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Joseph Carlson - PRINCIPAL



(Taken from Cavalier, 1971) You can count on the Juniors to do all they can to keep H.N. doors open next year. FRONT: Donald Timbler, LEFT TO RIGHT: Tom LeGault, Pat Gorenchan, Jim Pascoe, Linda Solis, Michelle Rabitaille, Michael Hurtibuse.

Have it All!

Dear Alumni, Friends, Families, Parishes, Supporters, and Students of Holy Name Catholic School.

In 1953, the cornerstone was laid on the 22nd street entrance of Holy Name Catholic School. Today that same cornerstone stands as a landmark of Catholic education in this community. In 1954, Holy Name High School graduated its first class. At that time, God knew how this building would be used to serve His Church. He knew that sadly it would close in 1971 for a multitude of reasons. He knew that it would reopen the following year as an elementary and middle school. Today, that cornerstone sees 320+ elementary students who walk through the doors each morning. It has served us well and will continue to serve us well. However, the plans to this original building were never completed. It was intended for much more!

There has been something missing since Holy Name High School closed its doors in 1971. Up until that time our students in this community "Had it All"! Not only did they have a great education, they had Jesus! They were educated in an environment where they came to truly know, love and serve Jesus. They were able to develop a personal friendship with Jesus. They truly had it all! This is the only reason that we feel God has called us to this task of reopening Holy Name High School. These Junior students in this picture (above, right) did what they could to keep the doors open of their beloved high school. It is time to finish what they started and honor their

legacy at Holy Name High School. We want our kids today and tomorrow to have it all!

First and foremost, I ask for your prayers for this endeavor to reopen Holy Name High School. My second request is especially to our alumni of Holy Name High School. I know that all of you benefited by being educated in Holy Name High School where you did have it all! You would never have received your diploma if someone else did not give their all so that you could have it all. Now it is your turn. Now is the time for us to reopen Holy Name High School. Now is the time to give back to the school that has already given so much to you. Right now we are seeking leadership level financial commitments before we publicly kick-off our capital campaign. Contact me now and make this your legacy—be a part of the effort to reopen Holy Name High School. Our Lord truly gave his all by laying down his life for us. Now is the time!

May God Bless you and God Bless Holy Name!

GO CRUSADERS!

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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

“FORCED” HOMECOMING DATE 50 YEARS AGO LED TO MARRIAGE YEARS LATER FOR HOLY NAME HIGH SCHOOL GRADS PAT AND BOB MCGINN

By Victoria LaFave



Bob McGinn

It was October 1967, a few weeks before the Homecoming dance, and Holy Name High School student Bob McGinn, a sophomore on the varsity football team, was feeling pressured—pressure to get a date. The seniors on the HNHS Varsity football team informed him and the other underclassmen on the team that they had to ask a girl to the Homecoming dance.

“There was a lot of pressure,” Bob laughed. “Of course, I didn’t want to let down the seniors on the team.”

At just 15 years old, Bob made a phone call – to Pat Casey, a fellow HNHS sophomore, who was also just 15 at the time. “That phone conversation probably lasted about forty-five seconds,” he laughed. “But she said ‘yes’.”

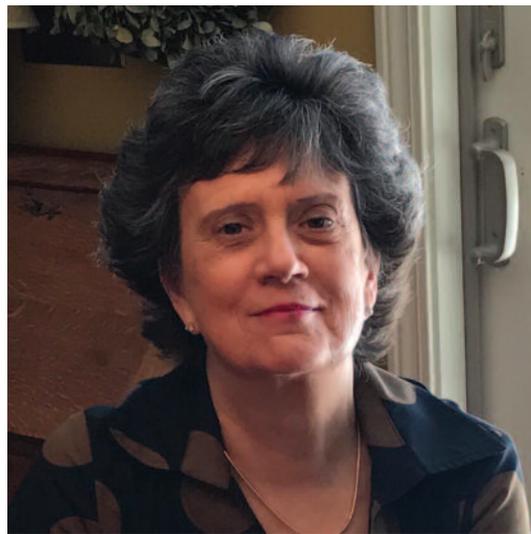
He remembers that one of the seniors on the team, Dan Bal, and his date, picked them up – in his dad’s Cadillac. “I still remember how big that car was. There were six of us in that car. I don’t remember too much about that night, but at just fifteen years old, I’m sure it was nerve-racking,” he laughed.

Nearly forty years later, these high school sweethearts and Escanaba natives reconnected, eventually marrying in 2002.

