with the Congregation in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin and we reached Sr. Jeremy Quinn, CSA. She was able to put together a large spreadsheet for us that included all of the nuns that lived and worked in Ellis County throughout the years. The list included over 488 sisters that did everything from working in the parishes and schools of Catherine, Ellis, St. Fidelis, St. Mary - Hays and St. Joseph - Hays, Munjor, Walker, Victoria and also included the incredible women who taught or worked as members of the staff at Girl's Catholic High School, Marian High School and Thomas More

- Sr. Agnes Ann Carroll + 2/20/1998
- Sr. Agnes Cecile Wiesner + 10/27/1999
- Sr. Alexia '28 Schueler + 2/17/1973
- Sr. Alfreda Bayerwalter + 6/1/1959
- Sr. Alice Ann '71 Pfeifer
- Sr. Amadea Wirtz + 3/10/1986
- Sr. Angeline Cepelka (left CSA 1997)
- Sr. Ann Walters + 11/30/2020
- Sr. Annabel Dreiling + 9/12/1999
- Sr. Antoine Carrier + 2/2/1957
- Sr. Antonia Keys + 1/26/1994
- Sr. Antonita Gerhard + 1/13/1961
- Sr. Augustine Sullivan + 4/20/1999
- Sr. Bianca (Blanche) Wiesner (left CSA 1976)
- Sr. Bonita Willnecker + 6/30/1988
- Sr. Clare Holland (left CSA 1973)
- Sr. Clare Goodwin + 5/28/1963
- Sr. Claude Feldner + 4/2/2008
- Sr. Clementia Schueler + 11/5/1984
- Sr. Constantia Esterbrook + 10/19/2000
- Sr. Corinne Heimann + 9/16/2000
- Sr. DePazzi (Mary Helen) Szekeresh + 1/30/2000
- Sr. Dionysia Rank + 10/10/1971
- Sr. Dolores Holthouse + 11/13/1958
- Sr. Dorinda Altschaefl + 11/13/1958

#### Sr. Doris Klein

- Sr. Dorissa Erbert + 6/27/2003
- Sr. Eileen Jackman + 6/27/1981



Sr. Evangeline Kodric + 1/21/2001

Sr. Felicitas Dreiling + 6/4/1985

- Sr. Georgine Sander + 10/20/1983
- Sr. Ildefonse Wagner + 9/1/1955

#### Sr. Joanita Stelter

- Sr. Joseph Mary (Margaret) Pizarek + 3/14/2014
- Sr. Julienne Rompf + 1/25/2002
- Sr. Lois '31 Karlin + 12/3/2013
- Sr. Louise Grieble + 11/26/2010
- Sr. Lucida (Rose) Vondran + 5/19/1998
- Sr. Lucy Ann Wasinger + 6/4/2003
- Sr. Magdalene Moreth + 3/15/1930
- Sr. Marlene Heldenbrand (left CSA 1975)
- Sr. Martha Schmeidler (left CSA)
- Sr. Mary Ann '67 Schlegel + 11/25/1996
- Sr. Mary Anthony Keller + 2/12/1997
- Sr. Mary Catherine Karlin + 10/15/1980
- Sr. Mary Devine (Sr. Vincent de Paul) + 1/15/1989
- Sr. Mary Donald Neff + 4/9/2018
- Sr. Edmund Scherer + 12/1/2010
- Sr. Mary Frances Schug + 8/6/2006
- Sr. Mary Grace Ollinger + 5/8/2012
- Sr. Mary Gregory (Sr. Harriet Mary) Gassman + 8/10/1991
- Sr. Mary Luke (Martha) Shouse + 10/14/1992
- Sr. Mary Monica Kutch + 12/30/2010
- Sr. Mary Rita Golias + 7/30/2005



Sr. Alice Ann Pfeifer CSA



Sr. Doris Klein CSA



Sr. Joanita Stelter CSA



Sr. Ruth Battaglia CSA



+ Sr. Amadea Wirtz CSA



+ Sr. Mary Devine CSA

Prep-Marian. The grade school staff are not included. Sr. Jeremy did not include the hospital sisters or assisted living/rest home sisters in this list, but that also would have been a significant number of Sisters of St. Agnes that lived and worked in our community in healthcare.

