



Daniel J. Ledford ('66) Principal Moeller High School

are invited to join us as we spend this millennium year celebrating. We celebrate Moeller's 40th Anniversary, the 150th Anniversary of the Society of Mary in the U.S., and the beatification of Father Joseph Chaminade (Founder of the Society of Mary) in this Jubilee Year

During this commemorative year, we continue to focus on the culture Moeller has created over the past four decades. In this special edition, we highlight the 60s, our first decade. "We are what we remember," says Nobel laureate John Eccles. Likewise, we believe it's important to remember our past, so we can appreciate who we are today. As Dr. Stephen Bertman, an expert on contemporary cultures, explains, "A culture maintains its identity by passing on the sum of its values and experiences from one generation to the next."

We owe much of our success today to the many men and women who have not only given their time, talents, and financial support to Moeller, but also their heart. Several of our early leaders have passed on, and we dedicate this issue to them (see page 2). Several more of our esteemed colleagues are retiring this year and/or moving on to new challenges: Rose Eckhoff (see next page), Father Michael Leshney (see page 30), and Ken Schlotman & Don Shields (see page 42). We will miss their wisdom, their passion for education, their love of the students, and their friendship. We are a part of all whom we've met, and they will remain a part of the Moeller Family wherever they may be.

You also are an important part of our Moeller Family, and I hope you will our enjoy our journey to the past. In fact, I hope you will be inspired to share your stories with us...

Canilf Legal IN SIDE

SPECIAL FEATURE!

2 Moeller Celebrates!

To commemorate Moeller's 40th anniversary this fall, we look at how the decade of the '60s contributed to Moeller's culture today.

THE CRUSADER Connection: Welcome Home Ken Griffey, Jr.!



28

52

of our Lord.

4 The '60s: Moeller's Genesis (1960-'61)
8 Men with a Future (1961-'62)
10 O Holy Mary, My Sovereign Queen (1962-'63)
12 It was the Best of Times, it was the Worst of Times (1963-'6)
16 His Church (1964-'65)
18 Crusaders on the Go, Going Strong (1965-'66)
20 Crusaders Sow Seeds of Revolution (1966-'67)
22 Class of '68 Offers New Perspectives (1967-'68)
26 The Spring of Change (1968-'69)

MINISTRY

in the country

ALUMNI



DEPARTMENTS

	Marianist spirit, celebrations, symbols, and missions integral to school culture
34	DEVELOPMENT
	The Campaign for Moeller:
	Phase II construction for the new wing begins
38	EXCELLENCE
	Moeller celebrates the Class of 2000!
44	CO-CURRICULAR
	Culture of excellence creates one of the finest athletic programs



Rose Eckhoff Director of Public Relations and Special Events Editor, Windows on Moeller

Moeller High School 9001 Montgomery Road Cincinnati, OH 45242 reckhoff@moeller.org you will soon find out in this special anniversary issue of *Windows* — Moeller High has much to celebrate this millennium year! In this truly memorable year in the history of Moeller, it is befitting for us to bring you an in-depth analysis of the historical culture of Moeller, beginning in 1960, and to contrast this important decade with the graduating Class of 2000. You can only imagine where we've come and dream of where we are going!

In the next issues to come, we will continue to unravel the past in order to understand the present and to plan for the future. Graduates of the '70s, '80s, and '90s are strongly encouraged to share with us your bits and pieces of memorabilia, stories, photographs, etc. Next year, your classes will be the focus of interest and conversation within the ever-growing Moeller Family. Tell us about your class, its "leaders," its "characters," its unlocked treasures of memories, and its contributions to the incredible story of Moeller High School.

Personally, I, too, am celebrating a milestone. This millennium year is a turning point for me as I move on from my professional career at Moeller to pursue a similar position at my parish. As you can imagine, after 15 years at Moeller, the move is truly bittersweet. Moeller has been, and will always be, a huge part of me and my family. From experience, I am comforted by knowing that once you enter into the Moeller Family, you won't be let go! Making such important changes in one's life is never easy, but I look to Moeller and its wonderful people as examples that nothing remains the same forever. We are all on a journey through life — working each day to be a better person (better partner, better parent, better friend) and a more devote servant of God. What I have learned from Moeller and its "Family" (and I can assure you that I have learned more than I ever could have contributed) has given me the strength and courage to move on in my journey. I hope that my efforts to bring you *Windows on Moeller* over these past years have given you a continuous look into what this great school is all about and what it has meant to me.

As I depart, I wish to thank all my friends at Moeller (and there are many) for all the years of happy memories. I especially would like to thank Dan Ledford for his endless support and confidence; my staff and the thousands of volunteers who have joined me in serving Moeller; Bro. Joe Kamis for believing in me; and the Society of Mary for strengthening my faith in Jesus and His Mother, Mary. You've got a great thing going here — please keep it up so that someday my son, A.J. will join the ranks of proud Crusaders and become a "Man of Moeller." (Even my husband, Bill — a loyal St. X grad — has been converted! Now that's a miracle!)

Before I close, I invite you to welcome Johanna Kremer as the new editor of *Windows on Moeller*. Actually, you already know her, as she has been the creative "juice" and talent behind each issue we've published. Please keep your letters, e-mails, and story ideas flowing for her. She can be reached by calling (513) 677-0410 or by e-mail at jcmkremer@aol.com. Johanna, many, many thanks for many creative sessions we have shared over coffee, and for, of course, the personal mom-to-mom talks! They have kept me going and helped me to keep my priorities straight. (Working moms — you know what I am talking about!)

Moeller Family, thanks for being such an important part of me.

Sincerely yours,

Rose A. Eckhoff



CREATING AN EFFECTIVE MARIANIST CULTURE

A school's culture is its unwritten rules, traditions, and expectations that permeate the school organization.

The Key to Moeller's Success

This is the second in our series on Moeller's school culture, which we believe is the key to our school's success. As I explained in our last issue, according to recent educational leadership research, creating an effective school culture is fundamental to the organization's success. In this series, we hope to show you how Moeller's educational culture, created over the past



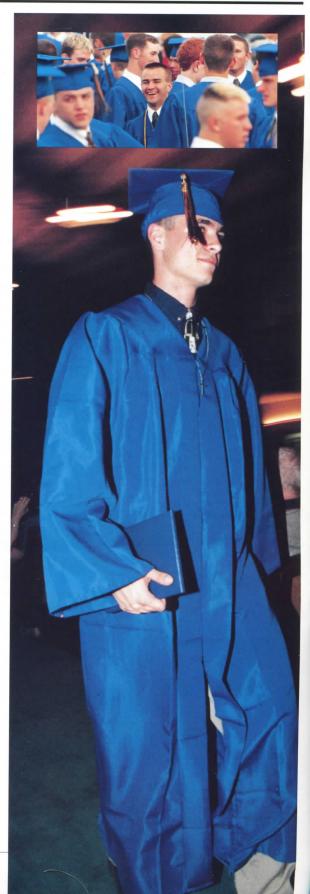
40 years, is the primary reason our school has become what it is today.

One of the primary elements of an effective school culture is its vision — the picture of the future it hopes to create. You may recall how our founder, Father William Chaminade, provided the original vision, which is the cultural foundation of our school. We are a Catholic school in the Marianist tradition. As members of the Society of Mary, we educate our young men for faith formation, for service, for justice, for peace, for adaptation, and for change. At the same time, we educate in the family spirit, providing an integral and quality education. This, Father Chaminade's vision, permeates everything we do.

However, another critical element of a school's culture is its history and stories, those past events, rituals, ceremonies, and traditions that mark a school's transitions and milestones. Moeller's almost 40-year tenure is rich with these moments, and we want to share some of them with you. The following special issues during our 40th anniversary year will provide you with a "window" to our past, as well as a look into our future plans. It is a past and future we celebrate this millennium year: We celebrate who we are, where we've come from, and where we're going as a school organization.

As we celebrate, we especially thank those who have contributed much to the success of our organization, particularly those who are now with us in spirit. Recently, several of our "founding fathers" have passed away: Brother Lawrence Eveslage, S.M., Moeller's founding principal; Father Lawrence Krusling, our school's longest-term principal; and Father Robert Marine, Moeller's first alumni principal. This issue, highlighting our genesis in the 60s, we dedicate to these important men in Moeller's history.

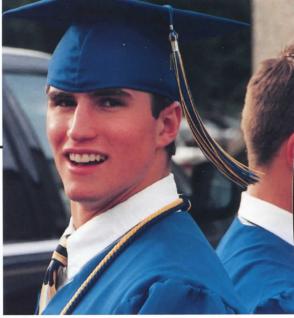
Daniel J. Ledford ('66), Principal



Moeller Celebrates

by Johanna Kremer, M.A., Educational Administration, Guest Writer





the Class of 2000 marches toward the new millennium, marking a milestone in their lives as young Men of Moeller, the Family of Archbishop Moeller High School celebrates.

In this, the Jubilee Year of Our Lord, the Family celebrates the 150th anniversary of the Society of Mary in the United States and the beatification of Father William Chaminade, its founder. Father Chaminade provided the vision that illuminates the lives of all who've been touched by this Marianist school community.

The Catholic Family celebrates the 80th birthday of Pope John Paul II, who encourages us all to celebrate joyfully this jubilee year, saying, "Let no one behave like the elder brother in the Gospel parable who refuses to enter the house to celebrate."

Moeller celebrates the Class of 2000 graduates,

as each one — upon receiving his diploma — begins a new journey toward our hope of a better tomorrow, each taking with him lessons from the past. As Randy Linnemann said in his graduation speech, "Moeller taught me to strive for excellence. Moeller taught me respect.



Moeller taught me pride, as well as humilty. Moeller taught me integrity and dignity. Moeller taught me to serve. Moeller taught me nobility. Moeller taught me to love."

The Moeller Family celebrates *all* its graduates, for this fall marks the school's 40th anniversary. The Men of Moeller have amassed an unprecedented richness of history in the past four decades, each



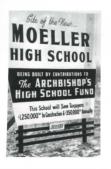
offering its own treasure trove of tales. This short story of Archbishop Moeller High School is one of "such stuff as dreams are made." It is a tale of mythic success, unparalleled by any known high school of its age. It is a tale of evolution and revolution, of tradition and innovation. Ultimately, it is a tale best told by its leading protagonists, the Crusaders who recall the many stories within the growing legend of Archbishop Moeller High School.

In the '60s, hair got longer, skirts got shorter, and pop music became a driving societal force. The space race was on, and The Beatles were in. This was the age of Flower Power and Black Power; the age of peace and protest. "Something's happening here," sang rock group Buffalo Springfield, "what it is ain't exactly clear." However, one thing was clear: "These times, they were a' changin.' "Admidst this dynamic decade, Archbishop Moeller High School is erected and accepted as a premier educational institution, and so begins our story...

The '60s: Moeller's Genesis

1960

Fall: Archbishop Moeller High School welcomes its first freshman class. The Men of Moeller begin...





In the beginning, when the Society of Mary created Archbishop Moeller High School, the school wasn't quite finished, but the mighty young men of 1960 trudged onward, paving (even literally) much of the foundation that exists today. Then freshman Barry Borman, Moeller's current Director of Athletic Operations and honors biology

Barry Borman ('64) remembers...

a group it was great (to be the first class) because we were four-year seniors — there never was a class ahead of us!

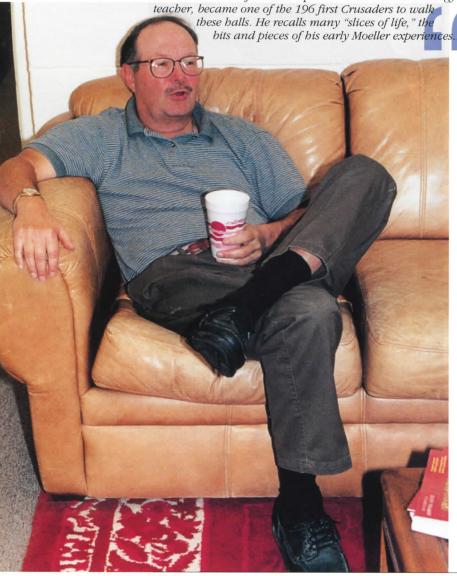
But what do I remember most? Well...

Classes: I remember phys. ed. class. We didn't go to the gym because there wasn't a floor, so we planted all the bushes. I think many of those bushes are still here today.

Sports: The first year we didn't have any varsity sports, and the only sports we had were football and basketball. Brother Eveslage, the principal, hired Gerry Faust to coach football that year, and Bill Daley to coach basketball. All the football equipment the first year was donated by area colleges and high schools.

There were lots of intramural sports, though. The first year, the Dad's Club bought and installed all the baskets in the gym.

Traditions: We began our winning tradition that first year. A radio station, WSAI, had a contest for the most popular high school in Cincinnati. Students were invited to nominate their favorite school by sending in postcards. Of course, we were all freshmen, but Brother Keys ran a campaign anyway to fill out the postcards and mail them in. Moeller won the contest! No one had ever heard of us before then.





"Moeller High School, as an intangible idea, had its beginnings back in the fall of 1958 when Monsignor Edward A. McCarthy and Brother Paul Sibbing, S.M., were appointed to supervise the planning and construction of the building... The building stands now, the sum of all its parts...parts which grew from the hearts of the people of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati called upon to build this monument to Catholic education."

Dedication May 7, 1961

Crusaders Name: Of course, we chose our current

nickname, the Crusaders, that year. We had a contest. A guy named Ed Finke won the contest. His prize was a \$10 gift certificate to our bookstore.

Social Activities: After basketball games we had sock hops in the gym.

Teachers: Gerry Faust was in the army reserve. Periodically, he would come into class and show us military maneuvers. His first year he taught math. Later he taught world history, then typing.

Discipline: Discipline was tough. Bill Daley, the gym teacher, would paddle you if you got in trouble. Father Middendorf had a little wooden baseball bat he carried around, and if you got a wrong answer, you would get *whacked* on the head. You would get either a single, double, triple, or home run. Man, that would hurt! You got whacked for just about anything back then. One of the worst things you could do was not to have your tie pulled up all the way.

Facilities: The band room was in the basement, and everytime it would rain, the band room would flood. It flooded several times that first year. In fact, on May 7, 1961, which was our school's Dedication Day, the band room flooded. I think it took them

about 20 years to fix that problem.

The cafeteria wasn't finished, so we ate lunch on the third floor hallway.

Library: The library had no books, so we held a book drive. Our job as students was to go door

to door around the neighborhood asking people if they had any books to donate.

School's Funding: The school was funded by the Archbishop's Fund Drive, which also built LaSalle, McAuley, and funded improvements to Mt. Notre Dame.

Fund-Raising: Our first raffle was called a 50/50 Drive. Once a week or so, we pulled out a winner and recieved 50% of the proceeds. We also had the Ad Drive, the Clothing Drive, the Marianist Drive, and Bishop's Relief Fund.

Tuition: Tuition was \$90 a year. The local parish contribution was also \$90. However, as tuition went up, the parish contribution remained at \$90. ■



Jerry Flaig ('64) and Bill Taphorn ('64) survey some of the 8000 books collected by the Moeller students from their relatives, neighbors, and friends during Moeller's Book Drive. May the students who enter the halls of this building, dedicated in Archbishop Henry Moeller's honor, find a model and guide to intellectual achievement. May the Archbishop lead these young men to become true Sons of God and Our Blessed Lady, an inspiration to their fellow men, and apostolic Crusaders of Moeller High School. Dedication, May 7, 1961

The Dedication

John F. Kennedy becomes president and is the first Roman Catholic to be elected. In his inaugural address, President Kennedy declares, "The torch has been passed to a new generation."

November



Co-curricular activities also included tennis, golf, Glee Club, Service Club, and Sodality. The Sodality promoted Marianist spirituality, which was described as the "center of our lives." In addition, the MHS Sodality encouraged responsibility, recollection, and leadership



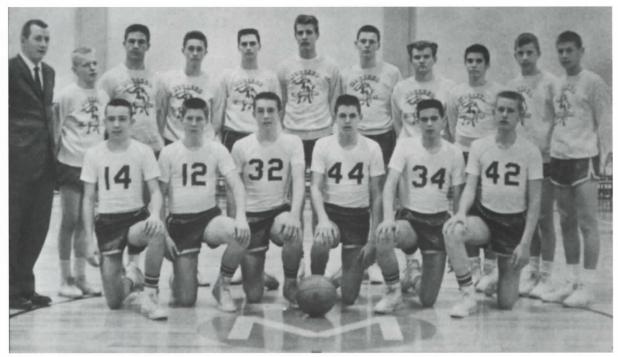


In its May 7, 1961, Dedication booklet under the prophetic beadline, "Future Stars," Moeller introduces its first football team. The caption reads, "Under the driving force of Mr. Faust, the fighting Crusaders compiled a respectable 4-4 record in their first season on the gridiron. The spirit and determination exhibited by the team throughout the season should indicate the beginning of a long history of football supremacy."





Moeller's Namesake: Archbishop Henry Moeller (1849-1925) was one of the outstanding figures in the Catholic hierarchy of the United States. A native of Cincinnati, he received respect and recognition at the North American College of Rome, winning the highest honors in history, the first three prizes in theology, and the gold medal for excellence.



Moeller's first basketball team: In the May 7, 1961, dedication booklet, the caption reads, "Though hampered by injuries and other difficulties, Moeller's first basketball team had a very successful season under the expert direction of Mr. William Daily... Perhaps the best game of the season was a 42-40 victory over highly rated Norwood. Another fine game was the victory over powerful Roger Bacon. Playing host to this GCL team, the Crusaders played a possession-type game, taking only the best shots to defeat the Spartans by the slim margin of 17-15. Crusader fans can look forward to some exciting games and Moeller's first championship in the very near future."

Pictured above, front row, from left: T. Burwinkle, T. Kenny, D. Buchert, R. Schloss, N. Overbeck, and M. Albrinck. Back row, from left: Mr. William Daily (Coach), W. Ziegler, J. Tokarsky, R. Mayer, D. Creedon, R. Schulkers, D. Steen, M. Volle, D. Whitton, J. Frohmiller, and M. Ernst.

President Kennedy is sworn in and says, "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country." Three months later, he forms the Peace Corps.

Moeller celebrates the Bicentennial Anniversary of the birth of its founder, Father William Joseph Chaminade.

Moeller's Dedication Day

– January 20 –

April 8

I April 17

Bay of Pigs

May 7 —

Moeller's founding principal, Bro. Lawrence Eveslage, an imposing figure, both physically and psychologically, served as principal from 1960-1967. In addition to completing the building, furnishings, and landscaping, be established many of the Marianist traditions that still exist today. thanks go to those Catholics of the Cincinnati area whose unstinted contributions made the building of Archbishop Moeller High School possible. Particularly, we are grateful to the parents of our first students who uncomplainingly shouldered the burden of making the school more and more complete in its material resources. Also, we wish to pay tribute to our first students, those pioneer Crusaders, who have shown respect and care for this great gift of the Catholics of the diocese, and (who) have striven toward the four-fold aim of a Catholic education: the spiritual, intellectual, cultural, and physical development of our children. May they continue to seek these higher values under the guidance and inspiration of the Blessed Virgin, our Mother. May the future generations of Crusaders continue to show appreciation for the sacrifice of their forbears by following the example of the first students of Moeller.

Bro. Lawrence J. Eveslage Br.

Brother Lawrence Eveslage, S. M. Principal, 1960



Six members of the Society of Mary and two Catholic laymen constitute the first faculty of Moeller: Front row, from left: Bro. Kleinhentz, Bro. Eveslage (principal), Father Middendorf, and Bro. Keyes. Back row, from left: Bro. Hosbrook, Bill Daily, Bro. Binder, and Gerry Faust.

a Future

The progress which can be detected in one's first years as a Crusader is noteworthy, since it reflects the fitness of both mind and body. This book is dedicated to the purpose of making this progress clear to all, so that the Crusaders may truly be known as MEN WITH A FUTURE.

The Blue And Gold, 1962, Moeller's First Yearbook

For you, the Men of the Future, the future of your days here at Moeller is more important than the past. As your mental and physical powers increase, so should your moral and to form the true Man of Moeller.

