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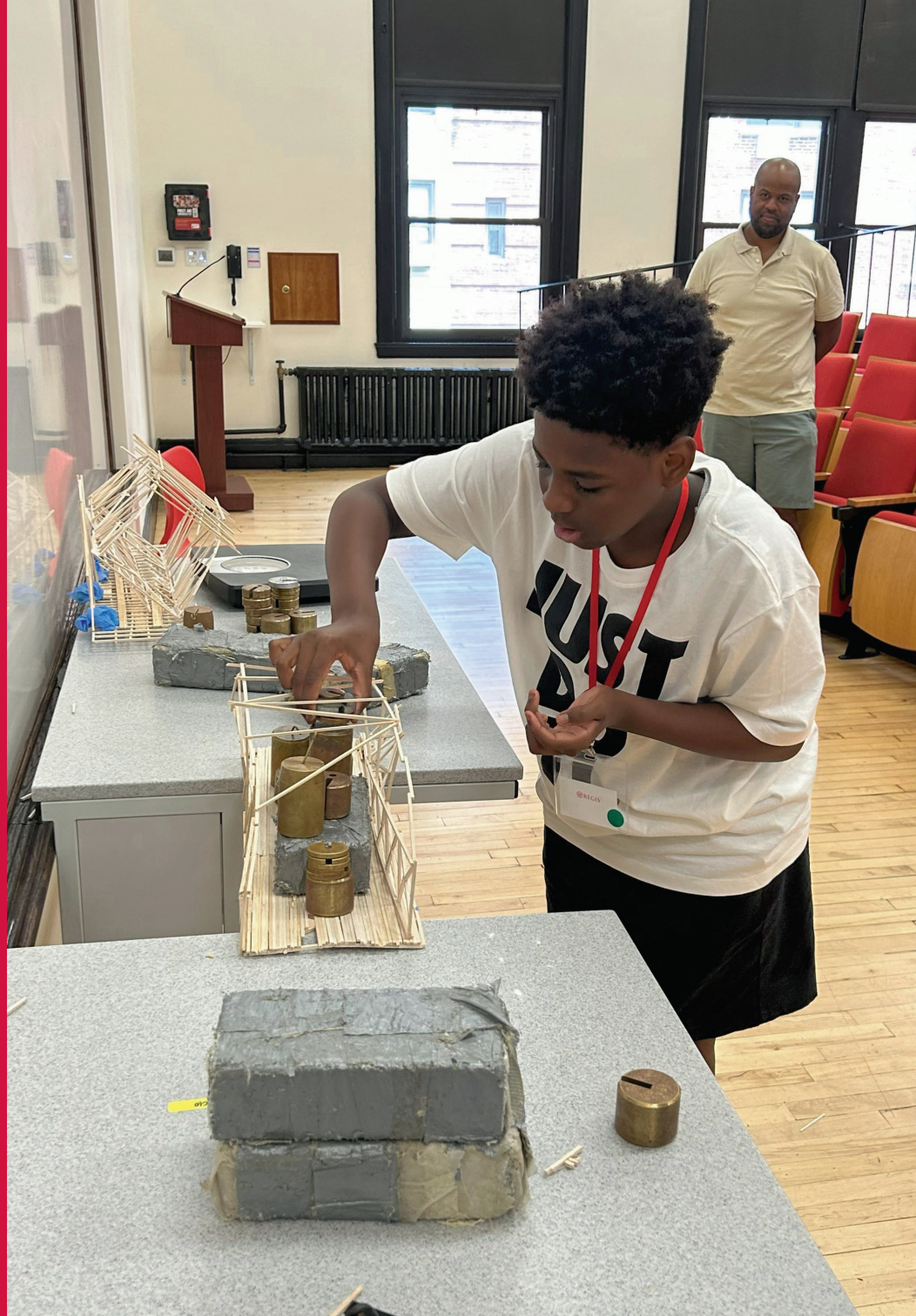
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**Above:** A student tests a model truss bridge as part of the Regis Summer Institute, a tuition-free, two-week enrichment program launched this year. The program for curious and motivated rising 8th grade Catholic boys offers intensive courses in engineering and debate.

**On the Cover:** A group of Regians traveled to Germany in June as part of our Berlin Exchange Program. Once again this summer, groups from Regis traveled to five different continents to learn and to serve.



