

## Alumni on the Frontlines

Now a very familiar face to most Ontarians from his regularly televised COVID updates, **Dr. Kieran Moore, Brebeuf Class of 1979**, was appointed Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health in June, 2021. Kieran received his medical degree from the University of Ottawa and holds Masters degrees in disaster medicine and in public health. He has dedicated his career to public health, most recently serving as the Medical Officer of Health in the Kingston, Frontenac, Lennox & Addington Region, before being appointed as Ontario's top doctor.



Dr. Kieran Moore, Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health

Many other alumni are also playing key roles in battling the ongoing pandemic, including numerous doctors, nurses, paramedics, medical researchers and other Brebeuf graduates involved in the health care system across Canada and internationally. Several other alumni are also serving in prominent public healthcare leadership roles including **Anthony Dale '88** (President of the Ontario Hospital Association) and **Patrick Horgan '78** who is the volunteer Chair of the Board of Directors of Southlake Hospital in Newmarket.

The Alumni Association wishes to acknowledge the extraordinary efforts of our fellow alumni, and of all frontline workers including those working in long term care, over the past year.

Thanks also to the hundreds of teachers, vice-principals and principals, and school board administrators who have had to continue to keep their schools functioning under very difficult circumstances since March, 2020. We appreciate all of you for your tireless efforts and many sacrifices over the past eighteen months. You truly represent the meaning of being "Men for Others".

## Alumni Association Update

2021 has been a year of continual change and challenge for all of us. Due to COVID restrictions we could not hold certain events in 2021, such as the Order of Brebeuf Induction Ceremony, but we were able to host a "virtual pub night" (see page 2). We look forward to bring back more in person events in 2022, and in particular the "Alumni Celebration" event on Saturday, May 14th. This alumni gathering will include the unveiling of the Larry Uteck monument, recognition of Brebeuf's Sports Pioneers and the annual alumni pub night. Various classes including 1970 and 1971 are planning to hold milestone class reunions as part of these festivities. Please see the articles enclosed for further details.

Many alumni continue to generously contribute to Brebeuf, particularly in supporting the growing number of scholarships awarded each year. **For those alumni that wish to make a financial contribution to Brebeuf please see the details on the last page of the newsletter. Online donations are now available and all such donations will receive a tax receipt.**

We really enjoy hearing from alumni who send in "Where Are they Now" updates and photos for our "Where Were They Seen" pages. Please keep those notes and photos coming; one of our main objectives as an association is not only to keep alumni connected to Brebeuf but also to fellow alumni.

Finally, some words of gratitude: first, a note of thanks to our newsletter advertisers. We encourage you to use these various businesses should their products or services be of help to you.

Brebeuf has embarked on a renewed student recruitment strategy as outlined in the Principal's message. Special thanks to **Elio Gatto '96** for his very helpful insights as Brebeuf enhanced the school's recruitment outreach.

Our hard-working Alumni Executive members volunteer a lot of time and effort throughout the year. Thanks to the following alumni leaders for their ongoing commitment to Brebeuf:

<b>Michael Da Costa '92</b>	<b>Anthony DiNicolo '20</b>
<b>Bryon Di Sera '81</b>	<b>Mike Flint '89</b>
<b>Peter Gillespie '85</b>	<b>Thomas Latina '19</b>
<b>Paul Lavin '82</b>	<b>Jonathan Page '93</b>
<b>Andrew Munro '82</b>	<b>Steve White '81</b>
<b>Rosemary Lavery (retired staff)</b>	<b>Marc Vittorio '01</b>

Thanks to all of our alumni for their continued support. Merry Christmas and best wishes for a safe and healthy 2022.

**Frank MacGrath '82**,  
Chairman, Brebeuf Alumni Association

## Alumni Virtual Pub Night

More than 180 alumni gathered online for the "virtual alumni pub night" in early June, 2021. While Covid restrictions prevented the annual in person "alumni pub night" from being held, the wonders of zoom enabled Brebeufians to gather online. One significant advantage of this online format was that it enabled alumni living outside of the greater Toronto area to participate from wherever in the world they resided. We had a great 'international presence' with alumni calling in from various parts of Europe, the United States and all across Canada. Given the fact that the pub night was held on a Saturday evening in early June, numerous alumni joined in from their cottages. **Valter Viola '82** even managed to connect to the call from his boat in the middle of a lake in central Ontario.

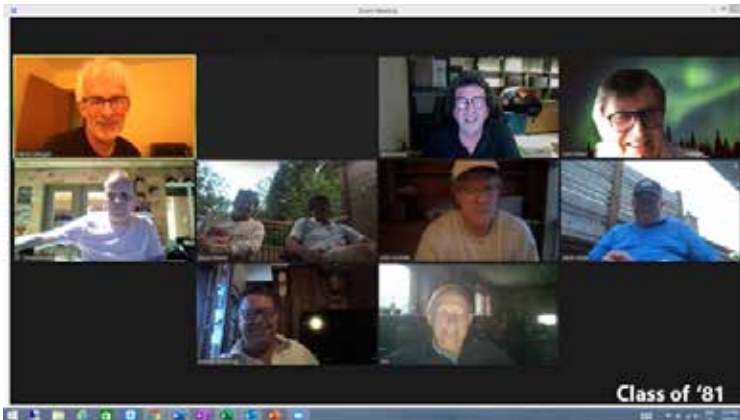
Thanks to all alumni who participated in the raffle and silent auction. **Chuck Pusateri '70** was the winner of the large screen television in the raffle. Given that Chuck lives in British Columbia, the television seems to have made its way to the home of his brother **Sal Pusateri '79** in Burlington, Ontario for "safekeeping". Thanks to **Greg Curran '81** for his continuing generosity in donating the television again this year.

Alumni participants were able to reconnect with classmates in breakout rooms organized by graduating years as well as partake in a Brebeuf trivia contest moderated by **Mike Da Costa '92** and won by **Jim Macdonald '79**. Several former staff members joined in online or by phone including **Paul Adams '71**, Dan Di Rocco, Rosemary Lavery, **Marc Vitorio '01**, Mike Skeebo, Roman Turlo & Joe Younder.

**Mike Flint '89** took the screenshots shown here of various breakout rooms grouped according to graduating years.



Top: Tom Maher '68, Edward Moroney '68  
Bottom: Guff Muench '69, Len Nicholson '67, James Marrin '68



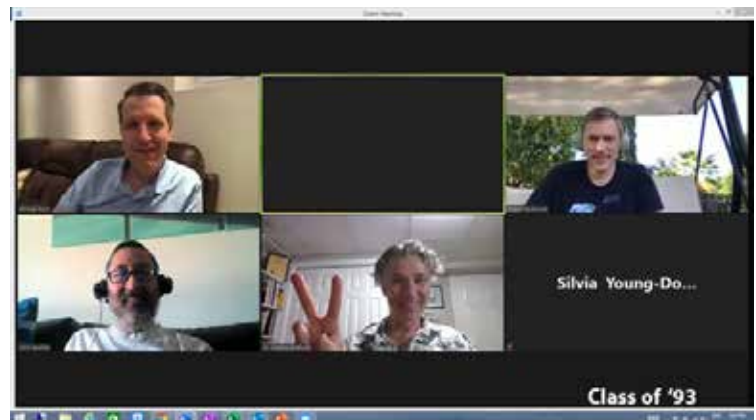
Top: Pat Galligan, Dennis Naraj, John Miller  
Middle: Steve McHale, Greg Curran & Bryon Disera, John Younder, Steve White  
Bottom: Drew Munro '82 and Joe Younder (former staff)



Top Row : Robert Baldauf '82, Mike Berry '82  
Middle row : Evan Lopes '82, Paul Lavin '82, Michael Porter '86  
Bottom row: Marten Devries '82, Greg Smee '82 (sporting his playoff beard!)



Top: Jeff Fish '86, Patrick Belton '86  
Middle: Nick Rowe '85, Bryan Duarte '86, George Longo '86  
Bottom: Peter Gillespie '85, John Meraglia '85, Robert Hennebury '85



Top row : Michael Koor, Robert Borkowski  
Bottom row : Chris Bautista, Andrew Sulatycki '92



## Principal's Message by Linton Soares '02

My journey as Principal of Brebeuf College School continues to be very rewarding despite the challenges that leading a community in a pandemic brings. First and foremost I am so amazed by the Staff and students at Brebeuf who have accomplished so much during the past year. A special thanks to each of them for putting their faith into action in tangible ways!

Last year, as a Staff, we started a journey on refocusing and being intentional on celebrating and speaking candidly about our school Pillars. All stakeholders were involved in the process and what came out of the focus groups and feedback were four solid Pillars – FAITH, EXCELLENCE, TRADITION and FELLOWSHIP - that have now become the foundation for our community. Coupled with this, we started looking at our roots and as we termed it the two lungs – Jesuit and Presentation Brothers Tradition – and started exploring a Jesuit endorsement that would permit Brebeuf College School to celebrate and deliver Jesuit Pedagogy in the classroom and school. We had Fr. Len Altilia address the Staff at a PD Day in September, and did a wonderful job to set the stage for this pending endorsement with the Jesuits. I'm happy to report that at the time of this message, we are nearing ever closer to this endorsement that will further highlight our Pillar of Faith but will also allow us to continue to keep the Presentation Brothers and their Tradition in the forefront – there's a lot of overlap with both spiritualities!