Bro. Eveslage, S.M. Principal

Leading and guiding the "Men with a Future":

Administration Bro. Eveslage, S.M. Principal Bro. Choquette, S.M. Vice Principal Father Knuge, S.M. Chaplain Bro. Kleinhenz, S.M. Treasurer

Faculty

Bro. Blank, S.M. James Cafferky Bro. Cullina, S.M. Jerome Doerger Bro. Donabue, S.M. William Dumbacker Gerry Faust Bro. Hieble, S.M. Bro. Hockendonner. S.M.Bro. Keyes, S.M. Bro. Klick, S.M. George Marklay Michael Morrissey Donald Parks James Puthoff

Berlin Wall erected.

August the fall of '62, 296 freshmen entered Moeller, and enrollment soared to 477.

Likewise, the administration and faculty increased from eight to 19. More than half of the classrooms were now occupied, with the third floor housing fourth grade students from All Saints.

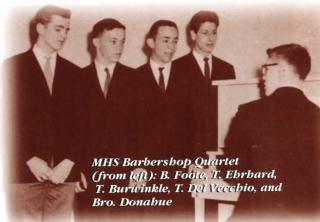
ACADEMICS: Ten sophomores achieved "First religious sense develop Honors," two years in a row. First Honors — earning 90% in all subjects — was the highest scholastic award offered. At the freshmen level, 21 students were honored. Moeller began its academic excellence by sweeping the VFW Women's Auxiliary essay contest with L. Bodley, J. Bauer, and J. Martin.

> FUND-RAISING: With names like the 2-A Aces, the 2-B Barons, and the 1-B Barbarians' Hangout, the sophomore and freshmen homerooms accomplished many school fund-raising activities: the Bishops' Relief Fund Drive, the bottle-cap drive, the first Fall Festival, the bleachers drive, and the ad drive. These homeroom "teams" also competed in intramural activities and assumed class leadership roles.

Like the first year, the Mothers' Club and Dads' Club supported the school through various fundraising activities. The mothers sponsored the Mardi Gras Dance, the annual card party and combination raffle, and made cafeteria improvements from the pro-The ceeds. dads undertook the first annual Fall Festival, Fish Fries, Father & Son Communion Breakfast, fathers' sports nights, and PTA raffles.

September 6 -

Bob Dylan captures audience in Greenwich Village, NY, with songs of anger and protest.



ACTIVITIES: Moeller now offered 13 organized student clubs, with several offering additional specialties within these organizations. The Sophomore and Freshmen Sodality continued to be a spiritual force at Moeller, initiating such "drives" as Moeller's Peace Corps and Mary's Crusaders. The Sodalists also sponsored movements for better language and prayer at meals.



Steve "Iron-Jaw" Palmer spins records as the students participate in a Charleston contest at the Christmas dance. Sponsored by the Student Council and Sodality, dances were held periodically throughout the year and sock hops were held after all home basketball games.

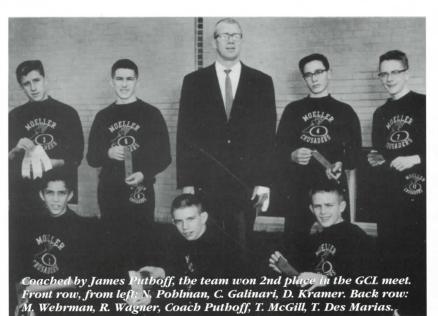


Reserve Football team becomes GCL Co-Champs



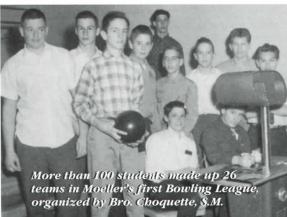
The Beatles burst onto the popular music scene with "Love Me Do." Their music epitomized the '60s.

1962



Reserve Cross Country team wins the first trophy in the history of the school





According to the *Blue and Gold* (Moeller's first yearbook name), the Student Council was the main organizing force of school activities. Under Moderator Father Knuge, the council sponsored the bottlecap drive, two dances, and several sock hops. In addition, the council purchased "Our Lady of Moeller," the courtyard statue, from its treasury.

The Speech & Debate Club debuted, winning awards in the National Forensic League and the National Catholic Forensic League. The Service Club flourished under the management of Bob Marine ('64), who later became Father Marine and Moeller's first alumni principal, serving from 1982-1986. The Radio Club helped boys gain experience in electronics and become "ham" operators. Junior Achievement trained the young men in the workings of organized business companies.



The Band began marching 70 strong and formed a brass choir for the Christmas Assembly. The Glee Club also performed at the assembly, among other times during the year, and produced several small specialty groups, most notably the barbershop quartet. Other student activities included The Crusader (newspaper), *The Blue & Gold* (yearbook), Library staff, and the Biology Club.

ATHLETICS: Moeller had eight competitive teams in '62: Reserve Football, Freshmen Football, Cross Country, Reserve Basketball, Freshmen Basketball, Baseball, Tennis, and Golf. The Reserve Football team was GCL co-champs in '62, but the Reserve Cross Country team won the first trophy in the history of the school. In addition, the school sponsored Intramural Basketball and Bowling, and introduced a squad of MHS cheerleaders. ■

Speech & Debate Club: Best Speaker Awardees (pictured left, from left): 1st Place — Brian Molloy ('64), speaking on



2nd Place —
David Thaman
('64), talking on
"Juvenile
Delinquency";
and 3rd Place —
Ed Hoseus ('64),
on "How We Can
Meet the Communist Threat."

O Holy Mary, My Sovereign Queen

1962



Adding 294 freshmen, Moeller's enrollment reached 748 in the fall of '62. The administration and faculty increased from 19 to 28.

Now, under Mary, "guiding the Men of Moeller by their lives to Our Lady," were the following:

Administration

Bro. Eveslage, S.M. *Principal*Bro. Choquette, S.M. *Vice Principal*Father Knuge, S.M. *Chaplain*Bro. Dahlmann, S.M. *Dean of Students*Bro. Merland, S.M. *Treasurer*

Faculty

Bro. Baumeister, S.M. Charles Blanford Bro. Blank, S.M. John Breslin James Cafferky Andrew Chiodi Jerome Doerger William Dumbacker Gerry Faust Bro. Hannan, S.M. Bro. Hiehle, S.M. Bro. Hoffman, S.M. Bro. Keyes, S.M. Thomas Malone George Marklay John Massarella Michael Morrissey Bro. Oravets, S.M. Donald Parks James Puthoff Robert Strayer Bro. Trageser, S.M. Bro. Victoria

October 1 The statue,
Our Lady of
Moeller, is

Consecrated

On October 1, 1962, bundreds of Crusaders and their parents witnessed the solemn dedication of the statue of Our Lady of Moeller and participated in the consecration of the student body to the Blessed Virgin. With Bishop Liebold as celebrant, the ceremonies included the blessing of the newly erected statue, the student rendition of the impressive ceremony of the living rosary, and the concluding service of solemn pontifical benediction. As Crusaders of Mary, the young Men of Moeller are reminded daily of their responsibilities by this statue, on which is the inscription of the words of Father Chaminade, founder of the Society of Mary: "The true secret of success in any work is to interest the Blessed Virgin in it."

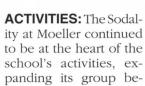
The Blue and Gold, 1962

ster Club

ACADEMICS: Overall, 67 students achieved First Honors, Moeller's highest scholastic achievement.

FUND-RAISING: Homerooms continued to accomplish many school fund-raising activities. The

Fall Festival was very popular.



yond the Council to include numerous offices: the office of Zeal (promotion) Temporalities (fundraising), and the Office of Instruction.

The school adds two new clubs to its growing list of extra-curricular opportunities: the Poster Club and the Red Cross. The Poster Club, moderated by Bro.

Hoffman, constructs and places posters around the school to promote its various events. The Moeller Rally tradition begins.

ATHLETICS: The MHS students began their first

varsity team season. The varsity football team had a 4-6 record; varsity cross country ended with a 2-1-1; and varsity basketball finished their season with 6-9.

Wrestling was now added to the list of sports, and, according to Moeller's *Blue and Gold*, "Plans are now being made to start a wrestling league consisting of both public and parochial schools. If the plans are carried through, this would be the first public-parochial athletic league in this area."



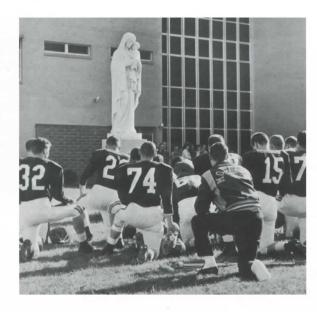
Students from each homeroom formed the living rosary, participating in the consecration and blessing of the statue of Our Lady of Moeller.

Cuban Missile Crisis: World comes to brink of nuclear war when the USSR began installing missiles with atomic warheads in Cuba.

October

Dutch company Phillips develops cassette tape recorder, creating revolution in the music industry.

1963







November 22 -

It was the Best of Times, it was the Worst of Times



1963

Moeller's enrollment soared past 1000 as 311 freshmen entered in the fall of '63. At 1005 students, the faculty and administration increased from 28 to 38.

Administration

Bro. Eveslage, S.M. *Principal*Father Knuge, S.M. *Chaplain*Bro. Dahlmann, S.M. *Dean of Students*Bro. Merland, S.M. *Treasurer*Bro. Wuco, S.M. *School Records*Supervisor

Faculty

Alan Biegel Charles Blanford Bro. Blank, S.M. John Breslin Bro. Carey, S.M. Bro. Cassidy, S.M. Bro. Choquette, S.M. Bro. Dineen, S.M. Jerome Doerger William Dumbacker George Ecker Bro. Fahrig, S.M. Gerry Faust Bro. Flaherty, S.M. Philip Gigliotti Bro. Hoffman, S.M. Bro. Keyes, S.M. Thomas Malone George Marklay John Massarella William Melov Bro. Miksa, S.M. Michael Morrissey Bro. Oravets, S.M. Rev. Paolozzi, S.M. Donald Parks James Puthoff Kenneth Schlotman Bro. Sipl, S.M. Edward Speed Robert Strayer Bro. Stupka, S.M. Bro. Trageser, S.M.

was the best of times: The pioneer Class of '64 became seniors, paving their way toward Moeller's first graduation ceremony. This class experienced many firsts over their four-year tenure, and the following nine months would be no exception.

For example, the Men of Moeller cut their first record: On two long-playing records, the school recorded its first Annual Spring Concert, featuring Moeller's Glee Club and Band and Mt. Notre Dame's Glee Club. The students produced their first play and held their first senior prom. In addition, the school introduced ten new extra-curricular activities.

It was the worst of times: On November 22, 1963, President John F. Kennedy was assassinated. That same day, over 1000 Crusaders voluntarily gathered at the foot of Our Lady to offer a rosary for the President. In memoriam, Fred Collopy of the Photography Club created a photo study of the late President, which was featured in *The Templar*, the new name of Moeller's yearbook.



It was the age of wisdom: On August 28th of that same year, over 200,000 demonstrators marched in Washington, D.C. to end discrimination against black people, while Martin Luther

King declared, "I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: 'We hold these truths to be self evident: that all men are created equal.' "

It was the age of foolishness: Someone once joked, "If you can remember the 'Swinging Sixties,' you weren't really there."

It was the spring of hope: Moeller began its cutting edge use of technology as a classroom tool. The

Projectionist Club originated to bring multimedia into Moeller classrooms.

It was the winter of despair: Striving to end South Africa's racial policy of apartheid, Nelson Mandela



November 22, 1963: Crusaders offer a rosary at the foot of Mary in hopes of President John F. Kennedy's recovery.

was sentenced to life imprisonment by the white South African government.

We had everything before us: The economy continued to boom, and a man on the moon became conceivable as the Soviets placed the first person in space.

We had nothing before us: The threat of nuclear annihilation became real; a telephone hotline is set up for the first time between the White House and

the Kremlin; and the Vietnam War loomed ahead.

We were all going directly to heaven: Moeller's Sodality, 123 Crusaders strong, nourished the souls of the students. Devotion to Mary was the keynote of the Sodality, encourag-

ing everyone to ask the Blessed Mother for help in every phase of his life. In addition, the school added the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade, (C.S.M.C.) to "form intelligent, missionary-minded Catholics."

We were all going directly the other way: The rock group The Rolling Stones shocked the French Montreux festival with their "disheveled" look. ■









Kenneth Schlotman

Two of Moeller's long-time faculty members, Bro. Robert Flaherty, S.M., and Ken Schlotman, joined the staff in '63. Bro. Flaherty taught Religion II, U.S. History and served as Moderator for the Sodality. Ken Schlotman taught U.S. History, World History, and coached Intramural Basketball and Softball. (Ken Schlotman retired this year ('00); please see page 42.)









Begins.. Headed by Coach Gerry Faust, the varsity football team completed their first winning season (9-1), becoming the GCL runner-ups. This year began Coach Faust's unprecedented 18-year undefeated run, culminating in seven State Championships and two National Championships. Becoming the all-time winningest coach of Moeller, Notre Dame University recruited Faust in 1980.





The first completely outfitted Moeller Band took to the field this year in uniforms purchased through the cooperation of the PTA, the Mother's Club, the faculty, and the students.

The Civil Rights Act of 1964 banned segregation and discrimination in public accommodations, such as restaurants, theaters, and hotels, and banned employers from discriminatory hiring practices based on race.



FUND-RAISING: The Mothers' Club and the Dad's Club drove Moeller's fund-raising efforts, sponsoring numerous activities and projects to support the school, including parent dances, the annual card party, the annual fall festival, and monthly fish fries. Besides donating money to support the school, these clubs purchased a new organ for the school chapel and band uniforms.

The Dramatics Club produced "Brother Orchid," Moeller's first school play, directed by Alan Biegal. "Brother Orchid" is a story of a gangster who reforms and becomes a monk. Pictured right, Little John Sardo (played by Alan McLaughlin, '64) is injured by a gunshot wound and lies in a bed at the monastary, where he gets his inspiration to become a monk.

 \sim

Mike Albrivck ('64) and Nancy Dineen became Moeller's first Prom King and Queen. Held at the Kenwood Country Club, the Crusaders and dates danced to the music of Denny Heglin's band.

Spring Concert



ACTIVITIES: Ten new extra-curricular activities were added this year: C.S.M.C., Chemistry Club, Chess Club, Classics Club (whose aim was "to keep the light of classical culture burning in our modern world"), Concert Band, Dance Band, Dramatics Club, National Honor Society, Projectionist Club, and Triple A.C. (a science club). In addition, Moeller renamed its yearbook from Blue and Gold to The Templar in honor of the Knights Templar, who formed one of three great military



orders founded during the Crusades. The knights eventually reorganized themselves into a religious community according to the rule of St. Benedict.

Other new activities included the first Senior Prom, the first Junior Dinner Dance, and the first Slop Hop (a dance for underclassmen the night of Senior Prom). Several special events occurred, including a presentation of Julius Caesar by the Edgecliff Players.





Barry Borman ('64)



Robert Marine ('64)

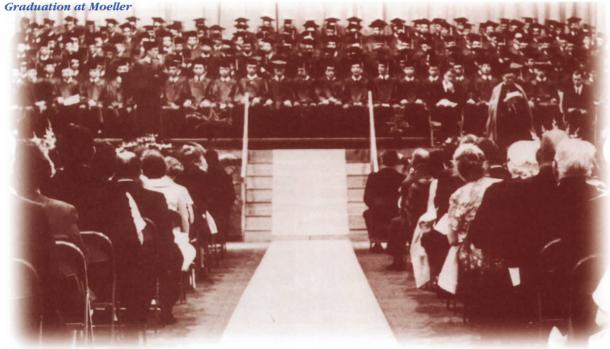
LBJ runs for President in his own right, calling upon America to build a "Great Society," based on abundance and liberty for all.

The First Graduates

PLO formed.

First Graduation and Baccalureate Mass & Breakfast Unne 2

1964

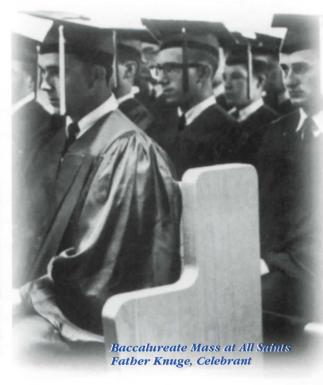


GRADUATION: Moeller awarded 175 diplomas to its seniors, with David Thaman as the school's first Valedictorian and Alan McLaughlin as the school's first Salutatorian. The following awards were initiated:

Crusader Award — Tony Del Vecchio Sodalist Award — John Rivers Archbishop Alter Religion Award — Stephen Ripperger Archbishop McNicholas Award — David Thaman K of C Award — John Rivers NOMA Award — Jerry Hoobler Pius XI Award — James Lierl Bausch and Lomb Award — William Dietz

Sixteen graduates received scholarships and grants, including Barry Borman, who was awarded a scholarship from the Montgomery Women's Club.







Saying farewell to the first graduating class in the short history of Moeller is indeed a difficult task. Together we have lived through the beginning years of the school. We bave not only been involved in giving and receiving a solid Catholic high school education. but we have also sweated and suffered and worked to make Moeller a respected name, well known in scholastic and athletic circles. We together have been the pioneers in this effort and have attained a bond of special unity that comes from close cooperation in such a mighty and united endeavor.

So it is with deep regret that we see you leave us.
Wherever you may go, always keep Moeller in your heart and in your loyalty, remembering that that loyalty embraces your family, your parish, your country, as well as your school. May Jesus and Mary keep you always.

Bro. Eveslage, S.M. Principal

"His Church," the title of Pope Paul VI's first encyclical,... is a unified church composed of many parts. We, too, the 1100 students, are part of His Church, growing in maturity through learning and developing as total personalities — spiritually and physically, morally and intellectually, individually and socially.

The Templar, 1965



Tonkin Gulf Resolution gives LBJ powers to expand U.S. involvement in Vietnam.

August 7 -

The Supremes, Diana Ross, Florence Ballard, and Mary Wilson, who used to sing together in church choirs in Detroit, begin recording with Motown after their two number-one hits, "Where Did Our _ Love Go" and "Baby Love."

Kenya, a former British colony in East Africa, becomes a republic.

Sir Winston Churchill dies at age 90.

December 12

January

With enrollment now at 1056, the faculty and administration increased to 50.

Administration Bro. Eveslage, S.M. Principal Rev. Paolozzi, S.M. Chaplain Bro. Mravintz, S.M. Dean of Students Bro. Merland, S.M. Treasurer Bro. Wuco, S.M. School Records Sup. Faculty Bro. Bergeron, S.M. Alan Biegel Charles Blanford

Norbert Ausdenmore Bro. Blank, S.M. Bro. Boesch, S.M. Rev. Cancillieri, S.M. Bro. Clark, S.M. Bro. Dineen, S.M. Jerome Doerger William Dumbacker George Ecker Gerry Faust David Fellinger Bro. Fink Bro. Flaherty, S.M. Daniel Gibbons Philip Gigliotti Bro. Greve, S.M. Bro. Grisez, S.M. Bro. Hartman, S.M. Bro. Horst, S.M. Bro. Hustek, S.M. Bro. Jones, S.M. Bro. Keyes, S.M. John Krueger Bro. Lange, S.M. Michael Morrissev George Marklay Bro. Nitoski, S.M. John Massarella William Meloy Bro. Miksa, S.M. Michael Morrissey Donald Parks James Puthoff Kenneth Schlotman Bro. Sipl, S.M. Edward Speed Timothy Rose Bro. Templin, S.M. Bro. Thompson, S.M. Bro. Trageser, S.M.

he Church continues to be the center of the students' lives at Moeller, and as the Class of '65 contemplated graduation and possible vocations, they looked to Father Chaminade, Moeller's founder as their example: "Who better than Father Chaminade to set an example for us to follow? Christian, champion of truth, defender of the faith, he exemplifies the development of the complete human personality. So, too, should we, the seniors, in our chosen vocations try to imitate Father Chaminade's zeal and courage, the qualities necessary for the development of a true Crusader." The Templar

New Venture Vocation Day, another first for Moeller, introduced students to the priestly and religious vocations, and the school held numerous religious assemblies throughout the year.

