Student writes best seller

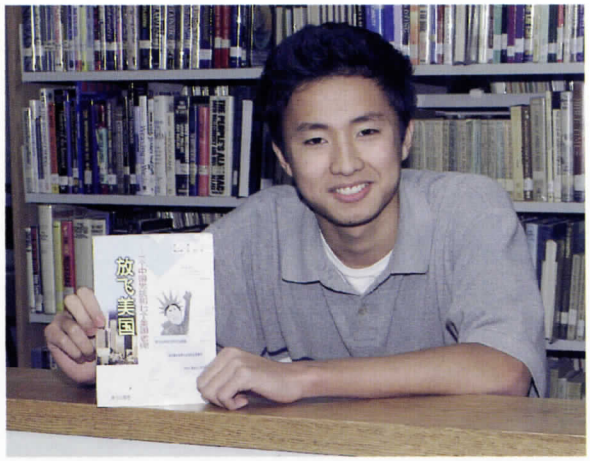
Kuang Huang was late to school this year. He was finishing a promotional tour in China for his newly published book on American education. The book is already a best seller in China.

While traveling around the country, Kuang signed almost 5,000 autographs. "It's different for authors in China," said Kuang. "In America, if you write a book it's no big deal. Books are THE thing in China — like MTV and CDs here. Reading is a big thing in China. If you publish a book, you're like a rock star."

Kuang credits his father for inspiring him and giving him the opportunity to write the book. "My dad wrote a book called *Quality Education in America*. His book struck a cord with the Chinese, and it became a best seller in China in 1999.

"So, my father became a trendsetter for education in China. People became genuinely interested in how Americans teach their kids. My dad's publisher said, 'You have a son, right? Why not have your son write about *his* experiences with American education.'

"Education is so much different in China. There's one classroom for 12 years. Kids sit straight — no slouching — all day. They go home and do homework until they sleep. They can't get it all done. There's a lot of emphasis on math and memory. The Chinese study for one test, the 'Gao Kao.' It is a one-shot deal — you mess up and you'll feel the effects the rest of your life.



Kuang Huang has already started on his second book on American students and friends. Meanwhile, he finds time for the Tennis Team, Academic Team, Math Team, and National Honor Society.

"I wrote about my teachers from third grade on, but I chose to focus on those in junior high and high school, because I felt they have the most impact on our lives. I wanted the Chinese people to see what American education was really like. In China, people send their kids out of China to go to school in America. It's the Chinese dream. I wanted to show them a bit of reality and also keep the book fun to read."

Kuang started his book the summer after his freshman year at Moeller and wrote it in only four months. "My mom translated while I wrote," he said. "But the process to final publication took almost a year."

The book tour began three weeks before the school year. "It was a nonstop, city-hopping experience — a bookstore to bookstore, press conference to press conference sort of thing," said Kuang. "By the end I was quite tired out. During the tour, I was introduced as the author of this book, but that's all they saw me as. I think I can do more. I don't want to be defined: 'rock star.' No. I'm just a normal kid who's been given this wonderful opportunity. I'm just lucky because of my dad." ■

The pictures above were taken in China while Kuang was on his book tour.

Mr. Gustavo Benedetti, Spanish:
One way Mr. Benedetti teaches Spanish is by asking a question, then throwing a baseball to a student to catch and answer.

Bro. Wanda, Art Chair:
Bro. Wanda is one of the best teachers I have ever known. This sketch shows him illustrating an art exercise he asked us to do.

Mr. Mike Ward, Math and Science:
When Mr. Ward asked if there were any questions one day, a student said, "How do you make a bomb?" Mr. Ward then promptly explained.

In his first book, Kuang Huang focused on four Moeller teachers. He also included an illustration of each, depicting one of their special characteristics. (The sketch of science teacher Barry Borman is on page 8.) On the left, Kuang briefly explains each one.

*Senior **Brandon Harris** was chosen to be part of a selective drama criticism workshop sponsored by The Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park. He is one of only 15 students selected overall from Greater Cincinnati/ Northern Kentucky high schools.*

Seniors Mark Momper and Michael Goddard earned the Eagle Scout Award.

EXCELLENCE IN THE ARTS

Moeller's art students pass million-dollar mark

Although Moeller's art students have earned millions of dollars in scholarships over the past decade, this is the first year that a graduating class has passed the one-million-dollar mark.

The million-dollar students are **Carl Cepress, Dan DeBrunner, Nick Greiwe, Pat Hildebrandt, Sean Keelan, Noah Pfarr, Eric Reising, Blake Schaffeld,** and **Eric Verkamp**. Overall, colleges awarded these students a total of $1,146,156.00.

These graduates will attend the following art colleges and institutes:

Carl Cepress—Columbus College of Art and Design on the CCAD Faculty Scholarship and Grant.

Dan DeBrunner—Columbus College of Art and Design on the President's Award Scholarship.

Nick Greiwe—Cleveland Institute of Art on a CIA Portfolio grant.

Pat Hildebrandt—Maryland Institute, College of Art, on the Trustee and Academic Honors Scholarship.

Sean Keelan—Maryland Institute, College of Art, on the Maryland Institute and Presidential Scholarship.

Noah Pfarr—Maryland Institute, College of Art, on the Trustee and Academic Honors Scholarship.

Eric Reising—Lincoln Technical Institute (Architecture) on the Entrance Scholarship.

Blake Schaffeld—Columbus College of Art and Design on the Faculty Award Scholarship.

Eric Verkamp—Columbus College of Art and Design on the Faculty Award Scholarship.

Band members earn multiple honors

Last spring the Moeller Band received the highest rating possible at the OMEA Concert Band Festival. Since then, its members have earned multiple honors. Senior **Chris Imhoff** (pictured right) was one of four trumpeters selected from the entire state for the OMEA all-state orchestra. In addition, Chris was selected by audition to be a member of the Cinti. Youth Symphony Orchestra and the Blue Ash Symphony. **Greg Hopkins ('02), Julian Politis ('02),** and **Tony Rudd ('03)** were selected by audition to be members of the Cinti. Youth Wind Ensemble for the 2001-'02 season. **R.J. Nemeth ('02)** and **Tony Rudd ('03)** were selected by audition for the OMEA District 14 Honor Band.

Several Moeller Band members performed and toured Europe this summer: **Chris Imhoff** performed as a member of the All-Ohio Honor band; **Greg Hopkins**, **Julian Politi**, and **Tony Rudd** performed as members of the Cinti. Youth Wind Ensemble, sponsored by CCM.

