A term frequently used in education circles these days is the “21st century school.” It is easy in these early years of the new century to use this popular term in everything that we do and say. For Marist, it is more than being a 21st century school; it is about being a 21st century Catholic school. Even with that clarification, it is important that we continually ask ourselves, “What does a 21st century Catholic school look like?”

Marist’s founding Brothers chose “Education for time and eternity” as the school’s motto. How forward thinking they were fifty-one years ago!

EDUCATION FOR TIME

For sure, Marist must continue to move its curriculum forward in ways that prepare our students for college and beyond. We must continue to employ the most recent advances in technology so that our students are on the cutting edge of learning. Our recent iPad initiative with our freshmen and sophomores is our latest effort at creating an integrated and solid learning foundation for our students.

Our IDEA (Innovative Design for Entrepreneurial Applications) class for seniors is another entry into preparing our students for real-world business scenarios.

EDUCATION FOR ETERNITY

Just as important, Marist must continue to frame all of these advances in the fact that we are a Catholic school first. St. Marcellin Champagnat, the founder of the Marist Brothers, challenged us “to make Jesus Christ known and loved.” To make Jesus Christ known and loved, one has to know and love Jesus Christ first. In a world where our students are faced with “many voices and many choices,” we must work hard to be sure that their choices are based on the voice of Jesus Christ whom they have met in their religion course work, in their liturgy and retreat experiences, in their teachers, and in each other.

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE; BUILDING ON THE PAST

St. Marcellin Champagnat opened the first Marist Brothers School in LaValla, France in 1817. He would be proud to know that his vision is alive and well in Marist schools in 79 countries throughout the world.

Much like St. Marcellin’s time in post-revolutionary France, Catholic education in the United States today faces a challenging future. Our past president Brother Patrick McNamara, when asked if Marist High School will celebrate its 100th anniversary, said, “All evidence tells me that there will be a 100th anniversary if you, Marist alumni and friends, make it happen.” I agree wholeheartedly with Brother Patrick that there will be another 50 years of Marist High School if you believe that your financial support makes a difference.

From St. Marcellin’s time in the early 19th century to our current time in the early 21st century, Marist schools have relied on the financial support and encouragement of many people. Thank you for what you have done, for what you are doing, and what you will continue to do for Marist.

Gratefully,

Brother Hank Hammer, FMS
President

Fiona Hehir was a Faculty Award Winner in 2014. Her name was erroneously omitted in the previous issue of The Point—we apologize for the oversight.
On the Cover

**TICKER TAPE SIGN**
In the Marist Cafetorium, students have the ability to monitor their stock purchases as part of their finance class curriculum.

**AutoCAD**
AutoCAD students working on architectural drawing projects as directed by Mr. Don Barwacz.

**iPad Initiative**
The 2014-15 school year marked the Marist iPad initiative with our freshmen and sophomores.

**Idea Presentation**
Entrepreneurial students observe a presentation given by one of their classmates.

**Idea Lab**
Entrepreneurial students working at their stations in the new lab completed in October of 2014.

**Marist in the 21st Century**
Entrepreneurial students working at their stations in the new lab completed in October of 2014.
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MARIST HIGH SCHOOL HELD A CEREMONY to bless and officially open its new entrepreneurial center on Thursday, December 4, 2014. Administrators, donors, program mentors, and parents of students enrolled in the school’s new business class were in attendance. The new space transformed a traditional classroom into a 21st Century learning center that provides small group work stations, easily accessible technology, and a dynamic presentation area. The students who will use the space are enrolled in a brand new course called Innovative Design for Entrepreneurial Applications (IDEA).

The impetus for the new space and course came after young Marist alumni were surveyed, and results showed that business was the number one college major among graduates from the classes of 2007 to 2009. While Marist has always offered business courses, administrators, social studies teachers, and alums felt that a class that provided more hands-on opportunities would help students excel at the college level. With that, Principal Larry Tucker ’79 and a team of teachers started to research curriculum and classroom models for a new business initiative.

The new course is designed to get students excited about becoming true entrepreneurs. Students will have the opportunity to create and fully develop their own product or service. Student teams will work through the process of ideation, market research, and business plan development. They will learn about marketing, accounting, and human resources, as well as the legal aspects of running a business. This is a hands-on course created to allow students to imagine, design, construct, market, and refine their own business ventures.

Marist alum Dan Gorsky ’79, who recently retired as Senior Vice President for McDonald’s Corporation, will apply his business acumen and experience as the IDEA Class instructor.

