

# REGIS

FOR ALUMNI, FAMILIES, AND FRIENDS OF REGIS HIGH SCHOOL | WINTER 2025





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**Above:** One of Regis's most cherished traditions, the annual trip to Bear Mountain has offered generations of Regions a day of fun away from 84th Street. Students this year took part in a range of recreational activities, including basketball, soccer, Spikeball, and frisbee. After weather-related closures in 2023, students were also able to return to the hiking trails, with Mr. James Scacalossi '83 P '15 '20 and Mr. Edmund Dee leading Regions up the mountain.

**On the Cover:** Regis's lower gym underwent a total renovation over the summer in a project that also included a relocated and expanded fitness center. These upgrades were made possible thanks to generous support for our *Ready to Do* campaign. To learn more about the renovated lower gym, see page 4. To learn more about *Ready to Do*, see page 9.



## President's Report

# For the Future of Regis



This issue of *Regis Magazine* contains two stories that may seem unrelated. Allow me to connect the dots between them.

In these pages, you will read about our annual Deo et Patriae Reception held on November 6 and its award recipient, Regis Board Chair Tony DiNovi '80 (page 14). In receiving this honor, Tony spoke about Regis's

transformative mission and its impact on a young man whose immigrant parents had no opportunity for secondary or higher education.

Regis opened worlds that Tony didn't know existed. His Catholic and Jesuit education on 84th Street prepared him for college and an extraordinary career through academic rigor. But more importantly, Regis formed within him a set of values — values that developed his faith, critical thinking, and desire to serve his community.

Tony's Regis story is not unique. For decades, a Regis education has been a golden ticket for immigrant families. This reality continues today with an enrollment in which nearly 50 percent of students are sons of immigrants. For some, like Tony, a ticket to Regis may lead to social mobility. But the true power of the ticket does not lie in the attainment of material wealth or access to elite circles of power and influence.

Rather, the ticket gives young men an opportunity to deepen their relationship with God and commit their lives to moral principles. It introduces them to a process of sacred reflection to discern and choose the greater good, even when this may demand personal sacrifice. And the ticket is an invitation to embrace eternal truths that help Regians flourish long beyond their high school years.

More than a century of these transformational stories leads us to the present moment, in which Regis boldly launches *Ready To Do* (see page 9). The largest and most impactful fundraising initiative in our history, the campaign seeks to enhance our resources to deliver this same transformative mission in an ever-changing

world and a new educational context of striking opportunities and challenges.

In its auspicious silent phase, 281 *Ready to Do* donors have already committed more than \$68 million of our \$75 million total goal. We hope the remainder will be generated through the generosity of the larger Regis community and other supporters who recognize the gift of a Regis education.

Funds from this campaign improve our college counseling program to serve students and parents who must navigate volatile changes to a process that mostly privileges the top colleges and universities rather than young people, much less the first-generation college-bound students among them.

*Ready To Do* establishes a REACH endowment to support the program's recent growth and expand its ability to identify families whose talented sons can benefit from a Catholic Jesuit education.

It allows Regis to compete with New York City's top private high schools and recruit highly qualified and mission-driven educators in a hyper-competitive job market.

It supports our teachers with Ignatian formation and professional development to help them adapt to radical innovations such as generative AI while creatively encouraging our students to ground their use of technology in ethical principles.

And it enables Regis to improve our campus environment so that our facilities better embody the standards of 21st century teaching, learning, and care for the whole person.

As you read this issue, I hope that Tony's story inspires your own commitment to the value of service. And I hope it motivates you to consider a gift to *Ready To Do* so that Regis's transformative mission may extend to generations unseen and that our Foundress's vision remains strong to endure.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Devron'.

Rev. Christopher J. Devron, SJ  
President



# News & Notes

FOR EXPANDED COVERAGE OF THESE AND OTHER NEWS STORIES, VISIT [REGIS.ORG/NEWS](https://regis.org/news)



## Regis Dedicates Renovated Lower Gym and New Fitness Center

Regis formally dedicated its renovated lower gym and new fitness center on October 8, cutting the ribbon in a ceremony attended by seniors, faculty, and staff.

"Almighty God, we sing your praises without ceasing," said President Rev. Christopher Devron, SJ, in his dedication. "You rule over all things with wonderful order, you temper the cares and burdens of our toil, and, by giving us rest and healthy recreation, you refresh our weary bodies and minds. We entreat your kindness, that this place and its facilities will contribute to leisure activities that renew the spirit and strengthen the body and the mind."

Following Fr. Devron's prayer and blessing with holy water, Principal Mr. Charlie Heintz cut the ribbon to officially open the lower gym, which features air conditioning, a sound system, and a new batting cage, in addition to new flooring and a new look in Regis red.

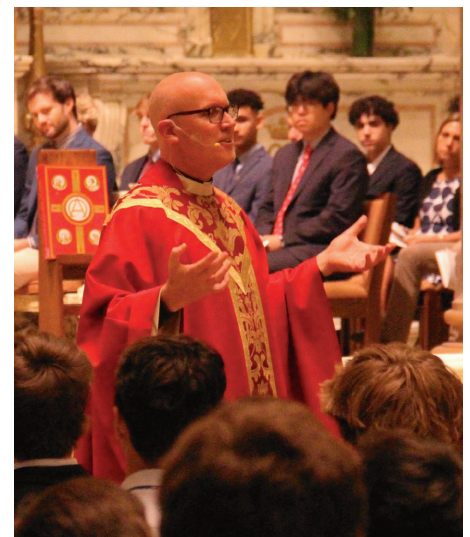
As part of the ceremony, the Regis Owl took the opening shot on the lower gym's new basketball hoops, while Dean of Students Mr. Brian Robinson and Athletic Director Ms. Frances Lyons faced off in a game of O-W-L. Students also got their first look at the new fitness center, which has been relocated, expanded, and stocked with all-new equipment.

## Regis Celebrates Mass of the Holy Spirit

The Regis community joined together at the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola on September 13 to celebrate the annual Mass of the Holy Spirit, a cherished tradition in Jesuit education. The Mass was also the first opportunity for the Class of 2028 to join the broader Regis community in prayer.

Regis President Rev. Christopher Devron, SJ, served as the primary celebrant and was joined on the altar by Rev. James Ferus, SJ, Vice President for Ignatian Identity and Formation. More than 35 students volunteered as lectors, Eucharistic ministers, altar servers, musicians, ushers, and gift bearers.

"The Mass of the Holy Spirit reminds us of the gift of the fire that is in each of us," said Fr. Devron in his homily. "This is the fire that is going to sustain us this year and will allow us to care for one another with kindness and generosity. This Holy Spirit that is given to us at the beginning of the school year is also given to us at all places, all times, and all circumstances so that you and I may be able to accept unconditional love and share that love with one another."







## Student Achievements Recognized at Fall Convocation

The Regis community gathered on September 19 for the annual Fall Convocation, celebrating Regions' achievements from the previous academic year. Students who earned final grades of Honors or above in all full-credit courses were awarded Order of the Owl recognition. General Excellence awards were given to students on the basis of superlative performance in coursework and, in the opinion of the faculty, extraordinary level of interest, initiative, and achievement beyond the classroom. Individual awards were also bestowed upon select upperclassmen for their accomplishments within the school community.

"Each of you brings unique talents, perspectives, and gifts to this school, and together, we are called to seek the magis — always striving to do more, to be more, and to give more in service to others," said Ms. Belkise Dallam, Regis's Director of Belonging, Dignity, and Justice. "Regions, may this year be filled with opportunities for growth — academically, spiritually, and socially. Embrace each challenge, support one another, and always seek the wisdom and grace of God in all that you do."

## Tommy Barone '21 Wins Rhodes Scholarship



Tommy Barone '21, a senior at Harvard University, has been named a 2025 Rhodes Scholar. Barone is the second Region to be so honored, following Brian Reyes '17, a 2021 Rhodes Scholar.

Barone, who grew up in Little Falls, N.J., and served as the Debate President of the Hearn during his senior year at Regis, is one of 32 American Rhodes Scholars. His academic work has contemplated intellectual history and political rhetoric, policy, and decision-making.

"Regis in many respects was totally life-changing for me," said Barone. "I think Regis almost stands alone compared to other schools in as much as it prepares you. So I feel very, very lucky to have had that background coming into college."

Barone is pursuing a BA in social studies at Harvard and serves as the Editorial Chair of the Harvard *Crimson*, where he won first place for editorial writing in the Society of Professional Journalists' Mark of Excellence Awards for collegiate journalism. He has interned at the national politics desk of ABC News and intends to pursue a career in journalism. At Oxford, he plans to study for an M.Phil. in History.

## William Filocamo '25 Co-Authors Paper on Turbulence Imaging in Science Journal

Senior William Filocamo '25 was part of a team whose research was published in the September issue of the *International Journal of Innovative Science and Research Technology*.

The paper, titled "Investigating the Influence of Wavelength-Specific Textured Backgrounds in Background Oriented Schlieren (BOS) Imaging," was the result of research Filocamo and his collaborators from other schools did last summer in the Princeton Laboratory Learning Program. Through this free program, high school students work on research projects under Princeton professors and graduate students in a specific lab. Filocamo did his research in the Imaging Physics Lab.

The paper set out to determine the best wavelength of light for imaging turbulent air. Improving the accuracy of this imaging has various practical applications. For example, it could help airplanes avoid turbulence by mapping the movement of air.

At Princeton, Filocamo and his collaborators built an apparatus with 96 fans, all controlled by a program they coded. Each fan's speed could be changed individually to create different types of airflow and create an aerodynamic testing tool.

Filocamo says that the work he did in Regis's Science Research Project led him to apply to the Princeton program. In his sophomore year, he worked with a computational fluid dynamics program to test the claim that the rounded corners of U-Haul trucks significantly reduce wind drag. In his junior year, he built a large-scale subsonic wind tunnel for the purposes of aeronautical design testing.





## David Solano '25 Addresses Attendees at Ignatian Family Teach-In for Justice



Senior David Solano '25 addressed attendees at the Ignatian Family Teach-In for Justice in Washington, D.C., on October 27. Solano was among the 25 Regians who traveled to Washington for the event, which is sponsored by the Ignatian Solidarity Network and promotes justice initiatives while connecting tens of thousands of Jesuit organization members.

The IFTJ was first held in 1997 to honor six Jesuit priests who were killed by military forces in El Salvador in 1989. The event continues the work of these martyrs, giving those gathered an opportunity to learn, reflect, pray, and advocate for justice.

This year's gathering featured speeches from prominent voices in the Jesuit community as well as breakout sessions focusing on economic, environmental, and migration justice. Solano delivered a speech on the mainstage addressing indigenous discrimination in Mexico and New York City.

Solano, the son of parents who immigrated from Mexico, told the story of his family's perseverance as they moved around the country before settling in New York.

"You can sow action for justice in each of your own communities," said Solano. "Where can you use your privilege to build a more equitable world? Within your homes, which voices are amplified? How can you thread steadfast hope amidst the precarious times we live in today? Whilst prejudice builds walls, empathy bridges hearts."

Throughout the weekend, IFTJ attendees had the opportunity to participate in conversations in breakout groups. During one of these sessions, Ryan Levens '26 led a discussion on AI and justice in which the group focused on how we can ensure the equitable application of innovative technology.

## Freshman and Sophomore Cross Country Teams Win Big at City Championships

Regis's freshman and sophomore cross country teams made school history in October, claiming three individual league championships in one season for the first time.

On October 19, Andrew Klimczak '27 became only the second Regian to win the Sophomore Catholic New York City Cross Country Championship. His time of 13:56 placed him three seconds ahead of his closest competitor. The sophomore team finished in fifth place.

On October 26, Griffin Conway '28 captured the gold medal in the Freshman Catholic New York City Cross Country Championship. Along with Will Pacella '28, Mark Fedyna '28, Alex Caille '28, Eddie Minson '28, Kieran Austin '28, and Roshan Duggal '28, Conway led the team to a first place finish and a gold plaque.

Later that day, Adam Beckford '28 became the first Regian to win the Freshman B race, and Regis won its first ever B race crown. Joey Barker '28, Jake Oh '28, Antonio Forte '28, Patrick Cassidy '28, Ethan Joseph '28, and Kieran Fitzpatrick '28 scored for the team.

"These runners have worked very hard since late August, and we are seeing the fruits of their labors," said cross country coach Mr. David Bonagura '99 P'25'28. "The boys have great camaraderie, which helps them push each other in practice and support each other in races."





## Ignatian Heritage Day Kicks Off Annual John Francis Regis Initiative

Regis celebrated Ignatian Heritage Day on November 1, which gathers the school community to reflect on our Jesuit tradition and patron saint through interactive programming focused on education, dialogue, and prayer. The day also kicked off the school's annual John Francis Regis initiative, which aims to inspire Regians to engage more deeply with contemporary issues of justice. This year's initiative will focus on interreligious dialogue.

During his remarks to begin the day, Lucas Bujosa '26, a member of this year's JFR Committee, encouraged his fellow students to engage in thoughtful and intentional dialogue "with open hearts and minds in order to make a conscious effort of broadening our horizons of religion as a whole."

Following the morning's assembly, students broke out into smaller groups to further discuss their personal experiences with this year's theme. Students, faculty, and staff members then took part in breakout sessions hosted by cocurricular groups and academic departments. Topics included navigating interfaith connections in Asia, viewing ecological issues through a multi-spiritual lens, and exploring religious persecution.

Additional events centered on the theme of interreligious dialogue are planned for throughout the academic year. The day's programming concluded with a schoolwide All Saints' Day Mass celebrated by Rev. C-Y Kao, SJ, an associate pastor at the Church of St. Francis Xavier.



### IN MEMORIAM

## Regis Mourns the Passing of the Honorable John F. Keenan '47

It is with great sadness that we share news of the passing of the Honorable John F. Keenan '47. In 2023, Keenan was honored by Regis with the Deo et Patriae Award for his devotion to public service, most notably in the Manhattan District Attorney's Office and later as a district judge for the Southern District for New York.

The Deo et Patriae Award is presented annually to a person who has served Regis and the community in a distinguished capacity during the course of his or her life.

"God blessed me with a good and interesting series of jobs before I got the best job in the world, which is being a federal judge," said Keenan upon accepting the award, adding that "one of the highlights of my very fortunate life was my career, and the other was my four years at Regis High School."

After graduating from Regis in 1947 and Manhattan College in 1951, Keenan earned a law degree from Fordham University in 1954. His law career was put on hold when he joined the U.S. Army, where he was assigned to the Army Security Agency and stationed in Tokyo from 1954 to 1956 during the Korean War.

Soon after completing his service and after a four-month stint at a law firm — the only time he spent in private practice — Keenan found his way to the Manhattan District Attorney's office, where he worked as assistant district attorney from 1956 to 1976, including a stint leading the homicide bureau from 1970 to 1973. Keenan would go on to serve as the chief assistant to three district attorneys in Queens and Manhattan.

In 1976, Governor Hugh Carey and New York Attorney General Louis Lefkowitz appointed Keenan deputy attorney general



and special prosecutor for corruption. Three years later, Mayor Ed Koch appointed him to be chairman of New York City's Off-Track Betting Corporation, and in 1982, Koch appointed him to be the city's coordinator of criminal justice.

President Ronald Reagan appointed Keenan as a United States district judge for the Southern District of New York in 1983, beginning his decades-long tenure on the federal bench. In 2016, a courtroom was named in Keenan's honor at the Daniel Patrick Moynihan U.S. Courthouse on Pearl Street.

In 2019, Regis held the first event in the Hon. John F. Keenan '47 Lecture Series. The inaugural event featured a discussion with Keenan himself and drew roughly 100 alumni and friends.

During the 2023 Deo et Patriae Reception, Keenan was praised for his legal skills, intelligence, unquestioned integrity, and sound judgement. He was introduced that evening by William E. Craco '82, one of his former clerks.

"Through his remarkable career of service, John Keenan has been the living embodiment of the values that Regis seeks to instill into its graduates," said Craco.



# The Office of Advancement

## The 2025 Annual Fund

At Regis, we do more than educate. We shape leaders, compassionate citizens, and critical thinkers – all rooted in Jesuit tradition.

For generations, Regis has remained an institution of outstanding scholarship and spiritual growth, where students are nurtured not only in mind but in heart and soul.

Every year, the Annual Fund serves as the foundation for our school's success. It makes possible the experiences that shape every Regis student's journey. Your generosity is more than just a donation; it's a commitment to the belief that education has the power to change lives. It's a declaration of faith in our mission and a testament to the strength of our community.

The Annual Fund provides the majority of our operating expenses each year. But your support goes beyond maintaining operations; it provides opportunities that allow students to thrive and realize their full potential.

### What does your support look like in action?

It's students discovering the joy of solving complex equations in an advanced math class.

It's students standing in front of their peers during a debate, a musical, or a big game, feeling a sense of belonging and pride in their community.

It's students on retreat, deepening their faith and reflecting on what it means to serve others.

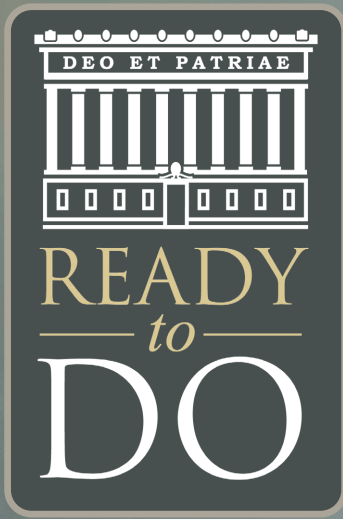
It's every young man who walks through our doors gaining the knowledge, character, and confidence to make a difference in the world.



We're proud to be a tuition-free, merit-based school, where students are admitted based on potential, not on their family's finances. This model is only sustainable because of your generosity. Every class, every teacher, and every activity hinges on the support we receive from our community.

**To make a gift to the 2025 Annual Fund, visit [regis.org/give](https://regis.org/give)**





# The inspiration for Regis was radical. And our vision is bold.

In order to achieve the vision set forth by our community in our Strategic Plan, we will invest in Regis today.

**We are excited to announce *Ready to Do***, an extraordinary \$75 million campaign to support growth in our academic and extracurricular programs, ensure access for the best and brightest students, renovate our facilities, and sustain our financial foundation.

This is a unique opportunity to shape our school, and success will enable us to reach new heights while staying true to our history.

- *Ready to Do* will fund the significant investments required to ensure Regis remains an unparalleled institution that can change the trajectory of a young man's life.
- We ask our community to maintain their support for the Annual Fund, which supports Regis's yearly operating budget, while considering a generous gift to *Ready to Do*.

#### **Our Programs**

As Regis looks forward, we aim higher by expanding our academic and extracurricular program offerings.