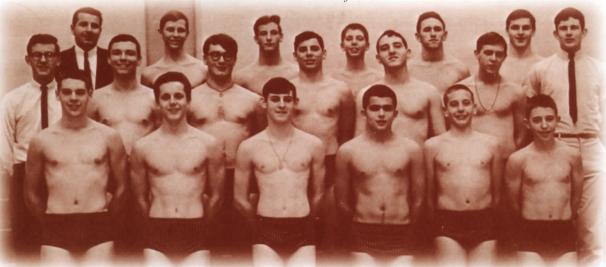
ACADEMICS: Moeller participates in the scholastic challenge game called It's Academic. With over 80 schools in the Greater Cincinnati Area competing, the school's team placed 2nd in its first year. Team members, shown with Father Horst, are pictured right (from left): Jim Crone, Capt. Tom Payne, and Al Tuchfarber. In addition, Moeller inducts its first members into the MHS National Honor Society.



One of the new creations of the Poster Club this year was "a friendly little guy named GOMO, who found himself involved in everything from the pre-Lenten Mardi-Gras to basketball rallies." The artist: Michael Simpson ('67).



The Aquasaders, from left: Front Row: T. O'Malley, C. Linser, R. Maloney, D. Lee, E. Billiter, and R. Folzenlogen. Middle Row: J. Terbrueggen, M. Morgan, J. McCarty, W. Pauly, K. Strottman, T. Hanlon, and W. McNally. Back Row: Coach Ken Schlotman, E. Meyer, R. Hillen, R. Boggano, J. Hardiman, and J. Miles.



Bro. Wanda, S.M. Bro. West, S.M.



Bro. Charles Wanda, S.M.



James Crone ('65)



Kenneth Keener ('65)



Joseph Meale ('65)

March

The Sound of Music is made, which later becomes an Oscarwinning film.



ACTIVITIES: The student literary magazine, *The Squire*, made its debut, under the leadership of John Massarella, producing two editions its first year. The inaugural staff (pictured right) included **Ken Keener**, John Luhan, Jim Mayer, **Jim Crone**, Mike Baughn, and Tom Levasay. The Homecoming Woodpile contest begins.

Three new club activities were initiated as well: Math Club, History Club, and the Greater Cincinnati Safety League (G.C.S.L.), which was formed "to teach that safe driving is necessary if we want to pros-



per in Cincinnati." Moeller introduced Senior Class Trips, and the Class of '65 made its first trip to Washington D.C.

ATHLETICS: The Aquasaders "splashed" onto the Moeller athletic scene, placing fourth in the GCL their first year. Varsity football (8-2) and varsity wrestling (8-5) finished with winning seasons, and varsity baseball advanced to the District Semi-finals.



1965



Dear Graduates of '65,

Your participation in (Moeller) activities spiritual, intellectual, social, and athletic — is a measure of your growth and development into complete maturity. Each one of you must decide whether your four years at Moeller were successful; that is, whether you are progressing along the path of becoming an American Catholic citizen with a definite purpose in life. If all those elements are present — Catholic. American, careeer —the man you are forming is being completed properly. Then Moeller, through its teachers, has fulfilled its duty to you. May you always live up to that promise! God bless you and Our Lady keep you!

Bro. Eveslage Principal By the end of 1965, 75,000 Americans were in Vietnam. One year later, 375,000; in 1968, half a million men were serving.

Crusaders "On the Go," Going

COELLER

1965

Moeller's enrollment stabilizes to 1053, fac./admin. at 50.

Administration
Bro. Eveslage, S.M.
Principal
Rev. Paolozzi, S.M.
Chaplain
Bro. Leazer, S.M.
Dean of Students
Bro. Meder, S.M.
Business Manager
Bro. Nitoski, S.M.
Guidance Director
Bro. Baumeister, S.M.

Supt. of Maintenance

Faculty Bro. Barnett, S.M. Bro. Bergeron, S.M. Alan Biegel Charles Blanford Rev. Brown, S.M. Bro. Cain, S.M. Bro. Clark, S.M. Jerome Doerger Gerry Faust David Fellinger Bro. Flaherty, S.M. James Gates Thomas Gerrein Daniel Gibbons Philip Gigliotti Bro. Grisez, S.M. Bro. Hartman, S.M. Joseph Healey Roth Herrlinger Paul Kenny Rev. Kerr, S.M. Bro. Lange, S.M. Bro. Leazer, S.M. George Marklay Bro. McFarlane, S.M. John Massarella Bro. Meder, S.M. William Meloy Richard Naberhaus Bro. Niehaus, S.M. Bro. Nitoski, S.M. Donald Parks Timothy Rose Kenneth Schlotman Bro. Schult, S.M. Daniel Shea Bro. Stein, S.M. Bro. Strauss, S.M. Bro. Templin, S.M. Bro. Trageser, S.M. Bro. Trojanski, S.M.

Crusaders experienced a "banner year" in '66, as their momentum proved unstoppable. After only six years in existence, and graduating only two Classes, the Crusaders captured their first GCL championship football title with an undefeated season. That same year, Moeller's Golf Team also became GCL champions.

Academically, the school produced Merit Scholars, U.N. Assembly winners, and science fair winners, finishing 3rd in the State's Science Fair. In addition, Moeller students won Speech & Debate trophies and a trophy in a nation-wide Latin contest.

Meanwhile, the school continued to pursue excellence in Christian leadership and citizenship by undertaking new activities and establishing new traditions. The Senior Sodality assumed a new perspective, focusing the responsibility of Sodality life on the student rather than the group, and made available three groups for apostolic action: the Big Brother Program, the De Porres Center Program, and the tutoring program. All three encouraged personal bonds between the sodalist and an underpriviledged child or orphan.

The Student Council initiated a Leadership Awards system, a Gym Night (to encourage physical fitness), and a Homecoming tradition, complete with the school's first annual Homecoming bonfire. School rallies became an important component of the spirit tradition. In addition, the school sponsored new clubs and opportunities: The Future Teachers of America, the Audio Visual Club (formerly the Projectionist Club), the Photo Club, and the Bookstore Staff. ■



Martin Sheen, one of today's stars of the award-winning new drama West Wing, is pictured above with Gerry Faust. He was a guest at one of Moeller's special assemblies. Then a Broadway actor, he was a former student of Brother Tom Corbett and a fellow alumnus of Gerry Faust.

Fantasticka



Above: Dan Ledford ('66) in The Fantasticks. In this so fathers have it out."



Above: Bill Brotherton ('66) speaks with the judges at the Science Fair finals. He received an Obio State Superior

WINDOWS SUMMER 2000

Bro. Wanda, S.M.

Bro. West, S.M. Bro. Wuco, S.M.

DELLER WE'RE NO.1 Banner Year for Moeller

GCL Champions



Dan Ledford ('66)



Crusaders continue to keep Christ the center of their lives with Vocation Day, Senior Retreats, and Communion Breakfast.



Honored as GCL Coach of the Year, Gerry Faust receives the GCL trophy.



Dan Hummer ('66) gives his prize-winning speech in a Speech & Debate contest.



Moeller Rally



Moeller begins annual Homecoming bonfire tradition, and "Bunnyman" (insert) is a new caped Crusader.

1966

Dear Graduates of '66,

Looking back at the year just completed in which you graduates played such a crucial part, we can honestly say it was an outstanding year. From the football team with its undefeated season and the 1st GCL championship on through the record of our National Merit Scholars, the U.N. Assembly winners, the outstanding Debate & Speech record, and the trophy in the nationwide Latin contest, we have had an extraordinary year. Much of the credit goes to you, the Class of 1966, for your fine leadership and participation in these activities, and your willingness to cooperate at the cost of time and energy.

May you all continue to be generous in your future. Your Church, your family, your school, your community needs your active and continued support to reach their goals and their full fruition.

May Our Lord and His Blessed Mother aid you in our resolution to lead a complete life, one of a generous American Catholic citizen devoted to his God, his Church, his family, and his country.

Bro. Eveslage Principal

Crusaders Sow Seeds of Revolution

Green Bay Packers beat
Kansas City Chiefs in
football's 1st championship
game between the two major
leagues. Packers' Coach
Vince Lombardi's motto is
well known: "Winning isn't
everything, it's the
only thing."

Walt Disney dies at age of 65.

December — January 15 —

1966

Moeller's enrollment increases to 1080, fac./admin. to 54.

Administration
Bro. Eveslage, S.M.
Principal
Bro. Dahlmann, S.M.
Assistant Principal
Rev. Paolozzi, S.M.
Chaplain
Bro. Meder, S.M.
Business Manager
Bro. Nitoski, S.M.
Guidance Director
Bro. Baumeister, S.M.

Supt. of Maintenance

Faculty Thomas Backer Guy Barattieri Bro. Barnett, S.M. Charles Blanford Rev. Brown, S.M. Bro. Calloway, S.M. Bro. Clark, S.M. Bro. Dahlmann, S.M. Charles Decker Robert Disselkamp Jerome Doerger Gerry Faust David Fellinger Bro. Flaherty, S.M. Bro Fox SM James Gates Thomas Gerrein Daniel Gibbons Philip Gigliotti Bro. Grisez, S.M. Bro. Hartman, S.M. Joseph Healey Roth Herrlinger Paul Kenny Rev. Kerr, S.M. Bro. Lange, S.M. Frank Lawhorn Bro. Letostak, S.M. George Marklay Bro. McFarlane, S.M. John Massarella Bro. Meder, S.M. Bro. Mejak, S.M. Bro. Nether, S.M. Bro. Nitoski, S.M. Rev. Paolozzi, S.M. Bro. Rigot, S.M. Timothy Rose Bro. Ross, S.M. Kenneth Schlotman Bro. Schult Bro. Stein, S.M. Bro. Trageser, S.M. Bro. Trojanski, S.M. Bro. Wanda, S.M. Bro. West. S.M. Bro. Wuco, S.M.

ccording to The Templar '67, "The Moeller Council Leads us Into Action." Brother Robert Flaherty, in his second year as Student Council Moderator, guided this student leadership body to new heights. In their own words, the Council members describe the importance of their activities:

"We, the members of Student Council, promote citizenship, leadership, scholarship, human relations, and cultural values. Among our accomplishments is the 'Big Brother' program. In preparing the freshmen, our future school leaders, for taking their roles as Moeller Crusaders, we had seniors and sophomores orient them to the functions of Student Council. Homecoming and dances have been successful in sparking school loyalty, pride, and individual social development. In helping to create a harmonious relationship among the faculty and administration, we feel that we have made a big jump by initiating bi-weekly executive meetings with the principal. Here we have broken down one of the barriers in student-faculty relationships,

and have, as a result, improved cooperation and communication. In hopes of helping each student reach his maximum educational growth and development, we provided the student body with a showing of *Hamlet* and *The Taming of the Shrew*."

In addition, the Junior Division of Student Council initiated an extended homeroom period to improve communication among the students. This group thanked Bro. Flaherty "for his many hours in the services of student activities. He has donated considerable hours of 'behind the scenes' work for the benefit of the students. Much of our progress is due to his sincere concern for the common good of the students."

One new club was introduced this year, the Spanish Club, and most existing clubs thrived. For example, the student newspaper, *Crusader*, inaugurated the "Crusader Bulletin," a one-page edition that informed students between newspaper issues. The Speech & Debate continued to place first in many tournaments, with the varsity debate team and



Pictured above, Student Council Officers (from left): Pat O'Keefe, treasurer; Jim Malarkey, vice president; Gary Ripperger, president; and Joe Schweitzer, secretary. Inset, Brother Robert Flaherty, moderator.



The Catholic Students' Mission Crusade (CSMC), whose goal was to acquaint students with missions through service, prayer, study, and sacrifice, initiated a mission program in Paintsville, Kentucky, which was the precurser to the numerous missions Moeller sponsors today. In addition, the group held a paperback book drive, sending the donations to Bro. Niehaus in Africa.

Bro. Zakrajsek, S.M.

U.S. launches Operation Junction City, its biggest assault against Vietcong in Vietnam.

> The Monkeys arrive in UK to wild fans.

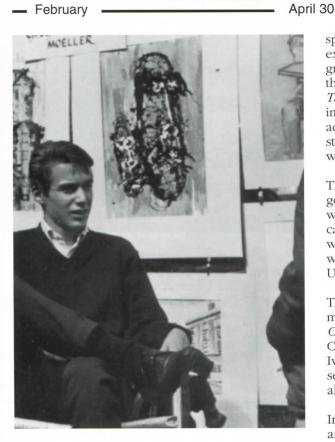


Auhammad Ali refuses draft.



Greg Stanforth ('67)

Summer of Love: The summer of '67 is recognized as the summer "hippies," wearing colorful garb, began preaching a gospel of love and peace.



Scholastic Art Award winner Greg Stanforth ('67) displays his work at the Montgomery Art Show.

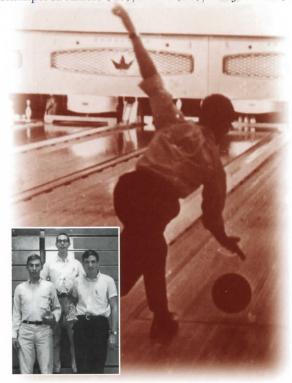


speech team both placing second in the district. One club, however, was experiencing diminishing membership over recent years. The Sodality, "a group of dedicated young men who consecrate their lives and actions to the Blessed Virgin" were now "not a large, well-known organization." In The Templar, the group states that "the major challenge for Sodality in the immediate future is to gain its rightful position of prominence in school activities and to have its influence felt by a greater number of Moeller students, as well as those people outside the school." However, this would become Sodality's last year.

The History Club, one of the most active student organizations whose goal was "to make its members more aware of this vast, everchanging world," took numerous field trips over the year, visiting museums, capitals, local areas of interest, Toronto, Ottawa, Niagra Falls, and the world-famous Expo '67, among others. In addition, the group held biweekly meetings, arguing over such topics as race relations, LSD, and the US defense system's aims.

The Dramatics Club, known as the Moeller Players this year, held two major productions: Moliere's An Imaginary Invalid and An Evening of One-Act Plays. A highlight of the Players was their participation in the Ohio District Drama Festival. Their production of "A Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich" received an excellent rating from the judges, and seniors David Lee and John Lyons were awarded medals and voted to the all-star cast for their fine performances.

In athletics, once again the varsity football team were GCL Champions, and Coach Gerry Faust received the Notre Dame trophy for the second GCL year (pictured bottom left). Moeller also had three GCL Bowling Champs: R. Ahlers ('67), T. Zitt ('67), and J. Smith ('68) (below, inset).





Napoleon GOMO leads rally.



John Malarkey and Barb Mouch reign as king and queen.



Moeller's enrollment stabilizes at 1076, faculty/admin. decreases to 51.

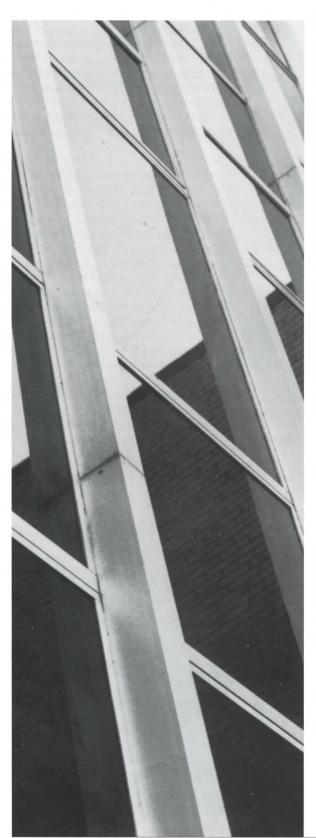
Administration

Bro. Dahlmann, S.M. Principal
Bro. Dippel, S.M. Assistant Principal
Rev. Paolozzi, S.M. Chaplain & Guidance Director
Bro. Meder, S.M. Business Manager
Bro. Ross, S.M. Student Council Moderator

Faculty

Guy Barattieri Bro. Barnett, S.M. Ralph Baumann Charles Blanford Rev. Brown, S.M. Michael Cameron Bro. Clark, S.M. Bro. Dippel, S.M. Robert Disselkamp Jerome Doerger Gerry Faust David Fellinger Bro. Geary, S.M. Thomas Gerrein Daniel Gibbons Philip Gigliotti Bro. Grisez, S.M. Bro. Habjan, S.M. Bro. Hartman, S.M. Joseph Healey Roth Herrlinger Timothy Johns Rev. Kerr, S.M. Bro. Lambers, S.M. Bro. Lampert, S.M. Bro. Lange, S.M. Bro. Letostak, S.M. George Marklay John Massarella Ronald McDaniel Bro. McFarlane, S.M. Bro. Meder, S.M. Bro. Novak, S.M. Rev. Paolozzi, S.M. Bro. Pearson, S.M. Bro. Rigot, S.M. Theodore Rodosovich Bro. Ross, S.M. Kenneth Schlotman John Smith Bro. Stein, S.M. William Straub Bro. Strathern, S.M. Bro. Trageser, S.M. Bro. Wanda, S.M. Bro. Wuco, S.M.







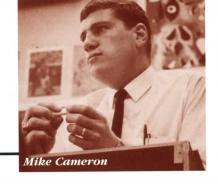
1967, a spirit of responsibility and empowerment begins to take hold within the student body. Although unknown at present, this budding spirit is the sprout from last year's seed, as Moeller grows toward its educational revolution of the 1970s. Students find their voice, seeking more influence than ever. This class provides a rare glimpse into the minds and hearts of the seniors of '68.

On Becoming "Men of Moeller"

The following excerpts are perspectives that appeared in the 1968 Templar.

A bell rings, and the ensuing scramble results in a jumbled conglomeration of bodies and books. The Class of '68 is born.







FRESHMAN YEAR: In the days that followed, we learned that there was no swimming pool on the roof. But as our knowledge of Moeller grew, so grew our spirit. As freshmen, we realized our position and reflected our desire to be "Men of Moeller" through our support of school functions and athletic events. Those of us who endured became not just students of Moeller, but members of the Class of '68.

SOPHOMORE YEAR: We gathered as sophomores in the corridors on a September morning in 1965. Our background had one common feature now: We had made it through our freshman year. A feeling of superiority grew, and now *we* were the ones selling elevator passes to the fourth floor. But something more had developed from our past: stability. With our new-found time for extracurricular activities, our ranks in clubs and teams began to swell. The records of our reserve athletic teams reflected our ability not only to participate but to win. The Class of '68 carried this new characteristic into every phase of school life.

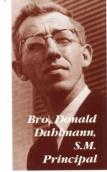
JUNIOR YEAR: Now what? We soon found it difficult to "rally around the flag" of Moeller. Spirit was hard to find, for we had no real goals. As freshmen we pushed for acceptance; as sophomores, excellence. But now what? The answer was

not easy to find, but soon we realized the purpose for existence is development. We then devoted our time and energy to improving our school and our Class. We accepted Moeller as a vehicle for this development, and soon the year was over.

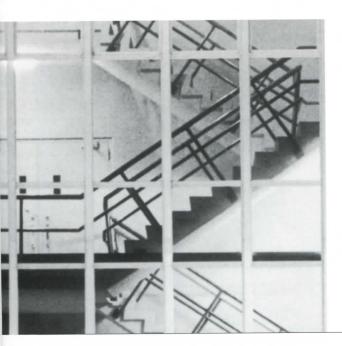
SENIOR YEAR: What is a senior? How does he act? Where does he go? What does he do? We had struggled our way from lowly freshmen to the top. The pinnacle was reached. Now here we were, the Class of '68. We had many questions, but perhaps our biggest one was, Can we succeed?

We had one big thing pushing us, and that was our

new administration. Of course, we weren't really sure what to expect. We weren't sure whether the administration would aid us in our attempt to begin to govern ourselves, and self-government more than anything else was what we wanted to achieve. We wanted to prove to ourselves and to others we could take on responsibility and could conduct ourselves as "Men of



Moeller" within our own guidelines. And so, with great anxiety we awaited to see the position of our administration. We did know one thing, for sure: We knew the outcome would rest initially and finally upon our shoulders. And so, with many convictions, thoughts, and questions, we began our senior year.





Bro. John Habjan, S.M.

October

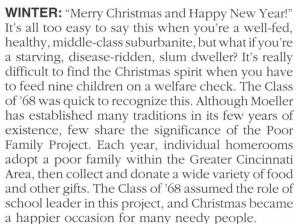


FALL: The football season was soon underway, and "school spirit" became the key phrase in our vocabulary. Our varsity team was looking forward to another successful season, as has been the heritage of football teams at Moeller. The varsity team again carried the pigskin through a season that terminated in an 8-2 record.

Unfortunately, the two losses eliminated us from GCL crown contention and had an effect on our school spirit. Our Class took so much pride in our representatives on the gridiron that it was extremely difficult to see them lose.