## President's Report

# Your Generosity Sustains Our Mission



This issue of *Regis Magazine* celebrates the historic success of *Ready to Do*, which raised an extraordinary \$84 million, making it the most ambitious and successful campaign in Regis's 111-year history.

*Ready to Do* is already visible in several new strategic initiatives. You see them in the renovated lower gym and the new fitness center. You feel them in the revitalized arts programs, where students cultivate

their creative talents. Our sports teams appreciate them as they are transported by bus to games and practices. Other projects, like the forthcoming STEM center on the fifth floor, are soon to become reality. The campaign has helped us attract, retain, and support exceptional faculty — Ignatian educators who challenge and inspire our students. *Ready to Do* has enriched college counseling resources for all students, with special support for those who are first-generation college bound. And it has strengthened our long-term financial health through substantial endowment growth.

Regis's excellence has not gone unnoticed, as evidenced by these recent Niche.com rankings:

- #1 Catholic high school in the U.S.
- #1 all-boys high school in the U.S.
- #3 private high school in New York City
- #3 private school for STEM in New York State
- #17 private high school in the nation

Our students' average SAT score places Regis in the top 3 percent nationally. In terms of college placement at top 25 institutions, Regis ranks No. 25 out of more than 3,600 U.S. high schools — despite our students receiving few admissions preferences for legacy, athletics, or donor status.

Even with this elite profile, Regis is not elitist. We are merit based while committed to our historic mission: serving families who otherwise could not afford a high-quality Catholic and Jesuit education. Consider the following about the incoming Class of 2029, which had the highest entrance exam score in the past five years:

- 59 percent are sons of immigrants
- 23 percent come from families with low incomes, per federal guidelines
- 12 percent are first-generation college-bound
- 18 percent are Pell Grant eligible
- 26 students are REACH graduates — the highest number ever

Above all, Regis is dedicated to forming young men in the Catholic faith and Jesuit tradition, fostering prayer and reflection, generosity of spirit, and lifelong service as "Men for Others."

We accomplish all this without tuition revenue, and without underwriting from our Founding Family, which ended more than 50 years ago.

Regis operates on an annual budget of approximately \$21 million, or about \$40,000 per student — roughly half the cost of educating a student at other New York City independent schools. That figure includes \$1.3 million annually to fund REACH, which educates 150 boys from low-income families during their crucial middle-school years on weekends and in summers.

Today, our endowment stands at approximately \$150 million, thanks in large part to *Ready to Do*, strong investment performance, and the stewardship of our outstanding Investment Committee. Regis draws about \$6 million annually from the endowment — a 4 percent draw based on a trailing 12-quarter balance — aligned with best practices among independent schools and colleges. This draw rate is both prudent and sustainable. Our long-term target return is just over 7 percent annually, supporting the 4 percent draw while keeping pace with an estimated 3 percent average inflation in school expenses. Drawing much more from the endowment would compromise its purchasing power and threaten Regis's long-term sustainability.

Our endowment is not large enough to cover operating costs on its own. Regis relies most heavily on consistent annual philanthropy — especially through our Annual Fund, which totals over \$11 million each year. The Annual Fund is the school's lifeblood, made possible by the generosity of alumni, parents, and friends, some of whom are consecutive-year donors for decades. In addition, we receive some funding from the State of New York and collect ancillary revenue from things like modest student activities fees, cafeteria sales, and facilities rentals, which fund the remainder of our expenses.

Your generosity to Regis transforms our students. I am profoundly grateful to all who contributed to *Ready to Do*. To those who committed to the campaign while simultaneously supporting our Annual Fund, Regis owes an ever greater debt of gratitude.

Through your continued generosity, Regis's mission — a gift to young men for over four generations — will remain strong to endure for generations to come.

Rev. Christopher J. Devron, SJ  
President

# News & Notes

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## Melvin Rayappa, SJ, '08 Ordained to Priesthood

Melvin Rayappa, SJ, '08 was ordained a Jesuit priest during Mass at the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola on June 14, with family, friends, and members of the Regis community in attendance, including several current students. Rayappa was one of five Jesuits from the USA East Province to be ordained during the Mass after a decade of formation that began as a discernment and a call of the Holy Spirit.

The following day, Fr. Rayappa celebrated his first Mass as a priest at his home parish, Immaculate Conception Church in Jamaica, Queens. Several priests with connections to Regis were among the concelebrants: Regis President Rev. Christopher Devron, SJ; Vice President for Ignatian Identity and Formation Rev. James

Ferus, SJ; former President Rev. Philip Judge, SJ, '80; former interim President Rev. James Croghan, SJ; former Principal Anthony Andreassi, CO; former Regis teacher Rev. Brendan Coffey, SJ; former Regis teacher Rev. Jim Coughlin, SJ; and Doug Ray, SJ, '91. Tristan Ramdhanee '28 was one of the altar servers.