The IDEA Lab: Teaching with Technology

The way to get started is to quit talking and start doing.
— Walt Disney
2015
Reunion & Alumni Awards at Gaelic Park

Friday, March 20, 2015
6119 147th Street
Oak Forest, Illinois

6:30 p.m. Awards Ceremony (Tara Room)
7:30 - 10:30 p.m. Reunion & Alumni Gathering (Emerald Room)

$75 per person


ALL ALUMNI ARE WELCOME!

REUNION CHAIRMEN
1970 - Jim Carey, Tom Walsh
1975 - John Haines, John O’Connell
1980 - Bob Klinger, Bill Lundy, John Markunas
1985 - Jim Barry, Tony Poole
1990 - Jack Hughes, Matt McNicholas
1995 - Dave Cahill, Jason Mikusis
2000 - John Barret, John Canning, Mike Napleton

HALL OF FAME HONOREES
Bridget Bentley ’06 – Basketball
Maureen Downs ’06 – Basketball
Rob Doyle ’97 – Track/Cross Country
Gene Nolan ’92 – Basketball

TIME AND ETERNITY HONOREES
Brian Dolan ’75
Tom Hardiman ’70
Kevin Hughes ’85

http://www.marist.net/alumni/alumni-dinner-registration/

Admissions & Recruitment Numbers

Friday at Marist
Shadow Program
(Sept. - Dec. 2014)

1,130
Prospective 7th and 8th grade students shadowed last fall

Open House
(November 23, 2014)

407
Prospective students and their families

Entrance Exam Results
(January 10, 2015)

Total = 602

Marist President Brother Hank Hammer fms, Archbishop of Chicago, Blase J. Cupich and Marist Principal Larry Tucker ’79.

Archbishop Visits Campus

On Thursday, January 8, 2015, the new Archbishop of Chicago, Blase J. Cupich visited the Marist campus. Deacon Andy Neu ’78, Marist Chaplain, invited the Archbishop back to Marist to celebrate a Liturgy and the Archbishop accepted — the date is yet to be determined.
The Endowment Golf Outing is Moving

**Marist Junior Receives Eagle Scout Award**

Benjamin Turcich ’16 recently earned his Eagle Scout Award. A St. Michael Parishioner, Benjamin and fellow members from the Orland Park Boy Scout Troop 318 built a “Respect Life Garden” at the parish, featuring a statue of Mary at the intersection of a cross shape made out of paver bricks. There are circular gardens at each end meant to represent the unborn, the sick and disabled and the elderly. Benjamin was the designer of the project and his goal was to raise awareness for respect life issues.

> Benjamin Turcich presents his work on a Respect Life Garden which he built as part of his Eagle Scout project for the Boy Scouts. The garden is located in Orland Park at St. Michael Parish.
Marist Hockey Team has a New Home

MARIST HOCKEY TEAM will have a new home for the 2015-16 season. The new rink, to be completed August 1, is located at 11505 Western Avenue in the Beverly/Morgan Park neighborhood of Chicago. Coach Chuck Peters ’73 is excited about the move from Arctic Ice in Orland Park to the southwest side of the city due to the new facility’s proximity to Marist (2 miles) as well as the practice times of 3:15 – 4:35 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. The Marist squad can practice right after school on 3 of the 4 practice days. This allows for a better home academic schedule. The home game slots are scheduled for Saturdays (6:00 p.m. and 7:50 p.m.) and Sundays at 5:00 p.m. Coach Peters feels the move will help with recruitment and the overall success of the program.
Brian Dolan ’75

Brian Dolan ’75, likes the idea of praying for each other every time the Marist Family begins a class, meeting, or event. “Praying for each other is one of the most meaningful messages conveyed,” Brian said.

Brian grew up in Midlothian as one of five children of Jim and Pat Dolan. Because of his parents’ deep religious faith, all of the children attended St. Christopher Elementary School.

Along with Brian, his three brothers also attended Marist: Jim ’73, Bill ’76 and Mike ’79. Because Marist was not yet co-ed, his sister, Ann, attended Elizabeth Seton High School.

“I look back at my four years at Marist fondly,” Brian said. “I was fortunate to meet many remarkable teachers and classmates that have remained lifelong friends. I was on the baseball team and a member of the student council.

“As much as I enjoyed my Marist experience, I didn’t truly ‘get it’ until my son, Colin ’05, attended Marist. It was during those years that I saw the commitment of the teachers and coaches to develop the students into remarkable young adults. The notion of the Marist family became very evident,” Brian explained.