This printed list is limited to the women who served in one or more of the schools that make up the current day Thomas More Prep-Marian High School. If there is a "+" and date following their name, that represents the date of their death. If their name is in a bold font, they are surviving and can be reached by contacting:

> Sister Jeremy Quinn, CSA St. Agnes Convent 320 County Road K Fond du Lac, WI 54937

email at: jquinn@csasisters.org.

- Sr. Mary Rose Graff + 11/24/1954
- Sr. Mary Victoria Pozorski + 4/14/2008
- Sr. Milburga Hohman + 1/9/1986
- Sr. Nicola Hammes + 1/26/1986
- Sr. Norberta Trunk + 1/23/1995
- Sr. Patricia McCarthy + 12/30/1972
- Sr. Patricia Scanlan + 5/16/2018
- Sr. Patricia Younger + 5/7/2014
- Sr. Paul Ann Dinkel + 6/1/2019
- Sr. Paul (Cecelia) Schlaefer + 8/17/2021
- Sr. Perpetua Michelin + 5/21/2009
- Sr. Petronilla Mannebach + 10/23/1984
- Sr. Rachel Doerfler + 12/11/2020
- Sr. Remigia Neder + 8/18/1984
- Sr. Rosaline Stephanie + 12/12/2004

#### Sr. Ruth Battaglia

- Sr. Scholastica Walters + 8/22/1963
- Sr. Sharon Hilbert (left CSA 1976)
- Sr. Thecla Simon + 1/8/2011
- Sr. Thomsine Schwind + 2/1/1989
- Sr. Urban Smith + 9/18/1983
- Sr. Vera Naber + 8/9/1996
- Sr. Vianney Saller + 8/9/1996

Pray for us Saint Agnes, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Amen



+ Sr. Louise Grieble CSA



+ Sr. Constantia Esterbrook CSA



+ Sr. Annabell **Dreiling CSA** 



+ Sr. Lois Karlin CSA



+ Sr. Remigia Neder CSA



Sr. Angeline Cepelka CSA



Sr. Vera Naber, Sr. Remigia Neder, Sr. Mary Anthony or you may contact Sr. Jeremy by phone: 920-907-2302 or Keller, Bishop Freking, Sr. Julienne Rumpf & Sr. Bonita Willnecker

The Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes made a very major impact in Ellis County history. The first Agnesian sisters came to Hays in 1880 and started a parochial school in 1884. Sr. Remigia Neder came to Hays in 1915 as a teacher in the parochial school and took up the cause of a girl's high school. She was successful because in the 1918-1919 school year, 9th and 10th grade were then offered to the young ladies with Sr. Mary Anthony Keller listed as the first principal and Sr. Remigia would follow as the second principal, followed by Sr. Vera Naber, Sr. Almeda Kuhn, Sr. Mary Rose Mannebach, Sr. Bonita Willnecker, Sr. Julienne Rompf, Sr. Marlene Hildenbrand, Sr. Mary Edmund Scherer, Sr. Evangeline Kodric and Sr. Louise Grieble. After Marian High School consolidated with Thomas More Prep for the 1981-1982 school year, Sr. Angeline Cepelka became the new principal of the coed school. Some of this history is available in the Thomas More Prep-Marian High School "Celebrating 100 Years" centennial book authored by James '77 D. Drees and Fr. Earl '61 Befort, O.F. M. Capuchin. Many of the young women from Ellis County joined the Sisters of St. Agnes congregation and went on to become nurses and teachers. We have selected a few photos to share with you although there was not room nor do we have access to photos of all of these incredible women that served your alma mater.

We thank Sr. Jeremy and all of the Sisters of St. Agnes for their labor, dedication and devotion throughout the history of Thomas More Prep-Marian. May God give you eternal life.