After graduating from Regis in 2008, Fr. Rayappa attended Carnegie Mellon University, where he earned bachelor's degrees in electrical and computer engineering and engineering and public policy in 2012. A year later he graduated with a master's degree in electrical and computer engineering.

Following a career at tech startups working on electronic hardware and software, he joined the Society of Jesus in 2015. During his two-year novitiate in Syracuse, he served in various ministries such as jails, hospitals, and schools — including five months teaching in Kingston, Jamaica. He also completed the Spiritual Exercises, a 30-day silent retreat, before taking perpetual vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience in 2017.

After vows, Fr. Rayappa went to Saint Louis University, where he received a master's degree in philosophy in 2020. He was then missioned to Loyola University Maryland, where he taught electrical and computer engineering courses while also assisting with campus ministry retreats and prayer programs. In 2022, he began his theological studies at the Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University in Berkeley, Calif. He also served as a deacon at St. Augustine Parish in Oakland.

This fall, Fr. Rayappa will study at the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Jerusalem to complete a Licentiate in Sacred Theology in Scripture from the Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University. In 2026, Fr. Rayappa will serve as the USA East Province assistant director and promoter of vocations.

In 2024, Fr. Rayappa spoke with *Regis Magazine* about how his time at Regis was an opportunity for him to grow spiritually, especially during the retreats he attended, even if he didn't yet know that he'd choose a religious life as a Jesuit.

"In those teenage years, you're on the cusp of being a child versus being an adult," said Fr. Rayappa at the time. "I appreciated that Regis didn't really answer the questions for me but gave me the space to struggle with some of these questions about my faith and what it means to be an adult. I appreciate the structures and the resources that helped push me towards this good direction in my life."

Fr. Rayappa will celebrate a schoolwide Mass for the Regis community next spring.



## Ms. Meghan Kiernan Honored With Patricia Hannon Ignatian Educator Award

Math teacher Ms. Meghan Kiernan was honored with the 2025 Patricia Hannon Ignatian Educator Award at the annual Spring Convocation on May 8. Ms. Kiernan, who joined the Regis faculty in 2007, was celebrated for her care for her students, her dedication to Jesuit values and Christian service, and the many ways that she lives the mission of Regis.

Colleagues praised Ms. Kiernan for serving the Regis community in the classroom and beyond.

“There is nothing she has not or would not do for Regis,” said one nominator.

“It never ceases to amaze me how much she has given herself to the school,” said another nominator. “I don’t think there is another person who is wearing more hats than Meghan.”

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

Ms. Kiernan’s name now appears alongside those of former winners on a plaque in the 84th Street foyer.



## Regians Explore Interests During J-Term

Though summer break began with the end of final exams, more than 60 Regis students returned to 84th Street in June to participate in J-Term courses. Typically held on college campuses between semesters, J-Term allows Regians to delve into interdisciplinary topics outside the framework of the academic year.

J-Term at Regis takes place each June and offers intensive-study opportunities in subjects chosen by teachers. It also allows faculty members to explore alternative teaching techniques, which could later be integrated in the standard Regis curriculum to improve the student learning experience.

This year, students chose from six J-Term courses: The Basics of Cookery (with Mr. Rose), Criticism in the Internet Age (with Mr. Thiemann), Mathematics and Strategy in Board Games (with Mr. Kim), The Met as our Neighbor and the Transcendence of Art: Communicating About Visual Art (with Mr. Cicalese), Small pH, High Impact: Understanding Ocean Acidification Through Chemistry (with Dr. Bandyopadhyay), and Socialization: Why Do We Do That? (with Mr. Smith).



## Ultimate Team Wins 2025 City Interscholastic Division Championship

Regis’s ultimate team won its third consecutive interscholastic division city title in June, defeating SAR High School 15-5 in the championship match. Regis’s seniors anchored the team, going on an 8-1 run in the first half and never looking back.

Against a formidable SAR High School team, Teddy Treussard '25 led the charge, scoring

a game-high 10 goals. Charlie Mango '25 took home spirit MVP honors with his inspired play, while Brendan Moran '26 took home game MVP honors thanks to big throws and bigger defensive play. Regis’s underclassmen contributed, as well, scoring key second half goals, including stealing an upwind point.