#### **Our People**

Our mission demands a diverse student body, and we seek to increase access and success for all of our students.

#### **Our Place**

To optimize our facilities and improve student, faculty, and staff experience, we will renovate and reimagine our historic building.

#### **Our Purpose**

In a world where all schools seek to increase financial aid, Regis has granted 100% financial scholarships for all since 1914.

Now is the time to invest in Regis.  
To support the *Ready to Do* campaign, visit [regis.org/ReadyToDo](https://regis.org/ReadyToDo)



# We Are Ready to Do

By Marty Mannion '77 and Thierry Porté '75  
Ready to Do Campaign Co-Chairs

Regis High School changed our lives, as it has for so many others over the past 111 years. It taught us to think critically, act selflessly, and lead courageously. It also provided us with opportunity. Regis's tuition-free model made it possible for us to receive a world-class Catholic, Jesuit education, and it opened doors for us beyond 84th Street that we never could have imagined.

Much has changed in the world since our days as students, but the qualities that define a Regis education remain the same. Students are admitted based on merit, not on the means of their families or the connections they have. The transformative Jesuit education they receive during their four years prepares them not just for college, but for a life of curiosity, leadership, and service. Put simply, Regis is about excellence.

This is an exciting moment for Regis, because it provides us an opportunity to invest in this excellence. The *Ready to Do* campaign will provide the support necessary to not only continue fulfilling our mission, but to propel it forward so we can reach new heights.

It will allow us to expand our STEM offerings to adapt to advances in science and technology. It will enable us to grow our arts program so students can better nurture their creative sides. As we explore ways to provide an environment that allows students to do their best work, *Ready to Do* will fund capital projects that improve our historic building. Early campaign support has already made possible the renovation of the lower gym and the relocation of the fitness center.

*Ready to Do* will support the people who make Regis the loving, supportive community that it is. It will allow us to attract top teachers in a competitive

market, ensuring that Regis continues to maintain a faculty that cares about students, challenges them, and wants them to succeed.

This is the most ambitious campaign in the history of Regis, and it will do all of the above and more while continuing our tradition of educating students who might not otherwise have access to an exceptional Catholic education.

This is also an opportunity to ensure the future stability of Regis by further building our endowment. This may not be the most glamorous part of our campaign, but it's a critical one. Most schools have three main revenue streams: tuition, annual giving, and their endowment. Regis, of course, has only two.

Regis is fortunate to have so many generous annual donors that help us reach our yearly budget, and this remains as important as ever. But we also need to ensure a strong financial foundation that can provide for Regis going forward. As a tuition-free school, growing the endowment allows Regis to continue making responsible annual withdrawals while also ensuring the long-term sustainability of the school, no matter the economic climate of the day.

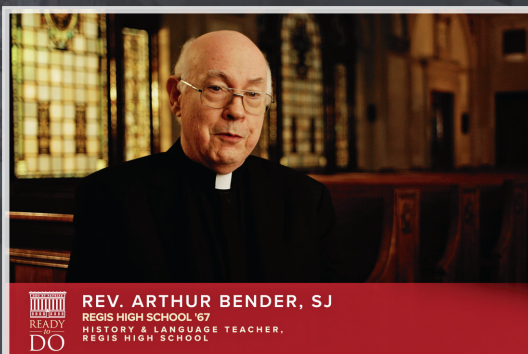
We say it often, but there really is no place quite like Regis. Our dedicated students make us so proud, and the incredible faculty that guides them through their journeys on 84th Street lives our mission every day. Supporting *Ready to Do* is an investment in something special. We ask you to make a personally meaningful contribution to this ambitious campaign because we know how remarkable Regis is, and how extraordinary it can be. Our Foundress set into motion this bold experiment. Now, it's our privilege to do our part to sustain it.







To learn more about *Ready to Do* and our vision for the future of Regis, watch our video at [regis.org/ReadyToDo](https://regis.org/ReadyToDo)



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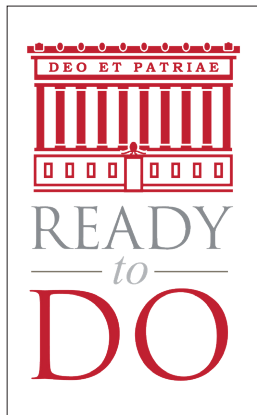


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The following members of our community have made gifts or pledges to our *Ready to Do* campaign during its silent phase, as of January 7. Prior to the public phase of *Ready to Do*, these generous supporters laid the foundation for what is the most ambitious campaign in Regis's history. *Ready to Do* continues the great tradition of generosity started by our Foundress, and its success will help us achieve our founding mission today and sustain our model for tomorrow. We are grateful for their tremendous support.

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# MISSION-OR

## Celebrating Anthony J. DiNovi '80, the recipient of the 2024 Deo et Patriae Award.

Growing up in Queens, Anthony J. DiNovi '80 could only dream of receiving a world-class education. Both of his parents were the children of Italian immigrants, and neither continued their own schooling beyond the eighth grade, instead going to work at a young age. Paying for high school, let alone college, wasn't an option for his family.

But admission to Regis changed his life. Four years of an exceptional, tuition-free Jesuit education on 84th Street not only helped him earn a scholarship to Harvard but prepared him for life far beyond his schooling.

Indeed, Regis gave much to DiNovi. But in the years since he donned his white tuxedo jacket at his graduation, he's also given much back. And in November, Regis presented DiNovi, the Chair of the Regis Board of Trustees, with the 2024 Deo et Patriae Award during a reception at the New York Athletic Club. At the event, DiNovi was celebrated for his immense devotion to his alma mater and his tireless work to advance its mission.

The Deo et Patriae Award is presented annually to a person who has served Regis and the community in a distinguished capacity during the course of his or her life.

During his remarks, DiNovi described his childhood in Long Island City and spoke of how Regis opened up a world to him that he didn't know existed.

"My story is not unique," he said, "It is the embodiment of the Regis mission."

DiNovi also encouraged those gathered to celebrate Regis's success and work hard to fulfill its mission.





# IDENTIFIED

"The opportunity to serve a place that I love, that has done so much for me and transformed the lives of so many people, is the greatest gift I will ever be given," he said.

Presenting DiNovi with the award, President Rev. Christopher Devron, SJ, described him as a trusted leader and "partner in mission" who is deeply committed to Regis and has mentored countless Regians over the years.

"For so many young Regians, and I talk to them often, they tell me, Tony, how much your care and your thoughtfulness has meant to them," said Fr. Devron.

DiNovi was introduced by Trustee Fabian Fondriest '79, who described his friend as a true man for others with an unwavering commitment to Regis.

"I truly believe that Regis is a better place because of Tony," said Fondriest.

DiNovi has served as the Chair of the Regis Board of Trustees since 2019 and is Chairman of Thomas H. Lee Partners, L.P., a Boston-based private equity firm that invests in middle market growth companies across financial services and technology, healthcare, and technology and business services. He joined THL in 1988 and led the firm as Co-President until 2021. Prior to joining THL, he worked in the corporate finance departments of Goldman Sachs and Wertheim Schroder.

During his career, he has invested in and served as a director of numerous public and private corporations, including



Clockwise from top: Fabian Fondriest '79 introduces Anthony J. DiNovi '80; President Rev. Christopher J. Devron, SJ, DiNovi, and Vice President for Advancement Maureen Barry P'21; Fondriest and DiNovi

Dunkin' Brands, Encoda Systems, Endurance Specialty Insurance, Experian Information Solutions, Eye Care Centers of America, FairPoint Communications, First Alert, Fisher Scientific International, The Learning Company, Michael Foods, National Waterworks, Nortek, and THL Credit.

In addition to serving as the current Chair of the Regis Board of Trustees, DiNovi served as a Regis trustee from 2002–2008 and 2018–2019. He serves on the President's Advisory Council for Brigham & Women's Hospital and the Harvard University Boston Major Gifts Committee. He previously served as Vice President of the Board of Trustees of Noble & Greenough School in Dedham, Mass., and as a trustee of Boston Children's Hospital Trust and Dexter Southfield School. He actively supports educational access and healthcare programs, including Teach for America, Khan Academy, the Achieve Program, and Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

In 1984, he graduated *magna cum laude* from Harvard College with an AB in social studies, and in 1988, he earned an MBA with high honors as a Baker Scholar at the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration.

# Prowlings

## 1949

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## 1950

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## 1951

## 1952

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## 1953

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**George Bouvet** writes some life lessons he has learned: "The most important decision you will make is the selection of your marriage partner. Take a job in a growth company. Get a job that is of interest to you. Try to get one with international travel. Become an expert in an important field at your company. In 1964, I became the jet aircraft operating cost expert at Boeing. Or become an entrepreneur. If you have a smart idea, act on it if you have a solid business plan and try to make money. Then use the money to get into politics at the national level. Trust but verify. When I took my first position in 1962, I should have traveled to New Jersey to meet with my future boss at Curtiss Wright and sized up the situation before accepting the job. I trusted the input received from an older graduate of Regis who did not know the situation behind the scenes. Don't follow what others do or say but decide yourself what seems best based on your own judgment. Take the most satisfactory alternative. Get two mentors at work in case one leaves. Make your opportunities and luck. Develop an ability to talk without reading from charts or notes. Memorize your material before talking. Learn how to tell good jokes. Be sure that your humor fits in with the conversation rather than just popping up with a joke. Enjoy your family and friends. Keep your chin up when facing adversity. There is no substitute for perseverance and hard work. Always have a good attitude. Learn how to play a musical instrument. I taught myself how to play the accordion via free lessons on the internet. Develop a hobby you enjoy that allows you to make money. When I was 57, I realized that Boeing had big management problems, so I kept my eye out for another position. BBAM, an investment bank, offered me triple the salary I was making at Boeing. Since I retired at age 66, I have made more money in retirement the last 22 years by investing than I did working for 44 years. When you

are married, have a family reunion every two years. After dinner with family, have your children review the accomplishments of the grandchildren and give each grandchild a reward. The older you get the more important your family becomes. Build a legacy for your children and grandchildren!"

## 1954

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Peggy and **Traug Lawler** have moved to Woodbridge, Conn., not to Woodbridge, N.J., as reported in a recent "Prowlings." Our world traveler, **Tom Finnegan**, recently spent 11 days in Europe with his daughter "who acts as my manager and keeper." Four days were spent in Ireland with cousins of Maudy, his late wife, plus five days in Lourdes, where the crowds were bigger than "they have ever seen," and they managed to take 118 small bottles of water from the spring, package them, and send them home. They concluded their sojourn in London visiting two granddaughters, a nephew and two of his kids, and a high school friend of his daughter. On the plane home he caught Covid! Now fully recovered and rested from his travels, he wanted all the members of the Class of '54, "nice guys all," to know that they were remembered in prayer at the shrines. **Jack Conroy** had two grandsons graduate from high school this past June, one now at Charleston and one at Brown, and a granddaughter will finish at William and Mary in December. It is one of the advantages of living so long! May the holiday season bring us all joy and peace.

## 1955

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## 1956

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Do we perhaps need a separate "Prowlings" page each quarter to record the accomplishments of our own **Fr. Robert Imbelli**? Bob recently published *Christ Brings All Newness: Essays, Reviews and Reflections*, put out by Word on Fire Academic and edited by Richard Smith. This latest effort is a collection of Bob's "essays, book reviews, and reflections." In an extraordinarily positive review in the September 19, 2024, issue of *First Things* (a theological journal featuring mostly Catholic scholars), Fr. Thomas Guarino observed that "Robert Imbelli is an engaging writer, combining incisive insights with erudite prose. He presents us here with

an extraordinary volume...teeming with theological and spiritual insight." Shortly after this review appeared, Bob traveled to Rome to participate on a panel discussing a new publication by Anthony R. Lusvardi, SJ, entitled *Baptism of Desire and Christian Salvation*. The panel discussion was organized by the Faculty of Theology of Pontifical Gregorian University and included a Jesuit moderator, two distinguished Jesuit members of the university faculty, and our own Robert Imbelli. It's probably hard for you all to remember that this same Bob Imbelli almost flunked out of Regis at the end of his first year (or was it **John Flynn**?). To stay with things clerical for a moment, you may remember that we heard from **Peter Fink, SJ**, a while back, after he had made it back to Cambridge following 10 years at the Church of Saint Francis Xavier and six years at the Ignatius Retreat House in Atlanta. Peter is teaching a course at Boston College and "guiding retreats at Eastern Point in Gloucester and with the Maronite Church as well as the Latin Church." Peter is not sure, but he thinks he will be allowed to retire when he is 90 years of age. Some postings from the Left Coast: **Dick Kuhn** and his wife, Nancy, have been on the move. They just completed a 6,000-nautical mile cruise, starting in Hawaii, stopping in French Polynesia, and ending in Sidney, Australia. When the Kuhns get their sea legs back, they will be off on safaris to Kenya and Tanzania in February and March, 2025. Where do these people get their energy from? A few miles up from the Kuhns (in Marin County), **Peter Philbin** and his wife, Ulla, are holding down the fort in Napa. Peter reports that he and Ulla manage a 40-minute walk every morning, but Ulla takes it a bit farther with pilates twice a week. The Philbins plan a trip to Stockholm in the spring or summer of 2025. We had some good news from **Charlie Lynch** and his wife, Kristina. On October 11, Charlie's oldest grandson's wife gave birth to Peregrine Aureore Smith in Oakland. Their first great-grandchild and hopefully not the last. Charlie reminds us, however, that **Charlie Wertalik** beat him and Kristina with his own great-grandchild (Murray and Bautz must have great-grandchildren). In any event, Charlie and Kristina are still living in Easton, Conn., and have been there for the last 57 years. Aside from a trip to Florida in February, the Lynches have no plans to stray away from Easton. Finally, I let you all know that my brother **Jim McGuire '53** died this past September after a brief illness. Jim's wife, Liz, died in February of 2022, so their two daughters, Anne and Mary, lost both their parents in the space of 18 months. Rev. Christopher Devron, SJ, the President of Regis, generously made the Regis chapel available



on Saturday, October 26, for a sung funeral Mass; Fr. Devron celebrated the Mass. We had about 50 friends and family members make it to the Mass and to a catered lunch in the Regis auditorium afterwards. Maureen Barry P'21, the relatively newly appointed Vice President for Advancement, handled the details and could not have been more accommodating. Fr. Devron also went out of his way to inform himself of Jim's life and accomplishments and delivered a thoughtful eulogy. The altar server was **Orion Wieczorek '27**, the grandson of my first cousin Bruce Adams, and represented the fourth generation of the McGuire/Adams family members to attend Regis. My namesake and godfather, Raymond Adams, entered Regis in the fall of 1921, but my grandmother took him out after a semester and put him to work as a plumber's apprentice (to be fair to my grandmother, she had lost her husband in a construction accident some years before and was struggling to raise six young children in the absence of anything representing a safety net). My uncle's son **Raymond Jr.** then entered Regis with my brother Jim in 1949 and both graduated in 1953. My nephew **Brendan McGuire**, my brother Bob's son, was the third generation, graduating in 1994. And now Orion. Hope somebody out there keeps this streak going. Our 70th reunion is just around the corner. 2026 is only 14 months away. If you have some ideas for our reunion, other than extra walkers and wheelchairs, please let us know.

*Editor's note: A passage including an offensive term appeared in this "Prowlings" section in the fall 2024 issue of our magazine. We deeply apologize for the lapse in our review process.*

## 1957

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## 1958

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From **Bob Bastek**: "I recently attended my grandson's wedding in Pittsburgh. I still don't have any great-grandchildren. Is there something wrong with that generation!?" As many of you may already know, **Tony Fauci's** autobiography, *On Call*, a New York Times bestseller, was published last June. **Ron Mellor** writes, "The Mellors took our son Blake, his wife Nancy, and grandkids for a week in Rome (while Anne was lecturing at Notre Dame's center in Rome) and another week in Athens. Unfortunately the heat was blistering — 100 degrees in Athens — but the water was nearby." **Tom Ryan** writes, "My daughter Kate, a practicing attorney, married Bob Davidson in Woodstock, N.Y. The ceremony and party were amazing. A brass band led them in. The ceremony and party were in a converted barn. Food was supplied by a pizza truck and a taco truck. About

150 attended. Runners got the food for us old-timers. A DJ supplied hours of dance music. Took me a week to recover." **George Garces** writes, "In September, I attended our family reunion in Pittsburgh. It's one of many we've celebrated at different locations over the last 50 years or so. It drew family from Chicago as well as the East Coast. In all, there were 48 of us, ages ranging from 18 months to 88 years. What struck me most about this reunion was the realization that at age 85, I am now definitely considered one of the 'old folks.' I put that in quotes because though I don't feel old, I definitely am. Time does fly when you're having fun, and thank God, life is good. To my fellow noble hearts of the Class of 1958, I wish you all the same good feelings. I miss our class reunions." **Arthur Henry's** older son, Brian, and his wife, Yumi (they are living in both Houston and Tokyo!), came from Houston, and their son Kaito came from New York City (he is living there, working on Wall Street) to Portland for a weekend visit in September. It was a belated (by about two weeks) celebration of Brian's 60th(!) birthday. Arthur insists: "I can NOT be that old!?"