With the refocus and commitment to our School Pillars, we have also kicked off a revamped House System and Mentorship System. The House System has all students assigned to one of six Houses – Jogues, Lalemant, Daniel, Lalande, Garnier, Chabanel – and students compete with other Houses for House prizes etc. This really speaks to our Pillar of Fellowship and building the amazing Brotherhood at Brebeuf College School. Our Sr. students, who applied for a Prefect Leadership position last year, have been absolute stars in supporting our Grade 9 students and have already brought our Grade 9s together for fun activities, intramurals, fellowship etc. We are also going to be looking for Alumni Mentorship for our Prefects, so be on the look out for an email in the not so distant future!

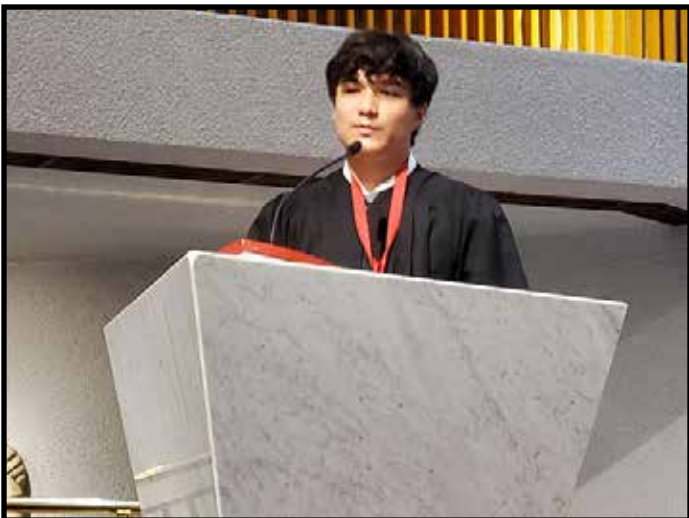
Coupled with the above, there are so many other amazing things happening at Brebeuf that speak to our Pillars! To check it all out please follow [brebeufcollegeschool\\_tcdsb](#) on Instagram and/or Brebeuf College School on Twitter! This will give you a great perspective of what is taking place on a daily basis at your amazing Catholic all-boys school!

As we journey toward the birth of Christ during this Advent season, we are reminded of the road Mary and Joseph took to get to the manger where Jesus would be born. The resilience, grit, humility that Mary and Joseph showed on their travels are the same aspects that we want to develop in our boys at Brebeuf College School. As we embark on the next chapters here at Brebeuf, we continue to be hopeful that Brebeuf will be in the tradition of the Jesuits, while still honouring the tradition of the Presentation Brothers thus continuing to support and animate our Four Pillars that are foundational in the education of our young men.

Wishing everyone a blessed Advent season and a joyous Christmas and New Year! May the birth of our Lord continue to guide our words, actions and deeds as proud Brebeuf Alumni!

## Class of 2021 – Graduating During the Pandemic

Congratulations to the Class of 2021, Brebeuf's newest alumni members. While Covid restrictions precluded the traditional large in person graduation ceremony, the class of 2021 was recognized for their accomplishments during a special virtual ceremony in June. Welcome to our newest Alumni!



Jacob Knock, Salutatorian, Class of 2021



Jacob Knock '21 with staff member Brad Ryan and Jacob Maillet '21, Valedictorian

## Alumni Scholarship Winners

Each June the Alumni Association & Brebeuf College recognize graduating students with scholarships and awards. Congratulations to the following 2021 recipients:

- The Peter Knopf '81 Memorial Scholarship recipients are **Jacob Knock '21** & **Gregory Archer '21**
- The Father St. Clair Monaghan, S.J. Alumni Award recipient is **Seamus Lam '21**
- Jim Morris '77 Journalism Award recipients are **Jacob Maillet '21** & **Paul Bangalan '21**
- Michael Tomaszek '82 Music Award recipient is **Iverson Bumanglag '21**
- Gerry Tanner Scholarship, sponsored by **Brett Tanner '81**. The recipients are **Jacob Maillet '21** & **Philip Abdalla '21**
- Michael Thompson '69 Award recipient is **Luka Stoikos '21**
- Martin Foy '82 Scholarship recipient is **Daniil Velykyi '21**
- The Marcus McInerney Scholarship is funded by **Barry McInerney '81** & Rose McInerney, in memory of their son. The recipients are **Michael Yip '21** & **Ray Rosqueta '21**
- The E.J. Barry Renaissance Award is funded by **George Macri '69**. The recipient is **Daniel Alberico '21**
- The O'Neil P. Gazeley Scholarship is funded by **George Macri '69**. The recipient is **Jesse Barnabe '21**
- The Lou Puccini Scholarship sponsored by **George Macri '69**. The recipients are **Mikhael Acance '21**, **Martin Datu '21**, **Ridge Quibuyen '21**
- Raphael Kum Ming Loh '03 Award for Most Improvement is awarded to **Omari Henry '21**, **Marcus Bonilla '21**, **Nawres Alosachi '21**
- Raphael Kum Ming Loh '03 Award for Sports Leadership is awarded to a student who has shown tremendous leadership in athletics. The recipient is **Matthew London '21**

Many thanks to the various alumni and friends of Brebeuf who generosity support these awards on an ongoing basis. Special thanks to the Foy, Knopf, Loh, McInerney, Thompson and Tomaszek families and to **Robert Baldauf '82**, **Mark Baker '82**, **Paul Foy '84**, **Paul Lavin '82**, **Frank MacGrath '82**, **Brett Tanner '81**, **Chris Venneri '82**, **John Warecki '82**, **Richard Yip-Chuck '82**, **Pat Yip-Chuck '80**. A particular word of gratitude to **George Macri '69** who has generously supported several of the scholarships listed above for many years,

## School News

**Marketing Brebeuf** - Brebeuf has been putting a greater effort into marketing the school, and so far applications for Grade 9 boys for 2022-2023 are up an astounding 50% over last year.

**Staff Retirements** - Brebeuf has bid farewell to Iona Martin, our teacher librarian, under whose dedicated leadership Brebeuf circulates more books in a day than most schools in the TCDSB do in a month!

**Alumni on Staff** - The following alumni are current staff: **Eric Guy '82**, **Mike Da Costa '92**, **Michael Aquino '93**, **Alex Sabatini '93**, **Brad Chin You '97** and **Linton Soares '02**.

**STEAM** - Brebeuf introduced a new programme in Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics for two cohorts of Grade 9s. It is a highly selective innovation that we hope will both cement Brebeuf's academic tradition and attract new students. See <https://brebeufcollegesteam.wixsite.com/brebeufsteam> for more information.

**2021 Graduating Class** - More than 50% of the 2021 class were Ontario Scholars. 25% were inducted into the Blessed Edmund Rice Society (four years on the honour roll).

**Math Update** - In May 2021, Mr. Ryan's Gr. 11 Math class wrote the AP Calculus Exam. This test is almost exclusively written by specially trained Grade 12 students across North America. If a student does well on it (3, 4, or 5 out of 5), they gain exemption from first year University Calculus at most Universities and also gain preferential status in their applications to University. Of the 29 Grade 11 students who wrote it: 7 students received a 5 (First Class Standing); 9 students received a 4 (Second Class Standing); 7 students obtained a 3 (Third Class Standing). In all, 23 out of 29 Brebeuf Students have met or exceeded the performance of MOST first year University students in Calculus.

**Community** - Brebeuf continues to promote the "Men for Others" ethos with many fundraising initiatives including: Can Aid for the Good Shepherd Centre; clothing drive for St. Vincent de Paul; Christmas boxes for the less fortunate; and fundraising for the Presentation Brothers' schools in Africa.

**Improving School Spirit** - Brebeuf has successfully reinstituted a House System (named after the Canadian Jesuit Martyrs) and a mentorship programme for all Grade 9 students. It has already proved wildly successful in promoting involvement, school spirit, and a greater sense of belonging.

**Bryan F. Black**  
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# The Class of '71 50th Reunion

## What a Feeling. What a Rush. What a Story!

by Pat Kahnert & Rob Egli '71

### Introduction

Students in Brebeuf College's eighth graduating class moved on after their final year, and many did not keep in touch with other classmates. That has all changed — five decades later.

Here is the story of how a group of mavericks from the Brebeuf Class of '71 staged the school's first 50th class reunion celebration. It recounts how 2020 Alumni B Newsletter articles, a global pandemic and, above all, a determined, collaborative team effort combined to reignite and reunite a storied class spirit.



### Chapter 1: Testing The Reunion Question

Our class reunion journey started on a note of appreciation. Two tributes to deceased Class of '71 classmates appeared in the alumni newsletter (December 2020). In one of the articles, Brebeuf alumnus Paul Irish reflected on the life of his brother Mark, who passed away in February 2020. Sean Cosgrove also wrote a heart-warming story about classmate Mark Collins, who left us in March 2020.

On January 2, 2021, Pat Kahnert sent an email to Sean commending him on crafting a wonderful tribute to Mark Collins. Sean, who was testing the waters with other classmates, asked Pat, "What do you think about organizing a class 50th reunion?" It was a challenging question to ponder!