The city title is the fourth in school history.

## SRP Students Show Off Research at 2025 Science Symposium

Students in the Science Research Project presented their work at Regis's 27th annual Science Symposium on May 1. For the participating students, each of whom prepared a poster-board presentation to share with attendees, the symposium marked the culmination of many months of independent research.

This year's symposium featured two keynote speeches. Alain-Christian Pawa '26 spoke about his research into developing convolutional neural networks to identify diabetic retinopathy. Earlier this year, Pawa presented his research at the New York State Science and Engineering Fair, where he earned an honorable mention, placing him among the top finishers in the Translational Medical Science category.

Ciro Salcedo '20, a Ph.D student in quantum science and engineering at Princeton University who studies the evolution of complex quantum systems, also spoke about his research. Salcedo, who was an SRP student during his time at Regis, answered questions from current students about his experience and shared some of the advice he's learned from his own mentors.

"Do things with intention, keep showing up, be skeptical, pay it forward, work with others, and don't let not knowing stop you from doing what's interesting," Salcedo said. "I can't wait to see what you all do next."

The Science Research Project is an intensive program open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors that gives students interested in scientific research the opportunity to investigate projects of their own design in addition to their normal course load. During this past academic year, 39 students participated in SRP.



## Outdoor Track and Field Wins Third Consecutive CHSAA Class A Sectional Title

The Regis outdoor track and field team won its third consecutive CHSAA Class A sectional championship in May, with a number of students also capturing gold in individual events.

James Stappenbeck '25 won his second straight track MVP award with wins in both the 1,600-meter and 3,200-meter races, while Andrew Klimczak '27 took the silver right behind him in both events. Regis also won all three throwing events in the tournament for the first time. Matthew Kang '26 won both the shot put (with a mark of 48 feet, 1 inch) and the discus. Jude Morrison '25, ranked No. 1 in the entire league in the javelin, won his event with a throw of 156 feet. Griffin Conway '28 won the 3,000-meter steeplechase in his debut in the event. The 4x800-meter relay team of Adam Cartano '25, Ethan Klimczak '25, Colin Butler '27, and Xavier Neptune '27 also took home gold medals. As a team, Regis scored 73 points, 33 more than the nearest competitor.

"The team did what it does," said Mr. Chris Febles, head coach of the field events. "They worked hard all season in all kinds of weather. They paid attention to coaching. They got psyched for the events and gave their best effort in every meet. Best of all, they seemed to jell together as a team. It was nice to see them not just win, but thoroughly enjoy themselves."





## Ethan Corcoran '10 Addresses Class of 2025 at Annual Senior-Alumni Brunch

Ethan Corcoran '10 addressed the Class of 2025 at the annual Senior-Alumni Brunch on June 4, welcoming the soon-to-be-graduates into the Regis alumni community. During his remarks, Corcoran reflected on what being an alumnus has meant to him and spoke about ways that graduates can remain connected to their alma mater.

"Be sure to keep Regis in your thoughts," Corcoran said. "While I know many of you fully appreciate the value of the free and high-quality education we receive here, it's going to be apparent for all of you in your next chapter."

After Regis, Corcoran went to Davidson College, where he received his BA in Economics. A three-sport athlete at Regis, he walked on to Davidson's football team, where he played tight end. After graduation, Corcoran began his work in the financial services industry with Credigy, an investment firm in Georgia, where he stayed for nearly seven years. After receiving his MBA from Columbia Business School, he served as an analyst at the hedge fund Black Lotus Capital before becoming an equity research associate at Jefferies, where he currently works. Corcoran volunteers both as the Class of 2010's Class Fund Chair and Class Correspondent, helping to both fundraise and facilitate communication among members of his class.

"My only real ask of you guys here is to do the most that you can," said Corcoran in his remarks. "That's the standard I felt like I was held to when I was here at Regis, and I think it's probably amongst the best standards anyone can hold themselves to."

## Sophomores Present Their Work at 2025 Student Historian Project Symposium

Eleven sophomores presented their work at the second annual Student Historian Project Symposium on May 21. The SHP initiative, created in 2022, sees sophomores conduct research on a subject of their choosing with the help of faculty guidance. After their final presentations, the sophomores have the opportunity to continue their research in their junior history term paper and potentially in senior electives.