After graduating from Marist, Brian graduated from Eastern Illinois University with a degree in finance. He spent 12 years in the banking industry, and then entered the private ambulance industry in 1991.

Today, Brian is president of AmbTran Group, Ltd., one of the largest private ambulance companies in the Midwest. The company owns and operates...
ATI Ambulance, Trace Ambulance and Vandenberg Ambulance. Brian has donated ambulance services at every Marist home football game since 2001.

In 2008, Brian joined the Marist School Board and presently serves as chairman of the finance committee.

Part of the Marist education teaches community service and involvement. Brian is active in the community serving as chairman of the board of MetroSouth Medical Center in Blue Island, and he is chairman of the board of the Roseland Hospital Foundation. He is also past chairman of the John Paul II Newman Center at the University of Illinois at Chicago, and past board member of the Chicago Council Boy Scouts of America. In addition, Brian is a co-founder of Gatto’s Restaurants, which has locations in Tinley Park, New Lenox, Downer’s Grove and Orland Park.

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“When I was growing up, I had no idea what direction my life would take. It was the foundation laid by my parents, and my Marist experience that guided me to get involved, and try to make a difference. Luck was a big part of it, but much of success has to do with getting up, showing up, and participating in life,” Brian said.

“Let us remember to pray for each other.”

Brian Dolan ’75
For Tom Hardiman ’70, Marist High School means family and friends and intangibles he cannot easily describe.

“I really cannot list all the influences Marist has had on my life. The Marist faculty and coaches taught me dedication, hard work, discipline and loyalty. Many of my Marist classmates are still my best friends today. Those relationships that began at Marist have become a lifelong journey. I was lucky enough to have chosen Marist in 1966,” Tom said.

While Tom was at Marist, he played four years on the baseball team, which included two championship teams, as well as two years of varsity football. Tom also spent four years on student council.

After graduating from Marist, Tom went to St. Joseph’s college in Indiana, where he graduated with an accounting degree. He played four years of football for St. Joe’s, and in 1971, St. Joe’s won the ICC Football championship. The entire team was inducted into their Hall of Fame in 2011. Tom also met his future wife Carol at St. Joseph College, and they were married in 1976.

After graduation, Tom worked with a CPA firm and also passed the CPA exam. In 1979, he found new employment with Battery Sales, Inc., in Calumet Park, Illinois. In 1992, he became a partner at Battery Sales, and started a second corporation named T&S Trading Inc. Tom is still running both corporations today.

Tom and Carol have four children – two boys, Tom ’03, who is 29, and Mike ’06, who is 26, and two girls, Katie (33) and Kerry (23) who graduated from Mother McAuley.

Tom is involved in his home parish, St. Alexander, in Palos Heights. He recently completed his 27th year as the football coach and athletic coordinator for St. Alexander’s. In 2004, the Catholic Grade School Conference awarded him “Coach of the Year.” Tom is currently on the Marist School Board. He is amazed at the dedication and hard work by all of the board members. In addition, he says he is still “a big fan of Marist football.”

“I am fortunate enough to have attended Marist High School, and lucky enough to have met Carol and had a family,” Tom stated.
Kevin Hughes '85

Kevin Hughes ’85 feels the quote, “Family is like a tree ... ” is one he lives by, and it applies to Marist, as well. “I have that root in Marist, like so many others,” Kevin said.

For Kevin, Marist means FAMILY. “Marist to me is a big part of my family. I came to Marist because my older cousin went there, so that is a family connection, but Marist just means family to me,” Kevin explained.

Not only does Marist mean family, but also much of Kevin’s family attended Marist. His four younger brothers (Jack ’90, Jim ’91, Mike ’95 and Tim ’97) attended Marist and are all Redhawks. He has a daughter, Maggie, who is currently a Marist senior, and a son, Danny, who is a freshman. In addition, he has two younger daughters, Colleen and Kelly, who are still in grade school at St. Catherine’s Elementary school in Oak Lawn. Of course, Marist is on their radar.

As a Marist student, Kevin was very active. “I was student council vice president, played sports and intramurals, and I was involved in other activities, too. I loved every minute of my four years at Marist. It prepared me for the rest of my life.

“Marist gave me confidence, a network of business contacts, and it built a foundation for professionalism in my career and my life,” Kevin said.

Upon graduation from Marist, Kevin attended St. Norbert College in Green Bay, Wisconsin where he majored in business administration. Today, Kevin is the vice president of sales for American Utility Management, an energy and utility management business in Lombard, Illinois.