Justin Bayer

Greg Edwards

Bridget Gallagher

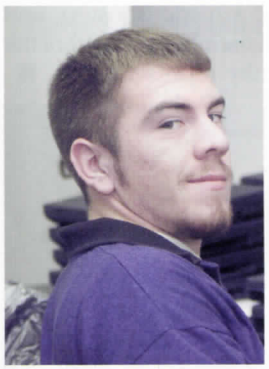
Gail Holtmeier

Kraig Hoover

Doug Horst

Kenny Houston

Jim Kelly



Bill Kohus, Jr.

David Lapham

Michael Moroski

Fr. Terry Weik, S.M.

Jennifer Wiesman

WELCOME

We welcome 14 outstanding new faculty and staff members to the Moeller Family:

Justin Bayer ('97) — Director of Pastoral Services
Greg Edwards — Science
Bridget Gallagher — English/German
Gail Holtmeier — Religion
Kraig Hoover — English
Doug Horst — Social Studies/Religion
Kenny Houston — Food Services
Jim Kelly — Guidance
Bill Kohus, Jr. ('98) — Inform. Systems Tech.
David Lapham ('94) — Business/Development
Michael Moroski — English
Kim Navaro — Main Event Admin. Ass't.
Father Terry Weik, S.M. — Pastoral Ministry
Jennifer Wiesman — Mathematics

Over the past two years, the administration has hired 17 new faculty members, part of Moeller's commitment to keep class sizes small to ensure personal attention.

EXCELLENCE IN TECHNOLOGY

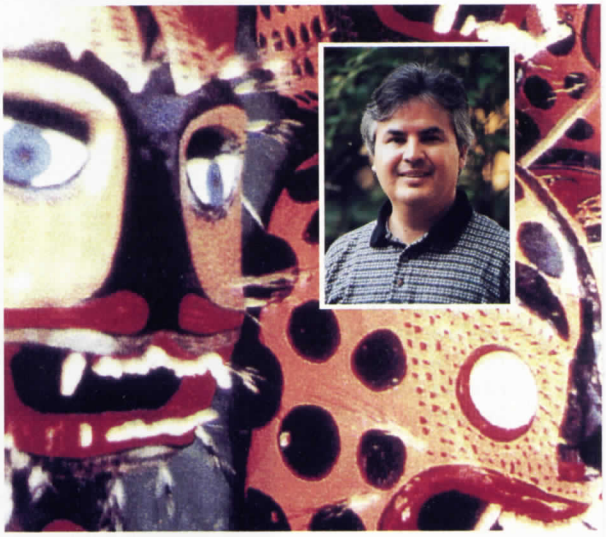
IBM selected Moeller as one of four schools to be filmed for a promotional video concerning laptops in schools.

EXCELLENCE IN SERVICE

Almost 50 students from the Class of 2002 volunteered from one to five weeks of their summer to help others. Students worked in Appalachia, Over-the-Rhine, Mexico, Honduras, and India.

EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

Faculty member Alberto Delgado displayed his Hispanic Folk Mask collection at Xavier University's Cohen Art Gallery this fall. He collects these masks to document, preserve, and share his culture with others. Mr.Delgado's mask collection has now reached 140.



By rule of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, the Education Commission acts in an advisory capacity. Today, their role has changed from crisis management and fund-raising to maintaining excellence and operational stability. Their recommendations have helped Moeller move with vitality into the new millennium.

EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

by Dan Ledford ('66), Principal

As we celebrate Moeller's years during the 1980s, we honor the seminal moments that provided the institution with the solid foundation it has today. Principal Father Marine ('64) founded the Education Commission during that decade. Originally, he created the Commission to make needed physical plant improvements. Moeller had little money from the day it was founded in 1960 through the 1980s. At that time, the main building needed a new roof, the parking lot needed to be enlarged, and many other areas needed maintenance and upgrading.

At the urging of this newly formed Commission, Father Marine founded Moeller's Development Office. This office was charged with beginning an annual fund program that could raise money to help pay for operating and maintenance funding. As most members of the Moeller Family know, the Annual Fund and the Main Event auction are now major supplements to tuition, having raised more than three million dollars since they were first started.

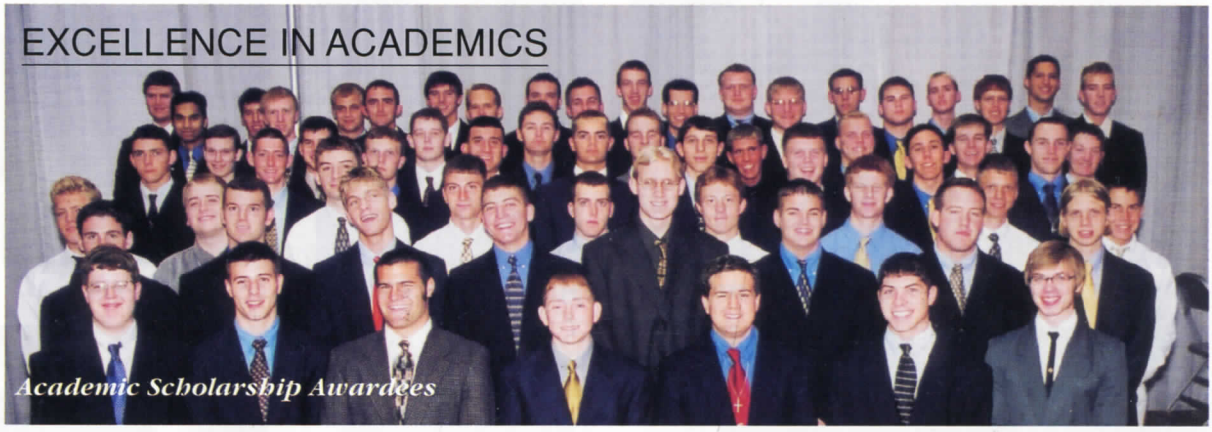
The original Education Commission consisted of some very familiar names in our community: Mr. Henry Gallenstein, Mr. Joe Rippe, Sr., Mr. Bill Brisben, Mr. Barry Bucher, Mr. Fred Habeggar, and Mr. Fran Dugan. These founding members and their families are still involved today.

Education Commission Members: Sitting: Ms. Janet Fette, Chair. Standing, from left: Bob Niehaus, John George, Ms. Pat Buckley.

