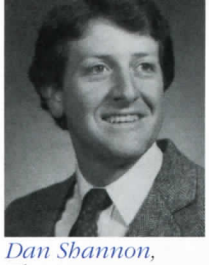

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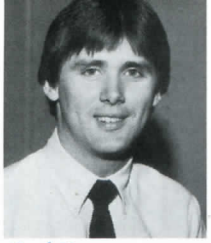

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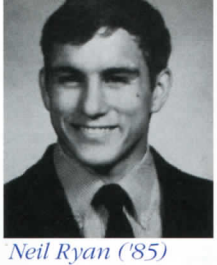
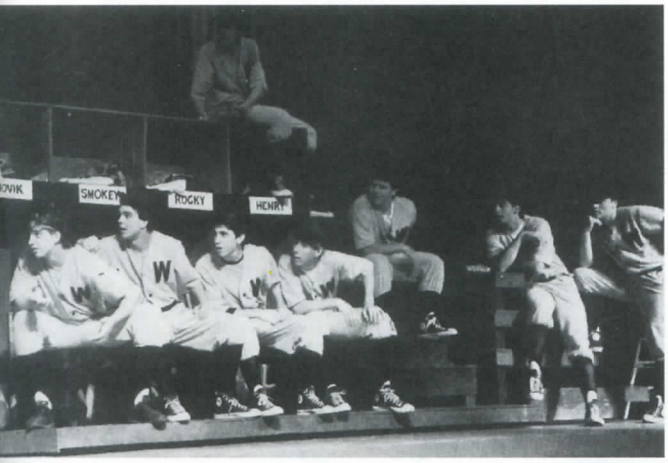


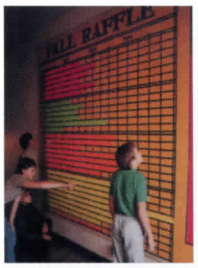
Neil Ryan ('85)

Tom Cruise launches career with Top Gun.

"Do They Know It's Christmas/ Feed the World" charity single raises $10.4M for famine relief in Ethiopia.

1985





Some traditions never change, like Moeller's annual Fall Raffle. In 1985, as well as today, this fund-raiser is an important part of the Moeller experience. In September 2001, students raised a record amount, with much of the proceeds benefitting the school's Habitat for Humanity house.

25 years of ATHLETICS: In a quarter of a decade, Moeller **Football** became a nationally-known powerhouse after accumulating 6 state championship titles and 4 national titles. This year the famed program finished 10-1, becoming once more city champs, AP and UPI state champs.

In 25 years, the athletic program matured and other sports emerged. **Baseball**, also former state champs, achieved their 10th league title this year, finishing 19-6. **Golf** had its best season ever, finishing 10-0 in the league. **Soccer** finished 9-6-2, the best since 1973. **Track** finished 6-1; **Tennis** had a winning season with 13-6; and *Ice Hockey* went 14-5-1. The seeds of a new destiny were sown.

25 years of TRADITION: Some traditions changed, like the Fall Festival, which evolved into The Country Roast as a school fundraiser. However, most school traditions were ingrained in the Moeller fabric, like the Fall Raffle, free days, grub days, blood drives, and the Homecoming bonfire. The school's multimedia rally skits (like the beach party rally and controversial 20/20 investigation of St.X) continued to wrap the school in Moeller spirit, yet also helped put game losses in perspective. When the football team narrowly missed the chance to become state champs, the *Templar* reported "At the final rally, Tom Waddle summed everyone's feelings saying, 'One play does not make a game; one game does not make a season; and one season does not make a lifetime.' Even in defeat our spirit had triumphed."

The Moeller spirit *had* triumphed over the past 25 years. And the common thread was Moeller's Marianist roots and Family Spirit. In just 25 years, the school created a community where students could thrive academically, socially, athletically, and spiritually. As one '85 graduate noted, "There's a common bond between all the alumni of Moeller. It doesn't matter when I graduated or where I go after high school, I'm still a part of the Moeller Family... And I'll never forget that." This is Moeller's mission. This is Moeller's legacy. ■

Racal-Vodaphone and Cellnet introduce the first mobile telephones.