So, the Class of '68 assumed the need for unification and soon began one of the high points of this portion of the year: The Woodpile contest. As in previous years, the contest resulted in a battle between the junior and senior class. The end result was our victory, a unified effort by many seniors.

Soon the football season was over. It had served its purpose, for it had unified the school, especially the senior class, and had allowed the Class of '68 to assume some of the responsibility we desired: to succeed in directing the Homecoming floats, the Woodpile contest, the parade, and the Homecoming dance.



One sport Moeller had never been particularly strong in was basketball, but the upcoming season proved different. Sparkplugged by its senior members, the varsity team reeled off victory after victory. Pi Epsilon Pi, the senior pep club, was formed, and the student body rallied around it as the basketball team battled its way to a strong second place finish in the GCL. The team then went all the way to the semi-finals before the season ended. Finishing the season 18-4, this team compiled the best record in Moeller history to date.

However, this wasn't the only victory. For the first time, our class had provided a really sound backing of the basketball team, and the result was evident. We also established the first basketball homecoming in our school's history, which included a semiformal dance held in the cafeteria. The basketball season was now over, and it marked a turning point in Moeller history.

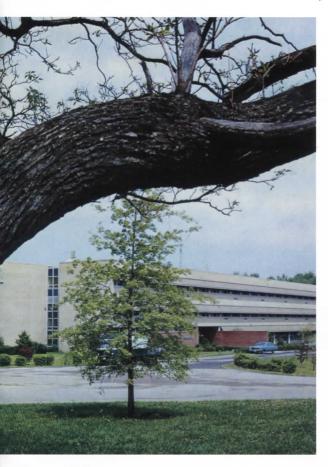




Martin Luther King My Lai massacre Senator Robert occurs; later this is shot in Memphis Kennedy, during event becomes a by an unknown his race for the symbol of the assassin. 1,000 students riot presidency, was brutality of the in Paris for assassinated in L.A. Vietnam War. educational and social reforms. March 16 April 4 May 7 June 6



1968



SPRING: Spring arrived, and the spirit of the school began to lag and almost disappear. Encouraged and aided by members of the faculty, the senior class was determined to remedy this spring apathy. Striving to make our last year at Moeller the best one of all, we looked to the Senior Prom. Held at the Lookout House in Kentucky, this dance proved to



be the social highlight of the entire year and was one of the most successful proms in memory. We also sponsored a variety show and a show produced by the Sing-Out Cincinnati cast. Meanwhile, the baseball and track teams fought their way to highly successful seasons. Two of the minor sports teams, golf and tennis, were also busy swinging to success. Although they did not draw large crowds, they kept our members involved and aided in abetting the problem of apathy while spreading the fame of Moeller and the Class of '68.



GRADUATION: Our time had come. We had waited for this event for a long time, but we weren't sure if we wanted to give up the school that had been the focal point of our spirit, the rallying point around which we had centered our joys, our fears, our anxieties, and our existence. Most of all, we didn't know if we were willing to give up the friendships we had at Moeller. We had become addicted. It was our Class. We had watched it germinate, sprout leaves, and develop into a giant tree. We didn't want it to die.

We all tried to cover our emotions, but it was difficult. It was almost too much saying good-bye to friends we may never see again, but it was even more difficult saying good-bye to what we had become. For we were leaving a part of ourselves behind. Our class had grown and flourished. Time can never erase our accomplishments, nor the spirit of the Class of '68.

Source: *The Templar*, 1968

Mass anti-war demonstrations held in Chicago during Democratic National Convention.

The Spring of Change

Year gives way to year. To strive for perfection requires yearly change. Moeller High School has changed much during the last ten years. The Templar, 1969

August -

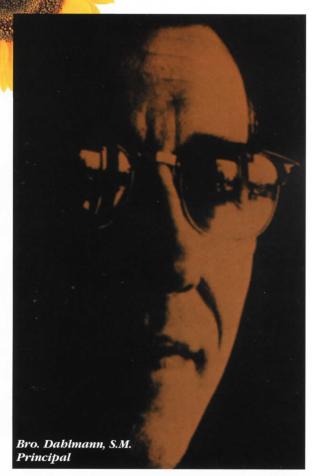


Moeller's enrollmostabilizes at 1080, faculty/admin. increases to 56.

Administration Bro. Dahlmann, S.M. Principal Bro. Forlani, S.M. Vice Principal Bro. Hiele, S.M. Guidance Director Bro. Jogan, S.M. Business Manager Fr. Rauscher, S.M. Chaplain Bro. Novak, S.M. Student Council Mod. Iim Millette ('69) Student Council President

Faculty

Theodore Bacigalupo Richard Barattieri Ralph Baumann Charles Blanford Rev. Brown, S.M. Michael Cameron Bro. Clark, S.M. Jerome Doerger James Edmiston Gerry Faust David Fellinger Thomas Gerrein Daniel Gibbons Bro. Grisez, S.M. Bro. Habjan, S.M. Bro. Hartman, S.M. Joseph Healey Roth Herrlinger Bro. Hieble, S.M. Timothy Johns Rev. Kerr, S.M. Lawrence Knab Leo Knueven Bro. Kozar, S.M. Bro. Lambers. S.M. Bro. Lange, S.M. Bro. Letostak. S.M. George Marklay Iohn Massarella Ronald McDaniel Bro. McFarlane, S.M. Bro. Meder. S.M. Bro. Meierdirks, S.M. Edward Meosky Bro. Novak, S.M. Patrick O'Leary John Parker Bro. Pearson, S.M. Michael Pennock Rev. Rauscher, S.M. Kenneth Schlotman Donald Schlosser Stephen Schweitzer Raymond Sweigart Bro. Trageser, S.M. Bro. Wanda, S.M. Thomas Wilger Bro. Wuco, S.M. Richard Yannelli



As John F. Kennedy had said at the dawn of this decade, "The torch has been passed to a new generation," and during the past ten years the flame grew brighter, almost threatening to scorch its bearers. During this dynamic time period, the Moeller students witnessed the dream and demise of Camelot, the escalation of the most unpopular war of the century and the birth of its most popular music group. The moon was within their reach, yet their planet could be snuffed at the touch of a button. They heard the voice of idealism, embodied in the message of peace and love and hope of the best of the "flower children," yet saw some swept into the abyss with the excesses of the worst. They laughed with Rowan & Martin, and were transported to new worlds with Star Trek. They screamed at Psycho and reeled in horror at Charles Manson. The students of Archbishop Moeller High School were caught up in the decade's best and worst, and like the nation itself, had come to a critical crossroad. The signs of the times called for a change in the status quo, but it would come at a cost. The following year, the Moeller Family polarized, resulting in an educational revolution and the resignation of its leader. That year, Moeller defined itself as a school of the future and instituted educational reforms ahead of its time. To everything, there is a season, and 1969 was the spring of its change.

1968, Moeller's Student Council had reached new heights, and now the Council's president was part of the decision-making body of the school administration. During this year, the Council hosted the 2nd Marianist Leadership Conference, which emphasized the role of Student Council in education and the importance of communication and group dynamics. In addition to the many activities and programs the Council had led in the past, like Homecoming and the Poor Family Project, Student Council was responsible for allocating funds to the various clubs and became more active in policy decisions.

At the time, changing the school's dress code was priority, and the group appointed a Dress Code Board to address this issue, which eventually brought about important changes to the students. The newfound power of the Council would prove to be piv-



1969 Templar caption: "Backed by Regents, Bro. Dahlmann explains why students may not occupy his office." In 1968, 500 Columbia University students seized five buildings and occupied the university president's office protesting military research.

otal the following year, and freshman Bill Braun ('72) was part of its current leadership.

ACTIVITIES: Other clubs experienced more responsibility as well. For example, in only its second year of operation, the students involved in Future Teachers of America, served as school substitutes and provided a student tutoring program.

Many groups and clubs saw their membership grow and become more active than ever. For example, the Big Brother Program, whose members guided the children of St. Aloysius orphanage through tutoring, sports, and field trips, became the largest group in its history; the Drama Club boasted its largest cast (33) to date; and the band members said their club was the

most active in the history of the school.

Changes outside the school walls brought speakers within to address timely topics: Roger Steffens, recently returned from Vietnam, addressed the







Moeller believed in using the latest technology as an educational tool. Typing was an essential skill before the advent of keyboarding.



Bill Kohus ('69)

1969

1st Time GCL Baseball Champions



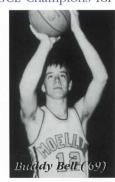




students, as did a speaker from the NAACP. Some things, however, remained the same, for school dances continued to provide an important social outlet.

ATHLETICS: Under the direction of first-year Varsity Coach Mike Cameron, Moeller's varsity baseball team became GCL Champions for

the first time, and Moeller's baseball dynasty began. Buddy Bell ('69), another legend-in-theworks, played an important role, and also served as captain of the school's basketball team, earning the team's MVP award. With the exception of tennis, all varsity sports teams finished their year with winning seasons.







27

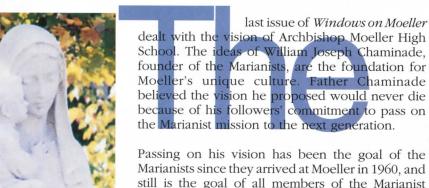
U M M E R 2 0 0 0 W I N D O W S





Marianist spirit, celebrations, symbols, and missions integral to school culture

by Bro. John Habjan, S.M., Dean of Academics

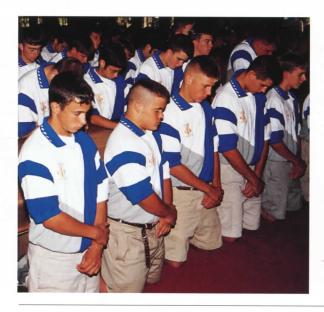


Passing on his vision has been the goal of the Marianists since they arrived at Moeller in 1960, and still is the goal of all members of the Marianist Family (religious, faculty, parents, and students) today. We instill this spirit in many ways, particularly through our commitment to family spirit, our celebrations, our symbolic representations throughout the school, and our missions throughout the world community.

The sense of family spirit has been integral to the Moeller community. Today, you can speak to graduates and they will talk about the family spirit they experienced here. One graduate told me that because of this experience, he now tries to develop that same family spirit at his place of employment.



Celebrations are an important part of our Marianist tradition, and we celebrate the Eucharist, Communion services, and Reconciliation services frequently. In the morning, we begin our school day with a prayer over the P.A. Other important ways we work to develop faith commitment include Kairos senior





retreats, junior retreats, and the freshmen & sophomore days of recollection.

We display symbols of our Catholic and Marianist tradition throughout the school. For example, the statue of Father Chaminade that graces the outside patio and the statue of Mary, Our Lady of Moeller, that adorns our courtyard are two primary examples. We are planning to place new crucifixes and pictures of Mary in all our classrooms. Our new library is the Father Chaminade Library, with an etched glass image of Father Chaminade at the entrance. Our school chapel, named the Holy Family Chapel, is full of beautiful outward expressions of our faith.

Our mission trips expose students to cultures and socioeconomic conditions vastly different from their own, and few students return unchanged by their experiences. We send our students to other countries, (Honduras, Mexico) to other parts of our country (Appalachia) and to other parts of our own city (Over-the Rhine, our Urban Plunge program). These programs impart our value of working for social justice. It is our hope that they will carry this value throughout their lives. We want our students to ask themselves continually, How can I ensure that people who are underserved experience a good life, both spiritually and materially?

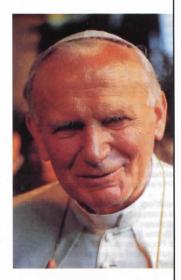
This year we have started a new tradition. At the end of each morning prayer, our students, faculty and staff join together and pray the Marianist Doxology, which is a prayer said by vowed religious since the early 19th century. I encourage each of you to join with us and say the following prayer to help us enrich and implement Moeller's Marianist mission: "May the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit be glorified in all places through the Immaculate Virgin Mary." Amen.



Marianists make pilgrimage to Rome for Father Chaminade's beatification

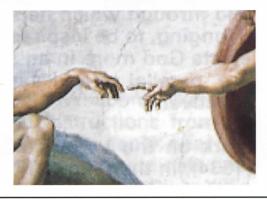
As a Marianist school, it is time to rejoice! Father Chaminade will be beatified in Rome on September 3, 2000. To honor this momentous occasion, there will be a

special pilgrimage to Rome for this celebration, which will be highlighted by a special Mass and an audience with the Pope at St. Peter's Basilica. Marianists, students, parents, and alumni from Marianist schools and parishes all over the world are invited. This is a once-in-a-lifetime event, and



we hope that all members of our Marianist Family will take part in some way. Space for the pilgrimage is limited. Brother Ron Luksic is the coordinator of this week-long trip, which will take place over Labor Day weekend. Students taking part in this event will be excused from school for the four days, but they must be 16 years old to participate.

The trip will be a time of pilgrimage, prayer, and celebration. It is a very special event in this Jubilee Year, and participants will have the opportunity to see the sights of Rome and Assisi, birthplace of St. Francis.





The trip will be a time of pilgrimage, prayer, and celebration, and participants will have the opportunity to see the sights of Rome and Assisi, birthplace of St. Francis.



Father Mike leaves rich spiritual legacy as he pursues new challenges

by Johanna Kremer

Father Michael Leshney prepares for his next challenges, he leaves behind a legacy rich in service and spiritual leadership. He has spent almost a decade ministering to the Moeller Family, which culminated in receiving one of the highest honors available: Father Mike's ministry program was named one of the top 10 high school campus ministry programs in the United States.

In his own words, he looks back on those nine years and describes some of his experiences along the way:



Father Mike reflects...

I first came in the fall of '91 to be a full-time teacher and chaplain for the school and the football team. Bro. Joe Kamis, principal at the time, then asked me to take over the school's Pastoral Ministry program. Because I was still teaching five classes, I respectfully declined. However, he eventually persuaded me, and I have to say the first year was rough. (I had also inherited the LaCrosse team.)

Meanwhile, outside of the classroom, I started noticing a spiritual emptiness. As Mother Teresa once said, "I see so much wealth, but so much poverty." I felt my students were spiritually impoverished, so I asked and prayed, How can I help these boys fall in love with the Lord?

Kairos

In February of '91, I went with a St. X group on a Kairos retreat to observe. I couldn't find words to explain my experience. It was simply incredible. I knew then I wanted to start Kairos at Moeller. But, I needed students to do this, so I encouraged 10 juniors to experience a St. X Kairos, and their senior year they initiated the first Kairos team.



When introducing a new program, such as Kairos, it usually takes two or three years to take root, at least that much time before you begin to notice a change. I felt a subtle negativity coming from the upperclassmen, who were dealing with so many issues. They needed the Lord's peace to transform them, so I worked hard the first two years to entice the seniors to go. By the end of the second year, it was marketing itself. And I began to notice a difference. I noticed a peace.

Nine years later, I can say that 1,800 graduates have experienced Kairos, with a very high percentage of seniors participating. Now the sophomores and freshmen were saying, "When can I go on Kairos?"

My next challenge was to do something for these underclassmen, so I began working on a retreat program to develop something meaningful and appropriate for this age group. (The four-day Kairos experience for juniors and seniors was much too intense.) In order *not* to have Cecil B. Demill's cast of thousands, only two homerooms would go on a retreat at a time. These smaller, more intimate groups were much more powerful. We had junior and senior Kairos graduates work as spiritual leaders. It was effective.



Thank you for everything, Padre!

by James Fisher ('00)

"Father Mike,"
"Padre." Those are
just a couple of
the more popular
names we Moeller
students have for
Father Michael



Leshney, though these nicknames do not fully describe who Father Mike truly is. More than anything else, he can be considered a friend. He has always been there for students no matter how many other things needed to be done. We couldn't have been blessed with a better friend than the one we have had in Father Mike.

Through his nine years at Moeller, he has done a lot. Father Mike started the Kairos program in 1993, and now the retreat has become an integral part of being a senior at Moeller. He also started the Campus Pastoral Ministry program. This year the program was named one of the top 10 high school Campus Ministry Programs in the United States, and we owe it all to Father Mike.

Father Mike has not only reached students these past years, but he has also reached out to those less fortunate. Through his modeling and the mission trips program, he has enabled Moeller students also to reach out to others, allowing us to learn and grow outside the classroom. We thank Father Mike for these opportunties.

In closing, I want to thank Father Mike for everything he has done for me and for the Class of 2000. They say you always want to go out on top; Father Mike is going out as the best-of-the-best — the "Top Gun." The upperclassmen and all the students at Moeller will truly miss Father Mike and the friendship he has given them, but we shall always remember our friend, Padre.

Thank you, Padre, for nine great years, and may God carry you and bless you on your new challenge at Good Shepherd. ■











Leadership Retreat Programs

About five years ago, we started leadership retreat training programs. These were student empowerment programs, and they gave our guys the confidence they needed to talk with freshmen and sophomores in small groups.

We decided to use local resources, so we held these training programs at the Milford Spiritual Center, During the training sessions, we taught the students how to give effective talks, how to be a group leader, how to lead prayer, and how to plan prayer services. Our first test group *loved* the experience. Students paid for their one-day training. They were all excited. So, we asked, What more can we do? If one session was good, two was better! We began holding two training sessions to prepare the leaders — one in the spring and one in the fall.

The Holy Family Chapel

In 1994 our new chapel was designed. The architectural designers asked me, "When parents and students enter the Holy Family Chapel, what do you want them to experience?"

I said, "I want them to have a sense of the transcendent," meaning that the space was to be very different than any other space at Moeller. This was to be a place of peace. A place where students could take a "time out" from the academic demands of the day.



Since the chapel has been constructed, it's gotten a lot of use. Besides daily worship services, we hold prayer services for athletic teams, baptisms, weddings, and anniversaries. The most touching service I remember is one held three years ago for Steve Hodge ('87). Steve had a brother who had been previously diagnosed with cancer. His parents called me one day and wanted to have a Mass to celebrate the cure. I invited everyone to come forward to receive a Blessing, and there was not a dry eye in the house. It was the most powerful litergy I ever celebrated in the Holy Family Chapel.

Liturgical Ministry Program

Students needed to be trained in the liturgical ministries, and it made me *so* happy that so many students wanted to be trained, from freshman to senior. We hold three Communion sevices daily before each lunch. Students became presiders of these services, and now about 80 students are trained each year. Most of the guys start as freshmen and continue to serve all four years. We serve Holy Communion to 250 students each week. I often have to go downtown to buy more Hosts, but that's OK.

Urbal Plunge Program

We continued to to ask ourselves, What else can we do? So we initiated the Urban Plunge program in Over-the-Rhine in 1995. I remember it was a cold January weekend. We began the program during the Martin Luther King, Jr., weekend, and it was quite an experience. Afterwards, many students said, "It's hard to believe you're still in Cincinnati." The students came away with a true empathy for the poor. They realized that poverty is much more complicated than being out of work or having very little income. They begin to realize the many injustices...

For example, when developers went in to transform areas of Over-the-Rhine, they promised to transform the area, offering residents hopes of new jobs. Well, they *did* generate jobs, but only for collegeage kids, not residents. Another example involves

city services in the area. The only time the streets are *really* cleaned is the day before the Opening Day of the Reds — only for the cameras.On the positive side, a lot of guys come away amazed that people can be happy with so little.

We do anywhere from three to six Urban Plunge weekends during the school year and one eight-day Plunge during the summer. Over-the-Rhine has the highest crime rate of all the Cincinnati neighborhoods. The first day of the Plunge last summer, I could tell by the students' body language that they were really scared. I just said, "Don't take anything for granted." By the second day, they were more comfortable, but we always walked as a group.

Mission Trips

Our first mission trip was to Nazareth Farm in West Virginia. Nazareth Farm is located in one of the state's poorest Appalacian areas, with a population of about 7,000. The mission program there was started by a priest in Brooklyn, NY. We believed that this area was a good place to start, and we said to our students, "Nazareth Farm, like Nazareth, is where Jesus grew up — physically and spiritually. We hope you will grow here too." We wanted to impart the message that the world is your classroom. We later began our mission trips to Mexico with the Class of '96. As the mission programs became more popular, Bro. Ron (Luksic) found out about the mission in Honduras. Last year we offered four mission trips for our guys. This year we had 72 applicants for 27 spots this summer.