Today's Commission is composed of advisors from the internal and external community. Current external members include Ms. Janer Fette (Chair), Mr. Mark Rippe, Mr. Bob Niehaus, Mr. Bob Hauser, Father Joe Lackner, S.M., and presidents of the Mom's Club, Band Boosters, Athletic Boosters, and Alumni Association. Internal members consist of the administration and one faculty representative. ■

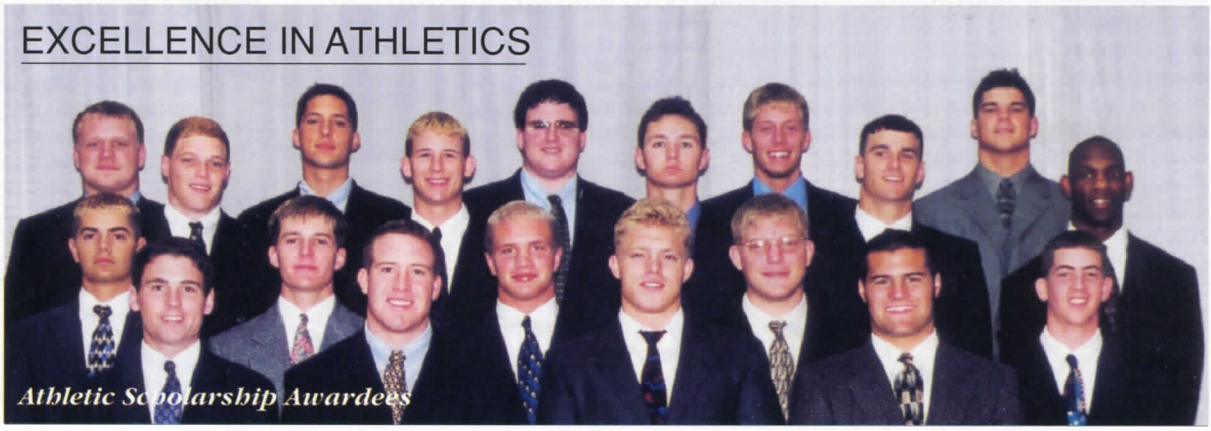
The Moeller Cheerleading Squad received two awards at the OSU Universal Cheerleading Association Camp: Camp Champ for dance and Superior Trophy for overall leadership and performance. In addition, the squad was chosen to perform at the Citrus Bowl in Orlando, Florida, on January 1, 2002.

EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMICS



Academic Scholarship Awardees

EXCELLENCE IN ATHLETICS



Athletic Scholarship Awardees

The CRUSADER Connection

Briefs from Moeller's Alumni Association

Trio assume Alumni Association leadership

This past summer, Principal Dan Ledford ('66) asked Joe Hodge ('88), John George ('74), and Chris Albrecht ('77) to take over the leadership of the Moeller Alumni Association. "Calling upon three alumni to replace Rick (Keller ('78), former Alumni Association President), speaks volumes about the tremendous job he has done for the past six years," said Chris Albrecht ('77).

The Moeller Alumni Association is a social organization that sponsors numerous programs and events. These opportunities enable grads to get together, while also promoting Moeller High School. Any funds that they generate from these activities go back to the school to benefit current students. Over the past three years, the Association has given over $50,000 to various programs, such as athletics, band, cheerleading, and pastoral ministry. In addition, the Association has supported several students by providing tuition assistance.

"We pledge to build on what Rick has accomplished," said Chris Albrecht ('77). "We also plan to generate more interest in the Alumni Association so that more alums will want to become actively involved. We will be starting a Moeller Business & Professional Association (see page 51) as well as new alumni city chapters and a Minority Mentor Program. Our 'Big Three' events — the Alumni Golf Outing, the Softball Tournament (this marks the 20th year!) and the Annual Sports Stag — promise to be bigger and better!"

Pictured above, from left: Chris Albrecht ('77), president; Joe Hodge ('88), executive vice president; and John George ('74), senior vice president.

Chris adds, "Moeller has developed unmatched traditions of excellence in 40 short years and continues to do an outstanding job of educating and preparing young men for the future. As a parent of a current Moeller student, I am convinced that this success is directly related to the Marianist philosophy and the Moeller Family spirit. No matter your level of involvement, rest assured that your

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David Lapham ('94) joins the Moeller faculty and staff this year. He is a member of the Business Department and is Assistant Director of Development.

If you would like more information about alumni programs or events, please visit the Moeller website: www.moeller.org. or call Chris Albrecht at 513/ 791-1234.

Dan Cloran ('88) accepts position at Xavier University

Dan Cloran ('88), Moeller's Director of Institutional Advancement, has accepted a position with Xavier University. He is now XU's Director of the Annual Fund and Athletic Development.

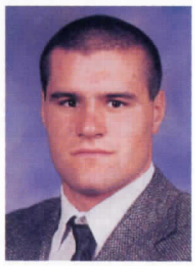
"This opportunity is great for my professional career and great for my family," said Dan ('88). "My new boss is Moeller grad Jim Jackson ('72)! Xavier University is a great Catholic institution, and I feel privileged to be included on the development team.

"Moeller High School is the greatest high school in the country," he adds, "and I have had the fortunate circumstance to work here. I have the greatest love and respect for this school that is not closely matched by a lot of alumni out there. Please keep in touch." ■

"There is no alum with more love and respect for Moeller than Dan Cloran. His support and hard work have made a huge impact on the Alumni Association and the growth of Moeller High School. We wish him well with this great career move." Chris Albrecht ('77), Alumni Association President

The 2001 Distinguished Alumni Recipients

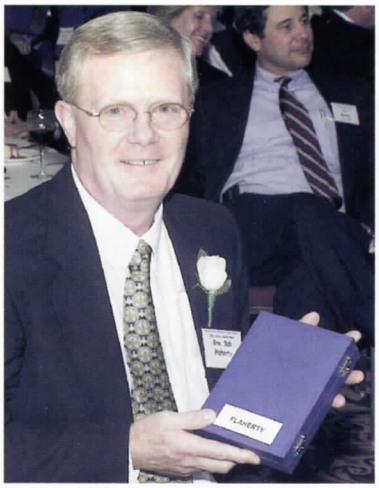
Shonda & Joseph DePetro accept Matt's award.



THE GOLD SHIELD AWARD

Matthew DePetro ('01)

Presented to a graduating senior who through his academic achievements, extracurricular activities, and apostolic life best exemplifies the Moeller spirit.



THE BRO. LAWRENCE EVESLAGE AWARD

Bro. Robert Flaherty, S.M.

Presented to an individual who through years of tireless effort has made significant contributions to the growth of Moeller High School in the spirit of Moeller's first principal, Bro. Lawrence Eveslage.

THE DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD

Presented to an alumnus who has given outstanding service to his community and who has distinguished himself as a Moeller alumnus.

Pictured above, from left: Bill Hines, Bro. Flaherty, S.M., Frank Brogan, Chris Albrecht ('77), Dave Ashbrock, and John George ('74).

