



Nativity BVM, INC. News

Development Newsletter

Pottsville, PA

Fall 2024

Message from the Principal and Development Director of Nativity BVM High School

TRULY GOLDEN

2023-2024 was truly a Golden school year at Nativity High School. All of our students grew academically, spiritually, and socially. The class of 2024 graduated 62 students and 97 percent of them will go on to a 2-year or 4-year program, or into the military to further their education.

We are proud to report that many of our students have once again demonstrated their exceptional talents and dedication by winning several prestigious academic awards! These accolades reflect not only their hard work but also the unwavering support of our dedicated teachers, staff and the entire school community. Our Girls Volleyball team, Boys Baseball team, and our Girls Basketball team all won District Championships. Members of our Wrestling and Golf teams won Individual League Championships, and several members of our Track and Field team won both League and District Championships. To cap off our year, our boys 4x4 Track Team won the PIAA Class AA Gold Medal at the state competition! We are very proud of the work all of our students put into achieving such amazing accomplishments and we are confident that will continue as we head into our 2024-2025 school year.

Our Catholic Faith is at the heart of the educational process at Nativity. We receive constant positive feedback from our graduates and we know that we are helping to produce vibrant, energetic, hardworking, and successful young adults.

We are looking forward to a school year full of positive excitement and renewal of our Catholic faith, great academic achievements, success on the athletic fields, promotion of music and the arts and exceptional participation in all activities. The Nativity community working together ensures this success.

We appreciate all of the hard work and dedication of our parents, alumni, and friends. Thank you to everyone for continuing to make our school the "Shining Light Upon the Hill." As a family, we treasure our traditions and look forward to the start of another strong year. There is no substitute for a Catholic education where Catholic values are lived every day!

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Lynn A. Lechleitner Sabol in black ink.

Lynn A. Lechleitner Sabol '76
Principal

Handwritten signature of Jennifer Forney Daubert in black ink.

Jennifer Forney Daubert '91
Director of Development

Dean's List and Awards

Victoria Modesto '22 was named to the **Dean's List** at Harcum College for the Spring Semester of 2024. Victoria will graduate from Harcum in December 2024.

Kevan Schaeffer '96 won the 2024 Berks County Track & Field Association's **Coach of the Year** award. The Exeter boys were an undefeated 5-0 as Berks County Section 1 Champions, won the Black Knight Invitational, the Shaner Meet and BCIAA Championship for the first time since 1982. In 2023, Coach Schaeffer earned his 100th dual meet win at Exeter. He teaches fitness/wellness and strength and conditioning at Exeter Township High School. He and his wife, Alexis, reside in Orwigsburg.

East Stroudsburg University awarded **Maury Molin '72** the **Dr. George Thompson Jr. Award**. This award recognizes the exceptional accomplishment or life achievement in areas of community and human relations along with a demonstrated commitment to the promotion of the mission of ESU. The candidate embodies multicultural and diverse values. Congratulations Maury!

Nativity Alumni Updates:

Paul Cremo '83 has spent almost 40 years teaching in various parts of the country. He graduated from Don Bosco College in 1988 Magna cum Laude with a BA in Philosophy. He earned his NJ teaching certificate and taught Social Studies. He has taught K-12 and Special Ed. in Pennsylvania and high school in Louisiana. He is currently the Facility Manager and Religious Coordinator at Keystone Correctional Service, Inc. in Harrisburg.

Beach Bonanza Winner for 2023-2024

Congratulations to Rosemary Liddle Kochubka '70, winner of the 2024 Beach Bonanza Drawing. Thank you to all of

To find out the latest happenings from "The Hill", please check out Nativity High School on our website, www.nativitybvm.net, our Facebook page Nativity BVM High School Athletics and Events, and on Twitter [@nativitybvm55](https://twitter.com/nativitybvm55).

Alumni Tailgate 50/50 2023

Congratulations to the winner of the 2023 Homecoming Alumni Tailgate 50/50 drawing, Robert Gianni, Sr. '65, from Pottsville, PA. This year's take home prize was \$4400.00. A special thank you to the entire Nativity community for their support!

Please remember Nativity High School in your will and estate planning. Thank you.

Faculty Wish List:

We are grateful to all who have donated funds for items that are needed in all of our academic departments. Any help that you can provide us is greatly appreciated. Past support has enabled us to purchase additional text books (student and teacher editions), computers, items for our Science labs and Art supplies. Thank you for your support of Nativity.