Before committing to leading a reunion effort, Sean and Pat agreed to run the reunion question by some classmates. They contacted Paul Adams, Marc Keirstead, Rem Langan, Sal Badali, Doug Cartan and John MacDonald; each alumnus responded positively. That was a good first step in the Class of '71 reunion journey, but there was much more to consider.

### Chapter 2: Rounding Up Classmates

As the Brebeuf Class of '71 50th reunion co-leaders, Sean and Pat forged a plan of action to find alumni and secure their interest in building reunion momentum. Sean set up a Google Group to capture names and email addresses. They issued periodic Google Group bulletins, designed to keep members updated about developments, plans and opportunities to participate.

The task of finding the 1970-71 class of 42 students was often a long and winding road. We were shocked and saddened to learn that 11 classmates had died. We were delighted to find classmates who were keen on registering their interest on the Google Group.

Numerous search methods were employed — from LinkedIn, Google and genealogy sites to classmates, siblings and church pastors. The Google Group eventually totalled 26 members or 84% of the living classmates.

### Chapter 3: Shaping The Reunion Plan

The pandemic had a positive impact on our reunion success as classmates were more readily accessible and able to help out. Classmates engagement evolved as a hallmark of the Class of '71 50th reunion effort. Everyone was invited to participate in shaping and implementing a growing number of initiatives.

Once our membership reached half the classmates, we issued a bulletin looking for their reunion ideas. Rob Egli and Gord Hill were among the responders; they both recommended an in-person event be staged that emphasized mingling. They also wanted to honour departed classmates and teachers. In light of pandemic restrictions, it was agreed that a virtual reunion should be organized.

By mid-March, we had garnered enough interest and excitement to declare to classmates that fall 2021 reunion events were in the works! We then added three more members to the organizing team, affectionately calling ourselves the "Core Five."

Rob Egli, Paul Smolders and Marc Keirstead quickly added their enthusiasm and expertise to the shape of things to come.

The Core Five's first order of business was to consider whether we should consider staging a reunion joint venture with the class of 1970. We are grateful to 1970 graduates Peter Barbetta, Mike Poole and Bill Corcoran for inviting us to work together. All things considered, our group felt that because we had so much re-connecting to do among ourselves, it would be better to focus on a stand-alone Class of '71 Reunion.



Celebrating a determined, collaborative team effort — With the easing of COVID-19 gathering restrictions in August, The Class of '71 50th reunion organizing team got together to enjoy a fun planning luncheon. From front left, the Core Five are Marc Keirstead, Rob Egli, Paul Smolders, Sean Cosgrove and Pat Kahnert.

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## Chapter 4: Optimizing Classmate Engagement

*"All seven of our favourite teachers accepted the invitation to attend our reunion events. Hey, they liked us!"*

Class of '71 Google Group Bulletin, June 9, 2021

We invited classmates to serve as co-leaders of each reunion initiative, working closely with Core Five representatives. This collaborative approach has effectively strengthened organizing efforts while broadening classmate participation.

Because what gets measured gets done, we are measuring the efficacy of everything we do.

**Teachers at Reunion Events** - Co-leads: Marc Keirstead with Tim Doyle

With the help of Brebeuf staff member and Alumni Vice-President **Michael Da Costa '92**, we reached out to seven class-favourite teachers to attend class reunion gatherings. They are Messrs. Jim Barry, Blair Day, Bill Kennedy, Peter Lee, Lou Puccini, Mike Skebo and Tom Sullivan. We scored an encouraging 100% acceptance rate.

**Larry Uteck Field Monument & Bursary** - Co-leads: Sean Cosgrove with D'Arcy McConvey

During our reunion organizing, **Frank MacGrath '82**, Chairman of the Alumni Association, approached the Core Five and D'Arcy McConvey to co-sponsor a memorial fieldstone marking the existing Larry Uteck Field. Class of '71 alumni stepped up!

An impressive 88% of the group contributed generously to the field sponsorship. The initiative succeeded in not only raising significant funds for the monument and a one-time bursary fund for Brebeuf students, but it also succeeded in bringing the group together.

The reunion organizing team hopes to organize an in-person gathering on the same day as a field monument unveiling next spring.

**Classmate Profiles** - Co-leads: Gord Hill with Pat Kahnert

We have posted classmate profiles on our Google Group site. The profile format features a recent photo, along with brief notes about family, community, education, career, hobbies, favourite words of inspiration, and contact information.

**In Memoriam** - Co-leads: Paul Smolders with Core team and Gord Hill input.

We have remembered departed Brebeuf staff members and classmates throughout our reunion journey.

Staff members include:

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A.F. Famiglietti	Rev. J.J. Toppings
O.P. Gazeley	Rev. J.L. Trainer
C.G. Kambeitz	
Rev. E.B. MacGillivray	

Classmates include:

Don Bernardo	Michael Huss
Phil Bradley	Mark Irish
Mike Brown	Steve McNevitts
Mark Collins	Fred Oulahan
Marque Ferguson	Patrick Smith
	Larry Uteck

**Class Playlist** - Co-leads: Rob Egli with Paul Adams

A Brebeuf Class of '71 Playlist of personal favourite tunes was posted on Spotify and shared on the virtual.

**Virtual Reunion** - Co-leads: Pat Kahnert with Mike Kerr and Rob Egli

Five teachers were able to attend, celebrating with 22 classmates. Our 50th class virtual reunion was more inclusive and more fun than we could have ever imagined.

## Chapter 5: Enjoying Our Finest Hour - Virtually

*"I must say, I would recognize every one of you. Next February, I am going to enter my 90th year. It's marvellous, absolutely marvellous to see you. Thank you so much for setting this up. It's really, really great."*

Mr. Tom Sullivan, a favourite teacher, at the Class of '71 Virtual Reunion, September 23, 2021

In light of pandemic-related safety concerns, the Class of '71 orchestrated a 90-minute virtual reunion. It proved to be an ideal way to get everyone together wherever they were.

Pat was the virtual reunion host, Mike Kerr took the technical lead, and Rob Egli contributed as the disc jockey. A total of 27 people attended, including five teachers who made the event extra special. (We also spotted a few technical advisors helping participants during the call.)

It was amazing to see classmates from afar. Mike Diening joined from Dubai, UAE; Tim Doyle connected from New Jersey; Charlie Spence and Mike Kerr attended from Calgary. The virtual also made it possible for people throughout Ontario to attend from their homes or cottages, including John MacDonald from Port Alexander, east of Algonquin Park, and Mike Casey from Kingston. Participant opening remarks were the highlight of our 90-minute virtual reunion. Other high points included class videos, tributes, and six memorable stories told by classmates.

After Mike Kerr set the reunion table with Zoom protocol and assistance, Pat presented a nostalgic video featuring class photos culled from yearbooks synchronized with 1971 Crowbar hit Oh, What a Feeling. Coincidentally, Mike Burkart informed us that a cousin of his wife is still the drummer for Crowbar.

An In Memoriam video gave everyone a moment of silence to honour deceased teachers and classmates. May they rest in peace.

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Six classmates told memorable Class Acts tales accompanied by viewer clarifications and a healthy dose of banter:

- Mike Burkart, The Legendary Leap
- Doug Cartan, The Tippy Canoe Trip
- Tim Doyle, The Valedictory Address
- Gord Hill, The School Election Boycott
- Mike Kerr, The Computer Dating Adventure
- Rem Langan, The Torn Blazer

We produced a video about Larry Uteck from CBC Halifax archival footage. It covered Larry's CFL Hall of Fame career, St. Mary's University head football coach and athletic director years, his time as a Halifax counselor and acting mayor, and the Order of Canada award presentation.

Rob Egli presented the Class of '71 Playlist with favourite 1966-71 tunes chosen by the group. Classmates continue to enjoy the playlist on Spotify and a virtual reunion video posted on YouTube.

Listen to this playlist at <https://spoti.fi/3HPCXCI>

## Chapter 6: Celebrating A 50th Class Reunion

A high school 50th class reunion is a milestone well worth celebrating.

It is an iconic event that rekindles a deep appreciation for your alma mater. It is an ideal time to thank teachers who set you on a lifelong journey of learning. Above all, it is an epic opportunity of a lifetime to reconnect and celebrate with one another.

The song Oh, What a feeling is a fitting theme song for our reunion. It captures the excitement and school spirit celebrated by a great group of guys.

The Class of '71 hopes that our 50th reunion experience inspires alumni from other graduating classes to stage their own.



**90 uplifting minutes together after five decades apart** — A 50th class virtual reunion was more inclusive and more fun than Class of '71 alumni could have ever imagined. It was full of laughter and notes of appreciation.

Top row (l to r): Sean Cosgrove, Mike Kerr, Gord Hill, Paul Smolders, Jim Morrison;

2nd row: Marc Keirstead, Mike Casey, Peter Lee, Pat Kahnert, Lou Puccini;

3rd row: Steve Hall, Rob Egli, Tim Doyle, John Stafford, Doug Cartan;

4th row: Mike Ryan, Rem Langan, John MacDonald, Mike Diening, Tom Sullivan;

Bottom row: Charlie Spence, Mike Burkart, Rob O'Toole, Bill Kennedy and Mike Skebo.

# Larry Uteck Field Monument

On Saturday, May 14, 2022 the Brebeuf community is invited to gather at the school for the unveiling of a stone monument honouring **Larry Uteck, Class of 1971**, in whose memory the Brebeuf football field was renamed in 2004.

