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*Turning  
Challenges into  
Opportunities*



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Dear Hendricken family and friends,

On May 16th, our Young Men's (and this year, ladies') Chorus held its final concert and performed a song entitled, "Be a Light." The refrain went like this: "In a world full of hate...be a light!"

With gratitude to Almighty God as we reflect on this end of the 2021-2022 Academic Year, we know that our world is struggling with hate, discord, and difficulties. But let me assure you, from the classroom to the band room to the board room; from the theater to the labs to the gyms; from the playing fields here on campus and throughout New England; from our Dr. Frank A. DeLucia '70 Leadership Center for Excellence to our newly renovated, and soon to be, state-of-the-art Michel R. Benoit '70 & John A. Benoit '82 Collaborative Learning Center; and to so many other places here and around the globe: our Hendricken men – past and present – are "being the light!"

From where I am privileged to sit as President, I see it every day. I marvel at the difference we make as men of faith and character with hope and generous spirit. Our school touches and changes lives.

As you know, we recently made history with the classic return of Epoch: The 2022 Gala for Hendricken. With campus transformed for "An Evening in Italy," we raised a record amount of tuition assistance – \$270,155.04 – to bring more young men into the green and gold fold. We were honored to welcome back Br. James Kevin Devlin, C.F.C. and Br. Vincent McNally, C.F.C. to spend a few days with us celebrating

our past and rejoicing in the vision of our future. They marveled at the jewel that is ours via our students, faculty, staff, parents, and supporters on a campus that is being transformed daily to serve the needs of all.

As summer dawns, and the days get longer, may the sun that warms you and your families remind us always of the Son that has warmed our lives with His Light, so that we, with pride and commitment, can show His light to others.

Assuring you of a remembrance in my Masses and prayers, and those of our Hendricken men, I am,

Gratefully and sincerely,

**Fr. Robert L. Marciano, KHS '75**  
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## OUR MISSION

**THE MISSION OF BISHOP HENDRICKEN IS TO BUILD AND STRENGTHEN THE RELATIONSHIP OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY WITH GOD: FATHER, SON AND HOLY SPIRIT. WE DO THIS THROUGH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE TOTAL PERSON: HEART, MIND, BODY AND SOUL.**



This has been a year of refocusing and rebuilding at Bishop Hendricken. And while we've made great strides, there is always still plenty of work to do.

As Chaplain, I'm eternally grateful for our new Director of Campus Ministry, Mark McPhillips '08, who joined us this year. He has led the charge in reaffirming Campus Ministry as a force in the lives of our students following COVID. We've brought back the class retreats, mission trips, and held our first, full-fledged and unmodified Hunger Walk in three years! Even the simple reopening of the Campus Ministry suite where students can come and relax during lunches and free periods has been a blessing.

Every rebuild is an opportunity to institute new ideas, too. We've started offering monthly Mass for each grade level. There was the first annual student-organized dodgeball game following the Hunger Walk to raise funds for Mission Peru. Then, there was perhaps the most special moment for me this year as Chaplain: we put together a Confirmation program for three of our seniors, on whom I had the privilege of conferring that sacrament at our last school-wide Mass, the Feast of the Ascension.

With all that, perhaps one of the greatest successes to mention was our new Hawks Helping Hawks campaign. Many of our families already make great sacrifices to afford the tuition at Bishop Hendricken, and many of those families struggle to provide their sons with a good lunch each day. This year, a greater number of families asked for help in this area than usual. Recognizing the need, we reached out to our alumni to help fund this program, and they responded in droves. We were able to make sure each of the families who needed assistance got it. Hendricken men always have each other's backs – the true mark of being called for more!

With summer beginning, we all start to slow down a bit. Mr. McPhillips, who I mentioned earlier, is getting married! Please say a prayer for him and his new bride. But the work never completely stops – we're already making plans for next fall. We've got a great new group of Peer Ministers who will be planning retreats and sending welcome cards to our incoming freshmen and 8th grade SELECT students. Our sports and theatre camps are running for kids from all over, giving each a glimpse of what makes Hendricken so special. The Campus Ministry suite and chapel will be getting a good scrub down, too! All this in preparation for another year of fulfilling the mission of Bishop Hendricken High School: to build and strengthen the relationship of all members of the school community with God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Live, Jesus, in our hearts. Forever!

**Fr. Brian Morris '03, Chaplain**

**It's a tired joke teasing how efficiently one is instructed in the subject of grammar in Catholic schools. If you've attended a parochial school, however, you know there is much more to Catholic education than knowing when I comes before E...and reciting the exceptions.**

Catholic school interest and enrollment is climbing.

The National Catholic Education Association (NCEA) reports that from fall 2021 to fall 2022, Catholic school enrollment increased 3.8% — the first increase in two decades which comes after a decline of 6.4% in 2019-2020 — the greatest enrollment decline in the past 50 years. If you've been anywhere near a Catholic school lately you know that rise is not coincidence...and it's sure not because of a heavy grammar course load.

Meanwhile, the Diocese of Providence saw an increase of 4.85% for the 2020-2021 academic year, reflecting an enrollment of an additional of 445 students across all schools.

For the most part, the success of parochial schools is not new or surprising. Researchers studying Catholic education over the past 20 years have identified multiple theories explaining a renewed sense of popularity with families. They've recognized principles of involvement, commitment, and common values shared between schools and families, higher levels of discipline and order, and extremely effective policies regarding coursework, homework, and ability load. Above all, they've seen a prevailing philosophy guiding students' growth in the Catholic faith and the development of heart, mind, body, spirit.

"The history of Catholic education was born out of the Church's mission to educate the poor. Religious orders were founded so Gospel values could be given to all, regardless of their wealth or lack of wealth," explains Bishop Hendricken President Fr. Robert L. Marciano, KHS '75. "This remains the heart and soul of our Hendricken mission to this day."

Principal Mark DeCiccio '03 describes Hendricken as not just a place where religion is a required course. He explains his own success as a result of the educational foundation that "was laid right here. I found out which way to go."

"Hendricken develops the whole person with a mission to develop a well-rounded leader," DeCiccio added. "With thriving programs in academics, the arts, and athletics, there's always something for everyone." A check around at other local Catholic schools and it's evident that a Hendricken education has created the very leaders DeCiccio references. Hendricken graduates are working as teachers and administrators in Catholic education, and in a multitude of ways, contributing to its rise especially through the COVID-19 pandemic.

Brian Cordeiro '99, Principal of St. Philomena School in Portsmouth, explained that COVID "helped us reframe our priorities." He believes Catholic schools are especially adept at adapting to better serve students – a significant reason as to why parents flocked to them across the nation during the pandemic.

And while flexibility is important, Cordeiro believes that St. Philomena School's – and Catholic education in general – commitment to service is a clear and classic differentiator for families. His school community works on service projects with organizations like My Brother's Keeper, The Martin Luther King, Jr. Center, The Center for Nonviolence, and nursing and assisted-living facilities around Aquidneck Island. At Christmas, the entire school visits nursing homes, bringing supplies they've collected as part of their "Mission in Motion" project.

It's these mission-centered and uniquely Catholic initiatives that Cordeiro believes are the difference maker, not only in educating students, but also in attracting families to St. Philomena and other Catholic schools.

