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Above: Students traveled to Ecuador in June for a service immersion trip to Quito's Fundación Familias Trabajadores. To read more about this and other service and learning trips Regions took this summer, see page 10.

On the Cover: Students gather in the Regis Quad.

President's Report

An Astonishing Summer



As I shared in my charge to Regis graduates this June, I'm inspired by the poet Mary Oliver's "Instructions for Living a Life." She says there are three: pay attention, be astonished, and tell about it.

This summer, I did a lot of the first two. Now, I have the privilege to do the third.

Among the highlights of my summer were visits to the REACH residential programs at two sites: Fordham University, where 53 rising sixth-graders — our candidate students — spent three weeks in July, and the University of Scranton, where 138 students entering the seventh, eighth, and ninth grades spent those same three weeks.

As the founding REACH Director, the trips took me back to the program's origin story. Regis founded REACH in 2001 as a concrete commitment to strengthen the extraordinary legacy of Julia Grant's intention to establish a tuition-free school for Catholic boys with financial need. The first REACH class enrolled 28 students; classes now average around 50. REACH's annual expenses, which are part of Regis's overall operating budget, are now over \$1 million.

Admission to REACH is based on academic potential, and students must be both Catholic and from families with financial need. REACH aims to identify, recruit, and prepare promising middle school students to win scholarships at Regis or one of the program's other core Jesuit schools: Cristo Rey New York, Fordham Prep, Loyola, St. Peter's Prep, and Xavier. Fordham Prep has gone even further and makes a generous annual financial investment to support REACH operations and, with Fordham University, helps host the program at Rose Hill.

Of the six core high schools, Regis enrolls the most REACH graduates — about 15–20 each year. But REACH's student outcomes go beyond admission to an excellent high school. The program aims to develop young Catholic leaders who will become men for others, dedicated to God's greater glory. An introduction to Ignatian prayer and reflection, as well as opportunities for community-building, service, and character development, are carefully built into the program.

Four summers living and studying on a Jesuit college campus are, perhaps, the highlight of the REACH experience, and alumni almost always identify their time at Scranton or Fordham as the most impactful aspect of their time in the program.

This is by design. Many of our REACH graduates will be the first in their families to consider going away to college. Because of REACH,

by the time they enter high school, they will have spent 12 weeks living on a college campus. Our hope is that this makes them more open to exploring a full range of options when they are applying to colleges and that they will have the confidence to consider the best opportunities for them and their families, even if this means leaving the New York City area.

Which brings me to my visits to Fordham and Scranton this summer. It was wonderful to witness our REACH students learning in university classrooms, living in university residence halls, playing on university fields and courts, eating in university dining facilities, and praying in university chapels and auditoriums.

It was also wonderful to see REACH alumni who have returned as program leaders — alumni like Prince Hunt REACH '12, Regis '16, and Williams College '20, who serves as Director of Graduate Support; and Sebastian Huerta REACH '18, Regis '22, and Northwestern University '26.

A political science major at Northwestern, Sebastian has been involved in undergraduate research projects such as studying conflict in sub-Saharan Africa and working in a speech pathology lab. He is considering law school. But over the past few summers, he has returned to REACH to serve as a "collegian," leading an advisement group of 10 students as they acclimate to life on a university campus.

In addition to supporting his advisees through bouts of homesickness, Sebastian helps them study, navigate a university campus, and get used to having a roommate. He accompanies them to classes, meals, field trips, and Sunday Mass. He also leads them in their nighttime reflection, an opportunity to prayerfully review God's presence in their daily experiences and ask the Holy Spirit for strength and direction in the day to come.

It's been said that "you can't be what you don't see." Our REACH students are blessed to see young men like Prince and Sebastian who have made successful REACH journeys and now serve as inspiring role models to show them what's possible and who they can become. I'm blessed, too, for the opportunity to pay attention and be astonished by REACH's growth over more than two decades and its impact in shaping extraordinary lives of faith and service.

Sincerely,

Rev. Christopher J. Devron, SJ
President

The Office of Advancement Home on 84th Street

Earlier this year, we welcomed nearly 330 alumni from as far back as 1954 as they celebrated their milestone reunions at Regis. These reunions gave alumni the chance to reconnect with classmates and share in their love of Regis. Alumni and their guests had the opportunity to tour the building, attend Mass, hear updates from the school, and enjoy drinks and dinner.

We're excited to welcome alumni with class years ending in '5 and '0 at our 2025 reunions. The dates are below, and more information will be sent to alumni in these classes as the spring approaches.

MAY 3
25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, and 45th Reunions
Classes of 2000, 1995, 1990, 1985, and 1980

MAY 10
5th, 10th, 15th, and 20th Reunions
Classes of 2020, 2015, 2010, and 2005

MAY 31
50th Reunion
Class of 1975

JUNE 14
Golden Owls Reunion
Classes of 1970, 1965, 1960, and 1955



Stay Connected Through an Affinity Group!

Regis's affinity groups allow our alumni community the opportunity to collaborate and connect over shared interests, professions, experiences, and identities. Visit regis.org/alumni or scan the QR code to join one of our groups.



OPEN REGIS

Open Regis represents the interests of the school's LGBTQ+ alumni by fostering a strong sense of community and promoting a close relationship between the alumni and the school.

REGIONS IN MEDIA & ENTERTAINMENT

The Regions in Media and Entertainment group is a spirited community of artists, journalists, and media-related professionals.

REGIONS IN HEALTHCARE

Regions in Healthcare is an affinity group for Regions in the medical profession seeking opportunities for networking, mentoring, and education.

REGIONS IN TECH

Regions in Tech offers opportunities for Regions from different backgrounds and walks of life to engage on issues of technology, as well as network and share experiences.

REGIONS OF COLOR

Regions of Color provides alumni of color the opportunity to network with other alumni and promote Regis's initiative of belonging, dignity, and justice, as well as a forum for sharing experiences and advice.

REGIS BAR ASSOCIATION

The Regis Bar Association (RBA) provides a forum for Regions to share employment opportunities, connect those looking for legal services with those who can effectively provide those services, and share information and advice on the legal profession.

REGIS FINANCIAL NETWORK

The Regis Financial Network promotes opportunities for networking and idea exchange for alumni working in the financial services industry.

News & Notes

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Outdoor Track and Field Team Wins CHSAA A Sectional Title

The outdoor track and field team won the CHSAA A sectional championship on May 18, taking home the John Donodeo Award, named for former Regis physical education teacher and track coach Mr. John Donodeo P'02. Regis won the award for the second consecutive year, finishing first by a whopping 36 points with Mr. Donodeo himself on hand to witness the victory.

"It was a complete team victory," said Mr. Chris Febles, head coach of the field events. "I'm so proud of our athletes."

Regis athletes earned points in almost every event they contested during the meet. James Stappenbeck '25 was named the Track MVP of the meet for his runaway victory in the mile and his scorching anchor leg on the 4x800-meter relay. Matthew Kang '26 was voted the Field Event MVP with a win in the shot put and bronze medal in the discus. Jude Morrison '25 won the javelin and finished fifth in the discus. Adam Cartano '25, Ethan Klimczak '25, and Aidan Shrekast '27 finished 1-2-3 in the two-mile run. Larson Marquez '25 and Dylan Alphenaar '24 finished second in the 110-meter hurdles and 800 meters, respectively. The 400-meter relay of Robert Johnston '25, Ray Canning '24, Sebastien Neptune '25, and Declan Miller '25 finished in third place, missing the school record by five hundredths of a second.

"It's great to see so many athletes step up to help the team," said Mr. David Bonagura '99 P'25'28, head coach of the track events. "We asked a number of them to compete in events that would not have been their first choice, but they did so to help the team score points. Their sacrifices enabled us to win the championship."

Mr. Brendan MacDonnell P'16'20 Honored With Patricia Hannon Ignatian Educator Award

Math department chair Mr. Brendan MacDonnell P'16'20 was honored with the 2024 Patricia Hannon Ignatian Educator Award at the annual Spring Convocation on May 9. Mr. MacDonnell, who joined the Regis faculty in 1997, was celebrated for his unwavering dedication to students, passion for teaching, and deep commitment to living the mission of Regis.

Colleagues praised Mr. MacDonnell for being driven by his Catholic faith. They also described his willingness to stay late in the resource center assisting students, his moderation of numerous student clubs, and his mastery of his academic discipline.

"He's genuine, humble, and spontaneous," read one nomination. "Simply put, he makes Regis a better place."

The award is named for the late Mrs. Patricia Hannon, a profound presence in the Regis Science Department for 23 years. Hannon left a lasting mark on decades of chemistry students and was revered by her peers for her approach and commitment to teaching. Since her passing in 2005, an award in her memory has been bestowed on a member of the faculty who, like Mrs. Hannon, has contributed to student development inside and outside of the classroom.

Mr. MacDonnell's name will appear alongside those of former winners on a plaque in the 84th street foyer.



Ultimate Team Wins City Interscholastic Division Championship

Regis's ultimate team capped off an undefeated season on May 20, defeating Fordham Prep 14-9 to win the city Interscholastic Division championship. Seniors led an energetic Regis team from start to finish, while spirited supporters packed the Nest on the sidelines.

Against a formidable Fordham Prep team, Regis played lockdown defense to hold the Rams to two second-half points. Joey Rao '24, Charlie Mango '25, and Brendan Moran '26 guided the flow on offense, while Liam Bergeron '25 helped anchor a staunch defense. Solid handling and marking by Jake Koehler '24 bookended a great two-way performance.

The title is Regis's second in a row and third in the last four years.

History Department Hosts Student Historian Project Symposium



Seven Regis sophomores presented their work at the History Department's first Student Historian Project Symposium on May 22. The SHP initiative, created in 2022, sees sophomores conduct research on a subject of their choosing with the help of faculty guidance. After their final presentations, the sophomores have the opportunity to continue their research in their junior history term paper and potentially in senior electives.

The students met with Ms. Kara Papp, Ms. Kaitlin Landrein, Ms. Gena Reisig, and other members of the History Department regularly as they conducted their research, which is done in addition to the regular curriculum. Regis librarian Ms. Clair Quaintance also assisted students with their research as they used online databases and books within the library itself.

Students topics included "The Division and Dissolution of Yugoslavia," by John Allegra '26; "The Medici Family," by Jack Canaveral '26; "Mongol Siege Warfare and Jin Empire," by Fausto Cavaleri '26; "The Best Laid Plans of Myshi i Muzhchiny," by Nathaniel Marks '26; "Nativism in Mid-Nineteenth Century America," by Matthew McDonough '26; "Religious Discrimination in the Context of the Troubles," by Dylan O'Sullivan '26; and "Antisemitism in 1920s and 1930s Germany," by Anselm Park '26.

Ms. Frances Lyons Named Regis's First Full-Time Athletic Director

On May 29, Ms. Frances Lyons was introduced as Regis's first full-time Athletic Director.

With more than 10 years of experience in athletic administration and coaching, Ms. Lyons has proven herself as a dynamic leader. Most recently, she served as the Director of Athletics and

Advisor at Stuart Country Day School in Princeton, N.J. Prior to that, Ms. Lyons was the Associate Director of Athletics at the Brearley School. Additionally, her experience as a Field House Manager and Youth Sports Leagues Manager at Asphalt Green showcased her ability to oversee large-scale sports programs and facilities.

"Frances brings an impressive background in athletic administration and coaching, and we are thrilled to have her join our team," said Principal Mr. Charlie Heintz. "Frances is passionate about creating a positive and inclusive environment for all student-athletes, a value that aligns perfectly with our mission at Regis."

Ms. Lyons assumed the role in August.

"I am thrilled to join the Regis community as the next Athletic Director and am eager to embark on this exciting journey," said Ms. Lyons in May. "With deep appreciation for the rich history and traditions of Regis, I am determined to build upon the strong foundation already in place. My goal is to develop a program that not only nurtures athletic talent but also instills a sense of excellence and provides an exceptional experience for all student-athletes, fostering a culture of perseverance, care, sportsmanship, belonging, and overall development. I look forward to working closely with our student-athletes, coaches, and the entire Regis community to create an environment where everyone can thrive. Go Regis!"

Previously, the duties of Athletic Director were fulfilled by a member of the faculty, most recently physical education teacher Mr. Kevin Cullen. In her role as the full-time Athletic Director, Ms. Lyons will be supported by Mr. Cullen and Mr. Dwayne Edwards, especially in the ways that her role overlaps with the Physical Education Department.

"I am especially grateful to Kevin for his many years as Athletic Director, managing well the many tasks required of the constantly growing role while also teaching and coaching," said Mr. Heintz.



Students Present Research at Annual Science Symposium



Students in the Science Research Project presented their work at Regis's 26th annual Science Symposium on May 8. For the participating students, who composed poster-board and oral presentations, the symposium marked the culmination of many months of independent research.

This year's symposium featured keynote speakers Adam Cartano '25 and Leo Lee '25, both of whom earned recognition for their research at the highly competitive New York State Science and Engineering Fair in March. Cartano received an honorable mention, and Lee took first place in the Biomedical and Health Science category, which qualified him for the Regeneron International Science and Engineering Fair, the world's most prestigious pre-college science competition.

Lee created an image segmentation machine-learning model that is capable of detecting gastrointestinal polyps in colonoscopies, and Cartano conducted a study on oral cavity cancer treatments. At the conclusion of his presentation, Cartano offered words of advice for the assembled students.

"I had no expectations of this project succeeding at NYSSEF," said Cartano, "so if you think your idea is good — or even if you don't — just go ahead with it, put it in a project, and it might go far. You never know what will happen."

Other projects included a subsonic wind tunnel by Will Filocamo '25, research into the effects of crude oil on certain algae by Allen Wilk '25, and a project studying the effectiveness of thermal insulation and reflective paint in urban heat islands by Ezekiel Gonzalez '26.

The Science Research Project is an intensive program open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors that gives students interested in scientific research the opportunity to investigate projects of their own design.

Regions Discuss Mental Health on St. John Francis Regis Day

The Regis community joined together on May 9 for St. John Francis Regis Day, an annual initiative meant to inspire Regions to engage more deeply with contemporary social-justice issues. For JFR Day 2024, students, faculty, and staff discussed issues on the theme of mental health.

The day began with a school-wide assembly hosted by students as well as staff from the Office of Belonging, Dignity, and Justice. During their remarks, the group spoke about how mental health is a critical matter in our everyday lives and also in the framework of belonging, dignity, and justice.

Following the assembly, attendees had the opportunity to attend breakout sessions around the building to delve into various topics regarding mental health. Ranging from dealing with loss, transitioning to college life, and sports psychology, the sessions presented the opportunity for dialogue with other members of the Regis community as well as industry experts. In a breakout session titled "Pressure Cooker," Mr. Ankur Jain, the president of Tabor Asset Management, spoke about the lack of mental health awareness in the finance industry.

"The thing I learned the hard way was that self-love and a confidence in yourself is incredibly important," said Jain. "Of course, we have to continue the trend of checking in with one another, especially when going through high-stress situations."

The conclusion of the breakout sessions saw student club-led discussions focusing on how their clubs and mental health intersect. Expanding on the day's programming, the clubs spoke on a variety of topics including mental health in the music industry, the LGBTQ+ community, and Christian service projects.



Regis and Dominican Academy Join Together for Annual Walkathon

Students from Regis and Dominican Academy participated in the annual Walkathon on May 3. The day saw students, faculty, and staff come together to show school spirit and take part in a full slate of activities back on 84th Street after their walk through Central Park.

The Walkathon is a Student Government-run initiative meant to strengthen the school community and encourage Regions to reflect on the generosity that has kept Regis tuition free since its founding. It's the one time each year students are asked to fundraise for Regis, and they share the story of the school with neighbors, parishioners, and family members as they seek donations.

Following the walk, members of both schools' communities returned to Regis, where the Student Government planned an afternoon of activities including kickball, Spikeball, board games, and Mario Kart. In the Quad, students enjoyed a barbeque, then had an opportunity to dunk faculty members in the always popular dunk tank.

"Seeing this many people in the Quad, all so eager to have a good time and show their support for their school, is a great feeling" said Regis Student Government President Silas Nwaishienyi '24. "It shows that all the hard work that both Dominican Academy and Regis put in really paid off for a great day."



Ryan Huber '02 Addresses Class of 2024 at Senior-Alumni Brunch



Ryan Huber '02 addressed the Class of 2024 at the annual Senior-Alumni Brunch on May 29. During his remarks, Huber reflected on what being an alumnus has meant to him and spoke about ways that graduates can remain connected to their alma mater.

"I am very proud of my own time at Regis and my association with this school," said Huber. "My best friends are those I met here, and it remains our common denominator today. My own involvement as a Regis alumnus brings me great joy, and I try to seek out new ways to be involved or contribute."

After Regis, Huber attended Fordham University, then began his career in real estate investment banking. He has spent the last 14 years at ATCO Properties, where he is SVP of Acquisitions and Development. He was a co-founder of Pulse Radiology Education, a distance learning platform for radiology professionals, which was acquired in 2022. He is also a co-founder of Alpha RT, which is the first remote MRI imaging operator. Huber is a Class Fund Chair for Regis, helping to fundraise among members of his class. He has also volunteered his time to Regis on the annual Interview Day.

"Regis is an important part of my own identity," said Huber. "I hope that following graduation and when you start this new phase of your life away from this building, that you choose to remain an active member of our Regis community in your own way."

As Regis expands its global education program, students traveled the world during summer break to learn, to serve, and to lead.

This summer, 131 Regians took part in global service and learning trips that offered them the opportunity to engage with people and communities far from 84th Street. With the addition of new trips to Alabama, France, and China, more Regians than ever spread out across the globe this summer. Indeed, during a week in June, Regis had groups of students on five continents at once. "It's very important for students to broaden their experiences," said Mr. Christian Mariano '99, Assistant Principal for Student Life. "Interacting with people halfway around the world gives them better insights into how we can improve ourselves back at home."

ONE SUMMER, FIVE CONTINENTS

PARIS, FRANCE

French-speaking students attended a two-week cultural and language exchange program in Paris. Students took a tour of Versailles, visited the Museum of the Liberation of Paris, and took part in a walking tour and scavenger hunt around the city. As part of the program, students from Lycee Saint Louis de Gonzague will visit New York later this fall.



BERLIN, GERMANY

German-speaking Regians attended a two-week cultural and language exchange trip to Berlin. Students visited the Neues Palais, the Juedisches Museum, and took a tour of the city. As part of the program, students from Canisius Kolleg will visit New York next spring.



NANJING, CHINA

The Ricci-Xu Young Scholars Program is a cultural leadership and exchange program that brings together students from Regis, Dominican Academy, and Nanjing Foreign Language School in China for regular conversations. As part of the program, Regians attended a two-week cultural and language immersion program in Nanjing, in collaboration with Dominican Academy and Nanjing Foreign Language School. Students toured the Classical Gardens of Suzhou, competed in dragon boat races, and took a cooking class at a culinary school, in addition to other tours and lectures.



NOGALES, ARIZONA, UNITED STATES

In July, a group of Regis students traveled to Nogales on the Arizona-Mexico border for an immersion trip hosted by the Kino Border Initiative. The students extended hospitality to migrant families and had an opportunity to learn more about their stories.



WEST VIRGINIA, UNITED STATES

On this trip, students learned about the history and culture of the Appalachian region while examining issues surrounding rural poverty, sustainability, and environmental degradation through communication and volunteering with locals. Regis offered two separate trips this summer. One was in the Wheeling area through the Appalachian Institute at Wheeling University. Students took part in service surrounding food insecurity and learned about industry and the environment. On the other trip, in a more rural area of the state, students worked with the West Virginia Ministry of Advocacy and Workcamps. WVMAW is a non-profit organization that helps residents whose homes have been destroyed by natural disasters, particularly flooding.



ALABAMA, UNITED STATES

This trip, organized for the first time this year, immersed students in places important to the Civil Rights movement. Students visited museums and monuments, heard lectures, and conducted service work in Montgomery, Mobile, and Selma.



QUITO, ECUADOR

This service immersion experience is a unique opportunity for students to be in communion with and serve the most vulnerable in Quito, Ecuador. This trip took place at Quito's Fundación Familias Trabajadores, which was founded by Rev. John Halligan, SJ, and pursues a holistic approach to family development, reaching out to the poorest segment of Quito's population.



MADRID, SPAIN

Spanish-speaking students took part in a two-week cultural and language exchange trip in Madrid. Students on the trip had the opportunity to visit the Museo del Prado, Palacio Real, and other sights. As part of the program, students from Colegio de Nuestra Senora del Recuerdo also visited New York.



NAIROBI, KENYA

Six rising seniors traveled to Nairobi to visit St. Aloysius Gonzaga Secondary School, which offers Catholic education to students in Kibera, Africa's largest slum. During the academic year, these six students are among the Regians who volunteer to remotely tutor St. Aloysius students. While on the trip, Regis students also had the opportunity to take part in cultural activities.



KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA

In July, Regians spent a week working with students at Zotung Catholic Refugee Learning Centre in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The center serves students from the Chin community whose families have fled persecution in Myanmar. The Regians on the trip were among those who have been tutoring online with the center during the school year.



Postcards From REACH

This year, the REACH Program saw its biggest residential summer ever, with 191 students spanning four grades spread out across two college campuses. To document it, we gave disposable cameras to REACH students at both Scranton and Fordham.

Since its founding in 2001, the REACH Program has enriched the lives of middle-school students through programming both at Regis and on a college campus. This time on a campus is a critical part of the REACH experience, as students not only grow academically, spiritually, and as leaders, but also get a taste of what college life could be like when they graduate from high school. This element of REACH has grown over the years: Rising sixth graders (our “candidate” students) now go to a separate

campus for their three weeks away from New York, while the program has also introduced a fourth-year residential program for students about to begin high school. As a result of these changes, this summer saw the biggest residential summer in REACH’s history, with candidate students at Fordham University in the Bronx, and all other REACH students at the University of Scranton in Pennsylvania. Here’s what it all looked like, as photographed by the students themselves.



While on campus during the residential program, students attend Mass together and say a nightly Examen, deepening their relationships with God and learning the importance of serving others. “During nighttime reflection, I can feel the power of God with us,” says rising seventh grader Joseph Villalba (foreground at right). “REACH showed me how important God is in my life.”



During their time at Scranton, REACH students have access to athletic facilities otherwise used by the university’s students. “I’ve never had places like that,” says rising seventh grader Steven Peralta Castro (in foreground closest to camera). “Open to me, available to me? Never.”



REACH’s curriculum is meant to unlock students’ potential, teaching them better study habits and providing them with a foundation to excel academically. “REACH is helping me get ahead at school,” says candidate student Prince Antoine (foreground at right). “I really like Civitas and Latin. In Civitas, I like how we learn about history on a more advanced level.”



REACH seeks to foster students’ leadership potential, in part through its C.O.R.E. initiative. C.O.R.E. (Challenging Outdoor REACH Experiences) is designed to develop students’ self-awareness, communication skills, and cooperative problem solving skills. “Because the activities challenge us to talk and collaborate, my voice has changed a lot, and I’ve built more bonds,” says rising ninth grader Sebastian Pinzon ’28 (second from left). “I’m not really too talkative, but during our activities we learn to talk and cooperate with new people.”