“Being at Marist absolutely prepared me for being in sales. It taught me to be a leader, and was definitely part of my path to leadership and managing people. It provided me with confidence, and it also gave me opportunities to be a public speaker,” Kevin said.

Kevin was involved in the decision to restart the Marist Alumni Association and served as president for three years. He was part of the group who planned the Red and White Gala to celebrate Marist’s 50th anniversary. In addition, Kevin helped plan the first two Laetare dinners, served as a class phone-a-thon chair and reunion chair. Kevin has hosted multiple “Meet Marist” events for incoming junior high families at his house.

“As much as I am a proud alum of Marist, I am even prouder to be a parent. There is so much spirit at Marist and it excels in so many areas. Marist is giving my children the same — no, make that 10 times the opportunity that I got there.

“Marist set the foundation for who and where I am. My best friends are still my friends at Marist. Marist is just in my DNA. Marist was the best decision in my life, other than marrying my wife (of 19 years), Amy,” Kevin stated.

Kevin is often asked why he is so dedicated to Marist. He answers this question easily with, “It’s so easy to give back to a place that has given me so much!”

Family is like a tree. There are branches that grow in different directions, yet we all share the same root.”

Kevin Hughes '85
Bridget Bentley ’06

Bridget Bentley ’06, in the first class of co-ed graduates. Her “go to” prayer is the Serenity Prayer. “I’ve always loved it for its simplicity and versatility. It is a prayer that I can quickly say at times when I am feeling stressed, making a decision, or attempting something challenging,” Bridget said.

Bridget was born and raised in the Beverly community of Chicago and attended St. John Fisher grade school. She has two brothers who are also Marist graduates: Trevor ’08 and Martin ’09. While at Marist, Bridget ran cross country and track, and was on the basketball team. After graduation, Bridget went to the United States Military Academy at West Point, where she earned a Civil Engineering degree.

God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference.”
When Bridget graduated from West Point in 2010, she was commissioned as an engineer officer, and was stationed at Fort Carson in Colorado. From there, she was deployed to Kuwait from July 2012 to February 2013. She described the Kuwait experience as one where she served in the role of a project manager, repairing, upgrading and replacing some infrastructure on American camps throughout the country.

“At the time I was a platoon leader, in charge of about 40 soldiers who were assigned as carpenters, plumbers and electricians. I feel fortunate to have had the opportunity to lead a group of incredibly dedicated and hard-working guys,” Bridget stated.

Bridget is currently a captain in the army, stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, MO. “I will be attending the Engineer Captains Career Course beginning in July. I will not know my follow-on assignment until sometime in the fall of this year. I am still undecided on how long my Army career will last, but I eventually plan to get my Professional Engineer license and get a job in the civil engineering field.

“Marist helped give me the foundation I needed to be successful in college and in my professional life. While at Marist I learned to balance a challenging academic load with my demanding extra-curricular activities while maintaining a strong spiritual life. This taught me time management as well as the importance of living a balanced life. These lessons have helped me as a leader in the Army as I ensure that I am able to complete all of my obligations as well as see to the physical, spiritual, and emotional needs of my subordinates. My experiences as a Marist student helped to strengthen my passion for service and my commitment to always doing my best.

“Marist means family to me. It represents a place where I was always able to find the support I needed and where I was surrounded by teachers, faculty, and friends who genuinely cared about me. I know that Marist is always there for me and I am willing to do what I can to show my support for the place that helped develop me into the person I am today,” Bridget explained.
Rob Doyle  ’97

Rob Doyle, 35, a 1997 graduate of Marist High School, spent his high school years interested in history and rhetoric, and thanks to that interest, went on to earn his undergraduate degree, with distinction, in history, from Yale University in 2001.

“At Yale, I ran cross country and track, just like at Marist. Although I enjoyed a fair amount of individual success in college (a few school records, All Ivy, All East, etc.), I did not have the same team success as I was fortunate enough to have at Marist.

However, I was lucky enough to meet my wife Nancy, who was the same year as me at Yale. During our senior year in the fall of 2000, she was captain of the women’s cross country team and I was captain of the men’s team. We started dating that year and have been together ever since. We married in 2006 and now have two beautiful daughters, Anna (four years) and Jane (18 months).