Bob, a 1974 graduate of the University of Michigan with a degree in journalism and political science, worked in the newspaper business for 42 years, and is now a household name in Green Bay – and in the world of the Green Bay Packers.

He is well-known for covering the team for the *Green Bay Press-Gazette* from 1979 through 1991, Bob also started writing for the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* in 1992 until he retired in May 2017.

But Bob hasn’t fully retired from writing. He and his son



Pat McGinn

Charlie launched their own subscription-based website, www.BobMcGinnFootball.com, in September 2017. When he retired from the newspaper business, he says he found he missed writing, so when he was presented with the opportunity to create the website, he jumped at the chance to work with his son doing what he loved.

Bob discovered his love of journalistic writing at Holy Name High School, and credits his Catholic education for much of what he learned about writing and grammar. He says the teachers at Holy Name High helped him prepare for the stringent classes he took at the University of Michigan.

“It was a wonderful place. I’m so glad I had the chance to attend for all four years there, and when I went on to college, I felt totally prepared, academically, for U of M. Critical thinking was emphasized in the classes at Holy Name,” he recalled. “It was competitive and college prep. oriented, and I was beautifully prepared by the teachers that I had, particularly in English.

“I went on to spend my life as a writer. I had Sister Benilda for Honors English my senior year, and we did a lot of writing, reading, and grammar. She was truly outstanding. The first thing I ever wrote as a sports writer was at Holy Name High. She asked me to write a regular column for *The Crusader* (the monthly HNHS Newspaper). The first by-lines I ever had were in *The Crusader* in the fall of 1969 and the spring of 1970.

Bob remembers having Brother Christopher as his English teacher during his junior year. “Brother Christopher was outstanding as well.”

Another of Bob’s English teachers he has distinct memories of, Sister Henrienne, also taught him public speaking. “Sister Henrienne was a whirlwind! She was as

sharp as a tack, and had a big personality,” Bob smiled. “When I went to the University of Michigan, I had no problems in the classes I had, largely because of these teachers. I had to work for every grade I got at Holy Name; it was tough – a ‘B’ was a good grade.”

Bob also remembers the athletic program at HNHS being exceptional, with many people being instrumental in his success as an HNHS athlete, including his basketball coach.

“John Butrymowicz was my Holy Name basketball coach and also the English teacher, and was an outstanding grammarian.”

Bob was an all-around athlete, being involved in football, basketball and track during his time at HNHS. “Athletics were a huge part of my life. I played on the first varsity football game under the lights on the Holy Name field in September 1968 against Iron Mountain.

Bob has a great deal of respect for his basketball coach from the 1969-1970 HNHS season during his senior year. “His name was Gordy LeDuc, and during the final two years of the school, Holy Name lost in the MHSAA Class B state quarterfinals downstate. He is certainly one of the most influential people in my life, and possibly the greatest coach in Holy Name history. He is a fantastic man – the discipline he imparted on me, the unity his teams displayed was the result of his teaching, but he also kept it fun for the players. And the respect we had for him was off the charts.”

Over the decades, Pat also looks back fondly on her time at Holy Name High School. She sees many of the classes she took at HNHS as catalysts to her career. Pat, who spent her career working as an interior designer for 25 years, says it was the clothing/sewing class she took at Holy Name High that has been invaluable in teaching her sewing skills that she used throughout her career.

“From Sister Mary Hope and my mother, Louise Casey, I learned and perfected my sewing skills. I believe my true passion for sewing started in these years at Holy Name High School, and continued throughout my life,” Pat remembers. “I initially made clothing for myself, including prom and homecoming dresses. Later on in my life, I branched out into making draperies, pillows and various home accessories in my interior design business. Although I am retired now, I still sew almost daily for our grandchildren, our home, and in making numerous gifts for others.”

Like her husband, Pat says the writing and English classes she took at Holy Name High also helped her immensely in her career.

“I found that I loved to write when I took English Composition from Brother Chris. Being an effective writer is invaluable in communicating in the work force,” Pat says. “I had a job as an assistant property manager when I was in my forties and one of my duties was to publish a monthly newsletter for the tenants in our company. It was essential to be able to write well, and to be creative. I was even able to use my love for poetry and writing poems in this publication. I learned these skills early on in his class.”

Pat says her speech class at Holy Name High also

prepared her for situations in which she needed to speak confidently in public. Being a graduate of Michigan State University with a degree in Community Services, she utilized her speaking skills a great deal.