RETURN TO GLORY STATE

1985

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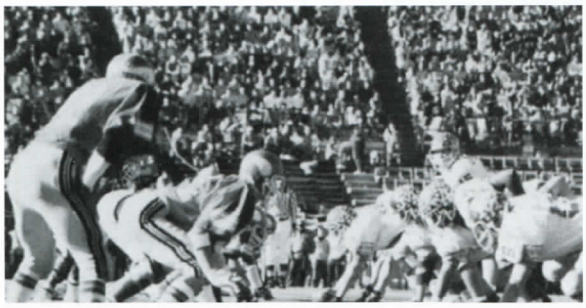
Glory Days

Fuji launched the disposable camera.

Moeller wins 7th STATE TITLE!

Although the team had won its 7th championship title, rather than review those winning moments, the Templar staff chose to recap the rallies that spurred the team on to victory: "We first gathered to see the traditional slide show introducing members of the team. As the season progressed, 'First Blood/Revenge of the Nerds' brought the entire student body to a standing ovation. This year's satirical sequel to the 1984 rally film '20/20 Investigation of St. X.' depicted two of our own teachers as 'Rambo-type' commandos. 'RonBo and LiBo' donned their camouflage pants to save our school from St. Xavier terrorists holding some of our faculty members hostage. As the football team proceeded through the championship series, the rally committee presented a comical look at the Princeton coaching staff and held a bonfire rally. After winning the 7th state title, the rally committee closed with an appreciation rally." Senior Vada Murray (above left) finished the season with a few words. ■



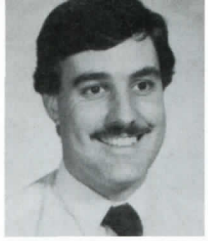
The spirit of Moeller lives on

by Dave Hemminger ('86)

Moeller's commitment to excellence in academics, athletics, and extra-curricular activities has been evident during my entire four years at the school. There is a feeling of fellowship: fellowship among the students and fellowship among the faculty and the students.

Moeller imbues its students with a sense of pride in the institution and its reputation. The school stresses faith in God and a belief in religious and moral principles. Through the school and its faculty, I have aquired a strong faith in God and my country.

I believe that the intense spirit represented by the students and faculty at Moeller High School doesn't leave when we, the seniors, leave the school. It travels with us. And this is what I'm most thankful for. ■



Rick Bohne, Religion

Sr. Judy Klei, R.S.M.

The Challenger *explodes just 73 seconds after liftoff.*

Mike Ward ('86)

1986

Student government provides positive influence

by Ray Hilvert, President, Moeller Student Government

Besides academics and athletics, another outstanding feature of the Moeller community is the student government. The main purpose of this organization is to provide students with a voice, allowing them to influence and add to their community.

One of the most important things student government tries to do is to help finance various clubs and activities for the students. This initiates student involvement and school spirit. The government conducts school-wide grub days, pizza gym nights, weekend dances and proms, and sponsors scholarships to incoming freshmen. Members from the student government represent the school at state and national conventions, leadership seminars, workshops, and can often be found helping out on PTA nights, the freshman open house, and entrance test days.

Outside of the Moeller community, the student government participates in student exchange programs with other schools, helps the needy with food, clothing, and blood drives, and donates money to worthy organizations. ■

After four years, Father Marine ('64) resigned as Moeller's principal to pursue other challenges; Bro. Joseph Kamis, S.M., was hired in his place.