Class of 2024 College Destinations



Auburn University
Maximilian J. Coughlin

Ave Maria University
Alexander Antonio Cohen

Binghamton University
Ryan Jones Feile
Yann Edern Kermarrec
Michael John Murray
Michael Nunez

Boston College
Dylan Patrick Alphenaar
Daniel Steven Bajada
Daniel Kevin Brennan
William Walter Daniels
Joaquin Christopher Dowling
Peter Joseph Fitzmaurice
Lukas Milan Jimenez
Joseph Anthony Tatarka

Boston University
Alexis Villalba

Brown University
Jonah Declan Vazao Kennedy
Caleb Logan Lee-Kong

Bucknell University
Daniel Patrick White

Carleton College
Benicio Calderon

Carnegie Mellon University
Johanny Flores
Jose German

Case Western Reserve University
Aiden Michael Kwiatkowski
Rhandy Morocha
John Stanton Windisch

College of the Holy Cross
Jake Richard Koehler
Austin Joseph Mejia
Alexander John Sepe
Jake Martin Sidell

Colorado School of Mines
Theodore Joseph Poulos

Columbia University
Ray Anthony Canning
Michael William Kitt
Joel Lazcano
Cristian Sicha
Gabriel David Tramontana

Cornell University
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Gebran Leonard Kastoun
Christian Joseph Scheuermann
Aidan Thomas Short
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Robert Kwangwoon Taverni

Duke University
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Emory University
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Albert Alvarado
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The City College of New York
Melvin Ulloa

The George Washington University
Louis Robert Cochet

The University of Texas–Austin
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University of Rochester
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University of Scranton
George Erich Michael Gill

University of Utah
Ciaran Denis Keane

University of Virginia
Jonathan James Cappello
Rowan Karim

University of Wisconsin–Madison
Matthew Robert Hummell

Villanova University
Paul Xavier Asari
Sabato Anthony Daniele
John Joseph Duffin
John Paul Giraldo
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Wesleyan University
Thomas K. Chun
Finnian Michael Hayden

Williams College
Adhyatman Esteban Vikram Agarwala

Xavier University
Xavier John Milano

Yale University
Kai-Shan Kwek-Rupp

Prowlings

1949

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Francis Cryan writes, “I am still actively serving as a lector and altar server at my church. I am also maintaining my house and lifestyle as well as growing vegetables in a 130-square-foot garden. Beset with diabetes, pulmonary disorder, ear infections, and deafness, as well as a multiple fracture of a bone in my left foot, I am still quite functional. I wish each of my classmates well and pray for them daily. Best wishes to you all.”

1950

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Bob Dalury writes, “Thankfully my wife, Lilly, and I are both well. She was my Spanish teacher when I was working for IBM in Buenos Aires and continues to teach classes here in Connecticut. We have children and grandchildren living with their families in Europe and Argentina. We wish they were physically closer, but Zoom does help in communicating frequently. I belong to a book club and poker group and meet in person monthly for both. **Mike O'Connor** reports that he and his wife, Katherine, are in good health and that their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren are widely dispersed in at least nine different states, the exception being one grandchild in Ireland. Our thanks go to the developers of smartphones and FaceTime, which permit us to see and speak to them from time to time.

1953

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We mourn the passing of **Msgr. Thomas Bergin**. Classmate **Ron Tobin** asked Tom about his life after Regis about a year ago and Tom replied, “I was ordained in 1961 into the New York Archdiocese and I’ve spent most of my years in education teaching Latin as a principal on Staten Island, as Archdiocese vicar for education, as chancellor for the Archdiocese under Cardinal O’Connor, as a pastor of a Staten Island parish where I spent 45 of my 62 years as a priest, and after reaching retirement age of 80, on the sidelines wishing I could still be working.” Tom sent the following email to me in April: “I was driving on Route 66 to California at age 80 when Cardinal Dolan heard about this and said if I could do such, I should go back to work, so I administered and helped out in various parishes until 2021 when I fully retired at the retirement home in the Bronx.” Tom Passed

away on May 2, 2024. God bless you, Tom. From **Dr. Bill Kenny**: “My book is titled *Desires of the Heart: The Evolution of an American Psychiatrist*, which is sold on Amazon. It chronicles my travels from childhood, schooling in wartime Vietnam, psychoanalysis, marriage, and various postings, eventually becoming assistant professor of psychiatry at Queens University in Kingston, Ontario.”



Ted McAniff '53 with Justin McCarthy-Hill '23 at the Regis Regional Reception in Los Angeles

1954

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Jim McGroddy was blessed with the arrival of his second great grandchild, Kate Liebscher, on March 13. She and her big brother Rob live in Burlington, Vt., and Jim hopes to meet her in person soon! He himself is dealing with the effects of CIDP, an autoimmune neurological condition, likely triggered by inappropriate prophylactic use of Keytruda, which severely limits his mobility. Complicating things, there were major problems in anesthesia at his recent hip replacement at HSS, and his breathing and other aspects of life were badly affected. With tremendous support from his wife, Amy, and his son and four daughters, all living within driving distance of his home in Westchester, he survived and is making good progress toward recovery. On the eve of our 70th anniversary of graduation from Regis, eight of us were able to gather at the school to celebrate: from North Carolina, Roberta and **Phil Trainor** and **Tom Finnegan**; from Virginia, Kathy and **Fred Burgess**; from Connecticut, Peggy and **Traug Lawler** and **Bill Monahan**; from New York, Amy and Jim McGroddy, **George Culliney**, and Kathy and **Jack Conroy**. It began with a tour of the school, which has changed a great deal physically, then Mass in the chapel which has changed very little and at which we remembered our 53 classmates who are with the Lord. This was followed by drinks and dinner

in the auditorium along with the other Golden Owls. Monahan and Conroy, who attended first grade together at Annunciation school, closed the place down. Please keep in touch.

1955

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John Morriss writes, “On May 18, we attended the graduation of our granddaughter Madeleine Callaway from Georgetown University. Her brother (James Callaway) had graduated in 1989 from Georgetown (when we met Patrick Ewing, Georgetown’s iconic basketball player). Thousands of students graduated from the various schools of the university. Thousands of family members and friends attended the event. As with all Jesuit schools, when you step onto the Georgetown campus, there is a definite “buzz!” Something educationally and humanly special takes place every day. The “buzz” gets better when you return for another graduation or reunion. Georgetown expands minds, inspires hearts and minds, and transforms lives. At the founding of the Society of Jesus, St. Ignatius told the first Jesuits, “Go set the world on fire!” Jesuit schools, students, and alumni have done that for almost 500 years all over the globe! It was rejuvenating to see again the statue of Bishop John Carrol (founder of Georgetown and aided by the Jesuits); Healy Hall (main administration and classroom building); Dahlgren Chapel; Lauinger Library, etc. We fondly remembered **Fr. Timothy Healy, SJ, '47**. Fr. Healy was an immensely popular Dean of Students when we were students at Fordham. He eventually became Executive Vice President at Fordham University. He later became Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs of the City University of New York (CUNY). He became President of Georgetown University in 1976 (a 13-year tenure, 1976–1989). At Georgetown, he personally and singularly transformed Georgetown to heights of academic excellence from which the University has never wavered and in which it has even expanded upon. He increased the number of professors, introduced new areas of studies and new academic departments and academic chairs, added 12 new buildings, and increased the endowment sixfold. He inspired the alumni to a new loyalty to Georgetown, both educationally, morally, and financially. Georgetown has one of the lowest admission rates and highest SAT scores among American colleges and universities. Fr. Healy was among the most effective university

presidents in America. At Georgetown he was a definite presence, and even more of a happening! Everybody in Washington knew Fr. Healy, and Fr. Healy knew everybody in Washington, e.g., the President, Speaker of the House, Leader of the Senate, their associates, etc. He offered the Benediction at the Second Inaugural of President Ronald Reagan. Georgetown stands tall today on Fr. Healy’s shoulders. RIP. *Hoya Saxa! Forever Fordham!* After Georgetown, Fr. Healy became President of the New York Public Library, doubling the endowment; opening the Science, Industry and Business Library; and improving access to local branches by poor children. In May of 1990, our son (John Morriss) graduated from the College of the Holy Cross. Fr. Healy gave the commencement speech, offering a medley of insight, inspiration, and wisdom. He was involved in more than 40 years of higher education (mostly Catholic, some public). His accomplishments, founded on AMDG, transformed thousands of lives and careers. Fr. Healy received a BA degree from Woodstock College in English and Philosophy, an MA degree in English from Fordham University, and a Ph.D degree in English from Oxford University. He could talk to academics, business managers, and university construction architects. Fr. Healy was *sui generis* and should always be remembered as a great educator, initiator, administrator, groundbreaker, priest, and saint! He was also in many ways “a Jesuit’s Jesuit!” We attended Sunday Mass at the Jesuit Church of the Holy Trinity (a few blocks from the University). The spiritual energy of the liturgy and of the congregants was most impressive, palpable, and spirited. The parishioners were clearly “up” for the service. No doubt this church operates this way year-round. The parish operates a co-ed elementary school, which offers Spanish and whose graduates are admitted into high-quality high schools. Very many thanks to members of our class who contributed to the 2024 Annual Fund. Your generosity to Regis over the last 65+ years is greatly appreciated. Your support is also downright “noble-hearted!” The following is an addendum to the Winter 2024 issue of *Regis* Magazine. Regarding the relationship and courtship of Michelle and Ed Ahearn, “*Le coeur a ses raisons que la raison ne connait pas!*” John Morriss graduated from Fordham University *cum laude* and earned his place on the Dean’s List for four straight years. At graduation, he received the Silver Medal of Excellence (ranked second in the class of 353 students). In reference to the 80th anniversary of D-Day, John Morriss writes, “Admiral Phillippe DeGaulle unfortunately passed in March 2024, less than three months before the 80th anniversary of D-Day.”

1956

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Bob Imbelli recently brought to our attention a link on the Duke University website to “The **Frank Borchardt** Undergraduate Prize Fund,” established in 2013, six years after Frank’s death in 2007. We all remember Frank as the larger-than-life King Lear in the fall of ’55 RDS Shakespeare production. Many of us know Frank had gotten his Ph.D in German from Johns Hopkins University and was a longtime member of the Duke German Department. Few of us knew, however, that Frank “had developed a passion for using computers in foreign language instruction and had become famous for his research in the mid-1990s.” One of the students in Instructional Technologies, a course Frank taught in the mid to late ’90s, was David Cummings, an entrepreneurial student who started a tech business as a college junior in 2001. Frank was its initial investor, and that business was the first of many entrepreneurial successes by Mr. Cummings. In recognition of the encouragement and financial support Frank had provided him in his undergraduate years, Mr. Cummings created and generously funded the Borchardt Prize Fund. We urge you all to read about Frank’s time at Duke and the high esteem in which David Cummings and others in the Duke Community held Frank. Speaking of Bob Imbelli, the good father recently informed us that he returned to Rome this past January to serve as reader for a doctoral dissertation and defense at Gregorian University. This was Bob’s first “official” return to the Greg since he received his licentiate degree there in 1966. In a recent conversation with **Mike Murray**, we asked whether he had run across any ’56 classmates (other than **Neil Coughlin**) during his cross-country meanderings. Mike replied that he had indeed spent time with and had been on a quest with (the elusive) **Bob Koch** and Bob’s wife, Maeve, at their house in Charleston, S.C. Mike hadn’t seen Bob in the flesh since attending his and Maeve’s wedding in Manhattan more than 50 years ago. While we’re in the Carolinas, we recently had a most interesting conversation with **Rich Theuer**, now living in semi-retirement in Raleigh, N.C. with his wife, Carol Ann. Rich had a distinguished professional career before retiring as CEO of the Beech Nut company in 1999. Rich started his professional career in the baby food business after receiving a Ph.D in child nutrition from the University of Wisconsin. He worked in three different states before accepting an assignment with the Nestle Company in Switzerland. Rich lived there with his wife and three sons for 38 months before returning to the States in the ’70s. Rich became CEO of Beech Nut after his predecessor was indicted for fraud in the mid-80s (something to do with apple juice that wasn’t all apple juice) and skillfully (according to contemporary media

accounts) navigated Beech Nut through the crisis. Rich continued his prolific publishing, teaching, and consulting on all things involving pediatric nutrition, until a recent in-house fall slowed him down. As noted, Rich and Carol Ann have three sons; the oldest is a physician, the second is an accountant, and the third son is a lawyer. They have given the Theuers six grandchildren. Finally, Rich reports that our own **Joe Mottola** (with whom Rich went to grammar school until the fifth grade) is living in the Raleigh area. Joe’s wife, Carolyn, passed away in May, 2023. They were married for 59 years. Finally, some interesting statistics concerning the class of ’56: We started out with 141 freshmen in four sections. We graduated 98 in 1956. As far as we can tell, 47 of the 98 are still with us. According to our calculation, 48 percent have survived into their ninth decade. According to Chat GPT approximately 33.75 percent of Americans born in 1938 are still alive. Luck? Prayer? Clean living? Who cares? We’re still here. **Charles Wertalik** writes, “It’s my pleasure to announce that, as of June 13, my wife, Pat, and I are great grandparents of Madelyn Kate Rosenberg, daughter of our youngest granddaughter, Betsy Price and her husband, Adam. Unfortunately, there’s a negative side to the good news: Pat was diagnosed with Alzheimer’s Disease in February. It’s in the early stage but nonetheless is a real bugger. I’d very much appreciate any prayers our classmates can contribute.”

1957

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Jim Power reports that he visited the College of the Holy Cross for the first time, in May, for the graduation of his granddaughter, who graduated *magna cum laude*. This marks a sort of superfecta of Jesuit colleges for Jim’s grandchildren. Two grandsons previously received undergraduate and graduate degrees from Fordham, Boston College and Fairfield — and there are still three grandsons to go. Congratulations, Jim, to you and your talented grandchildren. **Neil McCarthy** writes, “Maureen and I did two very different but interesting cruises. One was to South America around Cape Horn from Valparaiso to Buenos Aires featuring volcanoes and glaciers in Chile, penguins, giant southern seals, and two different species of whales around Ushuaia and the Cape, plus tours of Montevideo and Buenos Aires on the Atlantic side. The second was from Basel, down the Rhine with six great stops on the way to Amsterdam. In the Netherlands, we traveled through its canals, visiting the fantastic Rijksmuseum, followed by touring Antwerp and Bruges. Lastly, back in the United States, I served as poll worker for the Georgia primary elections from 5 a.m.–9 p.m., manning a poll pad to check voters in, plus setting up and closing the polls.” In response to my inquiry, Neil doesn’t expect to be involved in any legal battles

based on his duties. In addition to his travels, he also keeps up with some financial planning clients, and jogs or cycles seven days a week. **Bill Berlinghoff** reports that all is well in his corner of Maine. In April, he and Barb took a trip to the Azores for a very pleasant one-week stay. Since then, they have been tending to their property, Barb in the garden and Bill continuing his forest management program. Bill keeps up with his stringed instrument playing but has tired of the hassle of chasing gigs. **Ray Begin** has updated us on his venture into racehorse ownership: His horse, Seize the Grey, won the second leg of the Triple Crown, the Preakness. Ray is one of the 2,504 owners who received \$156 per share that was bought for \$127 per share. Ray is looking forward to more special races in the fall and the breeding career of Seize for many years to come. **Packy Lawler** and Judith made a great trip to Italy in April with their next-door neighbors. They flew to Rome, rented a car, and Packy drove a 1,500-mile round-trip via Orvieto, Pitigliano, Massa Maritima, Siena, Lucca, Florence, Assisi, Spoleto, and back to Rome for a six-day stay. Lots of fun. They toured a winery in Montalcino, walked extensively in the smaller places, and visited many of the famous museums in Florence and Rome. The weather was fine, the food was pretty special, and I'm happy to report that the grappa makers of Italy continue to improve their product. While in Rome, we were in email contact with Jim Power, who provided some guidance for sites in Rome to visit on our next trip.

1958

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From **Ray Sisk**: "I am very sad to report that my wife of nearly 62 years passed on March 4 from a sepsis infection after a very brief illness. Carol and I dated at Regis, and she was my prom date. She did it all: Navy wife, mother of four, grandmother of 12, selected Outstanding Young Woman in America in 1976 for civic accomplishments, catechism teacher, Meals on Wheels volunteer. She gave of herself to family, church, community, and neighbors. And even softened my rough edges. I loved her and miss her deeply. May she rest in peace." **George Garces** writes, "On June 8 I turned 85, which means I'm still the oldest graduate of our class. Thank God I'm also still healthy and enjoying life. To punctuate the end of my birthday party, a double rainbow appeared in the sky as the day was ending. How about that! Life is good." From **Arthur Henry**: "I had my fourth and last Easter birthday on March 31; I turned 83. I say 'last' because the next one is 2086. Turns out March 31 is tied for the most common dates for Easter since 1600 (23 times, four in my lifetime). The first of the four, in 1991, and the St. Paul Damascus Road Event that preceded it, was the occasion of my returning — if too slowly, even slower than St. Paul — to the faith after decades of wandering in the desert, grateful for

surviving long enough to be able to do that. Thank you Lord! Suzy had a Mass said for my intentions that day, with our friends also in attendance for it. Afterwards, she took our friends and me to brunch — a great day. Some Regis guys participated in her gift to me: Those sentiments y'all sent about me, it was hard enough for me to handle hearing her read them, but it was even harder when, at brunch, people read them to me! I am one blessed dude with my bride, a huge part of why I am still here."



Arthur Henry '58 and his wife, Suzy, on Arthur's 83rd birthday

1959

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Earlier this year, **Paul Mulligan** reported, "I met **Bob Wiggers** for lunch in downtown Washington, as he was at the office for meetings, and I went for my pickleball game. Bob is still working full time at the Department of Justice, 57 years and counting. I just celebrated my 10-year anniversary of retirement, with only minor regrets." On June 3, **Doug Futuyma** wrote, "I wish I could be there for the 65th Reunion, but I was invited to speak at a conference in Brazil and so I will be there instead. I've seen **Don McDonough** recently, and we plan to meet for lunch again. Please raise an extra glass for me." **Rich Loeffler** is happy to announce the birth of his first great grandchild, Jack Michael, born on June 10. Happy parents are his granddaughter Emily and her husband, Michael. At the Golden Owls reunion on June 15, the class was represented by **Jim Bonnell**, **Pat Brosnan** and wife Christine, **John Felago**, Don McDonough, **Paul Mulligan**, and **Mike Shef** and wife Lorraine.

1961

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Way back on April 22, four members of our class attended a reception with Regis President Rev. Christopher Devron, S.J. The group included **Bob Crimmins**, **Greg D'Alessio**, **John Lively**, and **Tom Walsh**. The event was documented in dueling reports from Greg and Bob. Here is part of Greg's: "The reception was held in the Coleman Room of the famous Dubliner Irish Pub on the ground floor

of the Phoenix Park Hotel. We four 1961 Golden Owls attended as a result of an organizing initiative by Tom Walsh (a.k.a. "Walshibus") who for many years after our 50th Reunion celebration at Regis in 2011 has hosted lunches and dinners for us at the Army-Navy Club in Washington, D.C. I am pleased to report that the Regis Class of 1961 was the oldest Regis class represented at this well-attended gathering. Fr. Devron hosted the reception and took time to speak with the four of us." Here is part of Bob Crimmins report: "Dr. Tom, Friar John, Chronicler Greg, and Barrister Bob (me) have been trying for the past few days to find a picture we were sure was taken by a fellow Region using one of our phones. As to why the consternation, perhaps we had an ulterior motive. Were we searching for proof that our Regis-trained memories were still intact? (Herbie Ryan once made us memorize the list of the monarchs of England back to William the Conqueror!) Now earlier today three photos came in from Greg showing Tom, John and me. Then a fourth came in showing Greg and an unidentified woman and others watching Fr. Devron speak. Why wasn't Greg in the photos with Tom, John and me? What is more interesting, look at the fellow outside (unidentified) whose attention has seemingly been captured by the goings-on. He has a cell phone. Did he take pictures? Where are they? This is getting curiouser and curiouser!" In response, **Greg** resolved the mystery. He explained that the photos were taken by **Joe DeLessio '02**, Director of Communications and Engagement at Regis and that the "unknown woman" was Maureen Barry P'21, Vice President of Advancement at Regis. Case closed! **Cosmo Salibello** wrote, "On May 23, I made another trip south, though this time for a happy occasion. I was in Palo Alto to celebrate **Nick Zirpolo's** 80th birthday. I got to renew old friendships, especially those with Nick's immediate family who attended, and to make some new friends with his neighbors who were able to drop by. However being 80 is supposed to feel, I'm not there yet. It was obvious that Nick is not there yet himself. We had a fantastic time! Reminds me of Buzz Lightyear in *Toy Story*: 'To infinity and beyond!' (Or did I not take **Fr. Egan's** physics class seriously enough?)" **Dennis Thelen** sent this note on a planned trip that many of us would enjoy: "On July 3, a couple I have known since my Navy days 55 years ago and I will be heading to London and Cornwall for 10 days. We are all avid fans of British TV (especially the mystery series). Acorn TV, one of the streaming services we watch, sponsors a tour to, among other places, some of the sites where the shows, e.g., *Midsomer Murders*, are filmed. There will also be the requisite visit to Highclere Castle (the *Downton Abbey* manor) and to Agatha Christie's home. Most important for us, though, will be the day trip to Port Isaac in Cornwall, the town where our all-time favorite series was filmed: *Doc Martin*, a comedy about an irascible (of course), hemophobic

(not of course) doctor who doesn't know the meaning of bedside manner. The supporting cast is great, and I would highly recommend the show to anyone looking for a good laugh. Since the tour requires flying to Heathrow, we are adding a few days at the start to spend in London and will return just in time to spend my 80th the next day with friends (if I can stay awake)." **Seb Pandolfo** described a recent family excursion: "Our clan recently gathered in Turks and Caicos for a delightful week of sun, surf, and memorable meals (though I did not find conch appealing). Missing from the festivities were my grandsons: Graham, completing his studies at George Washington University with a master's, *summa cum laude* (and now working for a lobbying firm); and Miles, finishing sophomore year at Syracuse. My 11-year-old granddaughter Lucy, accompanied by her parents, is currently in Paris working on her French language skills in a student-exchange program." In our last column, **Ted Vorburger** reported on his family's plan to view the most recent total eclipse. Here is an update: "Our family traveled to Arkansas to view the total eclipse on April 8. My wife Joanne, daughter Judy, granddaughter Anja, and I flew to Oklahoma City where we loaded up grandsons Grant and Connor in a rental car for the excursion. Our other daughter Jane trailed in a second car. We made it to Mt. Magazine State Park, Ark., well inside the path of totality, stopping for the night in Ft. Smith, still haunted by the hanging judge, Isaac Parker (remember him in *True Grit*?). The total eclipse was magnificent. The corona was dotted with three pink spots, which we learned were solar prominences. This is the second total eclipse we have been fortunate to witness. Joanne, Judy, Anja, and I are veterans of the eclipse in 2017 that passed over Wyoming and crossed the rest of the country as well. Joanne and I also traveled to Albuquerque, just a quick hop from Denver for the annular eclipse last October. Heads up: The next one will be August 12, 2026, over Iceland and Spain."



Bob Crimmins '61, John Lively '61, and Tom Walsh '61 at Regis's Regional Reception in Washington, D.C.



Rev. Christopher Devron, SJ, Maureen Barry P'21, Greg D'Alessio '61, and other attendees at Regis's Regional Reception in Washington, D.C.

1962

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I am sad to report the death of another classmate. **Tony Castelbuono** died in Las Vegas on April 6. He is survived by his wife of 25 years, Leyin Ouyang, and five children from a previous marriage. Tony grew up in Italian Harlem and was one of the very few members of our class to sport a genuine ducktail haircut. An excellent student, Tony graduated from Fordham and Harvard Law and had a successful and well-publicized legal career that flamed out in the late 1980s. Afterwards he lived a quieter life. An email exchange between **Bob Abbott** and **Paul Spagnoli** about their privileged status as graduate students with 2S deferments during the Vietnam War, followed up by a conversation over lunch between Paul and **Wayne Merritt**, led to an extended discussion among our list of classmates about military service. **John Shay** went from Fordham ROTC to a three-year Army career that included some interesting assignments in D.C. plus a year in 1968 as an Army Intelligence Captain with the Americal Division in Vietnam. There he reported twice daily to Major Colin Powell and encountered a host of individuals that those with short memories can Google, including Tracey Kidder, a fellow intelligence officer, as well as Ernest Medina, William Calley, and Donald Segritti. A year later, **John James** served as an infantry sergeant just north of Saigon. "It was truly a defining experience for me," he reports. **Kieran Meagher** went from Manhattan College to Navy OCS and served in the Supply Corps, including a number of posts with Naval Support Activity Saigon. Kieran especially remembers "being assigned as support officer for a building program the Navy initiated. We built ATSBs (Advance Tactical Support Bases), each in effect a floating hotel on a very large barge. We would tow the barges up rivers to combat areas, where the troops would come in for a shower, a whole bunch of beers, minor medical and dental work, and a bed. All luxuries for those incredibly brave individuals. It was really the only time I saw combat, and I concluded it was unhealthful.