“Speech class with Sister Henrienne was the most difficult for me because I was still very shy in high school, so getting up and talking in front of a group did not come easily to me. The foundation was laid in the class, however, and over the years I forced myself as an adult to put myself in situations where I had to speak and face my fears. Although I still do not thoroughly enjoy it, I do not avoid speaking publicly either.”

She also learned tolerance and empathy for others, traits essential in today’s complex world.

“At Holy Name High, we were taught in religion classes to embrace others of all faiths, nationalities and economic backgrounds, and to love all people. I was raised in a small town and in looking back, with people that were not especially diverse economically. I was raised in an all-white community and all of my friends were Catholic. I just assumed my family was wealthy as we had a comfortable home and plenty of food to eat and clothes to wear. It was not until later, going to college downstate, and in working in various jobs and cities over the years, when I was exposed to people so different than I was. They were both rich and poor, and of all different races and creeds. The challenges of accepting others and reaching out to those in need really go back to a basic message learned early on in our faith, ‘to love thy neighbor as thyself.’ It can be often challenging to do, but so necessary in this world where differences are not easily tolerated.”

She says her parents presented strong examples for her in giving back to her community.

“My parents, Robert and Louise Casey, were wonderful examples of using your God-given talents and investing them in your school and church communities. My mother, Louise, who graduated from St. Joseph High School in 1938, was active in constructing costumes for the Holy Name High School Drama Club under Brother Chris, and my father, who was a master carpenter, built the simple cinder block ticket booth at the Holy Name Football Field in the late 1960s. I believe that the shell still remains there today [Writer’s note: the ticket booth is still by the HNCS Football Field today]. My mentoring activities, teaching sewing to young girls, and hosting women’s breakfasts in my Church were directly a result of what I witnessed from my parents.” (Bob’s mother Catherine McGinn also graduated from St. Joseph High School in 1925.)

“Holy Name High School was an idyllic place back then,” Bob concluded. “I cherish those times. It was one of the great disappointments of my life when Holy Name High School closed. I am thrilled that the current school is doing so well.”

For more information on Holy Name, contact the school at (906) 786-7550, visit www.holynamercrusaders.com or find Holy Name Catholic School on Facebook.

POLLY GROOS RETIRES AFTER TEACHING AT HOLY NAME CATHOLIC SCHOOL FOR 19 YEARS

By Victoria LaFave

Many students who have gone through Holy Name Catholic School have had the good fortune of learning from Mrs. Polly Groos. After teaching at Holy Name for 19 years, Mrs. Groos retired this past June.

Mrs. Groos, who most recently served as a first grade teacher, also taught kindergarten, Title I, along with third and fourth grades over her 19-year tenure at Holy Name. She says she feels fortunate to have been able to also teach her students about the Catholic faith at Holy Name, and is grateful for the lessons her students, parents, and co-workers have taught her.

Before teaching at Holy Name, Mrs. Groos started her teaching career as a CCD teacher during her high school and college years, and as a student teacher at Houghton Area Schools. After earning her bachelor's degree from Northern Michigan University, she worked as a special education teacher and as a first, second and third grade teacher at Ewen Trout Creek School and also as a special education teacher at Bloomfield School in Bloomfield, New Mexico, where she learned and enjoyed the Navajo culture with her students and fellow educators.

She also studied toward a master's degree at Northern Michigan University and San Juan College in Farmington, New Mexico, focusing her studies on special education and psychology.

A graduate of Ewen Trout Creek High School, Groos taught at ETC from 1975 to 1984, then moved to Escanaba, married and started a family. She was happy to start teaching at Holy Name in 1999 where her children Jamie and Cara attended. Mrs. Groos and her husband Jim belong to St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church in Wells.

"I would like to thank all of my colleagues and staff at Holy Name Catholic School throughout the years for their friendship and support. I could not have had a more rewarding career," Mrs. Groos said. "I have always tried to meet the individual learning needs of my students and have tried to encourage them to not give up when faced with a challenge. I have been truly blessed to have been a part of this great school."

Mrs. Groos said she will miss seeing the students every school day at Holy Name. "I will miss the daily interaction with the students, parents, and the wonderful staff. I am so proud to say that I am retiring from such a great school. Holy Name students, staff and families will always be in my heart."

The staff will surely miss Mrs. Groos, who brought a great deal of knowledge and experience to Holy Name, and, most importantly, love to her students. "Mrs. Groos is a very dedicated and caring teacher," Holy Name Catholic School Principal Joseph Carlson said. "She has gone above and beyond for her students, and will be missed."