The students met with Ms. Kara Papp, Ms. Kaitlin Landrein, Ms. Gena Reisig, and other members of the History Department regularly as they conducted their research, which is done in addition to the regular curriculum. Ms. Clair Quaintance and Ms. Krista Martino-Hecht also assisted students with research in our library, using books in our collection as well as online databases.

During the SHP Symposium, each student presented his work and had an opportunity to discuss his research with attendees. All 11 students then gathered for a panel discussion moderated by upperclassmen who had taken part in SHP as sophomores.

"This amazing program gives an avenue for students that love history and want to take the time to explore a research topic that doesn't fit a traditional course," said Ms. Papp in her remarks. "To see the projects evolve over several months and to see the students get so lively has been one of the best parts of SHP."



## Students Show Off Creativity at 2025 Festival of the Arts



Regis students showcased their creativity on May 13 at the annual Festival of the Arts, an afternoon of performances, short films, and artwork.

Members of cocurricular groups devoted to the arts performed jazz, rock, and chamber music, while students also screened short films

and displayed studio artwork. The event culminated with the Regis Rep Showcase, in which members of the Rep performed songs from *Sweeney Todd*, *Hamilton*, *Rent*, and more.

The festival "is a really nice complement to the academic side of Regis, as it lets students express themselves in a lot of different ways that they might not get to inside the classroom," said Henry Quinn '26, the production stage manager and assistant crew chief for the Regis Rep. "It's also a really great celebration of all the work that our clubs and organizations devoted to the arts have put in throughout the year."

# The Office of Advancement Welcome Home!



This spring, we welcomed back more than 400 alumni, including 58 members of the Class of 1975 (at left), whose generosity endowed a named scholarship. Alumni and their guests had the opportunity to reconnect with one another, tour the building, attend Mass, and enjoy drinks and dinner.

## 75 Years Later...

Among the attendees at last spring's reunions was **Michael O'Connor '50**, who was celebrating 75 years since his Regis graduation. He spoke with Regis Magazine about his time on 84th Street and returning for his reunion with his son, **Kieran O'Connor '84**, as his guest.

**You started at Regis in the fall 1946. What do you think of when you reflect on that time?**

The principal at the time had us sitting in the auditorium, and he said something to the effect of, 'I want you to look to your left and to your right. One of those people is not going to be here in four years.' That was somewhat of a frightening message. It was survival of the fittest. But Regis had more to do with my going to college than anything else. If I hadn't received a scholarship, which is a function again of Regis, I don't know if I'd have gone to college.

**What was it like to attend your 75th reunion with your son as your guest?**

I was so pleased with it. I said to Kieran that the 75th reunion was coming up, and that I'd like to go, but I'm not going to. I didn't see how I could get down there from Somers, N.Y. He volunteered immediately to drive down from Syracuse and drive me into Manhattan so that we could go together. It was great that he was there for me, and it was an even stronger connection because he graduated from Regis, as well.

**What's your advice for current Regis students?**

I would say take advantage of everything that Regis has to offer. Of course, it can be hard to balance the usual school work and the usual long commute, but when you have an opportunity to participate in various extracurricular activities,

do it and get the benefit of all those interactions. Enjoy it.



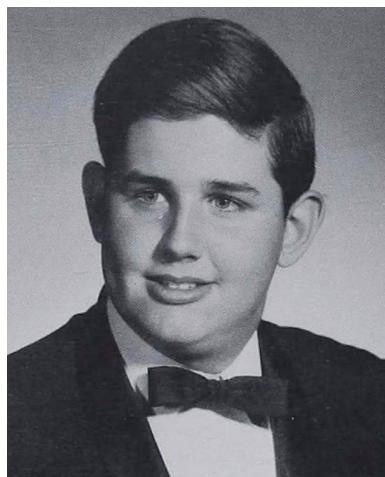
We are excited to welcome alumni with class years ending in '6 and '1 for our 2026 slate of reunions. Please see the dates below. More information will be sent to alumni in these classes as the spring approaches.

**MAY 2**  
25-, 30-, 35-, 40-, and 45-Year Reunion  
Classes of 2001, 1996, 1991, 1986, and 1981

**MAY 9**  
5-, 10-, 15-, and 20-Year Reunion  
Classes of 2021, 2016, 2011, and 2006

**MAY 30**  
50-Year Reunion  
Class of 1976

**JUNE 13**  
Golden Owls Reunion  
Classes of 1971, 1966, 1961, 1956, and 1951



Robert Sharp '67 credited Regis for setting him on a path to Yale, Harvard, and a career in law.