Ron Mellor '58 and his family in Athens

## 1959

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At the end of July, I received a note from Joanne Barbrack, sister of our classmate **Richard Shramko**: "Hi Leo, thank you for your recent communication. I'm thrilled that you will publish information about my brother Richard in Regis Magazine. Below are the highlights of Richard's life. My older brother Richard Shramko was a graduate of Regis Class of 1959. He was a precocious 16-year-old when he graduated. Like many older brothers, he loved to show off for his kid sister with his knowledge of classical Greek and Latin, not to mention math, science, and philosophy. He was the pride of our family and parish, being only the second student from Immaculate Conception to be accepted into Regis. After Regis, Richard attended Fordham University where he graduated *summa cum laude* in June of 1963 with a major in

mathematics and a minor in philosophy. Richard's first love was mathematics, and although he received offers from other prestigious institutions, he accepted a four-year fellowship from NYU's Courant Institute of Mathematics, which he chose for its tradition of research combining pure and applied mathematics. He began his graduate work in September of 1963. Richard was an active member of the Catholic Center at NYU and the Newman Club. The 1960s was a decade of social change and unrest, and Richard became interested in the plight of the urban poor and the critical role of governmental policy and resources to implement social change. In 1967, Richard took a leave from his graduate work at the Courant Institute to devote himself to these issues. Richard worked for several New York City consumer, labor, and health-related agencies, where he learned about the workings of New York City government and the nascent but fast-growing area of consumer protection law. Richard's last position was with the New York City Department of Consumer Affairs, where he worked on investigating allegations of fraud by agency contractors during the early 1970s. Richard later said that this work showed him the importance of having the right tools to fight corruption and implement social change. Richard decided he had found his true calling and decided to go to law school and obtain a law degree. In July 1974, before he could realize that dream, Richard died in a freak accidental drowning incident while on vacation in Vermont. Richard often credited his Jesuit education at Regis High School with fostering his love of learning and lifelong intellectual curiosity, helping him develop his logical and rational approach to the world and healthy skepticism to always ask tough questions and demand proof. He always credited his Roman Catholic faith for helping develop his social conscience and desire to help those less fortunate than himself. Finally, I want to recognize and express appreciation to my stepson **David Barbrack '85**, who put me in touch with the extraordinary Advancement team at Regis. David embodies every quality of excellence that Regis stands for, and then some. Thank you David!" From **George Hay**: "I'm still teaching my regular load at Cornell Law School and fill in my spare time by assisting my wife in raising and boarding horses on our 23-acre, 29-stall farm. In the spring I plan to 'give back' by teaching an undergraduate version of my antitrust law class to students at my alma mater, Le Moyne." From **Ken Hepburn**: "Trust all is well with you. Here's a press release about the renewal of our center focused on dementia family caregiving: 'Dr. Kenneth Hepburn Leads \$5.8M Renewal for Roybal Center Dementia Caregiver Research at Emory School of Nursing.' If you're interested in our work, our website address is [emorycaregiving.org](http://emorycaregiving.org)." From **Don McDonough**: "Leo, I probably caught the travel bug on the Woodlawn Jerome 4 subway



to Regis, where we heard missionaries talking about the Philippines or Xavier in India and Japan while learning Greek, Latin, French, and German. Your message came while Kristin and I are at Lake Louise, circling the Canadian Rockies before heading to Kauai. I hope all is well with you and your family. Regrettably, we no longer meet at Maggie's, but there was a good group at the last reunion. Cheers." From **Peter Burchyns**: "All is well with Leslie and me here in Palo Alto. In September, we spent 11 days in the Carolinas visiting our three grandsons: Matt, a sophomore at Davidson; Ben, who is working at Bank of America in Charlotte; and Mike, who is in South Carolina where he just completed his training at the Navy's Nuclear Power School. Fortunately, we avoided any storms on the East Coast. We are headed up to the Lake Tahoe area for four days to see some displays of fall colors in the Sierras and will then be at home until we fly to Vancouver, Wash., to celebrate Thanksgiving over several days with Leslie's brother and his wife, children, and grandkids. Tentative plans have us spending Christmas in San Diego, with the extended family gathering at the home of our daughter and son-in-law. Hopefully, our grandson Mike will be able to get some leave time so he can fly down from Seattle, where he will be posted after his Nuclear Power School graduation ceremony. Leo, thanks for keeping the Class of 1959 in touch with Regis." From **Chris Daly**: "Survived the latest breezy night from Hurricane Milton without a problem." From **Jim Bonnell**: "I survived Helene. After Category 5 Maria in 2017, this one was just a 'wet breeze.'" From **Doug Futuyma**: "Here is my latest. I feel lucky that I can stay active. My travels since last spring included a birding tour of Vietnam in April. Other birding tours were in Poland in May (home of my maternal grandmother) and the Lesser Sunda Islands of Indonesia in August (where the highlights included not only birds, but the largest living lizards, the Komodo "dragons"). I take birding walks almost daily, often with friends, and continue on the editorial board of two scientific journals. I'm in Manhattan most weekends, often at the Met Opera and occasionally driving by Regis. My medical concerns are lower back pain (of course) and low blood sodium, hoping that doctors can keep these under control. And hoping to read good news about my classmates. Thanks, Leo, for keeping us in touch." **John Felago** writes, "Dear friends: greetings from Maryknoll, N.Y.! I am finally getting to do a short note for the Prowlings regarding the 65<sup>th</sup> Reunion of our Class of 1959 on June 15 of this year. My present address is now returned to our headquarters at Maryknoll, N.Y. Address: John Felago, M.M. Maryknoll Box 305, Maryknoll, N.Y. 10545-0305. Thanks again for a great reunion celebration. God bless you and keep up the good work!"

## 1960

**Henry Ricardo** reports that his son (**Henry Ricardo '85**) has been selected to serve an eight-year term as a Magistrate Judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. He had been a partner at Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP in Manhattan.

## 1961

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**Joe Limanowski** is an adjunct professor in business and technology at the College of Central Florida. He sent a note for this column that arrived too late for the last issue of *Regis Magazine*. "I had a mild heart attack in mid-June. Because of the location and hardness of the blockage, the surgeons made two attempts before inserting a stent. The second attempt involved a rotating saw blade. Life got complicated when I developed a postoperative hematoma. Fortunately, the nurses stopped the bleeding by applying direct pressure for almost an hour. I am now fully recovered but will participate in cardio rehab for 13 weeks. I am looking forward to the start of my seventh season of teaching at the College of Central Florida in mid-August. The textbook publishers made significant changes this year. I've already updated the slides for 32 chapters within two courses. It's fascinating to discuss issues with the next generation. My regards to all." **Paul Borrmann** and **Dave Eitelbach**, both in Seattle, were looking forward to seeing the Northern Lights during the recent solar storms. In addition, the comet A3 was expected to be visible for a week or two. We were enjoying a run of clear weather, so our prospects were good. Sadly, I could not get myself up and outside in the middle of the night, so I missed the Northern Lights. And while I looked for the comet (just after sundown) I never saw it. Paul was more successful. Paul notes, "Didn't see the comet but had a great show of the Lights around 10 last night. Perfect view over Elliott Bay looking south and west." I received an odd email from **Seb Pandolfo** that looked like his email had been hacked. I called to make sure he knew, but he had been receiving calls all day "even from people I thought were dead!" His son-in-law walked him through the recovery process, so all was well. Seb told me that on his first day at Regis he arrived before the doors were open and found me waiting there as well. The janitor opened the 85<sup>th</sup> Street door for us and brought two frightened freshmen through the dark, ominous tunnel into the Quadrangle. Seb said that he hears from **Rich Morello** often. Later, Seb sent this note about downsizing: "The decommissioning of my woodshop has begun. When I began woodworking to take my mind off the day job, I was too impatient to spend time learning how to use traditional hand tools properly. Hence the accumulation of expensive

power tools now gathering dust and rust in the place that once was a garage. Of course, new, improved versions of these machines appeared regularly, and one simply had to have them. After all, who could resist a laser-guided miter saw? I'm at the stage where I can't trust my reflexes, vision, balance, etc. to use these things, so the spiders are taking over the shop." **Fr. Pete Madori** sent this story: "I recently had lunch with a longtime friend from my years in Warwick. She gave me a little rectangular Regis pin (perhaps from debate or from the Altar Society?) and asked me to find its owner, **Michael Murphy '59**. She and Michael were in the same high school crowd in their Queens neighborhood. They were never 'an item,' but she — whose last name also was Murphy — says that Michael was 'kinda sweet on her.' I believe I found her Michael; but, alas, he was in the necrology section of the alumni directory." Pete added that he had just heard from **Bob Esposito**: "Bob writes that he and Deanna ('Bubbles') have been married 60 years. They have 21 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Although 'retired,' he still assists as a deacon on occasion." **Don Hands**, a recent octogenarian, enjoys life with his bride, Lydia, in Savannah and shares this quotation from a letter of Edgar Allen Poe he discovered in the *Jesuit* magazine, *America*: "In the final years of his life, Poe liked to socialize with the Jesuits at Fordham University. He wrote to a friend that they were 'highly cultivated gentlemen and scholars, they smoked and they drank and they played cards, and they never said a word about religion.'" **Ted Vorburger** has been out of the country more than 80 times, mostly on business. He had never traveled to Ireland, the country of origin for half of his ancestors. That changed this summer when Ted and wife Joanne visited Ireland for two weeks. Among other adventures they arranged a special tour to County Donegal and in particular to Lough Swilly, where, the family legend goes, one of his ancestors dunked an English tax collector. A knowledgeable tour guide, Peter McLaughlin, enlightened them with stories about the place, including the fact that one of his ancestors was working in the field by the Lough when Amelia Earhart landed after her solo flight across the Atlantic in 1932. One of many great memories from Ireland. Another surprising experience: Ted and Joanne crossed the Ireland/Northern Ireland border four times altogether by car, bus, and train without incidents and without encountering any border officers. Times seem good these days in Ireland. **Dom Pistone** was hoping to meet classmates at the most recent JUG Night, but only he and **Roger Ferrara** actually made it. "No, I didn't take any pictures. Forgot to bring a camera or my phone. We thought our class would be the oldest class there, but there were several from 1958 and there was a name tag for someone from 1954. The event was held in the Quad with seating in the auditorium. The

Quad was really jammed since that's where the bar and food were. It was hard to remember our Quad with asphalt, a few basketball nets, and a handball wall. Now it's flagstones, trees, and lighting." Roger noticed that there are more administrative staff than teaching staff at Regis today. Sixty-three people are listed as "office personnel" and 48 as "department personnel." Some functions that used to be handled by one person in our day now require several people. For example, there are nine people in the School Counseling Department. In our day it was just Fr. Casey." Dom has become interested in the ubiquitous "man for others" motto that has been misattributed to Regis. The phrase originated in a 1973 address by Fr. Pedro Arupe, then the Superior General of the Jesuit order. Dom attempted to correct a *New Yorker* review of **Dr. Anthony Fauci's** new book in which the reviewer describes the phrase as the motto of Regis High School. Although the phrase is heard frequently at Regis today, Dom explained that it is not the school motto. Since its founding in 1914, the school's motto has been "Deo et Patriae Pietas Christiana Erexit," usually translated as "Built by Christian Piety for God and Country." It is often shortened to "Deo et Patriae," which is how it appears on the school seal. Finally, we belatedly learned of the passing of **Gil Mercurio** in 2021 and **Michael Pisani** in 2022. For 31 years, Gil was the chief executive of the Westchester County Board of Realtors. Originally an urban planner, Gil was very active in the business and civic life of Westchester County. He served on numerous boards addressing economic development, housing, planning, homelessness and other issues. He is survived by his wife, Sharon, three children, and five grandchildren. Mike began his legal career as an assistant district attorney in New York City, then spent three decades in corporate and international business law, making friends around the world. He spent many years and countless hours coaching youth track and soccer teams in Garden City. Mike is survived by his wife, Lynn, three children, and five grandchildren. May they rest in peace.

## 1962

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**Gene Burke** writes, "Joe (my spouse) and I are now living in the Morristown, N.J., area, where we moved last year. Joe had started a new job at Cooperman-Barnabas Medical Center, so we moved here to eliminate his long drives every day. This area also gives us easier access to parks with extensive trails for the hikes we like to do every weekend, if possible. We also get into New York City occasionally, most recently to see the new production of *Our Town*. Keep a few tissues handy for the last act. A few weeks ago, I 'retired' from my part-time job at an elevator consulting firm where I had been working since the start of the pandemic.

Those four years gave me a new perspective on the expensive problems building owners can have in keeping their elevators running reliably. If any of our classmates has a general question about their elevators, I might know the answer. I'm now serving on the board of our condominium. But our complex doesn't have any elevators, so I'm feeling the lack of interesting conversations." Gene also reported that the last book he finished was *Four Thousand Weeks: Time Management for Mortals*. "It's a fun read, even if you're not seeking 'self-help.' I discovered I'm now living in my week No. 4,125. Past my shelf-life, in the context of that book anyway." **Tony McGuire** wrote from Chicago that although he would be attending the annual International Association of Museum Facility Administrators conference in New York in the fall, it would be a month too late for JUG Night. Tony had a long career as a "building mechanical/electrical/plumbing engineer" and frequently worked with museums. Over the years he has enjoyed their conferences in Boston, Ottawa, Washington, Philadelphia, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Chicago, Phoenix, Baltimore, New Zealand, London, Amsterdam, Scotland, and Spain, as well as New York. Tony and his wife, Lynn, have 11 grandchildren, including a junior at Holy Cross, a sophomore at San Diego University, and a freshman at Boston College. One of their grandchildren was baptized by Rev. Christopher Devron, SJ, during his Chicago years. Tony and Lynn had the pleasure of working with him on the creation of Christ the King High School there and were in attendance when he took his final vows as a Jesuit. **Ed Curtin** sent a link to his new blog post at edwardcurtin.com on Kris Kristofferson, in which he argues that "great songwriter-singers, like great poets, are possessed by a passionate melancholic sensibility that gives them joy in the telling. They seem always to be homesick for a home they can't define or find. At the heart of their songs is a presence of an absence that is unnamable. That is what draws listeners in." Ed goes on to explain convincingly why Kristofferson fits into this category. In response to a query from **Edward Ryan** about the fate of our Naples, Fla., contingent, **John Paxton** replied that neither he, **John O'Rourke**, or **Dave Birch** were there when hurricanes Helene and Milton passed by. Naples was spared the worst of the damage, especially from Helene, but of course that storm hit western North Carolina hard. **Peter Mooney** noted that his daughter, a Black Mountain, N.C., resident, "had to leave her home with her daughter to stay with us in central North Carolina for over a week." Ten days after Helene, his daughter's house still had no power or water. **Kieran Meagher** reported that his own daughter, who teaches at UNC-Asheville, had survived Helene relatively unscathed "but all the roads, bridges, and utilities are simply gone." Kieran recommended the Charity Navigator website for help in avoiding

scams and finding reliable organizations providing aid for this and other disasters. **Paul Spagnoli** and his wife, Pam, enjoyed a week in Bar Harbor, Maine, in September — their 21st visit since the 1980s. Their days of climbing an Acadia National Park "mountain" every day are over, sadly, but Paul still enjoyed hiking relatively flat trails in the park.

## 1963

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Six members of the Class of 1963, **Bill Brown**, **Dick Chiarello**, **Luke MacCarthy**, **John Tuccillo**, **John Sesody**, and **Jack Stack**, along with two good friends, Phil Geisler and John Carman, competed successfully (success equals no participants were eaten by 'gators) in a more than 10-year-old tradition: the Southeast Open, which was played this year in early May in Charleston, on Seabrook Island. A great time was had by all with plans already underway for 2025 at the same venue. Pat and **Jack Prael** enjoyed two cruises this year with their Seattle-based traveling companions Sue and Jay Frederickson. Jack says, "Late May and early June were lovely in Lisbon, Portugal, where the trip commenced, followed by a bus trip to Porto to board our river cruise ship. We had a lovely seven-day sojourn and finished with two nights in Madrid, including another visit to the Prado. Tauck continues to offer outstanding vacations." In mid-September, they flew to New Orleans for a fine Cajun meal and an overnight stay, and then boarded their American Cruise Line riverboat for a weeklong trip, ending in Memphis. It was another fine trip with lovely, hot weather, although Jay and Jack were distressed that the ship's bars closed at 9:15 p.m., thus negatively impacting their enjoyment. In May, **John Tweedy** gave a presentation on tax-smart charitable giving to the Manhattan University (formerly Manhattan College) 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary class of 1974, which he hopes will benefit the university and other charities, as well as the alumni individually. In June, Pat and John took an enjoyable and educational two-week cruise through all five Great Lakes, and in August they sailed from Boston to the Canadian maritime provinces with all 13 members of their immediate family. Bill Brown reports spending the last two weeks of August driving/limping through Normandy with Barbara to see the beaches, Normandy American Cemetery, Bayeux Tapestry, Mont Saint Michel, St. Teresa Shrine, and St. Joan of Arc Museum. He is presently recovering from hip replacement surgery on October 8 — so far so good. Six classmates showed up at JUG Night this year, enjoying the beer, beefsteak, and friendships. Attendees included **Bob Loewenstein**, Luke MacCarthy, **Kevin Morris**, **Tom Mullaney**, Jack Prael, and John Tweedy.





From left, Bill Brown '63, Jack Stack '63, Dick Chiarello '63, Phil Geisler, John Tuccillo '63, Luke McCarthy '63, John Carman, and John Sesody '63 on the golf course

## 1964

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## 1965

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**Joe McEvoy** writes, "We got hit hard by Hurricane Helene in Augusta, Ga. No water for two days, then a boil advisory. No power for a week. Most of the outpatient clinics were shut down for the first week, so I was only going into work to do email, literature searches for upcoming lectures, and charge my cell phone and headlamp that I use to read at night. A couple of trees fell on the house, denting the roof. Some tree guys swarmed the area and I had these taken off the house and fence within a few days and had tarps put on the roof. Now we are left to deal with the repair guys and insurance company. The biggest news is that we will have cable and internet back this weekend. I have been in football season withdrawal. I spent a couple of days in Atlanta with my oldest son, his wife, and my three- and six-year-old granddaughters. The best therapy there is. My middle son is deployed for search, rescue, and recovery in western North Carolina, where horrendous flooding occurred when Helene hit there. Quite a year for weather." **Dick Denecker** writes, "Maria and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary this past March. Our travels have been curtailed since Maria had a back fusion surgery in June. She is recovering well, so we hope to visit my sister, Doreen, and our two nieces and other family in Valencia, Spain, for Las Fallas (like Mardi Gras) in March of 2025. Still living in Midlothian, Va. (a suburb of Richmond) and hope classmates traveling to or through the area will stop and visit. We aren't far from I-95, and the welcome mat is out!" **Frank Pasquale** writes, "My granddaughter Adrianna married Steve Romero on September 1 at Frances de Chantal R.C. Church. Adrianna is a nurse at Cohen Children's Medical Center." **Jack Cashill** did his 13th

presentation for C-SPAN's popular *Book TV* program, this one for his most recent book, *Ashli: The Untold Story of the Women of January 6*. **John Felago** reports: "JUG Night was well attended this year. In attendance: **Rich Superti**, **Joe Featherston**, Frank Pasquale, **Joe Lyons**, **Don Ulisse**, **Bob Kalisch**, **Kevin Carey**, **Steve Gabriel**, John Felago, and **Mike Ingrisani**. **Steve Calabrese** recently moved to Boston from Naples, Fla. Steve attended Boston College after Regis, so going back to Boston is both a sentimental journey to an old stomping ground and also an adventure in discovering a new city, since Boston has changed dramatically over the last 55 years. Why not New York, where Steve grew up and had his career? Too many ghosts. Steve writes, "Dear classmates, if you would like to add a worthy cause to your list of charitable contributions this year, I hope you will consider Brooklyn Jesuit Prep, a middle school, in your plans. I established the Patricia Calabrese Giving Society as an option for planned giving, but you can make a donation just as well at [brooklynjesuit.org](http://brooklynjesuit.org). BJP students participate in the REACH Program, and the school is proud of one of its alumni who now attends Regis as a freshman. BJP's President, **James Kennedy '02** previously worked at Regis for 15 years as an English teacher and as the Vice President for Development. I was taken with BJP because it is in my old Brooklyn neighborhood and intervenes in an underserved population which otherwise would not be able to receive a Jesuit education." From **Tom Moebus**: "A bit like Matteo Ricci taking many years before actually visiting China, the Ricci Young Scholars from Regis finally got to China this summer. After four years of Zooming to classmates at the Nanjing Foreign Language School, 10 Regis boys and six girls from Dominican Academy spent two weeks visiting Nanjing, Suzhou, Kunshan, and Shanghai this summer. Scholars stayed with students' families in Nanjing, becoming friends. My partner, Wei Lin, designed a superb program to engage students in a deep dive into Chinese culture, both in its history and its modernity. Curators of two major museums, CEOs and leaders of agencies/firms, and university faculty engaged our scholars in both Chinese and English. Topics ranged from how painting, calligraphy, and gardens show the spirit of Chinese people over many dynasties; to progress in business, technology, and entrepreneurship; to trends in education, infrastructure, consumerism, and of course, cuisine. We used cosplay to explore the feel of ancient China. Plus lots of fun, laughter, food, music, competition (dragon boat racing), and mutual appreciation. It was wonderful. Our scholars were not just listeners. Following prep Zoom meetings in the spring, and some evenings, our scholars delivered excellent presentations on U.S. infrastructure, mental health challenges in schools, and taught primary school classes while paired with Nanjing students. At Duke