Mrs. Groos's co-workers agree with Mr. Carlson: One of her fellow Holy Name Catholic School teachers, Marlene McNamee, said of her time working with Polly: "She is a fabulous teacher and I've learned many things from her."

Another one of Mrs. Groos's fellow teachers, Michelle Carne, agrees: "Polly is an amazing person with a huge heart."

Mrs. Groos's caring spirit has filled the hearts of her students over the years, and her smile and caring personality will be missed. For more information on Holy Name Catholic School, located at 409 So. 22nd Street, please call the school office at 786-7550.

Beth Severinsen, who was a shared services teacher at Holy Name Catholic School, recently retired as well. Mrs. Severinsen was recognized with Mrs. Groos at their retirement party in May. Mrs. Severinsen, who was an employee of Stephenson Area Public Schools, taught physical education, technology and Spanish for eight years at Holy Name Catholic School.



**NOW IS THE
TIME!**



**HOLY NAME
CATHOLIC
HIGH SCHOOL**

HOLY NAME CATHOLIC SCHOOL STAFF

Principal	Joseph Carlson
Pre-School	Carissa Crawford
Pre-School	Jackie Wiltzius
Readiness Kindergarten	Judy LaMarch
Developmental Kindergarten	Angela LaBay
Developmental Kindergarten	Marlene McNamee
1 st Grade	Michelle Carne
1 st Grade	Debra Casey
2 nd Grade	Kim Bessonon
3 rd Grade	Brigette Hartges
4 th Grade	Anne Cashen
4 th Grade	Mike Lepisto
5 th Grade	Mark Chouinard
5 th Grade	Amber Racicot
6 th Grade	Michelle Fox
7 th Grade	Amy Prey
8 th Grade	Rhonda Bernson
Science	Tim Barron
Catholic Faith	Kate Veaser

HOLY NAME CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

Rev. Eric Olson • Rev. Francis DeGroot • Rev. Rick Courier
Karen Bougie • Matt Flath • Troy Mosier • Heidi Charon
Mickey Trottier • Les Cseter • Amber Hartman

HOLY NAME CLASS OF 1958

Class of 1958 celebrate their 60th reunion.
Louie Pach, Marilyn "Trenary" Manninen, Mike Lynaugh,
Donna "Germain" Syemour, Tony Derkos, Pat "Lindstrom"
Bugay, Marshall Dupie, Jim Bugay, Jean "DeGrand"
Berres, Ken Gartland, John Gannon, Carol Jean Peterson,
Wayne Corcoran, Dale Richer, Nant "LaFave" Victorson,
Jude Collins, Phil Derouin, Sharon Cloutier, Bill Charon, Bill
Nault, Barbara "Tardiff" Pfiester, Bob Bink, Sid Milkiewicz,
Don Bryson. Missing but attended the reunion are Wally
Severinsen & Phillip Smokovich.



HOLY NAME CLASS OF 1968



Class of 1968 celebrate their 50th reunion.



CRUSADER CORNER

THEN AND NOW



LeeAnn Lewis, Margo Houle, Sandy King, Vicky Lipinski, Diane LaBelle, Kris Schomin, Lynn Butrymowicz



Top row left to right: Coach - Kristy Benoit, Grace Livingston, Emma Hughes, Eila Couchene, Abby Rexford, Bree Gestwicki, Jordan Dagenais, Lily Derkos, Assistant Coach, Lily Benoit. **Bottom row left to right:** Sydney Sands, Kiera Reimer, Kamryn Patmythes, Autumn Pelozo, Piper Burrows



Campaign Prayer

Dear Holy Mother and Good St. Joseph, cover us with your protective mantels and lead us into the Sacred as we begin this prayer. We trust you will place it before the holy throne of God and upon His high altar and that He will receive and sanctify our petition.

Eternal Father, thank you for the gift of children and the parental right to educate them. You always provide for our needs. Please bless our fundraising efforts to re-open Holy Name Catholic High School. We ask for patience and perseverance as we pursue the funds necessary for our school. Please open the hearts of generous donors. We beg the intercession of St.