### **Endowment Foundation of Thomas More Prep-Marian**



The Thomas More Prep-Marian Endowment was established many years ago with the goal of building a growing financial support tool for the school. It presents a good vehicle for the many benefactors of TMP-M to invest in the future of Catholic education in the Hays area, and beyond when you consider the many students that have travelled across the country and around the world to attend our school. TMP-M has been able to increase its educational offerings over the years, with a junior high school now housed on the same campus and plans to increase that further to include the sixth grade in 2023.

The success of the school has been buoyed by the growth in the Endowment. With the total funds managed by the Endowment approaching nine million dollars the Endowment has been able to provide financial support to the school. Some of the gifts have had no restrictions placed on them by the donor, meaning the earnings on those gifts can be used to support the school in a variety of ways, and as well to grow the amount of funds under management. As those funds grow, so does the earnings potential. Other gifts are given with restrictions - the proceeds need to be used in a specific way. Either approach provides lasting benefits to support the educational mission of our school: Thomas More Prep-Marian - ensuring every student is equipped with the spiritual growth, academic excellence, and leadership formation to strengthen and invigorate the Catholic Church as disciples in the body of Christ.

Looking back to 2012, the Endowment was managing just over four million dollars. Just in the ensuing ten years the Endowment has provided annual budgetary support to TMP-M based on the growth in the managed funds totaling over three million dollars. This would not be possible without the generous support of our benefactors.

The Endowment works with professional investment advisors and members of an investment committee to make sure we manage the gifts we have received wisely. This includes a periodic review of our investments against a "Catholic Values" screen to make sure we stay true to the teachings of the Church. Our investments include holding both individual equities and mutual funds, as well as other investment vehicles. It is no secret that 2022 has become a challenging time financially, and this includes the stock market performance.

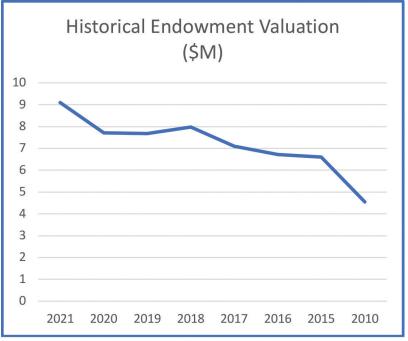
One of the broad measures often used as a benchmark for investments is the S&P 500 group of equities. During the period from January 1 through May 31 of this year the S&P has fallen 13%. In that same period the holdings of the Endowment have declined as well, but only by 5%. While we don't like to see any retreat in the value of our investments, over the past years our managed funds have consistently out-performed the S&P 500 and other common market indicators. Our pledge to all the supporters of Thomas More Prep-Marian is to do everything we can to manage your gifts in order to continue to support the mission of TMP-M.

You can help us in this endeavor. When considering making gifts, particularly through estate planning, please include in your considerations the TMP-M Endowment. Troy Ruda, the Advancement Director, would be happy to help you find the best way to provide a lasting gift to the school. You can contact Troy at the Advancement Office at (785) 625-5427, or advancement@tmpmarian.org.

Thank you for your support of Catholic education at Thomas More Prep-Marian Jr/Sr High School.