Fired a few rounds in earnest and am reasonably certain I hit nothing but trees." **Greg Lowell** served in the Air Force and **Steve Markowski** in the Army during the late 60s, though the closest Steve got to the war was a year stationed at Schofield Barracks in Hawaii. **Rich Musto**, **Brendan Thomson**, and **Ed Petruzzello** all served as medical officers during the war, Rich and Brendan with the Navy in the Pacific, Ed in Germany. Brendan recalled that the late **Mark Brennan** had a long career as a Navy dentist, including Pacific service. **John O'Rourke** remembered the tough time that **Mike Hughes** had on the ground in Vietnam, and John Shay noted that **Rick Fendorak** died during basic training at Fort Dix — of meningococemia, **Spencer Weig**, MD, believes. **Barry Kingham** was in the Army ROTC at Georgetown. After he graduated as a commissioned Second Lieutenant, the Army allowed him to spend the next three years earning a law degree at Fordham in exchange for a four-and-a-half-year commitment to serve in the Judge Advocate General department. Barry spent much of this time in Vietnam, where he reports, "I had the opportunity to try 45 courts-martial, handling charges ranging from disobedience to murder, as both prosecutor and defense attorney, and going from one hour to two weeks in length. It was an extraordinary experience and gave me a valuable insight into the lives of our troops and their leaders. When my Army time ended in 1974, I joined the U.S. Attorney's Office in the Southern District of New York as a federal prosecutor, relying heavily on my Army experience to prosecute criminal cases and argue appeals. I have been in private practice as a litigator in New York since 1978 (yes, still working — although my partners may question the wisdom of that course!). The Army and Vietnam started it all for me and inspired my entire career. I'm grateful to have had that experience and appreciate very much the service of our troops and especially our Regis alumni who served on the battlefield." **Ed Curtin** had a fascinating story about the way that the war changed his own life. Enlisting in the Marine Reserves right out of college in 1966, Ed went through six months of training at Camp Lejeune and Camp Pendleton. But during the following months, he experienced a change of heart that shaped the rest of his life, in part owing to time spent with Rev. Daniel Berrigan, SJ, in the winter of 1967–1968. Ed applied for conscientious objector status. Without ever formally considering his application, the Marines granted him an honorable discharge in the fall of 1968. In more recent news, Ed continues to blog regularly at edwardcurtin.com. His posts alternate searing political commentary (still informed by his experiences in the 1960s) with beautifully written evocations of youthful memories, enhanced by references to Homer, Yeats, Bob Dylan, and Van Morrison. In other news, **Jim Guilshan** reported that after a career mostly in B2B sales to financial

institutions he relocated to Cary, N.C., in 2006 “with the love of my life for the last 58 years, Alice, née Murphy, whom I met on a blind date at an Irish pub in the Rockaways. We moved here to be near our daughter, her husband, and our first grandchild (who is now a freshman at NC State). We’ve spent a lot of weekends going to our now three grandsons’ soccer games around the state. We also travel up to Long Island frequently to visit with my son’s family, including five grandkids. Our health is still pretty good (save for a couple of fake hips), but I read with sadness the afflictions and deaths of our classmates.” **Bob Sheehan** submitted news of his own long marriage: “My wife Beth (who dated me since our last two years in high school) and I finally had our first grandchild late last year followed by a second grandson this February. We are delighted to have joined the grandparent cohort before we turned 80!” Bob added that he “visited **John Paxton** and John O’Rourke this past winter for dinner in west Florida and recently joined three Johns (**Docherty**, O’Rourke, and Shay) on Manhattan’s Upper West Side for the spring session of our years-long, twice per year dining get-togethers.” Brendan Thomson wrote in June that he continues to produce the annual official calendar of the Vatican Observatory, work that began in 1997 when he was asked to serve on the Board of the Observatory Foundation and suggested the calendar as a fundraising device. **Frank Stella** wrote from Ireland that his wife, Roberta Beary, “has had two books published this year: *Carousel*, a collection of her haiku, and *Haibun: A Writer’s Guide*, a manual, co-authored with two others, for those interested in this form combining haiku and short prose.” Speaking of Ireland, **Peter Mooney** reports that he “will be heading back to Dublin in August with his daughter and two grandchildren in tow.” Peter worked as an economist for over 10 years within the Irish Department of Finance and the Economic and Social Research Institute.” Paul Spagnoli recently enjoyed some quality time with members of Wayne Merritt’s family. Wayne’s sister’s grandson Eric was a freshman infielder for the nationally ranked University of Virginia baseball team this year. The Cavaliers came to Boston in April for a three-game series with Boston College, including BC’s annual ALS Awareness Game at Fenway Park. Paul met Wayne and his relatives at the Fenway game, won by underdog BC, and at one of the games on the BC campus. The Cavaliers (who eventually advanced to the College World Series in June) took the weekend series, two games to one, aided by a game-tying, two-run triple by young Eric in game two. Speaking of baseball, Bob Abbott wrote in June that “the passing of Willie Mays has made him think of his fellow passionate Giants fans Bob Sheehan, **Jack Clarke**, and **Tom Troiano**, and to hope that they all are well and can raise a toast to the GOAT.” Let me conclude with an anecdote from Rich Musto that recalls memories of

Rev. Steven Duffy, SJ. In senior year, writes Rich, “we were learning ‘the new math.’ We had that soft cover text, and it was something totally new. I found I was not doing too well, and Fr. Duffy told me to bring my father up to see him. This was not good. Fr. Duffy looked at me and my father and asked me what the problem was. With a straight face I told him, ‘Fr. Duffy, this math is all Greek to me.’ He looked at me, did not smile, and pointed that crooked finger at my chest. ‘That’s not funny, Musto.’” Happily, Rich managed to pass and went on to college, medical school, and a long career as a urologist.

1963

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Andy Phelan spent June in the Connemara region of Ireland, hosting friends at a cottage in remote Claddaghduff. Rich and Kate Minogue joined him for a week of hiking and touring before heading out to Spain. In June, Pat and **John Tweedy** enjoyed a two-week expedition cruise on the Great Lakes with delightfully cool weather on sparsely populated Lake Superior followed by warmer temps as they sailed on to Detroit and Niagara Falls. Thanks to the advances in communications technology, they were able to view former teacher and friend Jerry Kappes’s memorial Mass at Regis while on the ship. Earlier in May they visited Maureen and **Joe Haggerty** at their home in Madison, N.J., for the first time since before the pandemic. In addition to Regis, Joe and John are both Manhattan College electrical engineering and Bell Labs alums, so there was lots of good reminiscing. **Tom Dorney** writes, “Things are going well for me and my wife, Dorrie. We live in Spring Lake Heights, N.J., within a mile of our three daughters and nine grandchildren (ranging from 2–13-years old). Not surprisingly, we are enjoyably busy with baby/child sitting, primarily going to Spring Lake Beach and Pool and various athletic events. I wish a good summer to all fellow Class of 1963 Regians.” **Rich Chiarello** notes, “Nothing new about myself except that my lymphoma is stable and no treatment is necessary. My wife, Barbara, has just finished writing her memoir of growing up in Brooklyn in a Jewish family whose relatives were victims of the Holocaust. Titled *A Grieving*, she is looking for a publisher. My daughter Elizabeth’s book on the opioid crisis is due for publication in September by Princeton University Press.” **Gene McKillop** says **Jack Prael** and I represented our class at the memorial Mass for **Mr. Jerry Kappes ’52** on June 14. It was a moving experience to be back at the chapel and meet Mr. Kappes’s wonderful family and celebrate his amazing life. Jack Prael, **Kevin Morris**, **Gene Orza**, and **Danny Lynch** enjoyed a great lunch at Pershing Square Central Cafe on June 11. Arthur Madigan writes, “I have written *Contemporary Aristotelian Ethics* for readers who have not yet read

MacIntyre, Nussbaum, or Spaemann but who want to understand their thought and are ready to engage with it in some depth and detail. But most of all, I have written the book for educated and reflective readers, the people whom MacIntyre calls “plain persons,” i.e., the readers that MacIntyre, Nussbaum, and Spaemann themselves are addressing.”



Pat and John Tweedy ’63 visited Maureen and Joe Haggerty ’63 in Madison, N.J.

1964

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As I write this, I am also listening to the memorial Mass for **Jerry Kappes ’52**, former faculty member and friend of the Class of 1964. His attendance at several dinners held by our class will not be forgotten. Readers will note that our last submission to *Regis* Magazine was just at the end of March. As a result, there is less to report for this edition. **Joe Coyne** posted the following to the class list: “This one is right out of the ‘Dork Squad.’ Yesterday, I got my most recent copy of *Scientific American*. I discovered, much to my amazement, an article about the ‘Generalized Ham Sandwich Theorem!’ I remember with fascination, as a Math Club member, listening to a presentation by (someone) on this very topic in junior year, I think. It brought back great memories, since I hadn’t thought about it in a very long time. After begging my wife’s indulgence, I briefly tried to explain the theorem. Me: ‘Blah, blah, ham sandwich, blah, blah. I was a member of the Math Club.’ Stephanie: “Did they give you guys hats? Or T-shirts?’ Me: ‘You’re going to have a field day at the reunion!’ P.S.: The author was arguing that the theorem could be applied to gerrymandered districts to bring a stop to this practice ... interesting.” **Ray Smith** observed, “It sounds to me that Steph was right. The hats should have been tin-foil, with little propellers.” **Mike Ryan** expanded on this: “Or classroom garbage cans.” **Lou Fuoco** replied, “Fascinating. Does this also hold true for other meats? Are there vegetarian or gluten-free options?” **Bob Lopato** wonders, “All good questions, Lou! But why do I still hear the Kingsmen singing in the background?” **Charlie Sitler** said, “Thanks for the memories. Could the presenter at the Math Club have been a teacher? I think Mr. Mahern might have been the one. The

Ham Sandwich Theorem raised its head again in my freshman year at Fordham when my calculus teacher somehow tangented off to it during class one day. And I LOVE Lou Fuoco’s comment. Sign me up for the low-fat version, which has a shorter proof.” **Brian Flanagan** wrote us all a long review of his own history, having recently been motivated to reflect on his own life. He wrote, in part, “I graduated first in my grade school class of 110 students. I was the Manhattan Duncan Yo-Yo champion in 1960. That same year I was the New York City Catholic Schools spelling co-champion (with **Dave Ritchie** and ahead of **Donald McCabe!**). I was an alternate on the season-champion Regis team on TV’s high school quiz show *It’s Academic* in 1964. I was president of my senior class section at Regis.” Thanks, Brian! Joe Coyne reported in the fifth Class of 1964 Zoom: “We just completed our fifth Class of 1964 Zoom meeting. In attendance were: **Rich Luc**, Joe Coyne, **John Keane**, **Mike Christy**, **Paul Zuchlewski**, **Marty Besant**, **Jim Oliviero**, **Denis Burt**, and Lou Fuoco. Good fellowship was the overall theme with several guys mentioning the reunion and the 60th Anniversary coming up. We have been connected as a group for a very long time! We talked of tornadoes and eclipses, pickleball and acting, and a myriad of other things that keep us connected. As always, a good time to be together with (very) long-term friends.” Joe says, “I want to thank those members of the class who expressed their encouragement and thanks for hosting these Zooms. It has been my pleasure.” **Ed Scheel** reports: “Hey Joe, I’m sorry I missed the Zoom tonight. Just thought I would pass on some good news for a change. Several of the guys wished me luck on the last Zoom call regarding my upcoming surgery. I just received the path report a couple of days ago and there was no cancer present. I think those wishes from Regis grads are pretty powerful. They must know somebody. Please extend my thanks for all the kind thoughts and feel free to share the good news.” Joe Coyne asks, “Any remaining doubters in the power of remote prayer?” **Tim Chorba** wrote, “Ruth and I welcomed our first grandchild, Aurelia Rose, born on February 9 in Burlington, Vt., to our son Christian and his wife, Alessandra (a Fordham grad). Christian, a graduate of Georgetown’s School of Foreign Service and of Boston Law School, is an attorney with Downs Rachlin Martin in Burlington. I had planned to join in this weekend’s 60th Reunion at Regis, but unfortunately, I instead will be headed down to Ruckersville, Va., (a bit north of Charlottesville) for the Saturday funeral of a good friend of many years. I wish you and all the other participating ’64 classmates a memorable time together.” Finally, Denis Burt writes, “After almost 56 years as a developer of IBM mainframe systems software, I have finally retired. The last 20 years were happily spent at Dell in the former EMC division. One of the highlights of my career was the production of

the TPX session manager for z/OS. The prototype for this system was acquired back in 1984 and developed into a very successful commercial offering. After a long chain of corporate acquisitions, this product is still being offered 40 years later. When I build a software system, it’s built to last! It’s early in my retirement, but so far, I have been making more time for golf and hanging out with my grandchildren. Life is good!” I agree with Denis. Part of that is the ease of camaraderie that over 60 years of fellowship brings to our interactions, whether it be through the Prowlings, by Zoom, phone, email, social media, etc. Let’s keep connected. In the meantime, I wish you all good health and happiness.

1965

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Brian Dunphy hosted an afternoon gathering upon his visit to New York City. Brian and his wife, Jay, welcomed **Paul Strong**, **Rick Dunn**, **Dan Heintz**, Irene and **John Woodruff**, Winifred McNeill, **John Felago**, and Jill Fitzgerald. **Patrick Mullane** writes, “Right now, I am enjoying retirement, although I am really feeling my age and am too tired much of the time to do very much. I do occasionally go for a bicycle ride, which always makes me feel better. And I still enjoy attending local musical events, especially when it is friends of mine who are performing.” On June 14, John Woodruff, **Mike Ingrisani**, and John Felago attended the memorial service for **Mr. Jerry Kappes ’52**. **Rick Jefson** had a pretty good fishing trip on his 53rd anniversary vacation to Kauai and Maui. From **Jack Murtagh**: “Sheila and I sponsored a well in Kenya that brought potable water to a rural village this spring, partnering with Ingomar Living Waters, a ministry of Sheila’s church, Ingomar United Methodist. That same group raised \$27,000 for water filters and a rainwater catchment system for the Honduras Hope Mission in La Villa de San Francisco, Honduras. I am stepping down as Board President of the U.S. NGO and its Honduran twin NGO on June 30, but Sheila and I will continue our current Honduran family sponsorships which we share with our grandchildren, Ryan and Gabriela. Ryan, 15, leaves on June 24 for a student exchange program between Charlotte’s South Mecklenberg High School and a sister school in Neukirchen, Germany, almost 60 years to the day after the first RIA group left for Vienna. Gabby, 10, is honing her volleyball skills as a setter and is a rising counselor in training at the YMCA camp in Lake Wylie, S.C. Necessary surgery took me out of the family vegetable garden for about a month earlier this spring, but we are back on pace with record amounts of strawberries and raspberries, and the blueberries are ripening. The tomatoes and peppers have fruited early this year (mid-June), and the root crops look promising. *Dea-mhein do chach!*” From **Al Airone**, “I traveled to London and Paris in the first half of June along with my daughter Nora and son-in-law Bill

Richardson. The spark for the trip had been the news, way back last year, that the Phillies and Mets would meet for two games in London Stadium. We did indeed attend the first game (Phillies over Mets 7-2; Mets won the second game), occupying great seats at ground level and not far from first base. We visited the Tower of London, Windsor Castle, Stonehenge, Bath, and Westminster Cathedral, where I got to revisit the burial site of Sir Isaac Newton in the ‘Scientists’ Corner,’ now also the burial site of Steven Hawking. I visited St. Paul’s, hoping to search through the record book of all known Americans who died defending England in World War II. Among them is an uncle of my wife Carolyn, whom she never had a chance to meet (unfortunately, the American Memorial Chapel was off-limits to visitors due to ongoing services). I also got to pay a nostalgic visit to the London neighborhood of Bayswater, where I and several other members of the Class of 1965 stayed at the start of the Fordham junior year abroad program 1967–68 (**Andy Cavanaugh**, **Mark MacCarthy**, and **Rich Superti** stayed there as well). After four days in London, Nora, Bill, and I rode the ‘Chunnel’ train to Paris. We toured Versailles (luckily completing our tour BEFORE the entire site was evacuated due to a small fire somewhere in the palace; it was started by repair work and caused no great damage). We rejoiced over the increasingly restored Notre Dame, endured the climb up to Sacre Coeur, and enjoyed the evening and nightlife. Sunset came well after 9:30 p.m. Each night, the view from our hotel included the Eiffel Tower completely lit up and engulfed in sparkling lights for two minutes at 11 p.m. and midnight. For me, it was both a nostalgic trip and a fun time with Nora and Bill. Nora did all the detailed planning, which resulted in a truly fabulous eight days. In September John Woodruff’s wife, Winifred McNeill, will be showing her latest work at Club George Gallery in Northampton, Mass. The opening is the Saturday of Labor Day weekend, and the show will run for two weeks.” From **Bob Carlina**: “I took a 10-day trip to Uganda, seven of which I spent on safari — up close experiences with gorillas, chimpanzees, lions, elephants, hippos, cape buffalo, and different species of birds. I engaged in community experiences in several villages; watched how banana beer and wine are made (by hand); ground coffee beans by hand, then cooked and drank it; was welcomed with a dance and drumming ceremony by the Batwa people in their village; and so much more.” **Tom Moebus** writes, “On June 22, with great excitement, a group of 10 Regis juniors and seniors plus six Dominican Academy students boarded Cathay Pacific to fly to Shanghai with **Mr. Christian Mariano ’99**, Assistant Principal of Student Life; Dr. Leslie Petit, Principal of D.A.; and myself, Co-Director of the Matteo Ricci Young Scholars Program, to spend two weeks together with a host of students from Nanjing Foreign Language School for our first in-person encounter as we begin our fifth year of operation. Thanks again to my Class of 1965

classmates who donated funds in the early days to get us moving to the place we are today, having already reached over 125 scholars through our online programming. In Nanjing, our scholars will discuss the future of education in the era of AI with leaders of the Jiangsu Provincial Department of Education and try their hand in a primary school classroom together with a Chinese buddy. We'll visit the Jiangsu Department of Transportation to learn about their new Regional Transportation Hub while describing how New York City developed the High Line and the Hudson Yards through private-public partnerships. We'll visit gardens and museums to learn about China's millennia-deep cultural heritage and share details about the Met's Astor Court, patterned after Chinese gardens we will visit. Regis debaters will lead a forum at Duke Kunshan University featuring discussions on technology decoupling between the United States and China, stress on youth in the post-pandemic era, and the role of youth in the future of U.S.-China relations. We will take a special tour designed by our host scholars of the city of Nanjing, visit the memorial of Xu Guangqi, the partner of Fr. Matteo Ricci in his missionary work and writing in China. That plus a music night, dragon boat racing, and a family-dinner of 120 people to thank the families that are hosting our visiting scholars during their stay and the many who are meeting with us during our stay. We wrap up with July 4th festivities at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai. It is an amazing trip pulled together by my partner Ms. Wei Lin, a brilliant and well-connected Chinese woman, whose life mission is bringing together American and Chinese youth for the betterment of the world. Next year, we plan to host a group from Nanjing Foreign Language School for a similar engagement with New York and American culture. We hope to include our Class of 1965 and other Regis alums in events to welcome them." **Jack Cashill's** latest book, *Ashli: The Untold Story of the Women of January 6*, was published in May by Post Hill Press. From **Bob Logan**: "In December of last year, the news started to report that there would be a total solar eclipse visible in North America on April 8. Since the next one is not going to be until 2040, I decided not to wait and go see this one. The path of totality went from Mexico, through Texas, and up to Buffalo. It then went across New York into Vermont and Maine. A bit of measuring on a map showed that the closest point on the path to New Jersey was Oswego, so Oswego it was. Even in January, the hotel reservations cost about three times the usual price, and they weren't going to get any less expensive. The trip proved to be about 280 miles each way. I got up on Sunday, April 7, and met my older son who came in from Massachusetts. He is an eclipse veteran, since he went to Wyoming in 2017 to see the last total eclipse. The city of Oswego put on the "Eclipse Extravaganza." For a few dollars, we got a lecture on eclipses and how they happen from a professor at SUNY Oswego on Sunday and lunch on Monday. Unfortunately, Monday was cloudy, so only the very

beginning of the eclipse was visible. However, just before the totality, there was a break in the clouds which revealed a little sliver of sun just before it disappeared. My son and I were sitting in lawn chairs at Fort Ontario, right on the lake. The moon's shadow travels over the earth's surface at something like 1,000 m.p.h., so it was spectacular to see the shadow race across the ground to where we were. The sudden darkness brought out some primitive instinct among the spectators and we basically spent the next three-and-a-half minutes jumping up and going, 'Wow, look at that.' My resident expert and now veteran of two eclipses says that the one in Wyoming was very different, because it was a cloudless day and one could watch the progress of the eclipse and see the corona. His view was that if Wyoming was 100 percent on the awesomeness scale, this was about a 95 and well worth seeing. We decided, correctly, that the Monday traffic would be awful right after the eclipse, so stayed afterwards and drove home without a problem. I can't say that I would recommend a trip to Oswego if there were no eclipse, but this trip worked out well and I got to see something I would not have seen otherwise." **Dave O'Brien** continues to practice law in Mount Sinai, N.Y. As a certified oldster, prudence dictates currying favor with St. Peter, so he devotes time to suggesting fiction books to several 55+ communities and aiding retirees trying to gain part-time employment. As to books, Regian **Bob Schneider '72** has been most helpful. Please send Dave names of any well-written novels, so he can pass them on. Dave's top priority, however, is devoting increasing time to a project many consider vital to counter the decline of Church influence in today's turbulent and existentially dangerous world. Along with several attorneys, he is researching all evidence of the Resurrection of Christ. If that's proven, it follows that Christ is God. That conclusion can restore the confidence of many, shaken by the crises overwhelming the Church. For the same reasons, Dave's group is also investigating the vast body of miracles, healings, and apparent supernatural appearances as possible evidence of a Divine presence. Contact Dave if you want to join these extraordinarily important efforts. Dave also wants to thank John Felago for his fine efforts on behalf of our class. **Brian Dunphy** via his wife, Jay: "This has been a good year for catching up with Regis friends and partners." A few months ago, John Woodruff was in the bay area with Winifred to discuss a new and very interesting project. John was able to meet us in San Francisco for a wonderful lunch at a beautiful Italian spot and then a stroll through North Beach where we cappuccinoed. Winifred was still working so unfortunately could not join us. We traveled to New York City in the first week of June to visit with family and friends. Of course, the idea was to see if a few friends could meet. The idea was an afternoon together. It was delightful to have our friends make the time and make the effort to attend: Dan Heinz and Irene Biggs,

John Felago and Jill, Rick Dunn, Paul Strong John Woodruff and Winifred. **John Sheridan** was hoping to attend but unfortunately, he was unable to travel. We are looking forward to seeing him when he returns to the San Francisco Bay area. It was wonderful that we were all able to gather around the table to hear old and new stories. **Richard Mack** writes, "On Christmas Day in 2022, I got Covid for the first time. Friends' cases had been mild of late, I was vaccinated, I was taking more risks, and I reasoned it would be a non-event. Almost looking forward to getting it over with. Then I spent four nights in the ICU, near death. At its peak, I had a vision of approaching death and a knowing that, when it was time, it would be okay. But it was not yet time. One's body is greatly weakened after time in the ICU — a preview of old age to come. I only missed a couple weeks of work; I'm a Jungian psychotherapist in private practice, and a director at the Fifth Avenue Center in New York. One doesn't need much physicality to do these jobs. Since then, I've been dedicated to making my physical wellbeing a high priority. I exercise an hour a day, and aside from some aches and pains, I'm in better shape than before I got sick. So, as I've often seen, difficulty, although we would never wish for it, leads to growth. My wife and I have pent-up travel demand after the restrictions of the pandemic, and we're making plans. The children are okay. Life is good. Grateful for my time at Regis all those years ago (although not all of it). It introduced a poor kid from Queens to a wider world, which has just gone on from there. Grateful to be raised a Catholic (although not all of it). It solidified for me the reality of the symbolic, which has been a mainstay. Here's raising a glass to living life to the fullest." **Rich Costabile** and Randy Wilcox, after 22 months in Portugal's Algarve, are firmly resolved that this is their forever home: "We took many deep breaths on the journey between our arrival on August 31, 2022, and today. We're aware, of course, that nowhere any of us could think to relocate to would be perfect. Portugal has many national and local issues, but the important thing is that we feel safe here. We're gettin' us some edumacatin' so we'll be at least *somewhat* informed citizens after we become eligible to apply on July 1, 2027. Towards that end, we recently completed an eight-month language course at the local high school, which yielded a certificate that we'll present with our citizenship application as proof of our proficiency in the language (A2 level; advanced beginner). We sure have a LOOOOONG road ahead to achieve anything resembling fluency. But we feel more comfortable each day with simple interactions with neighbors, shopkeepers, post office and bank employees, pharmacy and hospital workers, etc. Of course, any Regian worth his salt would've crushed learning a new language with discipline and a firm resolve. We, however, consider ourselves retired from all that and have coasted to a competency adequate to function in society here. Now that we're out of school, we're finally putting together some travel plans, to make use of our

ideal location on the European continent. Coming up (if all goes well): London, for the fourth time, a Rhine River cruise preceded by a week in Switzerland exploring the big hills they claim to have there, and the Portuguese islands of Madeira and/or the Azores. We can't wait to see what comes after all of that! We've had several visitors already this year, and the fall holds promise of more, including the dynamic duo of **Peter Nardi** and Jeff Chernin in October. If a visit to Portugal is on your radar, we have two guest bedrooms and a few recommendations for those who prefer anonymous hotels. Come on down!" **Joe Featherston** says hi to all his fellow Regians and wishes good health to all and their families. Joe is semi-retired and enjoys the freedom to travel. His wife, Maureen, and he were thrilled to visit Ireland, especially the cottage in Killarney where Maureen's mom was born and the cottage in Galway where Joe's dad was born. Both are still in family hands, and a few pints of Guinness were drunk with the respective relatives. A visit to the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock was a highlight. Maureen, Joe, and son Joseph spent a week in Florida, and Joe and Joseph returned to see the Yankees in spring training. Joseph is a senior at St. John's and is an avid fan of the men's basketball team as he is working for the collective that administers the NIL program for the athletes. He and dad traveled to Charleston and Wisconsin to support the team and already have tickets for a November tournament in the Bahamas. They also went to a few games at Joe's alma mater Fordham. The family also enjoys music from the Class of 1965's youth as they have attended concerts by the Stones, Dead and Company, Elton John, Bruce, and John Mellencamp. Joe still works two days a week as an Assistant Principal at Channel View School for Research in Rockaway Beach on the Atlantic Ocean. He mentored 12 new teachers this past year and enjoys interacting with his 6th–12th grade students. He continues to coach CYO track for elementary students and Summer Classic basketball for high school students for St. Francis de Sales Parish, where he is a eucharistic minister. Joe is happy to celebrate his 28th year as volunteer director of the St. Camillus Special Olympics recreational program, also in Rockaway. Joe enjoys reading about his classmates in the Prowlings and hopes to see some at JUG Night or at Slattery's.