As part of 1971's 50th anniversary celebrations, Larry's classmates worked in close partnership with the Brebeuf Alumni Association to design the monument depicted in the rendering shown here. The monument will also contain a QR code linking to a new website [www.larryuteckfield.com](http://www.larryuteckfield.com). When this site is launched in 2022 it will allow viewers to learn more about Larry Uteck and his many contributions on and off the football field.

The Class of 1971 and the Brebeuf Alumni Association are also establishing a new Bursary in Larry's honour. The inaugural Larry Uteck Bursary will be awarded to a Brebeuf student in June, 2022. Further details will be announced in the new year. Thanks to the following alumni for their very generous support:

**J. Paul Adams '71**

**Sal Badali '71**

**Frank Bar '71**

**Peter Barbetta '70**

**Doug Cartan '71**

**Michael Casey '71**

**Timothy Doyle '71**

**Mike Burkart '71**

**Sean Cosgrove '71**

**Robert Egli '71**

**Gord Hill '71**

**Patrick Kahnert '71**

**Marc Keirstead '71**

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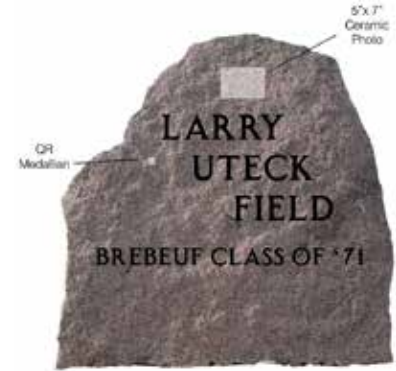
**D'Arcy McConvey '71**

**Michael Ryan '71**

**Paul Smolders '71**

**Charles Spence '71**

**John Stafford '71**



Some members of the Class of 1971 inspect the future location of the Larry Uteck monument. L - R: D'Arcy McConvey '71, Sean Cosgrove '71, Linton Soares '02 (Brebeuf Principal), Robert Egli '71 and Paul Smolders '71

## Tribute to Larry Uteck '71 - by **Peter Barbetta '70**

*Reprinted below is an article that first appeared in the Brebeuf Alumni B in 2003 following Larry's passing in December, 2002.*

Our Brebeuf community has lost one of its bright lights with the passing of Larry Uteck. On Christmas Day last year, Larry died after a courageous five-year battle with ALS.

Larry came to Brebeuf in September 1966 as a high spirited, competitive and somewhat rambunctious young lad from Thornhill. As a grade niner he barely made the school's Senior football team. The coach, Fr. Clem Kambeltz, with his keen eye for talent, decided to take a chance on the tough young kid even though he moved rather slowly. Larry had neglected to tell anyone that he was recovering from a severed Achilles tendon suffered in the spring of that year and that he was not to play competitive sports for a year. By mid-season Larry earned a starting position and thus began the football career of one of Brebeuf's greatest athletes. Larry's outstanding feats on the football field put the young school's name on the map. He led Brebeuf to convincing victories over archrivals St. Mikes and De La Salle and was recognized as one of Toronto's best athletes.



Larry excelled at virtually all sports at Brebeuf but he was certainly not a "jock". He was an avid reader with a keen interest and passionate opinions in politics, world affairs and religion. He was an active participant in school politics and was always ready for a debate. He was admired by many of his fellow students but remained humble about his accomplishments. He was a generous and loyal with a patient ear for troubled friends. Larry was extremely proud of Brebeuf but was never shy about challenging authority or questioning traditional thinking. Many of his days at Brebeuf would end with the school secretary's closing announcement- "Would Larry Uteck please report to the office."

Following high school, Larry pursued his career in football as well as his academic interest in Asian studies. He travelled through China, Viet Nam and Cambodia shortly after the Viet Nam war. He had a distinguished career in the Canadian Football League as a hard hitting defensive back and kick returner. In 1983, Larry became the head football coach at St. Mary's University. His players loved him and often stood in awe when he would demonstrate proper tackling techniques without equipment. He eventually became the athletic director at St. Mary's and also was elected a councilor and then deputy mayor of Halifax.

Sadly, Larry was diagnosed with ALS in 1997. The insidious disease (as Larry once described it) eventually robbed him of all his bodily functions but it never came close to touching his high spirit. Through his illness, with the assistance of his loving wife Sue, Larry continued to go to work every day and to attend the St Mary's Huskies football games. There was not a dry eye in the stadium when the entire Huskies team charged into the stands to present Larry with the Vanier Cup immediately after their 2001 victory. It was a crowning moment for Larry's years of dedication to the sport he loved.

Larry will be greatly missed by his family and by his many friends from Brebeuf. The wonderful memories and his courageous spirit remain as an inspiration for us. God Bless you, Larry.

# 2020 Order of Brebeuf Inductees

by Steve White '81, Chair, OSJB Selection Committee

After a lengthy delay due to the pandemic, the 2020 Order of Saint Jean de Brebeuf inductees will be formally recognized on Sunday, April 24, 2022. The original plans to induct these honourees had to be postponed twice due to Covid-19 restrictions. As such, we strongly encourage your attendance at this event to help celebrate these remarkable individuals, whose induction is long overdue. The celebrations will begin with a Mass held in the school chapel, followed by lunch and the induction ceremony.

The Order of Brebeuf, created by the Alumni Association in 2012, is the highest honour we can bestow on members of the Brebeuf community, and recognizes individuals (or groups) for their contributions to the various communities they serve. The Order recognizes the standards and values for which the school has always stood, namely:

- Faith
- Discipline
- Integrity
- Hard Work
- Humility
- Success
- The Pursuit of the Greater Good
- Community and for always being  
"Men and Women for Others"

The 2020 inductees continues a new "tradition" at Brebeuf of recognizing our most selfless individuals and they join an impressive group of "Brebeufians" who have previously been inducted. **We are reprinting the summaries originally published in December, 2020.**

## George Macri '69

Since his graduation more than 50 years ago, George has been one of the most dedicated alumni of Brebeuf College School and has truly demonstrated what it means to be a "man for others". George has consistently supported Brebeuf through regular financial contributions and donations. Over the past thirty five years George has helped to recognize and honour some of Brebeuf's earliest faculty members by establishing academic awards and scholarships in the names of former teachers like O'Neil Gazeley, Lou Puccini and E.J. Barry.

Every time Brebeuf has run any kind of fundraising campaign George has contributed, whether it was for the "New Building Fund" campaign in 1999-2000 or the return of football in 2018. George is a stalwart attendee at all of the alumni events. Moreover, he is always the first person to offer items such as his own Leaf tickets to the silent auction or raffle at our annual pub nights and golf tournaments.

During the 50th Anniversary celebrations in 2013-14, George went out of his way to donate back to Brebeuf some very unique Jesuit artifacts that he had been able to acquire; he wanted them to be at Brebeuf as a tribute to the religious order that founded the school.

George makes his many contributions to Brebeuf very quietly and without any request for recognition or fanfare. In addition

to his numerous financial contributions to Brebeuf, George has been a long standing supporter of The Jesuits of Canada and his community involvement goes far beyond Brebeuf. He has been a long time Board Member, donor and volunteer with the Providence Centre Health Care Foundation as well as with charitable organizations such as Cystic Fibrosis Canada, Camp Winston and the Amarok Society.

## Jim Morris '77 (posthumously)

Jim Morris was the very definition of a "Man for Others". When the Brebeuf Alumni Association was formed in 1982, Jim was one of the founding members of the Alumni Executive committee. For years Jim helped to convene both the annual alumni hockey tournament and the alumni golf tournament. During Brebeuf's 25th Anniversary celebrations in 1988, Jim lead the creation of the Brebeuf Sports Hall of Fame and was responsible for researching many of the archives on display during those celebrations.

Jim served on the Alumni executive for over ten years and was always a very loyal Brebeufian who helped the school in numerous ways. Jim gave countless hours of his time and talent to helping his alma mater, always returning to Brebeuf to speak at Career Day, to help organize events or to help promote a story the school wanted covered in the media. When Brebeuf or one of its alumni needed his help, Jim was truly a man for others.

Even during his battle with cancer Jim continued to support Brebeuf, serving as one of the key organizers of the "Old School Alumni Reunion" in January, 2002. This event celebrated the closing of the original school building and marked the 25th Anniversary of the Junior Hockey Team's TDCAA Championship in 1977 (for which Jim served as the team manager & trainer). At this event Jim was recognized with Brebeuf's "Man for Others" Award for his tireless dedication over the previously 30 years.

After leaving Brebeuf in 1977 Jim attended Fanshawe College and then embarked on a lengthy career in radio, primarily with CKO News and 680 News in Toronto. While the demands of reporting on the Toronto police and fire beats was very stressful, Jim was always a complete professional and was recognized with numerous awards throughout his distinguished career. Following his death in March, 2002, the Brebeuf Alumni Association and Brebeuf College established the Jim Morris Journalism Award to the graduating student excelling in journalism and mass media studies at Brebeuf.

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## Tom McGouran '76

Tom McGouran is one of the most positive and caring people that you are ever going to meet. He grew up with five brothers and attended St. Gabriel's Parish. He attended Brebeuf in grades nine and ten and then went to Earl Haig for grade eleven. He met Neil Gazely in the summer who said, "McGouran, what the hell are you doing at Earl Haig?". Tom returned to Brebeuf for his final two years of high school.