Bill Dowling President

Endowment Foundation of Thomas More Prep-Marian



- **1993 Jason Staab** and his wife Laura were sad at the loss of her father Larry Wolfram who is survived by his wife Sandra and other children Kathryn & Kyle.
- 1996 Michele (Kippes) Kieffer, Kurt '01 Kippes, Renee '10 Sp (Kippes), Janelle and John lost their father, Kenneth D. Kippes on 12-4-21. Ken is also survived by his wife Margaret.
- **1996 Eddie Perrett** and his sister Carrie Casanova lost their mother Esther Perrett on 3-12-22. She is also survived by her husband Harold Perrett. Harold used to be the chef for the annual Black Tie Dinner sold at ACE.
- 1997 Alison (Schmidt) Melby and husband Glenn welcomed a son, Aidan Charles Melby, on 7-21-21. He was welcomed into the family by siblings Landon and Lucas Dinkel. Grandparents include Alexia '69 (Gross) and Charles L. '70 Schmidt †.
- **1997 Josh, Justin '98** & **Jeremiah '03 Rajewski** lost their mother Victoria "Vicki" Rajewski on 5-11-22. She is also survived by her husband Dr. Richard Rajewski.
- **2000 Tyler "T. J." Gottschalk,** TMP-Marian assistant football coach in charge of defense, is proud that his wife, Megan, has been selected to be head coach for the Monarch high school volleyball team beginning with the 2022-2023 season. Megan has coached the junior high volleyball teams for the past three years.
- **2001 Dick Barnes** lost his beloved wife Amy to cancer on 2-17-22. Our deepest sympathy Dick.
- **2004 Lori (Haas) Brubaker** received her Masters in Instructional Technology from Fort Hays State University and has begun her collegiate career as an assistant professor in the Teacher Education Department of Kansas Wesleyan University.
- **2004 Krystal (Dinkel) Randa** and **Kelsie '09 (Dinkel) Bausch** lost their father Leonard "Lenny" Dinkel on 2-1022. He is also survived by his wife Christine.
- **2005** James Leiker and Shauna Nelson welcomed Theo Joseph Leiker into their family on 1-3-22. Theo was the first baby born in Hays in 2022 and has two siblings: Rylee and Madisyn.
- **2007 Father Andy Hammeke** celebrated his first Easter as pastor of the Comeau Catholic Campus Center at Fort Hays State University where he has been pastor since July of 2022. Fr. Andy is also the chaplain at TMP-M.
- **2007 Dave Lang** was spotlighted in an article as a Young Professionals: Insurance by the <u>Wichita Business</u> <u>Journal</u>. During an interview for the journal, Dave stated the best advice he had for others is to learn to embrace change. Dave is employed as Vice President for Eddy's Independent Group in Wichita. Eddy's Independent Group currently has the fastest growing Allstate and Nationwide agencies in the country.
- **2009 Stephanie (Schmeidler) Schneider** and husband Daniel happily announced the birth of their son Levi Michael Schneider on 9-13-21. Levi was welcomed

- home by siblings Natalie (7), Andrew (5) and Catherine (3). Grandparents are **Michael '70** and Cheryl **Schmeidler** and Robert and Kathy Schneider. Great-grandparents include **Cyril '39**†, Alice † & **Mildred '40** (Karlin) Schmeidler †.
- **2009 Kelsie (Dinkel) Bausch** and husband Trevor welcomed a baby girl, Mya Lennon on 4-5-22. Ollie, age 2, is happy to have a little sister.
- **2011 Brandon Gottschalk**, RN, Surgical Nurse was recognized as the DAISY Award winner at HaysMed. The award is granted to a registered nurse who shows passion for what they do and take pride in their practice.
- **2012 Jenna (Lang)** and Matt **Cunningham** announce the birth of their son, Bridger Dean on 3-16-22. Proud grandparents are **Terry '82** and Ruth **Lang**.
- **2012 Regan Konz**, a junior in microbiology at K-State received one of the Division of Biology's 2021-2022 Most Promising Student Awards. Grades, rigor of academic program, extracurricular activities, recommendations by faculty and performance in an interview were factors used to determine the winners. It is one of the greatest honors bestowed on biology students at K-State. Regan works in Charles Rice's research group in agronomy where she is investigating the effects of antibiotics and antibiotic resistance in the soil microbial community. She interned with a St. Louis company that is discovering and developing drugs.
- **2012 Sarah (Gottschalk)** and **Garrett '13 Stoecklein** welcomed a baby boy Baker Charles Stoecklein on 6-1-22.
- **2012 Brady** and Emily **Rohr** are excited to announce the birth of their baby girl Winter Rohr on 5-25-22.
- **2012 Joe Roth** accepted a new position in the TMP-M advancement and alumni office in February, 2022. Joe and his wife Emily and one son, Jay, age 2. We welcome Joe to the advancement team! Go Monarchs!
- **2012 Dylan Schumacher** married Dani Lickteig on 5-15-22. Parents of the groom are **Brian '78** and Jane **Schumacher**. Congratulations Dylan and Dani!
- **2014 Skyler Urban** graduated with Dean's Honors from Washburn School of Law in May, 2021 with his Juris Doctorate. He is an associate attorney in Seattle, WA. His parents are Steve and Brenda Urban, and his grandparents are **Paul '46** and Juliana **Urban.**
- **2017 Deonna Wellbrock** finished her standout soccer career at Fort Hays State University and graduated with a bachelor's degree in health and human performance.
- 2021 Jeff Heimann has earned an internship with College Works Painting as a branch manager and served the Hays area this summer where he was part of a group that painted 20-30 houses with custom paint jobs that ensure durability, sealing and protecting surfaces from sun and moisture. He is currently studying Wind Energy Technology at Colby Community College. After Jeff graduates from CCC, he plans to attend Fort Hays State University to work towards a degree in business marketing.