“I don’t think I would have gone to Yale were it not for running at Marist. Coaches Pat Quinn, Bruce Hall, and John Hayward worked with me all four years to help me be the best runner and best teammate I could be. My senior year on the cross country team turned out to be an unexpected dream season. Scott Farley ’96 who was a multiple all-stater, graduated the year before, as had Mark Rosenthal ’96, who was our number two runner, and John Van Etten ’96, our number four runner. Somehow, all the pieces came together in the fall of ’96, Jon Berning ’98, Jim Fergus ’97, Russ Riberto ’98, Frank Hurley ’98, Matt Distel ’97, Dan Zielinski ’99, Mike Lehner ’97, Mike Ceretto ’97, and John Fetzer ’97 — we all seemed to figure it out at the same time. We rolled through the regular season, dominated the East Suburban Catholic Conference competition, scored a perfect score at Regionals, and then capped the season with a third place performance at the State meet. It was, and still is, Marist’s best cross country season. Were it not for that incredible season, I am not certain I would have been recruited by Yale and other schools — and perhaps I would not have gone to Yale as a result,” Rob explained.

After college, Rob worked for Yale as a development officer, and then moved to Washington DC in 2004 to work in development for the National Park Foundation, a not-for-profit that supports America’s National Parks.

In 2005, Rob joined the Department of State as a Foreign Service Officer, where he has worked as a consular officer and staff aide to the U.S. Ambassador in Mexico City, Mexico, a consular officer and staff aide to the U.S. Ambassador in Cairo, Egypt, a Watch Officer / Senior Watch Officer and management officer for the Operations Center in Washington (similar to the White House Situation Room), and will soon be a general services officer at the U.S. Embassy in Zagreb, Croatia.

Rob said every Foreign Service Office has stories, and a favorite story occurred when he worked as a staff aide to Ambassador Tony Garza, at the U.S. Mission to Mexico. He said he was cordial with Ambassador Garza, but they “really connected” when Rob discovered that the Ambassador was also an alumnus of a Marist Brothers school.
Rob also told a more frightening story that occurred when he was working in Egypt, just as the Arab Spring, a wave of protests, occurred starting in 2010. Rob, who was working as a staff aide for Ambassador Margaret Scobey, said the violence “hit close to home” during the protests that likely killed hundreds in the first few days. Although he, his wife Nancy, and their daughter Anna were further away from the main action, a nearby television station was attacked, and as a result, Nancy, Anna and some of their neighbors had to hide in the dark in a safe room until things were less dangerous. Rob was trapped at the embassy, which was near the main protest area in Cairo, and was relieved when embassy member families were evacuated two days later. Rob stayed on to help with the work at the embassy, and four months later finished his tour, happy to see his family again, and enjoy a few days off.

“I wouldn’t be where I am today without Marist. I entered Marist like most fourteen year olds: a little shy and a lot awkward. I left Marist four years later confident, focused, and ready to take on any challenge. I could not have done this without the hard work from faculty, the support of my coaches, and the friendship of my classmates and teammates.

“In a larger sense, Marist gave me the tools to thrive outside its walls. I learned discipline, hard work, and good study habits at Marist. Those skills are still important to me, but I also added other skills thanks to Marist: how to get along with others, how to be a good teammate and friend, and how to learn from other colleagues. Those skills are perhaps even more important in my day-to-day life now,” Rob explained.

Fellow Hall of Fame inductees, Maureen Downs ’06 and Gene Nolan ’92 were profiled in the Summer 2014 issue of The Point.
Mr. Owen G. Glennon, Marist Math Instructor since 1976 is biking across America again. This time though, he is riding to benefit Marist. During late June and early July, Mr. Glennon will be cycling 1,000 miles over two weeks on the back roads of America from the Marist Brothers’ Retreat Center in Esopus, New York back to Chicago. Mr. Glennon, an avid cyclist, has ridden the RAGBRAI, the ride across Iowa, 12 times. In 2013, he rode 3,200 miles from Anacortes, Washington to Brunswick, Maine.

Mr. Glennon is referring to this trip as a Marist Cycling Adventure, a journey from the Marist Brothers Retreat Center in Esopus, NY back to Chicago while traveling through rural towns in southern New York, eastern Pennsylvania, northern Ohio, and northern Indiana that reflect the Catholic culture that spans the many miles from Esopus to Marist, Chicago. Along the way, Mr. Glennon will be stopping at fifteen Catholic churches and shrines including the Marist Brothers Cemetery in Esopus, NY, Our Lady Seat of Wisdom Chapel at Marist College, the Basilica of the Sacred Heart at Notre Dame, and the Shrine of Christ’s Passion in St. John, Indiana.

As Mr. Glennon celebrates the beginning of his fortieth year of teaching math at Marist, he is hoping that this 1,000 mile ride will be an occasion to reconnect with his many former students to help to raise funds for the benefit of Marist students and to prompt alumni to establish a connection with Marist.