When he passed away in 2023, he left Regis a substantial bequest — the largest gift to the *Ready to Do* campaign and the largest in school history outside of the Founding Family.

**Rev. Arthur Bender, SJ, '67** remembers his classmate and the impact Regis had on his life.

# My Friend Robert

Robert and I both came from the same town. I lived at the southern end of Bayonne, and he lived at the northern end. I didn't know him in our freshman year because homerooms, as we called them in those days, were done alphabetically. Back then, at the end of freshman year, you opted for either a Greek track or a science track, but there was a program for so-called "double majors" who were invited to take both. That's how we got to know each other: As sophomores, we were both double majors.

Being from the same hometown and taking classes together, we got to know each other well. We worked it out so that if I got the bus at a particular time, I'd be able to meet up with him and continue our commutes together — the Bayonne bus to the PATH train, then the subway up from Fulton Street. At the end of the day, we'd hang around school for this, that, or the other thing, then go home together, too.

We'd eat lunch together in the Regis cafeteria, and on Friday afternoons, we'd go with a larger group of classmates to

a luncheonette called Leo's, where we'd celebrate the end of each week over ice cream sodas.

In our senior year, we got to take two final courses together: AP Latin and a class reading Plato — in English, not Greek, but what are you going to do?

Robert was brilliant and got excellent grades. He was also involved in a number of activities at Regis. I still remember his starring role in senior year in *The School for Scandal*.

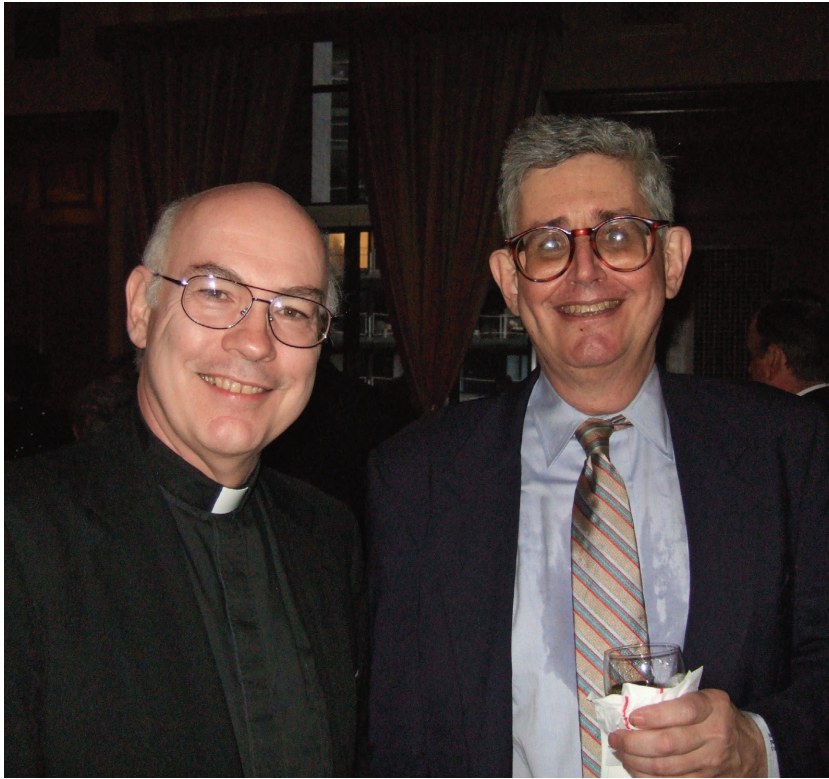
Regis students have such close bonds with their classmates because it's easy to lose contact with your neighborhood, especially if you have a long commute like we did. Robert and I became good friends, and then we stayed friends.

I entered the Jesuits after we graduated and he went off to Yale, and for those first two years, we didn't see each other much. But once I finished the Novitiate, I was sent to Fordham to continue my education, and we'd meet when he was in town. Later, when I spent some time in Canada and he

went off to law school at Harvard, we would communicate by mail. Eventually he began working for firms here in the city, and I returned to New York, as well.

Robert and I had very similar interests. In addition to both coming from Bayonne, where we attended Catholic grammar schools, we were both history majors, and we talked a lot about different things in history. We were also both lovers of classical music. Neither of us were into rock and roll, and we'd often go to see the New York Philharmonic and the opera. We just had a common experience, and over the years we'd frequently connect over lunch to catch up.