Tom has pursued a career in broadcasting for the past forty-one years. Because of his position he has had the advantage and pleasure to use this platform and recognition to help out many worthwhile causes, organizations and charities. Tom has led a live radio-a-thon which broadcasts for three days straight for the past 20+ years to raise funds and awareness for organizations in need. Those include The Salvation Army, The Christmas Cheer board of Winnipeg, Winnipeg Harvest and Siloam Mission. These programs have raised tens of thousands of dollars for the less fortunate.

Tom has also organized a radio-a-thon for Cancer Care Manitoba after the death of his radio partner's wife. He has since MC'd a "battle of the bands" for Cancer Care Manitoba for the past seven years.

Tom has been the event director of Play 4 on 4 ball hockey tournament held annually that includes 350 teams to benefit charities such as The United Way, True North Youth Foundation and The Movement Center of Winnipeg (a charity that helps all with mobility issues.)

Other organizations that have benefitted from Tom's generosity include The Winnipeg Humane Society, The Children's Rehabilitation Center, Ride for Dad (fight against prostate cancer), Habitat for Humanity, Meals on Wheels, Big Brothers and Sisters of Winnipeg, Never Alone Foundation, Children's Wish Foundation and A and O Services for Older Adults.

### Your Invitation

We encourage everyone to attend the Order of Saint Jean de Brebeuf celebrations at Brebeuf on Sunday, April 24, 2022 (subject to COVID 19 restrictions on group gatherings being lifted).

Information on how to purchase tickets and sponsorship opportunities can be found at [www.orderofbrebeuf.com](http://www.orderofbrebeuf.com)

## Nabil Tadros '74

Nabil has truly lived his life as a "man for others" as a teacher, coach, volunteer and as a dedicated alumnus of Brebeuf. Nabil has been an exemplary community leader, a dedicated mentor to many of his students and a true champion of the underprivileged in so many ways.

Below are excerpts from two of the letters supporting Nabil's nomination :

*"Any time Nabil can lend a hand to help others, he does. A few years ago in the midst of the refugee crisis, Nabil helped find shelter and work for refugees that arrived here with nothing but their families and hope for a better future... Over 25 years ago he travelled back to his home country, Egypt. Seeing the poverty there, he decided to help, so for the last 25 years, he has been taking students, friends and others to visit Egypt with him and in the process brings hockey bags and suitcases full of clothes to an orphanage. These children actually look forward to him coming to Egypt because he brings them happiness. We take things for granted here, but taking these children to a MacDonald's for a treat is the highlight of their year"*  
(Submitted by Oscar Fava '74)

*"I've had the distinct honour to work with and know Nabil Tadros on a personal and professional level for the past 27 years... and have been consistently mesmerized with Nabil's philanthropic work in our local communities and in Egypt. Nabil's dedication to excellence in education and coaching is unmatched. His diligence in providing hope to others, his commitment to serving the greater community is extensive. Nabil has provided free sports camps and opportunities to children in financial need and has provided unparalleled commitment to coaching high school Basketball and Tennis along with being the Head Coach of the University of Toronto's Men's and Women's Tennis teams for over 25+ years. His ability to make those less fortunate around him feel blessed and hopeful and his willingness to always help others is the true definition of "Man for Others".*  
(Submitted by Margaret Papageorge).

At Brebeuf Nabil has been an alumni leader, donor, volunteer coach and relentless supporter for over 45 years. Most recently he singlehandedly championed the Sports Pioneers project. Nabil exemplifies a "Man for others".

### **Congratulations to the 2020 Inductees to the Order of St. Jean de Brebeuf**

## Call for Order of Brebeuf Nominations

Know Someone Who Deserves to be Recognized with the Order of Saint Jean de Brebeuf ?

Nominations will be accepted until January 31, 2022. If you would like to nominate a member of the Brebeuf community (student, alumnus, current or former staff, parent or friend of the school) or if you have any questions, please contact:

**Steve White '81** at 416-560-3700 or [swwhite.62@live.com](mailto:swwhite.62@live.com), **Michael Rogers '81** at 416-819-6101 or [michaelr.rogers62@gmail.com](mailto:michaelr.rogers62@gmail.com) or **Mike Da Costa '92** at 416-393-5508 or [michael.dacosta@tcdsb.org](mailto:michael.dacosta@tcdsb.org). We will then follow up for further details.

## Brebeuf Sports Pioneers - Project Update

For the past 18 months **Nabil Tadros '74** has devoted countless hours reviewing Brebeuf's sports archives to catalog athletes and school teams from the past 50 years that won individual honours or league championships in their respective sports.

As was detailed in the 2020 Alumni B, Brebeuf is also recognizing many of its "sports pioneers" by renaming specific athletic trophies in honour of current and former staff and alumni. Shown here are examples of the Senior and Junior Basketball MVP trophies with the "Pioneer" recognized as well as the alumni donors.

Special thanks to Nabil for his tireless leadership of this project and to the following alumni for their generous financial support.

**Mike Williams '67**

**Pat Horgan '78**

**George Macri '69**

**Paul Badeski '78**

**Gary Gannage '70**

**Claudio Gorizzan '79**

**Peter Barbetta '70**

**Paul Fujiwara '79**

**Chuck Pusateri '70**

**Dennis Tobin '79**

**Michael Poole '70**

**James McGovern '81**

**Doug Cartan '71**

**James Hubbard '81**

**Dan Walshe '73**

**Andrew Guizzetti '86**

**Oscar Fava '74**

**Ted Rush '86**

**Nabil Tadros '74**

**Stephen Baker '87**

**Kieran Mulroy '77**

**Kris Borg-Olivier '93**

**Mike Starzynski '77**

**Andre Vittorio '96**

**Brendan Jones '77**

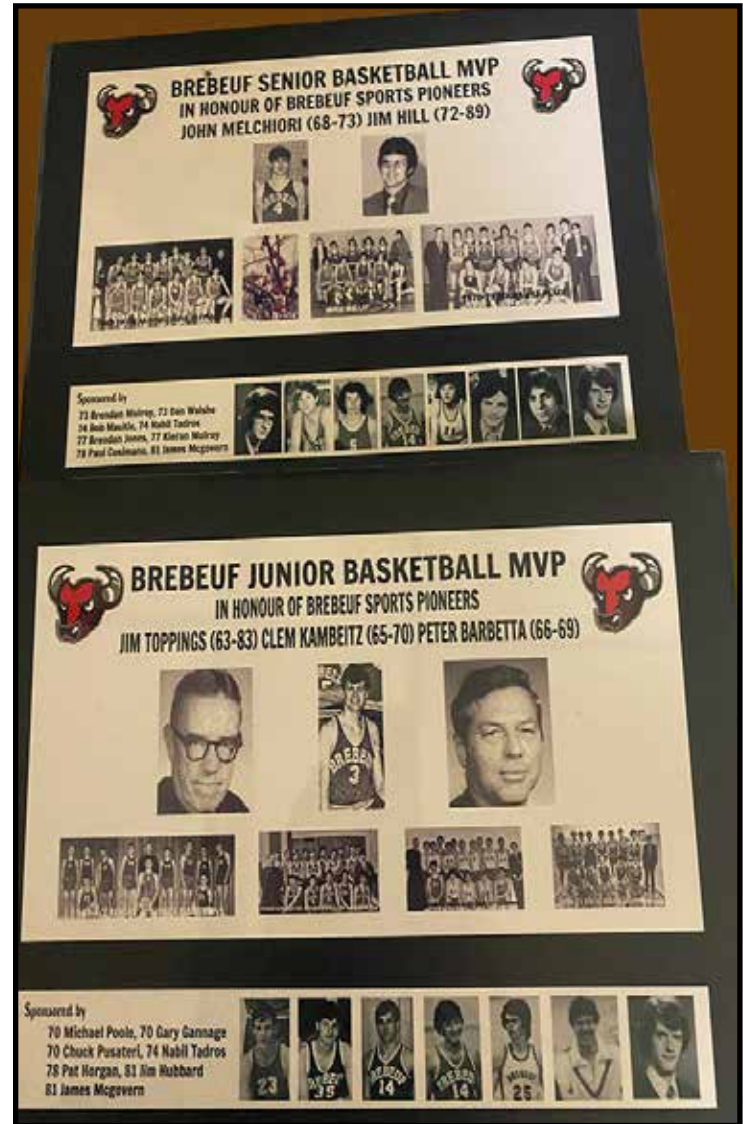
**Hodge Lai '10**

**Paul Cusimano '78**

**Canice Mok '11**

The sports pioneer awards, championship banners and posters will be official unveiled at Brebeuf on Saturday, May 14th at

approximately 4 pm following the dedication ceremony of Larry Uteck Field (see Page 32 article) and prior to the Alumni Pub Night. Further details will be announced early in 2022. For information, contact Nabil directly at [nabilstadros@gmail.com](mailto:nabilstadros@gmail.com)



### Brebeuf Football Update

The Brebeuf Bulls returned to the football field in fall 2021. Coach John Engel reports that "I have never seen enthusiasm for football higher than this year. Unfortunately, the season started late and we dealt with a TON of hurdles including spacing and change/equipment facilities and travel. No other schools were playing Junior, except Bill Crothers, so we created one varisty team. We played a league schedule in TDCAA and played extremely well in exhibition games with Chaminade and Richview, two city powerhouses. We will run a JR exhibition season in the spring. We applied for and received a Jumpstart grant of \$15,000 for helmet recertification, shoulder pads and outdoor field equipment".