From left, Paul Strong '65, Jill Fitzgerald with John Felago '65, Brian Dunphy '65, John Woodruff '65 with Winifred McNeill, and Rick Dunn '65 at a gathering in New York City



Rick Jefson '65 on a fishing trip



Bob Carlina '65 on his trip to Uganda



Tom Moebus '65 with current Regis and Dominican Academy students as they begin their journey to China



John Felago '65 and Brian Dunphy '65 discussing world events

1966

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Greetings, classmates. **Steve Effler** writes, "RowAmerica Rye (from Rye, N.Y.) won the national championship for women under 17 and 18 in Florida on June 9, with our granddaughter, Kiera, rowing. Ironically, second place was the Greenwich, Conn., Rowing Club. It seems like they could have just met out on the Sound and saved a lot of travel time and money." From **Bob Cartwright**: "I am spending my eighth summer on my boat in the Netherlands. I now sail mostly in the province of Friesland which is in the north and where the people speak Frisian as well as Dutch. It is a rural area with only two big cities. The other nine months of the year, I am still teaching at Seton Hall University." **Charles Webel** recently completed a training program in International Diplomacy and Negotiations at the University of Oxford. He continues teaching philosophy in Prague and has four current research projects. Together with **Dave Flanagan**, he is discussing a possible 60th reunion next summer of Regis in Austria. **Tom Gallagher** spent an evening in June reminiscing about honor cards and academic pursuits with **Tom Walsh** in Madrid, where the latter Tom lives, before traveling on to France, where he visited **Gerry Moran** at his house in Barjac. The two toured various geographic, historical, and cultural sites, including the Roman city of Orange where they freshened up on everything they had forgotten about Plautus and Terence at the antique Roman theater. Afterwards, Tom continued his Mediterranean odyssey to Crete, where he was set to combat the minotaur. Then on to Germany (Hamburg, Munich, and Berlin) before returning to the fatherland. **John D'Emilio** has joined the Chicago chapter of Third Act, a climate change action group for elders/seniors founded by Bill McKibben. Two books that he's read as part of the group that he strongly recommends to those who want to know more about climate change are Hannah Ritchie's *Not the End of the World* and John Vaillant's *Fire Weather*. **Charlie Antinori** writes, "I just published a book, *Make America Healthy Again: Lessons from a 50 Year Surgical Odyssey*. You

can get it on Amazon.” In April, **Mike Kelly, Joe Petrillo, Peter Colasante, and Bill Arnone** (see photo) attended the regional reception for D.C.-area Regis alumni. Around that time, Linda and I were also in D.C. and had dinner in an Italian restaurant, where we spied a brass plaque on the wall with Bill Arnone’s name on it. We were apparently seated at his regular table, an honor only granted to true high rollers. When we told the waitress we knew Bill, we were treated to a glass of Bill’s favorite anisette. Just so you know where Bill stands in the D.C. pecking order, his plaque is above those of former Senator Frank Lautenberg and astronaut Buzz Aldrin! In May, **Tim O’Connor and John Nonna** organized a group outing to Pleasantville, N.Y., to view a restored version of the film *Household Saints*. About the film: “Based on Francine Prose’s fifth novel, Nancy Savoca’s chronicle of a spirited Italian-American New York family perfectly balances humor, tragedy, and pathos. Executive produced by Jonathan Demme and starring Vincent D’Onofrio, Tracey Ullman, Lili Taylor, and Michael Imperiali, *Household Saints* represents a unique voice in 1990s independent filmmaking.” It was a terrific movie, highly recommended. Jean and John Nonna graciously hosted us for hors d’oeuvres at their home. Besides Tim O’Connor and Peggy Rafferty, the group included Linda and **Steve Boatti, Charlie Pignatello**, Barbara and **Dave Flanagan**, Maggie and **Frank Belloni, Jim Kuntz, John LaRuffa**, and **Jim Periconi**, as well as Gil Gentile, SJ, and Mary Galeone, RSM.



Class of 1966 members Mike Kelly, Joe Petrillo, Peter Colasante, and Bill Arnone at Regis’s Regional Reception in Washington, D.C.



Plaque at regular table of Bill Arnone ’66 at a well-known D.C. restaurant

1967

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At any gathering of Golden Owls, it’s always a good thing if more guys are talking about the Rolling Stones concerts they attended than how many had hips replaced. So, it was when the Class of 1967 convened on June 17 on its second Zoom call and first since the early days of the pandemic. More than 30 joined the two-hour bull session, catching up on our joys and sorrows and, fortunately, more of the former. Wedding bells were ringing in July for jazz guitarist **Bruce Hector**, who hit the lottery when he met interior designer Heather Higgins after losing his wife of 45 years. Mindful of Samuel Johnson’s quip that a second marriage is the triumph of hope over experience, Bruce said, “But in this case, she’s terrific. We met online. I had no reason to believe that would ever happen. And we were very fortunate.” **Ray Dillon**, a retired parochial elementary school teacher in Minneapolis, suspects he is one of the few classmates who can still fit into the suit he wore on his wedding day, but that was just seven years ago when he and Dick, partners for more than three decades, tied the knot. That was immediately after he retired. He writes, “Everyone asked, ‘Well, what are you going to do when you retire? What are your plans?’ and I just lied through my teeth and said, ‘I am not really a good planner... I’ll figure things out.’ All the while I knew that two weeks after I retired, they’d be getting the wedding invitations. The Catholic Church treated me very well — don’t ask, don’t tell — although they had to have figured it out after a while. I have no rancor.” He still substitute teaches once or twice a month at his old school. Ray has joined a Unitarian Universalist Church and found “a lot of really wonderful people there and a lot of scope for my interests in spiritual growth.” **Declan Meagher** stays busy on the east end of Long Island after retiring last year. He and Laura, his wife of 52 years, have four grandkids who visit often. “I have to say I joined (the Zoom) tonight because I haven’t been a very faithful attendee” at reunions. “It’s always been very illuminating but also very encouraging for me to see what folks in the class have done in their careers, and I don’t mean just professionally, but also personally,” he said, especially those he barely knew in high school. “I really am so happy to join tonight and see all of us here still breathing.” **Bill Yadlon** escaped to Arizona from the New England winters after retiring from his computer engineering career 10 years ago. The trick to desert life, he explained, is to stay inside the house in the torrid summer heat just as he and his wife used to hibernate in January and February back east. **Steve Loverme** finds retirement in Beverly, Mass., “too much fun” to miss his days as a neurologist. He plays pickleball, gardens, works around the house, and especially loves “seeing my two granddaughters dance.” **John Enright** still consults for Conrail after retiring eight years ago from his law career and writes a lot — music, a screenplay, and

more — when not traveling and visiting his grandkids. “We live a pretty comfortable, fulfilling life,” said John, who penned 300 pages after a son gifted him a subscription to StoryWorth, which prompts folks over the course of a year to write the stories of their lives and publish them in a hardcover volume. John, who lives in Lambertville, N.J., along the Delaware River, was among our Stones concert-goers when **Bob Kestler** came up with two tickets to the show in Philadelphia. “God bless the Rolling Stones,” said John. Thirty years hence, “instead of saying the Mediterranean diet was the right thing to do, they’re going to say it’s the Keith Richards lifestyle.” Karen and **Jack Alexander**, who missed the Zoom while cruising in the Mediterranean, made both Stones concerts in the Meadowlands, and **George McCann** attended the first one. Others chimed in with their own fond memories of Mick Jagger and the boys. On an earlier tour stop in the Meadowlands, Mick dispatched a limousine and two VIP tickets for **Brian Fitzgerald’s** daughter Megan after she served as his anesthesiologist during a 2019 heart procedure. And Jagger once bought **Michael Connor** a beer during the week he spent with the touring Stones while preparing a profile for the *Wall Street Journal*. “It was a terrible story, but an interesting week,” said the former journalist, founder, and executive director of Open Mic, a nonprofit that pushes for greater corporate accountability in the big technology and media sectors. Mike and Noni dwell in the small town of Phoenicia in the Catskills where he is president of the local theater. “I get great joy out of that. We have a town of 300 people, and last season we sold 4,000 tickets to our little theater, which is 138 years old.” **Marty Maffeo**, another Bay Stater (Natick), and wife DC are soon celebrating their 49th anniversary. Marty recently flew down to Washington, D.C., to see Donna and **Kieran Quinn**, who moved last year into a senior living residence in Springfield, Va. “It’s good to get connected again,” Marty said of his JV basketball teammate. Fitz, who played college ball at LeMoyne, invoked another memory of that team about the time three Fordham Prep guys jumped on top of him in a fight for a loose ball “and Marty Maffeo was the first guy off the bench to help me.” Replied Marty with a laugh, “I didn’t provide a lot of help, as far as I can remember.” Fitz is still practicing law in Buffalo, hometown of wife Kathy, “the beautiful girl I met at LeMoyne.” For his part, Kieran said, “I’m having a hard time with Parkinson’s. Now, they tell you that you have good days and bad days. Today is not a good day, so I’ll be short.” He thanked **Bill Armbruster** for stopping by on a trip to Florida in January and requested another delivery of **Chris Connell’s** chocolate chip cookies — the Toll House recipe — which he got the next day. **Joe McShane** took up residence in Buffalo to serve as an adviser to the then-new president of Canisius after Joe’s retirement in 2022 from his long run as President of Fordham University. Now Joe is moving back to Pennsylvania’s Electric City, Scranton,

Pa., where he served as Scranton University President from 1998 to 2003. “God has a sense of humor. A month from now I will return to the University of Scranton, where at the age of 75, I will begin my career as the Rector or Superior of the local Jesuit community. Say a prayer for those guys, learning what it is (for me) to be a superior to them.” McCann, whose wife died almost 15 years ago, dialed in from his summer place in Breezy Point, N.Y., where his daughter and four grandchildren join him on the weekends. George, when not rocking out, has had one knee replaced and the other scheduled back in Jupiter, Fla., in September. “I’m enjoying life, living the dream,” said George, who made Oktoberfest in Munich last year as well as golfing in Ireland and is in a long-term relationship with a widowed nurse “who for some reason puts up with me.” It’s been all roses since Bill Armbruster and Nancy Mackay Robinson wed in 2022. They’d first met at Ramapo College in 1971 and reconnected following her husband’s death. “Things moved very quickly. The first time we got together I said, ‘I’m never leaving Jersey City’ and she said, ‘I have no interest in ever getting married again.’ So, we compromised, and I moved to Ridgewood, a nice suburban town, not far from where I grew up in Bergenfield. We married and we’re very happy together,” said the retired journalist and linchpin of class fundraising and activities. Organizational psychologist **Jay Azarow**, another of the I-A crew, dialed in from Palo Alto, Calif. Jay coaches executives and helps organizations select and develop their leaders, create collaborative teams, and reduce employee stress and burnout. Jay writes, “I really enjoy it. A bonus: I’ve had several Regis alumni as clients.” He and Vinita, a chiropractor, are approaching their 40th anniversary. Jay made a career switch from public health in his 20s after developing myalgic encephalomyelitis/chronic fatigue syndrome (ME/CFS), much in the news of late because of its overlap with long Covid. He earned a Ph.D in counseling psychology at Northwestern, completed a postdoctoral at Stanford, and completed clinical training despite the syndrome, which still waxes and wanes. “It’s been a challenging illness for 45 years, but my health is much better than most folks with ME/CFS. I’m a walking advertisement for the value of integrative medicine and supportive family and friends.” **Terry Chorba**, in his fifth decade with the U.S. Public Health Service, plays a pivotal role in the Center for Disease Control and Prevention’s global efforts to combat tuberculosis. He and Lindy broke bread with Joe McShane when they journeyed from Atlanta to Buffalo to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Terry’s graduation from medical school. He and Michael Connor also made a very educational trip to Warm Springs, Ga., to visit FDR’s Little White House, where the 32nd president came yearly to bathe in its therapeutic waters and where he died in April 1945. **Steve Rehman** keeps his hand in the financial world. He and his wife of 43 years live in Chatham, N.J., and have three children and five grandchildren. “I’ve been involved in

all of the scandals and problems in the financial institution sector for four or five decades,” he said. Of Regis, he said, “I love the school. Everything about it was really important to me so I’m very happy to be involved in the strength and the robustness of how our class continues to get together.” **Sal DeLuca**, who retired 10 years ago as a FedEx executive, was packing for his “annual Yankee road trip” with a buddy following the Bronx Bombers to Toronto for two games, with stops in Niagara Falls on the way up and Cooperstown on the way back. **Dennis O’Brien** and Kathy are both retired from their careers as financial planners. Dennis, a Marine officer for nine years, recently attended a rollicking 50th reunion with his Marine comrades. “The beer flowed. The standing joke was that from the neck up, we’re all 23. It’s that neck down that’s giving us a problem. It was a great reunion.” **John Cordes** spoke movingly of the changes in his life since the death of Rosemarie last fall after 45 years of marriage. “Living alone for the first time in a very, very long time is a difficult adjustment,” said the retired attorney. “I’ve been reorganizing my lifestyle since then. Since a lot of our social life centered through her eyes, I’ve sort of had to rehabilitate some friendships and things around here. I get up every day and either swim or walk. I do something social, see somebody, talk to people.” Twice a week he and a friend teach English to immigrants from Latin America. “They don’t learn all that much English (from us), but we learn a lot about them.” He and his son go to Georgetown Hoya basketball and Nationals baseball games. John had just flown back from Ohio and was watching his granddaughters’ dance recital. “Those things are great when your kids are on the stage — but then you have to watch 35 other acts,” he quipped. “It’s been a somber time for me, but I think I’m regaining my equilibrium.” Retired engineer **Victor Skowronski** filled us in on his active life in a senior independent living facility in Woburn, Mass., where he found a built-in social network that was missing from his life before. “It’s really kind of nice, because now I’ve got lots of people to socialize with,” said Victor. He also participates in a monthly Zoom meeting that the Asperger Autism Network convenes for people over 50. “I found out some years ago that I’m on the autism spectrum,” said Victor. “Being on the autism spectrum necessarily means that you’ve got differences in the way you think.” Many with autism have “very good intelligence,” added Victor, who noted there is speculation that St. Thomas Aquinas was among them. **Rich Szajewski**, retired from a 35-year career with Eastman Kodak, is still in Rochester, N.Y. “At the time I left 12 or 14 years ago, they were in the midst of falling apart. But it was a wonderful time to retire because they were giving people money to go away,” he said. He’s part of a local angel investor group that helps young start-ups figure out business plans and raise money. One of his two kids is director of development for Trickle Up, a New York nonprofit that teaches women in developing countries how to start

their own businesses. When pitching prospective donors, “she tells me that if she sort of drops that her daddy went to Regis, the money starts flowing, which I don’t totally understand, but people seem to know Regis, and that’s a good thing.” **Chris Meatto**, again the maestro for the class Zoom, asked Hector if he ever mentions Regis at his frequent jazz gigs. “No,” he laughed, “I think Regis would mean nothing to them at the places I frequent.” **Vince Hartnett** remembered the great times he had at Regis, notwithstanding a suggestion by Fr. Jim Carney in junior year that “maybe you should look for another high school.” Vince persevered, majored in anthropology at Fordham, and rose to become president of Penske Logistics and senior vice president of Penske Truck Leasing. He’s also the founder of KeyTides, which advises and invests in small entrepreneurial firms in transportation and logistics. Vince and his wife, Donna, have been married for 52 years. Vince offered a special word of thanks to Kieran for putting the arm on him a few years back to support Regis. “You are the best salesman for Regis that I know,” he said. Offering a toast to the class, he said, “You guys have had a lot of effect on my life that you don’t even know about. I just love you guys so much.” **Michael Holleran**, a late arrival — an excused tardiness, as he’d been leading the regular Monday evening prayer service at his parish — had some big news: “I’m finally retiring. They actually let priests retire when they reach 75, at least here in New York.” He’ll be moving to St. Monica’s Parish on East 79th Street, with more time now to give spiritual retreats, lecture, and “continue pursuing that dimension of life to which I dedicated my existence as a monk and then as a priest.” **Bill McLaughlin** journeyed from Boston for the memorial Mass in the Regis Chapel on May 1 for **Bob Sharp** on what would have been Bob’s 75th birthday. That impressed upon him the importance of family and friends, including his own circle that has been gathering for coffee at 7 a.m. at the same café five or six days a week for the past 25 years. “It’s sort of like *Cheers* without the beer,” he said. And even during this Zoom, his six siblings were peppering him with text messages about what’s going on in their lives, from raising chickens to scuba diving. The Sharp memorial “made me think about how happy and lucky I am to have three brothers and three sisters. Some are closer than others but we’re family. There’s never been any break of any sort through all these years and it’s a remarkable and wonderful thing.” **Joe Zeller** and his husband flew up from Fort Lauderdale for the Sharp memorial. **John Kelly**, still living in Red Hook, N.Y., 100 miles up the Hudson from Regis, has nine grandchildren, eight of them within close driving distance. He’s been retired for 12 years from a career working with child and family agencies under the Catholic Charities umbrella. “My experience of retirement was that I don’t know how I held down a job. Don’t ask me to itemize what I’m doing because it sounds like I might not be doing much, but mostly it’s attending to the grandkids.” Two recent deaths — a

sister-in-law and very close friend — “have given me pause and a chance to think about my own situation and where we are in life: a blend of somber and great joy.” **Rene Haas** is active with the MIT Club of Cape Cod and working to smooth relations between pilots like himself and neighbors who wish there wasn’t an airport in their Chatham, Mass., backyards. Rene and his wife have four kids and five grandchildren, with one family wedding this summer and another next spring in Banff, Canada. “We’re very blessed with that,” he said. **John Dowd**, who lives in West Islip, N.Y., on Long Island, has been volunteering to teach English as a second language to refugees from Afghanistan and Ukraine who reside in spare rooms that the Sisters of St. Joseph have at their convent in Brentwood, N.Y. John’s wife is the archivist for the nuns. “That’s been my most enjoyable experience.” John, a retired teacher, said it’s a sharp change from “when I taught Latin a few years back when dinosaurs roamed the earth. It’s very different linguistically than teaching a dead language.” Chris Meatto was masterful again at steering the conversation. Chris has honed his Zoom skills in his work wooing individual investors for start-ups that fall under the radar of venture capital funds. “I do this four times a day,” said the Harvard Law product, whose Zoom wallpaper is a photo of Hogwarts-like Harvard Hall. “Some colleagues of mine invented this democratization and disintermediation of capital raises, and we try to reach those who are not professional investors. It’s a long story about how I fell into that niche, but apparently, I do well at Zoom calls and talking to people.” Chris, a rabid soccer fan, noted separately that his wife, Roberta Ludlow, has just published a Little Golden Book biography of the great Argentine attacker Lionel Messi. All those grandchildren of ours “will love it,” he said proudly. You can find it on Amazon. **Michael Fahy** also joined the call but left for an Irish music jam before he had a chance to chime in. Several classmates sent regrets, including **Anthony LoSecco** on his honeymoon in Dubrovnik; **Gene Lugano**, with spouse and Princeton classmate Marcia Boraas celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary and Gene’s 75th birthday in the City of Light; and **Jack Toner**, who was also traveling in France. **Joe Giammarella** was unable to join because he had a Board of Education meeting that night. Hector, the groom-to-be, closed the conversation, saying, “I’m a broken record throughout my life telling people that going to Regis is a life-changing experience, but what greater demonstration of that than this call?”

1968

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John DiLiberto celebrated Father’s Day in a unique and special manner, going to see his son Michael perform in a New York City theatrical production of *Titanique*, a staged parody of the James Cameron movie. Michael’s acting career has spanned more

than two decades and has included TV and stage appearances ranging from *The Black List* to *Wicked*, *Annie*, and *Sweeney Todd*. Michael was a Helen Hayes Best Actor nominee for his role in *The Producers*. Proud dad indeed! Our erstwhile track coach Mr. Ferguson might be very proud of the cross-country trek from the east coast to Arizona (albeit by plane, not foot) undertaken by **Dan Murphy** with his wife, Jane; **Joe Torracco** with his wife, Linda; and **Kevin Todd** with his wife, Debbie, to celebrate **Gerard Bisceglia’s** 50th wedding anniversary to his wife, Anne. Suffice to say, a good time was had by all, thanks in part to the retelling of the same jokes that were originally crafted back in 1964. The Class of 1968 acknowledges “the noble and enduring heart” of **Don Donahue** who just concluded a long stint as a member of the Regis Board of Trustees. His valedictory message to classmates emphasized the long-term success of Regis’s ongoing mission, the strength of the institution’s leadership, its unending academic excellence, the social and political challenges successfully faced and, to conclude this Cliff’s Notes-style rendition, the “exemplary and impressive” place that is Regis, now and as we remember it. Congratulations to **Frank Clooney**, who recently received honorary degrees from both the University of Scranton and LeMoyne College. His memoir, covering 50+ years of learning from Hinduism as a Jesuit, has been published by T&T Clark/Bloomsbury and is titled *Hindu and Catholic, Priest and Scholar: A Love Story*. Look for it on Amazon and other online book sellers. Frankly, I’m impressed! Special thanks from this correspondent to **John McElligott**, whose ITA skills (which far surpass mine), have kept our class informed regarding Prowlings deadlines and other alumni news. It’s not a “stretch” to say that I couldn’t do this without him. Please notify John of any new email address you may obtain.