John Bosco, patron saint of students and builders of schools, and St. Thomas Aquinas, Angelic Doctor of the Church, patron of schools and wisdom for students. Pray for us! Thank you Lord ahead of time for all you are going to do. Holy angels and St. Michael, pray for us! We ask all this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

HOLY NAME CATHOLIC SCHOOL CELEBRATES CLASS OF 2018 WITH SPECIAL MASS AND GRADUATION CEREMONY

By Victoria LaFave

ESCANABA – Holy Name Catholic School celebrated the eighth grade Class of 2018 on Tuesday, June 5 with a special Mass at St. Joseph and St. Patrick’s Church, followed by a ceremony in the Holy Name Catholic School Gymnasium. The 17 graduates in the Class of 2018 are: Front row (left to right): Braden Beauchamp, Nicholas Derkos, Salutatorian Joseph Kositzky, Anthony Liss, Rory Schroeder, Stephen Weinert, Adam Willette, and Matthew Zimmerman. Top row: (left to right): Bailey Barron, Eila Couchene, Jordan Dagenais, Morgan Gartland, Breeanna Gestwicki, Savannah Kobasic, Valedictorian Allison Korpi, Vanessa LaPalm, and Abigail Rexford.

Both the Valedictorian Allison Korpi and Salutatorian Joseph Kositzky, earned a 4.0 GPA throughout the three middle school years. However, Korpi earned eight A+ grades (a record-breaking amount for HNCS Middle School), with Kositzky earning two A+’s throughout his middle school career.

At the graduation ceremony, all of the graduates were given Holy Bibles as graduation gifts with their class Bible verse bookmarked: “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.” – Philippians 4:13.

Holy Name Catholic School, located at 409 So. 22nd Street, is currently offering open registration for new students for the 2018-19 school year. Please call the school office at (906) 786-7550 for more information.





Tickets available... Only 500 tickets will be sold!
 (If interested in a chance to win, call 906-786-7550 Ext.10)
 We accept credit cards, checks and cash.

1st Prize - \$10,000 • 2nd Prize - \$5,000 • 3rd Prize - \$2,500
4th Prize - \$1,500 • 5th Prize - \$1,000

Drawing to be held at Holy Name Catholic School in the Charlie Cretens Gymnasium
 8:00 p.m. on April 27th, 2019 at the Spring Fling. **Tickets: \$100.00**

2018 CRUSADER CASH RAFFLE WINNERS

Congratulations to the 2018 Crusader Cash Raffle winners.

1st Prize - \$10,000 Ann Crispigna • **2nd Prize - \$5,000** Susan & Greg Jarvey
3rd Prize - \$2,500 Jerry Guindon • **4th Prize - \$1,500** Wayne Johnson • **5th Prize - \$1,000** Tad Fountaine

THANK YOU & UPCOMING EVENTS

Thank you to Ken Gartland, class of 1958 for donating yearbooks

Thank you to Pat Scheuren class of 1971 for donating Crusader Sports Write Ups

****If you have old memorabilia--DON'T THROW IT AWAY-- Please donate it to Holy Name****
 Contact Michelle Bink at alumni@holynamecrusaders.com or **906-786-7550**

- **Thursday, September 27th:** Grandparents mass in gym @ 9:10 am & multi-purpose room showing directly after mass
 - **Friday, November 2nd:** All Saints Festival 6-8 pm
 - **Friday, December 7th:** Christmas Program @ 1pm in gym
- **Saturday, April 27th:** Spring Fling (All Sports Tailgate) 4:30 pm - midnight

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

REVENUE

Tuition and Fees.....	\$763,958
Tuition Assistance.....	150,890
Parish Subsidies.....	440,450
Diocesan Revenue.....	57,606
Donations and Fundraising.....	335,800
Rental and Investment Income.....	107,570
Other Income.....	5,150
Hot Lunch Revenue.....	86,398
Total Revenue.....	\$1,947,823

EXPENSES

Salaries and Benefits.....	\$1,188,789
Instruction.....	43,243
Student Transportation and Activities.....	17,778
Administration.....	324,080
Occupancy.....	74,733
Capital Outlay.....	101,483
Hot Lunch Expenses.....	86,030
Total Expenses.....	\$1,836,136

Year End Fund Balance..... \$1,947,823

Revenues were excellent for the year, exceeding the annual budget and the prior year in every major category. Revenue overall far exceeded expenses, resulting in an addition of more than \$110,000 to the school's fund balance. Better than expected tuition revenue was driven by growing enrollment. Personnel expenses, which make up approximately 65% of the school's entire budget, were within 1% of the budgeted figure for the year. The expense category with the most significant negative variance to budget was Administration. This negative result was caused by more scholarships being awarded than had been budgeted. Overall, the Holy Name Catholic School had an excellent year from a financial standpoint.

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Where you can have it all!



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