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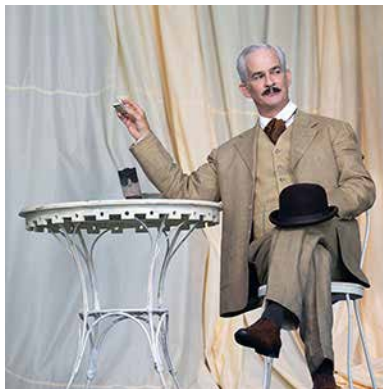
We invite all alumni to send in news and notes on classmates and themselves.  
Please email those details to [brebeufalumni@yahoo.com](mailto:brebeufalumni@yahoo.com)

### **Tawfiq S. Rangwala '95**

A partner in Milbank LLP law firm in New York, has been selected as Pro Bono Lawyer of the Year, by Chambers Diversity & Inclusion. Mr. Rangwala's pro bono work focuses on addressing systemic discrimination and injustices in criminal and civil cases. Chambers notes that "he has made pro bono work a mainstay throughout his 20-year career with Milbank." Noteworthy pro bono matters led by Tawfiq include the death penalty case of John Francis Wille in Louisiana, in which Milbank prevailed in vacating Mr. Wille's death sentence and continues a longstanding battle to exonerate him.

In selecting Mr. Rangwala as the recipient of this honour, Chambers emphasized the consistency of his commitment to defending those whose rights have been infringed by the government: he has spent an average of over 250 hours annually on pro bono matters since becoming a partner, and has led teams that have devoted more than 35,000 hours to serving the less fortunate.

**Pat Galligan '81** is living in Toronto with his wife Brenda and son Jack. He continues to do stage, film and television and will be starting his 19th season with the Shaw Festival where he not only acts, but also teaches and helps to create new and engaging theatre. Pat sends in the photo shown here and notes: "Here's a photo of me from one of the outdoor performances of 'Charley's Aunt' this past season at The Shaw Festival. It was 40 years ago that I was in Brebeuf's production of this same play. In both productions I played Colonel Sir Francis Chesney. And the world goes round and round."



Pat Galligan '81 reprising his role in 'Charley's Aunt' at the Shaw Festival

**Rem Langan '71**, was recently inducted into the AMA Canadian Marketing Hall of Legends. A former Chief Marketing Officer of McDonald's Canada, Rem also served as President and CEO of Ronald McDonald House Charities of Canada. Additionally, Rem was responsible for leading McDonald's sports marketing partnerships including relationships with the NHL, NBA and Olympics.

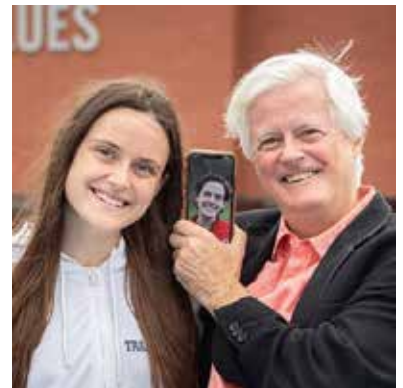
### **Gregory Belton '76**

Executive Chairman of HUB International Canada, a regional division of HUB International Limited, one of the world's top 5 global insurance brokerages with 13,000 employees in the U.S and Canada.

Gregory is a member of the Board of Directors at St. Michael's Hospital Foundation; Chairman of the Donner Canadian Foundation and member of the Investment Committee for the US based Wm. H Donner Foundation; Director at the Palm Beach Civic Association and Board Advisor for L'Arche Canada Foundation. He is a member of the Young Presidents' Organization (YPO); and was Chairman of the Upper Canada Chapter of YPO in 2000/2001. From 2003-2005, Gregory was the first non-American to be appointed Chairman of U.S based Assurex Global, the world's largest privately held risk management, commercial insurance and employee benefits group; serving for two terms.

Gregory has received numerous national and international awards and recognitions including being appointed a Commander of the Royal Victorian Order (CVO) by Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II (2009); Gregory was appointed a Member of the Order of Canada (2016) and he was awarded an Honourary Doctor of Laws by Glendon College, York University (2019).

**Jamie Stafford '82** proudly watched his daughters Lucia & Gabriela compete for Canada in the 1500 & 5000 m races at the Tokyo Olympics this summer. Stafford, a professor of statistical sciences and vice-dean of academic operations at U of T, represented Canada as a cross-country runner at four world championships and still holds a number of Brebeuf track & field and cross country records.



Lucia Stafford and her father Jamie Stafford, a U of T professor, are joined by Gabriela Stafford, who was training in Portland, Ore. prior to the Tokyo Games (photo by Johnny Guatto)

## Where Are They Now?

**Vincent Chow '94** is the Principal at Hodan Nalayah Secondary School in York Region District School Board.

**Thomas (TJ) Keslick '03** is teaching Grade 6 in the York Catholic District School Board and living in Keswick, proud dad of 2 girls. He was recently was recognized by Knowledgehook as a Top Impact Influencer. Here's a bit of information on the recognition: <https://bit.ly/3E3rH1X>

**Timothy Keslick '10** is a certified ASL interpreter and has started his own business TK Interpreting Services.

**Bavly Kost '08** is currently working as a Spiritual Care Practitioner (Chaplain) at Mackenzie Health. He has been working as a Spiritual Care Practitioner for almost 7 years now.

**Derek Ishak '02** was appointed as a judge to the Ontario Court of Justice. Formerly an assistant Crown attorney, Derek was most recently a legal counsel to the Deputy Attorney General of Ontario. Derek has volunteered as a mentor for programmes including Connexions and the Mentoring for Career and Inclusion Programme

**Bob O'Brien '80** sent the following update : "I have just been assigned as the pastor of St. Paul's Basilica in downtown Toronto. It is our oldest parish and will be celebrating 200 years next year. The parish is located in what is now referred to as the Corktown neighbourhood alluding to its original population of Irish immigrants."

**Mike Meecham '89** is Director, Enterprise Security Operations for the Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan Board.

**Nick Rowe '85**, a longtime educator, athletic director, coach and administrator in the Toronto District School Board, just completed his term as President of OFSAA (Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations) and currently serves on the OFSAA Board as Past President.

## Class of 1987

**Robert Woo '87** sent along the photos below from some recent get togethers of alumni in the class of 1987



L-R: David Feheley, Paul Foster, Larry Lefebour, Dario Battista, Nick Thadaney, Sam Lee



L-R: Anthony Eng, Stephen Wong, Patrick Leung, Robert Woo, Michael Sim



L-R: Jude Andrews, Robert Woo, Steve Wong, Paul Foster, Ara Papazian, Mike Nagy, Chris Chen, Larry Lefebour, Noel Austin



L-R: Robert Woo, Greg Stephenson, Chris Chen, Dario Battista, Nick Thadaney, Larry Lefebour, Mike Sim



## Where Were They Seen?

We welcome photos of alumni getting together wherever they may be. Just send in your photo to [brebeufalumni@yahoo.com](mailto:brebeufalumni@yahoo.com) along with a brief description of the alumni in the photo – and please include their grad year if possible.

**The Band Plays On ... These Class of '74 alumni have been regularly playing music together for nearly 50 years.**



L-R: Dan O'Reilly, Geoff Kahnert, Peter Beamish & Michael Capotosto (holding camera)



L-R: John Welsman, Peter Beamish, Dan O'Reilly & Michael Capotosto (holding camera)



**Jamie Marrin '68** and **Gottfried (Guff) Muench '69** enjoying a mini-reunion over coffee in June, 2021.



The Halpins: **Dave '74**, an Ottawa Dentist; **Matt '77**, an Ottawa lawyer; and **Andrew '84**, a Halifax Dentist, in Jamaica.



**Dan Walshe '73** and **Bryan Black '75** modeling the vintage Brebeuf hockey jerseys.



## Where Were They Seen?

**Mike Steele '76** recently hosted a group of alumni & former staff for a day of golf at Devil's Pulpit Golf Club and dinner afterwards at his home in Caledon.

Attendees included **Paul Barreca '76**, **Sam Mantenuto '76**, **John Beaton '75**, **Oscar Fava '74**, **John Brown '74**, **Paul Byrne '76**, **Mike McRae '76**, **Peter Stasiuk '76**, former Principal Fr. Winston Rye, S.J. and former staff members Bill Kennedy, Dan Di Rocco and "Friend of Brebeuf" Ward Seymour.



Oscar Fava '74, Sam Mantenuto '76, John Brown '74 and John Beaton '75.



Paul Byrne '76, Peter Stasiuk '76, Mike McRae '76 and Paul Barreca '76



**Malcolm Gurley**  
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# Alumni Golf Classic 2021

72 alumni, retired staff & friends of Brebeuf gathered at Sleepy Hollow on September 28th for the Brebeuf Alumni Golf Classic. While this year's tournament featured some format changes to keep everyone safe, a great time on the links was enjoyed by all.

In the team competition, the Horgan brothers foursome consisting of Greg Horgan '75, Patrick Horgan '78 and Phil Horgan '80 with Annemieke Horgan captured the team championship with a stellar round of 62 (10 under par). Bryon Di Sera '81, Mike Yates '81 and John Mullaly '81 took home 2nd place honours with a team total of 64, just edging out the 1987 contingent of Mike Benoit '87, Tony Long '87, Craig Metzger '87 & Nick Thadane '87 (also with a score of 64).