Robert was also very devoted to his faith. He would go to Mass every day when he was mobile — an indication that he had a real devotion to the Church. On Saturdays, I'd attend Mass with him at Holy Family Church on the East Side. We'd often go together to services on Holy Thursday and Good Friday. And after his mother died, I was honored to say a Mass in her memory each year on the anniversary of her passing.



Rev. Arthur Bender '67, SJ, and Robert Sharp '67 in 2005

He retired from the practice of law in the early 2000s, and when his health started to slow him up, I began to spend even more time with him. We would pray together, and I began helping him with everyday tasks: bringing him his mail, going to stores for him, helping with his taxes, and just checking in on him. That's what you do with your friends.

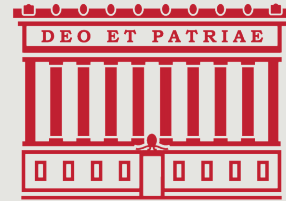
During the summers, especially just before he died, I would see him basically every day. I'd go over to the nursing home or the hospital to see how he was doing, and I also took care of his spiritual needs, bringing him communion, hearing confessions, and doing anointings.

All his life, Robert talked frequently about how special Regis was to him, and he always appreciated what the school did for him. He liked to keep up with what was going on, reading the magazine and especially the

"Prowlings" section in each issue. He was particularly interested in how things were changing at Regis, even if we both still liked to reminisce about what things were like when we were students. He was especially pleased that so many more support systems are in place today, helping students through their Regis journeys inside and outside of the classroom.

If not for Regis, I don't think he would have gone to Yale, or to Harvard Law after that. I think his career path would've been different, too. And so he felt that giving a gift upon his passing was a way that he could make a significant contribution to Regis at the appropriate time.

I thought it was wonderful that he thought so highly of Regis that he would make this gift. He understood what so many of us alumni do: A Regis education forms you as a person and helps shape the direction of your life.



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# Thank You!

We're thrilled to announce that thanks to the tremendous support of our community, Regis's *Ready to Do* campaign surpassed its \$75 million goal and raised more than \$84 million!

*Ready to Do* was the most ambitious campaign in Regis's history, and its success allows us to invest in excellence and realize our bold vision for the future of our school. Because of *Ready to Do*, we can not only continue to fulfill our mission but propel it forward.

**Thank you for your support of *Ready to Do* and for your commitment to Regis, a place that has shaped, and will continue to shape, so many lives.**



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THE PLEASURE OF  
**FINDING  
THINGS  
OUT**

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On the acclaimed podcast *Pablo Torre Finds Out*, the 2003 Regis alumnus investigates the highbrow, the lowbrow, and everything in between.

While a student at Regis, Pablo Torre '03 thought he had his whole career planned out. He would sit in the Hearn room and look through old copies of the *Regian*, pausing on alumni thriving in the legal industry — Supreme Court clerks, federal prosecutors, and the like. He wanted that for himself.

As he wrapped up his four years at Harvard and looked ahead to law school, he took the LSATs, expecting it to be the first step on his path to a career as a lawyer. Even when the test didn't go well, he considered it a detour. He'd do something else for a year, he figured, then take the test again.

Torre had covered sports for the Harvard newspaper and had interned for *Sports Illustrated* online, where he got his first byline on a story about an up-and-coming competitive eater named Joey Chestnut. And so he applied for a job as an *SI* fact-checker, intending to do it for a year while studying for his LSAT re-do.

He got the job, and he found that not only did he like the work, his friends in their first years of law school were suddenly jealous of what he was doing.

"I was like, wait a minute, I should maybe reconsider what success can look and feel like," he says. "Writing and reporting was exercising my brain and curiosity in ways that frankly, I think a lot of people who go to law school tell themselves that the legal industry will, but I was doing it as a journalist, and that was wildly, wildly fun to me."

He stuck with the job at *SI*, and the career shift has paid off. After stints at some of the most storied outlets in sports journalism, Torre in 2023 launched *Pablo Torre Finds Out*, a podcast that has since won an Edward R. Murrow Award for Sports Reporting, been nominated for a Peabody Award, and been named one of *Time* magazine's 100 best podcasts of all time, one of just six sports podcasts on the list. The podcast, which explores topics both serious and silly with equal vigor, has allowed Torre to explore the full range of his interests and to build a following that's eager to join him on these varied investigations.