Support Mr. Glennon as he pedals his way to grow the Marist Endowment and help students in need.

SCHEDULE

Daily start and finish points (city, state) including miles biked in route.

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Marist Senior Academic Recognition

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ILLINOIS STATE SCHOLARS

5 COMMENDED NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS

SCHOLARS:
Cameron Heppler
Grace Enright
Mitchell Schroeder
Ryan Higgins
Kaylie Sampson

2014 ESCC FALL ALL-CONFERENCE SELECTIONS

Marist Football
Nicholas Gasbarro ’15 – DB
Darshon McCullough ’16 – WR/RB
Martin Meyer ’15 – DB
Marty Ryan ’15 – LB

Marist Boys Cross Country
Mike Conrad ’15
Kyle O’Farrell ’16

Marist Girls Cross Country
MaryClare Leonard ’17 qualified for the State Finals and placed 10th with a personal best time of 17:06. Leonard’s finish is the second best in Marist history on the state course earning her the title of All-State Athlete for the second year in a row.

Marist Boys Golf
Dan Cachey ’15

Marist Girls Golf
Sam Smith ’15
Kelly Barker ’15

Marist Boys Soccer
Grant Kenny ’15 – Defense
Joe Kezon ’15 – Defense
David Regan ’17 – Midfield

Marist Girls Volleyball
Lizzie Zaleski ’15 – Setter
All-area Chicago Sun Times,
All-area Southtown Star, MVP of Southtown Star All-star Game
Cameron Enright ’16 – Outside Hitter
Most Outstanding Player at the NIKE Tournament of Champions, Phoenix, AZ
Colleen Reilly ’15 – Middle Blocker
Anne Marie Stifter ’16 – Middle Blocker

HOW TO PLEDGE:
You may pledge an amount as low as 1 cent per mile — a $10 donation — or an amount that is a better reflection of your ability to give. To find out more or make a donation visit www.marist.net/support-marist/owen-glennon-cycling-adventure/.

We are happy to accept any donation, but here are a few numbers based on sponsoring Mr. Glennon per mile.

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Mr. Glennon will be making daily posts to his blog. Follow Marist at www.facebook.com/maristchicago for updates on his cycling adventure.

“HAVING BEEN A MEMBER of the Marist Family for the past 34 years, I have seen first-hand the type of student Mr. Glennon has produced. His dedication to this institution is again evident in this bike ride to enable students to attend Marist who, otherwise, might not have the opportunity to do so. My pledge of 25 cents per mile — a $250 donation — is the least I can do to say thank you to Mr. Glennon for his dedication to Marist and its students.”

— Marty Wirtz ’72, Marist Alumni Director
1960s

After graduating from the Naval Academy, John Mooney '68 accepted a commission in The U.S. Marine Corps (USMC), where he served as a USMC gunship helicopter pilot for 6 years. In 1978, John moved to Northern California where he worked as a computer salesperson from 1978-1985. In 1985, he entered Stanford University Graduate School where he received his MBA. He went on to work at Goldman Sachs for the next 20 years. He currently lives in Walnut Creek, California. He is married and has 5 children. Last fall John accepted an invitation to speak to the football team prior to their game against Marian Catholic. He provided inspiration for a RedHawk victory.

Rich Sherman '68 is a premier supply chain and logistics expert, and recently wrote a book on the subject. He lives in Austin, TX, and often returns to Chicago for conventions and speaking engagements. Rich also coached hockey at Marist during the 1970s and early 1980s.

1970s

Dave Piech '77 and his wife Enza are living in Cedar Falls, Iowa. Dave is an attorney, representing John Deere as a manager in emission compliance. Their son Andrew Piech '09 was recently married in the Marist Chapel.

1980s

Peter D. Schied '18 (pictured above with his dad, Peter J. Schied '84) is a member of the Marist Wrestling team and a Kathleen and Timothy Foley Scholar. Foley Scholars are recognized for their entrance exam scores (>90 composite), maintaining a B average, and participating in an extracurricular activity. The Schieds live in St. Alexander Parish in Palos Heights.

1990s

Brian Keane '91, a Marist faculty member and local artist, participated in the Beverly Art Walk last October. His paintings and ceramic pieces were on display throughout the mapped-out course in Chicago's Beverly neighborhood. Brian currently teaches ceramics in the Marist Art Department.

Dan Drew ’93 is the founder of the Chicago Soldier’s Organization, a philanthropic group dedicated to the needs of disabled veterans injured in the line of duty. In the past year, Dan and his group have raised over $15,000. For more information, on Dan and his wonderful cause, contact him at dan@jamesindustriesinc.com.