In the individual competitions, the winners included :

Closest to the Pin on Hole 3 – Paul Collins '77

Closest to the Pin on Hole 8 – Bryon Di Sera '81

Closest to the Pin on Hole 17 – Michael Koor '87

Closest to the Pin on Hole 6 – Bill Hutchison '75

Closest to the Pin on Hole 15 – Joe Caruso '80

Pat Horgan '80 and his wife Annemieke Horgan captured the Men's & Women's longest Drive contests.

In the putting contest Alan Beaton '77 and Dina Orlando (retired staff) were the winners.

Michael Koor '93 retained his crown as "Most Honest Golfer" for another year while Jason Cuddy '95 took low gross honours.

The Brebeuf Alumni Association greatly appreciates the support of all alumni, former staff and friends of Brebeuf who came out to golf during the pandemic.

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The 2021 Champions – Pat Horgan '78, Phil Horgan '80, Annemieke Horgan & Greg Horgan '75



3rd Place – Craig Metzger, Nick Thadane, Tony Long and Mike Benoit, Class of '87



## Alumni Golf Classic 2021



Team 1977 - Brendan Jones, Tom Zsolt, Alan Beaton  
and Paul Collins



Michael Koor '93 with Chris Moran and Jason Cuddy '95



Mario De Thomasis, Rosemary Lavery, Paul Adams '71  
& Ernes Lena, all retired staff members.



Bill Kennedy (former Brebeuf Athletic director) with  
Joe Caruso '80, Joe Domotor '80 and Rob Pellegrini '80



Paul McKernan '69 with Paul Barreca '76, Jim Gatto '76  
and Paul Doherty '76



Team 2001 - Bryce Eldridge, Raymond Mohamed,  
Mark Oulahan and Ryan Martin



## Alumni Golf Classic 2021



Paul Fujiwara '79, Karen Fujiwara, Ferdinand General '03  
& Dennis Tobin '79



Bill Hutchison '75, Oscar Fava '74 and John Beaton '75



John Tokarsky '79, Mike Hart '72, Stephen Rhee '92  
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Brian Carney, Owen O'Neill, Brian O'Neill '92  
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John Murphy '81, Dina Orlando, Dan Marozzo  
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Mike Tynan '81, Brett Tanner '81 & John Younder '81



## Alumni Golf Classic 2021



**John Wren '83, Michael Wren '75, Larry Lancefield '75**  
and David Finnegan



2nd place : **Mike Yates, Bryan Di Sera** and **John Mullaly**  
of the Class of 1981



Team 1987 - **Chris Chen, Shawn Cohen, Sanford Carabin**  
and **Paul Foster**



**Luke Pasquale '07, Jamie Tobin '09 & Brent Tobin '07**  
'carrying' **Kevin Gillett '07**

### Attention Class of 1970 Alumni

Michael Poole & Chuck Pusateri are planning a 50th reunion for the Class of 1970. Due to Covid 19, the event will now likely be held on Saturday May 14th at Brebeuf. Further details coming soon.

1970's alumni are encouraged to email Michael and Chuck at [michaelpoole8@gmail.com](mailto:michaelpoole8@gmail.com) with their address (or general location), phone number and whether they are interested in attending.

If they are unable to attend, a note of hello would be nice.

As always, if you know the whereabouts of an alumnus, please forward these details to Michael and Chuck.



**Jerry McRae '70, Chuck Pusateri '70 and Michael Poole '70**  
Jerry lives in Vancouver while Chuck & Michael live in Victoria.

# Alumni News

## Alumni Advertisers - Thanks!

Many thanks to the alumni who have purchased ads in this newsletter in support of the Alumni Association, including several alumni who have bought ads in many successive newsletters. We encourage you to support their businesses.

Thanks to all of the following:

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**Andrew Munro '82** (Clapperton Munro Law)

**Dr. Paul Steiner '77** (Dentistry)

**Dennis Tobin '79** (Blaney LLP)

**Edward Sabat '93**, Paul Sabat '96 and **Allan Sabat '98** (The Consulting House & Summit Wealth Advisory Group)

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Special thanks to **John Corso '88** for his generous support of this publication.

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**Craig Metzger '87** (Scotia Wealth Management)

**Greg Rogers '72** (Olympia Sports Camp)

**Peter Teolis '79** (Firetronics)

**Marc Vittorio '01** (The Glove Save)

### Interested In A Class Reunion?

If you are thinking of organizing a reunion for your graduating year the Alumni Association can help. We can provide assistance with alumni contact information and we can help promote your class reunion through the alumni newsletter and social media channels. Please contact **Frank MacGrath '82** [fmacgrath@gtigolf.com](mailto:fmacgrath@gtigolf.com) or **Mike Da Costa '92** [michael.dacosta@tcdsb.org](mailto:michael.dacosta@tcdsb.org) for further details.

### Class of 1982 - 40th Reunion

The class of 1982 is planning a 40th reunion gathering in 2022, likely in the summer or fall. For further details please contact any of the following:

**Robert Baldauf '82** [rbaldauf@shaw.ca](mailto:rbaldauf@shaw.ca)

**Drew Munro '82** [amunro@cmlaw.ca](mailto:amunro@cmlaw.ca)

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## In Memoriam

Please pray for the following members of the Brebeuf family who passed away between January 2021 and December 2021



### Alumni

- Gus Arrigo '75, brother of Michael '77 and Dan '82
- Mike Collins '73, brother of Paul Collins '77
- Scott Dunn '81, brother of Andrew Dunn '77
- John Finnerty '69
- Ian Finnerty '69
- David Landolt '81, brother of Paul Landolt '84
- Greg Leonard '70
- Tony Nestor '74, brother of Mike Nestor '75 and John Nestor '83
- Chris Stanfield '83, brother of Michael Stanfield '89 and Anthony Stanfield '91

### Former Staff

- John Piovesan

### Relatives of Alumni & Staff

- Kathryn Irish, mother of Paul Irish '72, Mark Irish '71 (deceased) and Dave Irish '78 and mother-in-law of Greg Rogers '72
- Apollonia Koscak, mother of Bruno Koscak '82 and Brian Koscak '84
- Zita Lena, mother of Ernest Lena (former staff)
- Kelly Martin, wife of Michel Leblanc '82 and sister-in-law of Tony Leblanc '80
- Eileen Moffitt, mother of Bryan Moffitt '85 and Sean Moffitt '88
- Joseph Solarski, father of Paul Solarski (Staff)
- Monica Sznajder, daughter of Richard Sznajder '82
- Edna Widdifield, mother-in-law of Paul Clancy '79 and grandmother of Andrew Clancy '07 and Kelly Clancy '09
- Josef Preis, father of Joe Preis '91
- Francesco Di Fonzo, father of Joe Di Fonzo (former staff)

### Class of '69 Memorial: Remembering The Finnertys - Submitted by Jim Giroux '69

#### Ian Finnerty

We were very shocked and saddened to hear of Ian's passing January 5th of this year. Ian was part of what I referred to as the Richmond Hill Gang.

As Brebeuf only started the year before, we tended to stick together with our other "Niners" classmates. It did not take long before we were one big group. Ian was always interested in sports, and I remember him being active in the House Leagues. While considered one of the quieter students, it was only if you brought up sport teams he was not fond of you would then hear his strong opinions.

We eventually made our way through to graduation and Ian chose like many of us to go to University of Western Ontario. Many great times were had at the "Ceeps" where beer was \$.20 per draft. In those days it was a choice of eating or going for beers. Guess which often won?

In later years he would join some of us at the annual gathering at Ray Kahnert's family cottage. For years, we also went to the Argos games with his brother John and some of us would meet up after to discuss the game.

All great times and great memories.

Ian never married but stayed close with his family and his many friends. Eventually he had the opportunity to work in the Aerospace industry in Southern California. He spent the last 18 years working there so we all saw less of him.



#### John Finnerty

Imagine the double shock when we heard John passed away in February just after his "little brother" Ian. Never was a saying so true - that if you were friends with one brother, it was always a package deal. They were born a year apart but were joined like twins.

John was also interested in sports and his days at Brebeuf reflected that. Academics were not his, shall we say, favourite thing and as such eventually he left to pursue a trade as a millwright. John later started his own successful business with his family. He stayed in Richmond Hill and eventually bought a cottage near Bobcaygeon for family and friends to gather.

John was married to Nancy, and they had two wonderful children Maureen and Jeff. He was in his element, eventually becoming the fun-loving Papa to Grace and Annie.

John always had a great sense of humour and loved the one liners. We are going to miss our Argo games even though it has been a few years since we got together.

We already miss both Ian and John. Keep a spot open for us up there, eh boys?

May God bless them and their loving family.

## Memorial Tributes

**Chris Stanfield '83** - Submitted by Shawn Smith '84 & Frank MacGrath '82

Chris passed away suddenly in June, 2021. After graduation from Brebeuf (where he served as Student Council President in 1981-82) Chris attended York University, and then embarked on a lengthy career in the telecommunications industry including sales and management positions with Bell and EMC Communications. Chris is survived by his sons Liam, Macgregor & Brennan, his brothers Michael (Class of 1989) and Anthony (Class of 1991) and their families, his former wife Rebecca Forte and a wide circle of friends.