*Pictured right: Brian Cordeiro '99, Principal of St. Philomena School, speaks during an assembly at which he was presented the Distinguished Elementary School Principal of the Year Award in 2018.*



A man with a shaved head, wearing a grey suit, white shirt, and blue patterned tie, is speaking into a black microphone. He is wearing a red lanyard with white text that reads "School - Courage & Conviction". He also has a name tag that says "MR. CORDERO" and "ST. PHILIP'S SCHOOL". The background is a blurred crowd of people, some wearing yellow and blue clothing.

*“COVID helped reframe our priorities...our parents are looking for something more...something that only Catholic education can provide.”*

*The Rise of*  
**Catholic  
Education**

*This page, pictured below: Ryan Cox '14, Director of Music and math teacher at The Prout School, conducts a chorus rehearsal with his students. Right page, pictured top: Dave Curtis '97, Director of Advancement at Bishop Feehan High School, poses with a fellow administrator.*



“The parents, students and teachers are excited to do this work together,” Cordeiro said. “Our parents are looking for something more – something that only Catholic education can provide. If they weren’t, they’d be happy with their hometown schools.”

Cordeiro recognized the need for good Catholic school leadership early in his career. After teaching at Bishop Hendricken for eight years out of college and creating the arts program as it is known today, he pursued a master’s in Catholic school leadership at Boston College. The reason? He saw good teachers were being lured away to higher-paying public school jobs. He wanted to help preserve the transformative nature of Catholic education. “Being a person of faith means to be a part of a community. Coming into a relationship with Jesus can’t be better communicated than in action,” Cordeiro said, smiling. “Children are the best showcase to show the love of God.”

David Curtis ‘97, the Director of Advancement at Bishop Feehan High School in Attleboro, tells the Catholic school mission manifesting through action in a different way. From mid-March 2020 through mid-May 2020, from “normal life to no one in school,” and a complete shift in the day-to-day administration and decision-making at Feehan, Curtis was dealing with a highly discouraging situation being experienced by some Feehan parents.

Eighty families had notified the school unsure whether their child(ren) would be able to return once it reopened because of a family member’s job loss and their inability to pay tuition. A common thread amongst them all was that they had no desire to leave Feehan and Catholic education. “It was a whole bunch of people and a positively transformational experience for them,” Curtis recalled.

As each family’s specific circumstance was forwarded to him, it was Curtis’ job as fundraising chief to identify alumni capable of and agreeable to sponsoring students.

“Mostly, there was someone out there who said, ‘Make sure the kids who said, ‘I want Feehan’ can have Feehan.’ Every one of

them was able to make Feehan work for students who would have otherwise had to leave,” Curtis said.

Since graduating in 1997 and following a stint as the school’s Director of Communications, Curtis has stayed in touch with Hendricken and many of his fellow classmates. He says when they get together inevitably the “themes, values, and strong roots in the Catholic faith learned and practiced” at the school come up in their recollections.

He sees the values — those “soaked in my pores at Hendricken and still relevant 25 years later” — behind his real and natural response of creativity and faith when helping those 80 families.

“In an age when Catholic education and the Church are not as widely celebrated and extolled as in their past, a Catholic school can survive and thrive because we have amazing opportunities for kids. That’s the commonality of stories we’ve told,” Curtis declares.

Ryan Cox ‘14, The Prout School’s Music Director and a member of the math faculty, recalled how his participation in Hendricken’s performing arts programs prepared him for some hard work at Prout during the pandemic. “Hendricken saved my life with that stuff,” he exclaimed. Calling himself the “nerd who always liked school,” Cox got involved in the Arts at Bishop Hendricken soon into his freshman year. From playing instruments to arranging music to a cappella singing, Cox worked both sides of the Hendricken stage while here. But practicing and improving his performance skills wasn’t all he learned in those rooms at the end of the 400 wing.

“It’s okay for a male to be good in arts, music, acting — Hendricken has always been good at building that up. It’s okay to be someone who likes music first. It doesn’t mean you’re less of a man.”

From his experience as a student to his current role at Prout, Cox contends that Catholic schools are tremendously supportive of the arts and other extracurricular activities, especially those which are traditionally underrepresented in public schools.

So, when the pandemic threatened to halt performing arts programs, arts educators in Catholic schools, such as Cox, got creative.

“We discussed not ‘can we or can’t we,’ but how do we make it possible?” Cox explained. Needing to find the space for the theater kids to use while distanced was a significant problem. So for two weeks, teachers unbolted and removed seats from Prout’s auditorium to make room for the kids to rehearse.

“We were able to keep students together during a challenging time” he said. “We kept them interested and participating. I think that’s the Catholic school spirit. It’s special and different.”

Cox, Curtis, and Cordeiro – and many others – are carrying that spirit to students, parents, faculty, and staff at Catholic schools locally and beyond. A spirit that was instilled in them at 2615 Warwick Avenue.



*Frank Galligan '03, Dr. Chip McGair '94, and Mark DeCiccio '03*

## School leadership built at Hendricken

Since 2009, the Rhode Island Association of School Principals has awarded the First Year Principal Award to a fledgling school leader who has accomplished excellent work in his or her first principalship.

Of the 13 recipients to ever receive the award, 3 are Hendricken men. Mark DeCiccio '03, Dr. Chip McGair '94, and Frank Galligan '03 are all recipients of the prestigious honor courtesy of nominations from their school communities, including superintendents, administrators, fellow principals, teachers, and staff. “It was a tremendous honor, and really, a reflection of our school community,” McGair said. “It means that people outside of our school recognize that we’re doing good things together.”

Of the Bishop Hendricken graduates to earn the award, DeCiccio was the first in 2018 while serving as Principal of Samuel Slater Middle School in Pawtucket. Just after, he became the educational leader of his alma mater.

“When I was a student here [at Hendricken], I saw how much the teachers really cared,” DeCiccio said. “They were at your wrestling matches and games; their commitment to us was on another level. I thought it was unique to Hendricken and really inspiring for me to go into education.”

McGair, who earned the 2021 First Year Principal Award during his inaugural year as South Kingstown High School’s leader, echoed similar sentiments when reflecting on his journey. “Hendricken’s ability to recognize leadership opportunities and then foster them was really important for me,” McGair said. “The opportunity to be a captain here and have people put faith in you set the foundation for me. It started here.”

Most recently, Galligan learned that he was the 2022 recipient in a surprise assembly with the students and faculty of Warwick Neck Elementary School just up the road from Hendricken’s campus. “I found that the teachers at Hendricken made learning interesting, relevant, and accessible to me,” Galligan said. “I struggled in Math and Science, and I had teachers here who never gave up on me. That instilled in me the desire to want to pass that on.”

When Galligan was interviewed on being a finalist for the First Year Principal Award, he credited Hendricken’s long-standing Senior Experience program as the catalyst for studying education. “When I did my Senior Experience at St. Paul School, it built up this passion in me to want to go forward and provide kids with the same experiences I had with dedicated teachers and administrators,” Galligan added.

“I left Hendricken looking to do something much different,” McGair followed up. “When I was a Graduate Teaching Assistant for Biotechnology at URI, I found teaching was the best part of my day. So, I switched my Master’s degree and became a teacher.”

Despite their unique paths to education, all agree that Hendricken was instrumental in their development. “I always tell people that Hendricken changed my life for the better twice – once as a student, and again as a professional,” remarked DeCiccio.