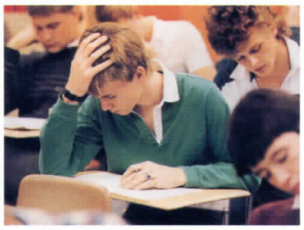
This year's Hotze production was West Side Story. *Riff, played by Tim Markley ('86), fires up the Jets (pictured left), while Joe Sagratti ('87) and Deana Ulenbrak make a great couple as Bernardo and Anita (far left).*

A new group emerges to provide Moeller with yet another legendary team: The Arting Crusaders. The Varsity, Reserve, and Frosh Art Teams & Art Coaching Staff placed an ad to offer their congratulations to the Class of '86.

Transitions

1986

With the end of the Cold War, the superpowers agreed to dismantle nuclear stockpiles and to ban nuclear testing.



"The more something changes, the more it stays the same," opens the 1987 *Templar*. The theme was "Transitions," as the school community dealt with the many changes throughout the year.

Seniors Greg Wilson and Jeff Pawlow are pictured above representing Moeller at the prestigious Model Organization of the U.N. Moeller was one of only 31 schools across the nation invited to participate.

New administration updates policies and programs

New Principal Bro. Joe Kamis, S.M., and his administration updated policies to improve students' academic performance, to enhance the school's physical appearance, and to enforce principles of character, leadership, and faith.

To increase efficiency, Mr. Ledford, now Dean of Academics, initiated a computer program in central administration. Father Kreidler, new Dean of Students, sought to increase students' awareness of others and personal responsibility.

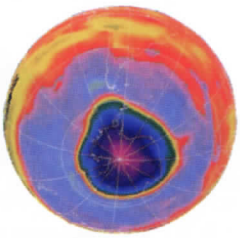
Despite the many transitions, the students continued to pursue excellence. "We were community examples in academics, religion, athletics, music, drama, and art," states the *Templar*. "Our Student Government gave us strength and support, while our athletics held up our tradition of excellence on all levels. Our Marching Crusaders won prizes and our team of Model United Nations 'spread the power and glory of Moeller,' as moderator Father Putka said. Moeller made many changes and transitions, while keeping its sense of pride and spirit. Again we proved that while things change, the standard, as always, is excellence." ■

Pictured above, from left: Father Kreidler, Dan Ledford, and Bro. Joseph Kamis, S.M.

In 1986 the International Whaling Commission introduced a temporary ban on commercial whaling because the blue whales were practically extinct.

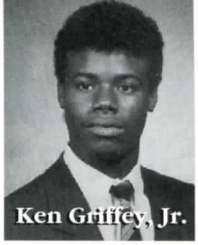
Student Government volunteers became "jockeys" for The Main Event. Organized by Ms. Rose Lusheck, another new member of the administration, Bro. Wanda and the charity auction designers completely transformed the Gallenstein Center into a miniature Churchill Downs for the theme "Run for the Roses."

Oprah Winfrey becomes ratings champion of the daytime talk show.



Because of a hole in the ozone layer, the Montreal Protocol was signed in 1987 to cut CFC production by 50% by 1999.

During the '80s there was a newfound concern about the environment and people started recycling.



Ken Griffey, Jr.

1987

ACTIVITIES: Students initiated two new activities this year. The underclassmen held their first annual Freshman-Sophomore Homecoming Festival, complete with games, rides, music, and refreshments. The music was supplied by sophomores Kip Sharp, Steve Bay, and Daren Dortin, and the evening's highlight was the dunking booth, featuring Bro. Tuss and Father Tedesco. The second new activity was organized by the senior class. They held an all-night lock-in at the Blue Ash YMCA, where they swam, watched movies, and played basketball, raquetball, volleyball.

Student Government's Saturday night dances continued to be popular and lucrative, filling the gym to capacity. Besides organizing proms, Christmas tree sales, the food and clothing drives, and blood drives, these students became volunteer "jockeys" for The Main Event, the school's biggest fundraiser, now in its second year.