1969

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David Krol and **Steve Holleran**, along with other Regians, attended the recent memorial Mass for Regis graduate and veteran English teacher **Jerry Kappes ’52** held in Regis’s Chapel of the Sacred Heart. David tells us, “Kind words by our classmate **Neil Zevnik**, conveyed earlier via social media, praising our late teacher’s personal dedication to his students and inspired enthusiasm for literature and the arts, were quoted, in full, in remarks by a Kappes family member at the conclusion of the service.” **Thomas Paul O’Connor** writes, “I enjoyed seeing several of my classmates at the reunion. We all looked great! I retired after 15 years as a computer programmer at Pan American World Airways, and then for 30 years at the Nathan S. Kline Institute for Psychiatric Research. I’m still going strong and hope to stay more in touch as the years pass. My wife,

Eugenia, retired recently after a nursing career at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital. My son, Thomas Sevgin, and daughter, Kathryn Magdalena, ages 31 and 26, respectively, are doing very well.” **Sonny Avallone** reports, “My bride and I just got back from a Mediterranean and Atlantic coast cruise, 10 cities in 12 days, had a great time together... and came home with Covid. But we did expose ourselves to the petri dish.” **Jim Cunningham** tells us, “Our daughter Bridget won three gold medals this weekend at the Special Olympics Maryland State games at Towson University. Grandsons are following the swimming tradition in the Germantown swim league. The gardens are thriving in the heat here in Maryland. Tomatoes, peppers, cukes, and more coming in.” **Mark Puleo** relates, “I tried to call **Rob Kearney** to tell him we had located **Tony Meyer**, but I got a disconnected number. I sent an Instagram message to **Jeff Burke** to get a current number, then called Rob and found out he was living close by in Eastchester, so we agreed to meet at the Bayou in Fleetwood. Rob and I have now jammed together three times at local venues.” **Charlie Testagrossa** sent along a photo of our classmates who were able to attend the 55th Reunion, including himself, **Tom Quinn**, **Jim McGuire**, **Mike Perri**, Tom Paul O’Connor, **John Kearney**, Mark Puleo, and **Joe Sclafani**. Charlie writes, “A great time was had by us all! Hope to be around to see you at our 60th!”



Mark Puleo ’69 and Rob Kearney ’69 jamming at the Bayou in Fleetwood, N.Y.

1970

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The Class of 1970 held the annual Rump Reunion the weekend of June 7–8. The group attended the Yankee-Dodger game Friday night at Yankee Stadium, then gathered again Saturday evening at the Pig ‘n’ Whistle on 48th Street. Attending at least one of the events were the following classmates: **Dennis Blair**, **Kevin Bryant**, **Frank Carroll**, **Kevin Conboy**, **Ken Dee**, **Tom Derise**, **Jim Harkins**, **Doug Kellner**, **Stan Krawczyk**, **Bill Lee**, **Bob MacDonald**, **Ed Marron**, **Jack Martin**, **Tom Neufeld**, **Tom Osborne**, **Charles Radcliffe**, **Alex**

Sansone, **Joe Siano**, and **Bruce Williamson**. The photo on this page shows the Saturday night attendees at the P’n’W. The Saturday night confab included a rousing chorus of the Regis alma mater and a poetry reading by Kevin Bryant. A grand old time was had by all. Those who missed it, we hope we see you at RR 2025. Muriel and **Dan Gonzalez** hosted Ellen and **Jim Bergin**, Bob McDonald, and Kevin Conboy for lunch at their home on the Saturday of Rump Reunion weekend. Some weeks before that, Dan and Muriel organized a Zoom call for the same cast of characters, plus **Bill Wisniewski**, to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. **Tom Burns**, **Tom Quinlan**, and **Ed Murphy** met up at the San Francisco Olympic Club in February for the Regis regional reception. Tom Burns’s comment: “Although none of us won in our class elections in our senior year, we all felt gratitude to Regis for setting us out on great career paths.” **John Brasunas** dropped us a line to say, “I attended my 50th reunion at Princeton, where my daughter Kelso received her master’s in public affairs at Princeton’s School of Public and International Affairs. The photo makes me look less like a Ph.D nerd and more like an entrepreneur. After the P-rade (Princeton’s multi-hour parade), I briefly shook hands with our classmate **Jonathan Rusch**, who looked fine and fit.” **Joe DeCarlo** writes, “We’re living ‘down the shore’ in Brick, N.J. I retired 10 years ago after 38 mostly enjoyable years in purchasing and product management for several stainless-steel distributors. The job enabled me to travel to various points in Europe, Asia, and Africa, for which I’m grateful. Now my wife, Sharon, and I live quietly by the water, enjoying our two grandchildren, ages three and one. Our two children are not far away; both run their own businesses. If you’re ever driving through Salisbury, Conn., stop by my daughter’s store, Rosemary Rose Finery on Main Street. We go on the occasional vacation trip; the most recent was to Paris. Otherwise, I’m reading (slowly plowing through the *New York Review of Books* catalog) and catching up on classic movies.” Joe ran into classmate **Bob Gasser** at their Holy Cross 50-year reunion. Speaking of running into Regis classmates at 50-year college reunions, **Dennis Sheehan** and Jim Harkins connected at their LeMoyne College 50th. **Ihor Rakowsky** dropped us a few lines from London where he was visiting his old work office and then heading to Ireland for a board meeting and a week of R&R. Ihor says he’s enjoying retirement since 2018 from Emso Asset Management, a Citigroup spinoff, where he was general counsel for the last five years before he hung up his lawyer’s spikes. Most of his professional life was as in-house counsel with the likes of CIT Group, Chase Manhattan Bank, and Citigroup. He still sits on the boards of various funds investing in emerging markets and says he enjoys working with people smarter than him. Having three children and four grandchildren (expecting a fifth) spread out from New Jersey to Chicago to

California keeps him and wife Oxana busy traveling. They are also involved in various projects helping Ukraine and its people in their existential struggle against Russia. Ihor lives in Venice, Fla., and keeps a condo in Montville, N.J., where he and his wife spend summers and use it as a base for their travels. He would love to hear from classmates and looks forward to future Rump Reunions. **Phil Gandolfo** wrote, “Sorry I couldn’t make the reunion this year. A broken foot in a cast due to a stress fracture had me laid up. Kevin Conboy and Tom Osborne came out to my house on the Monday after the reunion, and we had a great lunch. Kevin thankfully picked me up, knee scooter and all. Great conversation, food, and many Regis stories. On another note, Marianne and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary on June 8 — another reason I couldn’t make the reunion.” As he was writing to us, Phil and Marianne were planning to leave the next day for a late-June European river cruise from Prague through Germany ending up in Amsterdam. **Bob Zori** writes, “I am still working at the University of Florida as a professor in clinical genetics and metabolism. We are currently in Italy, north of Rome, on an archeological dig in an Etruscan necropolis. The dig is being led by my son and his wife, both professors at Baylor, and they have a class of students with them. My wife and I are on the dig mostly to watch the grandchildren. My son David just had his book on Vikings published by Oxford on his work mainly in Iceland. We just returned here from Venice and will be taking our grandson to Germany to see the European football championship. Then we are all off to Croatia where my father’s family is from to sail around the Adriatic.” **John Sullivan** says, “Sorry to have missed this year’s Rump Reunion. I took a rare vacation the second half of May to spend some time with my son. Devin graduated from George Washington University in D.C. last year with a JD and an MA in security policy studies. He is currently doing a judicial clerkship under a territorial judge in Guam. I had never been any closer than Okinawa to the South Pacific, and had never been to a U.S. Territory, so off I went. After some long flights, I spent the first four days in Guam seeing the sights and attended Pentecost Mass at the Basilica where Pope John Paul II visited. We studied the colonial history of Guam, which included a major component of Jesuit influence and intervention. Then we flew to Taiwan. My son spent two weeks there last year working on his master’s thesis about the security issues surrounding the chip manufacturing industry there. We got to tour the facility. We stayed in Taipei. What a fascinating city and land Taiwan is! Again, we dug into the history, mostly that of the post-war reign of Chiang Kai-shek. My son and I — the avid students of history — loved our time in Taiwan. But we also found time there to check out a jazz club and the ‘night markets.’ After the 14-hour flight home from Taipei, my back was a mess for almost a week. But it was worth it.” **Marty Bachop** has moved from his Houston home to Round Rock, Texas, to be

closer to his son Matt and family. In connection with his move, which required some downsizing, Marty contributed his substantial personal library to a new G. K. Chesterton School in Taylor, Texas. Drop us a line if you want to reach out to Marty, and we’ll forward his contact info. Jack Martin and his wife, Maryann, vacationed in Portugal in early May. (See the photo of Jack and Maryann at Cabo Da Roca, the western most point in continental Europe. Note: Us Irish will affirm that there are parts of Ireland further west, just not on the continent.) They then headed to Ireland to attend a family wedding. In the opening week of the NBA Playoffs in April, Jack was in Sacramento, Miami, and Boston producing national radio feeds for ESPN Radio.



Dennis Sheehan ’70 and Jim Harkins ’70 at the LeMoyne 50th Reunion



John Brasunas ’70 and his daughter at Princeton



Jack Martin ’70 and his wife, Maryann, in Portugal



John Sullivan '70 vacationing with his son



Class of 1970 Rump Reunion



Tom Burns '70, Tom Quinlan '70, and Ed Murphy '70 at the Regis Regional Reception in San Francisco



Joe DeCarlo '70 and Bob Gasser '70 at their Holy Cross 50th Reunion

1971

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On April 14, **Mike Curcio**, **Bob Genovese**, **John Schopfer**, and **Larry Gertner** gathered in the chapel for a class Mass of remembrance for **Danny Reilly**, **Helen Carol Buddenhagen**, **Marjorie Mooney**, **Raymonde Vermiel**, **Jerrold Kappes**, **Rev. James Bowes, SJ**, **Mark Baber**, and all other friends, family, and classmates who have gone before. Once again, the Mass was celebrated by **Rev. Arthur Bender, SJ '67**. Afterwards, rather than compete with the Sunday brunch crowds, the attendees had coffee and strudel at the Budapest Café. Another gathering occurred in late May when **Stu Schoder** popped into the greatest city in the world for a few days of family visits and museum hopping, including the New-York Historical Society's "The Lost City" exhibition in the company of Larry Gertner. The N-YHS also had a display on Robert Caro, his process, and his books. Finding out how he put one over on an uncooperative Robert Moses during the writing of *The Power Broker* was worth the price of admission. Afterwards, an impromptu, unofficial JUG Night took place at Gitz's neighborhood pub, Shades of Green, to which many of the usual suspects were able to find their way to (and, afterwards, from). In addition to Stu and Gitz, attendees included **John Curran**, **Alex Motyl**, **Frank Flaherty**, **Bill Ferns**, Bob Genovese, and Mike Curcio. As a special surprise, **Mike Ansaldi** also appeared. In early June, Bill Ferns once again celebrated his 59th birthday with a gig at Stitches in the Garment District. The lovely Marion Riedel made the presentation of birthday cupcakes with as many candles as would fit to Bill and the celebrants, who included Larry Gertner and Ingrid Kjeldaas, and Frank Flaherty and Jenette Lee (and that guitarist who sat in on the second set!). Those crazy kids, **Rick Romito** and his wife, Maureen, are at it again. After selling their 19th-floor condo with its glorious view of the Las Vegas Strip and moving everything they own into a storage unit and the back of our car (a newly purchased Tesla Model S with a 400-mile range between charges), they have set off on a 16-week, 8,000-mile road trip around the U.S. and Canada. January through June 2025 will be another attempt at cruising around the world in 180 days — this time west to east — to see every place that we couldn't the last time (thanks to Covid). "By the time we return to Las Vegas in July 2025, we'll move everything out of storage into the new place and then probably go somewhere. So much world, so little time." In April, Suzanne and **Tony Salvatore** took a trip to England and France commemorating the 80th anniversary (two months early) of D-Day. "Started in London, took a ferry from Portsmouth to Caen-Ouistreham, and toured all five landing beaches/ museums, etc. in Normandy. Finished up with a day in Giverny and a few days in Paris, which is always a good idea. A wonderful, moving trip." Larry Gertner and Ingrid Kjeldaas didn't quite make to Bar Harbor

again, but did get as far as Ogunquit, Maine, in May. There, they went mountain climbing (well, that summit nature trail did go up in places), walking the Marginal Way and the shoreline, and listening to the quaint old innkeeper rail against local authorities every morning over breakfast to his captive audience. The famed Ogunquit Theatre was in operation, offering sold-out performances of the musical *Waitress* at Broadway theater prices. The Ogunquit Museum of American Art may be small but has some very interesting pieces and may be the only museum of its kind constructed of cinderblock (which they proudly point out). Lobster rolls hovered at the \$30 level; sadly, the two side-by-side joints at Perkins Cove vying for the "Best Lobster Roll in Town" title closed early, so that debate was never personally settled. Based on postings on the Regis High School Class of 1971 Facebook page, other traveler highlights included John Curran staying in the same Vienna location as on the Regis in Austria outing in 1970, **Paul Atkinson** avoiding being trampled by gnus in South Africa, **Roger Moran** avoiding being eaten by bears in Alaska, and **Luke Garvey** avoiding a mob of Elvis imitators in Las Vegas. (Note: Some entries may have been dramatized for effect.) A press release from the law firm of Bond, Schoenack & King was pleased to announce that **Gene Barnosky** had joined their team. It went on to note so many of his major life accomplishments, save one. However, Gene reassures us that if you click on the link to his individual profile, "Graduate of Regis High School" is proudly listed. **Pete Fanelli** took part in a training session held by Dutchess County Emergency Management at Clover Brooke Farm involving the management of llamas and alpacas during emergency situations. According to the posting, "Participants acquired essential skills in providing care for these animals during urgent situations. The session played a crucial role in enhancing readiness and ensuring the well-being of our furry friends in times of crisis." Pete adds "Diane and I are about to board at Newark to visit our daughter Gina in Marathon Key. Next month we're off to New Orleans for the annual moose convention. And yes, I had fun playing with the llamas and alpacas. No spitting, which is actually projectile vomiting." From **Chuck Sikorski**: "We're nearly three years now in Tyler, Texas, and two years in the house we bought. My DIY projects have included replacing the floors, repainting the interior, moving walls in the kitchen and enlarging the laundry area, and most recently redoing the master bathroom, but there's still more to do. Being in Texas has given us the chance to see our son Joey (Fort Worth) and daughter Teresa (Oklahoma City) much more frequently, making a happy wife, Lucy. Our daughter Teresa was married in OKC on June 1, prompting a visit from my brother Larry (Sacramento) and Lucy's cousin Marivi (Spain). Marivi's visit led to day-trips throughout east Texas and the DFW Metroplex. Travel has mainly been Texas road trips and a cruise out of Galveston to Cozumel. We're expecting to be homebodies during the summer and

then hit the road in October for the mountain west. Best wishes to all!" John Curran writes, "My family and I spent a couple of weeks, mid-spring, visiting Vienna, Salzburg, and Munich — all sites I had visited with RIA in 1970. I just missed fellow classmates Luke Garvey and **Joe Kaiser**, who visited (at least) Vienna and Salzburg within a few days of us. In Vienna, we stayed at the magnificently centrally located Hotel Wandl, where our RIA group had also stayed. Wearing my red Regis hat during trips finally paid off in Vienna: I was approached by a couple in a store on Kaertnerstrasse, and the wife asked me: 'Are you from the New York area?' I guess she wanted to ascertain whether I was from the real Regis or not. Well, they were the parents of **Todd Johnson '95** and had once lived in Vienna. A couple of days later I ran into Mr. Johnson again, this time in the Stephansplatz. Ten classmates were transported into the June Class of 1971 Zoom meeting. Topics ranged from comparisons between Willie Mays and Ted Williams, memories of Mr. Peter Awn, and thoughts about how alumni could use their life experiences to not only encourage students in their career choices but to give them some idea of what is actually involved on the road to get there. Keep the 5:30 p.m. time slot on the third Wednesday of the month open so you won't miss out on catching up between JUG Nights.



Mike Ansaldi joins Alex Motyl, Bob Genovese, Frank Flaherty, Stu Schoder, Mike Curcio, John Curran, Bill Ferns, and Larry Gertner at an impromptu, unofficial Class of 1971 JUG Night.

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Bob Schneider and his wife, Regina, are thrilled to welcome their sixth grandchild, Alessio James in Lambertville, N.J. **Kevin Farrelly** recently had meals with both **Paul Driscoll** and **Matt Dineen**. Kevin writes, "I enjoyed sharing memories, as well as more recent news, with both of them." **Paul Kleeberg** tells us, "We have seven grandkids from a blended family who get along great. They claim their own dinner table and don't let us join them when we're eating. I'm beating the odds of my AML. The median survival was 12 months, and I am now two years and no sign of disease. Thoroughly enjoying retirement. I've been retired for two years now and loving it. However, I can also say the healthcare

system sucks." **Rick Venino** has joined our rapidly growing club of grandfathers: "Joanne and I became grandparents on March 5. Beau Patrick Venino, 8 lbs., 15 oz and twice as big now. My son Steven and his wife Aubrianne's boy. I don't know what else to say but, as many of you know, it's a wonderful thing. I'm hooked. I can't get enough, and I don't want to let him go, no matter if he's smiling or crying. Thankfully, they and both my other boys, Uncle Alex and Uncle Patrick, are all in the general area." **Jim (call me Buddy) Dennis** reports another new "club" member: "**Vinny Grosso** became a grandfather for the first time! James Akin Grosso was born on Monday, June 10!" **Richard Reina** tells us, "After taking early retirement from Volvo in 2009, I continued working in the automotive field, this time in the aftermarket. I've been fortunate to always enjoy my professional work, and for that reason among many others, told myself that I'd work until I was 70. Well, I hit that milestone in March and finally retired at the end of that month. Like so many of my retired friends, I still find my days completely filled with things I need to do and want to do! There's no time to just sit around, and it's all good." Kevin Farrelly gives us this news: "I attended the memorial Mass in honor of **Jerry Kappes '52**. Jerry was my English teacher in junior year. Then in senior year I worked with him in an independent study class where I desperately tried to write a political novel about the first American pope whose brother-in-law was the U.S. president. Years later, I became reacquainted with Jerry when Open Regis was created. My husband Steve Klein and I socialized with Jerry several times. We had many delightful meals with him. Jerry loved Regis. He was a treasure." **James Provenzale, MD**, gave the John Dennis, MD, Memorial Lecture in the Department of Radiology at the University of Maryland Medical Center on the topic "Civility in the Radiology Work Environment: Keeping Core Values During a Time of Change." **Mike Nardone** advises, "Not one to promote myself, but I was recently appointed to serve on the Medicaid and CHIP (Children's Health Insurance Program) Payment and Access Commission (MACPAC). MACPAC is a non-partisan legislative branch agency that provides policy and data analysis and makes recommendations to Congress, the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and the states on a wide array of issues affecting Medicaid and CHIP. The U.S. Comptroller General appoints MACPAC's 17 commissioners, who come from diverse regions across the United States and bring a wide range of perspectives on Medicaid and CHIP. I was honored to be selected in May to a three-year term on this important federal commission. My first MACPAC meeting followed a wonderful vacation across the pond with my wife, Francesca, which included a weeklong walking trip in England's Cotswolds region followed by several days in London, culminating in seeing the Mets-Phillies weekend MLB series. The

Mets split the series in the pre-Grimace era. Great time in jolly old England! Jim Provenzale and Vinnie Grosso continue their new tradition of arranging annual mini-reunion dinners. Pro comments, "On May 17, 23 members of the Class of 1972 and five guests met for dinner at Bocca Di Bacco restaurant (the site of their 2022 50th reunion dinner) and enjoyed a great night of catching up on recent events in their lives and reminiscing of life as a student at Regis. Before the event, **Rev. Arthur Bender, SJ, '67**, history and Latin teacher at Regis, celebrated Mass in the Regis chapel. The award for "greatest distance traveled to the dinner" went to **John Rasiej**, who journeyed all the way from Italy. All attendees appeared to have an enjoyable time, and we look forward to future such events."

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Steve Ross reports: "Just dropping a note saying June has been a good month for Debbie and me. My son Ryan got engaged to his girlfriend, Kayla, and my son Brendan and his wife, Dayna, gave birth to our second grandchild, Violet Kay Ross." From **Peter Gordon**: "**Gene Ferraro** and I played together at the Regis Golf Outing last month. As usual, it was a great event and a good time was had by all. Patti and I are looking forward to seeing Gene as well as **Paul Coppola** and his wife, Eileen, next month in Seattle at our youngest son's wedding." **Vin Maher** reports: "As of September 1, I'm professor emeritus of health care management at Iona University. Elisabeth completed her MBA and has begun her doctor of nursing practice." **John Vella** says: "Retired life is great. Taking care of the grandkids this summer while their parents are at work. Nothing exciting. If anybody is in the Philly area, I'd like to get together for lunch." From **Bill Driscoll**: "I promise that I will not use every Prowlings column to file a medical report. But since I linked my condition with Princess Kate in your last issue, my sense of honor compels me to report that she has been having a tougher time than I have. That is: The first doctor I saw thought that my new tumor could not be addressed surgically and would require chemo. But, as it happened, an interventional radiologist was able to remove it in an outpatient procedure with little fuss. So the problem now is metastatic cancer. A full body scan, an MRI, and a couple of CT scans have shown that my bones are clean and that there's nothing in my head. But I do have nodules in my lung; my oncologist wants to see how aggressive they are before prescribing treatment, probably immunotherapy." **Mike Milito** says, "The travel bug continues to bite the Fox/Milito family. Earlier this year, Judy and I visited friends who have retired to San Miguel de Allende in Guanajuato, Mexico, an interesting mountain town a few hours northeast of Mexico City. In the fall, we

are planning a hiking trip to the Italian lakes region for a week or so, and in between will spend some time on Block Island, R.I., and Vinalhaven, Maine. Vietnam is on our list; has anyone been there and have suggestions to share?” **Ed Lopez** reports: “I have finally retired from Cornell University’s Industrial Labor Relations program where I was faculty for more than 20 years. My wife, Patricia, and I took a Viking Cruise to Italy and Croatia to celebrate my retirement. We had a great time, and I was not voted off the boat, due to my being too hyper, on the first eve. So, there is hope for us Regians. I highly recommend a Viking cruise; they are luxurious, active, and small. Additionally, I’ve been cycling extensively and have already rode over 2,000 miles this season.” Finally, from **Steve Menillo**: “It seems my children have an interesting sibling connection in that, although they are three years apart and in different phases of life, they have a way of performing major life moves simultaneously. This time, my older daughter, Daniella, and her husband, Fernando, bought their first house three weeks ago, and Alice and I have been involved in the moving and helping with my grandson, Andres. He is, by the way, delighted with his new home. Being a few months short of two years old, he is very verbal. For example, he walks around, points at things and says ‘nice house.’ He loves his new playroom, full of his favorite trucks. Not to be outdone by her older sister, my younger daughter, Alexandra, graduated last week from her Pediatric Cardiology Fellowship at Helen DeVos Children’s Hospital/Michigan State University College of Human Medicine and is now a board-eligible pediatric cardiologist. She will be doing an additional year of fellowship in electrophysiology at Texas Children’s Hospital in Houston and so her mom and dad are in the process of helping move her from Grand Rapids to Houston. Road trip!” Until next time, good health to all!