# An Epoch night with Epic results!



2615 Warwick Avenue looked more like the sweeping vineyards of Tuscany than a high school on Saturday, April 30, 2022 – and all for a great cause.

Inspired by one of the most successful and eagerly-awaited school events of the 1980s, Epoch: The 2022 Gala for Hendricken was a reimagining of the original fundraiser with the same goal – to help make a Bishop Hendricken education possible for more young men.

Themed “An Evening in Italy,” guests enjoyed a full spread of Italian delicacies, charcuterie, wine, and drinks from Rhode Island’s most beloved restaurateurs. The evening culminated in remarks from special guests and honorees: Judge Frank Caprio H’22, P’84, P’85; Br. Vincent McNally, C.F.C. and Br. James Devlin, C.F.C. on behalf of the posthumously honored Br. Richard K. Grondin, C.F.C.; and Gary E. Furtado P’02. Most importantly, this year’s edition of Epoch set a giving record.







With the help of generous attendees, donors, sponsors, and bidders, Epoch: The 2022 Gala for Hendricken raised \$270,155.04 for tuition assistance – the single greatest total in modern gala history! This total is a direct investment in the young men who desire a Bishop Hendricken education but need some help to make it a reality.

In the words of David Santana '22 and Dylan Tupaz '25, who both offered remarks during the gala's Fund the Future presentation: "Your gifts change not only one life, but multiple, including mine."

Sincerest gratitude to the evening's many sponsors, student and parent volunteers, participating restaurants, beverage and food suppliers, and more.



# Grandparents revitalize lunchtime

“Can I have something to eat? I’m so hungry!” “How hungry are you,” she asks him. “Like 10 outta 10 hungry,” he answers.

This kid knows he can come back to the cafeteria, put on a wistful face, and ask for more because it’s the last lunch of the day, there might be leftovers, and they won’t say no. They never say no.

“They” are the “esteemed lunch ladies” as this group of volunteer women, and a couple of men, are known by some of the students. Five days a week they operate an extremely organized lunch period at Bishop Hendricken — an effort that marks a noticeable improvement from the last few years and can be credited, in large part, to the hard work and commitment of this crew.

Long gone are the days of sandwiches and cookies brought from home or pints of milk bought at school. These days, lunch is ordered online and delivered to school the next day. Or buy a meal that has been cooked by volunteers that day and is still warm. At Hendricken, cafeteria food is no longer a joking matter.

COVID-19 altered so much of how schools functioned, and the cafeteria was no different. Fr. Robert L. Marciano, KHS ‘75, President, explained, “Our old company decided not to renew its contract with us in 2020, so we found a local alternative for 2021. That school year was difficult for the students because they could only come to the cafeteria to pick up drinks and purchase items from the vending machines. They had to eat in their homerooms, or outside if the weather was good.”

That left the school with the question of what to do for the 2021-2022 Academic Year. After a search, Campus Cuisine, a school lunch service available to private schools nationwide, was chosen. The company offers families the opportunity to order and pay for meals online from local franchises of national chains like Chick-fil-A, Domino’s, and Jersey Mike’s, as well as from local restaurants like Tío Mateo’s and PB & J’s. Each of these restaurants was under contract to Hendricken for service one day a week. “But in order to make this work, we needed a staff,” Fr. Marciano said.

Enter Denise Raab, hired to manage the cafeteria, and this new team of volunteers — most of them parishioners of St. Kevin’s Parish just up the road.

“This is characteristic of the Hendricken whole team effort,” Fr. Marciano said. “When Hendricken encounters a problem to solve, we find the solution in the people who are



## Thank you to the 2021-2022 kitchen crew volunteers led by Denise Raab, Director of Food Services!

Roz Abatiello  
Rick & Judy Brown  
Nancy DeCosta  
Sheila Hopkins  
Colonel Steven McCartney  
Judy O’Neil  
Miriam “Mim” Sloane

part of our family.” And in the beginning, not only did they staff the cafeteria, but also developed a whole new lunchtime operation with the goal of streamlining the process for their customers (i.e., the students!).

And when they first began not only did they staff the cafeteria but also developed a whole new lunchtime operation with the goal of streamlining the process for their customers. Now they do more than just serve the restaurant meals and sell drinks and fruit to those kids that have brought it or ordered freshly cooked meals. The staff is at Hendricken almost two hours before lunch cooking.

“We kept modifying it so it would move faster. The time goes by quickly for them,” said Raab. She explained that what used to take students 15 minutes to wind through the lunch line and pick up their food now only takes five—giving the kids more time to enjoy.

“Some of these volunteers are grandparents. What makes a grandparent’s day better than seeing your happy grandson come through the lunch line?” Fr. Bob asks, lightheartedly.



## Prioritizing Wellness

“How are you today?” A simple and frequent question. So much so that it’s often used as a greeting – “Hey, how’s it going?” But how seriously and honestly does one respond?

Hendricken Cares, a new initiative launched by Bishop Hendricken during Mental Health Awareness Month in May, is looking to get to the very heart of the response. Inspired by the school’s mission and rooted in faith, the mission of Hendricken Cares is to enhance a school culture of psychological, physical, and spiritual well-being through awareness, education, and action. And for the initiative’s leader, this is a movement, not a moment.

“We’re striving for a school culture and climate that doesn’t shy away from talking about issues and experiences,” said Principal Mark DeCiccio ‘03. “We want to be proactive in addressing matters of well-being with students and faculty.”

The Hendricken Cares initiative was first developed at DeCiccio’s suggestion in early 2020 but was quickly halted as the school prioritized its response to the immediate COVID-19 pandemic. Following a near-two-year hiatus, DeCiccio relaunched the initiative with Assistant Principal Natalie Kessimian.

“Originally, Hendricken Cares was a task force to educate students on the harms of vaping and substance abuse,” said DeCiccio. “But, coming out of the pandemic, we realized there were several other areas of wellness that needed to be considered and quickly prioritized, too.”

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The reality was that COVID – with all its social, emotional, and mental impacts – had exacerbated and elucidated pre-existing challenges: spikes in anxiety, depression, isolation, and more.

DeCiccio and Kessimian assembled an interdisciplinary committee to begin planning, including their School Leadership Team of deans, the school social worker, school nurse, chaplain, athletic director, and communications director. “This will be a process that will include everyone on our staff,” Kessimian added. “Once this committee begins the work, it will expand to incorporate teachers, school counselors, coaches, and more. That’s how important this is.” At the same time, an expert resource with deep Hendricken ties connected with the school leadership.

Dr. Francine “Fran” Pingitore-Hutchison P’20 is the Clinical Director for the Division of Pediatric Integrated Health at Hasbro Children’s Hospital. In addition to her ongoing daily consultation and clinical work, she has served in child and adolescent psychiatry in a variety of settings for the past 35 years. She is also an Associate Professor in both Pediatrics and Psychiatry and Human Behavior at Brown University, and travels nationally presenting on topics of child and adolescent mental illness, group psychotherapy, and secondary trauma.

While she is passionate about her work, she holds that her most important job is being a mom. Her son, Brad Hutchison, Jr., was a member of the Class of 2020, and ranked in the top 20. Brad was an active and committed student in the Arts Academy throughout his four years, performing in every production and event, as well as being involved in several other activities such as serving as a peer mentor in the Options Program.