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD RECIPIENTS

Dave Ashbrock ('74)
Lt. Governor Frank Brogan ('71)
William Hines ('70)

Keith Clim ('77) was recently featured with his wife in the The Cincinnati Enquirer's *Tempo section. Keith is currently working at Cincinnati Bell Telephone as a Tech-Internet.*

Couple coordinates in classic fashion

by Joy Kraft,
Cincinnati Equirer

As couples grow old together, some begin to look alike. Not true of Keith and Selina Clim. They're more like a set. They don't lok alike or dress alike or think alike. But they look like they go together. Their outfits are coordinated without looking corney," says Mary Linneman, who works with the couple at Cincinnati Bell. "They are great dressers without overdoing it." The network technicians, who work different shifts, are so in tune with each other and their three children, the family often coordinates colors on special occasions.

Signature look: Keith — Conservative and exciting at the same time. **Selina** — Classic conservative. I always remember the Doris Day cute little dresses and the two-oiece suits. Not flashy. **You splurge on: Keith** — I'm a shoe fanatic. At last count, it was 60 pairs. That's how I judge a man. He must have clean, polished shoes for my approval. **Selina** — With kids and family, you can't do that often. But I was looking for nice, orange, soft-leather pumps, and I saw them for $100. Once in a while it's OK. ■

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NEW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION LEADERSHIP
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presence continues to be felt at Moeller on a daily basis. Every time students walk the halls, they pass beneath the portraits of 8,000 Moeller Alumni. The pictures of these graduates who have gone before them, many of whom are their dads, uncles, brothers, and teachers, serve as a great reminder that they are part of something bigger – the Moeller Family."

CLASS REP/ACTIVITY PROGRAM:

We need a few good men...

The Alumni Association needs a Class Rep from each of the following years to assist with alumni events and programs: 1967, 1968, 1971, 1979, 1986 (2 needed), 1989, 1990 (2 needed), 1993, 1994 (2 needed), 1995 (2 needed), 1996, 1998 (2 needed), 1999 (2 needed), 2000 (2 needed), and 2001 (2 needed).

If you would like to be involved or have an idea to pass on to your Class Rep, please contact the Alumni Office at 513/791-1680. ■

UPCOMING ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEETINGS:

January 10, 2002, MHS cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.
March 7, 2002, MHS cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.
May 7, 2002, MHS cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.
For more info, please contact the Alumni Office.

Alumni leaders initiate Moeller Business & Professional Association

The goal of the Moeller Business & Professional Association (MBPA) is to provide alumni opportunities to enhance their business and professional skills, to increase business from others associated with Moeller, and to give back to the community.

The MBPA plans to forge a networking system that will enable alumni to communicate with one another about practical business strategies and ideas for growing their companies. For example, using Moeller's web site, the association will establish a link with the names of businesses associated with the Moeller Family who have chosen to participate in the MBPA. In addition, the association plans to hold a semi-annual educational breakfast series featuring a distinguished alumnus or friend of Moeller and plans to develop a career mentoring program for MHS students.

Tim Albers ('68), a partner with Albers Insurance Agency, will be Chair of the association's inaugural year. He can be reached at 513/891-3304. Joe Hodge ('88) will be Co-Chairing this initiative with Tim. He can be reached at Frisch's Restaurants, 513/559-5304, or at home, 513/984-6226. ■

The Annual Fund 2001 books closed on June 30, 2001, and it was Moeller's most successful year ever, raising over $300,000. This past year's Fund was dedicated to Jim Crone ('65), who died suddenly at the beginning of the 2000-'01 year. Jim would have been very proud. Please continue to remember Jim and his family in your prayers.

Your support of this year's Annual Fund would be greatly appreciated. The Moeller Annual Fund directly affects every aspect of the school. You can make a difference.

The Class of 1976 recently celebrated their 25th reunion. Andy Holtmeier ('76) is pictured above with a fellow alum.

Dan Cloran ('88) received this letter from Mr. Mark Doran, parent of Moeller grad Brendan Doran. Dan was moved by this heartfelt letter and received permission to share it with you.

A PERSONAL NOTE:

What makes Moeller so special?

by Mr. Mark Doran, Moeller parent

I was on a flight back to Cincinnati working on a couple of things related to the Lacrosse Team when the man sitting next to me noticed that I was associated with Moeller High School. This started a terrific conversation, which resulted in his asking me a question: "I have known about Moeller High School for over 15 years, and I have always wondered," he said, "what makes Moeller so special?"

For one of the few times in my life, I couldn't give an immediate response. But his question made me think... I know the experience at Moeller has been great for our son, but it also has been great for our whole family. Well, I finally figured out why.

There are two things that make Moeller a special place. The first is that Moeller is a giving place. Let me give you examples of what I mean by giving.

It starts with a faculty who give everything they have to make an impact on young men. These people install a sense of self worth and self discipline that will make these boys better for the rest of their lives. This experience has to be emotionally tough at times, but, from what my wife and I have seen, they do it with a passion that is magical. This faculty somehow has the ability to make the flute player in the Marching Band feel as important as the very best football player. Oh, by the way, this faculty and staff do all this when they know they could make more money in many other school systems. But somehow, they just keep giving.

It starts with a faculty who give everything they have to make an impact on young men.

Another example that shows how Moeller is a giving place has to do with the coaches. Moeller has always stood for excellence on the playing field. But you know what? This excellence we have seen has absolutely nothing to do with win-loss records. The coaching staffs at Moeller are truly a cut above the rest. They instill life experiences in these young men. They show them that nobody is bigger that the team and that the second string goalie is as important as the most talented player on the team. They also make these kids understand that what you get out of Moeller is what you give to Moeller.

The parents and families are also great examples of giving contributors to Moeller. The financial sacrifice most parents make speaks for itself. It is the amount of time and hard work these parents give that make it special. Mary Lou and I have been involved in a lot of areas over the years. When we were co-chairs of the Main Event, we had a chance to see up close and personal what giving was at Moeller. It just seemed that whenever we needed something, a parent was there asking us, What can I do to help?

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We have seen Bro. Ron and a bunch of parents work so hard on gaining contributions for the Honduras Relief Fund that the Fire Marshal was going to shut down the school because we had too many donations in the hallways. We have had the chance to see the football parents go into action to gather contributions to pay the tuition for a football player at Elder whose family went through a series of personal tragedies. If you asked the parents involved in all these examples, they will tell you that it was just the right thing to do. Giving is the right thing to do at Moeller.

The second thing that makes Moeller special is that Moeller is a Proud Place. When you spend any time at Moeller, you will see t-shirts that say "Moeller Pride." But Mary Lou and I figured out that the reason Moeller is a proud place has to do with the first reason — that Moeller is a giving place. Anytime you give your heart and soul into anything in life, you will be proud of the results.

When you walk into the Moeller locker room, it says on the door, "Through these Doors Walk the Men of Moeller." We always thought that this expression should be on the main doors of the school as the men walk out of Moeller every day of their stay at the greatest high school in America. They truly are Men of Moeller.