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Robert McGrath writes, “Well, I just had a book featured in the New York *Times*. I don’t get mentioned in conjunction with the Dalai Lama too often.” **Len Scarpinato** writes: “Missed the RegiSki due to a tuxedo-fitting trip to New York with my son. This is in preparation for his wedding in mid-June at the Jesuit Church of the Gesu in Milwaukee where he attended Marquette University High School, a brother Jesuit high school to Regis. Prior to my trip to New York, my girlfriend and I connected with **Jim Tynion** for a nice catch-up in December. She and I are headed to London in May; my sister Jackie (many of you remember) and she are planning a trip to Italy in 2024 where it looks like we may hit some of those northern Italian towns we visited during RIA. Anyone up for an RIA reunion sometime before we get too old to travel?” **John Canavan** writes: “The third annual RegiSki ’74

was held in February at Lake Tahoe in California. **Tom Dudar, John Hall, Jim Cummings, Rich O’Leary, Colin O’Leary ’06**, and I returned from last year. Sadly, we had to soldier on again without Len Scarpinato, who was unavoidably conflicted with something or other. A great time was had by all as we skied at Heavenly Valley and Kirkwood. Next year, we are planning on going to Vail so please let me know if you would like to join our merry band of fun-seekers.” **Carl Barbera** writes: “James Cummings and I are enjoying our third trip to Montego Bay with our wonderful wives Ann and Debbie.” The following biographical entries were gathered at the suggestion of **Thomas Dudar** following our 50th Reunion on June 8. Thanks again to all who responded to the call. After Regis, **Alberto Acosta** attended Columbia College and then earned an MD as well as a Ph.D in tropical medicine from the Cornell University Medical College. He completed a residency in internal medicine at New York-Presbyterian Hospital and joined the staff of the hospital’s then-new HIV/AIDS care center where he met his wife, Rebecca Wolfe. Alberto subsequently established his private medical practice and with Rebecca co-founded Traveler’s Medical Service, a pre-travel health clinic. In addition to his clinical practices, Alberto has been involved in corporate and occupational medicine. He currently serves as the Executive Director of Medical Services for Trane Technologies, a leader in climate control, and also serves as a clinical consultant for several global companies. Alberto and Rebecca live in New York City and have two adult children, Ana Sophia and Antonio (“Nico”). **Vin Auger** graduated from Fordham University, where he received a BA in political science and economics. After earning a Ph.D in political science at Harvard University, Vin taught for 35 years, at three different institutions: Hamilton College (Clinton, N.Y.), the Johns Hopkins Center for Chinese and American Studies (Nanjing, PRC), and Western Illinois University (Macomb, Ill.). He married Julie in 1981, and they have two sons, Vince and Patrick. Vin retired in June of 2022, and he and Julie moved to Cincinnati, Ohio. They love to travel; recent trips include Ireland, a safari in Southern Africa, as well as the Netherlands and Belgium. Carl Barbera received his undergraduate degree at St. Peter’s College and went on to medical school and orthopedic residency at SUNY Downstate. He stayed in academic medicine, practicing orthopedic oncology in New York City before moving on to a multispecialty practice in the Hudson Valley. He married in 1981 but subsequently divorced. He married Ann in 1991 and has three daughters, Margaret, Kelly, and Carly, and one granddaughter, Charlotte Rose. He is now retired in Florida and spends time boating and swimming away from sharks and gators. **Tom Barra** writes, “After Regis, I attended Syracuse University, where I roomed with former Regis classmate **Tom Kelly** for most of my four years. I got my dental and orthodontic specialty degrees at Georgetown in ’83 and ’85, respectively. I

met my wife, Joan, at Syracuse and we married in 1980. We have four children, the oldest of whom passed away unexpectedly at the age of 20. Although I lost Joan to breast cancer 11 years ago, I consider myself blessed in living close to and being close with all of my children, the oldest of whom I practice with, and five grandchildren. I’m working very part-time, but my number one job and retirement hobby is being a grandpa! It was great to see everyone at the 50th Reunion, and I look forward to our next gathering! Blessings, Tom.” John Canavan went on to Fordham for a BS in economics while working full-time after school at Ski Barn, and then he briefly pursued a career in aviation as a flight instructor and corporate pilot. He then transitioned to a career in sales spending five years in the telecommunications industry and the last almost-40 years in financial services. He married Linda in 1986 and had three children: Tyler, Paige, and Braden. John and Linda divorced in 2007, and he married Gail in 2010. They have seven children and two granddaughters between them. John lives in Wyckoff, N.J., not far from the site of the infamous pool parties. He is still working, has two of his sons in the business with him, and has no plans of retiring. He continues to fly as a hobby and enjoys golf and skiing with fellow alumni each year on a western ski trip. **Tom Cannon** survived only one semester in college before joining the U.S. Navy. He served in the Reactor Controls division of a fleet ballistic missile submarine. During his time in the Navy, Tom married his wife, Barbara, in the spring of 1977, and they went on to have three children, Tommy, Brian, and Robin (and much later four beautiful grandchildren). After leaving the Navy, Tom spent the next 40 years working in the commercial nuclear power industry. Tom did finish his BS in physics in 1985, the same week that he earned his first USNRC Senior Reactor Operators License. The last seven years of his career, Tom served as Manager of Nuclear Fuel Procurement and traveled the globe in search of enriched Uranium. He retired in 2019. **Tony Ceritelli** graduated from Ohio Wesleyan in 1978 and met his wife, Tracy (Prendergast, 100 percent Irish), in 1979. They were married in 1980 and have been so for 44 years. Tony and Tracy have four children, Jessica, Christina, Anthony, and Mary, and six grandchildren: Ava (9), Nick (deceased), Hadley (7), Leo (7), Maren (5) and Oliver/Penn (2). Tony spent two years in various positions in a factory before getting into packaging sales. He has been selling packaging for the last 43 years in various individual and management roles and plans to work as long as he is healthy and enjoys it. He and Tracy spent years volunteering for the Catholic schools our kids attended and developed many friendships along the way. He reports, “Next to our family, my obsession with the Yankees, Notre Dame, and the Knicks is never ending. I attribute my years at Regis for enabling me to deal with people from various backgrounds and differing intellect. Despite being in Ohio for a long time, once a Bronx boy, always a Bronx boy. We miss our parents

(three of whom we lost when we were young, but Annie stuck around for a while). God bless America, Regis, and all of you!” Jim Cummings writes, “Following Regis, I obtained a BS in bioengineering at Columbia but quickly traded biomedical research for clinical medicine, specializing in newborn critical care. For the past 40 years, I have worked in New York, California, and North Carolina caring for babies, conducting laboratory and clinical research, building academic programs to train future clinicians, and volunteering with national organizations that guide my profession and improve patient outcomes. I retired from clinical work in 2019 and took a position as CMO for a small biotech company that I have been consulting for over the years, so it appears my career has come full circle. I have been married twice and have three children. My two sons, from my first marriage, are science educators. One is a STEM teacher in Syracuse and one is a communications and technology professor in Boston. My daughter is a practicing architect who will be pursuing an advanced degree in Edinburgh, Scotland, this fall. My wife, Debbie (also a physician), and I live outside Albany and love to ski and spend time with our four grandchildren. When I stopped working physician hours, I found that I had time to pursue a life-long dream and become a private pilot. My latest passion is bridge, which I had not played since high school. I am currently working towards becoming a life master and would love to find a regular partner out there if anyone is interested!” **Joseph Davis** writes, “I attended St. John’s University followed by Rutgers School of Law. I began my 32-year public service career as a prosecutor in Hudson County, N.J., followed by many years with the New Jersey Administrative Office of the Courts in a variety of court-management positions and retired at the age of 53. I married my high school sweetheart, Martha (she attended the Regis senior prom with me), who was a nurse for over 30 years. I have one daughter and one 13-year-old granddaughter who provides me with the greatest joy in life including relearning algebra and geometry so I can help with her honors math classes. My wife and I love to travel, in particular on cruises. We are heading to the Danube River next week on our 35th cruise for our 46th anniversary. Life is good despite fighting cancer for the last five-and-a-half years!” **Frank DeMayo** writes, “After graduating from Regis, I attended the Cornell University School of Arts and Sciences. I enjoyed four years along with **Tom McCarrick** and fellow fraternity brothers **Carl Popolo** and **Lou DiNapoli**. I graduated with a BA in physics and chemistry in ’78. After working on a Cornell high-energy physics project at Fermilab that summer, I entered medical school at NYU and obtained my MD in 1982. Surgical internship followed in Wilmington, Del., and then my orthopedic residency was at various hospitals in Long Island under the SUNY Stony Brook program. I should note that **Nestor Blyznak** was a co-resident with me. I had a one-year sports medicine

fellowship in Sherman Oaks, Calif., and then spent four years in an orthopedic practice in Long Beach, Calif., while living in Hermosa Beach. I returned to New York, specifically Brewster, for four years in a private group orthopedic practice. While there, I also got married to Heidi in 1993. After four years (including some snowy winters) we decided to return to the warmer weather in California in 1997. I spent 25 years in a rewarding suburban practice in Tracy, while living in Livermore. We raised our two children there: Dante, who is 24 and graduated with a construction management degree out of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, and Gianna, who is 20 and a senior at UC Berkeley studying economics and data science. My ex-wife and I divorced in 2022, and I am still living in Livermore at this time. I retired in September of 2023. I enjoy working out, playing golf, fishing and traveling, and hopefully will do more reading in my free time. I thoroughly enjoyed our 50th Reunion and hope to see everyone again soon.” **James D’Emilio** received his BA in medieval studies at Reed College, traveled in southern Europe with a Watson Fellowship, and earned a Ph.D in art history at the Courtauld Institute in London. During two years in Santiago de Compostela, he did research, taught English, and met his future wife, Ana. They married in Vigo in 1989. Inspired by the Regis in Austria adventure, he has visited and photographed medieval churches (and other old stuff) across western Europe. Since 1988, he has taught humanities (ancient and medieval culture) at the University of South Florida. More recently, he has lived in San Diego and Flagstaff, teaching online. He has mostly published on medieval Galicia and Spain but now spends more time in Italy, his first love. He remains grateful for his Regis teachers’ instruction and extraordinary example. Lou DiNapoli writes, “I earned my BS in business management from Cornell and obtained my master’s in health administration from NYU. I spent the bulk of my career in human resources, including six years at New York Hospital and 34 years at Bell Atlantic/Verizon, retiring in 2018. I’ve been married to Anne Marie Kelly (sister of the Class of ’72 Kelly twins) for 43 years, and we have two sons who are clearly smarter than their old man. Tom, our older guy, is at Rutgers working on his Ph.D in quantum physics and is married to his Dartmouth classmate, Sasha. They’re expecting our second grandson in July. Our first-born grandson Oscar is now 18 months old. Our younger son, Jim, is a Cornell engineering grad and member of Alpha Sigma Phi, so we’re now brothers as well as father and son! He works as a product manager for an engineering startup here in N.J. While they were growing up, I thoroughly enjoyed 10+ years coaching both boys’ teams in baseball, basketball, and soccer in the Freehold, N.J., rec leagues. These days, I enjoy babysitting, playing acoustic guitar after 60+ years at the piano, reading, going to shows and concerts, and making travel plans. More than 50 years later, I still tell people that the decision to go to Regis was one of the very best I ever

made.” After graduation, **Marty Doyle** tried engineering, but after a couple of years, realized it wasn’t the right choice. He got a job at the New York Hospital (with an assist from Lou DiNapoli) and earned his accounting degree at night. After being transferred to Cornell’s medical college, he began to move up the ranks in the college’s accounting department. He also met his wife of 35 years, Janneth, during this period. They have two children, **Sean Doyle ’11** (a lawyer in New York City) and Maria (a therapist in Westchester). Martin rose to senior director of finance for Weill Cornell Medicine Physicians and eventually retired in 2018 after almost 40 years of service. In his retirement, Marty is reading a lot, working on his model trains, researching family history, and traveling with Janneth (soon to be a retired teacher), often with their children. In addition, he and Sean are trying to see a baseball game in all 30 MLB stadiums — 28 down by the end of this year!” Tom Dudar remained in Brooklyn after Regis and graduated from Columbia University with a BS in bioengineering and then went on to earn both an MS and Ph.D in chemical and biomedical engineering from Carnegie Mellon University. He began his long and fulfilling career in 1983 with Baxter International, spanning many roles over 35 years from individual contributor to functional leadership. He retired in 2018 as Baxter’s second-ever Distinguished Engineer. Tom met Mary during their grad school days in Pittsburgh and were married in 1983 in Chicago, where they subsequently raised their three children. Jessica is a marketing director and now calls Brooklyn home. Kelly is recently married and practices dentistry in St. Louis. Ryan is a civil engineer living in the Portland area keeping our infrastructure safe. In 2020, Tom and Mary traded their house in suburbia for a downtown condo in beautiful Sarasota. When not traveling, they really enjoy all the culture, entertainment, education, and outdoor activities this small city has to offer. Tom still loves skiing (especially with his Regis buddies), tennis, walking, and biking. Their only regret is that Tom serves as president of their condo association! Does this count as being “a man for others?” **Tim Farley** writes, “I attended Colby College fully intending to pursue law. I needed a job in sophomore year, so I visited the local paper thinking, ‘Okay, I was co-editor in chief of the Owl at Regis.’ The Waterville *Sentinel* editor was underwhelmed. Then I went to the local radio station, passed a voice and reading test, and was hired. Once I started, I was hooked. Thereafter followed stints in Tampa, Richmond, and finally XM Radio as one of the original staff at sign-on in 2001. (I also spent time as a guitarist in bad bar bands; the band was okay, but the bars were... well, just picture the Blues Brothers and chicken wire.) Along the way, I was a DJ, program director, operations manager, even acting general manager. I won some awards. At XM, I started the nation’s first 24-hour sports station (NASCAR), then shifted (pardon me) to help create the non-partisan political channel,

POTUS. When XM and Sirius merged in 2008, I was headed out the door, but they asked me to stay on the air. I got into radio to crack the mic, not do spreadsheets and hobnob with corporate wizards, so I stayed and hosted *The Morning Briefing*, moving to Maine in 2017 and doing the show from a home studio in the hamlet of Jonesport. (Fact: It's the only Jonesport in the U.S.) I retired in 2021 but still do occasional fill-in on the air from Downeast. I have a son, Sean, who fought in Iraq as a Marine. He's doing fine. I'm on marriage number two, to Dianne, and we share five grandkids, aged 14–26. This is too long but let me add: Regis gave me the tools and confidence to take on a lot of challenges. Four years of commuting nearly two hours each way actually was worth it.” **Anthony Fischetti** writes, “After attending St John’s University Law School, I started working for the Corporation Counsel’s office and became a partner at Garbarini & Scher. In 2000, I started a firm with **Frank Pesce ’73**. I never enjoyed the practice of law as much as when I partnered up with another Regian, and it was only the two of us and we could depend on each other for everything we needed to do. I am hoping to retire in a year or so. More importantly, I married the love of my life and had two wonderful children. I didn’t believe that I could be happier until our granddaughter was born a little over a year ago. I am getting greedy and hoping for more grandchildren.” After Regis, **Angel Garcia** went to Princeton, a school that was much bigger and much less New York ethnic than Regis (not a good change). But he survived with some friends, some Puerto Rican activities, and some theater. Graduation led him back to the South Bronx, where he joined and worked for South Bronx People for Change, a Catholic community organizing project, doing people power and making good trouble from Fordham Road to Willis Avenue. He married Hilda Sanchez, and she had their daughter, Luzmari. They divorced a few years later. An MBA from Pace in 1998 led him to a career in community economic development, advising and funding entrepreneurs. During that time, his daughter gave birth to Zachariah. Angel retired in 2023. In December of 2020, his first (okay, only) book, *The Kingdom Began in Puerto Rico: Neil Connolly’s Priesthood in the South Bronx*, came out thanks to Fordham University Press. Angel is now active in a community garden in the South Bronx and in a couple of New York City environmental groups and spends some time with family, friends including fellow alum **Angel Roman**, and long-term girlfriend, Wendy. **Raymond Girnys** writes, “It’s hard to believe that 50 years have passed since many of us have crossed paths. We grew up together at Regis, and that created a close bond for all of us, but the intervening years molded us into individuals, each in our own way. After graduating from Fordham, I went to medical school on the island of Grenada. Besides living in a communist governed island, I survived a government coup and lived under martial law for two years. Every night I slept

with a passport taped to my chest, a machete at my bedside, and a poster of Cheryl Tiegs over my bed. Dreaming every night of potential escape routes and how much I missed home and my friends. Subsequently, I did my surgical residency at Lutheran Medical Center, my local hospital. I opened a successful practice nearby for 23 years. At that time I was an adjunct clinical professor at multiple medical schools and residency programs. I truly enjoyed my life teaching and hopefully molding doctors of the future. Then 9/11 happened while I was chief of staff for about 700 physicians. Our hospital was instrumental in the water evacuation that day as we were a Level I trauma center with a pier only a block away. (See the video “Boat Lift,” narrated by Tom Hanks, on YouTube.) Life thankfully calmed down. I married my wife Barbara (now 42 years), and we raised two sons: Ray Jr., a partner at Lowey Dannenberg, and Matthew, an electrical engineer at JBB who is building many skyscrapers in New York City. September 11 took its toll on me, though, as I shortly thereafter relocated to the Deep South, where I’m happy to be working as a “poor country general surgeon” in Greenwood, Miss. I’m the main surgical referral source for about 100 miles in the Mississippi Delta, a health desert and one of the poorest areas in the country. Now old and gray with a long history of cardiac disease, MIs, and too many stents, my life feels fulfilled. But it’s only because my wife has put up with me and helped me through my multiple episodes of rehab including a stroke seven months ago. I’m doing well with my recovery but not well enough to be with y’all on the momentous occasion — our 50th Reunion. Wish I had been there. All the best.” John Hall went to St. John’s, played rugby while majoring in math, then got an MS in environmental engineering from Manhattan College, followed by a JD from George Washington while working at the EPA in D.C. In 1982, he married Patty Barry, who delivered Ryan, Diana, and Rhys. They are all a handful. He formed his own firm in 1996 with his brother Bill where they worked in 45 states over the next 27 years. He divorced and married Gloria Johnston (Newfoundlander) in 2023, and they reside happily in Florida, North Carolina, and the Rock, Newfoundland, as time permits. **Andy Harris** writes, “Leaving Regis early for the University of Pennsylvania, I attended there two years before going to Johns Hopkins for a seven year combined BS/MD program. I stayed there for an anesthesiology residency, then a faculty position. I was elected to the Maryland State Senate in 1998, and the U.S. House of Representatives in 2010, where I’m now the Chair of the Agriculture Appropriations subcommittee. I married Cookie (Sylvia) in 1980, and we had five children (two sons and three daughters) before she died in 2014. In 2017, I got remarried to Nicole, who had a son as well. We have 11 grandchildren, with numbers 12, 13, and 14 on the way. We live on the Maryland eastern shore, where I work on old cars and tractors in my ‘spare’ time.” **Bill**

Heffernan was born and lived in Bayonne, N.J. In public school, his 8th grade teacher recommended that he apply to a school in a faraway place: Regis High School. He had never heard of this school. He was accepted and of course, life changed. After Regis, he went to Princeton and Rutgers for medical school. His residency in family medicine was assigned to Ulster County, N.Y., as part of the National Health Service Corps, where he practiced some aspects of family medicine, medical administration, and medical informatics for many years until 2022. Since then, he has retired twice and is still working part-time as a family doctor (he can’t retire anymore, so he is just working overtime now). He met his wife, Reggie, in 1976, and has two children with her: Sean and Matt. Matt and his wife, Xi, are expecting a child in August, Reggie and Bill’s first grandchild. At Regis, Bill’s interests were science fiction, sports, family, and friends. His interests have not changed. **James “Jim” DiMartini Mandala** attended Swarthmore College after Regis where he drifted between chemistry, music, and, finally, psychology. He married his college sweetheart, Suzanne, in 1979 and together they changed their last names to Mandala. They have two children who both live in Portland, Ore., and his daughter was married in June. They are waiting for grandchildren. Jim completed a master’s in psychology at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh studying existential approaches (he blames Walter Koestner’s influence for this). While living in Santa Cruz, he did his Ph.D training at California School of Professional Psychology, Berkeley. He worked in a wide range of settings in his first 10 years of clinical work in California and Connecticut, but worked over 30 years in New Jersey university counseling centers as a psychologist, training coordinator, clinical supervisor, and director. In January of 2024, Jim stopped working full time and now works two days a week as a supervisor/clinician and also teaches a class of doctoral students in psychology. He bought his first really nice guitar the first week in June of 2024. Although he loves to travel, he is perplexed at what to do if he retires full time. **Tom McCloskey** lost his dad in 1975. Having lost his mom in 1973, he was virtually alone. He spent the ensuing 13 years making every misstep and wrong turn imaginable. In 1988, he found recovery, employment, and his wife, now of 36 years, Iris. The impermeable foundation instilled by four years at Regis allowed him to resume education and rise from entry level to CFO. He remains gainfully employed in healthcare, resides with Iris and two dogs in Hasbrouck Heights, N.J., and is honored to be a member of the Class of 1974. **Jim McConnell** enjoyed every day going into Regis. At SUNY–Binghamton, he studied political science, but his favorite course was a science one that described earth’s plate tectonics. He made many lifelong friends there. In 1980, Jim met Joe Hickey, his life partner and eventually (when finally allowed!) his husband. They live on the Upper West Side and on Fire Island. Joe and