Photo (top): Mark DeCiccio ‘03, Principal, and Natalie Kessimian, Assistant Principal, smile while meeting with students. Pictured bottom right: Dr. Francine Pingitore-Hutchison and her son, Brad ‘20, pose together during opening night of A Chorus Line at Sacred Heart University.

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Throughout Brad's high school career, Dr. Pingitore-Hutchison was a dedicated arts parent volunteer herself and a staple at productions. Now a sophomore at Sacred Heart University, he has continued to be very successful, both on and off the stage, from a lead in a recent show, to serving as an orientation leader, as well as receiving the prestigious "Freshman of the Year" award.

Her connection to 2615 Warwick Avenue goes back even further, though. Both of her brothers, Joseph Pingitore III and David Pingitore, graduated from the Classes of 1980 and 1985 respectively. The Pingitore family, especially her father, Joseph Pingitore, Jr., was very active and instrumental in the original Epoch fundraiser, too.

"This opportunity started as a result of the 'Cannonball Moments' reflection on St. Ignatius Loyola that Fr. Marciano and Mr. DeCiccio shared in an email," said Dr. Pingitore-Hutchison. "The 'Cannonball Moments' reflection caught my attention as I've had the great blessing of being influenced by the Jesuits. We're called to be servants of the Lord and to 'be of service' to others. For me, being of service by supporting and helping others who are struggling with the goal of healing is my vocation. This was an opportunity to use my expertise to positively support the leadership and most importantly the students through this newly forming initiative." So, Dr. Pingitore-Hutchison dove right into working with the Hendricken Cares committee with "open hands and an open heart."

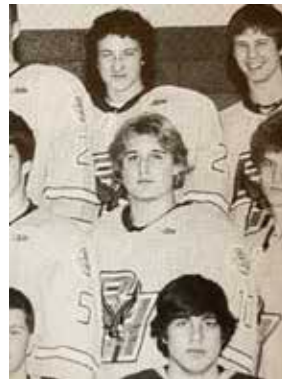
"Hendricken is psychologically-minded having thought about this," Dr. Pingitore-Hutchison said. "In the context of the pandemic, what was already a challenging time in navigating adolescence became even more challenging. That Hendricken really stepped into creating a thoughtful process to address this is so impressive." Through the spring, the Hendricken Cares committee began defining a mission, understanding group dynamics, and assessing their listening and communication skills.

They all agreed that there was a needed first step: talking with students to understand what's really happening daily. "The experts on the student experience, and therefore, the challenges they're facing, are students themselves," said DeCiccio. "We needed to know what students needed prioritized." So, they did just that.

Armed with listening and communication best practices from Dr. Pingitore-Hutchison, all Hendricken Cares committee members held open feedback forums in May for students to drop in and talk about anything they felt needed to be addressed with the school community. All the forums were confidential and non-punitive, meaning feedback was authentic and unfiltered. "Over the summer, our team will really analyze the findings to begin incorporating 'awareness, education, and action' to the issues that were brought up by students," said Kessimian.

As of this article, the Hendricken Cares committee is convening to present their findings from these feedback forums. With Dr. Pingitore-Hutchison, the group will look for trends and themes to be prioritized.

# Bringing the (green and) gold to Lake Placid



In 1980, the United States Olympic Hockey team defeated the Soviet Union in what is known as one of the greatest upsets in sports history. Twenty-two years later, the Hendricken Hawks played on the same ice thanks to two of the program's finest.

David Emma '87 very generously donated a trip for the Varsity Hockey team to visit and compete in Lake Placid, New York this winter, and along with Noel Acciari, outfitted them in brand-new alternate gold jerseys. They wanted to make an impact the student-athletes will never forget.

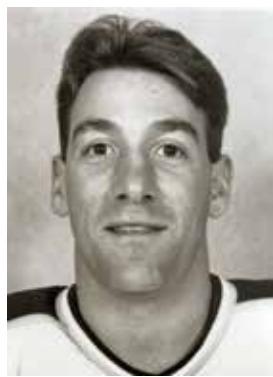
Emma has his own ties to Lake Placid. He fondly recalls the time he spent there with the U.S. team and wanted to share that experience with others.

"To let the players experience the iconic place of the Miracle on Ice," Emma said when asked why he donated the trip. "I'm in a position to give back and one of the things that is really important to me is to give some of the guys the opportunity of a lifetime."

To this day, Emma can recall the feeling he got when he first skated at Lake Placid. "It still remains an iconic place," he said.

When asked why they decided to donate gold jerseys, Acciari said it was a throwback to when he played for Hendricken in 2009; they wore an iconic gold third jersey.

"Walking into Mount [Saint Charles] with those jerseys, we felt awesome." They may not have won every game,



but they felt like they could rule the world, Acciari joked. Going to Hendricken was an “opportunity I will never forget,” said Emma. “I spent my four years trying to live up to the reputation that was set before me,” he remarked, recalling the names of seniors that mentored him as a freshman. Their belief not only helped Emma to grow as a player, but as a man, he noted.

Emma says his only regret from his four years at Hendricken was not being able to bring home a state championship.

But what he accomplished beyond his time here speaks for itself. He’s a member of the hall of fames at Bishop Hendricken, the Rhode Island Interscholastic League, Boston College, and the Rhode Island Hockey Hall of Fame. In college, Emma earned the Hobey Baker Award for top college player in the nation. Internationally, he played twice in the World Junior Championships, once in the World Championships, and once in the Olympics. Over the course of his NHL career, Emma played for the New Jersey Devils, Florida Panthers, and of course, the Boston Bruins.

Although he did not graduate from Bishop Hendricken, Acciari spent two years at 2615 Warwick Avenue and claims it as his high school home.

“They were probably the most fun years of my life,” he remembers. “I still talk to a lot of my buddies [from Hendricken.]” Acciari feels nostalgic when he comes

back to visit, such as when he did as a member of the Providence Bruins in 2016. He brought along with him the NCAA National Championship trophy he earned at Providence College the year prior. He’d later earn his first call-up to the Boston Bruins and make his NHL debut. Following a trip to the Stanley Cup Final with Boston in 2019, Acciari signed with the Florida Panthers and just wrapped up his third season in South Florida.

“When you go to an all-guys school, it lets you be yourself around every other guy,” said Acciari, explaining one of the benefits he received from Hendricken. “It’s a special experience where you can see someone for who they really are.”

When asked what message they had for students, both provided sound advice.

“Never give up on your dreams,” Emma offered. “To believe in yourself, no matter what happens, is how to achieve that dream.”

Acciari remarked that “staying in the moment” is one of the most important things someone can do. “Life moves by very quickly, and if you don’t stop to appreciate where you are, it can pass you by.”

With newfound swagger and support from two of the program’s best, Varsity Hockey captured the 2022 Rhode Island State Championship this March at Schneider Arena – the same ice that Acciari and Emma competed on in college for the Friars and Eagles, respectively.



# HAWK happenings

## Man of the Year Brandyn Durand '22

In April, the School Leadership Team announced that Brandyn Durand '22 was named Bishop Hendricken's 2022 Man of the Year. The most prestigious honor a student can earn, Man of the Year is presented annually to a graduating senior who truly exemplifies the ideals of a Hendricken man: academic success commensurate with his ability, positive attitude toward the Hendricken code of conduct, dedication to service, involvement in the extracurricular life of the school, and strong relationships with those in the school and local communities.