Kunshan University, they held the second Ricci Forum on technology decoupling between U.S. and China with an international group of scholars from China, America, and elsewhere. A very thoughtful engagement. Several cross-cultural musical groups formed for Ricci Music Night. And hearing all the students singing karaoke together to the main anthem from *Hamilton* had the hairs standing up on my neck — simply amazing. We paid homage to ancestors at two cemeteries including that of Xu Guangqi, the partner of Matteo Ricci. Together these two men are the exemplars of the type of open, beyond-culture relationships we are building through this program. We are very grateful for the early support of the members of the Class of 1965 to help us start in 2020. There is much more to be done. Both Washington and Beijing would like to increase the number of Americans studying in China. China just launched a five-year effort to welcome 50,000 American high-schoolers, and with current numbers of U.S. scholars in China 90 percent less than at the high point in the mid-2010s, there is every reason to encourage more to be there. China is making rapid progress, and we need to stay connected at the scholarly level. As planned, we recently established the Ricci Scholars Foundation, Inc., a non-profit entity to pursue this task in a dedicated way, and we look forward to including other Jesuit schools in the mix. Wish us luck. Let me know if you want more details. You can email me at [trmoebus@riccischolars.org](mailto:trmoebus@riccischolars.org)." From **Rich Costabile** and **Peter Nardi**: Along with our respective husbands, Randy Wilcox and Jeff Chernin, we had a fun week together in mid-October. Peter and Jeff spent 12 days in Madrid before heading down to Seville. After two days there, Rich and Randy met up with them for a rainy, two-day exploration of the city. Highlights included Setas de Sevilla ("The Mushroom"), Italica (a noted archeological site), and Costco. We then drove to Tavira, where Peter and Jeff spent four days in the Costabile-Wilcox guest suite, walking and driving around the eastern Algarve region together. We all then took the train to Lisbon, and after we got settled, we hiked to a very intimate, home-cooked dinner at Oriental Dongfong Dumpling, a secretive spot in a private residence. The next day we had lunch at Time Out, a wonderful über-food court offering a rich variety of cuisines, and enjoyed two hours on a sailboat on the Tagus River, experiencing Lisbon from a different perspective as well as a rare rainbow corona around the sun. We capped the joint experience with dinner at the beautiful Palácio Chiado. Rich and Randy headed back to Tavira while Peter and Jeff stayed on to spend time with another couple who had relocated to beautiful Portugal." Also from Rich Costabile: "Rich and Randy are firmly entrenched in Tavira, Portugal, now. We've surmounted hurdles and jumped through bureaucratic hoops to establish residency, qualify for NHR (reduced income tax)



status, file our first Portuguese income taxes, swap out our New Jersey driver licenses for Portuguese ones, add our PT social security numbers and EU health cards (EHIC) to our wallets, receive certification of A1/A2 (basic) language competency, and figure out the best ways to evolve from 70+ years of U.S. habits to a new culture with our new chosen family of friends and acquaintances. We've welcomed 19 guests to our home to date and expect to host many more visitors who'd like to experience Portugal from an expat's perspective." **Peter Nardi** writes, "We can personally provide a rave review of Rich and Randy's hospitality and guided touring of the Algarve region, with excellent food and social events. We met many expat friends of theirs and are happy to see them successfully settling into their new lives abroad." **John Sheridan** writes that since retiring and moving back to New York, the plurality of his volunteer energy has gone to the Alternatives to Violence Project in the state's prisons. **John Felago** and his wife, Jill, spent a few days in Old Town Alexandria attending a meeting/social event of retirees from John's former employer, New York Life Insurance Company. **Dave O'Brien**, in addition to continuing his legal practice in the Port Jefferson, Long Island, area, aids several 55-plus communities (mostly pro bono). For that latter role, he asks any Regian to contact him with names of well-written fiction books. He'll pass that along to the seniors, who have a growing appetite for a good reading experience. **Bob Schneider '72** has been very helpful in recommending books. Please contact Dave on any job ideas (part-time) for seniors. Many seem to want and need them. Any Regian life coaches please contact Dave. He's considering entering that field to better assist others. Dave also addresses small groups on his research that clearly supports the fact of Christ's Resurrection. Many have found these findings very reassuring in a world that is consumed with expedient doubters as to a deity. Thanks much to John Felago for his fine work as class rep." **Bob Logan** writes, "I made the mistake of starting what seemed like a small home repair project. Unfortunately, it turned out to be one of those times when the deeper one looks, the more problems one finds. It ended up taking five or six weekends. As you will remember, July and August were brutally hot, so what began as a bad idea turned into a really bad idea. However, it was finally done without incurring heat stroke, so I suppose a successful outcome. My claw hammer is now officially retired and will be used only as a paperweight from now on. I promised my son who helped with the project that I would take him on a cruise as a reward, and I was true to my word. Admittedly, it was on a cleaned up fishing boat from Belmar and lasted two hours, but it was genuinely out on the ocean. I bought him a bag of snacks and a Coke to enjoy on the trip, so I think we are even. Regards to all the Class of 1965."



*Peter Nardi '65, Jeff Chernin, Rich Costabile '65, and Randy Wilcox dining in Portugal*



*Randy Wilcox, Peter Nardi '65, Rich Costabile '65, and Jeff Chernin in Tavira, Portugal*



*John Felago '65 with his wife, Jill, in Alexandria Old Town*



*John Woodruff '65 visited Ron Musto '65 in Bristol, U.K.*

## 1966

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## 1967

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Most of us are '49ers, born at the tail end of the 1940s, with a dozen or so coming along in 1950, at least one making his entrance in late 1948 and a precocious fellow who made the scene in summer 1951, a mere 12-year-old when he first walked through the tunnel. I canvassed the '49ers on how they marked or planned to mark their semi-sesquicentennial. Here are their replies. **John Enright** is in the 1950 cohort and has big plans for his 75th birthday in the new year. In the aughts and a few years thereafter, he attended numerous rock concerts and smaller gigs with his son Sean. Other than a Stones concert with **Bob Kestler** last summer, John's rock-concert going came to a screeching halt when Sean and his family moved to southern California a decade ago, so John was thrilled to get a call from Sean inviting him to meet up in Dublin next August to see Oasis on their reunion tour. The Dublin show is a month into the tour and John has his fingers crossed "that the Gallagher brothers don't kill each other by then." **Bob DeCresce**: "I had mine September 22. My wife and I went to Corsica and France for two weeks afterwards — unrelated to my birthday, but it sounds like a good present. I planned to ride my bike 75 miles on my birthday like I did 74 last year, but I was spared by a two-day-long rain. I wasn't sad!" Bob is retiring at year's end from the 20-member pathology practice he founded but says, "Unfortunately, I will probably have to work part-time for a little while longer since it is extremely difficult to hire young physicians these days. Mary

and I plan to spend more time with the grandkids in Larchmont, N.Y., and Minneapolis as well as enjoying our place in Vero Beach when not in the Midwest. Best of all we have our health, a real blessing as time marches along." **Mike Latini** "just treated it as another birthday. Just dinner with the family. Sixty was the hard one. After that, it's playing with house money, seems to me." **Declan Meagher**: "I consider myself so lucky to have had the good friends and family in my life over the years and so much for which I am thankful. This year we will have a small celebration with our family, and in lieu of anything more exotic, we have made several donations to various charities that have served the needs of our neighbors in the South that have suffered so much in the hurricanes in the last few weeks. We derive so much pleasure in knowing that in our small way, we will be helping folks out." One of the areas hit hardest by Hurricane Helene was Asheville, N.C., where **Jim Blose** lives as well as **Peter Landis's** widow Bebe Landis. Jim wrote to **Jay Azarow**: "Ten days out and we're doing okay. We had no power for over a week and no cell service. Water and internet are still out. We were lucky to have no real damage. Major devastation for those near a body of water. Asheville is getting most of the press, but the worst of it is in the small towns and rural communities. Some were largely wiped out. It will be a long-term rebuild." After weathering several days without power, Bebe flew out to her son's home in California. Salisbury, N.C., where **Tom Ansbro** lives, was only brushed by the hurricane. It's 130 miles east of Asheville. Bebe, by the way, had this to say about her 75th: "I'd like to say I celebrated with liposuction and a face lift, but it was a quiet, heartwarming luncheon with some good buddies here in Asheville." It was not Helene but the even stronger Hurricane Milton that created a headache for **Vince Hartnett**, dumping 14,000 tons of sand on his property on Casey Key, a barrier island in Florida's Sarasota County. "The island was evacuated (twice) and when we returned the afternoon after Milton came through, the only road was closed as it was impassable, so residents walked back to their homes. No water or electricity for six days, but no one was hurt," said Vince. Backhoes and bulldozers removed the sand and "we will be back, good as new, very soon." **Kevin McDonald** hasn't hit 75 yet but writes, "Laura and I did celebrate my 50th anniversary of law school graduation, as well as my recent retirement, with a very cool trip to Portugal, including a river cruise through the Douro Valley wine region that caused me to miss JUG Night. Still playing post-COVID travel catch-up, with 2025 plans for Costa Rica, Iceland, Norway, and the Canadian Maritimes. My back barks every morning when getting out of bed, but otherwise, knock on wood, my health is good." **Jack Alexander**, who hit the milestone last December, wrote, "As possibly the oldest, I celebrated 75 in a relatively low-key manner after

failing to find any better options. However, my 76th will be celebrated on the high seas on the *Queen Mary 2* crossing to London." He and Karen were dining in the Princess Grill on the port side out, and Queens Grill on the starboard side home. Continuing our travel theme, this from **Steve Malone**: "The Malones (Steve and Maureen) returned last month from a two-week Viking British Isles cruise followed by a self-guided week-long trip to Iceland's north coast. This was their sixth recent visit to Iceland (they lived there for three years in the 1970s while Steve was in the Navy). What was markedly different about this visit was the extent to which Iceland has become noticeably an immigrant society. Nearly 20 percent of the population now is foreign born and mostly working in the tourist and service sectors. Due to its remoteness, Iceland has historically been an insular society. When we lived there, the only foreigners were the American military, and we all lived in an enclave on the southwest coast. One had to know some Icelandic to travel in the countryside. It will be interesting to see how their society now evolves. There are some indications of fraying as the immigrant community is competing for housing in Reykjavik with Icelanders displaced by the recent volcanic eruptions in the country. As to Chris's \$64,000 question, I celebrated my 75th birthday onboard the *Viking Venus* en route from Scotland to the Shetland Islands. The ship's galley provided a birthday cake and a bottle of champagne. A perfect birthday! Our next cruise is an April trip to the Adriatic, Greece, and Turkey. Likely no stopover in Iceland this time." **Jim Keaney** shared this news: "Summer 2024 was for travel. In June I visited Ireland with my daughter, her husband, and two grandkids. Visited old friends, visited cousins at the family farm where the grandkids learned to spade and stack turf in the peat bog. Priceless! At the Hill of Tara at noon on the summer solstice we witnessed a group decked with flowers making merry in a circle. Modern Druids, perhaps. It was my first visit to Ireland in 15 years — the churches were less full, the cars bigger, but the people were wonderfully the same. In July, I spent a week in Vermont with Road Scholars, trying to improve my bridge game, which I learned in the senior room playing with **Bob Moran**, Vin Hartnett, **Sal DeLuca**, **Joe Zeller** and others. In August, my annual trip with the grandsons took us to Philadelphia. Visits to the Mutter Museum (oddities and objects of 19th century medical research), a live chicken market, the Rocky steps of the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and a Phillies game — perfect for teenage boys." **Victor Skowronski**: "My birthday occurred on the fourth Friday of May, which was also a scheduled dance event for the Harvard Square English Country Dance. I contacted the caller and asked him to call some of the dances that I had written. He agreed and we danced 'Rafe's Waltz' that night, which is set to the folk song 'The Cutty Wren' that Ralph Vaughn Williams used in his *English Folk*

*Song Suite*, which is where I first heard it. Since Vaughn Williams pronounced his first name as 'Rafe,' I used that spelling to name the dance, which also happens to be the spelling for Rafe Rackstraw in Gilbert and Sullivan's *HMS Pinafore*," still fondly recalled from our junior year. Victor also turned to **Art Bender, SJ**, for advice on how the Bible study group at his residence in Woburn, Mass., should approach the Old Testament. "For the New Testament, we went through each book in sequence. I think that the Old Testament is far too complex to be able to do that," Victor wrote. "I am thinking that we should look at related sections for each session to get a better perspective." Art concurred. "Victor, you are right. The Old Testament is a challenge to tackle. Our sophomores at Regis make use of a book, *Studying the Old Testament: A Companion*, by Rhonda Burnette-Bletsch. The kids seem to like it ... and I like it as well," Art wrote back. **Bruce Hector** and Heather Higgins tied the knot on July 20 in Hawthorne, N.J., with **Michael Connor, Bill Armbruster**, and **Chris Connell** and their spouses joining the joyous celebration. **Chris Meatto** writes, "Congratulations to my wife, Roberta Ludlow, whose Little Golden Book biography of Lionel Messi has just been published. Your children and grandchildren will love it. You can find the book on Amazon." Chris was also hosting our third class Zoom before Christmas. Bill Armbruster writes: "Ten of us made it to JUG Night on September 27. We had a great time catching up. The highlight was recording a video in which we sent greetings to all our classmates not in attendance, especially **Kieran Quinn**. Kieran, one of the most loyal sons of Regis, has been a class leader and mainstay at JUG Night for decades, but Parkinson's has drastically curtailed his mobility. However, we all knew that Kieran was with us in spirit." The peripatetic Bill and wife Nancy Mackin Robinson also had two wonderful late-summer, early-fall trips. One was to Canada, where they spent three nights each in Ottawa, Montreal, and Quebec City, giving Bill a chance to speak a little of the French he learned from Mr. Rapisarda and Mr. Clancy. The other trip was to the Berkshires for the fall foliage and visits to three great art institutions: the Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, Mass., the Clark Art Institute, and the Museum of Contemporary Art (Mass. MOCA) in North Adams. "All very different, but all very good and worth visiting." Bill, a Mets fan since Opening Day in 1962, was also grateful "for the magical memories of the Mets' amazing late-season run and the miraculous comebacks led by Francisco Lindor, Pete Alonso, and company." **Tom Curran** had hoped to celebrate his milestone watching the Yankees and the Mets battle in the World Series, but, alas, that was not to be. (For the record, some of us have not forgiven the Dodgers for deserting Brooklyn when we were in second grade.) **Mike Bobrik** writes: "After a scary heart failure episode in June, I've come back thinner and



healthier than I've been in decades. I retired from supporting DARPA a few years ago, and my wife, Andrea, and I are enjoying country life out here in Berryville, Va., an hour's drive from his old haunts in the Washington, D.C., suburbs. From **Sal DeLuca**: "Since I just officially made it over the hump to 75, here's the skinny: We 'celebrated,' starting a few weeks early, by tagging on to a family destination wedding in Spain. Leaving the day after JUG Night, we settled down in Mallorca for four days of sun, sand, and soirees and then jetted off to Munich for the last few days of the Oktoberfest. Continuing on the route we took in 1966 that was mapped out by Fr. Daley, and since in all our travels Steph has never been to Bavaria and Austria, we drove down to Innsbruck and then over to Salzburg and the Salzkammergut (no salt mines this time; just dutifully followed along on a *Sound of Music* tour). Then came a leisurely day's drive along the Danube, stopping at a few wineries along the way, before alighting in Vienna, where we spent a long weekend doing imperial Viennese things. N.B. to my fellow RIA trippers: Kollegium (now Volksschule) Kalksburg is still there, but was sold by the Jesuits. A few of our other usual haunts now have new names, but as Steve Rehm texted me back, it was 58 years ago and we're lucky to still be here to remember." **Rene Haas** sent this note: "I will be celebrating my 75th birthday on board a catamaran circumnavigating the island of Antigua. When Sharon and I get back home, we will be having brunch in New York City with our children, followed by crazy mini golf. All in all, it should be a fun and special event." Not that **Steve Rehm** was gloating, but this was his pithy response to the request for 75th birthday yarns: "Sorry I can't contribute, Chris. I still have two years to go :)." And from **Michael Holleran**: "We priests in the Archdiocese of New York retire at 75, which I was happy to do on September 1. I moved to St. Monica's Parish on 79th and First (not far from Regis), where my good friend Fr. Don Baker is pastor. I am no longer on staff or on salary, but it is really only a semi-retirement, as befits my profession. I still celebrate Mass regularly and engage in parish activities, but I also look forward to more frequent travel, giving retreats, and perhaps writing a memoir. I gratefully celebrated my 75th birthday a few weeks later on October 6, joining some old friends for dinner, including **John Mullin '66**." Cathie and **Bob Rienzo** have not let the grass grow under their feet. In the spring they spent three weeks touring Australia after making the 30-hour trip from Allentown, Pa., to Brisbane. Bob took in the koala sanctuary and botanical gardens, while Cathie spoke at an Australasian Sonographers Association conference. "We then went to Broome and embarked on a 10-day Silversea Kimberley expedition cruise around the northwest part of the country and enjoyed stunning scenery, interesting wildlife, and plenty of good food and drink. We ended the cruise in Darwin and 37

hours later were back in Pennsylvania." Bob is "one year into my retirement from my 42 years as a radiologist and am keeping busy with golf, pickleball, bridge, travel, and projects around the house." They were soon on the road again on an epic tour across India in the fall. "The Taj Mahal was definitely the highlight," he said. "India is an amazing country with outstanding luxury and abject poverty. The extremes are incredible. It certainly made me think of how lucky we are to live in this country, even with our political divisiveness. It is hard to believe that we graduated from Regis 57 years ago and that our 60th anniversary is only three years away. My advice to everyone is *carpe diem*."