Your ACE 2021 Item #60 Dollars At Work !!! Check out the new pavement being poured on

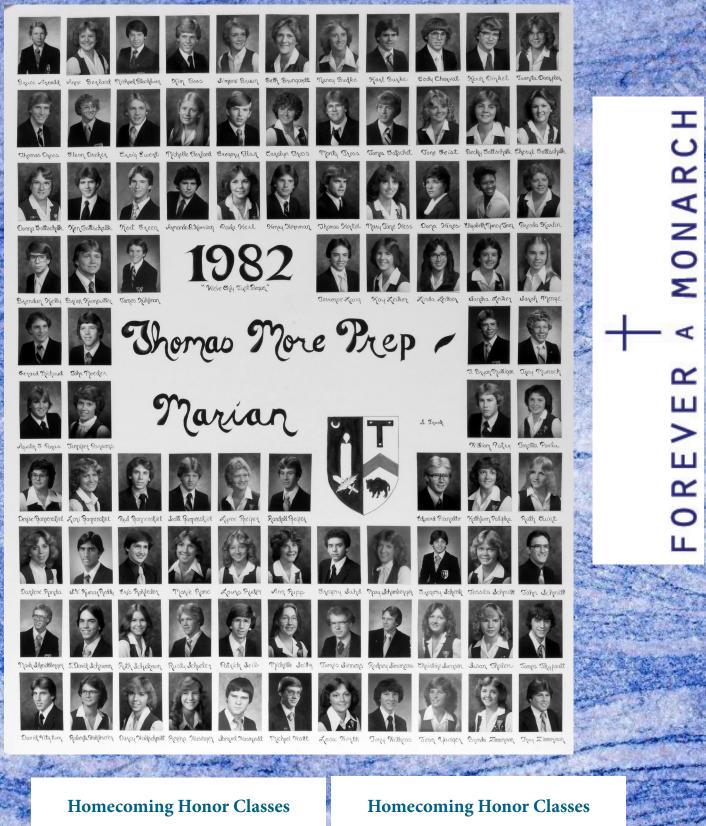
campus this summer!











25 Year - Class of 1997 (Page 35) 40 Year - Class of 1982 (Above) 50 Year - Class of 1972 Marian High School (Page 34) Thomas More Prep (Page 35)



Troy '93 Ruda
Advancement Director

### + FOREVER A MONARCH

The fostering of relationships with our stakeholders - alumni, parents, students, community members, business partners - is the primary function of the Advancement office. The relationship that you have with TMP-Marian is at the core of our successes for over 100 years.

I continue to be amazed at the physical structure of our great school. Construction began in the late 1920s (nearly 100 years ago) and was completed in 1932. Construction stalled on the building as the great depression ramped up and local citizens came together and completed the building. Imagine the labor that must have been as they built floor by floor, a building that still stands strong today because of the love that it has been shown by so many. It was relationships that brought the community together to help complete the school.