Religion	English
Math	Social Studies
Sciences	Language
Computers	Health/Physical Education
Business	School Play

JUNE 2024 SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS

June 1	\$150	Joanne Johns
June 2	\$150	Gerry Whiteash
June 3	\$100	Maria Rowlands
June 4	\$100	Vince Fabiani
June 5	\$100	Jim Morgalis
June 6	\$100	Frank Petzak
June 7	\$100	Ann Day Timbers
June 8	\$150	Dolores Brady
June 9	\$150	Margaret Zimmerman
June 10	\$100	Tom and Judy Kosick
June 11	\$100	Seth Barnetsky
June 12	\$100	Marty Brennan
June 13	\$100	Nicky Robbins
June 14	\$100	Jim McDonald
June 15	\$150	Rose Kenderes
June 16	\$300	Anita Klembara
June 17	\$100	Jerry Farro
June 18	\$100	Linda and Ron Pellish
June 19	\$100	Chloe Prezelski
June 20	\$300	Lisa Hoynoski
June 21	\$100	Paul Androshick
June 22	\$150	Rosann Sitkus
June 23	\$150	Danielle Thompson
June 24	\$100	Cecelia Kacmar
June 25	\$100	Jack Brennan
June 26	\$100	Mary Consugar
June 27	\$100	Pat DiCello
June 28	\$100	John Baldigo
June 29	\$150	Vincent Bartashus
June 30	\$150	Dave Swirsky

ATTENTION ALUMNI

Please provide us with your current e-mail address, phone number and address so we can update our database. Any additions, corrections or updates can be sent to jldaubert@nativitybvm.net. Thank you for your assistance!



Dear Fellow Alumni,

Exciting things continue to happen on Lawtons Hill. Our school continues to thrive and we are well into our fall sports season.

Nativity's Hall of Fame Committee has also been hard at work. (The Committee is comprised of seven individuals chosen by the Marketing Committee of the school. The Marketing Committee serves as a sub-committee of the Nativity Governance Board.) Nativity BVM High School's Hall of Fame is a celebration of our rich athletic history so once again we want to involve our Nativity family. The first step is to reach out to our faithful alumni for help in this process. We are requesting that you consider a nomination for submission for consideration by the Committee. The nominee may be an individual athlete in any sport, a team, a coach or even a volunteer contributor. We created a simple form to gather the basic information for the nominee and we will research the nominee from there. The form is enclosed for you.

Also, please note that this information and the nomination form are available on our website at www.nativitybvm.net under the Athletics Tab/Athletic Hall of Fame. Think back to the glory days of high school and Nativity sports and help us promote and celebrate those who deserve to be in your Hall of Fame. Lastly, we intend to induct our eleventh Hall of Fame Class in March 2025 at an in-person ceremony. If a nominee received by the Committee does not get chosen for an induction class, that nominee will remain in the pool for later consideration and is eligible to be nominated in the future.

Thank you all!

Sincerely,

The Nativity BVM High School Athletic Hall of Fame Committee

NATIVITY BVM HIGH SCHOOL

NOMINATION FORM FOR SELECTION INTO NATIVITY BVM HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

Today's Date: _____

Name & Address (of Candidate): _____

Phone Number: (_____) _____

Year Of Graduation: _____

**USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS
IF NECESSARY**

NOMINATED FOR (Check One):

PLAYER COACH CONTRIBUTOR TEAM

**FORMS ARE DUE BACK TO
NATIVITY DEVELOPMENT
OFFICE BY DECEMBER 1, 2024**

I. If selected as a player, please furnish the following information:

A. Varsity Letters Earned:

B. Number of Sports (Please Name and Years of Participation):

C. Honors and Awards (Please Name All - Hold any school records):

II. If nominated as a coach, please furnish the following information:

A. Sports Coached (Please Name):

B. Years Coached (From when to when in each sport) and records, if possible:

C. Championships (Leagues, Districts, States):

III. If nominated as a contributor, state reasons, including years of service, nature of contribution, etc.:

Biographical Information (Other Achievements and Recognitions):

IV. If nominated as a team, please furnish the following information:

A. The Sport: _____

B. The Year: _____

Nominator's Name, Address and Phone Number: _____

Nominator's Signature: _____

Athletic Hall of Fame

Congratulations to the Six alumni who were inducted into the 10th Class of the Nativity BVM Hall of Fame on April 7, 2024.



Pictured (l-r) Angela Altemose (08), Ashley Smith Hoak (98), Katelyn MacCready McCann (05), Lt. Col. David Mills (56) (deceased), Joseph Schaeffer (96), and Dave Sabol (Coach-Athletic Director).