Another highlight of the year was Moeller's spring musical comedy, How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying, *directed by Mr. Hotze. Pictured above: senior Joe Sagrati and Deana Uhlenbroch as Finch and Rosemary.*

SPORTS: Moeller **Football** remained strong as the team once again became GCL Champs, finishing 7-3. More significantly, many other athletic programs excelled:**Cross Country** established two school records; **Basketball** went 15-5. The **Hockey** Team became GCL Champs with a record of 15-5-3. The **Swim** Team set four school records. **Baseball** finished 14-8, naming senior Ken Griffey, Jr. the school's MVP, and **Track** finished with a 7-1 record in dual meets. In addition, the school introduced a new program into competition: the **Ski** Team. ■

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Van Gogh's painting, Irises, *sells for $53.9M.*

Students catch the Moeller spirit

The Pentagon releases first pictures of the Stealth.

1987

Whether it was Homecoming, Prom, or just a Saturday night dance, Moeller students knew how to "capture the spirit" of the evening. Pictured above: seniors Dan Cloran, Rob Zelina, Sean Gill, and Brent Riesenberger make a public announcement at the Senior Prom held in the Cincinnati Club.

The Templar staff chose "Catch the Spirit" for the 1988 yearbook: "The 1987-'88 year was one of continuing transition," they said. "This transition, though full of both hardship and joy, was one of growth — growth physically, mentally and spiritually... May you all "catch the spirit" of this change and keep it with you for the rest of your lives."

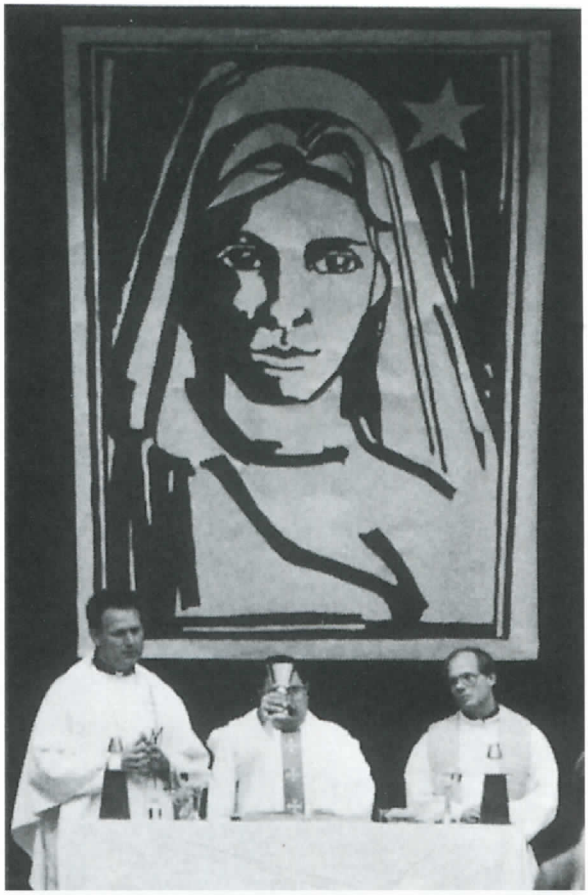
SCHOOL SPIRIT: Focusing on the Moeller spirit, they wrote: "In our Moeller Family, 'catch the spirit,' has a greater meaning than just sports or activities. The school-wide masses show the importance of spiritual growth. In relocating our masses from All Saints Church to Moeller, we broguht our school closer to the sacredness of the celebration. An inspirational example of this occurred at the mass for Matt McDermott, where we united to provide support for Matt's family. This, along with other occasions showed what it mean to be a Man of Moeller."

ACTIVITIES: The Moeller spirit was also evident in this year's co-curricular activities, said *The Templar:* "The Moeller community has always been filled with organizations and activites, which add to our honor and prestige, and this year was no exception." Homecoming was one of the featured activities, and the school added a new tradition this year: Winter Homecoming, which was to show appreciation for all the winter sports. The week included a pep rally, a volleyball tournament, a Blue & Gold Grub Day, and a dance.