Chris was a devoted fan of the Toronto Maple Leafs, Toronto FC and Everton Football club and a longtime music lover, especially anything performed by KISS or Springsteen. A proud Brebeufian, Chris was always very supportive of his alma mater and cherished the many friendships he formed at Brebeuf.

The Brebeuf Alumni Association and the Stanfield family have established a new scholarship in memory of Chris. The inaugural Chris Stanfield Scholarship for outstanding student leadership will be awarded to a Brebeuf student in June, 2022. If you would like to contribute to this new scholarship the information is noted below.

Online donations can be made at <https://bit.ly/3xL7Sel>

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**Scott Dunn '81** - Submitted by Drew Munro '82, Steve Munro '81 and Brett Tanner '81

**From Drew Munro:** My brother Steve and I first met Scott in 1968 playing road hockey on Frivick Court where Scott lived. It was here where the neighbourhood boys would gather to have a game of road hockey, with the occasional stoppage of play when we would all holler "Car" and then "Game on". Scott was always ready to jump right into the game with boundless energy. Of course there was also the occasional popsicle break during the game. It was in Frivick Court at the telephone pole on Scott's front lawn where we would all gather for our evening game of hide and seek. Head home after road hockey, bolt back dinner, and then head to the telephone pole to meet for hide and seek. These were the days of carefree childhood and such great memories of our neighbourhood friendships. Other fond memories include a bike ride to Beckers at the Bayview Mall for a Lola and playing Pirates on the picnic table in Scott's backyard. My brother and I also spent a lot of time "hacking around" the neighbourhood with Scott.

Time marched on quickly and before we knew we were off to Brebeuf where Scott's older brother Andrew (Class of 1977) was finishing up. I have great memories of playing bantam football with Scott. He always had a satirical quip or a funny story. Scott was very well liked among his peers, and he went on to make many good friends at Brebeuf. Brett Tanner and Scott became very good friends at Brebeuf and remained so right up until Scott's passing.

**From Brett Tanner:** I spent a lot of time in my high school years at Scott's place on Frivick Court. Scott was an avid golfer. He loved a round with the boys, a sport he never mastered but his Leprechaun dances when he sunk a putt were famous. He also played both slow pitch and soccer with several of our long time members of our group, until some injuries prevented Scott from continuing in recent years.

Scott never worked a US Thanksgiving as watching the NFL games was something he never missed. For years he and I and a few others had season tickets to the Bills and made the journey to Orchard Park for home games. Scott was a great friend and close with my kids who affectionately called him "Uncle Blob". My children will miss him dearly.

Thank you Scott for your decades of loyal and true friendship. May God bless you forever.

Warmest regards, your lifelong friends,

Brett, Steve and Drew





## Memorial Tributes

### David Landolt '81 - Submitted by Paul Landolt '84

It is with profound sadness that I write to say that my Brother David Landolt, Brebeuf Alum 1981, passed away today, June 22, 2021, 12:30pm. While it is a common, soothing platitude, I am grateful to say that David slipped away quietly today with his wife and children at his side.

David has been dealing with Colon Cancer for a solid 6 years now. Today was it. But Cancer did NOT get the best of David. While he struggled as anyone would, it brought out a deeper, humane person with great care and kindness for his family, friends, and faith.

It is no surprise to say that I've known David my entire life. As much as we will miss him, as I will miss him, I cannot help but say how incredibly proud I am of the man he became. A loving husband to Leslie, a caring, honest father to Grace and Quinn. A man of deep faith and connection to The Lord.

I can only hope that when it is my turn to go I can do it with such strength, courage, and love.



### Greg Leonard '70

Greg passed away April 1, 2021 after a courageous battle with cancer.

The 4th of 11th children, Greg was the owner of Furs by Leonard. He worked tirelessly for his customers and was a respected member of the Furrier's Guild and Fur Council of Canada. He was talented and hard working in everything he endeavored to do. Beloved by all, especially children and animals.

A steadfast friend, car and racing enthusiast, and constant helper; he never hesitated to offer his time and compassion to anyone in need.



### John Piovesan - Former Staff Member - Submitted by Carole Piovesan (John's daughter)

A journey that started in France over 86 years ago that witnessed the tragedies of WWII Italy, traversed the boom and fall of 1960s Beirut, and that eventually found family joy in suburban Toronto ended peacefully on Dec 1.

Giovanni (John) Piovesan was a writer and a teacher, but above all he was a husband, a father and a nonno. Now that he's gone, there's an enormous hole in the hearts of all those who loved him that will be continually filled by memories of his stories, his jokes, and his radiant warmth.

His life's work lives on in the countless students he taught during his over 40 years as a teacher at Brebeuf College school (1974-1998) and St. Elizabeth. He taught French, Italian, Latin, Classical Civilization and World Religions as well as devoting extra time to coach soccer and help produce school performances. In each of these students from across those four decades, there is some knowledge and passion that was inspired by Giovanni. He was dedicated to Brebeuf and spent years of his life supporting the school and its community.

His life's experiences are variably told with great humor and great empathy in the two books he wrote, *The Other Side of War* and *What A Retirement*. He was also an avid writer of philosophy and speeches and even of a popular song that encapsulated the heyday of Beirut nightlife.

Giovanni is survived by Aida, his wife of 50 years, his three children Ron, Christina and Carole, his seven grandchildren, and his large extended family.



## Brebeuf Recruiting Initiatives

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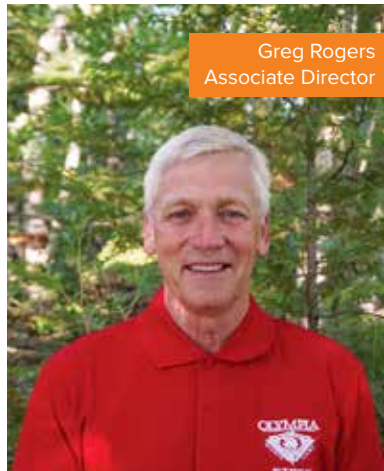
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# Presentation Brothers Leave Brebeuf

by Michael Da Costa '92

In January, the Presentation Brothers informed the school and the TCDSB that they would be withdrawing from Canada and Brebeuf College School. The Brothers have been associated with the school since 1984 when they took over the administration of Brebeuf from the Jesuits under the leadership of Brother Lawrence Maher, F.P.M. Although Brebeuf has been led by lay principals since 1996, the Brothers, and in particular Brother Henry Spencer, have continued to play a central role in the spiritual life of the school as volunteer chaplains and mentors.

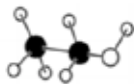
Building on the Jesuit Catholic ethos of Brebeuf, the Brothers put their own stamp on the school in its prayer and sacramental life, dedication to charity, development of the whole person, and commitment to the Church. They are true Men for Others and while they will not be in the building every day, we hope to ensure that we stay as connected as possible through technology and other initiatives. A commitment to continue fundraising for the Brothers' schools in Africa is just one tangible sign of this enduring presence. We wish the Brothers the best of luck in their new homes and ministries and a happy and well-deserved retirement for Brother Henry.



Brebeuf Lawrence Maher, Principal of Brebeuf 1984-1993



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**2:00 PM**

#### **Larry Uteck Field Monument Dedication**

Hosted by the Class of 1971 and the Brebeuf Alumni Association  
Dedication of the monument for Larry Uteck Field honouring Larry Uteck '71  
Ceremony & brief remarks on the upper field  
Reception to follow in the Atrium

**4:00 PM**

#### **Brebeuf Sports Pioneers**

Hosted by Nabil Tadros '74 and the Brebeuf Alumni Association  
Unveiling of the plaques and photos honouring Brebeuf's sports pioneers  
Reception to follow in the Atrium

**5:00 - 9:00 PM Alumni Pub Night**

Silent auction & raffle, cash bar and light refreshments

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### **Sunday, April 24th, 2022 Order of St. Jean de Brebeuf Induction Ceremony**

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1:00 pm: Order of Brebeuf Presentations  
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# Brebeuf College

## Old School & New School Building Prints



### Old School Print

Thanks to all alumni who purchased a copy of the "old school print" in 2021. Designed by **Derrick Chow '00**, this print depicted the original Brebeuf campus and helped raise \$1,000 towards the Jesuit Infirmary for older Jesuits in Pickering. There are still a limited number of copies of the old school print available as follows:

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Robert Lato '68	Fr. J. Winston Rye, S.J.
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### Regular Edition Print

This edition is an 8.5" x 11" print.

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## 60th Anniversary

Brebeuf College School will celebrate its 60th Anniversary during the 2023-2024 academic year.

Over the next two years the Alumni Association will be working with the Brebeuf community to plan for this milestone event.

We will be updating the alumni regularly as details are finalized for the 60th Anniversary celebrations.

If you would like to get involved with the planning of the 60th Anniversary please contact:

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Congratulations to **Rev. Andrew Taylor '11**, ordained to the priesthood in May 2021 by Cardinal Collins. Fr. Taylor will be stationed at St. Michael's Cathedral.

### Alumni Mentors Needed

Brebeuf is looking for 36 alumni to be individual mentors to our current group of Prefects (student leaders). It is a new programme so we don't have all the details yet, but if you are interested in the getting involved, please contact

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