Thank you,
Mark and Mary Lou Doran

MOELLER TRACKING

WEDDINGS

Moeller extends its best wishes to the following graduates who have/will "tie the knot":

Gena & **Jim Lacey ('80)** March 17,'01
Trisha & **John Durham ('85)** Sept. 1, '01
Kate & **John Wordeman ('89)** October 14, '00
Dannielle & **Matt Messersmith ('90)** June 30, '01
Amiee & **J.B. Lind ('93)** June '01
Stephanie & **Carl P. Holtman ('96)** July 8, '01
Annie & **Doug Tereba ('96)** June 16, '01
Sherry & **Jerry Kombrinck (Faculty)** June 16, '01
Gayle & **Frank Minnick (Faculty)** June 9, '01

BIRTHS

Congratulations to the following couples:

Kim & **Joe Lukens ('79)** son, Nathaniel Joseph
Sheila & **Jim Stofko, Jr. ('85)** daughter, Jessica Michelle
Michelle & **Don Back ('86)** son, Anthony
Gina & **Todd Lyon ('86)** son, Nolan
Kelly & **Tom Teuschl ('87)** daughter, Lauren Taylor
Carolyn & **Todd Geers ('88)** daughter, Hope
Elaine & **Dave Langefels ('88)** son, Luke
Julie & **Andy Nagel ('88)** son, Alexander Robert Troy
Leslie & **Keith Renneker ('88)** son, A.J.
Heather & **Kip Sharp ('88)** son, Benjamin
Melissa & **Bill Riehle ('89)** daughter, Megan Eileen
Callie & **Joe Currin ('90)** son, Michael Joseph
Amie & **Rob Meyer ('90)** son, Benjamin Robert
Christine & **Matthew Hassert ('91)** son, Nathan Matthew
Shannon & **Joe Cameron ('92)** son, Casey Henry
Kimberly & **James E. Creeden, Jr. ('93)**, daughter, Rachael Olivia

1964-80

WILLIAM KOHUS, SR. ('69), Plant Maintenance Manager for Moeller, was honored at Moeller's Founders Day 2001.

JOHN D. BROGAN ('71) said, "I moved to Florida and became the Lieutenant Governor. Oops! That was my brother, not me. *I* moved to Florida a few years later and started a lawn care and pest control business." This year will be Brogan Pest Control's 20th year anniversary. John and his wife, Barbara, a Mt. Notre Dame grad, will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary this year.

WILLIAM D. SUTLIFF ('75) recently received a doctorate in business administration from California Coast University and is presently employed by Ford Motor Company in Sharonville. "Only seven more years 'til retirement," he said. William and his wife, Jean, have three children: Chrissy (21), Kelly (15), and Jake (12). They reside in Symmes Township, OH.
<WilliamSutliff@netscape.net>

MATT LORENZ ('77) is currently plant manager of the Eaton Corporation/Cutler-Hammer plant in Beaver, PA. Matt and his wife, Holly, have been married for 20 years and reside in the Pittsburgh, PA, area. They have two sons: Mike (18) and Keith (14). Mike is attending the University of Notre Dame.

JAMES POPE ('79) lives with his wife, Colleen, and their two daughters in Greendale, IN. Jim is a craps dealer on the Argosy Riverboast Casino in Lawrenceburg and sells residential and commercial play equipment for the Pete DeLois Recreations Outlet in Cincinnati. He recently published a baseball trivia book entitled *Diamond Jim's Baseball Quiz*. The book is available on-line at iuniverse.com and can be ordered at any bookstore. <ocaptain@one.net>

JIM LACEY ('80) married Gena Edwards of Tupelo, Mississippi, on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, 2001, in Las Vegas, Nevada. The wedding was broadcast live on the Internet. Jim has worked in the manufacturing industry for the past 10 years. Gena and Jim are residents of Deerfield Township. <jlacey@cinci.rr.com>

MICHAEL MOMPER ('80) is currently a CPA and senior finance manager at Convergys in downtown Cincinnati. He has a B.B.A. in accounting from the University of Cincinnati and an M.B.A. from Miami University of OH. He and his wife, Cathy, are expecting their first child in December. They reside in Liberty Township, within the Greater Cincinnati area.

1981-89

JEFF WILMINK ('81), president/CEO of Excellence Alliance Group Inc., was honored as a finalist for the Ernst and Young Entrepreneur of the year.

GREG HUDSON ('85) currently is a linebackers coach for the University of Minnesota.

PAUL J. KELLOGG ('85): Paul, a 1989 Ohio University graduate, received his law degree in 1993 from the University of Dayton School of Law, with a concentration in estate planning, estate administration, tax law, employee benefits and general corporate law. He is a member of the Cincinnati and Ohio State Bar Associations.

JIM STOFKO, JR. ('85) has been named vice president and sales manager of Sibcy Cline Realtors Blue Ash office.

CHRISTOPHER MONZEL ('86), a member of the Winton Place Community Council, was recently appointed to replace Cincinnati Councilman Charlie Winburn. A swearing-in ceremony was planned to immediately follow Mr. Winburn's resignation. Although there has been no official announcement, Republican Party officials have named Chris their top choice. "I'm definitely honored by it," he said, "and I am prepared to go in and get the work done. Especially in neighborhoods. That's what is near and dear to my heart."

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Frank Brogan ('71), Bro. John Habjan, S.M., and Bro. Charlie Wanda, S.M., share a moment at the 2001 Distinguished Alumni Awards.

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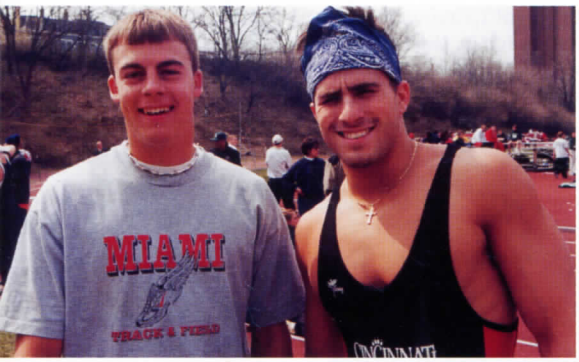

Pictured above: Drew Walter ('99) and Shawn Higgins ('99) who were track teammates now compete against each other. Drew is now at Miami University and Shawn is at the University of Cincinnati. This picture was taken at the Nine Way Meet at UC.

Jeff Silber ('01), who is now playing volleyball for UCLA on a scholarship, was listed in Volleyball Magazine *as a top 50 player in the country.*

In 1999, Chris made his first run for council. He is an engineer and has a master's degree in public policy from Harvard University.