## 1968

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The Class of 1968 notes printed in the last issue of this publication prompted a heartfelt response regarding the dedication of the late **Jim Sherwood's** longtime residence. First in was **Joe Stachnik**, expressing his gratitude to Jim's friends and neighbors. The question that most subsequent communications asked was, "Where?" Thanks to information provided by **John DiLiberto**, Jim's monument engraving can be found at 321 Riverside Drive, New York, N.Y. **Dr. Tony Mauro** reached out, noting that Regis was specifically referenced when **Anthony Fauci '58** was a guest on *The Late Show With Stephen Colbert*. In response to the host's question, "What do you get from a Jesuit education?" Dr. Fauci mentioned Regis and the Ignatian philosophy of "men for others." The interview is available for viewing online, enabling our appreciation of this positive portrayal of our alma mater. **Walter Matthews** and his wife, Claire, retired from the National Service Committee of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in late 2020 and have been snowbirding in Florida ever since. Last April, they purchased a condo in Cape Coral. Meanwhile, their oldest son, Christian (Villanova Class of 2003 and Villanova Law School Class of 2006) now works for a Formula 1 company that is headquartered outside of London. Christian travels there frequently as well as to many of the racing events. Christian and wife, Jen, live with their six-year-old daughter Rebecca in Rockville Centre, not far from Walter's birthplace in Merrick, both familiar stops on the Class of 1968's oft-used Babylon Branch of the LIRR. Their second son, John (Xavier Class of 2006 and Williams College Class of 2010) lives and works in the Cincinnati area. He and his wife, Mindy, have four children, all attending the local Catholic school. John works for an offshoot of Kroger as Coordinator of Space Planning. Their daughter Katie (Rochester High School Class of 2008 and Duquesne Class of 2015) has been serving clients with counseling needs for nearly 10 years, most recently at Bucknell University. She and husband, Alex, are foster parents

for two boys in their Lewes, Del., home. Walter remains in touch with two of our class doctors **Rich D'Amico** and **Rich Pfeiffer** and still holds a leadership position in the Renewal through his service with CHARIS National Service of Communion. **George Bacolini** hosted an East End golf outing this fall in his Hampton Bays summer house. Hitting them far and straight (or so they claim!) were George, **Tom Kelly**, **John McElligott**, and John DiLiberto. The best summation of the day was, "A good time was had by all," a message just spare enough to abide by the notion that what happens on Long Island stays on Long Island! **Bob Oliva** and his wife, Peggy, are enjoying their third year in their home on the Nissequogue River in Smithtown, N.Y. Avid kayakers, they are regularly found on the tidal river multiple days a week in the warmer months. After retirement in 2013, Bob rekindled his interest in photography, which started during our Regis years in the '60s when he served as contributor to both the *Owl* and the *Regian*. In June of 2024, he was named to the PFLI (Photographic Federation of Long Island) Hall of Fame — one of only 29 photographers so honored over the past 15 years. Congratulations, Bob! If any picture is worth 1,000 words, how much more is a Hall of Fame photo worth? In an extension of this avocation and talent, Bob has been attending and teaching workshops at Stony Brook University's Osher Life Learning Institute. As **Don Donahue's** stint as a member of the Regis Board of Trustees concludes, he emphasizes his confidence in current President Rev. Christopher Devron, SJ, predicting that his leadership will sustain the legacy of success that is Regis! Hear, hear!

## 1969

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**Joseph Sclafani** writes, "In September, I formally ended my work in Zambia, South Sudan, and Afghanistan and am happy to say that I have officially retired. I recently returned from a trip to Morocco and Greece and am settling down at home to read books, work out at the gym, and live a quasi-normal life." **Kevin McCabe** reports, "All good here. We are expecting our first grandchild in April!" **Al Avallone** says, "The twice-yearly lunch with **John Kearney** at Ponzio's in Cherry Hill is back on, post-Covid. This year's conversation included John's trip to the old sod, with a stop in London, and my cruise from Monaco to Amsterdam with 10 stops in between. Also saw **Roger Fox** and his lovely daughter Emily, the woman who made him a grandfather with her daughter Philomena, named in honor of her great grandmother — and her husband, Moe, is from Philly!" **Jim Cunningham** is doing radiation treatment at the University of Maryland in Baltimore: "I have two weeks left. I'm hoping to get my sense of taste back by Thanksgiving. Granddaughter Lexi, who's nine,

has taken up Irish set dancing and competed in her first Feis two weeks ago. Seven-year-old grandson Carson is playing machine pitch baseball and batting 1.000. He hasn't made out all season!"

**Chris McArthur** sends greetings from Madrid: "I'm finishing up two months here, September and October. This time I didn't take any Spanish classes because I had so many guests. I think everyone is worried that every trip I take may be my last, so they all piled in. I'll make a brief trip to Munich for seven or eight days to visit a friend, then home to the States. Last year I spent two months in Berlin — during the winter — and now I see why the Germans all leave the country when January rolls around. I've stopped in Munich a few times before, during my Navy time, but this will be my chance to check out some of their famous museums." If **John Kearney** (JBK) and **Jimmy McGuire** don't get around to replying to you, they are both doing fine. Jimmy Mac has another grandchild, so he's feeling extra good. JBK keeps in pretty good contact with a lot of the guys, including **John Gimblette**, **Chad Garfield**, and **Bob Fredericks** among others, and as of last week, all those guys were doing well. **Thomas Paul O'Connor** tells us he's only been to Texas once, and found that it was much too hot. Nevertheless, "My son Thomas moved to Dallas in August, and Eugenia and I will be going there to see him and his wife, Usa, in November. At least it shouldn't be too hot then! My daughter Kathryn Magdalena is doing well in her continuing battle with chronic myeloid leukemia (CML)." **Kit Konolige** moved to Park City, "where golf balls travel further and skiing is always good! Also, starting a hedge fund. So never a dull moment." And breaking news from **Mark Puleo**: "Just heard from Regis's librarian/archivist that she has set up a display case of Holy Ghost Reception Committee #9 memorabilia in the school library." Hopefully, we'll be hearing more in a future issue of *Regis Magazine* about this moment in Regis history, when a group of students from the classes of 1969 and 1970, under the guidance of the late Tony Meyer, composed and recorded two folk rock albums.

## 1970

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The Class of 1970 Rump Reunion 2025 has been scheduled for June 7, 2025, at the Pig N' Whistle (58 W. 48<sup>th</sup> Street), with a foray to Yankee Stadium the night before, June 6, to see the Yankees versus the Red Sox. Put it on your calendar. **Ed Murphy** writes from California: "Miriam and I report that our big news in the past year or so has been weddings. First of our son Nicholas Murphy to Jessica Osorio in Carmel Valley, Calif., in June of 2023 (as previously reported here in a prior edition

of "Prowlings") and then of our daughter Marina Murphy to Sam Offenberg in San Francisco in September of 2024. We are so happy that both our children have found wonderful life partners! In addition, I was lucky to have the opportunity to attend the Paris Olympics this past summer. I took in seven different events ranging from rowing and archery to track and field and water polo, but I also just enjoyed being in Paris during the Games. Many Parisians had left town but those who remained really got into the Olympic spirit! I was also lucky to share an aperitif in Paris with our classmate **Mark Tronco** and his wife, Cynthia, before they departed on a trip to India." **Rich Kennedy** dropped us a line to say, "I'm teaching classes on politics and presidential history for the Osher Lifelong Learning Center (OLLI) at USF. There are OLLI chapters across the country; I'm sure many of our classmates would enjoy them. Classmate **Jon Rusch** was a guest on my weekly *Saturday Morning Social*, which I started at the height of Covid. Little did I know that I would still be doing it four years later." Rich's biggest news is that one of his grandchildren, Jack Kennedy, is a rising star in the tennis world. At age 16, Jack was the youngest male player in the U.S. Open qualifying tournament and is being courted by more than 50 universities for their tennis teams. He just played his first professional event and will be traveling to Turkey shortly to represent the country on the Junior U.S. Davis Cup team. Rich says, "I thought it was something to be traveling by bus and subway from Queens into Regis daily. This kid is traveling the world." **Jack Regan** and **Ken Dee** stopped by to visit with **Jim Bergin** in July. Jim continues his struggle with Parkinson's. He recently moved to an assisted living facility near his wife, Ellen. Jim would be happy to hear from friends and classmates — drop us a line and we'll pass along his contact information. Jim strongly recommends a book about Parkinson's called *Brain Storms: The Race to Unlock the Mysteries of Parkinson's Disease*, by Jon Palfreman. **Bill Lee** writes, "Since last June's Rump Reunion, I've driven to the Midwest and back to visit the EAA Aviation Museum in Oshkosh, Wis., and baseball games in several stadiums new to me. From college leagues, both the independent and organized (MLB-sanctioned official) minor leagues to the majors, my total is now about 270 different ballparks. Since September, after attending my 50th Naval Academy homecoming (one of the few places that develops the same spirit and loyalty as Regis), I've been the chief election official for early voting at the Voter Registrar's Office in Virginia Beach, with days up to 10-plus hours and going to six-day weeks starting this weekend. I plan to retire from full-time work after the dust settles from the election." The indefatigable **Dennis Blair** concluded another go-round as the opening act on Barry Manilow's summer 2024 tour. Barry and

Dennis hit cities across the Midwest and Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas in July and August.

According to Dennis, the crowds are great (and big), Barry is appreciative, and the travel is hellish. He sent along a picture of himself with Barry.

Dennis was also happy to relate that a copy of his book, *Touring with Legends*, is in the Regis school library, as verified by **Rick Antosh**. The book describes a comedian's experiences as an opening act for major stars such as Rodney Dangerfield, Joan Rivers, and George Carlin, among others, from the 1980s to the 2000s. **Jerry Nunn** says, "We enjoyed last summer with frequent morning trips to the Hershey Parks with our grandchildren and with the anticipation and aftermath around the wedding of our youngest daughter, Emma, in July. The buildup involved our trip to Miami (on the non-stop Amtrak auto train, which I recommend) to retrieve and drive back to Hershey the wedding dress and her dog; then the wedding week; then the aftermath, which involved a return trip to Miami with the dog and back to Pennsylvania. The wedding week was a lot of fun but a whirlwind, with family and friends from all over the U.S." **Jay Allen** dropped a line to say that he and his wife and Cathy are now living in Palm City, Fla., north of Jupiter, full-time the last few years. They toured in Europe for three-plus weeks at the beginning of summer, then spent August visiting friends in their old Connecticut stomping grounds along with side trips to Maine and Cape Cod. Jay's looking forward to making a New York City trip sometime later this year to see plays, visit museums, and round up some of his fellow Class of 1970 classmates to catch up. **Bob Zori**, while spending part of last summer on an Etruscan archeological dig that his son was managing, took his grandson to a few football (soccer for us American heathens) matches in Rome and in Frankfurt. Bob says, "The game in Frankfurt was between England and Denmark as part of the Euro Cup. My grandson was ecstatic! We participated in the pregame singing and walked a few miles in a parade to the stadium, and the game was great although it was a tie." After their time in Italy and Germany, the Zori family headed to Croatia, where Bob's father was from, for some sailing. Bob writes about meeting his wife, "I met Aase on a flight when I was returning from college at Duke to New York. She was a Danish girl going to see her boyfriend at the U.N., and I was going back to New York City to see my high school girlfriend and reconnect with **Mike Salerno**. We eventually got together, and I moved to Denmark, where we lived over a bar in a commune. She became a teacher, and I went to med school. I taught at the medical school in pediatrics there. Our kids were born there." Jack Regan has been busy. In addition to his visit with Jim Bergin in New York City, he was in Baja Sur,



Mexico, last May and will be back from another trip there by the time this issue hits your mailbox. He was a juror for the Kentuck Arts Festival in Northport, Ala., and visited Joe Minter's art environment in Birmingham, Ala. He was planning a trip to the Luna Parc Art Environment in Sandyston, N.J., as we were compiling these notes.

**Jim Harkins** and his wife, Mary, sought refuge in Atlanta from Hurricane Milton in early October as guests of Maureen and **Kevin Conboy**. Many thanks to the Conboys for allowing us to disrupt their schedule to accommodate us refugees. It was our first visit to Atlanta in five years, and we now realize that the beach is great but we need to get to the big city more often. Our co-correspondent **Jack Martin** reports: "There was a mini-Regis reunion in the Yankee Stadium press box before Game 3 of the World Series. Stats guru **Steve Hirdt '68**, former President of the Elias Sports Bureau, **Jon Sciambi '88**, calling the series on the national ESPN Radio broadcast, and myself." Jack produced the national ESPN Radio broadcasts of the Braves-Padres Wild Card Series and Padres-Dodgers Division Series. Family and friends of the late Tony (Mel) Meyer, who passed away on July 4, 2024, organized a remembrance of Tony via Zoom on last October 6. The Class of 1970 was well represented, with **Tom Quinlan**, Dennis Blair, Jack Regan, Jim Harkins, **John Sullivan**, and Jay Allen on the call. Tom Quinlan offered some remarks in memory of Tony, a much-revered Jesuit scholastic in our years at Regis. **Mark Puleo '69** who, along with Dennis Blair, was a member of the Holy Ghost Reception Committee #9, was also on the call. Shortly after the "Prowlings" for last fall's Regis Magazine issue were submitted, we received the sad news of brother **Martin Bachop's** passing on August 14. In a class full of smart guys, Marty (as we all knew him back then) stood out as truly brilliant, while at the same time, generous and unassuming. His academic acumen was underscored by his completing a degree from Princeton, *magna cum laude*, in three years. Struck down with severe illness at a relatively early age, he was physically disabled for the rest of his life, although his warm and giving personality continued to shine through. When the news of his passing filtered through to us, a number of classmates recounted stories of Marty's helpfulness and kindness in the face of the challenges of Regis and struggles with the workload. *Requiescat in pace.*



Ed Murphy '70 at the water polo venue at the Paris Olympics



Rich Kennedy '70, his wife Janet, and grandson Jack in Kalamazoo



Jack Regan '70, his wife Ginger Krawiec, and Ken Dee '70 visiting with Jim Bergin '70



Dennis Blair '70 and Barry Manilow



Three generations of the Nunn family at Jerry Nunn '70's daughter's wedding



Bob Zori '70 with his wife, Aase, in Croatia

## 1971

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This year, the weather more or less cooperated with Jug Night 2024 on September 27. **Tim Brennan, Mike Curcio, Roger Moran, Joe Alcherms, Larry Gertner, Luke Garvey, John Curran, Frank DeSanto, Aex Motyl, Bob Genovese, Frank Flaherty, and John Schopfer** braved the cloudless skies to eventually feast upon a much better version of the traditional open-faced steak sandwich than was served the previous year. Then again, anything topped with a creamy horseradish sauce is just inherently better to begin with. The "less" part applied to **Rick Romito**, whose worldwide perambulations (mentioned last time) would have happened to have had him within striking distance of attending his first JUG Night ever! Alas, his and Maureen's flight's arrival in Nashville was supposed to correspond with that of Hurricane Helene, so that was a washout. In lieu of a verbal report between beers, Rick sent this along: "Homeless nomad update: completed 9,000-mile road trip. Next: Vegas, D.C., Birmingham, Selma/Montgomery, Vegas, Myrtle Beach, Richmond, Myrtle Beach, Atlanta, Myrtle Beach, Vegas, Miami, 180-day cruise, and San Diego. Homelessness ends July 5 in Vegas in our new place. If you're in any of the above, call me!" This year's car trouble victim was **Roger Rooney**, whose whereabouts were questioned by Luke and Frank from the VIP table in the auditorium. "I will definitely get to JUG Night next year." Noted. In other celebrations, Leslie P. Gertner, dad of Larry Gertner, celebrated his 100th birthday at a party in his honor, surrounded by family, friends, and fellow Knights of Columbus. Toasts were made, speeches were given (Larry's was particularly impressive), and in lieu of a birthday present, a donation was made to St. Jude's Hospital in his name. From **Ray Lombardi**: "It feels like my wife, Wendy, and I are back in school. Sort of. The nearby city of Framingham, Mass., has a senior center and public library that run adult learning classes on Zoom. We are in the midst of four weekly sessions on 'How Democratic is our Republic?' and 'The Anthropocene Epoch in Time.' We are learning things that probably aren't presented in traditional school courses. Other recent presentations were on Benedict Arnold, personal finances, and weather extremes. AARP, financial advisors, and other groups also sponsor learning events. Lots of good stuff out there. In the beginning of May, Luke Garvey and his wife, Michelle, took a two-week trip to Europe. What made this Regis-relevant was that his parents would not spring for the Regis in Austria trip back when, so he lived as a RIA groupie wannabe for a long time, hanging on stories of Stabile and Keiser's adventures and misdeeds. He finally made it to Vienna and Salzburg and found it to be scenic, historic, and

generally delightful. And here's to dunkelbier! He reports that it felt good to finally scratch that itch. And at the end of July, Luke and Michelle's darling daughter presented the world with the Garvey's first grandchild, Lucy Michelle by name. Let the spoiling begin. **Paul Atkinson's** wife Margaret had no interest in visiting Argentina. So, in July, Paul went himself. Alex Motyl toured East and Central Europe from August 27–September 18, mostly as a lecturer for the Smithsonian Institution. He visited Warsaw, Krakow, Budapest, Vienna, Baden, and Prague, and met with his Polish relatives and Austrian friends. For the second consecutive year, a wedding prevented **Art Beaver** from attending JUG Night. Last year, **Bill Javetski's** daughter Elise was married. This year was the turn of his niece/wife's godchild, Kayla McDaid, in Lancaster. Suzanne and **Tony Salvatore** enjoyed a July week in their favorite place, Firenze, before heading to London for a week. As for Hurricane Helene passing through: "All is well; lots of rain, but very little wind, in our part of the world. Other parts of the region were hit pretty hard, but no damage here." Bob Genovese and his wife, Tillie, and daughter Kira survived an overly warm summer this year. While they didn't do any significant traveling, Bob and Kira lent support to Baker Tillie at the Harlem Festival in August. They plan a trip to Escondido (a rewind of their trip there last year) in the fall. Bob is registered with two vendors as a math tutor in the city schools; he has an upcoming gig teaching Algebra. He continues to tutor adult literacy with Literacy Nassau. Bob has resurrected his poetry writing skills and has done several open mics at venues in Queens. He was recently published in *The Scene*, a Nassau County literary magazine. Bob and Tillie recently celebrated their 30th anniversary by seeing *Hell's Kitchen* on Broadway and having a toast at Sardi's afterwards. Please remember in your prayers **Gus Bigos's** dad, Joseph F. Bigos (August 18, 1928 – August 20, 2024).