The Class of 2024 was offered a total of \$9,844,330 in scholarships, grants and awards to continue their education and accepted \$3,026,556 of these funds. Approximately 97% of the Class of 2024 will be attending either a 2 year program, 4 year program or the military to further their education!

Green and Gold Booster Club Congratulates this year's winner of the \$20,000 Raffle

Donna Jimenez

Second Place Winners

Joseph Wayne	Maria Rowlands	Bill and Judy Shandri
Theresa Gilliam	Vintage Vinnie	Maria Rowlands
Dan Pedriani '67	Mary Lou Pillus	Shawn and Kathleen
Barbara Hagan	Joe and Jackie Troy	Brennan
S. Klosinski	Jenn Daubert	Cady and Christian
Theresa Wagner	Chester Corse	Joe Ferenchick
M. Kiehler	Ed Drasdis	F. Strausser
Diane Evans	Steele Family	Robert Derr
Mohammad Akbar	Elizabeth Jansson	Aggie Shellhammer
Verchick Family	Cathie Mazzuca	Josie Sipes
Brigid Koury	Andre Mento	

Rest in Peace to the following Alumni:

Ronald Androshick '59	John Liptok PCHS'46
Kathleen Feeney Arcuri '63	Alma Curry Lonergan St. Stephen HS
Rev. Francis Baransky '71	Daniel Lonergan (teacher at NBVM)
Bernard Bernatonis '56	Lenore McKenna Lorenc St. Stephen HS'43
Catherine "Kay" McGuire Bittle PCHS	Judith Paulosky Lynch '71
Margaret Messaros Bowen '62	Cynthia Mady McCarthy '65
Nancy Brahler-Newton '80	Kathleen Marks McDermott '59
Betty Stephen Burke '58	Donald McGovern PCHS'52
Deborah Stutz Burke '76	Thomas McGovern '67
Diana Suggett Burns '59	Elaine Micklesavage McKeon '57
Anne Thomas Callahan PCHS'41	Christine Hargraves McShaw '81
Rev. William Campion '69	Patricia Micka '65
Theresa Gentile Chapman '74	Helen Romberger Mills PCHS
Mary Hudock Chismar St. Stephen HS	Marciann Vabrinskas Minarick '62
Patricia Torpey Cielinski PCHS'53	Joanne Alexandra Klatko Moffitt '64
Mary Ann Gravish Cushing '58	Anne Mahoney Moore PCHS'53
James Joseph "Zero" Davidson '55	Patricia Bercik Morgan PCHS'52
Mary Frances Kiertikles Dempsey PCHS'52	Philip Morgan PCHS'52
John Donati '65	Patricia Ann "Trish" Lipshaw Moyer '69
Phyllis Stabinsky Dormer '56	Joseph Murton '68
John Dronick '65	Leo O'Brien PCHS '47
Merlin Dronick '68	Joanne Rabuck O'Connell PCHS'51
Dennis Durant '75	John O'Connor PCHS'49
Paul Egan '59	Leonard O'Connor '70
Mary "Molly" Reiley Falcone '65	Martin O'Hara '59
John Fedoriska '70	Jane Marie O'Reilly '72
Alan Felty coach	James "JP" Pauly '80
Suzanne Somers Finneran '68	Martin Pranscavage '73
Maureen Bittle Fitzpatrick '67	Rita Stephen Purcell PCHS '52
Joan Marie McDonald Fredericks '59	Jack Quirk '59
Geraldine Grace Freeman PCHS	Evelyn Reiley
Mary "Molly" Hamerty Frehafer '67	Msgr. Dennis Rigney '58
Kellyann Gemmell '90	Patricia Winnicatis Roeder '59
Ronald Gontarchick '65	Carl Rosenberger '77
Gloria Jean Coccia Grabenstein '63	Lucy Horan Rowan '56
Elaine Golod Grapsy '81	Mary Ann Torola Russian '82
Daniel Greis '67	Thomas Santai '62
Doris Zimmerman Harley '59	Ronald Savitsky '57
Patricia Koslosky Harranty '58	Thomas Schenck PCHS'48
Clair Hossler '59	James Scheuren PCHS'52
Eileen Martin Hydock '63	Ronald Shatus '59
Marie Moran Johnson '59	Thomas Sidleck '62
Joseph Joy '65	Roseanne Solt '60
Rita McDonald Karnoval '75	Joseph Souchak '57
Robert Kavaliauskas '62	Theresa Sophie Legutko Vigoda St. Stephen
Rose Butera Kohutka '60	Vincent Wade '57
John Krivenko '60	William Patrick Wade PCHS'51
Marie Kreydt Langton '57	Joanne Colitz Weisskopt '56
James Lecher '69	Robert Wetzel '58
Elizabeth Harley Lechleitner '66	Henry Wiscount '65
Diane Wassel Leinheiser '66	Kathleen Love Yuknavage '66
Patricia Loughran Leonard '60	Robert Richard Zucal '68
Thomas Lepere '67	