WILLIAM PALERMO ('88): Lt. William Palermo, U. S. Navy, was presented with NPS's highest academic honors during the graduation ceremony. William is the winner of the Summer 2001 Montery Council Navy League Award for Highest Academic Achievement, presented each quarter to the graduating Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard or National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration student who has maintained an outstanding academic record, as exhibited by academic achievement, thesis research, motivation, and community involvement. As a student in space systems engineering, he maintained a 3.98 grade point average and received both a master of science degree and an engineer's degree in astronautical engineering. A helicopter pilot with his sights on the Astronaut Corps, Lt. Palermo focused on solving a major problem with satellites and other spacecraft that have gyroscope-based attitude, or orientation control systems, especially 'multi-bocy' ones with moving parts.

"Gyro failures and gradations are highly unpredictable and can cause major problems for spacecraft that have to do high accuracy pointing and tracking," he said. "The Hubble Space Telescope, Skylab, and DoD satellites have all been negatively affected by this, and it gets worse as systems age. For my thesis, I studied an alternate way to generate the angular rate data needed by a spacecraft's attitude control system — real-time analysis using a dynamic computerized model. I used SIMULINK to put this dynamic modeling and Kalman Filters together in an attitude simulation model and evaluated the effect of internal senor and dynamic modeling errors. I found you can effectively use real-time dynamic modeling to generate the accurate angular rate data needed to maneuver multi-body spacecraft attitude control systems. The most likely use of this will be as a back up for mechanical gyros by uploading software via telemetry, or, in the future if it can be built into the software upfront, even for primary attitude control.

"I really wanted to come to NPS and to study space systems," he said. "I was attracted by the challenge. I'm also applying for the Astronaut Corps." Twenty percent of all U.S. astronauts working at NASA today are NPS alumni.

William graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1992. He attended helicoper flight school in Pensacola and was assigned to Fleet Reserve Squadron HSL-40 in Mayport, FL, in 1995. He then served as a LAMPS pilot with HSL-42, also in Mayport, before coming to NPS.

MIKE NICHOLS ('89) was part of Moeller's student government all four years and president of the student body his senior year. He also played football, ran track, and was captain in both sports his senior year. Mike went on to play football at North Carolina State University and played in a Bowl game each year.

In 1993, Mike graduated with a degree in mass communication and went to work as a sales rep for Revlon. In his six years with Revlon, he lived in Philadelphia, New York City, New Jersey, and Cleveland. Six years later he made many changes while returning to school for another year to get back into TV. "I was working, going to school, and interning," he said, " and I got married, had a baby, left Revlon, and moved to California in less than a year. I worked at a station in Sacramento for three months before landing a weekend news anchor job in Kennewick, WA, where I co-anchor weekend news at six at the ABC affiliate, KVEW. That's where I am now. My wife, Laura, is from San Francisco. My son, Oliver Patrick, was one-year-old on June 10th."

Mike and Laura hope to move up to a bigger TV market. "My chest swells with pride whenever I get my alumni correspondence," he said. "There is no place like Moeller, and I am not shy about showing it."

1990-PRESENT

KEITH HOLDEN ('90) received a B.A. in biology from Thomas More College and a doctorate of optometry from O.S.U. in 1998. He and his wife, Tracey, have two children: Grace and Nicholas. He is currently working at LASIKPlus in Kenwood.

CHRIS TEMMING ('90) is currently employed by Howmedica Osteonics, specializing in total knee and hip replacements along with trauma instruments. Chris resides in Dayton and is engaged to Jackie Bailey.

ANTHONY HOUSTON ('92) graduated from Xavier University in 2000 with a master's degree in health services administration. He is now working as a project manager in the Department of Program Planning at the University of Chicago Hospitals in Chicago. Recently, Anthony married Becky Buecker, a 1995 Xavier University graduate with a B.S. in nursing.
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JOE DEVLIN ('94) obtained a B.S. in psychology from Eastern Michigan University in 1999 and recently received a M.A. in social work from the University of Southern Mississippi. He is working with a mental health agency in Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

JASON GRUNKEMEYER ('96) was named to the All-Mid-American Conference basketball team. He was one of 10 honorable-mention selections and was a three-year letter winner at Miami University. Jason has accepted a graduate assistant coaching position at Saint Louis University.

RYAN MURPHY ('96) writes, "Just thought I might send an update on a long lost '96 graduate after I saw all of the updates in the last issue of *Windows*. After graduation, I attended Western State College in Gunnison, CO, and graduated in the spring of 2000 with a B.A. in geology. Since then I have been busy working on a project near Crested Butte, CO, as a research geologist for the Univer-

sity of Arizona. That research has produced a paper that was published as a chapter in a geological engineering book in July, and has become the foundation for a new graduate course in geological engineering at the University of Arizona. In September, I began work on a master's degree in structural and igneous geology at the Mackay School of Mines at the University of Nevada, Reno, with a full research assistantship.

Keep up the good work on *Windows*. It is great to be able to get updates on old friends who I have lost contact with." <murf111@hotmail.com>

JOSH JANSON ('97), an Ohio State junior wrestler, was recently named the Buckeye's Most Improved Wrestler at their annual Daniel G. Hummel Awards and Honors Banquet. Josh also earned the Buckeye's Most Falls Award for his 11 wins by fall during the past season. As a sophomore, the business management major finished with a record of 19-17 overall, including 12-10 in dual meets, and came in 8th place in the 157-pound weight class at the Big Ten Championships. As a freshman, Janson posted a record of 8-3.

PAT KENNEDY ('97) is a senior at Syracuse University and is in his second season with the Orangemen's lacrosse team. Last season, Pat scored six goals, dished out three assists, and had 13 shots in 12 games. He tied for 8th in scoring on the team as a junior. For his career, Pat, a four-year letter winner at Moeller, has 10 goals and four assists in 20 games.

MARK ZIELINSKI ('97): Congratulations to Mark Zielinski, who just completed his wrestling career at the College of Mount St. Joe. Mark's accomplishments include the following: NCAA Division 3 All-American Scholar Wrestling Team 1999/2000 and 2000/2001; Outstanding Scholar Athlete of the year for 1999/2000 and 2000/2001; and a GPA of 3.99.

JOSH GARDNER ('98), a junior at the University of Cincinnati, was among the five players named a captain.

ANDREW MACHT ('98): AJ graduated from Butler University and is working for the Indianapolis Colts in their Information Technology Department. He is responsible for the live web telecast on 4-11, the cheerleader auditions, and all the PR that promotes the live telecast <http://www.colts.com>.

STEPHEN B. NIEHAUS ('98): Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Stephen Niehaus recently returned from a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), home based at Camp Lejeune, NC.

MATTHEW ROOKS ('98), a junior guard for the Bethel College Wildcats, was honored recently for going over the 1,000-point mark in his career. During the 1,000-point-mark game, Matt reached another milestone — the 1,500-point plateau. He scored 23 points against the Grenadiers of Indiana University Southeast.