2000s


Maddi Keating ’06 graduated from the University of Chicago in 2010. She went on to receive her juris doctorate from Michigan State University in 2013. She is currently an Associate Attorney at Boyle & Feinberg, P.C.

Claire Smalzer ’07 received B.A. in Biological Anthropology & Anatomy, with a Minor in Education with Elementary Teaching License from Duke University where she also excelled in volleyball. She received her M.S. in Sport Management from Western Illinois University. Claire currently works for IPsoft, a software company in New York City that specializes in Autonomic technology.

Elin Meliska ’08 attended the University of Chicago on the Chicago Police and Fire
Scholarship and graduated with a degree in Comparative Human Development in 2012. She spent a year in Chicago Public Schools teaching math in the Englewood neighborhood before deciding to pursue an advanced degree. She went on to graduate from George Washington University in Washington, D.C. with a Masters in Museum Education. After working briefly at the Smithsonian, she accepted a position at the National Geographic Museum. Elin currently works as the Program Coordinator for National Geographic’s new exhibit, Food: Our Global Kitchen.

Tom Dehlin ’08 attended the University of Illinois in Chicago. In 2012, he received his B.S. CEE and in 2013 a M.S. CEE. He is currently a structural associate at Sargent and Lundy, LLC. Tom often comes back to talk to Mr. Don Barwacz architectural drawing class.

Andrew Piech ’09 and his new wife Emily were married in the Marist Chapel on Saturday, December 27, 2014. Andrew is a Lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps. He is a University of Illinois graduate where he also was a ROTC candidate. The newlyweds will settle in Quantico, Virginia.

Bridget Allen ’09 of Blue Island and Jennifer Hodrowicz ’09 of Palos Heights are two of the four Saint Xavier University students from the School of Nursing to be awarded scholarships from Blue Island Community Healthcare Foundation. Started in the 1970s as a supporting organization for St. Francis Hospital, Blue Island Community Healthcare Foundation continues the legacy started by St. Francis Hospital, which operated as a nonprofit in Blue Island for over a century. Bridget plans to go into critical care nursing, preferably in an emergency room. After completing her R.N., Jen is considering working to become a nurse anesthetist.

Elizabeth Majewski ’10 graduated from Purdue University this past May in the top 3% of her class with a degree in science. She is currently working at UIC as a research assistant studying breast cancer. She will be applying to M.D.-Ph.D. programs.

Adam Gonzalez ’13 is currently a seminarian at St. Joseph College Seminary. While a student at Marist, Adam was a member of the band, NHS and was a student ambassador.

Tara Alfano ’14 is majoring in Journalism with a minor in Sports Management at the University of Arizona. She is an assistant equipment manager for the Arizona Wildcat Football team and was part of Coach Pat Dunne’s training staff. After college, Tara hopes for a career in sports broadcasting. When not in Arizona, Tara and her family live in the Beverly neighborhood.

Members from the Class of 2007 meet every Thanksgiving for their annual Friendsgiving Reunion as a means to maintain friendships they developed while at Marist.

Back Row (L-R): Kelly Myers, Shannon Evoy, Melissa Menendez, Mike Strubin, Katelyn Medel, Lauren Garvey, Jen Ruggio

Front Row (L-R): Beth Amendola, Alison Sheehy, Megan Heinlen, Ginny Doran

CLASS OF 2005
Ten Year Reunion

Date: Saturday, April 18, 2015
Location: Joe’s Bar
940 W. Weed St., Chicago, Illinois
Time: 4 – 7 p.m.
Admission: $40 - Includes appetizers and an open bar
Co-chairs: Dominic Altobelli, Kevin Geary and Tom Sullivan
Reservations and Payment:
Please contact Kerry Mullaney at 773.881.5374 or mullaney.kerry@marist.net
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The 2014-15 AP English Language and Composition Course, taught by Ms. Anne Brusky, participants had the option of community involvement: either service commitment or mentorship. Of those who choose mentorship, each was assigned an alumni mentor who best fit their area of interest since this is what the research has proven to be the most beneficial to all involved.

Students spent the first marking period reading classical literature and current events that provide insight into what it means to be great. After doing preliminary reading and discussing professional interview techniques in class, students met with mentors in small groups after school at a time that fit the mentor’s availability. They will meet a total of four times a year – once each quarter. At the first two meetings, the students’ focus was on learning about the mentor – their career, what course they took to get there, what obstacles they had to overcome, their life values, and their view of the world. At the third meeting, students will ask the mentor about perceived issues they see in the world, particularly in their domain, and potential solutions. At the fourth meeting, students will investigate the importance of language in their mentor’s field. At each meeting, the mentor shared their insights on life and career choices.