Day to Day

As for day-to-day activities, I mostly deal with students, trying to meet their spiritual needs. I deal with their parents as well. I have no boundries; I believe in an open-door policy. I also believe every kid is a good kid here — they just don't always see it within themselves. It's my ministry to see that they do, and I find great joy in helping people discover the God within. More than anything, that gives me the greatest joy and satisfaction. — helping people to discover the face of God.

Father Mike continues on his journey

by Rose Eckhoff, Director of Public Relations & Special Events

It's hard to say good-bye to a friend. But, Moeller finds it even tougher to say good-bye to Father Michael Leshney — as he has been much more than a friend to Moeller High School. He has been a mentor, a team player, a spiritual leader, a companion, a co-worker, and, above all, an integral member of the Moeller Family. As one student said, "Father Mike is the best, all rolled into one." His mark on Moeller and its students will remain for many years to come.

When Father Mike arrived nine years ago, he was given the overwhelming, yet critical, job of beginning Moeller's first comprehensive pastoral ministry program. From very modest beginnings, Father Mike has nurtured the Moeller ministry program to include Kairos retreats, the Urban Plunge ministry program, an outreach service program, daily communion services, weekly Masses, regular reconciliation times, personal & spiritual consultation, local ministries, global outreach.. The list goes on and on. Father Mike commits countless hours each week to ensure that the spiritual needs of the Moeller Family are met. According to Father Mike, "I have had the privilege of preparing young men for the challenges of life on this earth and, most of all, for the anticipation of life with our Lord Jesus in Heaven. What better job could there be? No matter where I go, I will always be there for 'my boys,' if they need me. I can assure you, they have given me more that I could have ever given them, and, for this, I am grateful. All of them will remain forever in my thoughts and prayers."

Father Mike will not be going far, for he will officially join the pastoral staff at Good Shepherd in Symmes Township this summer. He promises to maintain his close ties with Moeller and looks forward to continuing his journey. The Moeller Family — the administration, faculty, staff, students, parents, alumni, and friends — wish him "Godspeed."







For his exceptional service to the Moeller Community, Father Michael Leshney received the prestigious Founder's Day Award this year (see page 43).



THE CAMPAIGN FOR MOELLER: Phase II construction for new wing begins

by Dan Ledford ('66), Principal

Time to celebrate new beginnings, for now that we have successfully completed Phase I of The Campaign for Moeller, we are now in the throes of Phase II, which will result in several needed new facilities, classrooms, and office spaces.

have received permission from the Archdiocese to begin construction on the south wing. The new wing will include the following:

- a new entrance to the school,
- a new 1,300-seat gymnasium, with a 300-seat balcony and two full-court practice floors,
- new locker/shower rooms,
- · coaches' offices,
- · a new bookstore,

- PE offices,
- storage,
- eight large classrooms,
- a conference room, and
- · auxiliary offices.

In addition, this summer the new Charlotte McCullough Pastoral Ministry Center will be completed. It will contain offices, conferencing space, and a storage area. A portion of this construc-



tion will also include new offices for a full-time nurse and psychologist, who will join us next year. We will complete the renovation of the main office this summer, as well as the air conditioning of the current gym/auditorium.

We are in the planning stages for a new wrestling and weight center to be constructed. This project is the result of a generous gift given specifically for this purpose. Unfortunately, projects of this magnitude will result in may inconveniences and adjustments. We know that we will lose the main entrance for most, if not all, of next year. The southeast portion of the main building (the conference room, rooms 235, 339, and part of 335) will be torn down. We will also lose the south stairs and rooms 035 and 036 beginning next fall. However, we will keep these disruptions to a minimum. Ultimately, I am excited about what these new buildings will mean to us and to the students we serve.

The new Charlotte McCullough Pastoral Ministry Center, named for a beloved history teacher who passed away, will be completed this summer.





MAIN EVENT 2000 Gala rings in "Turn of the Century" in grand style

by Rose Eckhoff, Director of Public Relations & Special Events







A very special thanks go to our Main Event Millennium Gold Club Benefactor's Club members for their extraordinary support of Main Event 2000:

Mark & Joanne Sweeney Henry Gallenstein, Jr. Bill & Marilyn Hines Lon & Leslie Deckard Koop Diamond Cutters Gronauer Furs Carol & Paul O'Brien he year 2000 will long be remembered at Moeller High as the 'year of great celebration.' According to Principal Dan Ledford, "Moeller has much to celebrate this year: first is the 40th anniversary of our school; second is the 15th anniversary of the Main Event; and third is the 150th anniversary of the Society of Mary in the United States; and fourth, but certainly not least, the beatification of Father Chaminade, founder of the Society of Mary. For all these reasons and more, we wanted to ring in the Jubilee year properly."



Hence, the result was a spectacular Main Event Gala, which was held at the beautiful Phoenix Ballroom in downtown Cincinnati on April 29th. The black-tie affair (which sold out three months before the event) boasted a grand celebration, complete with white glove service, a classic harpist and grand

piano entertainment, champagne toasts, candlelight cocktail hour, gourmet dinner, and an unforgettable auction.

Guests in attendance represented two generations of Moeller "family members." More than 400 guests and over 1000 generous benefactors contributed to the event, which raised a record \$175,000 for

Moeller and the MHS Annual Fund. In addition, we expect \$75,000 for the Daniel J. Ledford Scholarship Fund to be brought in through the Annual Fund Drive.

Highlights of the evening included a presentation to Main Event Honorary Chair, Brother Ron Luksic. According to



Ron Luksic. According to auction chair Mark Sweeney, "Brother Ron was chosen to be honored at this very special millennium celebration for his involvement and support of the Main Event over the past 15 years and his unprecedented contributions to the Moeller Global Outreach Program. Brother Ron has given of





himself to those less fortunate, and has also given so much to our kids. He has opened his heart and given his time and talents to the students of Moeller and has expanded their life experiences to include acts of compassion and love. He's truly worthy of his honor." Hundreds of guests raised their paddles at the Main Event to support the Brother Ronald G. Luksic Fund for Global Outreach. The money collected for this fund will help pay for muchneeded supplies and transportation expenses for student mission trips.



Another memorable and touching moment came when Brother Joe Kamis, Provincial of the Society of Mary, presented Moeller Principal Dan Ledford with a plaque commemorating the establishment of the Daniel J. Ledford Alumni Scholarship Fund. The Society of Mary, along with the

Moeller Alumni Association, established this fund in this millennium year to recognize the number of years of service Dan has given to Moeller. "Although it is with great hope that Dan is at Moeller for many years to come," Brother Joe commented, "We felt it was never too early to recognize the service and contributions of Dan Ledford." The scholarship fund will provide a full, renewable, annual scholarship to a Moeller High School student who meets the necessary criteria for admissions and financial aid and who is the son of a Moeller High School alumnus.

Rose Eckhoff, Director of Special Events & Public Relations, took a few moments to recognize Main Event Auction Chairs Joanne & Mark Sweeney for their leadership role in the evening's success. "We were so incredibly lucky and blessed to have had Joanne and Mark serve as our special millennium Chairs. They have worked so hard for so long, asking for nothing in return. They did it entirely for the love of Moeller. For this, we are eternally grateful. The entire Moeller community joins me in thanking them for making this 'Turn of the Century' celebration a truly memorable evening."





A very special thank you to Mrs. Diane Carlson (pictured above with her family) for her outstanding Main Event service these past years.



Numerous generous attendees raised their paddles high to Moeller, making this Main Event the most successful yet. We hope you will join us for next year's gala, which will be held April 21st at the Oasis Golf & Conference Center. At this time, we want to introduce to you Mrs. Chris Anne Gaier, who will be assuming the role of Main Event Director for this 2001 Main Event. (You will be receiving more information about her in the upcoming issues of Windows.) For more information, contact Chris Anne Gaier at (513) 792-3344.



Moeller CELEBRATES



Paul T. Bunch Valedictorian



Timothy C. Paff Salutatorian

James M. Fisher Father Chaminade Award

Paul T. Bunch Man of Moeller Award

Paul T. BunchDavid M. Greider
Memorial Award

Randall A. Linnemann Gold Shield Award

Graduation Statistics 199 Graduates

Students receiving academic scholarships: 40.3%

Students receiving athletic scholarships: 7.0%

Total value of scholarships received: \$2,510,000



Walking in the land of giants

In his graduation speech, Matthew Harrison ('00) recalls the days he walked among "giants"...

I can still remember my first day at Moeller High School. I was a scared little boy walking amongst giants. I looked around the halls and saw men. I saw



anarchy. It appeared as if no one was headed in any certain direction. Occasionally, I would get lost in those very halls that all looked the same to an untrained eye. I considered consulting one of the giants to find my way, but decided to wonder aimlessly than submit to the humiliation of admitting I was lost. I could not bring

myself to approach one of the giants, for I did not see them as teenagers, but rather as the subject of conversation on the news or in the *Cincinnati Enquirer*. Who was I to ask them to do me a favor? Why would they take the time to help out a scared little boy like me? After all, my picture of Moeller up to this time had been drawn by the reports I had heard on the news or read in the paper. Now, here I was, walking in the midst as if we were equals. It was hard to believe. In fact, I didn't believe it right away. I still felt inferior. This feeling made me even more skeptical than I already was about this supposed "Moeller Family," which I had heard so much about before attending the school.

I was as confused as anybody about what to expect from a school that proclaimed itself a "family." After all, it's just a school, right? I couldn't understand how a school with nearly a 1,000 guys could develop such a feeling of belonging, such camaraderie that people would commonly refer to it as a "family." I didn't believe that a bunch of teenagers would refer to their friends as "family." I had come from a grade school with a graduating class of 28, and we had grown close over those years. Entering Moeller, I thought I would never reach that kind of closeness again.

the CLASS OF 2000



As my career progressed from freshman to sophomore, I grew. We all did. Not only were we physically maturing, but we were mentally and emotionally maturing even more. I had stopped being scared: scared of the teachers I had never seen; scared of the classes I thought I would struggle through; scared of the giants. During this time, the giants seemed to become more human; but they were still giants to me. I began making friends and acquaintances. It was then, I think, that I realized that Moeller is also about character.

My junior year it really hit me. The Moeller Family had been alive and well all this time; I had just been too naive to see it. I realized that Moeller is not just a school, but a stage in my life of incredible growth and maturity. I realized this through my classmates' attitude toward me, my teachers' respect for me, and the unmatchable feeling of being able to say that I am an upperclassman at Moeller High School. When I came to this realization, I was ecstatic. I began to love school; I began to love Moeller.

As I entered my senior year, I hoped that this would be the time during which all the pieces of the puzzle would come together. My questions would be answered; my doubts erased; my identity defined. As I fit these pieces together, it became a picture: a picture of the "Moeller Family." I had wanted my senior year to be the defining year of my four years at Moeller. It was.

A major contributor to this feeling was the Kairos retreat. During the four days of the Kairos retreat, I made new friends and strengthened friendships I had already made. I think Kairos is one reason all the seniors consider each other a family. By senior year, all the pieces seemed to conveniently fall into place.

One day, a freshman came up to me and asked, with a trembling voice, for directions to his next class. There he was, standing before me, a scared little

boy. And there I stood, a giant. From that moment on, I faced the year with confidence. I was confident with my classmates; confident with my teachers; and confident with the work I was doing in school for the first time in my life.

So as our senior year ends, I realize that we have not only been preparing for this moment for the last two weeks, but for our entire lives. This moment, for all of us, is the epitome of what we stand for as Men of Moeller High School. That is why I can stand here and say that now, as I, and my classmates, prepare to graduate, I don't think of myself as a scared little boy in the midst of giants, but as a man in the midst of a family.







What the Class of 2000 is pursuing next... ■ College: 95.7%

- - Four-year Colleges
 - Two-year Colleges
 - Public Colleges
 - Private Colleges
 - Obio Colleges
 - Out-of-state Colleges
 - Catholic Colleges
- Full-time Employment: 3.2%
- Military Service: 1.1%
- Colleges Attending:

University of Cincinnati (30) University of Dayton (20)

Miami University (14) Obio University (14) Bowling Green (9)

Obio State University (9) University of Tennessee (6)

Cincinnati State College (6) Indiana University (5

Xavier University (4)

Wright State University (4) Northern Kentucky University (3)

Cleveland Institute of Art (3) Raymond Walters (3) Coast Guard Academy (2)

88.7%

7.0%

66.1%

29.6%

72.6%

23.1%

18.3%

Mt. St. Joseph College (2) Kent State University (2)

University of Toledo (2)

Mt. Union College (2) Morehead State University (2)



Robert J. Moeller has been accepted into the six-year B.A./D.D.S. program at the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Dentistry. He is also the recipient of a \$90,000 Chancellor's Scholarship.

CLASS OF 2000 Grad reflects...

by Bob Moeller ('00)

Class of 2000 is no different than any other, yet we are unique in our own way. Like all classes, we have seen good times and bad, victories and defeats. We have also seen new academic standards set and have experienced our own heartfelt moments. Most importantly, though, throughout these past four years at Moeller, we've become like brothers; we love and respect each other. We have become an integral part of the Moeller Family.

There has been much to celebrate these past four years. Moeller was state runners-up in football (1996) and baseball (2000); senior Neil Lykins won the state in golf (1998); and we were state champs in basketball (1999). And this year our wrestling team went to state, led by state champ Nick Lukens ('01), along with several others. More importantly, however, the academic standard at Moeller has risen constantly, and now reaching the collegiate level. Knowledge is power, and with the strength of our academic background, we feel prepared to face the future with courage.

Our community awareness has grown through our numerous service efforts, such as the food drives, the Corryville Catholic Little Buddies program, the mission trips, etc. All these experiences have enabled us to be better Christians.

With the ups, we've had downs. We lost one of our brothers, Justin McArthur, after our sophomore year, and a couple of our brothers' parents passed on. However, whatever our Class was faced with, we were all there for each other to get through the rough times and to celebrate the good.

Our most unforgettable experiences, such as Kairos, enlightened us and showed us the major role God plays in our lives. Kairos brought unity to our Class and revealed the true meaning of the Moeller Family.

Moeller has shaped us well academically,



physically, and spiritually. As a departing senior, there are only a few opportunities I would suggest for improvement. With academic standards now at the college level, Moeller could make the atmosphere more "college like," thus making the transition from high school to college smoother. Finding avenues to involve the students in administration would help improve communications. Lastly, I would suggest that the pep rallies include all sports of each season, including the club sports. Each sport is important and should receive fair recognition. These few improvements would strengthen the unity of the whole school, enrich all the Moeller students, and reinforce the solidarity of the Moeller tradition.

As freshmen, we walked through the high school doors longing to find out what the "Moeller Family" was and wondering what new experiences this school would bring into our lives. We all grew these past four years, and Moeller has helped mold each one of us. Our brother, Andy Schmidt ('00), perhaps said it best, "I hope to become successful in whatever I do, never forgetting who I am, always enjoying life, never forgetting what Moeller taught me, and continuing the friendships I made." Only as seniors did we discover the true meaning behind the Moeller Family, and I feel fortunate to have been a part of this experience. As for the Class of 2000, we are who we are, and proud to be part of the Moeller Family...the Moeller tradition.

2000 Honors & Awards

Bausch & Lomb Award: Mark E. Magner ('01) Buckeye Boy's State: Mark Gittinger ('01) & Jonathan Rahe ('01) Clarkson Leadership Award: Matt DePetro ('01) Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Seminar: Matthew Flege ('02) Kiwanis Club Student Recognition: Paul Bunch ('00) NCTE Writing Achievement Award: Randy Linnemann ('00) Operation Youth: Jeff Heimann ('01)

Purdue University Junior Scholar Awards: English — Mark Magner; French — Jon Rabe; Latin Matthew DePetro; Spanish — Daniel Doel; Social Studies -Rafael Courtemanche; Biology— Mark Hardin; Chemistry-Eric Wellinghoff; and Math — Andrew Smith Rensselaer Medal for Excellence in Math & Science: Dan Doel ('01) Rotary Club Student of the Month: Randy Linnemann ('00) Sharonville City Council Student Government Day:

Joe Piepmeier ('01) Blake Schaffeld ('01); & Andy Schmidt ('00) Williams College Book Award: Eric Wellinghoff ('01) Xerox Award: Mark E. Magner ('01)

Nine juniors received the top score of "6" on their EECAP (Early English Composition Assessment Program) writing test, administered by Miami University: Matt DePetro, Dan Doel, Mark Magner, Justin McNeely, Brad Moore, Jon

Rabe, Adam Reuscher, Demark Schulz, and Eric Wellinghoff. For the first time, Moeller's average score topped 4.0, with the average for all schools at 3.75. (Students' essays are scored from "1" to "6" and are rated in five categories.)

On February 10th, **Moeller** students participated in the Xavier University Entreprenuerial Center's 8th Annual Entrepreneurial Case Competition. Three Moeller students (pictured right) received awards: Brian Mack ('00), Eric Wellingboff ('01), and Mark Magner ('01). Also pictured (far left) is the students' advisor, Mr. Ken Schlotman, and the center's director (far right), Dr. William Cunningbam.

On February 28th, Moeller students participated in a creative writing/drama project by the Cincinnati Playbouse in the Park. The Playhouse commissioned California playwright Bernardo Solano to write an original play to be performed next season. The content will be the fears and myths of adolescents. On one of his tours of selected area high schools, Solano guided three Moeller classes (Senior Humanities and Art III and Art IV) in a creative writing workshop to gather material for his play. The script will be comprised entirely of responses from local high school students.

From March 10th-12th, 14 Moeller Latin students attended the Ohio Junior Classical League Convention held in Columbus: Paul Bunch ('00), John Medl ('00), Matt DePetro ('01), Zack Lewis ('01), Henry Leist ('01), Mark Schultze ('01), Joe Schuster ('01), Chris Creighton ('02), Jason Fletcher ('02), Mike Gorman ('02) Abbijit Mebta ('02), Bryan Rees ('02), Chris Hyden ('03), and Tony Rudd ('03) . Approximately 950 students representing 37 schools attended, and Moeller's team of 14 brought back 47 awards!

David Kerber ('00) and Ryan Nightingale ('00) received a 5th Place State finish in Ohio DECA's Career Development Conference held March 11th in Columbus. David and Ryan completed a 30-page comprehensive marketing research manual, competing against students in 26 schools throughout Ohio. To produce the manual, they conducted extensive marketing surveys to identify an actual business's customers. Then

Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese.

~

Paul Bunch ('00) was awarded the Society of Mary's Sesquicentennial Award for his outstanding academic achievement (school's valedictorian), his involvement in extra-curricular activities, his service to the community, and his mission trip to Mexico. Faculty Moeller faculty member **Sandy Silber** was recently elected president of the Catholic Library Association.



they developed a promotional campaign that would increase market share for that business.

~

From April 26th-29th, the Moeller Band performed concerts in Washington, DC, including a concert on the Capital steps and at Union Station. They also attended concerts and plays, visited memorials and museums, and took part in a wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.



Abbijit Mehta ('02) finished 1st in the state (chemistry competition) and Dan Doel ('01) finished 3rd (chemistry competition) in the Ohio Test of Scholastic Achievement.



Christopher Bodington (*02) took 1st place on the National Spanish Exam in the level 4 bilingual category of the Buckeye Chapter. The test is sponsored by the American Association of member **Gustavo Benedetti** also received the Sesquicentennial Award for his innovative teaching techniques and for his mission trip service to Honduras. Each recipient received a plaque and a \$500 stipend. The award celebrates 150 years of Marianist presence in North America.



The following students earned a spot on the Obio National Greco-Roman Wrestling Team and will be competing in the National Tournament held in Fargo, ND, in July: Mike Baria, Jole Cattone, David Candy, and Brad Findley.



Kevin O'Grady ('00) and Jeff Hensley ('00) designed a pig for Cincinnati's BIG PIG GIG. Their pig, sponsored by Greg Hopkins of KFORCE, is an interpretation of MC Escher's metamorphosis and shows the development of a pig into a bird. It's called, appropriately, "PigBird."

A fond farewell as long-time members of the Moeller Family retire

by Dan Ledford ('66), Principal

the end of this past school year, we expressed a reluctant farewell to two of our teachers who retired after many years of service to Moeller High School. Mr. Don Shields has been a guidance counselor, math teacher, math department chair and basketball coach during his 30 years at Moeller. Don has driven to Moeller every day for those 30 years from his home in Northern Kentucky.

He is currently coaching basketball at Villa Madonna High School in Northern Kentucky and will join the Villa Madonna faculty full time next year.