Matt leads the Wildcats in scoring, averaging 21.9 points per game. He is the 2nd in Kentucky Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, 20th in the NAIA Division II in scoring, and leads the KIAC in free throws made. He also ranks in the top 5 in free throw percentage and is in the top 15 in the conference in rebounds and assists.

Matt has increased his scoring average each season at Bethel. During his freshman season, he averaged just over 8.5 points per game. He increased his scoring average as a sophomore to 20.5 points per game and again increased his average by .5 points per game as a junior. He is moving up the Bethel College career scoring ranks, less than 400 points behind Bethel's 5th leading career scorer, and just about 1,000 points behind Bethel's all-time leading career scorer. Matt was an All KIAC player last season and is a contender for the KIAC Player of the Year this season.

SCOTT JONES ('99) is a College of Mount St. Joseph sophomore and lead the Lions baseball team in hitting. While at Moeller, Scott was second-team All-GCL and played on the district championship team his senior year.

NEIL LYKINS ('99), a University of Cincinnati sophomore, posted the highest finish of his golf career, placing 2nd after firing a career low 66 in the final round of the Kauai Collegiate Cup last week in Kauai, Hawaii. Neil finished one stroke behind the individual champion with a tournament total of 208 (74-68-66 for a minus-8). For his efforts in Hawaii, Neil was named the Conference USA Men's Golfer of the Week.

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:

Betty Cass
Gertrude Eling
Thomas Gannon
Dorothy May Grivois
Kathleen Hayes
Father Bernard L. Horst
Steven T. Johnson ('99)
Carolyn Kaczmarowski
Charles H. Keenan ('69)
Marian G. Kruse
Jack Louis Liebert, Jr.
Debra Newman
Mary O'Neill
Celeste M. Schmidt
Garry W. Watt

We apologize for any omissions. If there is anyone who has passed away or who needs to be remembered in our next issue of Windows, *please contact Ginny Bauer, at (513) 792-3344 or e-mail her at* gbauer@moeller.org.

Matt Sylvester ('01) is pictured with his parents, Lisa and Mike Sylvester ('70). Matt is now playing basketball for Ohio State University.

In our last issue of Windows, *we featured Moeller's fine arts program and left out an important artist, Phil Helgeson ('79). After Moeller, Phil attended the Art Academy of Cincinnati under a painting scholarship. Now he is listed in Marquis Who's Who in American Art. His works have been displayed at numerous shows, including the Art Academy Graduate Exhibition, the Lexington Works Art Expo, the Cincinnati Art Club, the Art Academy Alumni Show, Closson's "Say It With Flowers," Closson's "New Talent Show," and the Cincinnati Art Club's Viewpoint.*

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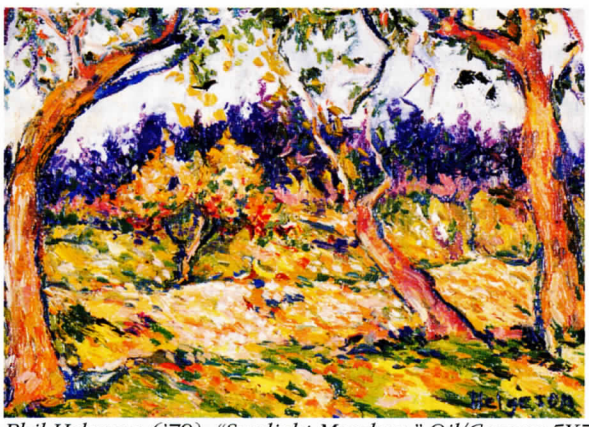

Phil Helgeson ('79), "Sunlight Meadow," Oil/Canvas 5X7

We thank you for your many notes and e-mails regarding our last issue of *Windows*. The following letter from Greg Fehr ('70) provides a historical correction from an earlier issue as well as bits and pieces from the past. We believe you'll enjoy his reflections. Please continue to keep in touch.

Johanne Steiner

One alum's fond memories of MHS photo days

I was very pleased to receive the publication *Moeller Windows*, "The '70s: Moeller's Rise to Fame" and to finish reading the history of my class's years at MHS. As a member of the Class of 1970, most of our undergraduate years had been captured in a prior 1960's issue. I must admit the contents of those issues brought back memories that attending reunions doesn't.

I was pleased to see on page 8 in the 1960's issue of *Windows* the very brief mention of "the third floor housing fourth grade students from All Saints." That is my memory of my "fifth year" at Moeller. I'm sure all the All Saints boys (men!) from the Class of 1970 remember that year in 1961-'62: the morning parade like little ducklings over to MHS from All Saints after having attended Mass. How cloistered we were on that otherwise empty third floor, and how we had to use the stairways and the halls in-between the high school bells and class changes. We were half as big and would have gotten run over! I remember how big Bro. Larry Eveslage was when you looked up at him from a 4th-grader's perspective! Wow! I remember how our teacher was "on her own" over there. We sure put her to the test. I remember that was the year I had a "daily conduct card" which had to be signed by my parents each day (Thank You Very Much, Sister!).

However, it is the content of the 1970's issue that causes me to write today. The statement at the top of page 52 says that "...in 1970...Mr. Ralph Bauman began a Photo Club that operated out of a small storage room on the second floor." Actually, the MHS Photo Club had begun many years earlier; when I had joined the club in my freshman year of 1966-'67, it had already been a fairly formal operation moderated by Bro. John McFarlane. Mr. Bauman became the moderator of the existing club in 1970 when Bro. McFarlane left MHS.

Throughout my four years in the club, the most active/interested members were Greg Fehr ('70), James Lehter ('69), Dave Haidle ('70), Mark Kreiner ('70), Kevin Kreiner ('71), and Bill Braun ('72). I'm sure I'm forgetting some. I spent many afternoons, nights, and weekends in that small closet laboratory (off what was at the time the Publications Office) processing and printing photos for the *Crusader*, the *Templar*, football pictures for Mr. Faust (and there were a lot of those!), and band pictures for Bro. Trageser, S.M. On more than one occasion, my mother called the Brothers' residence late at night to get someone to come over to the "lab" to send me home!

Also, Bro. Wanda should be proud of his legacy influence on Moeller art. I remember a time when Bro. Wanda didn't quite embrace photography as "art." However (and I'm sure he doesn't remember this), Bro. Wanda seemed "quite surprised" when I won the very first Scholastic Art Award in Photography for MHS in either '68 or '69. (I'd have to dig into old boxes to find out which year.) My photo of a flower at Krohn Conservatory was part of the Scholastic Art Show on display at Shillito's! (What fame!) Maybe that was the beginning of Bro. Wanda's acceptance of photography as art!