In the classroom, Durand is a strong student who ranks in the top 20% of his class and is described as "excellent, respectful, and intelligent with a charisma and work ethic that is unmatched." He's a member of the National Honor Society and President's List, too. Most importantly, Durand is a servant leader. He proudly serves as a Peer Minister, assisting as a mentor, role model, and advisor for younger students through Campus Ministry.

During his career at Bishop Hendricken, many have come to know Durand as a standout, four-sport student-athlete with unparalleled success in football, indoor track & field, outdoor track & field, and baseball. Last year, he was first team all-state in all these sports. This spring, Durand was also named Rhode Island Student-Athlete of the Year.



## I am my brother's keeper

This February, Lieutenant Commander Kasim Yarn, Rhode Island Director of Veteran Affairs, returned to Bishop Hendricken with his famous phrase: "It's okay not to be okay." He was invited back to host an open forum on race in honor of Black History Month. "This conversation is going to be emotional," said Director Yarn. "That's okay because the things we're going to talk about are challenging. But this is what the world looks like. Are you going to be defined by it? Or are you going to be an instrument of change?"

As part of the discussion, Yarn recounted growing up in Mississippi, serving in the U.S. Navy, losing his son to addiction, navigating his faith journey, and his current service to Rhode Island's veterans. Impassioned and emotional through all his stories, Yarn reminded students that there is strength and courage in being vulnerable. In addressing issues of racial discrimination, bullying, and intolerance, Director Yarn challenged the Hendricken community to look itself in the mirror and pledge: "That [discrimination] may happen at another school. But not here. Not on my watch. Because I am my brother's keeper."

When asked what he wanted students to take away from his speaking program, Yarn noted three mantras: Live, Jesus, in our hearts. Forever!; I am my brother's keeper; and It's okay not to be okay.



## Hawks for Her

Over the past year, “Hawks for Her” emerged as a new club at Bishop Hendricken which sets out to promote and uplift female empowerment within the community. The idea formed when a group of students approached faculty seeking to create a group that could honor the women who contribute to Hendricken’s unique community. One of the club’s founding members, Nicholas Fetter ’22, wrote about how the women in his life have been influential in his time at Hendricken, saying, “As a member of Hawks for Her, the brotherhood fostered in the club is reflective of the fact that women are, and forever will be, essential to the success of the Hendricken family. A family that recognizes and humbly respects those who have, and continue to make a positive impact, on the lives of others.” The club began by highlighting some of Hendricken’s most influential women on social media. As part of Women’s History Month, the group also took up a letter-writing campaign to the women who serve on Hendricken’s faculty and staff, expressing gratitude and appreciation for the work they do. But the club has not stayed within the walls of 2615 Warwick Avenue. Hawks for Her hosted a schoolwide dress down which raised over \$1,000 to benefit The Carin MacLean Foundation, a non-profit charity helping mothers battling cancer. The group also gifted Mother’s Day flowers and cards to each faculty and staff mother in the building this May.



**HAWK**

# happenings



## A Rhody First

McNally Gym was bustling with packed crowds and cheering this winter, but not for basketball. The Arts at Bishop Hendricken hosted Rhode Island’s first-ever show choir competition, the Lil’ Rhody Rumble, in March. The event was hosted by “Paramount,” Bishop Hendricken and Rhode Island’s first and only competitive show choir.

Show choir is a high-energy performance that combines dancing and singing into a 15-minute show featuring music from a variety of genres. The Lil’ Rhody Rumble featured 9 high school choirs from around New England and over 800 attendees.

Waltham High School’s competitive show choir, “Music Unlimited,” took home the Grand Championship at the inaugural festival, completing a record season of four total titles. “Paramount” performed an exhibition performance during the Lil’ Rhody Rumble but earned four runner-up finishes at each of this season’s competitions. To date, the group has earned several grand championships, best choreography, best vocals, best band, best crew, best show design, best soloists medals, and more. The group competes in the New England circuit’s small mixed (co-educational) division.





Casey Sheehan '10

If you're reading this, you know someone who knows Lady Gaga—and who is known by Lady Gaga. He doesn't think it's such a big deal anymore, but then again, he just finished shooting a feature film, due out this winter, starring Ryan Reynolds and Will Ferrell. Watch for Spirited, a Christmas musical based on Scrooge and shot in Boston. Then be sure to look for Casey Sheehan '10 in the film's credits. There was not much by way of a dance program or theater classes when Sheehan was a student at Hendricken — the only dance parts coming when musicals were produced. But performing in those few musicals "gave me a taste," he said.

"I liked to sing and dance but that made me shy. That moment when I was dancing didn't make me feel shy. It made me feel like me." With greater experience on stage, he sensed more of a purpose at school. Hendricken felt like a new school. Then in his senior year, he played the "Beast" in Disney's Beauty and the Beast, a role with no dancing, but instead growling and snorting — a challenge for someone used to the "pretty boy melodic vocals."

The full segue from theater to dance happened in his years at Salve Regina University, and Casey has never looked back. He found that "I didn't feel like the superhero I do when I dance. Dancing, I feel in full control." Since graduating from Salve Regina and dancing professionally, Casey has worked supplementing the Lady Gaga gig in other areas — from singing in a boy band, developing choreography, teaching dance, and as a freelance performer with Élan Artists, an event company based in New York City. And along with dancing with Lady Gaga, he also performed with Alicia Keys before an audience of 130,000 in Italy.

He lets the "rush of excitement, gratitude, adrenaline, and happiness" prepare him for performances. "In a prayer moment I do before a show, I always dedicate the performance to someone else and that grounds me." And he doesn't take for granted his profession as a dancer and being successful doing something he loves. "I'm very blessed to have reached the heights I have," he says. ■

# CLASS NOTES

## 1962

**James Jacques '62** will be hosting a class reunion on August 4, 2022, from Noon to 5 at the EG Fireman's Club.

## 1963

**James Casey '63** is happily residing in Maine to be closer to his children and grandchildren. He hopes everyone from all classes are doing well.



## 1964

**Richard Payne '64** is the Chairman of the Loudoun County Virginia Commission on Aging (COA).

**James Coyle '64** retired in 2019 after 33 years as a Vietnam analyst/linguist with the U.S. Department of Defense.

**Edward O'Hara '64** is now retired and spends half the year Naples, Florida and the other half on Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey

## 1967

**Richard LaPorte '67** worked as a warehouse manager for Ann & Hope for 35 years and moved down to Florida in 2001.

**Charles Fanning '67** attended Providence College, earning a BA degree in History.

**Robert Strom '67** just retired recently in April after over 22 years of Public Service and over fifty years of work in the Financial Industry.

**Gene D'Ovidio '67** has finally retired and moved to Rome with his wife for the coming year.

## 1968

**James Berard '68** is happily celebrating 51 years of marriage to his lovely wife. He worked as the Director of IT operations and infrastructure for the state as well as working for RI Corrections for 35 years.

## 1969

**Robert Impagliazzo '69** is a semi-retired dentist who is still practicing with two children.

## 1970

**Paul Cardullo '70** and his family started Four Winds Senior Care Consultant who specialize in assisting families place their loved ones in an appropriate assisted living community.

**Buddy Croft '70** and his wife, Shelly, are blessed with 11 grandchildren.

## 1971

**Steve Manzi '71** and his wife are happy to be back in New England after 30 years in California. Steve retired from being a mechanical engineer and spends his time day trading stock options.