Jim raised their daughter Emily who attended Loyola High School across the street (smart enough for Regis but that was not an option for her). After attending grad school at Hunter College, Jim worked for New York City for 33 years, first as a city planner (initially in the Bronx and later rezoning the Manhattan neighborhood of Chelsea), and then as an assistant commissioner at the Office of Emergency Management. He worked on two big events there before retiring in 2018: recovery efforts after the 9/11 attacks and Hurricane Sandy. Jim and Joe have two teenage grandchildren, Isabella and Jake, with whom they are very close. **Bob McCormick** edited the *Spectator*, the weekly newspaper of Hamilton College, where he read Greek. Newspapering won out over the study of comparative literature: He learned the trade at a New Jersey daily and, in 1980, embarked on a long and satisfying career at the New York *Daily News*. In 1983, Bob wed Rosemary Leddy; their four children included **Timothy McCormick ’07**, who followed his dad to Regis. The great sorrow of Bob and Rosemary’s life was Tim’s death at age 24. (His name adorns a plaque on the fourth floor of the building). A brand-new granddaughter, Annabelle, helps the couple forget their cares. In retirement, Bob reads at Mass, plays piano, walks his dog, and works those fiendish British crossword puzzles. Bob McGrath got his Ph.D in clinical psychology from Auburn University in 1984. That same year, he became a faculty member at Fairleigh Dickinson University. A man of little vision, he’s been there ever since. He also met his smart, funny, and kind wife, Deb Bernstein, that year. She moved in the night of their first date, and they’ve been together ever since. They also produced two smart, funny, kind kids, Megan and Brian. Bob is heavily involved in psychological research, getting to collaborate with researchers around the world and working with smart, sometimes funny, and usually kind doctoral students. After studying at Hofstra University, **Mike McKeon** embarked on a long, satisfying career in the insurance industry in 1979. His job took him to the Lehigh Valley area of Pennsylvania in 1982 where he enjoyed multiple adventures, including a motorcycle tour of the Canadian maritime provinces in 1985, multiple trips to Ireland, and a marital misadventure. In the late ’90’s, he became involved in the world of purebred dogs, exhibiting Newfoundlands and Portuguese Water Dogs in conformation and working events. He had the great good fortune of meeting his wife, Julie Spadt, in 2002, and they are currently enjoying empty-nester retirement in Coopersburg, Pa., visiting with their blended family, Ray and his wife Melissa in Connecticut, and Megan and soon-to-be husband Dan in Florida. **Ralph Menendez** writes, “Little did I know when I took the senior elective in urban studies with Mr. Hahn that it would set into motion my career path. After Regis, while attending NYU, I worked for the Northwest Bronx Community Coalition as the founding organizer of a local neighborhood

improvement association. After a brief stint operating a portrait studio with classmate **Kevin Moffit**, I went to work for the New Jersey Division on Civil Rights. Starting as an investigator, I ended my 36-year career at the division as the chief administrative officer. Two highlights of my career were the three years that I spent on the New Jersey Attorney General’s Y2K task force rewriting applications to make them Y2K compliant. In 2006, I directed and co-authored the Polling Place Accessibility Survey and Report in which more than 5,000 polling sites in New Jersey were inspected to determine their accessibility to persons with disabilities. Throughout it all I have been married 45 years to Jill, who I met on a line at a Grateful Dead concert in 1974. We have two children, twins that are 40 years old, and four grandchildren. We spend as much time as we can traveling to Panama and wherever the winds take us.” **Patrick Nolan** writes, “I retired in April from Corporation Service Company after 45 years in the legal information services industry. I live in Rockland County, N.Y., with my wife of 37 years, Kathleen. We have three children: Caitlin, 34, Kerrianne, 31, and Andrew, 30. Cait and her husband, Jake Quesnell, have three children of which I am a proud “PopPop”: Hannah, Nolan, and rookie of the year Kevin (born April 25). I’m active in my parish church, currently as a Eucharistic minister. I also coached CYO hoops and taught PREP (formerly CCD) for 13 years. I’m also active with the Knights of Columbus as a Grand Knight of St. Dominic Council 5343 and District Deputy for NYS 50. I’m settling into retirement by doing a bit of traveling (most recently a Texas road trip wherein I took two more MLB ballparks off my bucket list in my quest to see all 30. I volunteer at our local hospital as an EMHC. I’m also taking painting classes, reading, and driving my sainted wife nuts! Pray for us! **Francis O’Brien** writes, “After we graduated from Regis, I attended Georgetown University where I roomed with **Rich O’Leary** for several years. I then went to medical school at Harvard and did my residency and cardiology fellowship at NYU/Bellevue. I have been in clinical practice in general cardiology since 1988. I am a clinical professor of medicine at NYU and love taking care of patients and teaching medical students, residents, and fellows. On a personal note, I met the love of my life, Tom Fazio, in 1987, and we have been together since. We actually have lived on East 84 Street between Park and Lexington since 1995, and I jog past Regis every weekday morning. We are thrilled to live in Manhattan and go to theater, concerts, and museums. I wish I could have attended the reunion and share memories of our Regis days. I send best wishes and lots of love to everyone. **Joseph (Jose) Ochoa writes**, “A CV covering 50 years will need to be high level. If there is an overall theme to my CV, it is that I can’t stand to be bored. The first 10 years were really fast paced so here goes. I graduated from Regis and went to Manhattan College; **Tom Naughton** drove me in his super cool

Chevy Nova. After a semester I was bored. I joined the Air Force, and they made me a nurse. Did that for a year, got bored, volunteered for instructor duty, not bored. After four years as an instructor, I had gotten married and decided to get out of the service and went to Tampa. I hated civilian health care and decided to go back to Texas (cheap tuition) and use my GI Bill to get a degree in something else. While working on my degree, I needed some side hustles so I did stand up comedy and worked for a couple of weeks as a dancer at the local disco for ladies’ night. I graduated in 1987 with a degree in accounting and returned to Tampa. I was bored so I moved to New York. On Long Island, I was the tax manager for a large tech company. I got bored, so I taught myself databases, SQL, and Lotus (Mark Koltko gave me a head start on Lotus). I wound up automating a lot of processes and caught the eye of Arthur Andersen Tax Technology Group in Sarasota, who then gave me a job in January of 1990. I loved it and was never bored as I moved up the ranks and new technologies came around to learn. In June of 2002, Andersen collapsed and the Technology Group was purchased by Vertex. Bored again. Started my own accounting and tax office, and hated working with small businesses. GE hired me to develop partnership software (with an offshore team). After a year, I was bored again. I was hired by True Partners as a tax technology consultant; the group was successful and was acquired by EY. I spent seven years as a project-based tax technology consultant and retired afterwards. Along the way, I had two daughters; one passed away from complications of diabetes. My ex wife also died. I am happily married to Theresa and not bored.” **Bill O’Connell** earned a BS in physics from Rochester Institute of Technology, an MS in health policy from New York Medical College, and a Ph.D in radiation physics from Columbia University. In 1984, Bill married Lynne Manos and moved to Cortlandt Manor, N.Y., where they raised their children, Kate and Dan. Bill started his professional career as a nuclear medicine technologist in Rochester and Binghamton. Returning to New York City in 1980, Bill served as radiation physicist at Westchester Medical Center, Metropolitan Hospital, Saint Vincent’s Hospital, Columbia Presbyterian Hospital, GE Healthcare, and Northwell Health. Bill also served on the faculty of New York Medical College, Fordham University, Manhattan College, and Hofstra University. Bill retired in 2023. Lynne and Bill still live in Cortlandt Manor, where Bill poses as a grandfather, gentleman farmer, and aspiring fiction writer. Richard O’Leary writes, “After Regis, I went to Georgetown University with four Regis classmates: Frank O’Brien, **Jim Drohan**, Jim Tynion, and **Tom Cocciardi**. I studied economics and government and rowed crew for four years. I enjoyed Georgetown so much, I stayed there for law school. After graduating law school, I clerked for the Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey. After my clerkship, I

joined McCarter & English, where I practiced law for 31 years as a business litigator, specializing in the defense of product liability cases. I joined Troutman Pepper Hamilton Sanders in 2013 and am still practicing law, hoping to retire soon! In 1981, I met the love of my life, Kelly Shawn Patricia Healy. We married in 1984 and have raised five wonderful children together: **Colin O’Leary ’06**, Caitlin (Marymount ’07), **Conor O’Leary ’09**, **Casey O’Leary ’12**, and Colleen (Marymount ’13). They are the joys of my life! My joy recently increased with the addition of Joseph Mastrocola (Regis 2041?)! I have enjoyed reconnecting with classmates, especially the last two winters when I joined Jim Cummings, John Hall, John Canavan, and Tom Dudar skiing!” **Dominick Pagnozzi** attended NYU as an undergraduate and graduate student. He writes, “I could not aspire towards a scholarship to Yale because my widowed mom needed someone to stay home to shovel the snow. I majored in literature and linguistics, and even though I did some ancient work in AI, it was well before its time so I went into what we now call business development. Recently, I had the good fortune to celebrate 37 years of marriage with Antoinette, the love of my life, always loyally beside me, someone more solid and beautiful than I could hope for. I co-founded a consumer tech distribution company and grew it into a major national player with the help of Jill Menendez, wife of **Ralph Menendez**, until my partners burned it out trying to go public too soon, i.e., 12 months before the internet boom. Afterwards, I led business development as an audio technology developer and finally contributed to making it the most profitable company in the CE sector until private equity hired a CEO who ran it down again. Lately, I am consulting in the consumer tech sector (love it) when projects are available and also in personal insurance and retirement planning as ongoing work, and likely forever. One of the best things to come out of Regis is my ongoing friendship and regular, monthly (at a minimum) engagements with classmates Ralph Menendez and **Donald Ende**. The best thing to come out of a life of ups and downs, struggles and triumphs, is finding that there are people who come out of the woodwork when you need a friendly host the most. Nothing shows the face of God more, and I have been gifted to witness that sometimes your greatest blessing arises from what you think was your worst curse. Still, I really miss **Phil Cardillo** and **John/Evan Smith** (forever Smithy). Hope to see them in the next life along with my dogs Max, Fritz, and Brownie. Perhaps on that grassy field noted in the 23rd Psalm. Carl Popolo writes, “Graduated from Cornell in 1978 with a BS in engineering on the same day and in the same place as Lou DiNapoli and Frank DeMayo. I went to work at National Steel in Detroit and graduated from the University of Michigan in 1982 with an MBA. I married Joan and moved to Boston in ’83. I worked at Data General as a senior project development

engineer, and Joan worked in biotech. In 1986, I moved to Varian Associates, now Agilent, in Lexington, Mass., as their IT manager. Also in ’86, our daughter Elizabeth was born; she is now 37 and living in western Massachusetts. In 1989, our daughter Meredith was born; she is now 35 and living in Stockholm. Went to the dark side as a self-employed consultant and software developer in 1990 and ended up working for about 70 different companies in the U.S., Europe, and Australia through 2020. In 2012, I founded an energy data analytics firm that tracks the electric grid and licenses a multi-client analytics platform to commodity suppliers in the U.S. I am either retired or working a solid 3–5 hours a day on product development, depending on who’s calling. If you’re scoring at home, two of the three F100 companies I’ve worked for either went bankrupt or were sold to larger companies who did, and I like to think I had something to do with that. **Peter Rivera** graduated from Fordham University with a degree in accounting. He earned his CPA and CMA, then decided to try computer programming for a year. He married in 1981. Peter stumbled into investment banking, where he had a very successful career and earned an MBA from NYU along the way. In 2001, he became a father of twins. In 2002, Peter decided that being a father and being a managing director were incompatible and left banking. He says it is the “best decision ever.” He stumbled into academia, which necessitated earning a doctorate in finance from Pace University in 2020. He remarried in 2019. In 2021, Peter earned the rank of 5th degree master instructor in Tang Soo Do, a Korean martial art. He is currently molding young minds as a finance professor at Manhattanville University. **Blaise Rogovich** writes, “I married Christine in 1983 and moved to Connecticut in 1986. Two sons and a daughter, all grown and living in the New York City area. I’m retired after a career in HR consulting/teaching for a wide variety of organizations in Connecticut and western Massachusetts. We moved to an ancient house and small farm in Somers, Conn., in 2010, so repairing the house and tending to our horses keeps us busy and mostly out of trouble. Angel Román was born and raised in Brooklyn. After Regis, he earned a BA in sociology from Columbia College, an MBA from Baruch College, and a master’s from Pratt Institute in library science. Angel has been with his wife, Ana, and her daughter Andrea, for over 32 years. Angel focused on community and economic development working in government agencies and nonprofit organizations as spokesperson for the New York City Department of Environmental Protection, director of Boricua College Small Business Development Center, and director of a Lower East Side after-school center dedicated to youth and adults. Angel served on many boards including a community health center, a credit union, and the Center for Puerto Rican Studies. Angel is a board member of Cumbe Center for African and Diaspora dance and a member of the New York City Labor

Chorus. Angel has been silk-screening Latino holiday cards with fellow Regian Angel Garcia for 40 years. Since Covid, he has been hosting Zoom dominoes with his buddies.” **John Santa Maria** entered law enforcement with the enticement that it would pay for his college tuition and wound up finding it rewarding enough to stay for 29 years. During that time, he worked his way up from beat cop to police captain serving in various assignments such as street crimes, auto theft, police academy instructor, and administration. In 2000, his attendance at the FBI National Academy in Quantico was a unique opportunity to network with officers from 47 states and 14 countries. It also jump-started his pursuit of his master’s culminating in 2002. Upon retirement in 2006, he switched sides and became an investigator for the New Jersey Office of the Public Defender, where he has risen to the position of assistant chief. He met the love of his life in 1979 and wed Deborah in 1983. Their 41-year union has produced two grown children who have become successful in their respective fields. John and Deborah are now anxiously awaiting the birth of their first grandchild in October. After graduating Regis, Len Scarpinato took Mr Ferguson’s advice literally and went to Columbia University to do biomedical engineering while taking pre-med courses. After medical school and two residencies, as well as subspecialty certification and work as a critical care physician, Len went back to do a master’s in administration at the University of Wisconsin in 1998. By then, he was co-parenting his soon-to-be Jesuit-trained son (Marquette University High School in Milwaukee), who would go on to play football for Michigan State in the Rose Bowl in 2013. He has been a CMO and divisional leader for two national healthcare companies, with the most recent one going on 11 years. Yet he still sees patients! He is contemplating retirement (at least cutting down from full time). His son and daughter-in-law are both physicians (“Followed him into the family business,” he says), and they are expecting Len’s first grandson to be delivered in August. (He’ll eventually be Jesuit-trained at Regis Jesuit in Denver where they live!) Len met his current significant other, Tina, in 2017 and the last seven years have been “heaven on earth.” **Bob Sexton** attended the University of Virginia, where he received a BA in Russian studies (with high distinction) and an MA in Slavic languages and literatures. He went on to law school at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., and worked for major international law firms in Washington, New York, London, Paris, and Moscow for over 20 years. He was among the first Western lawyers to arrive in Moscow in 1992, mere months after the collapse of the USSR. He spent over four years as a resident in Moscow, which he is convinced will earn him less time in purgatory. In 2005, he moved to Zurich to run the international legal department for Amgen, the world’s largest biotechnology company. He retired from Amgen in

2022 and now is working on becoming the next rock guitar god. He met his French-Turkish wife, Yesim, in Paris, and they married in New York in 1998. They have two wonderful children: Benjamin, 24, a USC engineering school graduate working as a data scientist in Los Angeles; and Sarah, 15, a student at the Zurich International School and a specialist in teen girl drama. Bob views the opportunity to attend Regis as one of the greatest things that could ever happen to a lower middle class kid from Howard Beach, Queens.” **Jim Solloway**’s career in finance started in his senior year at Regis, working for an economics consulting firm. During his college years at Columbia, he worked at the firm part-time during the school year. He joined Argus Research in 1980 and soon became its chief economist. He earned his MBA from NYU’s Stern School of Business in 1984 and was awarded the Chartered Financial Analyst designation in 1997. In 1998, he joined Morgan Stanley as an executive vice president and senior portfolio manager. After a brief spell of unemployment during the Global Financial Crisis, he joined SEI Investments as a managing director and senior portfolio fanager, where he earned two Lipper Awards for the best-performing mutual fund in his asset class. He married Elaine Wildgen in 1981 and has two daughters and five grandchildren. Jim co-founded a children’s swim team in 1995. Rebecca Soni, a two-time Olympian and former world-record holder, got her start on the team where she learned to swim the breaststroke. **Larry Stoia** writes, “I graduated from Fordham. I married the love of my life, Lorraine, in 1981. It was the best thing that I ever did. We lived in Holmdel, N.J., for 35 years. We had two children of whom we are very proud. I worked in the financial services industry my entire career, in operations, as a broker’s broker and as a trader. In 1990, I went to work for a Japanese trust bank, where I would finish my career. While at the bank, I built a world-class securities lending program. I managed all aspects of the business, from trading to risk management to relationship management to operations. In 2009, I was diagnosed with Parkinson’s Disease and have struggled with it ever since. In 2016, at age 60, I stopped working. We, and most of our family, moved to Florida full-time and now live near one another. We live a very simple life. I tried to live a life in service to others as time, resources, and health permitted. I feel privileged to have attended Regis and am proud to be a member of the Class of 1974.” **Steve Sullivan** writes, “I went on from Regis to Oberlin College. Always wanting to be a “mad man” (in more ways than one!), I then pursued a career in advertising. Having met the love of my life at a Brooklyn party in 1976, Roberta came along for the ride. We ‘moved in’ around 1980 and married in 1983. Ten years of middling marketing success ended in 1989, and I then did just about anything for the next three years to sustain our young family (Eric, born in 1985, and Rachel, born 1990). Then, through happenstance, an

old client from the advertising years asked me to run his dormant mortgage brokerage business. After 33 years of fulfilling and successful mortgage banking, Roberta and I have now sold the Brooklyn house of 25 years and retired to the Jersey Shore. So now, we’re looking at Brooklyn and loving the hell out of our two grandsons, Colin and Jamie. **Andrew Turezyn** graduated from NYU and Villanova Law School. He met his future wife, Kathleen, at Villanova and married her in their third year. Andy spent his legal career in the Wilmington office of Skadden, Arps, where spent his career working on some of the biggest corporate deals of the time. He is especially proud of the pro bono work he did helping to develop corporate law for Mongolia, Ukraine, and Georgia. He met his goal of retiring by age 50. Andy and Kathleen are the proud parents of Kevin, Kelly, and Casey. Jim Tynion graduated from Georgetown’s School of Foreign Service and then Fordham Law School and now has spent 43 years practicing big firm corporate law in international banking and energy project finance, specializing for the past 25 years on big renewable energy (wind, solar, e.g.) investments and financings, including spending two years in Tokyo early in his career. He has been a partner in the Morgan Lewis law firm in New York for over 10 years. He moved from New York City to Milwaukee in 1994 with two small children, and while there met and married Julie in 1999 with her two children. Together they raised four kids, a la the Brady Bunch, in Milwaukee until moving back to the Upper West Side in 2011. They have three children married and no grandchildren so far. Julie keeps busy as a docent at the Met and the Neue Galerie. Jim is active with a few of the Irish-American associations in New York and he looks forward to working less, volunteering, and playing more golf in the coming years.



Carl Barbera ’74 and James Cummings ’74 enjoying Montego Bay with their wives, Ann and Debbie

1975

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1976

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Some great updates from folks we may not have heard from in a while. **Frank Pietrantonio** writes, “By the time this update publishes, the boys Strider (me, **Ray Schmierer**, **Mike Tupone**, **Bob Lent**, and **Dave Pluta**, along with Dave’s brother Paul) will have met for another music session in Ghent. Also, I have wrapped up year three of teaching, and while it was challenging, I am looking forward to year four. **Gerry Murray** adds, “After serving for 12 years as pastor at Holy Family Church on East 47th Street near the United Nations, Cardinal Dolan has named me pastor of St. Joseph’s Church, Yorkville, located at 87th Street just east of Ghent Avenue. So I will now be easy walking distance from Regis. I will mark my 40th anniversary as a priest on December 1. Drop by the rectory if you are in the neighborhood!” From **Michael Rodriguez**: “Diane and I are both retired living in Rangeley, Maine. Our first and presently sole grandchild, Lily, was born in April of 2023. Her parents live in Westchester. Being a grandpa is a joy. My daughter lives in Astoria. My first of two sons married in October last year. He lives with his wife in New Jersey. All my adult kids are old. It’s tough living at least seven hours by car from them. Pictured here is a recent selfie of my wife and I and a pic of the view of Rangeley Lake from our backyard. In mere months, it will be iced over.” **Andy Merola** chimes in, “We welcomed our sixth grandchild in March: Lincoln Andrew. Messrs. **Pete Baecher**, **John Denari**, **Rob Franco**, and I continue our weekly online pinochle games; hard to believe how long it has been since the days of playing pinochle in the cafeteria. **Luke O’Keefe** and his wife, Phyllis, sister to **Hugh Finnegan**, are proud grandparents to two identical girls, Anna and Evelyn, now 10 months old and starting to move fast! Someone has invented the nickname Luke and the Lukettes since they include his red hair, but not his temper. Yet, Luke will be retiring from BlackRock on July 1 after 43 years in financing and constructing alternative energy projects. He is now working on reclaiming his fast first step (remember the 440 relay!) as they will run in opposite directions! **Joe Bringman** updates us on his son: “Joey successfully presented and defended his dissertation (regarding rebels in ancient Rome) on May 8, then received his Ph.D in classics at the University of Washington’s graduation on June 8.” **Hugh Finnegan** adds, “Our son Danny is getting married in September. The fourth and final Finnegan wedding. We have four grandchildren, Hughie and Ronan Finnegan and Ellen and Nora Cotty. They, along with their parents, live locally, so we are fortunate to see them very regularly.” **Jon Powers** and his wife celebrated their

40th wedding anniversary in June with Luke O’Keefe, Hugh Finnegan, and their wives present. Finally, **Peter Moerler** gives a shout-out to **Dennis Blair** of the Class of 1970. Dennis released a new record called *RESET*, available on all streaming platforms. Thanks Peter!



Michael Rodriguez '76 and his wife in Maine



Jon Powers '76 and his wife, Lynn, celebrate their 40th anniversary.

1977

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1979

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Kevin Rochford and **Fabian Fondriest** met and had dinner in Chicago with their wives recently. **John Scola** and his wife are touring MLB parks. Of the 14 still-existing stadiums that he has visited, John ranks Petco Park in San Diego as having the best fan

experience. **John Becker** has printed his book, *The Greatest Works of Art of All Time*. (Contact him directly if you want a copy.) Last year, Rev. Thomas Massaro, S.J. '79 published the volume “Pope Francis as Moral Leader” (Paulist Press, 2023, and also available on Amazon). When a delegation from Fordham University (where Fr. Tom teaches) visited the Vatican in June for an audience with Pope Francis, they presented the pope with two copies of the book. Pope Francis seemed delighted enough to keep one copy and to sign the other copy to be returned to the Regian author back in New York. **Chris McGovern** has been made the administrator of our class’s Facebook page; let him know if you have trouble getting access. **Dave White** is living in adjacent Washington, D.C., and continuing his good work as a patient advocate.

1980

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Joe Accetta, Sr. proudly reports that in May, his younger son, Thomas, graduated *magna cum laude* from Manhattanville University, also earning high honors in his major of digital media production. Joe’s elder son, **Joseph Accetta, Jr. '14**, continued his assault on the world’s marathon courses, completing the New York, London, Berlin, and Tokyo marathons in the past 18 months. He will run in Chicago in October, leaving only Boston to complete the “Big 6” of global marathons. Congratulations to **Sal DiMartino** on his recent promotion to Executive Vice President and Chief of Staff to the CEO at New York Community Bank. Well done, Sal! **Bill Gillard** continues to be a prolific author and writes (literally) from the Midwest: “Out here in Wisconsin, life is easy. I am wrapping up a sabbatical and have a few books coming out. My 10th book, *If a Clod Be Washed*, is a verse novel set at a Benedictine prep school in New Jersey that tells the story of a 50-something biology teacher looking for the meaning of life in a swamp at the edge of the school grounds. It is available in the usual places, and I’d love to hear from anyone who reads it.” **Ino Maquirang** provides the following update from “Down Under”: “I’ve been living in Sydney since 1997 and have enjoyed it here immensely. My wife, Leigh, and I run a full-time karate school and teach at 10 schools throughout

Sydney. I also lead an international network of schools in the U.S., Chile, India, and Japan. I guess this is what you call ‘retirement’ these days. We’re very proud of our son, Max, who’s doing well and working for JP Morgan Chase in Sydney. Leigh and I make it back to New York City at least once per year to visit family and to teach karate. Last year, I caught up with **Pete Labbat** and **Eddie Castell** and had a great lunch together. Happy to meet up with anyone else during my next trip in March/April or September/October. Just reach out at ino.maquirang@gmail.com. I also enjoy keeping track of fellow Regian martial artists, **Bob Gallagher** and **Ted Conliffe**.” **Mike Martin** resumed his annual duties in Dublin in May, running and teaching at Fordham’s Summer Law Program, and commented to me about the photo of he and **Chris DeMarco** in London last year that was published in the previous issue of Regis Magazine. He humbly noted: “I loved the pic, and I did compare it to some of those that were in there for the later classes, and found that we were remarkably well preserved.” As reported in the Spring 2024 issue of Regis Magazine, **Eddie Mulholland**, Chair of Classics at Benedictine College in Atchison, Kan., just published the first-ever English translation of the lost and rediscovered Renaissance epic *The Davidad* by Croatian humanist Marko Marulić. Eddie reiterated that his study at Regis of “AP Latin has paid dividends.” **Gene Parr** has been appearing and singing at many venues on Long Island as part of the acoustic trio the Fine Print, performing primarily standards from the 1960s, 1970s, and 1980s. In fact, the group released a poignant video covering “Daylight Again” (Crosby, Stills & Nash) this past Memorial Day in honor of those who have paid the ultimate price defending these United States. The video can be viewed at the group’s Facebook page. **Ricardo Venegas** reports, “Everything is well: health, family, business. My daughter, Alexandra, decided to attend Johns Hopkins SAIS (School for Advanced International Studies) and will begin her studies this fall semester. She is excited to be in D.C. and to continue her studies related to China and the Mandarin language, as well. I have been traveling to Asia frequently (twice this past spring) and always learn something new about the culture after all of these years (since 1996) traveling there.” Ricky looks forward to recounting a story about “the Rose Bowl, Michigan, and a horseshoe” in future Prowlings (or at future class gatherings), adding, “It never gets old.”