Class of 1971 representation at JUG Night

## 1972

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**Kevin Farrelly**, our former class correspondent, tells us, "Agnes and **Greg Czuchlewski, Paul Driscoll**, and I attended the funeral Mass for **Joe DiPinto**

at St. Malachy's Church (the Actors' Chapel) in Manhattan's Theater District. **John DiPinto** spoke eloquently about his twin brother, mentioning his many musical talents. Joe was a member of the choir at St. Malachy's, and they performed magnificently at the Mass. Joe is the first editor of *The Owl* during our senior year to pass away. It was a great team, and I remain very proud of the newspaper we published." **Bob Schneider** writes, "I took a walking tour today of the London Inns of Court, something I would recommend to any American lawyer or historian visiting London." He also reports that "**Jim Burdi** and I (both members of Catholic Lawyers Guild) attended Red Mass at St. Joseph's Church on October 8." Kathleen and **Jerry McAloon** spent a fabulous two weeks touring Norway and Iceland in July. He writes, "Breathtaking scenery, wonderful weather, great people, excellent hotels and restaurants. I can't recommend both places highly enough! In October, we celebrated my upcoming 70<sup>th</sup> birthday (I'm one of the babies of this Regis Class of 1972 family) with our three kids, their spouses/partners, and our four wonderful grandkids at a fantastic rental home on the Choptank River on Maryland's Eastern Shore. Another beautiful place that I'd highly recommend." **Nick Bertini's** news: "I retired from the clinical practice of medicine three years ago but had been working part-time for Yale's Northeast Medical Group overseeing physician professionalism. I've recently fully retired and am now living the leisure life." **Fran Barra, Mike Morris, Rick Venino, and John Tucciarone** (one of them, who prefers to remain anonymous, calls the group the "geezer rockers") got together for a Steve Winwood/Doobie Brothers concert at Madison Square Garden in August. **Doug Redosh** reports, "I have started a local gym-based rock climbing group for people with Parkinson's, the first of its kind in Colorado. We have gotten some local press exposure in the *Denver Post* and 9News. It has been very rewarding and gratifying."

## 1973

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**Jim Marchwinski, Paul O'Brien, and Bob Mumby**



got together in Neptune, N.J. (near Asbury Park) last May at a Jersey-famous restaurant called Pete & Elda's. Jim added he ate an entire extra-large pie himself to get a free T-shirt. **Kevin McKeegan**, **Luke O'Keefe**, and **Hugh Finnegan** posed for a photo at the after party at the wedding of Hugh's son Danny. All three are looking quite good! **Tony Cunningham** reports at length (thanks Tony!), "I've been in Woodbury, Conn., for almost six months after retiring from teaching in May. I've been busy with projects, exercise, music, and writing. I built a 30x42 garden with raised beds and an eight-foot fence to deter deer. Fingers crossed that I can be an adequate farmer next spring/summer (nothing got planted this summer). I also did 10 weeks of "Jersey Duty" this summer, looking after my granddaughters, Faye and Sadie, during the week in Mahwah, N.J. I've been writing fiction for the last 20 years. When I finished the first novel, a historical tale starting in Scotland in 1746 and going up through the American Civil War, I sent it to a New York agent who was very interested, but ultimately passed because she didn't usually represent historical novels. By the time she made up her mind, I was well into a second novel, and the business of hawking my work to agents wasn't nearly as enticing as just working away. I'm working on a fifth novel these days, and I plan to self-publish some of the novels this winter for friends, family, and anyone else who might be interested. The four finished novels are an eclectic lot: the historical one above (*Skysong*), a thriller (*All There Is*) about an Ivy League philosophy professor who goes on the run after killing a Russian mobster's son in an unlikely act of self defense, one about a building and its tenants and workers (*1035 Fifth Avenue*, just up the block on 85th from Regis), and one about an Irish lighthouse keeper with a dark past (*Mick's Man*). All this is to say that retirement is great. Teaching was a good job for me, but I don't miss it at all. I love not having duties looming over everyday life (prepare that class, read those emails, grade the essays, etc.). I retired to spare a younger colleague from the ax of university cutbacks, and even though my school wasn't trying to do me a favor, it effectively did so by nudging me toward retirement. I spent over half my life in Minnesota, and honestly, I was just passing through. The Midwest has its distinct virtues and attractions, but it's good to be back east. (Though I must say that Connecticut drivers are pretty wild. It kinda feels like speed limits and road rules are treated as suggestions, not requirements.) Maybe I would have felt a little different had I lived in Minneapolis/St. Paul, but living in central Minnesota left something to be desired (hey, where are the hills and the ocean, and why are so many folks a bit dull?)." **Steve Pecorini** writes, "I am enjoying retired life and my two grandkids, as well as my ongoing work with two nonprofits: New Ground and the Sunflower Community Fund. **Pat Yella** and I were recently on the Old Croton Aqueduct trail

in Westchester. **Bob Lent** retired after 38 years as Director of Music and Liturgy in the Archdiocese of Seattle. The very next day, Bob and his wife, Eileen, hopped on a plane and began to walk the Camino de Santiago in Spain, leaving Seattle on September 8 and returning October 24. A great opportunity to enter into an immense physical and mental challenge walking 500 miles through France and Northern Spain, marveling at the natural beauty of these countries, enjoying solitude, local culture, and cuisine, as well as making friends from all over the world. Highly recommended for all who can make the time! **Marc Desjardins** reports in with an update: "I am still living in Falls Church, Va., just outside of Washington, D.C. I continue to work part time as an inspector for the Office of Inspector General for the Department of State. Most recently, I have helped inspect the American Embassies in Moldova, Iraq, and Germany. Our daughter left for Moscow, Russia, this year to serve at the American Embassy there. Our son is an attorney who lives in Virginia as well." After laying low for long enough, **Paul Kiernan** checks in with three fun facts to know and tell: "1. Leslie and I just celebrated 36 years of marriage. We have four wonderful children doing good things and, as of this morning, all report in as happy. None report in as married. Leslie agreed to marry me even though she witnessed the 1976 Regis Dramatic Society (now Regis Rep) production of *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*. Can't say she wasn't warned. 2. I am going to keep practicing law until I get it right. My best days are as head of Holland & Knight's pro bono practice. Second best days are calling my litigation partner, **Chris Kelly '77**, and reminding him that we were in the class ahead of him. 3. When I am not running into neighbor **Frank Pietrantonio** or agreeing to a selfie with **Dr. Anthony Fauci '58**, I can be found on extended group chats with **Chris Lynch**, **Chris Lowney**, **Charlie McGovern**, **Lou Jerome**, and **Pete Honchaurk**. Lou Jerome, Peter Honchaurk, and Chris Lowney had dinner in New York City with **Angel Garcia '74**. Fellow authors Chris and Angel had previously connected, which led to a wonderful evening of reminiscences and catching up on our lives to date. When Angel and Lou greeted each other, Lou got to say, for the first time ever, "So, it's been 50 years, hasn't it?" Lou added, "My wife, Holly, and I celebrated our 40th wedding anniversary with a trip to Greece. Lots of sightseeing in and around Athens (saw a guy wearing a Mr. Met T-shirt at the Parthenon) with echoes of freshman year: Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral in Athens, a variation on Fr. Duffy's assignment to attend a Christian church not our own. At the theaters of Delphi and Epidaurus I tested the acoustics and wowed the tourists with lines from Aeschylus' *Agamemnon*, which **Bob Ver Eecke, SJ, '66** directed in the fall of 1972. After all that effort we relaxed in Crete!" Chris Lynch reports, "My wife, Natasha, and I are happy to report that our son

Rowan was married this past June up in Caroga Lake (the lower Adirondacks), and Regions from several classes were present. In addition to our own Class of 1976 attendees (myself, Pete Honchaurk, Lou Jerome, Paul Kiernan, Chris Lowney, and Charlie McGovern), **Damian Pezzano '74** and my nephew **Liam Lynch '12** were also on hand. And the accompanying photo was snapped by my cousin Regina, parent of **Harry Kilman '22**!



Regions at Rowan Lynch's wedding



Jim Marchwinski '76, Paul O'Brien '76, and Bob Mumby '76 in Jersey



Kevin McKeegan '76, Luke O'Keefe, and Hugh Finnegan at Hugh's son's wedding



Steve Pecorini '76 and Pat Yella '76



Bob Lent '76 and his wife, Eileen



Paul Kiernan '76 and Anthony Fauci '58



Meeting of Chris Lynch '76, Chris Lowney '76, Charlie McGovern '76, Lou Jerome '76, Pete Honchaurk '76, and Paul Kiernan '76



Peter Honchaurk '76, Angel Garcia '74, and Lou Jerome '76 meeting in New York



Lou Jerome '76 and his wife, Holly

## 1977

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**Mark Kolakowski** reports: "After a long stretch (2008–2022) as a major contributor to online publications About.com and Investopedia (more than 3,400 pieces in total), I had a very short-lived

(one and done) gig in 2023 moderating webinars for tech website VentureBeat. Since then, I've mainly been devoting time to various avocations, such as birding, domestic travel, playing hockey, attending the theater, visiting art exhibits, and cooking, including taking classes at the Institute for Culinary Education. I'm regularly in touch with shoulder surgeon **Roger Pollock** and, less frequently, with **Bob DeCandido**, still a popular leader of bird walks in Central Park. During the summer, I heard from **Bob Hay**, who was teaching English at the Catholic University of Ukraine. He recalled that I have a connection with one of that institution's founders."

**Marty Mannion** graciously invited a group (**Bill Neville, James Shanahan, Joe McAleer, John Ward, Marty Dowd, John Canning, Jim Fields, Mike Holdun, Joe Hynes, Mike Dowd, Ken McCauley, and Shawn Feeney**) to his house on Nantucket for a long weekend. Some took walking tours of Nantucket, others played golf (although, as Mike Dowd opined, "there's difference between 'golfer' and 'someone who owns golf clubs'"). Much scorn was heaped on the woeful New York Jets, but undeterred, Fields, Feeney, and Mike Dowd left Massachusetts for London to watch the Jets. (They lost, again.)



A group of Regions at Marty Mannion '77's home in Nantucket

## 1978

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**Mark Raccasi** writes from Dallas, where he has lived and practiced medicine for over 30 years, that he was elected to be chairman of anesthesia at Texas Health Presbyterian Dallas. Mark said, "I'm not trying to pad my resume at this late stage; I'm taking it as my swan song for a long career." **Al Rocco** is a Peer Support Volunteer for the Concussion Legacy Foundation, helping other concussion patients find effective care, including at the UPMC Sports Concussion Clinic where he was treated after a cycling accident. Teresa and **Jorge Martinez** and **Joe Mauro** visited New York this summer from Miami and met up with Nancy and **Bill Deignan**, reminiscing about the glory days of Regis baseball.



Speaking of baseball, **Bernie Kilkelly** and **Jim Rohan** got to enjoy the resurgent Mets at Citi Field. **Lou DiBella**, owner of the double-A baseball Richmond Flying Squirrels since 2009, recently announced a deal to build a new ballpark for his team.



Bernie Kilkelly '78 and Jim Rohan '78 at Citi Field



From left, Joe Mauro, Jorge and Teresa Martinez, and Nancy and Bill Deignan meeting in New York

## 1979

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After 31 years with the Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian (12 in D.C., 19 in New York City), **Duane Blue Spruce** hung up his hardhat and retired on October 31. While he will miss walking into the former U.S. Custom House every day, Duane will remain in New York with his partner, Katie, in Washington Heights, so you still might catch him on the A train. He says it's been a wonderful run. **Rob Zielinski**, **Bobby McDermott**, **Fabian Fondriest**, and perhaps others are planning on having a mini-reunion at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts and taking in the Georgia O'Keeffe and Salvador Dali exhibits. If you look at pictures from the 79th Alfred E. Smith Memorial Foundation Dinner, you can see **Marcos Rodriguez** sitting prominently up on the dais with other movers and shakers. **Frank Messina** and his wife, Robin, dressed up as Fred and Wilma Flintstone for Halloween. Frank continues to

practice emergency medicine in Indianapolis. **Bill Tietjen** is serving as corporate counsel at the Breezy Point Cooperative. **John Scola** is still cutting up the ballroom dance floor in Arizona. **Peter McAliney** has been named Director of the Ragone Center for Excellence in Accounting at Rutgers University, as well as the Director of Professional and Executive Education. **Dennis Shea's** dog, Tug, captured gold at the Dachtoberfest Dash in Gainesville, Va. Dennis is the Executive Director at the Terwilliger Center for Housing Policy in D.C.

## 1980

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**Paul Kelly** notes, "In its February 12, 2024, issue, I was named a Notable General Counsel by *Crain's New York Business*." And, Paul played with **Bernie Kilkelly '78** at this year's Regis golf outing. Judith and **Bill Passannante** were pleased to celebrate the birth of a grandchild to **Will Passannante '10** and Julianne Hagarty and the marriage of **Luke Passannante '14** to Elizabeth Gudas. Everyone is enjoying counting their blessings for wonderful events and developments. **Stephen M. Taylor, MD**, writes, "Hey fellow Regians, I know it's probably been a couple of decades since I made any contribution to the Prowlings, but here's the latest with me (and forgive me for its length; I've got a bit to catch you guys up on). This coming Halloween will mark the one-year anniversary of my transitioning from my job as medical director of the NBA's drug testing and drug treatment program (the "Player Assistance/Anti-Drug Program") to my current full-time position as the chief medical officer of Pathway Healthcare, a company which began as a startup in 2017 but now has more than 40 offices serving over 40,000 patients across eight states, providing treatment for substance use disorders and general mental health conditions. I had been serving as a "part-time" CMO (yes, believe it or not, that's a thing!) while still directing the NBA's drug program since almost the very founding of Pathway in 2017, but now I'm full time and loving it! On the volunteer/professional medical society front, I am now in my second year as the president-elect of the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM), and will begin my two-year term as ASAM's president at the conclusion of our upcoming annual conference in April. Of the many responsibilities (and really, privileges) I have in this position, I have now served for the second time as ASAM's representative to the International Society of Addiction Medicine (ISAM) at their annual congress, which this year took place in Istanbul, Turkey, and I had the opportunity to give two presentations at that conference. I also serve as the chair of ASAM's delegation to the AMA house of delegates, which is instrumental in determining policy positions of the American Medical Association. On the personal front, my beautiful wife of 36 years, Angela, and I

have moved to Jonesboro, Ga., (having moved away from Birmingham), and that has put us within 30 minutes of both of our children. Our oldest, Nia, is a practicing dentist, and is actually the lead dentist at the Aspen Dental office in Fayetteville, Ga. Our son, Jamal, is a data analyst for my same company, Pathway Healthcare, and a committed activist and community organizer in Southwest Atlanta. No grandkids yet (who knows if there ever will be?), but I am thoroughly cherishing the time I get to spend with my wife, both of my kids, and my son's girlfriend, who is now a part of the family, as she lives with him in the home he owns. I'm looking forward to so many things at this point. Pathway is growing and reaching more and more people and providing all-important treatment for addiction, illness, and psychiatric disorders at a time when we're still not out of the woods of the opioid crisis in this country. That work, of course, is inextricably bound to my work with ASAM, ISAM, and the AMA house of delegates, so I cherish every opportunity to work on all of these fronts, as well. ISAM's 2025 Annual Congress will be in Hamburg, Germany, in May, so I'm excited about getting a chance to visit my third European country (I took my wife and daughter to Italy for a whirlwind two-week tour in 2018). Technically, half of Istanbul is in Europe and the other half is in Asia, so Germany will be my third, not my second. It is a complete joy watching my kids advance in their professional careers and mature in adulthood, even as they are in the early and mid 30s. Bottom line is, I'm just plain blessed, in large part because I really feel like I'm fulfilling the purpose for which God created me and put me on this earth. And yeah, at the risk of sounding overly sentimental, I am really grateful for the opportunity Regis gave me so many years ago to start on this trajectory." **Michael McGovern** writes, "My son Mikey and his wife Hannah received their Ph.Ds from Princeton University and were "hooded" in May. Mom and Dad are so proud!" **Mark Moss** says, "**John Briguet**, **Art DeLuca**, **Andy DeMaio**, **Jonathan Lucas**, **Pat McGreal**, **Mark Moss**, **Joe Tito**, and **Jerry Sullivan** had a few beers at JUG Night and wondered where the rest of our classmates were." Jerry Sullivan shares: "Judy and I and our boys are doing well and keeping busy. I continue my work as an interim CFO and have spent the past five months working at a company in Barrie, Ontario. Judy is keeping busy working as a consultant at an environmental compliance firm. Our boys have scattered a bit geographically in recent months. Our youngest, Michael, just moved to The Hague in the Netherlands for a master's program in industrial design at the Royal Academy of Art, The Hague. I have a trip planned to see him soon. Our son Jeremiah just moved to Montana where he is working as a consultant and enjoying the great outdoors. Patrick and Aidan, our two oldest, are still living in New Jersey. Aidan is working in software sales and Patrick is involved with a variety of computer

software/hardware projects. Boys no more. Where did the years go! I had the pleasure of attending JUG Night on September 27 which was well attended by members of our class. We had a great time reconnecting and telling tall tales about the days of our youth!" **Ken Berger** says, "Trish and I celebrated the marriage of our daughter Olivia to Scott Emsley in May and our 37th anniversary this October."

**Manny Ribot** writes, "Giuseppe Del Priore and his wife, MJ, came to visit Lisa and **Manny Ribot** in Chicago."



Michael McGovern '80 and family at Princeton



Members of the Class of 1980 at JUG Night



Ken Berger '80 and family at his daughter's wedding



Giuseppe Del Priore '80 and his wife, MJ, visiting Manny Ribot '80 in Chicago

## 1981

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**AJ Smith, Tom McCluskey, and John Dieffenbach** met up with their spouses and friends to welcome AJ and his wife, Kate, to Los Angeles to celebrate their 31st anniversary. Dinner was at the appropriately named "The Arthur J" in Manhattan Beach, and the restaurant staff gave AJ a souvenir plate. AJ, Kate, and their friends, Sue and Ron, hit Sofi Stadium for the Rams-Vikings Thursday night game before hopping on Amtrak's Pacific Surfliner for a scenic ride up to Seattle for the Seahawks-Bills game Sunday.