Students have been asked to reflect upon each interaction via writing and discussion. The experience has provided fodder for their writing assignments, pertaining to what it means to be great, their research project on a social issue, and their analysis of language.

The 2014-15 AP English Language and Composition Course Alumni Mentors:

- Daniel Laughlin ’68 – Retail / Finance
- Patrick O’Malley ’71 – Politics / Law
- Jack Lawlor ’69 – Law
- Bruce Schmiedl ’71 - Architecture
- Dr. Robert Wirtz ’74 – Dentistry
- Judge Kevin Sheehan ’75 – Law
- Nicholas Cozzi ’08 – Medicine

If you are interested in participating in the 2015-16 AP English Language and Composition Course Mentorship Program, please contact Marty Wirtz ’72, Marist High School Alumni Director, at 773.881.5376, mwirtz@marist.net.

Class Notes

MARIST ALUMNI MAKE OPEN HOUSE A SUCCESS

Marist Alumni made themselves available at the alumni table for questions from future RedHawks and their parents. **Left-Right:** Dominic Altobelli ’05, Mike Randolph ’04, Jessica Schultz ’07, Kelly Cronin ’06, Pat Elwood ’07 and Shannon Evoy ’07

**Not pictured:** Rob Hall ’13

If you would like the birth of your first or next child announced in *The Point*, please contact Kerry Mullaney at 773.881.5374, mullaney.kerry@marist.net.
Thank you.

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Thank you.
ALTHOUGH YOU ARE PROBABLY reading this in February, it is the Tuesday after Thanksgiving – recently coined “Giving Tuesday” - that I write this brief note to you. Not a bad concept to sift through the craziness of the holidays and try to recall what started it all! It also provides a good lead into the message of giving thanks to our alma mater.

“For years many of us stood on the shoulders of the Marist Brothers and they played such a significant role in our lives. Today’s students and their families need us, the alumni, to step up and assist them.”

The efforts of the Development office are in full-swing. By now you should have received correspondence from our President, Brother Hank, asking for your support to our annual fund, or Harczak Challenge or possibly a letter reviewing the efforts of our campaign.

As someone with children at a Catholic university, high-school and grammar school, I have first-hand experience of the challenges families face and know that the requests for help from different organizations are increasing every day. In fact, a recent study showed that for the first time in America, the number of institutions and level of support requested surpassed the philanthropy contributed.

So, in typical Marist fashion, our message to you is simple. Please consider putting your alma mater on the top 5 list and making a contribution on an annual basis. For years many of us stood on the shoulders of the Marist Brothers and they played such a significant role in our lives. Today’s students and their families need us, the alumni, to step up and assist them. Truly, no gift is too small or too large. Collectively, we can make a huge difference in fulfilling the dreams and ambitions of today’s students.

Please come out and visit your alma mater – you are always invited and welcome. Not to overshadow winter sports but I look forward to spring opening day for our softball and baseball teams. I pray we don’t have a winter like last year.

All the best in 2015!
Upcoming Events

Friday, March 20, 2015
Marist Reunions & Awards Night
6:30 p.m.
Gaelic Park
Oak Forest, Illinois

Saturday, April 18, 2015
Class of 2005 Ten Year Reunion
4 – 7 p.m.
Joe’s Bar
Chicago, Illinois

Friday, June 5, 2015
Endowment Golf Outing
1:00 p.m. Shotgun
Harborside International
Chicago, Illinois

Friday, September 11, 2015
Dick Foy Open
Benefitting the Marist Work / Study Program
1:00 p.m. Shotgun
Waters Edge Golf Course
Worth, Illinois

Friday, October 2, 2015
Homecoming / Tailgate Event
Marist Red-Hawks versus Saint Patrick Shamrocks

Saturday, November 7, 2015
Alumni, Faculty & Staff Memorial Liturgy
10:00 a.m.
Marist Chapel

For more information, please contact Marty Wirtz at 773-881-5376 or wirtz.marty@marist.net.

Update Us!

WE WANT TO STAY CONNECTED with our alumni, so let us know what you are up to. In upcoming editions of The Point, we will print Class Notes, but we need to know about your latest accomplishments and life events. Have you moved? Do you have a new job? Did you get married? Is there a new addition to your family? Let us know!

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