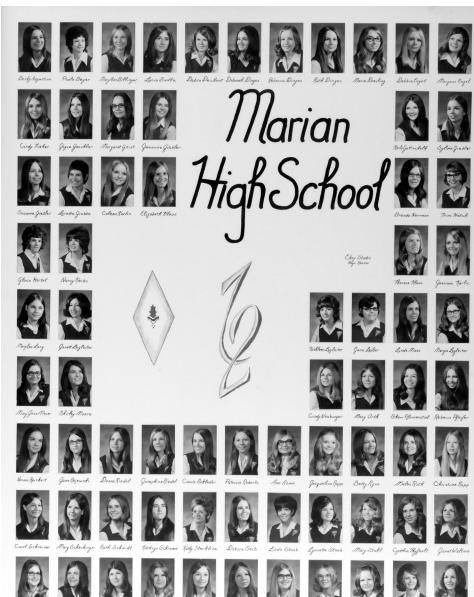
The strength of the building combined with the resiliency of the school itself has left us with the mission we have today. Hays Catholic College gave way to St. Joseph's College which molded into SJMA which welcomed St. Francis Seminary and grew into Thomas More Prep. Girls Catholic High expanded and emerged as Marian High School. TMP and Marian High shook hands and created TMP-Marian.

This pioneering spirit grew into TMP-Marian Jr/Sr High School in 2012. The mission of Catholic education in Ellis County has a history of adapting and growing when faced with challenge because of strong relationships.

As Superintendent, Geoff Andrews, mentioned in his article earlier in this publication, there is great value to Catholic schools beyond the education that a student receives. The amount of good that is put into the world because of the Christ-centered educational environment is immeasurable. You will benefit from Catholic schools whether you ever step foot in one or not. This is what makes it a mission of the Church – to create Saints.

Twenty-five years ago, the Stewardship Model of funding was adopted rather than the traditional tuition method. This strengthened the mission of Catholic education to all who desired it. Just as our Church does. The doors of our mission are open to all who desire it, but it is not free. It is the relationships with our supporters that make the stewardship mission possible.

Everything that we have is a gift from God and we are charged to do good with our blessings and return them to Him.

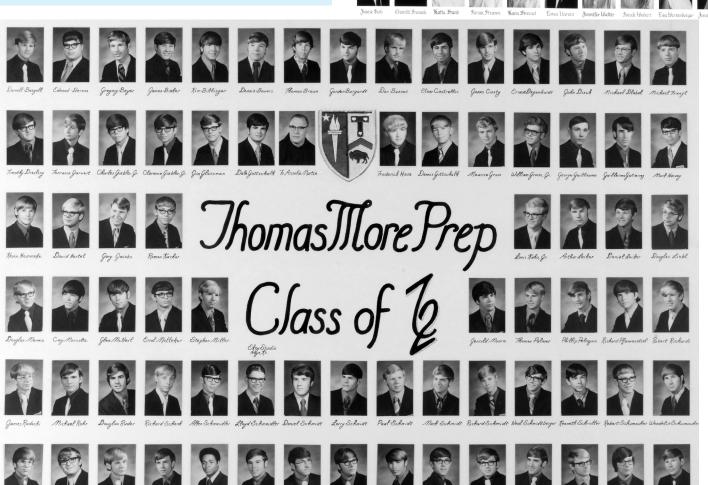


The Hays Catholic Schools are possible because of the good that you do with the gifts God has given you. Your volunteerism and your financial support are crucial to continuing our mission and growing it so that it can continue to better the lives of everyone it touches, including you. That is the relationship building that we work so hard on every day in the Advancement office. Being here for you, giving you the avenues of support available to you, so that we can, directly or indirectly, give them back to you.

Thank you for your steadfast support to our mission over the years. These are God's schools and He will provide. In that we trust because over and over again, He proves it to us with blessings such as you. Luke 6:38 reads, "Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure, you use it will be measured back to you." I hope your summer is off to a great start and we look forward to seeing and/or hearing from you soon!

Go to https://hayscatholicschools. smugmug.com/Kiosk to view these class panels online in greater detail.







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