**John O'Toole** continues to live essentially around the corner from **John Gillen**, but sightings have been elusive. John Gillen's daughters make local news for their superior high school performances. In a tangential vein, John O'Toole was finally able to stop by **John Peelen's** acclaimed Maine bistro/deli, Maggie Mae's, but unfortunately chose to visit on a Sunday when the store was closed. It looks fantastic though. Continuing with the John theme, John O'Toole and **John Delaney** have been in touch, both working for rival law firms. O'Toole will one day convince Delaney to accompany him to JUG Night. John and his wife continue to travel as often as time permits, despite John's full-time job. So far, next year will bring a return to Italy and Mallorca. They are hoping to squeeze a first-time stop in Malta and for the first time as well, Africa. "We are excited for this golf and safari combination and crossing another item off that growing bucket list," John writes. **Ed Gillespie** and his wife, Eileen, moved to Charlottesville, Va., this past July. Ed spends his days consulting, golfing, writing original screenplays, and rooting on the mighty, mighty Wahoos of UVA.

Come down and visit Monticello, the Blue Ridge mountains, and wine country. All Regians invited to pop in anytime. **Chris Varrone** writes, "Emilia (31, ophthalmologist in Virginia) has a two-year old, Torbjørn; Espen (28, Copenhagen) has his own company that makes an AI-enabled travel app called Venli; Elise (23, Aarhus, Denmark) is studying for a masters in psychology. Professionally, I'm still finding capital for environmental companies: PureCycle Technology (PCT) and Innventure (INV) are now public; my clients in Li+ batteries and carbon capture are still private, commercially successful. Latest client takes sargassum seaweed from the beaches of Cancun and turns it into biostimulants for crops and emulsifiers for personal care products. I live in Boulder, and if you're in the area, let me know. I would love to reconnect." **Paula Neira** writes, "I got an early Christmas present this year and was able to accomplish a "bucket-list" goal. As the sponsor of the USNS *Harvey Milk* (T-AO 206), I had the privilege to go to sea with my ship and her crew twice this year. In the spring, I was able to sail with them from San Diego to San Francisco on the first leg of their voyage from the West Coast to their homeport in Norfolk. I cannot fully put into words how soul-refreshing the trip was for me. I felt like I was back home where I belonged on the bridge of a Navy ship. It only took me 33 years to get underway again! This summer I got another opportunity to go to sea and observe some underway replenishment (UNREP) operations. That's when a ship comes alongside the replenishment ship to refuel or get supplies while at sea. I've driven a destroyer alongside and have been the officer of the deck, so I knew what I was watching. With typical Regian (and Annapolis) bravado, when someone mentioned that the captain of one of the ships that made a very tentative approach had not performed this operation in about six years, my only reply was, 'I haven't done one in over 30 years, and I could have driven better than that.' It was a special privilege for the Navy to grant me permission to go to sea in both the Pacific and the Atlantic — not something that is common for ship sponsors." John Dieffenbach and his wife, Anne, welcomed their third grandchild, Jackson Robert Garis, in May. John recently took on the role of Americas Commercial Excellence Leader at EY.





From left, Tom McCluskey '81, AJ Smith '81, and John Dieffenbach '81 in Los Angeles



Paula Neira '81 on the bridge of the USNS Harvey Milk

## 1982

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Members of the Class of 1982 at JUG Night

## 1983

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## 1984

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We start off with a blast from the past as **Prydwyn Piper** offered a fun update via our class email chain: "At the reunion in May, I mentioned to a few of you that a bunch of years back I created a Dungeons & Dragons-like game for my daughter based on the world of 'Pirates Versus the French' that we spent countless hours of our imaginative real life playing in. At the time, I had my mom mail me over (to the U.K., from our attic in Brooklyn) some of my original D&D books to use as source material. Anyway, stuck into the front of my very worn copy of the *Dungeon Master's Guide* were a bunch of sheets of paper from a D&D campaign that a bunch of us started, but never finished, in what I'm guessing must have been sophomore year (that must also have been around the last time I played D&D seriously, otherwise those would have been moved out of the front of that book. I have a feeling if I poke around in the Brooklyn attic at some point, a bunch of other notes from that campaign would be in a box somewhere). Yesterday, I was sorting stuff at my house in the U.K. and came across the box with those books in it. So, I thought I'd grab some quick snaps of the character sheets. I have a feeling it might be too late to try and revive the campaign but thought people might enjoy seeing them. In particular, if you are one of the people involved: **Pat McGetrick, Kerry DeMatteis, Charles Guarino, Tony Raucci, Pete Doyle, and Bill Bowling '83**. Speaking of Dungeons & Dragons, does anyone remember the name of the upperclassman (junior or senior) who ran a D&D campaign during our freshman year (later identified to be **Carlo DeLuna '82**)? I realized years later that that campaign was my first exposure to Welsh mythology (the Mabinogi character Arawn was definitely in it, for example). And, it was probably the (or at least one of the) best D&D campaigns I was ever involved in. I think part of why I fell out of playing more was the fact that few subsequent games lived up to those high standards. Also, back in December my dear friend Tim and I released an EP of Catholic devotional music (mostly songs written or adapted from Catholic prayers, though there's a cover of Johnny Cash's 'Redemption' as well). Info can be found on Bandcamp at [forestbeggars.bandcamp.com](http://forestbeggars.bandcamp.com). I should mention that I am making absolutely zero money on this (I just contribute because I love Tim's music. I'm pretty much the 'Garfunkel' of our duet, singing the high harmonies along with adding a lot of the layered 'color' instruments). Tim is basically using purchases to cover costs (it was released on lathe-cut vinyl as well as CD, which

was not cheap), with any profit being donated to Catholic charities, including the Capuchin Soup Kitchen and the Fairfield Carmelites. Tim also produces a podcast on Catholic saints called *The Flowered Path*. My spirituality has wandered down all sorts of strange and eclectic paths over the past 40 years. But meeting and starting to collaborate with Tim back in the mid-90s has been the single biggest influence on my having returned to exploring our shared Catholic heritage." Despite it being a reunion year, we had a strong showing at JUG Night in September, reaching double figures. I'm sure I am leaving a few names out, but seen in the Quad (in no particular order) were **Tony Monsanto, Steve Geiger, Steve Herd, Pete Doyle, Michael P. Murphy, Bill Dunn, Danny Sullivan, Jaroslaw Kiciuk, Ray McGoldrick, and Mike Horowitz**. As always a fun time was had by all as we retold the same stories and imbibed a few adult beverages. Steve even convinced the powers that be to show the Mets game in the auditorium (though that one was over in the first inning, as their late/postseason heroics were yet to come). **Greg Long** wrote that "due to the generosity of the Xanthos Family, a number of Regis alums (from 1982 and 1984) attended Game 4 of the Mets vs. Phillies at Citi Field. It was a great mini reunion and a chance to cheer our home team to victory!" The 1984 cheering section included Bill Dunn, **Marc LaPlace**, Steve Herd, **Kieran Xanthos, Tony Loscalzo, Rob Volkommer, Steve Geiger, and Tommy DiGregorio**. **Kieran O'Connor's** daughter, Nancy, is the assistant music director of *A Beautiful Noise*, the Neil Diamond Musical. It's currently on national tour, so if you see it in your city, you might check it out! And finally, please keep **Pat Cunningham** and his family in your prayers as his dad passed away in July.



Members of the Classes of 1982 and 1984 at the Mets' NLDS-clinching game against the Phillies

## 1985

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Time is flying by. Before you know it, we will be celebrating our 40th anniversary. We need to plan, so let us start with the date, **Saturday, May 3,**

at Regis. Mass in the chapel, tours of the school, dinner, drinks, fellowship, and friendship celebrated. Let us set a record for attendance — better than any other previous 40th anniversary class. No better than the Class of 1985! With the baseball run across New York City, I took in games with **Rocco Papandrea**, **Bill Hogan**, **Pete Labbat**, and had zero doubt that **Dan Twohig** and my little brother **Pete McNally** were in the house. When the season does not end with a parade, it is a letdown, but we are close. **Artie Minson** made the trip to St. Thomas Aquinas College to do a Signature STAC Chat. He was brilliant with the students and faculty. Thank you, Artie. We will have other Regions up there soon. To our classmate and state senator **Brian Kavanagh**, sorry for the error in misrepresenting your all-important role in local politics. I mentioned our running into each other on St. Patrick's Day and referenced the Assembly. I know full well that you have been a New York state senator since 2017. No excuse, *mea culpa*. We applaud you for living the “men for others” lifestyle in a very real way. To those who attended the **Greg Trost '93** 9/11 Memorial Golf Outing, too many to name, thank you for growing Greg's story and legacy at Regis and well beyond. It is an honor and inspirational to partner with our Regis brothers in this and all the good that you all collectively do out in the world. Keep it up! To the rest of my classmates, I know you are saving your stories for the reunion, but if I may, would you kindly throw a few my way? Let us use them as teasers for the big event. Hope to hear from and see you all soon.

## 1986

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Greetings to the Class of 1986. I hope you and your families are all doing well. As I write this update, we are all no doubt focused on Election Day and by the time you read this, the results will (hopefully) have long been settled. I am looking forward to seeing the volume of texts and emails I receive drop by about 30 percent post-election. It was a quiet period for updates. **Mike Lazorchak** wrote to let me know that he and his wife, Kristen, are now officially empty nesters with all three kids either on their own or in college. Mike writes, “We dove into it head first, selling our house in Marietta, Ga., and buying a townhouse in Kennesaw, Ga. Less cleaning. No yard. And no mortgage! I highly recommend it! Hope is we will be up north more often with the kids currently in Poughkeepsie, New Paltz, and Boston.” Congrats, Mike! As I write this, **John Sullivan** is planning a gathering on November 7 at a New York City bar that will include many of our classmates. Expected to attend are **Bob Sumberac**, **Kevin Kavanaugh**, **Phil O'Reilly**, **Sean Duffy**, **Gerry Gallagher**, **Allan Powe**, **Dan Dougherty**, and **Ray Evans**. I

will be at a wedding that evening so I won't be able to attend, but I expect to at least get a picture that I can include in the next update. John posted about this event on the Regis '86 Facebook page. If you are not already on that, please join. Hopefully, this will be a somewhat regular event going forward. Since I'll be asking for the next round of updates in the new year, I'll take this moment to wish you all a happy, healthy, and successful 2025.

## 1987

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## 1988

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**Bill Irwin** announced the publication of three new additions to the Blackwell Philosophy and Pop Culture Series that he founded and edits: *Joker and Philosophy*, *Taylor Swift and Philosophy: Essays From the Tortured Philosophers Department*, and *The Last of Us and Philosophy*, the last of which includes an essay co-authored by Bill and his son Daniel. **Woody Clermont** was elected county judge of Broward County in Florida's 17th Judicial Circuit.

## 1989

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On October 1, classmates **Dr. Brian McDermott**, **Mark Ustin**, and **Kevin Fox** traveled to Sarria, Spain, to walk the Camino de Santiago along with Mark's nephews, Nicholas Brown and Mat Richards, as well as Brian's friend Joseph McKay. While each had their own reasons for participating, the 1989ers were walking in honor of their late classmate **Gerald Russello**, who for years prior had spoken of us all taking the thousand-year-old pilgrimage to see the body of the apostle James. Meeting them in Sarria was their friend Dr. Joseph Miraglia P'26, who is a fellow Georgetown alum and was roommates with fellow 1989ers Gerald Russello and **Roger Rigaud**, as well as the parent of **GianMarco Miraglia '26**. Joe had started his Camino adventure back in Rabanal walking solo and met up with them in Sarria to complete the last 113 kilometers into Santiago de Compostela. After spending the night in Sarria and visiting the Monastery of the Magdalena of Sarria, the intrepid seven set out to complete the roughly 70-mile walk to the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela. After Nick purchased a sufficient number of pilgrimage scallop shells for the company, we set off, hitting Portomarin, Palas de Rei, and Melide. The group had aspired to visit the ancient Roman ruins at Castromaior before stopping in Palas de Rei; however, situated as it was at near the peak of an almost 2,100-kilometer climb, the last any of the 50-plus-year-old group wanted to do was to add more miles to the journey, so we deferred.

After reaching Melide, the group continued to our lodgings at Casa da Ponte de Penas, just outside the city. Our host for the evening, Fernando, decided to test our Regian mettle in determining exactly how much alcohol a determined group of Regions and a Hoya could consume in an evening while engaged in a trivia game of “guess the artist” on the local radio station. Fernando responded to our group's spirited retorts with a tour of the old farmhouse attached to the property and culminating in the introduction of the group to the foot baths of the Camino. The last two days of the trek to Santiago de Compostela could be categorized by one word: rain. Well, rain, wind, hills, and mud (but saying one word sounds cooler than four words). Seeming to test our group's resolve, mother nature (I refuse to capitalize the term) saw fit to throw copious amounts of rain at the team, daring them to quit before reaching the 100 kilometers needed to secure the plenary indulgence awarded to all those who complete the Camino's last 100 kilometers. Our group was even afforded the experience of the Conxuro da Queimada, the reading of an ancient spell from the Galician tradition dating back to Celtic times, during which the group was asked to throw all our negative thoughts into the cauldron during the spell. Alas, since our group did not truly engage in Wiccan culture or beliefs, the Camino saw fit to test our resolve by bestowing upon Brian excruciating pain to his feet during the last 13 miles. However, despite the best efforts of the witch of A Rua, our group managed to complete the needed 100 kilometers to Santiago. In what Kevin has called one of the proudest moments of his as a Regian, Mark buried a stone taken from Gerald's gravesite within the ground of the plaza outside the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela. The next day, the group attended Mass at the Cathedral and got to see the swinging of the Botafumeiro, a giant incense burner that requires eight men to swing it in a 65-meter arc across the cathedral transept. This was a true privilege, as it is usually reserved for only important liturgical celebrations. A fitting end to the journey first inspired by our classmate Jerry, many years ago! **Arsenio Santos** writes in with a personal update: “Over the summer, I started a new job leading engineering for the investment management segment at AppFolio, a real estate SaaS. That overlapped with a two-week tour I was on, once again playing bass in a metal band, living the van life from Sacramento to Nashville. I'm happy to be back home with my wife, my cat, and my comfortable bed in the San Francisco Bay Area.” From **JP Freeley**: “I have added the role of adjunct professor in the IT Department at St. Francis College in Brooklyn to my ever-growing resume.” After four years of residency and clinical work and training, **Lolan P. Adan** recently passed the National Clinical Mental Health Counseling Examination, securing a full



license to practice as a Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor in the state of Illinois.



Outside the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela: Mark Ustin '89, Brian McDermott '89, Kevin Fox '89, and Joe Miraglia P'26



Along the Camino



Along the Camino, part two



Recent Class of 1989 dinner gathering in Chicago featuring Chris Kellogg, Lolan P. Adan, Shane Akins, Tim Shields, and Chuck Lair

## 1990

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**Owen Harvey** writes, "In a year in which my brother Thomas (Molloy '94) and I ran the Boston, Chicago, and New York Marathons, we decided to cap off the year with a visit to Van Cortlandt for the CHSAA Champion Alumni Race. Tom had a great race, and I can honestly report that I was tired. I no longer have the legs of a 17-year-old. But it was great to spend a day at the park and witness the strong Regis team on the field. At the race I also got to meet Regis alumni running sensation **Shane Conway '97**. I hope to race again next year. I will get to run my fourth Boston this approaching April. Best of luck (and training) to all the other Regians who will also be participating!"



From left, Shane Conway '97 and Owen Harvey '92 at the CHSAA Alumni Race

## 1993

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**Martin Dengler** reported that he, **Stephen Schmidt**, and **Nicholas Gugliuzza** met up in September for a leisurely brunch-to-dinner tour of Thousand Oaks, Calif. (which was interrupted by a detour around a golf course). **Tom Quinlan** writes, "I've been in London for 12 years on November 1. Amazing! My son Max is 9 now and my wife, Wendy, and I have been married for 11 years. I've been with Zscaler now for more than seven years and have started (as a hobby it seems!) doing some early-stage investing on the side. I've been playing around with AI (ChatGPT and Claude Sonnet (3.5)) to code applications. I've got an app out on the Apple app store called "Battery Lens" which was written in Swift (a language I technically don't know) solely using AI. It's a utility that pops up on the screen various pieces of information regarding your Mac's battery (only available for Mac), and it'll be updated to version 1.6 as of the time the next Regis Magazine comes out. It can be reached at tq.fyi/batterylens. I think it'd be something that Mr. Phillips would appreciate, considering when I think back to the days of myself, **Pat Phelan**, and Martin Dengler being the only three to take computer programming as a senior elective." **Brendan Loonam** spent his summer navigating the world of I2U baseball: "My son played on a town travel team (which I helped coach) as well as a club team. We played two different weeks at Cooperstown All Star Village in Oneonta, N.Y., which was like Disney World for little leaguers. I also got to go to the Baseball Hall of Fame for the first time, which was an incredible experience. For those up in that area, I highly recommend checking out the Ommegang Brewery. Good food, great drinks and beautiful grounds."



Nicholas Gugliuzza '93, Stephen Schmidt '93, and Martin Dengler '93 on the golf course

## 1994

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**Justin Yorio** married Breanne Bautel on October 12 at Housing Works Bookstore on Crosby Street.



Their dogs Parker and Henry were most pleased for Mom and Dad. **Joseph Reynoso**, Elizabeth Kennedy (Stuyvesant '95), and their spouses were in attendance. **John Kuhner** also checked in: "Hello there! I'm running a bookshop in Steubenville, Ohio, now, where amazingly enough we have had a few Regians come in. I've got a Substack where you can keep up with my writings about the bookshop and other things. I have five little kids now!" John's writing, including a recent piece about the Mets, can be found at [johnbyronkuhner.substack.com](http://johnbyronkuhner.substack.com). **Brendan McGuire** was honored by Citizens Union as one of its 2024 Gotham Greats "for his government service and lifelong fight against corruption." Past recipients of this prestigious award include mayors, city council members, judges, and philanthropists. Congrats to Brendan for a well-deserved honor. **Bill Foley** and **Chris Browne** also attended to support Brendan but were not honored, despite their well-known status as Gotham Mediocres.



Bill Foley '94, Chris Browne '94, and Brendan McGuire '94 at the Citizens Union awards dinner celebrating its 2024 Gotham Greats award recipients, where Brendan was honored

## 1995

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The Class of 1995 mourns the loss of Kathleen Gormley, mother of good friend and classmate **James Gormley**. We extend our condolences to James, his loving wife, Seana, and Mrs. Gormley's grandchildren, Paddy, Seamus, and Colin. The Class of 1995's self-appointed correspondent wishes you and your families a wonderful holiday season, and I look forward to providing more cheerful updates in 2025. To that point, our 30<sup>th</sup> Reunion is coming up in 2025; I hope to see you guys back on 84<sup>th</sup> Street soon.