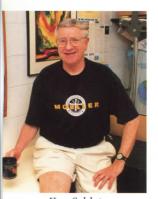


and will join the Villa Madonna faculty full time next year.

Ken Schlotman (far left) and Don Shields (far right) congratulate one another during their last graduation, while Paul Smith applauds.

Mr. Ken Schlotman has taught social studies for 35 years at Moeller. I had him for class as a sophomore at Moeller and still remember some of the things he said and did during that class. Today, the students know him as a walking encyclopedia of facts, both trivial and important. If you had Ken for class during

your years at Moeller, you know what I mean. Both of these dedicated men have touched the lives of countless students, parents, and colleagues. We wish them all the best and hope that they will remain close to members of the Moeller Family as they continue on their journey.



Ken Schlotman, Moeller's modern Renaissance man, just retired.



Ken Schlotman reflects on changes and memories of Moeller

think the recent changes at Moeller in technology are probably the greatest shift in classroom methodology that I have seen in my 35 years of teaching. At first I was not sure how accepting the faculty would be about this (I knew the students would). The surprise

was that not only were they accepting of it, but it was the more mature members who embraced it the most. This whole new method requires a new approach to classroom management. I was always one who would insist on order — near quiet — and lots of pre-planned structure. That changes with the new technol-

ogy. You know, of course, that some of these kids have a better savy of the computer than me. But that's all right. I love learning new things, and I don't care who I learn them from. After all, kids are the bottom line.

Now that Moeller has finished another excellent musical (*Bye Bye Birdie*), I am reminded of Bob Hotze's production of *Stalag 17* back in the early 90s. First, you need to know that I created a museum of sorts in my room (without permission). It was filled with artifacts that I used in my teaching strategies and methods. It was a kind of hands-on approach, a show-and-tell thing. Among the items was a pocket Bible that my father-in-law carried during his captivity during WWII. He was captured in North Africa and spent the next three- and-a-half

Moeller presents Founder's Day Awards

by Bro. John Habjan, S.M., Dean of Academics

March 19, 2000, the Archbishop Moeller High School community celebrated Founder's Day. The Founder's Day Award is presented in memory of the Blessed William Joseph Chaminade, founder of the Marianist

Joseph Chaminade, founder of the Marianist Family. Each year, the Marianist community recognizes people who have worked in special ways to strengthen the Marianist charism at Moeller High School.

This year we honored Father Michael Leshney and Tom & June Fitz. The service of these members of our Marianist Family have strengthened the Marianist charism within our Moeller community.

Father Leshney has served the Moeller community as Director of Pastoral Ministry for nine years. He was instrumental in establishing the Kairos retreat program, the community service programs, and creating an active student pastoral team. We cannot count the hours Father Mike has spent counseling students, parents, faculty, and staff as they continue on their spiritual journey. His presence and inspirational homilies have enriched the prayfulness of Eucharistic celebrations and

prayer services. He is a man who has given much to the Marianist Family, and we wish him well as he moves on to minister to the Good Shepherd parish community.

June and Tom Fitz (pictured below, with family) have been a constant presence at Moeller for over 20 years. Their four sons graduated from Moeller: Tom, Tim, Ted, and Todd. Mr. Fitz has been president of the Education Commission for 10 years and has done everything from cutting the grass to proposing ideas that will continue to ensure



Moeller is a viable Marianist educational institution for years to come.

Mrs. Fitz has served as a member of the Moms' Club, co-chaired the Main Event with Tom, and provided behind-the-scenes support for a multitude of Moeller activities. June's gentleness, kindness, and vision have enriched us all at Moeller. ■

Along with Eather

Along with Father Leshney (pictured above) and Tom & June Fitz, the following people have also received Moeller's prestigious Founder's Day Award: Sylvia Altherr, Mary Donobue, Gerry Faust, Henry Gallenstein. Fred & Nancy Habegger, Tom & Mary Harmon, Paul & Carita Kollman, John & Jean King, Father Lawrence Krusling; Daniel Ledford, John Massarella, John & Mary McCormick. Mark & Carol Manley, Robert & Marilyn Schildmeyer, Kenneth Schlotman, Elmer Schlueter, Don & Joan Schmitt, and Hazel Wood.

years in five different prison camps (Stalags), from North Africa to Italy to Germany and finally to Poland., where he was liberated by the Russians. Anyway, he carried this pocket Bible with him through it all. (Mind you, he could not read or write.) Well, as Bob Hotze tell it, one week before Hotze's opening night of Stalag 17, his lead gets strep throat, and he has to use a backup who doesn't know the lines. So, Hotze goes into my room, takes this Bible off the shelf, and gives it to Matt Birrell ('92), the understudy. He tells Matt the story of the Bible to motivate him to learn his lines in one week. Well, it worked. Matt carried the Bible with him day and night and kept it with him during all the performances. After every performance, Matt would come off the stage and mingle with the audience, telling them the story of the Bible. Hotze said it was really something.

I remember that Gerry Faust would say that Moeller's football fame not only put the team in the spotlight, but the whole student body. Wouldn't you know,

when you watched the TV highlights, there were students pictured who were never on any team. It was a neat way of getting recognized. I can remember pictures in the newspaper of our first swim team in action, and members of the student body were always in the background. Of course, when you talk about the first swim team, you're back in the mid '60s. Then it was all hard-bound books, no TV, no overheads, and no VCRs. Teachers in those days had to really know how to use a chalkboard. You know, it's funny in that way. Through all the changes at Moeller, that's one thing that hasn't changed. I used the chalkboard almost every day. Maybe that has been the constant through all this.

No, I think there is at least one more constant. And I think it is the most important one of all. Through all of this, the reason why we do what we do, when we do it, how we do it (high tech or no high tech) has been the student.

It's been fun and exciting to see the physical changes in the property, too. I remember being asked to identify an air plane photo of Moeller many years ago. It was taken before the Activity Center had been built, and the only car in the back parking lot was my own; I used that to determine the year. Boy, have we come a long way since then. Alums that baven't been back in years would really be surprised.

Ken Schlotman



THE MOELLER ATHLETIC TRADITION:

Culture of excellence creates one of the finest athletic programs in the country

by Barry Borman ('64), Director of Athletic Operations

1962-'63



Dave Schipper ('72), was Moeller's first State Championship winner, capturing the 50-yard freestyle event at the 1972 State Meet.

School began with freshmen football, basketball, golf, and tennis

Moeller now has eight competitive teams: reserve football, freshmen football, freshmen basketball, freshmen basketball, tennis, and golf: reserve

team wins

school's first

athletic trophy

Teams begin their first varsity season and wrestling is added season (9 and become the GCI

Varsity
football team
completes their
first winning
season (9-1)
and becomes
the GCL
runner-ups;
track is added

1963-'64

Moeller adds swimming — f the is Aquasaders

1964-'65

Varsity football team is undefeated and wins school's 1st GCL Championship

1965-'66

Varsity football team becomes back-to back GCL Champions

1966-'67

The varsity basketball team becomes GCL runner-ups

1967-'68

varsity Baseball team etball becomes GCL becomes Champions



the fall of 1960, Archbishop Moeller High School opened with 196 eager freshmen. With only eight faculty that first year, Moeller began its rich tradition, beginning with freshmen football, basketball, tennis and golf. That same year, Gerry Faust began his storied career, ultimately compiling 166 victories. As the school grew in numbers, so did the number of teams. We fielded our first varsity teams in the fall of 1962, when our oldest students became juniors. We culminated our growth in 1994 when we began our 13th varsity sport: volleyball. In only 40 years, our athletic program has grown to involve 35 teams and over 700 athletes.

SWIMMING: Our school's first State Championship came in 1972, when swimmer Dave Schipper ('72) captured the 50-yard freestyle event at the State Meet.

BASEBALL: Also in 1972, our Baseball Team, under Coach Mike Cameron, won our first team State Championship. Coach Cameron, now with over 600 wins, repeated this State Championship victory in 1989 and again in 1993. This year we were State Runner-ups, losing by only one run in a season-ending heartbreaker.

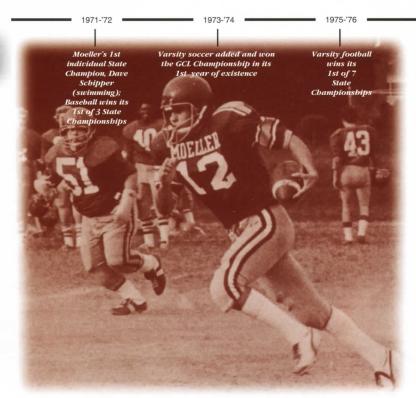
TRACK: Harry Woebkenberg ('74) duplicated Schipper's individual State Championship in 1974 when he captured the State Shot Putt title, with a throw of 61'6," only 2" off the existing state record. In 1999, Drew Walter ('99) captured the State Pole Vault Championship.



Baseball Coach Mike Cameron earned his 600^b win during the 2000 season.



Pictured left: Harry Woebkenberg ('74) won the State Shot Putt Championship title in 1974.





FOOTBALL: Football won its first of seven State Championships in 1975, with an unlikely victory over the heavily favored Cleveland St. Edwards. The team went on to win an unprecedented number of State titles in 1976, 1977, 1979, 1980, 1982, and 1985.

LaCROSSE: Our LaCrosse Team won back-to-back State Championships in 1991 and 1992.

VOLLEYBALL: After only its third year in existence, our volleyball team captured State Championships back-to-back 1997 and 1998.

GOLF: Neil Lykins ('99) won Moeller's first Golf State Championship title in 1999.

BASKETBALL: Also in 1999, our Basketball Team won its first State Championship in Moeller's history.

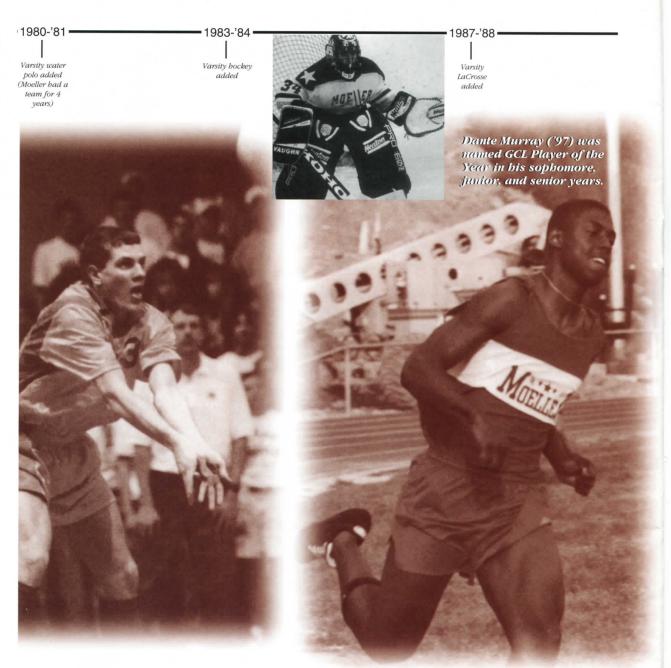
Moeller now has claimed 15 State Championships, including team and individual, in nine of its 13 sports. Surprisingly, only three of its sports are played on school grounds.

Moeller's individual records in swimming and track are second to no one in the State of Ohio. Along with wrestling, these three sports — swimming, track, wrestling — have produced 12 Individual State Champions. Moeller has had over 70 athletes named as All-Americans and has had more than 20 athletes play professional sports. Moeller's athletic reached a peak during the 1994-95 school year, when all 10 varsity teams were ranked in the top 10 in city polls. During the seven-year period of 1992-1999, Moeller had 33 coaches in 10 different sorts named Coach of the Year, either in the league, city, or state. In both the 1997 and 1998 school years, Moeller won the



Drew Walter ('99) captured the State Pole Vault Championship in 1999.

Moeller tries to provide a wellbalanced program, where young men can grow athletically, emotionally, and spiritually in a Christian atmosphere of fellowship and sportsmanship. This is our vision, and the core of the culture of excellence we have created over the vears.





Neil Lykins ('99) won Moeller's first Golf State Championship in 1999.

coveted GCL All Sports Trophy. The Moeller Athletic Hall of Fame now has over 50 members, while several Moeller coaches and athletes hold positions in either local or state Halls of Fame.

Moeller's first Soccer Team in 1974 won the first-ever GCL Soccer Championship. Moeller basketball player, Bobby Brannen ('94) accomplished an unbelievable feat when he was named GCL Player of the Year in his sophomore, junior, and senior year. Incredibly, Dante Murray ('97) accomplished that same feat in track. These have been the only two GCL players ever to capture that honor all three years. The Golf, Tennis, Cross Country, and Track Teams have all had District and State Meet qualifiers, while Hockey annually produces a strong squad. Moeller is the only school in Cincinnati, and one of the few in Ohio, that offers both Hockey and LaCrosse for its students, and it was one of the first schools to introduce a Volleyball program.

Moeller tries to provide a well-balanced program, where young men can grow athletically, emotionally, and spiritually in a Christian atmosphere of fellowship and sportsmanship. This is our vision, and the core of the culture of excellence we have created over the years. It is difficult to measure the effect athletic achievement has on school spirit, where often a student's sense of esteem is linked to his school's athletic successes. At Moeller, because of our history, students sense our school pride and bring with them a desire to do their best. Our students wear the Moeller name on their jackets and shirts proudly. They know that as students of Moeller High School they are going to be held to a higher standard, and they rise to the occasion.

I often speak at awards banquets, and there I remind our athletes of their grade school days, the days when they looked out onto the Moeller athletic 1990-'91

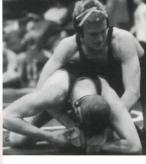
Varsity volleyball added

1994-'95

Volleyball wins its Moeller wins 1st of 2 State Championships, Moeller wins GCL All-Sports Trophy for 1st time

its 2nd consecutive GCL All-Sports Trophy

Basketball wins its 1st State Championship



SPORTS UPDATE:

Moeller's 2000 Wrestling Team finished 2nd in the State Tournament. This was the highest any Cincinnati area wrestling team has finished at the state level. Nick Lukens ('01) won the State in the 171 lb. weight class, finishing the year with a 35-6 record. Additional State Placers were the following: Bobby Lyons ('00) finished 2nd at 145 lbs.; Joe Zinkan ('01) finished 2nd at 140 lbs.; Mike Baria ('02) finished 4th at 135 lbs.; Brian Zinkan ('01) finished 5th at 130 lbs.; and David Blanks finished 6th at 152 lbs. Amateur Wrestling Magazine awarded Coach Jeff Gaier's Crusaders the No. 6 ranking, the first Cincinnati team to earn national accolades.



fields and hoped that someday they might wear a Moeller uniform. I tell them that now they are the athletes that other grade school students look at and admire. I tell them that this is a tremendous responsibility. Now, they are Moeller's role models. Now, they must represent Moeller in the finest fashion, both on and off the field.

This pride that our students have in their accomplishments filters down to the young people in our grade schools, so that when they get to Moeller, they, too, begin to contribute. That pride and enthusiasm is self-perpetuating, and every athlete who has participated at Moeller knows that he has made a contribution to our tradition — the Moeller tradition that began with those 196 students and their coaches, and that has evolved over the past 40 years into an athletic program that is recognized and respected as one of the finest in the country.



Bobby Brannen ('94) was named GCL Player of the Year in his sophomore, junior, and senior years.



Moeller Basketball won its first State Championship during the 1998-'99 season.

Summer camp programs enhance Moeller's culture of excellence

by Rose Eckhoff, Director of Public Relations & Special Events

an attempt to reach out to the community and to share Moeller's athletic traditions with future "Crusaders," Moeller offers nine sports camps, which served over 800 young boys from all corners of the Moeller community this past summer. These camps include the Cameron/Smith All Star Sports Camp, Cross Country Camp, Ice Hockey & Roller Hockey Camps, Wrestling Camp, Football & Fundamentals Camps, Lacrosse Camp, and Basketball Camp.

According to Athletic Director Barry Borman, "The camps provide an opportunity for young people to develop their interests and skills in sports, while meeting other young athletes and sharing the Moeller experience. The success and growth of these pro-

grams is a testament to our coaches and the tremendous reputation and tradition of our athletic program. It's all about good, clean fun."

Although each camp has its own unique characteristics, each program is developed and run within the philosophy and mission of Moeller High School, ensuring that the growth and development of the well-rounded student athlete is a primary focus. Respect, pride, and loyalty are taught and expected, while a healthy degree of competitive spirit is encouraged, both on the field and off. "Working hard and playing hard" is a common theme.

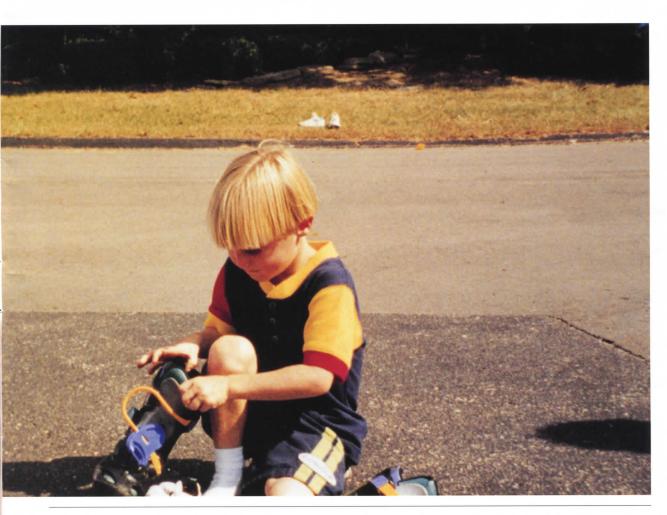


Ice Hockey and Roller Hockey Camps

Summer '99 hosted Moeller's first-ever Ice Hockey Camp at Northland Ice Rink run by Moeller Hockey Coach Andy Pokupec. About 20 enthusiastic hockey lovers took to the rink for a full week of instruction, drills, and good ol' fashion fun. Equipment is required, and ice experience is preferred. The Roller Hockey Camp, also in its first year, was held at Moeller during the first week of August (9 a.m. to 2 p.m.) for all ages. Interest in these camps is expected to rise considerably next year, so early registration is required. The hockey camps run between \$75 - \$150 per session. Call Andy Pokupec at (513) 791-1680 for more information. ■

Cameron/Smith All-Star Sports Camp

The All-Star Sports Camp, which has been around for 31 years, is designed for boys in the 2nd-6th grades. "We are the oldest camp of its kind in Ohio," states Coach Paul Smith. Annually, the camp attracts over 250 participants, with tuition costs at around \$100. The purpose of the camp is to encourage sportsmanship and cooperation; hence, one need not be a good athlete, just a good sport. The camp is completely staffed by Moeller teachers, coaches, and students, including its founders, Coach Mike Cameron and Coach Paul Smith. According to Coach Smith, "Many of our past campers become camp counselors, such as Bob Crable ('78), Keith



Valerius ('90), and Dave Angelo ('91), to name a few. Over the years we have heard from parents that their son's experience at the camp encouraged them to come to Moeller. Mike and I both feel that we have both contributed in a small part to Moeller's enrollment success." Call Paul Smith or Mike Cameron at (513) 791-1680 for more information. ■

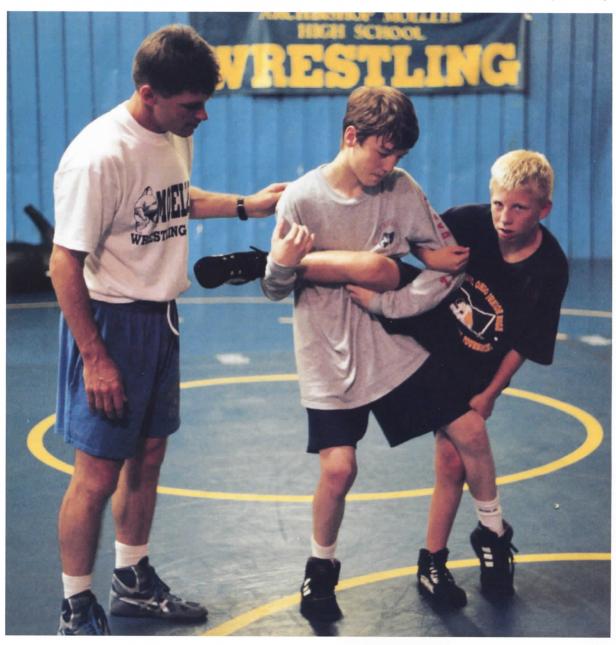
fun. The camp caters to those who are serious about the sport of wrestling. The camp will be held annually at the end of June (9 a.m. to 2 p.m.) at Moeller for up to 60 participants. A cost of \$95 includes coaching instruction, a t-shirt, drinks, and a week of fun and learning. Call Jeff Gaier at (513) 791-1680 for more information. ■

Wrestling Camp

Summer '99 kicked off the first year of the MHS Wrestling Camp, founded by Moeller Wrestling Coach Jeff Gaier. With the coaching assistance of Neal Ryan and Ed Jamieson, 35 campers from grades 6th-9th enjoyed a week of hard work and

Cross Country Camp

The MHS Cross Country Camp has been around just four years; however, it has grown such that the camp is now open to any 8th grader in the entire Southwest Ohio area. The camp is held annually at Wilmington College the third week in July, Monday



through Friday, and can accommodate up to 200 participants. Camp price is \$200, which includes housing, two meals a day, use of the pool, weight room, game room, etc. According to Camp Director and Coach Jerry Kombrinck, "Instruction is given in speed training, bounding, plyometrics, lifting techniques, form running, diaries, tapering, and all phases of running. It is a great experience for any cross country athlete!" Call Jerry Kombrinck at (513) 791-1680 for more information.