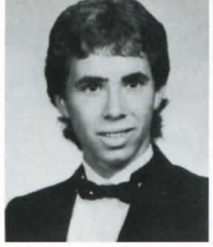
RonBo and LibBo (above) once again save the day; senior Chad Borke (right) proudly displays his pen collection during the Revenge of the Nerds *sequal.*

The rallies featured *XIII: The Nerds are Back* (the ongoing adventures of "RonBo and LibBo.") The yearbook staff credited the spoof's special effects and good humor with mustering the Moeller spirit and helping the team win its GCL championship.

Other highlights this year included the Friendship Connection, a program that paired students studying German with German students who were studying English, and the Model U.N., which won four major awards.



Tim Erdmann, Science



Kevin Kohls ('88)

Jim Jewell, Math

After an intense, high-security, two-year trial in Sicily, 338 Mafia members are sentenced.

The Last Emperor *wins nine Oscars.*

1988

SPORTS: "Moeller's sports demonstrated a continuing spirit of excellence and enthusiasm," said the yearbook staff. **Football** had captured their 16th consecutive GCL title. The **Cross Country** team climbed to an all-time high. **Wrestling** had its best showing in 10 years, with three players qualifying for the state tournament. **Hockey** had an undefeated season and was among the top 5 in Western Ohio. **Track** came in 1st at the Glen Este Invitational and set a school record in the shuttle huddle relay, while **Baseball** completed the season 21-10, also setting new school records in most hits in a season, most runs, and most singles. In addition, Father Tedesco introduced another athletic tradition to Moeller: **Lacrosse** (pictured below). ■

Main Event III: "Under the Big Top" raises $130,000 for Moeller

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Traditions

1988

Benazir Bhutto becomes Prime Minister of Pakistan, the first woman prime minister in an Islamic country.

Britt Raymond, Spanish

As the last class of the '80s prepared to graduate, they paid homage to Moeller's past, using "Traditions" as the *Templar*'s theme.

From the very beginning, celebrations of the liturgy have grounded Moeller as a Catholic school in the Marianist tradition. In the late '80s, there came a greater emphasis on involving the Moeller student community. As Bill Frantz, head of Pastoral Ministry, said, "Student involvement *makes* the masses."

Many other traditions have stood the test of time, like the Fall Raffle, the annual blood drive, Red Cross donations, Grub Days, the Christmas tree sale, the Senior Prom, the Junior Dance.

Bungee jumping becomes a popular yet dangerous sport.

Moeller rallies continued to be legendary experiences. This year Mr. Bob Hotze and his committee featured "Elvis Lives" for the Colerain rally and "Search for the Vikings" for Princeton.

Dramatic productions have been part of Moeller's past since *Brother Orchid* in 1964. When Mr. Bob Hotze joined the faculty in 1980, he raised the performances to a new level, beginning with *Mr. Roberts* in 1981. After taking a year off, the bard returned with *Stalag 17*.

Some traditions were enhanced, like Homecoming, which began a new tradition last year with Winter Homecoming. Another dance was introduced last year, the Sophomore Dance.

1st place state champs, DECA Team Management Decision Making. Above, from left: seniors Joe Tekulve, Jim Klinkenberg, and Dave Rudolph.

Fund-raising has always been a necessary tradition. In 1985, Moeller introduced The Main Event charity auction. This year's auction raised $188,000 for the school.

Student Government has been an influential tradition at Moeller. This year's members initiated new traditions, like the video yearbook, and eliminated old ones, like the Moeller Saturday night dances.

"Our Standard is Excellence" has been the Moeller motto, and this year was no exception. D.E.C.A. became state champs in Team Management Decision Making, while the Model U.N. team brought home five prestigious awards after competing in Tampa, FL. Another tribute to Moeller's excellence is that currently one-fifth of its teachers are alumni.

"What has changed since that first Class of '64 received its diplomas? " asked the *Templar*. "Much! But even more has remained the same. The ideals that motivated these first seniors to choose a Catholic secondary education and the traditions they began are still fundamentally the same... Catholic education has made a difference; going to Moeller has been something special." ■