**David Pinault '71** recently had his novel "Providence Blue: A Fantasy Quest" published by Ignatius Press in San Francisco.

## 1972

**Jay Conway '72** retired from RDW Group, one of Providence's top advertising and public relations agencies.



## 1973

**Barry Butler '73** happily lives in Maine on the shores of Sebago Lake where he is enjoying retirement with his wife of 41 years, Susan.

## 1974

**Robert Brennan '74** has been married for 45 years and retired from Pepsi Cola after 38 years of working in Quality Control. He has 2 daughters and 4 grandchildren.

## 1975

**Kevin McDevitt '75** and his wife, Nancy, spearheaded the Hawks Helping Haiti initiative. On behalf of Bishop Hendricken and the donors that contributed, the couple presented a \$6,500 check to Catholic Relief Services.

## 1976

**Anthony Masullo '76** retired from Pfizer in 2019 after almost 50 years of service. He enjoys boating, cycling, and spending time with extended family.

**Thomas Gallagher '76** is happily retired after service.



## 1977

**Francis X. Jarvis, Jr. '77** has been happily married to his wife, Lynn, for 35 years and is living in Cape Cod (Craigville Beach).

**Frank Miller '77** has worked at UTHSCSA for 21 years and retired from USAF Reserves in 2014.

## 1979

**Dave Rainone '79** is living in Roswell, GA, where he is leading the JLL Real Estate Team at the Coca-Cola Headquarters

## 1980

**Dan Pendergast '80** retired as an Air Force Reserve Colonel. He then retired from Collins Aerospace in 2020 and currently works for the Chesapeake Region Accessible Boating Charity in Annapolis, MD.

**Joseph Gillis Jr. '80** is working at Tufts Medical Center in Boston, MA, directing Population Health programs.

**George Roberts '80** works at RBS as a System Analyst and continues working there supporting Mainframe based financial applications. He will be celebrating his 29th anniversary with his wife, Kerry, in October.

## 1981

**Stephen Jackson '81** has recently moved to New Hampshire.

**Richard Bergeron '81** retired in 2021 and is looking forward to getting married and raising a family again.

## 1982

**John DePetro '82** broadcast his radio show from the war in Ukraine during the month of March. DePetro was also seen on Newsmax TV from the war zone.

**Matthew Smith '82** is still serving as Chief Judge of the City of

Cranston Municipal and Housing Court.

**Steve Reilly '82** is looking forward to hosting the Class of 1982's 40th Reunion on Saturday, September 24, 2022. Times and venue to follow soon!

## 1983

**Jim Langevin '83** has opted not to seek re-election to stay closer to home and spend more time with friends and family.

**R. Harold Thomas Jr. '83** is an ASE Master Collision Certified Technician as well as an I-Car Platinum Technician. He currently owns and operates Hal's Autobody and Collision Center in Wakefield, RI.

## 1984

**Rick Angeli '84** accepted the position as South Kingstown High School's hockey coach and led the Rebels to win their first-ever state championship. He also won the 2022 Men's Senior Club Championship at Potowomut Golf Club in June.

**Stephen Segatore '84** has served on the medical staff at UMASS and on the Board of Directors for Community Care Cooperative.

## 1986

**Kevin Carter '86** is now loving his job at a cheese and wine shop after being a self-employed chef for 20 years.

## 1987

**David Emma '87** helped to fund the 2021-2022's hockey team's trip to Lake Placid, New York to take on the Northwood School.

## 1988

**Rob Gaudreau '88** has been named to the Rhode Island Hockey Hall of Fame's Class of 2022.

## 1989

**Neil Anderson '89** is set to open a new law firm Envision Estate Planning in Boston. He is married with an 8-year-old son and a new puppy.

## 1990

**Thomas Warcup '90** recently returned to Rhode Island after 10 years at UNC Chapel Hill.

## 1991

**Jamal Gomes '91** was honored as part of the Diocesan Catholic Youth Ministry and Scout Awards Celebration at the Cathedral of Sts. Peter and Paul on Sunday, March 13, 2022. Gomes received the Companions on a Journey Award.

**Jeffrey Francis '91** is married with four children and serves as a litigation partner at Pierce Atwood LLP in Boston, Massachusetts.

## 1993

**Kevin Bishop '93** started a new position as Managing Director at Clarion Partners LLC in Boston.

**Edmund Cabellon '93** is a co-owner of Brockton Beer Company, a new brewpub in downtown Brockton, MA.



**Tyler Joseph '13**

“Pay it back and pay it forward” is the motto Tyler Joseph ‘13 tries to live by each day.

When asked to come back to Hendricken to speak with members of Born to Stand Out – a group dedicated to supporting students of color – he jumped at the opportunity. During his time as a student, Joseph was a member of this very group, then called The Brotherhood. During his visit, he and the students enjoyed in-depth conversations about their unique Hendricken experiences.

“Looking back at it, I saw myself in the kids there,” he remarked.

After attending Bishop Hendricken, Joseph received his bachelor's degree from Bryant University and his master's from the University of Rhode Island. Joseph currently works in Procurement Operations at UNFI, a national organic food wholesaler. There, he is responsible for maximizing profitability through advisory of day-to-day inventory management functions. He also serves as an inaugural member of UNFI's Diversity Council and is the inaugural Co-Chair to UNFI's Black Belonging and Innovation Group, BUILT BIG. He focuses on the development of Black associates through engagement, mentorship, and programming that promotes cultural awareness and communication at the company.

During his visit with Born to Stand Out, Joseph shared his unique perspective at the intersection of diversity and business. He appreciated the connections he made that day saying, “I felt like I did ten years ago when I was in their shoes.” Joseph added that he was refreshed after speaking with the young men and returning to his alma mater. “I'd been back at Hendricken for events, but it really brought me back when I was walking through the halls during the school day.”

He was glad to see some of his former teachers still roaming the halls, too. Joseph feels blessed for the education he received at Hendricken. “It was only at this age that I realized where my foundation was set.”

Coming back and speaking was a way for Joseph to pay forward what Hendricken gave him years ago. ■

**Vincent McAteer '93** graduated from the 282nd Session of the FBI National Academy at Quantico, Virginia.

**Mark Nevitt '93** became an Associate Professor at Emory Law in Atlanta, Georgia.

## 1994

**Steven Napolillo '94** was named Providence College's Director of Athletics on July 1, 2022.

## 1995

**David Evangelista '95** has recently returned from a trip to Poland and Slovakia where he had the chance to visit a range of refugee reception centers for individuals fleeing war in Ukraine. He had the chance to visit a center that was accommodating individuals with severe and profound intellectual disabilities from an institution close to Kyiv.

**Nathan Scoggins '95** spent the fall in Texas filming his next movie, What Remains, a small-town murder mystery about the relationship that forms between a pastor and a convict.

## 1996



**Larry Scott '96** has also been performing stand-up comedy for the past 8 years under the name Larry Venturino. On June 26th, 2022, he will be performing at the brand-new comedy club in Cranston - The Comedy Park, which is owned by Hendricken Alum, Bill Simas '92, who will also be performing.

**Eric Zuena '96** founded ZDS Architecture & Interior Design in 2015. He is happily

married to his wife Edina with two children, Valentina and Nicholas.

## 1997

**Paul Kessimian '97** was elected to serve as Co-Managing Partner of Partridge Snow & Hahn LLP, a business and litigation law firm with offices in Rhode Island and Massachusetts.