All through high school (while taking hundreds of photos published in the *Crusader* and *Templar*) and through much of college, I worked at Buzz Holtkamp Photography as a commercial/industrial/advertising photographer. My first year out of MHS was spent at UC in the College of Design, Art, and Architecture. In the US Air Force during the Vietnam era, I was a photographer/photojournalist, primarily documenting the mission of the Air Force Rescue & Recovery Service. I later returned to UC for undergraduate and to XU for graduate studies.

Those formal "photo days" are behind me (I've been with P&G for 23+ years); photography is now only a recreational hobby. But I still feel the influence from those early MHS days in that second-floor "closet photo lab"...those athletic events, rallies, dances, bonfires, theater events, photos of those infamous speed bumps, even covering the debate teams for Bro. Clark, etc. Some of us even felt Bro. Wanda's artistic influence, even if it was from a distance.

Thanks for the memories.
D. G. (Greg) Fehr ('70)

P.S. My eldest son is now a junior at Purcell-Marian HS. I kid him today that every time I enter that building down on Hackberry Street, I feel like I'm on enemy territory...because MHS Crusader roots grow so deep!

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UPDATE:
Moeller flood causes $400,000 damage, delays school opening

by Abhijit Mehta ('02)

On July 17, 2001, much of Art Teacher Brother Charlie Wanda's work was washed away forever. Torrential rains flooded many of the lower parts of Moeller, causing $400,000 in damage and a delay in opening the school.

According to Principal Dan Ledford, this is the fourth major flood that Moeller has sustained — and the worst. The art room, cafeteria, and locker room were flooded in waters up to three feet deep, while the boiler room received five feet of flooding. Repairs are not yet completed, and the final cost of the damages has not yet been determined.

The writer of this article, Abhijit Mehta ('02), is co-editor-in-chief of The Crusader *and a member of Moeller's new journalism class.*

Bro. Wanda says that almost everything near the floor in the art room, such as cabinets, shelves, desks, and a stock of unopened photography materials, were destroyed by the flood and resulting mold. Sadly, much of his personal work was also destroyed.

"My personal sketchbooks dating back to college were destroyed. I also had my college portfolio mostly destroyed by water and mold, which was in the art office," said Bro. Wanda. "It contained drawings and watercolor works I had done from college and my early years at Moeller."

Mr. Ledford says that the flooding only caused a few day's delay in the construction of the new gym and should have no lasting effects. Insurance will pay for the damage.

To prevent such extensive damage from occurring in the future, Mr. Ledford says that new pumps and a new emergency generator have been installed. Most importantly, according to Mr. Ledford, the parking area near the art room will be regraded and given larger drains. ■

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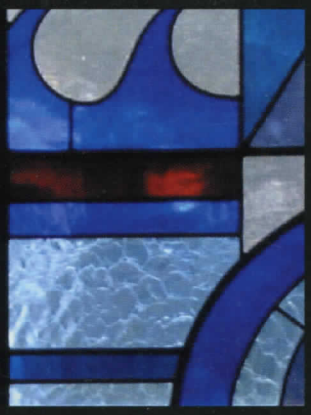

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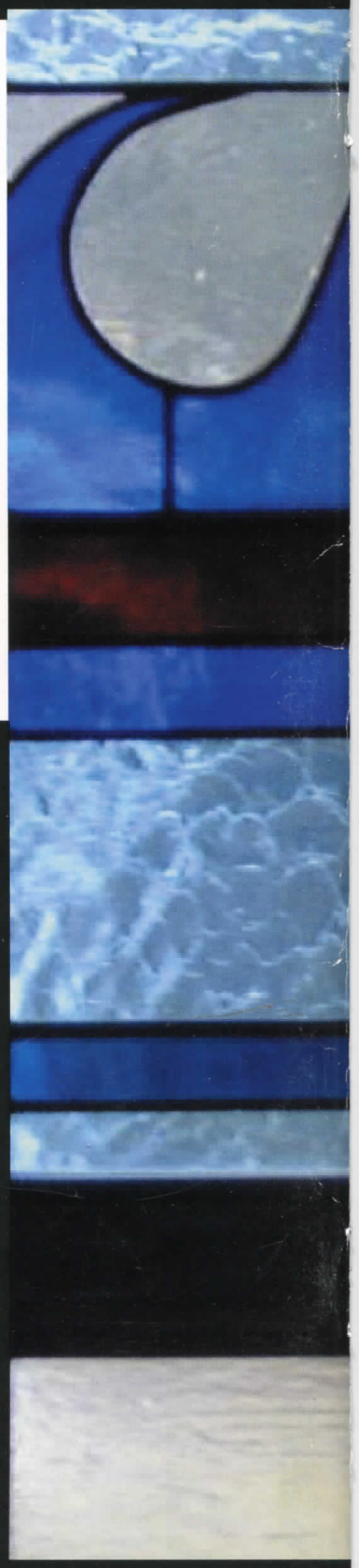

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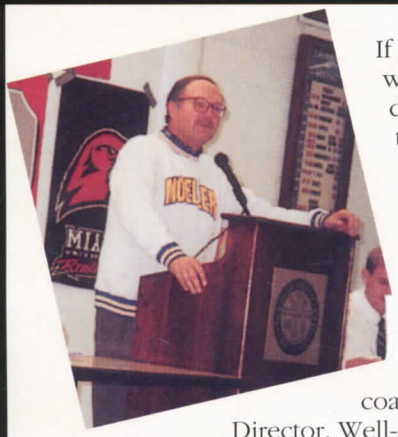

If you've been following our series this past year, you know that we've been honoring Moeller's 40th anniversary by celebrating each decade. In our past two issues we highlighted Moeller's "genesis" in the '60s and the school's "rise to fame" in the '70s. In this issue we feature the '80s, a time of "maturity," which enabled the best of Moeller's legacy to continue.

There is one man who has matured with the school and who best represents Moeller's legacy: Barry Borman. Barry was with Moeller when it first opened its doors in 1960, and was in the school's first graduating class four years later. He has served Moeller for 33 years in numerous capacities: as a teacher, coach, Divisional Moderator, Science Department Chair, and Alumni Director. Well-known among his students for his colorful stories, Barry continues to teach and also serves as Director of Athletic Operations. In 1981 Barry was the first recipient of Moeller's Distinguished Alumni Award, and in 1999 he was inducted into the Moeller Athletic Hall of Fame. Outside of Moeller, he is a devout family man, All Saints parishioner, and friend. Barry has developed and lived Moeller's legacy. He represents the best that Moeller has to offer. We proudly dedicate this anniversary edition of "Moeller through the Decades" to him.

Daniel J. Ledford ('66), Principal *Daniel J. Ledford*