Football Camp

The Moeller Football Camp was started in 1984. It is open to boys going into grades 5th-9th. The camp emphasizes the fundamentals of the game of football. Campers receive instruction from the Moeller coaching staff, along with a number of football players who help demonstrate and coach as well. The Football Camp has had well over 100 football players each year. The camp is held in June (9 a.m. to 2 p.m.). The cost of the camp is \$95, which includes a camp shirt and drinks. Moeller teacher Bob Tull is the Director of the camp. Every year more and more campers become part of the tradition of Moeller football. Call Bob Tull at (513) 791-1680 for more information. ■

The FUNdamentals

The FUNdamentals Camp started in 1988. This camp was designed to give instruction in five different sports: basketball, football, soccer, track, and wrestling. The camp is open to boys going in grades 2nd-6th. Varsity coaches and student assistants instruct the campers in each sport every day. This camp encourages the younger athletes to participate in a variety of sports and not specialize too early. For a lot of our campers, the FUNdamentals Camp is their first exposure to these sports on an organized basis. The camp is held in July and costs \$95, which includes a camp shirt and drinks at lunch. Moeller teacher Bob Tull is the director of the camp. The FUNdamentals Camp has 150-200 campers each year. Learn a little about a lot and have FUN while you are at it! Call Bob Tull at (513) 791-1680 for more information.

Basketball Camp

The Moeller Basketball Camps have experienced tremendous popularity and growth the past ten

years. The camps are conducted with three weeklong sessions (grades 4th-6th, grades 6th-8th, and grade 9). Over 400 campers attend annually in what is believed to be the largest high school basketball camp in Ohio. The entire Moeller coaching staff, along with Varsity players and basketball alumni work each session to fully indoctrinate the young campers into the fundamentals of basketball and the tradition of Big Moe! The cost of the camp is \$100, which includes a camp t-shirt, a camp basketball, and drinks. Head Basketball Coach Carl Kremer is the director of the camp. Call Assistant Basketball Coach Tim Held at (513) 791-1680, ext. 311, for more information. ■



The CRUSADER Connection

Briefs from Moeller's Alumni Association

Welcome Home, Ken Griffey, Jr.!



The CRUSADER Connection is written and compiled by Dan Cloran ('88), Director of Institutional Advancement. Keep in touch: dcloran@moeller.org.

those of us in Cincinnati, the quote above has been a familiar and often-used comment. Bringing Ken Griffey, Jr, "home" to Cincinnati was, according to a number of publication, the "deal of the century"! Cincinnati has been brought together by the news of Griffey, and Moeller High School has just another reason to celebrate!

Ken Griffey, Jr., is a 1987 graduate of our esteemed school, and we couldn't be any more proud of that fact. He's not only the greatest baseball player in the world, but

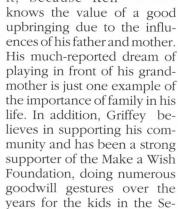


what he exemplifies off the field is even more extraordinary! Moeller High School, in the Marianist tradition, preaches "family" and believes that every person has gifts and abilities. Ken Griffey, Jr., lives

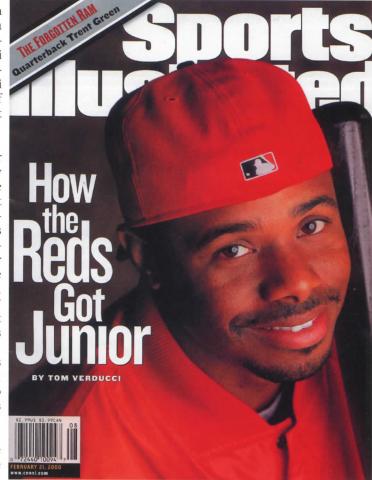
those Marianist values on a daily basis, and what you witness is a person who genuinely cares about his family and his community.

When Griffey said to the press that he wanted to be closer to his family, believe

it, because Ken



attle, Washington area. He is a caring man who exemplifies many important Marianist values, like the value of community service.



At Moeller, we are proud to boast that "Junior" is a graduate of our school. However, we don't just boast that fact because he's an incredible baseball player; his God-given gifts and hard work had much to do with that. We boast that we're extraordinarily proud of what he represents. Ken Griffey, Jr., is a father and family man worthy of being a role model for the world to see. Thank you, Ken, for sharing your time with us at Moeller High School, and for sharing your talents and abilities with Cincinnati. Your family, including your Moeller Family, is very proud of you. We hope you accomplish all of your dreams. Welcome Home.





Alums share thoughts on Moeller past

sent an e-mail to **BRUCE BUCKLEY(67)**, **MIKE JENNINGS('88)**, and **MATT BIRRELL ('90)** to ask them their thoughts and reactions to Moeller today, the students today, and today compared to their years at Moeller. Bruce Buckley is an alumnus who has sons who have graduated from Moeller and who are at Moeller today. Mike is an alumnus who has two young children. Matt is a more recent graduate who does not have children yet. I thank them all for taking the time to share with us their insights and observations.

BRUCE BUCKLEY ('67): Three sons of mine have already graduated from Moeller, one is there now, and I have two to go. What are my observations of Moeller now compared to when I was a student at the "Big Moe"? Well, improved facilities, experience, tradition, and leadership have kept Moeller at the forefront of private Catholic high schools. My memories of the facilities are that of a "Spartan" building with bare essentials. We knew, though, from the beginning that we were part of something special. The teachers, staff, and coaches brought experience and leadership with them, helping to start many of the traditions seen today.

Moeller was built by a generation of post-WWII, hard-working men and women who valued education and made incredible sacrifices for their children. The family homes were modest by today's standards, and many children worked part time in the summer to help pay the \$300 tuition bill.

Many have heard the stories of the hand-me-down equipment for football during the first few years at Moeller, but the same was true for much of the classroom equipment, stage equipment, books, etc. A lot was done with very little.

Today's students are just as bright, if not more so. They have the same spirit and determination. They still learn work ethics at Moeller. On the other hand, they have social pressures that did not exist when I was a student, yet most of them prevail and go on to be fine young men.

MIKE JENNINGS ('88): I remember that my biggest social concern was which Sycamore or Indian Hill party I would attend, but Moeller prepared me well for life in college.

Because kids today deal with a lot more social pressures than I had, I truly believe Moeller helps to isolate them, to an extent. In some cases, Moeller helps students face these tough issues head on so they learn how to deal with them effectively.

I know bad things can happen in any school at any time, but the tradition and discipline at Moeller brings young men to the top, so they can avoid most of the problems society poses.

MATT BIRRELL ('90): My sense is that the Moeller students of today have basically the same interests, questions, and aspirations that we had. I don't think the actual core of the students have changed, but the opportunities they have now continue to increase as technology becomes more important and the world becomes smaller.



Pictured Above: The Moeller Alumni Family Night at the Reds was held on Thursday, June 22. This game was the last game of a three-game series with the Colorado Rockies, who are managed by Buddy Bell ('69). Two of Moeller's longtime baseball coaches, Mike Cameron and Paul Smith, threw out the first pitch. It was a very special evening celebrating some of our most famous alumni: Ken Griffey, Jr. ('87), Barry Larkin ('82), and Buddy Bell ('69).

Moeller teaches life lessons

want to share a story I recently heard from the wife of Moeller grad **BOB THOMAS** ('66). Fran Thomas called me and told me her husband was very excited about going to Moeller's Family Night at the Reds game, but Bob was in a wheelchair and had been diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's disease. Bob has had this disease for over two years, and nights like this make him happy and keep him going, even though his motor skills are diminished and he can't support himself. However, his brain is still very sharp.

What Fran shared with me is what I believe Moeller is all about. She said that for the past two years, six guys that Bob graduated with at Moeller go out of

their way to make him happy, to help make his life the best it can be. On unannounced visits, they come over to his house and take him places in his handicapped van, offering to pay for dinner, bring dinner, whatever. Recently, they had him over to play cards. They must play the cards for him, but he is still included in all they do. These guys graduated with Bob 30 years ago, yet still the Moeller bond of frienship, loyalty, and giving to one another continues to this day. You can't teach that in textbooks. It's just something that Moeller is all about.

I've heard many stories of Moeller grads still being best friends for years and years, but this story truly touched me. Moeller is much more than a high school; it's a special place that brings good people together. As long-time faculty member Ken Schlotman has so eloquently pointed out again and again, this place teaches life lessons.

Moeller introduces "Class & Activity Reps"!

Alumni Association's level of involvement this year is the best it's ever been. Some very enthusiastic grads have "stepped up to the plate" and are now acting as liasons between their respective class and Moeller. We inform these "class & activity reps" about current events, alumni activities, development issues, academic updates, etc. I encourage you to contact your rep and provide him with your comments and questions. Also, if you have an update to provide us, like a change of address, career changes/promotions, personal news (weddings, births, etc.), anything,

please let your rep know. There are a few classes and activities who do not yet have reps, so I will be the liason for any information. In fact, you may all contact me any time to provide or request information. If you are interested in serving as a class or activity rep, please contact me ASAP! (Ideally, we would like two reps per class.) Currently, I need class reps for the following years: '64, '65, '75, '78, '93, '95 & '00.) I need activity reps for the following: Band, Golf, LaCrosse, Hockey, Soccer, Swimming, Tennis, Student Government, & Drama. ■

YEAR	CLASS REP Pat Monahan	CONTACT INFORMATION	
		(513) 941-9775 (H)	patrick.Monahan@qwest.com
1967	NEED ANOTHER REP Nick Haverkos	(513) 899-4630 (H)	janis@haverkos.com
1968	NEED ANOTHER REP Tim Albers	(513) 984-2814 (H)	(513) 891-3304 (W)
1700	Greg Rairden	(513) 984-4258 (H)	(513) 791-0110 (W)
1969	Bill "Doc" Watkins	(513) 774-0591 (H)	bill@wewco.com
	Bob Myers	(513) 389-1262 (H)	(513) 489-2744 (W)
1970	Bill Hines	(513) 530-0242 (H)	(513) 530-0152 (W)
1971 1972	Ron Adkins	(513) 398-8691 (H)	(513) 621-7111 (W)
	Mark Wellinghoff	(513) 891-3511 (H)	markwell1@juno.com
	Dennis Riedmiller Terry Donnellon	(512) 004 (220 (17)	
19/2	Bill Balbach	(513) 984-4338 (H) (513) 791-1680, ext.113 (W)	tmdonlon@yahoo.com
1973	Bob Adkins	(513) 791-1080, ext.113 (W) (513) 984-0418 (H)	bbalbach@moeller.org
->/-	Dan Wagner	(13) 904-0418 (11)	
1974	John George	(513) 793-0973 (H)	john.george@nstarch.com
	Marty Lavelle	(513) 891-4670 (H)	(513) 985-0177
1976	Philip Kreiner	(513) 469-7916 (H)	pkreiner@usa.capgemini.com
	Mark Kuhlman	(513) 683-6380 (H)	(513) 874-5270
1977	Chris Albrecht	(513) 791-1121 (H)	chris@esgsearch.com
	Gerald Shannon	(513) 791-9313 (H)	(513) 891-0006
1979 1980	John Costello	(513) 247-0140 (H)	
	NEED ANOTHER REP	(54.0) 5/2 2002 (20)	
1980	Kevin Boothe	(513) 563-8780 (H)	kevin.boothe@formica.com
1981	Dan Tappel Mike Schmitt	(513) 891-1920 (H) (513) 232-5941 (H)	dtappel@fuse.net
1901	NEED ANOTHER REP	(513) 232-3941 (H)	schmitty@fuse.net
1982	Tom Breitenbach	(513) 398-5175 (H)	tbreits@cs.com
	Ron Kaes	(513) 891-4030 (H)	differasses.com
1983	John Oliver	(513) 791-6580 (H)	(513) 794-8890 (W)
	Joe Hartmann	(513) 398-0565 (H)	(513) 721-4300 (W)
1984	Tom Raga	(513) 459-1348 (H)	tar.jmr.raga@worldnet.att.net
	Jack Horner	(513) 677-9520 (H)	(513) 771-5995
1985	Joe Novello	(513) 984-8575 (H)	(513) 621-1924
	Mike Lynch	(513) 791-1085 (H)	lynch.mk@pg.com
1986 1987	Tim Marklay	(513) 777-4019 (H)	tmarklay@pumptek.com
	Kevin Braig	(513) 631-3499 (H)	kbraig@dinslaw.com
98/	John Gallagher John Baele	(513) 677-5875 (H)	(513) 755-7100
988	Joe Hodge	(513) 351-3038 (H) (513) 984-6226 (H)	(513) 853-2174
1,00	Jim Bangs	(513) 459-1761 (H)	joe.hodge@westshellcom.com (1-800) 227-9597, ext. 5707 (W)
	Marc "Zig" Lyon	(513) 621-8919 (H)	(1-000) 22/-939/, ext. 3/0/ (w)
989	Mike Schiess	(513) 763-8770 (W)	mschiess@one.net
	NEED ANOTHER REP		
1990	Rob Meyer	(513) 459-9255 (H)	whodey@aol.com
	NEED ANOTHER REP		
1991	Kevin Hagedorn	(513) 988-9878 (H)	whodey@aol.com
1992	NEED ANOTHER REP		
	Chris Green	(513) 697-5471 (H)	
	Jason Brown Eric Young	(513) 575-3064 (H)	jbrown81@one.net
1994	Brian Allen	(513) 793-2935 (H) (513) 398-5837 (H)	eyoung@queencitymetro.com
	Scott Goodhart	(513) 598-5837 (H) (513) 563-7676 (H)	brian.allen@cinbell.com S_goodhart@hotmail.com
1996	Drew Forte	(513) 942-4922 (H)	dforte@forte-industries.com
	Adam Molina	(513) 563-7611 (H)	molina@udayton.edu
	Adam Tamashasky	(513) 777-3109 (H)	vladtamo@aol.com
1997	Justin Bayer	(513) 779-0210 (H)	justinbayer@hotmail.com
	NEED ANOTHER REP		,
1998	Jon Simon	(513) 779-9250 (H)	s02.jsimon@wittenberg.edu
1000	Bill Watkins	(513) 774-0591 (H)	playab88@hotmail.com
.999	Kevin Bayer	(513) 779-0212 (H)	kbayer@yahoo.com

ACTIVITY **ACTIVITY REP** CONTACT INFORMATION BASEBALL Steve Eichmann ('93) (513) 891-2116 (H) seichmann@eesus.ini.com (513) 579-5921 BASKETBALL Chris Green ('92) (513) 697-6471 (H) **FOOTBALL** (513) 791-0979 (H) Jim Stofko ('85) jstofko2@sibcy.com Greg Hudson ('85) (513) 891-3571 (H) (513) 556-0573) (W) TRACK/CC Mike Klatte ('99) (513) 398-8520 (H) WRESTLING Tim Cunningham ('78) (513) 683-1737 (H) tcunningham@cinci.rr.com SPORTS STAG (513) 321-7164 (H) Rick Keller ('78) rkeller698@aol.com Tom Schroeder ('78) **GOLF CLASSIC** (513) 469-1000 (W) (513) 793-2525 (W) SOFTBALL Tim Jordan ('85)

Thanks to Tom & Kathy Murphy Colorado alumni reunite

embers of the Moeller Family in Colorado gathered on March 12th at the home of Tom and Kathy Murphy in Colorado Springs to rekindle Moeller memories and share new-found fellowship, for each grad who attended is now a Colorado resident. The Murpheys are parents of Moeller graduates **BRAD** and **RYAN**. Tom Murphy began the evening by commenting, "You know you're in Cincinnati when...

- An inch of snow closes schools for a week;
- When someone asks, What school did you go to? they mean which high school, not college;
- High school football gets 15 minutes of airtime on the 11:00 o'clock news;
- If you do something in public long enough, it will be banned;
- You recognize there are two countries in the city: East and West; and
- There is chocolate and cheese in your chili, not beans.

On the other hand, you know you're a true Coloradoan when...

 You carry a \$3000 mountain bike on you \$500 car;



- You won't pay \$10 per head to drive up Pikes Peak, but you'd tell your guests to do it;
- You get depressed after one day of foggy weather; and
- You consider a three-piece suit to be a pair of shoes, a sweatshirt, and Birkenstocks."

Amidst the light-hearted laughter, guests caught up on the hometown gossip, swapped Big Moe stories, and related personal tales of how they "ended up in Colorado." Among the guests were Colorado Congressman **BOB SCHAFFER ('80)** and his wife (a Mt. Notre Dame grad), who brought their two-week-old baby daughter.

According to Tom & Kathy Murphy, "We moved back to Colorado Springs to be closer to our families, but we miss Cincinnati and Moeller very much! When we found out that over 40 Moeller graduates had moved out here, it didn't take us long to decide to have a mini-reunion. We were delighted with the response and hope that we can do it again soon."

Dan Eddingfield ('81) hopes that this mini-union is just one of several to come. Dan Cloran ('88), Director of Institutional Advancement, is requesting hosts for such parties in other areas of the country. If you are interested. please contact Dan Cloran at (513) 792-3344 or e-mail bim at dcloran@moeller.org.



Special guest Bob Huggins, UC Bearcats Coach, chats with Paul Keels ('75), the Stag's Master of Ceremonies.

The Moeller Alumni Golf Classic will be held on Monday, JULY 24th, at the Golf Center at Kings Island. Please contact Dan Cloran to register (513/792-3344 or dcloran@moeller.org). There will be a 1:00 p.m. shotgun start, with a Montgomery Inn catered dinner, for \$100 per golfer.

SPORTS STAG 2000 best yet!

nce again, the Sports Stag Committee put together what some have called "the best Stag yet"! It was a evening with special guests UC Head Basketball Coach Bob Huggins and Jerry Carroll, the proprietor and visionary for the new Kentucky Speedway. By popular demand, we held the event on Moeller's campus in the Gallenstein Activity Center. Close to 500 people gathered for this annual event!

Moeller Principal Dan Ledford ('66), once again, "brought down the house" with his tales and his wit. He also paid tribute to Moeller's Head Basketball Coach Carl Kremer for his team's success in the '90s, which was topped off with the school's first State Championship in basketball in 1999.

Moeller Faculty Member Bob Tull paid tribute to Jeff Gaier, Moeller's Head Wrestling Coach, for his outstanding season this year, with a State Runner-up Team finish and a National Ranking of #6.

Paul Keels ('75), the voice of the Ohio State Buckeyes basketball and football teams served as the Master of Ceremonies, giving eloquent introductions to our special guests.

My thanks to all who worked on and attended Sports Stag 2000. It was a great success, and we hope you will look for Stag 2001, to be held sometime next February. ■



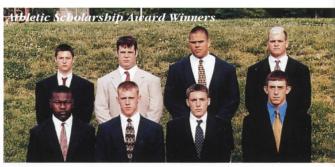
Congratulations 2000 Grads! We're proud of you!!