Nativity BVM HS School Store

To all our Alumni and fellow fans, we would like to invite you to visit the Nativity School Store. The shelves are filled with pullovers, sweatshirts, t-shirts and many miscellaneous items all with the proud Nativity label on them. Our gift card program, with a wide variety of cards to meet all your needs, continues to offer great ways to support NBVM. Come and stop in anytime during the summer, Tuesday through Thursday from 11:30 –1:00, or during the school year, Monday through Friday 11:30 to 1:00. For further information, please contact Sue Eckley at 570-640-0930 or sueeckley@comcast.net.

Class Reunions/Updates

The Nativity BVM Class of 1978 held their 45th Class Reunion on Saturday, August 19, 2023 at Sand Springs Country Club, Drums, PA 18222.

The Nativity BVM Class of 1963 held their 60th Class Reunion on Saturday, September 23, 2023.



The Nativity BVM Class of 1983 held their 40th Class Reunion on Saturday, October 14, 2023 at The Crimson House.

The Class of 1994 were recognized at the Green Wave Association's Annual Golf Tournament at Mountain Valley Golf Course on September 1, 2024 in honor of their 30th Anniversary as graduates from Nativity BVM.

The Class of 1972 held their 50th Class reunion on October 15, 2022 at the Crimson House.

The Class of 1967 had a picnic at the Schoentown Veterans Memorial on August 31, 2024 to celebrate their 75th birthday.

The Class of 1969 recently held a gathering with classmates to celebrate 55 years since their graduation from Nativity BVM.

Attention 1975 Alum:

Plans are underway for a 50th reunion in 2025. We are looking to reach as many classmates as possible. If you haven't yet been contacted, please reach out to Joe Schival at jnschival@gmail.com, Cindy Yutko LaRow at cindy@larow.com or Regina Yeasted Freiler at jfreiler5@verizon.net. Hope to see you all soon!

2024 Century Benefit

Congratulations to the newest members of Nativity's Golden Cross Society who were inducted during the school's 54th Annual Century Benefit on Saturday, April 27, 2024 at Mountain Valley Golf Course.

Photo: (l to r): Jennifer Daubert (Assistant to the Principal), Mr. John Crane, Atty. John B. Lieberman, Ms. Megan Brennan '80, Mr. Patrick J. Lechleitner '90, Mrs. Lynn Sabol (Principal)



DECEMBER SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS

December 1	Mary Consugar	\$100
December 2	Regina Kleeman	\$100
December 3	Bill Beadle	\$100
December 4	Jackie Szeliga	\$150
December 5	Maria Bartush	\$150
December 6	John T. Warner, Jr.	\$100
December 7	Karen Huffman	\$100
December 8	Joanne O'Toole	\$100
December 9	Mike Dwyer	\$100
December 10	Kitty Moser	\$100
December 10	Judy Schroding	\$100
December 11	Joe Chaklos	\$150
December 12	Bill Wachendorfer	\$150
December 13	Russel, DJ & Oscar & Kristina Miller	\$100
December 14	Tim & Mickey Pellish	\$100
December 15	Jodi Webb Tropp	\$100
December 16	Martha Friday	\$100
December 17	Susan Smith	\$100
December 18	Michael Bevan	\$150
December 19	Kevan Schaeffer	\$150
December 20	Betsy Tyson	\$100
December 21	Kathleen McGann	\$100
December 22	Nancy Potts	\$100
December 23	Arlene Romanski	\$100
December 24	John Hughes	\$100
December 25	Gerry Siglow	\$300
December 26	Ryan Gernatt	\$150
December 27	Kathy Martinaitis	\$100
December 28	Frances Blum	\$100
December 29	John R. Conville	\$100
December 30	John R. Conville	\$100
December 31	Jim Morgalis	\$300

Alumni Representing Nativity Around the World:

1972 alumnus, Maury Molin, pictured in his Nativity shirt at the Chiggnis Khaan Complex in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. This is the 111th country Maury has visited!



Please note that all alumni news information published in the Alumni Newsletter is submitted information to the school. Anyone wishing to send alumni news information to the school for publication in our next edition of the alumni newsletter can do so by e-mailing jlдаubert@nativitybvm.net or mailing the information to: Development Office, Nativity BVM High School, One Lawtons Hill, Pottsville, PA 17901.