## 1996

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From left, Mike Toth '97, Dan Sullivan '97, and Peter Henninger '98 met up at a conference in Nashville in September.

## 1999

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A snapshot of the "Party at Marty's," which served as a celebration gathering for the Class of 1999 reaching its reunion year fundraising goal

## 2000

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**John Hammer, Dan Aviles, James Walsh, Kevin Bailey, Mike Memoli, and Scott Callahan**

returned to Regis on October 19 for the baptism of **Terence Kannengieser's** son, Jack Ford. Mike Memoli had to take time away from not writing his forthcoming book about President Joe Biden to attend the affair. **Ariel Perez** reports that he, his wife Maria, son Lucien, and daughter Cassia have moved to Madrid, just outside the center of the city. They love the great weather, low cost of living, and friendly people. But what really drew them to Spain was Ariel's love of siestas and tapas. "Sometimes I like to combine the two and lie in my bed surrounded by small plates. I call it *Cena de Cama*. Our laundry bills are astronomical." **Brendan Burke**, his wife of 11 years Zoe, son Angus, and dog Caspian are living at the beach in Virginia. Angus is studying at Cape Henry Collegiate in Virginia Beach in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Brendan just celebrated 20 years with Capstone Partners, an investment banking firm where he looks after their private equity business. Scott Callahan will be appearing on *Pop Culture Jeopardy*, hosted by classmate **Colin Jost**. Episodes will begin airing on December 4 on Prime Video. James Walsh and his wife, Anna, welcomed their first child, Arthur Keenan Walsh, born on October 30. "I'm not so much into fatherhood as I really just wanted to see my name in *Regis Magazine*."

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**Aidan Sleeper** just completed work on the New York unit of *Jurassic World: Rebirth*, which will be in theaters next year. He lives in Jackson Heights, Queens, with his daughters, Paloma (6) and Oona (3). Proving it's never too late to go back to school, **Xavier San Miguel** graduated in December 2023 with a masters in public administration from the Cornell University Brooks School of Public Policy. He just started a new job as director of communications and legislation for a New York City Council Member in Brooklyn, so this Queens native and long-time resident will be moving to Brooklyn soon as well and welcomes any tips on his new borough.





Regis community members at a Jesuit Schools Network gathering focusing on the right to education and Jesuit schools and programs that serve the underserved and underfunded. From left, James Kennedy '02, Rodrigo Fernandez '00, Gabriel Velez '03, and Regis's former President, Rev. Tom McClain, SJ

## 2003

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## 2004

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**Matt Thrun-Nowicki** and his wife Mary welcomed the arrival of Nora Frances Nowicki and Vera Alexandra Nowicki, both born on April 2, 2024. Vera is already entranced by vocal melodies, and Nora displays an early commitment to finger exercises for guitar fretboard shredding. **Joseph Mauceri** recently ran (and hopefully finished) the New York City Marathon. He ran hundreds of miles during his training to raise money for the Boomer Esiason Foundation to help fight cystic fibrosis. When he's not running, Joe has been covering the incredible success of the Mets and Yankees for PIX11 news. In addition to his work as a sports reporter, Joe is a part-owner of Born in Brooklyn Media. The full-service production company affectionately referred to as BIB Media is located in Industry City in Sunset Park. He would love to help with your next project if you have any video needs. However, Joe's favorite role is that of husband and father. He and his wife, Erin, celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary this year. They have two boys, Maddox (7) and Lucas (5). Together they reside in Bay Ridge, four blocks from Joe's childhood home. He has made it very far in life. Joe tries to keep up to date on his classmates through our magazine and hopes that the efforts of **Chris Seneca** will finally bear some fruit. **Matt Kelly** and his wife, Jessica, adopted a baby girl last year; Marietta is now over a year old, fully mobile, absolutely wonderful, and a threat to stroke the face

of any dog she sees. Matt is finishing up 12.5 years working for a network of public charter high schools in New Orleans, including the last four as its chief academic officer. In the new year, he'll be helping start a new organization that helps schools build leadership pipelines (and he's happy to tell you about it!). **D. Edmund Antsey** is a noninvasive cardiologist and an assistant professor of medicine at Columbia University's Irving Medical Center. A Class of 2004 classmate recently bumped into him on the street in New York and described the interaction as "10/10, everything you'd want in running into an old classmate again after so many years." **Tim Scarella** continues to work as a psychiatrist at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston and as an associate director of the BIDMC/Harvard Medical School Psychiatry Residency Program. He hasn't seen **Dom Sciamè** in a couple of years, but thinks of him often. **Bob Payne** recently ran his first half marathon in New Orleans since before the pandemic, about 18 months after he first felt major chest pain while on a Saturday morning jog in City Park. After a 2023 full of consultations with doctors including D. Edmund Antsey, he had a successful single bypass heart surgery in September 2023 in New Orleans. With the help of his family and friends, especially **Kyle Payne '99**, **Jess Payne**, **Nancy Payne P'99'04**, **Carlos Molina**, **Matt Kelly**, **Jess Kelly**, and **Mari Kelly**, he had a successful 10 weeks of rest and rehab in his French quarter balcony apartment and is healthier than he's been in years. He's extremely grateful to them and all the other classmates who reached out as he was recovering. He finished his half marathon this fall feeling better than ever and advises you to stop ignoring that nagging pain and get it checked out. He'd love to grab a meal or drink next time you visit New Orleans. Congratulations to **Brendan Silhan** and his wife, **Jenn**, who welcomed baby girl Harper to the world this past June. While excited to be entering into fatherhood, Brendan has realized that he is now unlikely to achieve his lifelong dream of becoming a professional wrestler. Like all good fathers, he has decided to live vicariously through his children and has already registered Harper to attend "Nacho Libre's Little Luchadores Immersive Infant Wrestler Camp" for summer 2025 in Tijuana, Mexico. Between changing diapers and imparting the finer techniques of the full nelson, Brendan stays busy doing the Lord's work as in-house counsel for a multinational food conglomerate. He can be found walking the mean streets of New Canaan, Conn., in his traditional "Jake the Snake" Halloween costume throughout the month of October. With apologies to **Matt Regan**, 10 guys from the Class of 2004 recreated a group shot from the Regis Centennial at **Rich Martinelli's** wedding to **Clara Botstein** in Washington, D.C., in September. **Kevin Fitzpatrick** is an intrepid TV journalist and editorial consultant in New York City, working with Condé

Nast, Townsquare Media, Critics' Choice, and the Hearst Corporation. He has seen every TV show you're dying to talk about, probably twice. No longer boycotting Regis "Prowlings" over being labeled "Kevin Fitzgerald" in the 2003 yearbook (look it up), he nonetheless forgot to announce any significant weddings or children. Also an amateur chef and avid runner (with begrudging thanks to Mr. Donodeo P'02), he is probably working on a debut novel or podcast or something, and, in the end, aren't those the real children? **Rob Fierro's** tenure at Regis has prepared him well for this endeavor: He is proud to announce that he has been tapped as godfather for his newest niece, **Gabriella Rose**. Secondly, his dad usually reads this alumni news section and comments how sparse the 2004 section is. Well, not this time, pop.



Class of 2004 at the Regis Centennial celebration in 2014



Class of 2004 members recreating their photo at the Centennial at Rich Martinelli '04's wedding

## 2005

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**Matt Barbot's** the beautiful land i seek (la linda tierra que busco yo) played a world premiere engagement at the Puerto Rican Traveling Theater beginning December 4. Performances continued through December 29, with an official opening on December 11. Set in 1950, the work follows two would-be assassins on a train from New York to Washington, D.C., as they discuss their intent to strike in the name of Puerto Rican independence before their plans are interrupted." **Jonathan Masserano** and Caitlin Devine Masserano welcomed a son, **Liam Patrick**, on

April 29. They and big brother Declan John (3 years old) are overjoyed with the new addition to their family."

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Jonathan Masserano '06's two children, Liam and Declan

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**Coulter King** and his wife, Alexis Wise, welcomed their son Ashton Jude King into the world on August 10. Ashton shares his mom's love of staying warm and his dad's contemplative furrowed brow. Their hearts are overflowing with love for him.



Coulter King '09 and his wife, Alexis Wise, with their son, Ashton

## 2010

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**Joe Kozlowski** and Sophie Allen-Barron got married in Brooklyn on September 29, 2023. The ceremony went off without a problem despite historic flooding in the city; as the cliché says, a wet knot is harder to untie! Joe and Sophie are now looking forward to building this new chapter of their lives together.

**Vik Lobo** successfully climbed the highest peak in Mexico, Pico de Orizaba, over the July 4 break. Vik has really got the climbing bug, having summited Mt. Kilimanjaro with his father last August. **Dan Lehane** and **Joseph Hart, MD, '86** had a chance meeting at the Vascular Annual Meeting in Chicago this year. Neither knew the other was an alumnus until they started talking. Dan is a medical student at the University of Rochester, and Dr. Hart is a vascular surgeon at the Medical College of Wisconsin. **Josh Ramos** has recently become the acting Assistant Principal of Academics at Cristo Rey in Boston. We congratulate Josh and wish him luck! **Eddie Kelly** and his wife, Courtney, recently welcomed their third child and first daughter, Sloane. The family is excited about their new loved one and grateful everyone is healthy. **Giancarlo Milea** and Julianne Marzulla got married on June 1. Fr. Andreassi was the celebrant. Regis was well represented.



Fr. Andreassi with Giancarlo Milea '11 and his wife, Julianne, after celebrating their wedding in June



Regians in attendance at Giancarlo Milea '11's wedding



Sean Doyle '11, Mike Leonard '11, Tom Martis '11, and Jay Ahn '11 enjoying themselves at Sean's backyard birthday bash





A snapshot of Joe Kozlowski '11's wedding in September



Vik Lobo '11 climbing Pico de Orizaba



Dan Lehane '11 and Joseph Hart '86 at the Vascular Annual Meeting in Chicago

## 2012

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**Michael Glasser** and Marina King got married on September 7 in Brooklyn. **Conor Hunt** was granted one day of power by the City of New York to officiate a charming ceremony in front of friends and family. Many Regians enjoyed a night of celebration, including **Gio Scarcella, Alex Khan, Mike Comiskey, Connor Naughton, Ted Little, Danny Echevarria, Rhiannon Greene, Devin Bergstein,** and **Chris Smith**. The couple lives happily just across the park from Regis with their rescue dog, Cashew.



A snapshot of the Regis contingent at Michael Glasser '12's wedding in September



Regis President Rev. Christopher Devron, SJ, celebrated the wedding of James Rowen VIII '12 in Ireland. Jim's classmate Tyler Sellers '12 was also in attendance.

## 2013

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## 2014

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Lots of weddings to celebrate this year! **Luke Passannante** married Elizabeth Gudas at the Beach Club in Centerville, Mass., on June 15. They were joined by several members of the Class of 2014. **Ryan Lee** married his college girlfriend, Shannon Breen, on September 14, with a large Regis contingent present. The wedding saw representation from the Classes of 1984, 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016. Ryan was joined by his father, **Kevin Lee '84 P'14'16**, brother and best-man, **Brennan Lee '16**, and groomsmen **Gianni Giacchi, Anthony Graziano,** and **John White**. On September 21, **Connor Flanagan** married Theresa Gammel of Lynbrook, Long Island. Former Regis Principal and historian Rev. Anthony Andreassi, CO, presided over the Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas Church in Charlottesville, Va. On October 12th, **Kevin Field** married Dr. Mara Cowen in Columbia, S.C., and **Tim McMullen** was in attendance. The couple originally planned to have the wedding in Asheville, N.C., but managed to pull off a last minute change of plans after the recent hurricane. Congratulations to all of the happy couples!



Regions at Ryan Lee '14's wedding





Connor Flanagan '14 and his wife, Theresa, on the altar at their wedding

## 2015

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**John Dall'Aglio** wrote a book called "A Lacanian Neuropsychanalysis: Consciousness Enjoying Uncertainty" that got published in October. **Mark Kindschuh** was commissioned as a First Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force on September 29. He's currently working in the JAG Corps at Joint Base Andrews in Maryland. **Rob Borek** got married by Fr. Croghan on August 3 in Manhasset, N.Y., to Kaitlin Murphy.



Mark Kindschuh being commissioned as a First Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force

## 2016

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## 2017

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## 2019

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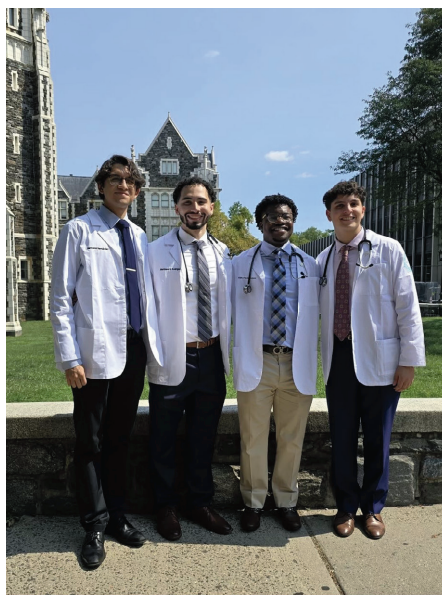
## 2020

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## 2021

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On September 4, **Nathaniel Hernandez**, **Matthew Rodriguez**, **Alain-Claude Compas**, and **Vincezo Surace** received their white coats at the CUNY Medical School as part of the MD Class of 2028 Bachelor of Science commencement and MD white coat ceremony. These students were all accepted into and commenced the CUNY Sophie Davis Biomedical Program BS/MD in 2021.



From left, Nathaniel T. Hernandez '21, Matthew S. Rodriguez '21, Alain-Claude Compas '21, and Vincezo Surace '21 receiving their white coats at the CUNY Medical School

## 2022

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## 2023

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**Hugh Kane** and **Toby Platt** spent three weeks in Uzbekistan this summer. They taught storytelling and public speaking classes at a school in Kegeyli, Karakalpakstan. After teaching, they visited friends and major historical sites across the country. In mid-September, Regis's Vice President for Ignatian Identity and Formation, Rev. James Ferus, SJ, celebrated Mass at Williams. The Catholic chaplain there makes an effort to invite Jesuits to visit campus and celebrate the Sunday evening community liturgy, and Fr. Ferrus incorporated a Mass of the Holy Spirit, acknowledging the start of the school year. Four Regians from three classes were in attendance: **Tommy Clarke '21**, **Hugh Kane** and **Jonathan Hartanto**, and **Connor Connelly '22**. Jonathan directed the music for Mass and even played the Regis alma mater on the organ following the recessional!



Rev. James Ferus, SJ, with Tommy Clarke '21, Hugh Kane '23, Jonathan Hartanto '23, and Connor Connelly '22 after celebrating Mass at Williams College



Hugh Kane '23 and Toby Platt '23 in Uzbekistan

## 2024

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## Events Calendar

### FEBRUARY

- 11** President's Sophomore and Junior Parents' Reception

**TBD** San Francisco Regional Reception

### MARCH

- 4** President's Senior Parent Mardi Gras Party

**22** 20-Year REACH Reunion  
*REACH Class of 2005*

**29** Parents' Club Auction

### APRIL

- 14** Washington, D.C.,  
Regional Reception

### MAY

- 3** 25-, 30-, 35-, 40-, and 45-Year Reunion  
*Classes of 2000, 1995, 1990, 1985, and 1980*
- 10** 5-, 10-, 15-, and 20-Year Reunion  
*Classes of 2020, 2015, 2010, and 2005*
- 14** President's Dinner
- 19** Golf & Tennis Outing
- 31** 50-Year Reunion  
*Class of 1975*

### JUNE

- 5** Baccalaureate Mass
- 7** Graduation
- 14** Golden Owls Reunion  
*Classes of 1970, 1965, 1960, 1955, and 1950*

## Milestones

### BIRTHS

Arthur Keenan Walsh, born on October 30, 2024, to Anna and **James Walsh '00**

Harper Silhan, to Jenn and **Brendan Silhan '04**

Nora Frances Nowicki and Vera Alexandra Nowicki on April 2, 2024, to Mary and **Matt Thrun-Nowicki '04**

Liam Patrick Masserano on April 29, 2024, to Caitlin Devine Masserano and **Jonathan Masserano '06**

Ashton Jude King on August 10, 2024, to Alexis Wise and **Coulter King '09**

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### WEDDINGS

**Justin Yorio '94** and Breanne Bautel on October 12, 2024

**Rich Martinelli '04** and Clara Botstein on September 2024

**Joe Kozlowski '11** and Sophie Allen-Barron on September 29, 2023

**Giancarlo Milea '11** and Julianne Marzulla on June 1, 2024

**Michael Glasser '12** and Marina King on September 7, 2024

**James Rowen '12** and Maggie McKeown on September 7, 2024

**Kevin Field '14** and Mara Cowen on October 12, 2024

**Connor Flanagan '14** and Theresa Gammel on September 21, 2024

**Ryan Lee '14** and Shannon Breen on September 14, 2024

**Luke Passannante '14** and Elizabeth Gudas on June 15, 2024

**Rob Borek '15** and Kaitlin Murphy on August 3, 2024

### *Requiescat in Pace*

**Hon. John F. Keenan '47** on October 27, 2024

**Robert Brynes '49** on September 16, 2024

**Thaddeus Wisla '50** on October 12, 2024

**Barry Cullen '51** on July 9, 2024

**Joseph Kirley '52** on October 24, 2024

**James J. McGuire '53** on September 6, 2024

**Louis Villamana '53** on August 13, 2024

**Edward Malloy '54** on August 6, 2024

**Thomas Atkinson '55** on September 18, 2024

**John Githens '55** on September 9, 2024

**George Budd '60** on June 17, 2024

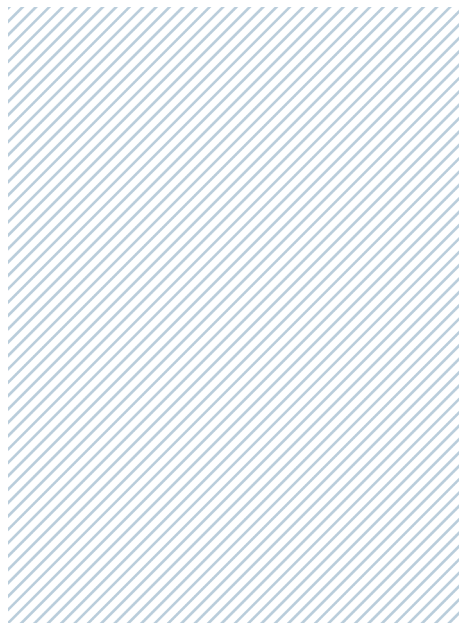
**Patrick Mullane '65** on September 14, 2024

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