**Zachary Farrell '97** was recently promoted to Executive Director of Secondary Programs at Cranston Public Schools.

## 1998



**Patrick Lynch '98** gave a Tedx Talk about how to follow your heart. Lynch also recently completed his first marathon, raising over \$40,000 in the process. He currently is recording podcast episodes exploring how people followed their heart in their careers, and how that led them to where they are today.

**August Zabbo '98** is living in Norfolk, MA with his wife and two daughters. For work he operates an independent credit card processing business, Boston Payments.

## 1999

**Matthew Marciano '99** and his wife, Courtney, were blessed with the birth of their son Frederick Matthew (Class of 2040) on May 3, 2022



## 2001

**Matthew Pritchard '01** graduated from Anna Maria College with a master's in criminal justice and is now married with two sons.

## 2003

**Frank Galligan '03** was named Rhode Island First Year Principal for 2022.



## 2004

**Marc Volpicelli '04** has been living in Florida for 10 years consulting and working in technology in the food and beverage business

## 2005

**Dr. John Ventura '05** has completed his postdoctoral fellowship at BIMDC and Harvard Medical School where his team has contributed to the development of the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine. Dr. Ventura is now the Director of the virology and vaccine lab in the Barouch group and is continuing the lab's work developing vaccines against emerging SARS-Cov-2 variants.

**Christopher Farias '05** got married in 2020, had his first child in 2021, and he just finished a dual master's program, a master's in nursing as well as an MBA

**Kurt Schubert '05** graduated from URI in 2014, got married in 2017, and had a baby daughter 2020.

## 2006

**Mike Miele '06** will be starting as the Immaculate Conception Catholic Regional Principal in May.

**Sean Quigley '06** graduated from Brown University in 2010 and enlisted in the army. He separated from the army in 2019 and attended Washington University Law School and will graduate in May.

**Will Pierce '06, Kerwin Amo '12, and Tyler Joseph '13** returned to Bishop Hendricken for a luncheon and discussion with Born to Stand Out, a new group for students of color inspired by The Brotherhood.

## 2007

**Sean D'Alfonso '07** started a new position as Director, Office of Mission and Ministry, Iona College at Iona College.

**Andrew Melo '07** was named Partner of DarrowEverett LLP.

**Jimmy Black '07** welcomed his new daughter, Addalynn Doris Black into the world on March 27.



## 2008

**Stephen Lombardi '08** was recently promoted at Providence Equity Partners to Vice President, GP Reporting.

## 2009

**Nick Maglio '09** is happily married to his wife Leah with their daughter Anna and a son (future hawk) on the way.



## 2010

**Austin Flaherty '10** has recently joined NetCenergy, a managed services provider that delivers secure IT. His role is to assist with all aspects of new business development including outreach to community partners and other centers of influence.

**Cameron Aubin '10** recently walked in graduation exercises at Cornell University recognizing his doctorate degree in engineering.

**Kenneth Hanson '10** currently lives in Cambridge, Massachusetts, with his girlfriend, Katie. He has been working for Reebok for the past 8 years and completed the Boston Marathon in 2021.

**Chris Perrone '10** is going back to school for occupational therapy.

**Nathan Umbriano '10** graduated from the University of Rhode Island as well as the Gonzaga University School of Law.



## 2011

**Aaron Levy '11** works as an investment banking associate who supports M&A project execution and business development initiatives across industrial, transportation, consumer, and business services.

## 2012

**Thomas Pannone '12** was recently named a pitcher for the Worcester WooSox.

**Matthew Iovino '12** is working and climbing the ladder at CNE. He is also in the process of renovating his home.

**John Kiernan H'12** has just finished his 40th year of teaching.

## 2013

**Dillon Manfredi '13** was recently promoted to Tax Manager at PwC.

**Brandon Amo '13** and his company, Performance Adjusting, are trying to aid, supply, and feed the many homeless people and needy families in the greater Providence area.

**Stephan Saggal '13** graduated in 2017 from Providence College, then earned his Doctorate in Chiropractic. He is now working in Providence as a sports chiropractor.

**Lou Umberto '13** and his wife, Jacquelynn, introduced Lou Umberto's Italian Kitchen's newest addition, their daughter, Vienna Mae!



## 2014

**Cullen Aubin '14** has recently joined the UNH Track & Field Coaching Team as the school's thrower's coach.

**Tyler Champlin '14** married his high school sweetheart, Jackie

Wilson, on Saturday, January 15, 2022 in Cohasset, Massachusetts.

**Domenic Capozzoli '14** was married and fellow Hendricken classmate Christopher Caramello attended.

**Paul Paliotta '14** and Christopher Caramello, KHS '14 hosted Italian classes for Mass at St. Rocco Church in Johnston this past month. Following liturgy, students and parents enjoyed pastry and a tour of the church's choir loft.



**Christopher Caramello, KHS '14** was invested into the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross in Boston, MA.

## 2015

**Stone Freeman '15** is honoring his late dad, Lt. Russell Freeman, with a new award to be presented to a graduating senior in the Bishop Hendricken Leadership Academy.

**Andrew Geremia '15** is continuing his education at NEIT to complete a bachelor's in software engineering while working full-time for Kapsch. He is now currently transitioning into technical sales management for Tanium.

**Dante Crowther '15** is working to empower others to conquer the obstacles of their professional careers.

**Brian Hempe '15** recently moved to California in 2020 and started HRL Laboratories in Malibu.

**Andrew Lanni '15** is working with youth at high risk, kids in DCYF care, and youth who have been abused.

## 2016

**Dante Baldelli '16** made a surprise appearance at Boston College's Pro Day. The last time he played football was a state title victory over La Salle his senior year, now, he's trying to make it to the NFL.

**Ross Jacques '16** is finishing his master's degree at UMass Dartmouth this summer and starting a new position as a Systems Engineer at General Dynamics.



## 2017



**Joseph D'Antonio '17** will be pursuing a law degree this fall at New England School of Law in Boston, MA.

**Kwity Paye '17** was able to fulfill yet another promise to his mother. He found and financed her dream home after years of living in cramped apartments and public housing.

**Matt Mangili '17** was recently accepted to Unity College in Maine where he will be studying animal science and companion animal care and training. He has also developed his own company called Supernatural Energies.

**Nick Jonaes '17** recently finished his first year of priestly formation at Saint John's Seminary in Brighton where he has been promoted to his second year of Pre-Theology studies. He'll be living at Saints John and Paul Coventry as his summer assignment until late July 2022.

## 2018

**Harrison Tuttle '18** was hired as Communications Specialist for the nonprofit Genesis Center in Providence, RI in March. Tuttle also announced he was running for General Assembly in September 2021.

**TJ Saccoccio '18** graduated with honors from Fitchburg State University in May 2022.



## 2019

**Xavier Truss '19** and the Georgia Bulldogs took home the 2022 College Football Playoff National Championship.

**John Hardiman '19** is currently a junior at URI double majoring in political science and criminal justice with a minor in history.

## 2020

**Stephen Baker '20** and **Mike Castelli '19** graduated from the RI Transition Academy at CCRI.

## 2021

**Justin Perez '21** had a stellar first season playing basketball at Springfield Commonwealth Academy. He is currently drawing attention from UNH, Holy Cross, and St. Francis of Brooklyn.