Your Moeller Alumni Association











MOELLER TRACKING



Moeller extends its best wishes to the following graduates who have "tied the knot" in 2000:

Robert Jennings, Jr. ('86) to Lisa Wagner on June 17 **Brian Schuermann** ('88) to Amy Youngblood on April 29

Greg Stofko ('89) to Angie in May **Joe Reardon** ('92) on March 4

BIRTHS

Congratulations to the following couples:

Denise & **Kevin Greve** ('78), twins: son, Alec, and daughter, Kinsey

Maureen & Robert W. Schaffer ('80), daughter, Mary Cindy & Dan Eddingfield ('81), son, Jack Gina & Todd Lyon ('86), daughter, Victoria Kelly & Tom Teuschl ('87), son, Ryan Jill & Jeffrey Strasser ('87), son, Christopher Cara & Jim Bangs ('88), daughter, Lauren Erin & Dan Cloran ('88), daughter, Cally Rose Melissa & Sean Garry ('88), son, Connor Amy & Rob Meyer ('90), daughter, Makenzie Jenny & Mark Renneker ('90), daughter, Hanna Kathy & Andy Pokupec, daughter, Elizabeth Faith

1964-1979

RAY HAAS ('64): "After graduation, and having survived a summer of 'hanging out with the Wag's crew,' I went out and got a real job. In 1998, 33 wonderful years later, I retired from AT&T. Living in Atlanta in '96 gave me the opportunity to work as a volunteer during the Olympic games. I had several great assignments and went to many of the Olympic events. This really stimulated my appetite for volunteer work. After retiring, I needed something to do, so I became a USGA (US Golf Assoc.) rules official. I have worked several Georgia State Golf Assoc. Tournaments, as well as the '99 US Senior Open Qualifier, held in Atlanta. I also worked for several years with the Atlanta Track Club, which led to my becoming a certified US Track & Field official, working at the high school and college level for cross country and track & field events. I was Atlanta Track Club Volunteer of the Year in 1999. My highlight in golf was in '89 when my wife, Carol, gave me a golf trip to Scotland. I got to play on St. Andrews and five other great courses while I was there."

JAMES R. KUNTZ ('64): "I have worked for the IRS for 31 years, the last 27 years as a criminal investigator. As a special agent, I have assisted the Secret Service in providing protection during every presidential campaign since 1976. For the last 10 years I have been assigned to a federal task force at the US Attorney's Office, along with agents from DEA & FBI, investigating high-level drug organizations. I have travelled throughout the USA in my job, and I've also been to Jordan, Israel, and Puerto Rico on investigations. My wife, Diane, and I are going to Ireland in March next year to tour the country and see the St. Partick's Day Parade in Dublin."

JOHN RIVERS ('64): "I went to the University of Notre Dame in '64, graduating in '68, becoming Moeller's first

alumnus to attend and graduate from Notre Dame. I served in the Army from 1969-'71, where I spent 18 months in Vietnam in command of an infantry company in the (Mekong SP) Delta. After returning home, I went to work as a legislative assistant to Congressman William J. Keating from Cincinnati and remained in that position for three years. I then went to work as a lobbyist for the American Hospital Association in Washington, DC, for four years, then on to Kansas City for eight years as a Regional Director for the same company. I have lived in Arizona and served in my current position as President & CEO of Arizona Hospital & Healthcare Association since March 1986."

DONALD E. SHELTON ('67) is a CPA, holding a BS from the Univ. of Colorado at Boulder, and a MS in tax law from the Golden Gate Univ. of San Francisco. He is the managing partner of Perry, Shelton, Walker, and Associates in Bellevue, WA (don@pswa.com). He is married to Barbara Ann Burget Shelton, who is has a BA from Purdue Univ. and a MSW from the Univ. of Washington. They have two children: Katie (age 17) and Michael (30). They lived in Colorado from 1971-'82, then moved to the West Coast, settling in Issaquah, a suburb of Seattle. Don writes, "Ken Griffey, Jr., ('87) lived in Issaquah until he moved to the Reds. Yes, it rains a lot here. We live in the foothills of the Cascade Mountain Range, and we get 75" of rain a year. That's a lot. It is very green, and it never snows at sea level, which is good. I think I owe a lot to Moeller. It really did shape who I am today. I look forward to being an outpost here in the Northwest."

GREG OSTERMAN ('72) says he is lucky to have won a lottery to participate in the New York Marathon that was held last Nov. 7th; 30,000 people ran out of 60,000 entries. The real luck is that Osterman is running at all. He has survived both a heart transplant and cancer. Osterman received his donor heart in Oct. '92. Four months after the transplant, he was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and had extensive surgery. The former Moeller track team runner spent a couple years after his recovery training for a 9.2-mile mini-marathon in '94. Last year he became the first heart transplant recipient to run in the Bermuda Marathon, where he set his best time of 4 hours, 35 minutes. This year he ran in the Flying Pig Marathon in Cincinnati. His training regimen for New York started with six-mile runs a couple of times a week and two 15mile runs on the weekend. He also lifts weights. His schedule includes his work as plant engineer at Firstar Tower downtown and time with his wife, Carole, and their sons, JASON ('98) and DANNY ('02). "A lot of people with heart transplants are confused about how much exercise they should do, if any," says Osterman, "but if they can get the confidence that this is not going to hurt them, their quality of life is going to be better if they do exercise consistently."

DAN NEYER ('77) was a 1999 recipient of the *Cincinnati Business Courier* Pinnacle Award for Fastest-Growing Emerging Business Category. He joins a growing number of Moeller grads who have won Pinnacle Awards in the past. Neyer is the founder and CEO of Neyer Properties, Inc., of Evendale. His company is a full-service commercial real estate firm that provides services, such as land





MOELLER TRACKING is compiled and edited by Virginia I Bauer, Capital Campaign Coordinator, Annual Giving, and Alumni Programs. Send your information to GBauer@moeller.org.

In 2000, Moeller plans to update its "Harris" Directory, which is a phone book/ directory of all alumni to date. The last directory was published in 1994 and now is sorely out of date. The new directory will be a 40th Anniversary edition, so watch your mail for a letter from "Harris" asking you to provide current information. To keep Moeller informed about your recent accomplishments. news, or events, please contact Dan Cloran at (513) 792-3344, ext:120 or e-mail bim at dcloran@moeller.org. We appreciate you helping us keep the Moeller Family informed.

M

DARRELL **WILLIAMS** ('97), a BGSU student, will be leading a mission this summer to raise awareness of the needs of people with disabilities. He has been selected as a crew member for the 2000 Journey of Hope, a cross country bicycle trip on behalf of people with disabilities. Williams will be part of a 60-man team who will travel from San Francisco to Washington, DC, bringing the message of Push America to cities throughout the country.



MARK SMITH
('99) is the
winner of the
Ohio High School
Baseball
Association
Scholarship.

MOELLER TRACKING

development, financial assistance, real estate planning & consulting, architectual & engineering design, construction & leasing.

TIMOTHY HUITGER ('79): "I have a wonderful wife, Daphne, and three boys: Andrew (age 6), Matthew (age 3), and Jonathan (9 mos.). I work for Henderson & Bodwell, LLP, a consulting engineering firm in Mason. I do subdivision design and computer management. My class ring was lost back in 1978, my junior year at Moeller. It was lost in the rear yard of a classmate. It was found recently by a new owner of the residence. I've shown my ring to many people who find this fortunate return hard to believe. I was unable to attend my 20th reunion this past year, but I hope to attend the 25th reunion, where I will where my Moeller ring with pride."

1980-1989

JOHN LATCHNEY ('81) is an attorney at Reminger & Reminger's Cleveland office and was named a partner in Nov. 1999.

JOHN RECKER ('81) was promoted to vice president and director of brand strategy with Libby Perszyk Kethman, the largest independent brand identity and package design firm in the United States. Recker becomes the company's chief marketing officer and manages new business development. Recker and his family reside in Loveland.

STEPHEN P. LINDNER ('82) is currently the Pastoral Associate at Good Shepherd Church in Symmes Township. Lindner resides in Milford.

TERRY RAY ('83) is currently in the Air Force stationed at Ft. George G. Meade in Maryland. Ray is a courier for the Defense Courier Service.

STEVE VOELLMECKE ('84), a Cincinnati Stingrays diving coach, was selected by the US Diving Assoc., to serve as the Team Leader at Fina Diving World Cup in Sydney, Australia in January 2000.

CHUCK GEMERETH ('86) is working as a computer programmer for Henkel Chemical Co. He received his MBA from Xavier University in May. His wife, Alicia, teaches special education at Fairfield High School. They have a two-year-old daughter, Abby, and a four-monthold child. They reside in Colerain.

ROBERT PAUL JENNINGS, JR. ('86) graduated from Miami University in 1990 and currently works as Director of Marketing at West Chester Holdings. He married Lisa Wagner on June 17, who graduated from Mt. Notre Dame in '93 and from Miami Univ. in '97.

JEFFREY STRASSER ('87) earned a BSBA from Miami Univ. in '91 and an MBA from Xavier Univ. in '96. He is currently Vice President of marketing for Harte-Hanks, Inc., a leading marketing services company. Strasser is married to Jill Caccamo Strasser, also a Miami Univ. graduate ('92). She earned her MS in audiology from the Univ. of Georgia in '93. They live in Cincinnati and have three children: Alex (age 4), Maggie (age 2), and Christopher (3 mos.).

JASON FRITZ ('89) recently accepted a job at Raytheon in the Communications Department working with digital signal processing hardware and software. he lives in Franklin, MA.

1990-PRESENT

MAX ALLEN QUATTROMANI ('90) has recently relocated to Colorado.

ANDREW GRUBER ('91) and his wife, Lisa, and their 16-month-old son, Jacob, live in Fishers, IN, where Andrew is an attorney for Binham, Summers, Welsh, & Spilman Labor and Employment Practice Group.

JEFF HOWELL ('92) recently graduated from the Hamilton County Sheriff Academy. After completing the Academy, he was hired on as a Hamilton County Deputy Sheriff. He lives in Mt. Washington and recently became engaged to Kim Pope (a St. Ursula grad). They will marry this September.

JOE REARDON ('92) is currently working at Clarklift of Orland as their Sales Manager.

DAN THIEL ('92), a talented actor, played a key part in the movie, *Tuesdays with Morrie*, which aired last December. Thiel played the role of a talented but struggling quarterback who was fighting a alcohol and drug conviction to keep his college scholarship. He currently lives in Los Angeles.

CHRIS STALLO ('93) graduated from UC's College of Pharmacy in June. He and his Thriftway boss, Len Stallo ('64), recently took time off to vacation in Panama City, FL, where Chris competed in the Isuzu Ironman. The course consisted of a 2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike trail, and a 26.2-mile marathon. Chris completed the event in 12 hours, 11 minutes, and 54 seconds. His next athletic goal is to become a professional mountain biker.

BRAD KEATING ('95) graduated from the Univ.of Rio Grande with a degree in marketing and public relations. He finished his basketball career with the Rio Grande Redmen with 521 points and 270 assists. He played 122 career games, averaging 4.3 points and 2.2 assists per game.

MOELLER TRACKING

PAT MCLAUGHLIN ('96) was named MVP of the '99 Dayton Flyer Football Team. The Flyers won the Pioneer League Championship, and McLaughlin led the team as quarterback, completing 52% of his passes for approximately 1,100 yards on the season.

BRAD EARDLEY ('90) participated in a mission trip over his winter break from Washington Univ. His destinations included Manila and Subic Bay. With Habitat for humanity, he visited Quezon City. His goal for the trip, he says, was "to engage others in a vision, to bring forth their talents and gifts,to teach them how to succeed and how to deal with failure." Eardley's goals and expectations mirrors Moeller's Marianist teachings, and the faculty, students, and student organizations raised \$1400 to help support his mission.

DOUG ROSFELD ('97), a football player for the UC Bearcats, was honored at the All-Conference USA and All-Freshmen teams. Four Bearcats were named to the all-conference squad, led by first team offensive lineman, Doug Rosfeld. He also earned first-team, all-league honors.

DARRELL WILLIAMS ('97): "This summer I am going to participate in a cross country bicycle trip, from San Francisco to Washington, DC. This trip is called the Journey of Hope, and all the money raised goes to Push America, an organization that serves the needs of people with disabilities. The goal of Journey of Hope is to raise the awareness about people with disabilities and to raise money to help build new facilities. I have set a goal to raise \$3000, and I am asking for small donations of \$20 to help me reach this goal. If you can help make this tax-deductable contribution to Push America, please contact me at (419) 372-3670. For more information on Push America, you can visit their web site at www.pushamerica.org. Thanks."

MATT ROOKS (198), a sophomore basketball player for Bethel College, averaged slightly more than 23 points per game. He was named Conference Player of the Week for scoring 35 points in an 81-73 game against Indiana Univ. Southeast. Rooks is majoring in physical education.

RYAN FITZPATRIC ('99) is a member of Purdue Univ.'s Men's Track & Field Team. Fitzpatric is one of the Boilermaker high jumpers. The Track & Field team had a strong showing at the Black & Gold Open, with Fitzpatric and his teammate topping the high jump with a one-two finish. As a sophomore, Fitzpatric jumped 7-01.00. Faculty member Forrest Brandt commented, "Ryan is sure to be All Big Ten, All Big Ten Academic, and has a good shot at All American Academic Indoor Track Team."

MARK SMITH ('99) is the 1999 recipient of the Ohio High School Baseball Coaches Association Scholarship. The scholarship is based on grades and activities.

IN MEMORIAM

We express our condolences and deepest sympathies to the families and friends of these and other members of the Moeller Family who have passed on. Please join us in prayer for the following deceased and their families:

Mr. Raymond A. Bauer

Mr. Baumann

Bro. Jerry Binder, S.M.

Mr. Ed Braun

Mr. Leo Breslin

Mr. Noel B. Brotherton ('70)

Mr. Thomas Buchert ('64)

Mr. Mason Dukes

Bro. Lawrence Eveslage, S.M.

Mr. Michael Finnerty

Ms. Betty Hines

Ms. Kohus

~ Rev. Lawrence Krusling

Rev. Robert Allen Marine ('64)

Mr. Jeff McGill ('93)

Mr. Jerome Soellner ('77)

Ms. Sandy Vollmer

Ms. Helen D. Weber

Mr. Eric G. Woods

Mr. Bud Young

If we have missed any member of our Moeller Family, we apologize. Please notify us, so we can add your loved one to our prayer chain. Contact Ginny Bauer at (513) 792-3344 or e-mail ber at gbauer@moeller.org.

At the funeral of Sandy Vollmer, the following prayer was read. We'd like to share it with you:

MISS ME BUT LET ME GO

When I come to the end of the road, And the sun has set for me, I want no rites in a gloom-filled room; Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little, but not too long, And not with your head bowed low; Remember the friendship we once shared; Miss me, but let me go.

For this is a journey we all must take, And each must go alone. It's all part of the master plan, A step on the road home.

When you are lonely and sick at heart, Go to the friends we know, And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds. Miss me but let me go.

The Vollmer family thanks everyone for their love, prayers, and support. Donations in memory of Sandy Vollmer may be sent to the Leukemia Research Program at the Children's Hospital Medical Center in Cincinnati.





Sandra Lee Vollmer (1945-'00)

M



Brother Lawrence Joseph Eveslage

MOELLER TRACKING

MOELLER'S FOUNDING PRINCIPAL, BROTHER LAWRENCE EVESLAGE, PASSES AWAY AT 89

by Betsy Kirkpatrick, The Cincinnati Enquirer (B4, Monday, January 17, 2000)

Brother Lawrence Joseph Eveslage, the founding principal of Moeller High School and the man who hired Gerry Faust, died Saturday, January 15, 2000, at Good Samaritan Hospital. He was 89 and had been in the Society of Mary for 71 years.

Brother Eveslage was born in Cincinnati's West End and attended St. Xavier Grade School, where he met his first Marianist, Bro. Charles Zwiesler, his seventh-grade teacher. At that point, he began considering life as a Marianist.

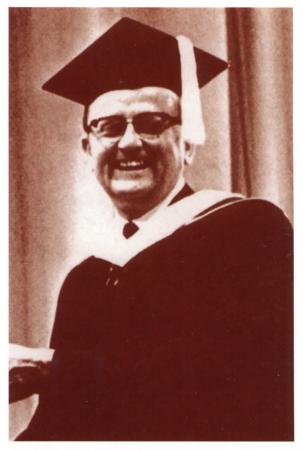
His interest grew as he entered the new Elder High School in Price Hill and he met other Marianist brothers. He was impressed by his teachers and his interest for the vocation peaked as he researched what was expected of a Marianist.

After graduation in 1927, he entered the Marianist novitiate at Mount St. John in Dayton. He professed first vows in 1928 and perpetual vows in 1931. Brother Eveslage received his BA from the Univ. of Dayton in 1931. He earned his MS in science education from Ohio State Univ. in 1947.

(After teaching at numerous Catholic high schools), in 1960 he became the founding principal of Moeller High School in Kenwood and hired Gerry Faust, who created the Moeller football legend.

After seven years at Moeller, Bro. Eveslage returned to Purcell as principal until 1976. He continued on in the newly constituted Purcell Marian High School as a math teacher and alumni director.

Bro. Eveslage told the *Enquirer* in 1990 that helping pupils was most rewarding. On his 70th anniversary as a Marianist, he wrote, "I have enjoyed all my teaching and



even the positions of vice principal and principal. I am now in the privileged position of working with thousands of former students, now alumni, at least two days a week." Bro. Evelsage also credited his training for a "solid foundation in the spiritual aspects of our teaching life, and that has kept me on an even keel through good times and some bad." Memorials can be made to the Bro. Lawrence Eveslage/Society of Mary Scholarship Fund, Purcell Marian High School.



ERIC SCHLAKE ('96)

ERIC SCHLAKE ('96) MEMORIAL LACROSSE FUND

by Stephen & Victoria Hood

It has been over a year since **ERIC SCHLAKE** ('96), one of Moeller's best LaCrosse goalies lost his life in a tragic car accident. The Eric Schlake Memorial Fund provides money for boys who want to play LaCrosse and for those boys who may be unable to attend the summer LaCrosse Camps. For those of us who were blessed with the opportunity of knowing Eric, he was an energetic and high-spirited young man who cared for others. Please help us keep his loving memory and his passion for the game alive by giving to his fund. This fund will help the boys at Moeller and will help strengthen the Moeller LaCrosse Team. Eric's family, friends, fellow classmates, and Lacrosse players thank you for helping to keep Eric's memory alive.



THE ADMINISTRATION

PRINCIPALDaniel J. Ledford

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL/DEAN OF ACADEMICS
Brother John Habjan, S.M.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL/DEAN OF STUDENTS

Carl Kremer

ASSIST. PRINCIPAL/ADMISSIONS/PASTORAL MINISTRY
Brother Ron Luksic, S.M.

BUSINESS MANAGER Bill Balbach

DIRECTOR OF ATHLETIC OPERATIONSBarry Borman

DIRECTOR OF ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATION *Dick Beerman*



WINDOWS ON MOELLER,

an official publication of Archbishop Moeller High School for alumni, parents, and friends, is published three times a year. Comments and suggestions are encouraged.

EDITOR:

Rose Eckhoff, Dir. of P.R. & Special Events
Address your correspondence to:

WINDOWS

Archbishop Moeller High School 9001 Montgomery Road Cincinnati, OH 45242-7780

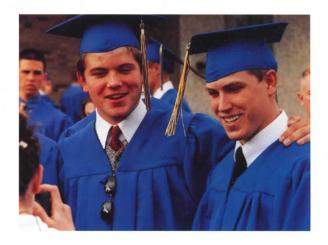
Phone: (513) 792-3349, ext. 156
Fax: (513) 792-3343
E-Mail: jcmkremer@aol.com
Home Page: www.moeller.org

CREDITS

Printing: Provided by Larry Kuhlman ('81)
Editorial Services, Layout & Design:
Johanna Kremer, Educational Communications
Photography:
Greg Stanforth ('67), MHS faculty member:
photography/art
Distribution:
Dianne Carlson and Ginny Bauer

© 2000. All rights reserved. Material in *Windows on Moeller* may be reproduced, provided prior permission is obtained from the editor and credit is given.

Archbishop Moeller High School is owned and operated by the Catholic Archdiocese of Cincinnati and adheres to its policies.









CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2000

INDOWS ON MOELLER
A Publication for the Alumni, Parents, and Friends of
ARCHBISHOP MOELLER HIGH SCHOOL

9001 Montgomery Road Cincinnati, OH 45242-7780

www.moeller.org

Non-Profit
Organization
U.S. Postage
PAID
Cincinnati, OH
Permit No. 9931