1984

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Val Villa’s eldest daughter Eva graduated from Weddington High School in North Carolina and will be attending Fordham University in the fall to pursue

theater performance. **Tony Raucci’s** older son, Alex, just finished up his second year at the UPenn School of Dental Medicine, and his younger son, Zach, graduated last month from Purdue University and was commissioned into the U.S. Navy. Zach is heading to Pensacola to begin flight school. **Dr. Dan DaSilva’s** oldest child Katy just graduated from Boston College and his son Peter finished his first year at University of Rhode Island majoring in marine affairs. **Fred Donodeo’s** oldest son, Michael, is a rising senior at Villanova and is managing advanced analytics and scouting of opposing pitchers for the baseball team. Fred adds that he wished he had access to such technology in our days at Regis! And one last graduation to report: **Bill Dunn’s** son Augie just graduated from kindergarten. Finally, on the marriage front, **Manny Grillo** and **Kevin Lee** celebrated weddings for their boys (and former class of ’84 RABL subs!) in back-to-back weeks in June. Manny’s son **Chris Grillo ’13** got married on June 1 and will be starting at Columbia Business School for his MBA in the fall, and Kevin’s son **Brennan Lee ’16** got married on June 8 and is attending Harvard Business School for his MBA. Manny adds, “Yes, our sons have accomplished way more than we did!”



Former Regis Class of 1984 basketball players: (from left) Ray McGoldrick, Joe Antinori, Mike Horowitz, Jerry Noone, Kenny Newkirk, Eric Velasquez, and Mike Murphy

1985

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Class of 1985: It is officially our 40th reunion year from our beloved Regis. Plenty to plan for the celebration. That news will come, but for now, we have some class news to share. **James Sullivan** shared that his time as a board member of the successor to his old grammar school (Little Flower) is coming to a close. They had to shut the doors for good based on continual enrollment declines. He hopes to spend a little more time this year getting in touch with classmates for comments and hopefully have a stellar reunion next year. Sully always finds the silver lining! Sad to see some of these schools disappear, in spite of valiant and generous efforts by people like Sully. We will keep at it; these schools are important to the future! **Glenn Cummins** has

decided to put his CPA/CFA and extensive fund experience into a personal tax practice for individuals and small businesses (gcumminscpa.com). Glenn is excited by the traction he has gotten from word of mouth. His stellar reputation precedes him! Glenn and his wife, Sheila, are still enjoying Rockville Centre, and Glenn is still enjoying just standing around near the sideline waiting for someone to pass him the ball so he can shoot (**Bill Hogan** always went 4-for-5 — four shots before any pass. Class scribe’s note, not Glenn’s). Glenn’s kids are now all grown adults out in the world and occupied with college, law school, financial aid administration, data analytics, and addiction counseling. **Mike Webb** and **Rich Murtha** met up in Arlington, Texas, where Mike was at a conference. Yours truly has been quite busy with some of our Regis classmates and brothers. I joined **John Ciociari** and **Rocco Papandrea** (along with non-Regis buddy Ronnie Amazon) at Cathedral Preparatory High School’s Cigar Night. Good time, but my bride would not let me in the house until I changed into the clothes she left on the back deck. Rocco and I then attended Dominican Academy’s gala event. Well done to DA’s President, Dr. Alexandria Egler, and her team on the offering. Met up with **Vernon McDermott** and **Manny Grillo ’84** at a Regis campaign event on Long Island. **Fr. Devron** did an exceptional job sharing the direction of our alma mater, and the parents who hosted shared true “men and women for others” hospitality. Thank you to Daria Mulhall for inviting me. **Peter Gallagher ’83 P’16** and I met up in Rye, N.Y., at a Boston College meet-and-greet with their new football coach, Bill O’Brien. What a spectacular setting and informative (and inspirational) Q&A. One scribe’s editorial note to make from last Prowlings: We shared news about an MSG event where many Regis brothers gathered, but I forgot to mention why we were gathering. Thanks to **Alan Garcia ’08**, we were there to grow awareness for the great work Cristo Rey Brooklyn High School is doing. The Regis family continues to do exceptional work far and wide. Let’s keep it going, pick up the pace, and ensure what we were taught is put into practice. Until next time.



Mike Webb '85 and Rick Murtha '85 in Arlington



Rocco Papandrea '85, John Ciociari '85, Ronnie Amazon, and Thomas Flood '85 at Cathedral Prep’s cigar night

1986

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Hello, Class of 1986. While you won’t see this until September, it is late June as I write this. I hope you all had an enjoyable summer, and I’ll look forward to hearing all about your summer experiences when I send the next request for updates. I want to thank you for your emails with updates and even for your emails telling me you have no updates. **Mike Lazorchak** wrote just to say that he had nothing new to report. Even “no news” is appreciated, and Mike, I’m happy to be able to include you in this update. On a more serious note, some of our classmates experienced significant losses recently. **Mike Higgins** sent me the following update: “April/May was a rough stretch for our class. Three of our parents passed away after living incredible lives. Mario Sumberac (father of **Richie Sumberac ’88** and **Bob Sumberac** as well as Regis grandparent to **Ryan Sumberac ’15**) passed away at 90 years old. At the wake and funeral were the likes of **Tom Flood ’85**, Mike Higgins, **Dan Dougherty**, and **Brian Gavin ’87**. Less than a week later, Richie and Bob Sumberac along with Dougherty and Flood were in Queens once again for Michael Higgins P’86’s wake and funeral. Thanks also to Fr. Chris Devron for concelebrating the funeral Mass and leading the prayers at the cemetery. Lastly, **Brendan McLaughlin** lost his amazing mother. The support of friends moved into Brooklyn to celebrate the life of Anita McLaughlin P’86.” Mike, Bob, and Brendan, we are all very sorry for the loss of your loved ones. **George Cassidy** wrote to tell me that **Tom Groppe** invited him up from Nashville to New Jersey to see the Rolling Stones at MetLife Stadium over Memorial Day weekend. As George writes, “It was only 42 years ago that he and I squirreled ourselves away in the AV room for two consecutive showings of *Gimme Shelter*, foregoing basketball, chess, and whatever other enticements the Regis freshman orientation day offered back in 1982. In all the time since, we had never seen the Stones together, an omission we have

now remedied. The show was wonderful, but just as wonderful was the chance to reconnect and enjoy the hospitality of Tom and his lovely wife, Claudine.” Thanks, George. And I believe this is your first post, so thanks for that as well. **Kevin Kavanagh** wrote to say that he is leaving his firm Taconic Capital Advisors, where he has been a partner, head of trading, and a portfolio manager for the past 24 years. He is looking forward to enjoying the summer and plans to pursue some new opportunities. He and his wife, Amanda, live in Rye, N.Y., and have four daughters: Julia (20), Elizabeth (18), Claire (16), and Kaitlin (13). Julia is about to start her second year at the Villanova School of Business. Elizabeth is off to her freshman year at Santa Clara University in the fall, and Claire and Kaitlin will be entering 11th and 9th grade respectively at Sacred Heart in Greenwich. If you want to connect with Kevin by email going forward, you should use kkavhome@gmail.com. I got to see **Jerry Lawrence** at the Regis President’s Dinner back in May. Jerry is always willing to give me some fresh material, so he reported that his daughter, Rose, recently married John Heim, who not long after the wedding was deployed with the United States Army’s 44th Infantry Brigade Combat Team. Rose continues to live in Philadelphia, where she coaches junior squash players. Congratulations to Jerry (and, of course, to Rose), and we can all thank Jerry’s new son-in-law for his service. Speaking of people I got to see, I was back on 84th Street in June for a gathering of Regions of color. It was well attended. Aside from me, **Rodney Prezeau**, **Allan Powe**, and **Denis Gooding** attended. The four of us went out to dinner after the event. We ended up being the last customers in the restaurant, although on the sleepy Upper East Side, you can accomplish that just by making it past 8 p.m. We held out until about 10 p.m. Finally, speaking of Allan Powe, known to young Regions as Dr. Powe, the learned doctor reported that he just completed his eventful second year as a science teacher at Regis, where he not only taught Biology to the freshman but also expanded his involvement beyond the classroom. He moderated the Black Student Union-Heritage club with **Prince Hunt ’16** and Belkise Dallam, co-coached the Science Olympiad team with **Xavier Simon ’05** and Stefano Cascapera, helped to plan the recent Alumni of Color Gathering, and served on the John Francis Regis Initiative Committee. His proudest moment this year was leading 35 Regions — sophomores, juniors, and seniors — along with five chaperones on a nine-day trip to Costa Rica over the Easter break. Their adventure began with sightseeing in San José before heading to Parrita, where students helped expand a seedling nursery for a local mangrove conservation project. The journey included diverse experiences showcasing Costa Rica’s rich ecological, cultural, and religious traditions: encountering white capuchin monkeys, crocodiles, and basking iguanas; spending

the day on the pristine beaches of Manuel Antonio National Park; participating in folkloric dances in Esparza and San José; zip-lining near the Arenal volcano; and visiting local churches and partaking in Holy Week celebrations. It was a life-changing experience for him and many of the students. Allan is now eagerly anticipating year three. Thanks to all contributors to this edition, and I’ll look forward to receiving the next round from you. Be well.



George Cassidy ’86 and Tom Groppe ’86 at MetLife Stadium



Allan Powe ’86 ziplining in Costa Rica

1987

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1988

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We are saddened to report the passing of two members of the Class of 1988 family. Our classmate **Dennis Ortiz** passed away recently in Dubai, where he had been living and teaching. And Chanel Maria Ward Richardson, beloved wife of **Joe Richardson**, lost her battle to cancer on July 1. May Dennis’s and Maria’s memories be a blessing to all who loved them.

1989

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Isla Nève Carroll was born on April 29 to Jessica and **Darren Carroll**. Darren writes, “Yes, Dad is

just as old as everybody else in the Class of 1989. He might be just a tad bit crazier.” **JP Freeley** writes, “I’ve been elected to the New York City Cornellians Board. I encourage all New York City Cornellians to introduce themselves via jpf2@cornell.edu or say hello at one of the upcoming events.” **Jonah Kennedy ’24** recently graduated from Regis, joining his father **David Kennedy** and older brother **Dylan Kennedy ’16** as alumni. Congratulations, Jonah! From **Roger Rigaud**: “By the time this is published, the Rigauds will have left (sadly) Monterrey on July 12 to enjoy a mad dash visit to Florida for home leave — need to get my Legoland fix! A short visit to Washington, D.C., is in order as well before we arrive in Guatemala City on August 2. Also want to thank all the ’89ers and other Regions who supported our daughter Lara and her STEAM team’s trip to Kansas City for the Destination Imagination Global Finals at the end of May. They finished second among the Mexican teams and had a ball meeting kids from all over the world.” Finally, over 25 percent of our class attended the recent 35th year reunion this May. JP Freeley shared an email on May 18 regarding a photo album for our reunion night. Please check your inboxes, join the album, and contribute photos.



Dave Kennedy ’89 with sons Jonah ’24 and Dylan ’16

1990

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The highlight of the spring was an informal get-together in Manhattan in mid-June where we had 16 classmates attend — basically a full Advisement Group. In attendance were **Joe Sciabica**, **Rich Chun**, **Anthony Canale**, **Dan Rios**, **Matt Peters**, **Mike Egan**, **Tom Scully**, **John Scroope**, **Gene Armas**, **John Lee**, **Mike King**, **Rob Reichenbach**, **Peter Rooney**, **Ron Llewellyn**, **Freddy Taveras**, and **Jim Donohue**. In true Regis fashion, multiple attendees offered estimates on what percentage of the overall class that represented. For some reason, the range of those estimates seemed to grow as the evening progressed. Despite the difference in math, everyone agreed that if we could get this big of a turnout for a random night in June, next year’s 35th reunion should be a blowout. Consider the bar to have been raised. In other news, Joe Sciabica writes,

“I feel like I’m a band member of the Eagles doing a reunion tour: dinner with John Scroope and his wife, Liz, in Boston on March 22; dinner with **Mike O’Malley** and his wife, Christine, in Beacon on April 6; and drinks with Freddy Taveras and his wife, Tania, in New York City on May 9. Looking forward to the next stop on the tour!” John Scroope adds, “In addition to promising to throw out future New York City dates for informal gatherings (with enough notice for noteworthy absentees to have no excuses), I’m proud to share that I will be an empty nester this fall with three college kids keeping up with the Jesuit (Fairfield and Boston College) and, yes, Augustinian (Villanova) traditions for undergrad education! If anyone’s work or personal travel brings them to the Boston area, please give me a shout.” The Mets also seemed to bring people together this spring. Eagle-eyed SNY viewers spotted **Tom Lardner**, **Bobby Walsh**, and **John Walsh ’88** behind home plate at a game in May. Some folks also said that they spotted seeing Joe Isuzu at the game but those reports could not be confirmed. Jim Donohue bumped into **Nolan Shanahan ’91** and **Jim Murphy ’91** on Roosevelt Avenue in Woodside after a game earlier in the month. The game was bad but the random rendezvous was worth it.



Class of 1990 spring gathering



John Scroope ’90 and Joe Sciabica ’90 breaking bread in Beantown



Freddy Taveras ’90 and Joe Sciabica ’90 catching up in New York

1991

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Todd Cosenza ’91 met with Fr. Soohoo ’93 while visiting the Vatican with his family.

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1994

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Matthew Guiney, mattguiney@hotmail.com

1995

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The Class of 1995 mourns the passing of **Luke P. LaValle Jr.** (Mr. LaValle). Mr. LaValle was always willing to provide guidance and hospitality during the Regis years and subsequently, when we were young and needed it the most. Our condolences go out Mrs. LaValle and Dave and **Mike LaValle ’97**. May Luke III greet his father warmly in heaven. RIP.

1996

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John Brennan ’09, Joe Davis ’83, Todd Cosenza ’91, Dan Kozusko ’96, and Brian Lennon ’96 at the Willkie Farr & Gallagher partners’ retreat in Puerto Rico

1997

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In February, Scott Moringiello ’97 and José Márquez ’91 met up with their former Williams College professor Mark C. Taylor at a conference at UC–Santa Barbara in Taylor’s honor.

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Bobby Heaney completed his fourth major marathon the day after his 40th birthday. He shocked himself by breaking the five-hour mark in the London Marathon. Up next is the 2025 Tokyo Marathon. When he's not torturing himself with long runs, Bobby continues to operate his history tour pub crawl company, America Crawling, in cities across the country. If you find yourself in Boston, D.C., Fort Worth, Philadelphia, San Diego, or Waikiki, check out americacrawling.com to jump on a crawl. As **Eric Tseng** explores a new chapter in his life out in Arizona, he returned to Vegas this year to play in the \$1,500 Limit Hold 'Em event in the World Series of Poker. In the early stages of the tournament, he made his first royal flush of his life, stunning the table and adding to the suspense of the tournament. He battled for over 11 hours on Day 1 and finished around 80th place out of a pool of 443 entrants, just outside the money. He plans on returning every year until he makes the final table!



Eric Tseng '02 at the World Series of Poker



Bobby Heaney '02 running the London Marathon

2003

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2004

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Adam Chabal writes, "Had a great time and was happy to catch up with old classmates in the Regis auditorium at the 20th reunion. Feel free to drop a line if anyone from the Class of '04 ever finds themselves in South Jersey."



Members of the Class of 2004 at their spring reunion

2005

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2007

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In April, **Tully McLoughlin** and his wife, Lili Rudis, welcomed their firstborn daughter, Zuzana, who goes by Zuzu. In May-June of this year, **Joe Bertino** had his first solo show as digital artist Denomin8r (@denomin8r) at Chance Studios in New York City. **Jay Jay Loftus** and his wife, Andrea, welcomed their second child, Maeve Josephine, on May 5 in London, where they have been living for the past two and a half years. Maeve and Andrea are doing great, and Iain, who turns four in July, is an excellent big brother and loves his little sister. Jay Jay recently took Iain, along with his Poppio and uncle, to see his first Mets game at London Stadium. The Mets lost. Jay Jay encourages any members of the Regis community, especially those of the Class of 2007, who find themselves in London to please reach out. He is always available for a cheeky pint and it would be great to catch up. **Sean Stangl** wishes to thank Mr. Hannon for introducing him to the *Tao Te Ching* around 2006. Sean is happy and adequately fed.



Jay Jay Loftus '07's son Iain posing with the newest member of the family, Maeve



Tully McLoughlin '07 with his newborn daughter, Zuzu

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In January, **Christian Monsalve, MD**, and his wife, Julia, received the Sposi Novelli blessing from Pope Francis at the Vatican. On April 11, their son Joseph Andrew was born in Dallas. They gathered with family and friends to welcome him into the Church on June 14.



Christian Monsalve, MD, '09 and his wife, Julia, received the Sposi Novelli blessing from Pope Francis at the Vatican.



Christian Monsalve, MD, '09 and his wife, Julia, baptize Joseph Andrew Monsalve.

2010

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Daniel McKenna and his wife, Shannon, welcomed their daughter, Noelle Rose McKenna, to the world on May 16. The following submissions are corrected from the previous issue of Regis Magazine. **Michael Paslavsky** and Lauren D. Busch got engaged on September 16, 2023. Their dog Archie is happy for his mom and dad. **Dominick Fiorentino** married Alexander Honjiyo at the Willard Hotel in Washington, D.C., on September 30, 2023. They were joined by several members of the Regis Class of 2010 and their spouses. **Myles Phillips** married Andrea Thompson in Harwich Port, Mass., on October 7. **Rev. Philip Judge, SJ, '80**, former President of Regis, presided over the ceremony. They were joined by a number of fellow Regions, including **Ryan Phillips '12**, **Sean Phillips '15**, **Tom White**, **Aidan Tansey**, **Ethan Corcoran**, **Danny McKenna**, **Conor Prior**, **Michael Hansen**, **Jamie Stark**, **Jerry DelGiacco**, **Will Eberts**, and **Patrick Cooney**. **Edward Escobio** married Rachel Matthews on October 22, with **Russell Quinones '09** serving as the best man. Gerard DelGiacco, Tom White, and Patrick Cooney recently got together at Notre

Dame's famous Linebacker Lounge after a Fighting Irish win over Wake Forest. **Frank Pensabene** and his wife, Megan, welcomed their son, John Patrick "JP" Pensabene, to the world on October 16, 2023.



Daniel McKenna '10 and his wife, Shannon, with their baby Noelle



From left, Class of 2010 attendees Ryan Mowbray, Michael Paslavsky and his fiancée Lauren Busch, William Weinlandt and his partner Samuel Dunkle, Matthew Serrone, Brian Dunlop, Stefan Lainovic and his wife Eloise Andry, Michael Berger and his wife Carley Berger, and Andrew Giambrone and his husband Zachary Ford at Dominick's wedding



Several Regions at Myles Phillips '10's wedding



Russell Quinones '09 giving a speech at Eddie Escobio's wedding



Gerard DeGiacco '10, Tom White '10, and Patrick Cooney '10 at Notre Dame's Linebacker Lounge



Michael Paslavsky '10 posing with his fiancée, Lauren, and dog, Archie



Frank Pensabene '10's son, JP

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2014

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2015

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Peter Wroblewski is marrying his fiancée, Meredith, on November 30 this year. Jess and **Evan Nagel** got married on May 25 in St. Louis. Our classmate James Flatow graduated from Columbia medical school. **Dr. Anthony Fauci '58** spoke at the commencement ceremony! Regians **David Said, SJ, '14**, **Matthew Babich '15**, **Mark Kindschuh '15**, and **Brian Engelhart, SJ, '12** attended the Jesuit USA East Province ordination at Fordham University on June 8. Rev. Brendan Coffey, SJ, a former Regis teacher and member of the English Department, was officially ordained into the priesthood by Bishop Stephen Chow, SJ, of Hong Kong.



Regians in attendance for Fr. Coffey's ordination



James Flatow '15 at his Columbia Medical School graduation posing with Tony Fauci '58



Jeremiah Jacinto '15 and Declan Cronin '15 in the Marlins bullpen

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Charles Bostwick '18 earns his first NBA2KL MVP en route to another championship. He collected a pair of tournament MVP trophies while leading the team to a 22-3 record.

2019

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2020

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2021

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Andrew Ghaleb '21 and Conor Geelan '21, studying abroad, met up on a beautiful day in Madrid with their friend and former Regis Spanish teacher, Tomasz Otwloski '09.

2022

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Events Calendar

SEPTEMBER

13 Mass of the Holy Spirit

27 JUG Night

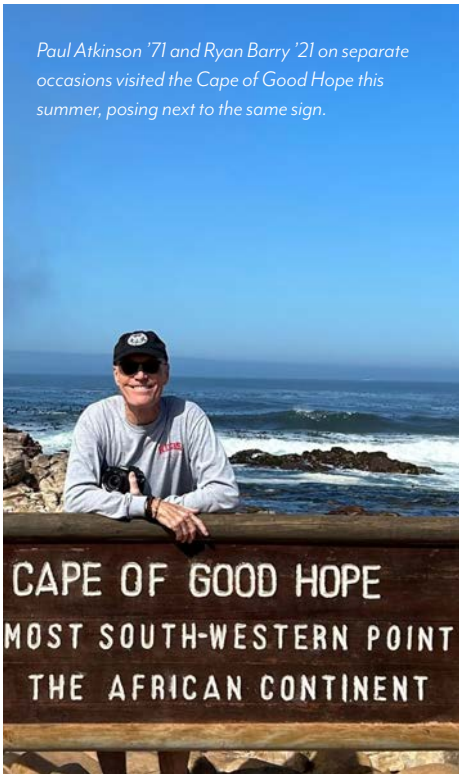
OCTOBER

23 Chicago Regional Reception

NOVEMBER

6 Deo et Patriae Reception

18 Boston Regional Reception



Paul Atkinson '71 and Ryan Barry '21 on separate occasions visited the Cape of Good Hope this summer, posing next to the same sign.



Milestones

BIRTHS

Isla Nève Carroll on April 29, 2024, to Jessica and **Darren Carroll '89**

Maeve Josephine Loftus on May 5, 2024, to Andrea and **Jay Jay Loftus '07**

Zuzana McLoughlin, to Lili Rudis and **Tully McLaughlin '07**

Joseph Andrew Monsalve on April 11, 2024, to Julia and **Christian Monsalve, MD, '09**

Noelle Rose McKenna on May 16, 2024, to Shannon and **Daniel McKenna '10**

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WEDDINGS

Chris Grillo '13 and Alexandra Donovan on June 1, 2024

Evan Nagel '15 and Jess Kovach on May 25, 2024

Requiescat in Pace

Joseph Renahan '47 on July 6, 2024

T. Donal Harrington '50

Rev. Donald Hinfey, SJ, '50 on June 27, 2024

Francis Tarsney '50 on June 8, 2024

Donald Sileo '51

John Donohue '52 on July 29, 2024

Edward McAniff '52 on June 24, 2024

Rev. Msgr. Thomas Bergin '53 on May 2, 2024

William Byrnes '57 on April 14, 2024

William McGeveran '57 on June 25, 2024

Lawrence Johnsen '69 on June 9, 2024

Guy Ferraiolo '71 on April 29, 2024

Joseph Dipinto, Jr. '72 on July 12, 2024

Michael McCauley '74 on August 2, 2024

Dennis Ortiz '88

Zultan Bermudez '00 on May 31, 2024



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Seniors in Mr. Lou Cicalese's theology elective on St. Paul met with His Eminence Timothy Cardinal Dolan on April 24 at the Archbishop's Residence next to St. Patrick's Cathedral. As part of the course, students were asked to write letters to their local bishops, and after receiving letters from members of the class, Cardinal Dolan graciously invited the students to meet with him and discuss St. Paul's life and work.