**Sebastian Thomas '21** was going to redshirt for the University of Rhode Island's men's basketball team, but he worked so hard they made him a full-fledged member of the Rams' rotation as a freshman.

# Congratulations Class of 2022!

On Monday, June 13, the Class of 2022 returned to the magnificent Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul in Providence for the first time in three years to officially join the ranks of Bishop Hendricken alumni. The special evening featured a commencement address from Brigadier General Andrew J. Chevalier '86, along with moving speeches from valedictorian Daniel Franchetti '22 and salutatorian Neil Dungca '22. Following the conferring of diplomas for our 160 graduates, the Cathedral was enveloped with thunderous applause for this incredibly successful class!



## In Memoriam

(as of July 28, 2022)

### ALUMNI

Robert H. Brown Jr. '83	Thomas Michael Mooty, Jr. '65
Paul Boulanger '70	Joseph Pingitore III '80
Dennis Carley '71	John W. "Jack" Quirk '62
Aaron Davis '84	Richard Saborio '81
Robert J. Gamble, Jr. '85	Raymond J. "RJ" Sullivan, Jr. '95
Gerald "Gerry" Habershaw '83	Jonathan Thibault '93
Timothy Alan Jackson '83	Gregory Brennan Weir '65
Richard D. "Rick" Jendzejec '64	

### FAMILY & FRIENDS OF ALUMNI & FACULTY

**Cathy Adams**, wife of Bob Adams '62

**Commander Michael Babula**, husband of Math teacher, Jean Babula

**Angelo T. Caprio, Jr.**, father-in-law of William M. Johnston '72, grandfather of William M. Johnston '99 and Mrs. Heather Picillo, and great-grandfather of Landon Picillo '23

**Susan (Connell) Charbonneau**, retired English teacher

**Salvatore J. Criscione**, father of Steven Criscione '82

**Esther DiChiara**, grandmother of Peter T. Pastore '23

**Jo-Ann Fielding**, wife of Kevin Fielding '71; mother of Brandon '99 and Jordan '01; sister-in-law of David Fielding '75, Steve Fielding '78, James Fielding '85 and Brian Fielding '88; sister-in-law of Jackie White, a member of the Admissions Office; aunt of Alex Fielding '06, Corey White '06, Pat Conroy '07, Joseph Fielding '08, Shawn White '08 and Scott Fielding '10

**Wayne Gage**, retired Social Studies teacher and father of Chris Gage '06

**Meredith A. Johnson & David W. Johnson**, mother and father of Daniel Johnson '03

**Kenneth G. LaLonde, Sr.**, father of Kenneth LaLonde, Jr. '84

**Raffale Maggiacomo**, father of Dr. Frank P. Maggiacomo '78

**Owen Mahoney**, father of Timothy Mahoney '75, Kevin Mahoney '77, Sean Mahoney '79, Michael Mahoney '83, Thomas Mahoney '86, and Brian Mahoney '88

**Huberta McDevitt**, mother of Kevin L. McDevitt '75, and grandmother of Michael K. McDevitt '09

**Thomas A. McDonough**, father of Thomas McDonough '81 and Christopher McDonough '84, and grandfather of Thomas McDonough '16

**Susan A. (Gabel) Montanaro**, mother-in-law of Matthew D'Amato '01

**Alice M. Preston**, mother of William Preston '71, Robert Preston '76, and Bradford Preston '79

**Jane Seguin**, mother of Ray Seguin '63

**Joanne M. Smith**, wife of George R. Smith, Jr. '65; sister-in-law of Richard J. Smith '67; aunt of Fr. Christopher P. Feeney '99; aunt and godmother of Michael G. Feeney '02

**Ellen A. Wolferseder**, mother of Joseph G. Wolferseder '81 and Christopher J. Wolferseder '84



# Creating new learning space on campus

Bishop Hendricken's library is getting a much-needed overhaul thanks to the Benoit family.

This spring, Michel R. Benoit '70 and John A. Benoit '82 made a generous donation to their alma mater for a complete interior remodel of the library that sits between the 200 and 500 wings. The renovation began immediately in April and will continue throughout the summer. The update also includes new furniture, collaborative spaces for student projects, expanded business technology, and a makerspace.

The Michel R. Benoit '70 and John A. Benoit '82 Collaborative Learning Center is slated to open in the fall.



# Football reunion headlines Alumni & *Family* Weekend

On Friday, September 23, 2022, Bishop Hendricken is honoring all former football players and coaches as we celebrate over 60 years of gridiron tradition and excellence. All former Hawks are encouraged to attend this historic event!

In many instances, it has been years since you wore those gold helmets with your teammates, and this reunion will afford you an opportunity to renew those lifelong friendships and reminisce about a special time in your lives. Keith Croft '95 and the 2022 Varsity Football team would love to reconnect with the players who set the standard of excellence that's engrained in our program.

The festivities on Friday, September 23 will include a pre-game reunion, special ceremony prior to kick-off, ceremonial coin toss, halftime festivities, and post-game fireworks. On Saturday, September 24, join us for donuts and coffee, a tour of campus, and an opportunity to attend the morning football practice and weight room session.

There will be a planning committee to finalize all details and future updates will be shared through social media, email, and more. To keep up with the program, follow Keith Croft on Twitter at @hendrickenfb, on Instagram at @CoachCroftFB, and look for Hendricken Football on Facebook.

**All football players and coaches who plan on attending must RSVP at [hendricken.com/afw](http://hendricken.com/afw).** If you have any questions, don't hesitate to email Buddy Croft '70 at [grandpabuddy100@gmail.com](mailto:grandpabuddy100@gmail.com).

*Note: If the game is postponed due to inclement weather, the rain date is Saturday, September 24, 2022.*



## It's going to be a special homecoming!

This fall, we're planning a special homecoming – Alumni & Family Weekend – taking place from September 23-25, 2022! We've got a weekend packed with new events and festivities, and of course, football!

**For more information, visit [hendricken.com/afw](http://hendricken.com/afw).**

### **Friday, September 23, 2022**

*4pm: Football Reunion*

*6pm: Alumni Tailgate*

*7pm: Varsity Football vs. Portsmouth*

*Post-Game: Fireworks*

### **Saturday, September 24, 2022**

*8am-11am: Coffee & Campus Tours*

*Evening: Class Reunions*

### **Sunday, September 25, 2022**

*10am: Alumni & Family Weekend Mass at St. Kevin Parish*



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# Upcoming events

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE UPCOMING DATES!

### **Alumni & Family Weekend | September 23-25, 2022**

*This fall, we're planning a special homecoming – Alumni & Family Weekend – taking place from September 23-25, 2022! We've got a weekend packed with new events and festivities, and of course, football. For more, or to RSVP for events, visit [hendricken.com/afw](http://hendricken.com/afw).*

### **8th Annual Golf Tournament | Monday, October 3, 2022**

*Bishop Hendricken's annual golf tournament is back! Get a foursome together for a round at Warwick Country Club. All golfers will enjoy lunch, treats on the course, cocktails, and a gift package. All proceeds benefit the Alumni Scholarship Fund, which provides financial support to students who may not be able to return to Hendricken. Register at [hendricken.com/golf](http://hendricken.com/golf).*

### **Open Alumni Night | Wednesday, November 23, 2022**

*Come back to the nest to enjoy pizza, beer, class trivia, and lots of laughs! Open to alumni of all generations; Thanksgiving Eve every year.*

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