Torre's big break at *SI* came in 2012, when Knicks guard Jeremy Lin captured the attention of the sports world with a string of incredible games. Torre had previously written about Lin, a fellow Harvard alum, and was assigned to write a cover story about him for the magazine. When "Linsanity" stretched into a second week, Torre's scoops graced the magazine's cover for a second consecutive issue.

Later that year, Torre joined ESPN as a writer for its magazine, and he also began to appear on the network's TV programs, giving him a new platform to share his sharp insight. Among those shows was *Around the Horn*, the daily roundtable show on which he'd appear on more than 600 times and occasionally guest host.

Torre's work at ESPN eventually grew to include a daily TV show (*High Noon*, co-hosted with Bomani Jones) and the *ESPN Daily* podcast, which would focus on a new topic each day, often featuring other ESPN personalities.

When Torre left his full-time position at ESPN for Meadowlark Media in 2023, he had the opportunity to design his own show — one that took advantage of his talents as a dogged reporter, a skilled interviewer, and a

generally curious person with good instincts for what makes for an interesting story. That show, *Pablo Torre Finds Out*, can take on various forms: in-depth interviews, original reporting, or discussion with other journalists who operate on a similar wavelength to Torre's. The common thread is Torre's singular sensibility guiding each episode and inviting listeners to at least temporarily care about, to give just one example, competitive birdwatching.

The topics covered are intentionally eclectic. One episode explores what sports fandom is like for prisoners on death row. Another tells the story of an investment banker moonlighting as an independent wrestler named JP Lehman. Torre has done serious reporting on the NFL Players Association, as well as less-serious reporting on the *Sopranos*-themed video the Knicks used to try and recruit LeBron James in 2010. He's conducted thoughtful, long-form interviews with guests like journalism legend Connie Chung and Mets President of Baseball Operations David Stearns, and he's also reviewed athlete-branded fragrances and investigated rigging at MTV's *Total Request Live*.

"My comfort zone has always been how to be both smart and stupid, how to be highbrow and lowbrow, how to be sports but also non-sports," Torre says. "It's like a mystery box, and every so often, will you want to open it up and see what's inside? I'm betting on the curiosity of our audience."

And, he hopes, listeners who learn about the podcast on one of its headline-making episodes — such as a series of shows about football coach Bill Belichick — will discover the back catalog and dive in.

"I hope they'll realize that there's 250 prior episodes, which are 250 more mystery boxes," he says.

On several occasions, he's been joined by members of the Regis community. Martin Bell '99 appeared on an episode to discuss prosecuting an illegal importer of stolen dinosaur bones. Patrick Wolf '03 joined the show to talk about performing in high school with Stefani Germanotta, the Convent of the Sacred Heart student who'd later become famous as Lady Gaga. Jon Sciambi '88, the Cubs play-by-play announcer who also serves as the broadcasting voice of the *MLB The Show* video game, appeared on an episode to surprise a superfan of the game. Stephanie Ruhle P'27 joined Torre to talk about the economy, while Mike Breen P'09'15 appeared on an episode celebrating NBA halftime performer extraordinaire Red Panda.

"I think that a part of what makes the show great is the degree to which Pablo has managed to distill his own essence into the show," says Bell. "It really is just an hour spent with some particularly resonant aspect of Pablo, whether it's the guy who asks good questions, the mischief maker who will sit around throwing tons and tons of genuine brain power at just about the silliest question you could imagine, or the trained journalist at work."

Torre, who also appears regularly on MSNBC and who reached a licensing agreement this summer for his show to join the podcast network of the *New York Times*' The Athletic, says that the seeds of his career can be traced back to 84th Street.

"When I look back, the dominoes start with Regis," he says. "I was encouraged to speak in public at Regis. My confidence in writing comes from Regis. My fantasy football league that I still belong to started at Regis. It's been very traceable through all of this."

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Several priests with connections to Regis were among the concelebrants for Rev. Melvin Rayappa, SJ, '08's first Mass on June 15, the day after his ordination. From left, former interim President Rev. James Croghan, SJ; former Regis teacher Rev. Brendan Coffey, SJ; Vice President for Ignatian Identity and Formation Rev. James Ferus, SJ; Doug Ray, SJ, '91; former President Rev. Philip Judge, SJ '80; Fr. Rayappa; President Rev. Christopher Devron, SJ; and former Principal Anthony Andreassi, CO. To read more about Fr. Rayappa's ordination, see page 4.

