

# **CLASS NOTES**

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#### 1956

Patty McIntyre Westropp writes our deepest condolences to the family of Carol **Eagen Grady**. She was a love. Her services were at Brown Forward Funeral Home. Her friends Ginny Bennett Flinkenger, Judy Bopp Loach, Dee McDonnell Ritt, Peggy Conway McMullin & myself attended the services. Peggy Conway celebrated her 85th birthday party at the University School campus. Her children did a spectacular job in planning the event. We were able to meet her friend Carl (a very nice man), Connie O'Connell Strong, Dee McDonell Ritt, Judy Nieser, Marianne Rocco Walton, Carol Hart Keck & myself attended. It was a fun time. **Dolores Ritt** moved to Perry, Ohio & is living with her daughter Maureen. Dee is looking forward to a trip to Florida in November. We had our Fabulous Fifties luncheon at Beaumont in October. Those attended were Jan Burnett, Diane Richardson, Janet Newsome, Lynn Wolfram, Dee Ritt & myself. We were so excited to see the new Cafeteria & Bistro. How lucky are the ladies to attend Beaumont. Janet Newsome visited her sister Karen Neff Thurber '63. They had a wonderful visit on Cape Cod. Jan Brunett had her 8th great grandchild born. Lynn Wolfram went on a cruise in May on the Columbia & Snake Rivers with various members of her family including Martha Powers. We are so fortunate to be 85. May we all continue with good health & happiness. I am blessed with a beautiful great granddaughter McKinley. I am traveling to Hilton Head to see my friend Larry & St Louis for Thanksgiving to be with my sister and



Class of 1962: The Class of 1962 met after a long hiatus because of the pandemic on June 5th, 2023 on the patio of The Fairmount in Cleveland Heights

family. I finally retired from care giving.  $\mbox{GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU}$ 

# 1957

Mary Lou Deucher Fuerst, Joanne Mazza Ryan, Carole Margareth Marciano, Janet Wakefield (Sr. Praxedes, OSU), Judy Patterson Nieser and Barbara Schuele Schubert represented the class of 1957 at the Beaumont luncheon on October 18. We chatted about education, health issues, the November election, grandchildren and great grandchildren and many other topics. Finally, at about 2 p.m., after all of the other guests had left the building, we wandered to our cars. Mary Lou is looking forward to the birth of her second great grandchild in April. She shared with us that she has three grandchildren who are nurses in northeast Ohio, one of whom will be married in June. Joanne has great grandchildren is Boulder, CO. and Bakersfield, CA. Janet, Sr. Praxedes. looks and feels well after a long recovery from a fall. She was headed to Cleveland Hopkins after lunch to pick up her sister, who was coming for a visit from Nebraska. Barbara Schubert and her daughter in law, Beverly Schubert, discovered they like traveling together and are again joining the Great Lakes Theater's London Trip. Nine plays in eight days is a whirlwind, but with professionals making the selections, it is always a great time.

#### 1962

The Class of 1962 met after a long hiatus because of the pandemic on June 5th, 2023 on the patio of The Fairmount in Cleveland Heights. There were 10 classmates present and a surprise guest, **Sister Charlotte Trenkamp!** Everyone had such a good time and agreed that we would not wait so long to meet again, and we would always include Sister in our get-togethers as she was a wonderful addition and so much fun. An October lunch has been planned

when Lois Kelly Ashley makes a stop in Cleveland while on the way to visit her son, Brian, his darling wife and their three children in Burlington, VT. And speaking of family celebrations, Peggy Todd Butler proudly announced that her oldest granddaughter just received her PhD followed later that same week by her marriage in a beautiful ceremony in Saranac, NY. The celebrations continued with Peg's Mom, a 1940 graduate of Ursuline Academy, celebrating her 102nd Birthday. Congratulations and Happy Birthday!

#### 1963

Marcianne Miller is writing the Entertainment column for the Asheville monthly arts magazine, Rapid River. www.rapidrivermagazine.com. She is a long-time member of the North Carolina Film Critics Assn. and Southeast Film Critics Assn.

#### 1966

**Brigid Gibbons Devery** writes: My husband, Andy, and I have been living in Arlington Heights, IL for the last 51 years. We have four daughters and six grandchildren. They are spread coast to coast, from New York & New Jersey to Seattle. I am still working for my husband, who is an accountant.

Mary Beth Manning is happily retired from her 35 year medical career. Spending time traveling, working on her French, gardening, working out, skiing and reading. (and spending way too much time watching Brit Box with her husband!) They are very healthy (except for a recent dose of Covid...her first, and really no more than a stuffy head!) Zooming every several months with some Beaumonster friends!

Virginia "Ginnie" O'Brien Record writes: Hello Classmates! Hope everyone is doing well and enjoying the beautiful autumn weather. It is glorious down here in Virginia. I have been spending lots of time with my son, Toby. He paid me a two-week visit (!!) in June to celebrate his birthday, and I have been traveling back and forth to our secondary home in Vermont to visit him and his most

precious dog, Opie. The fall colors in Vermont were spectacular a few weeks back. I will be returning for Thanksgiving and (perhaps) Christmas. Otherwise, I have been spending most of my time continuing to volunteer for MedStreet and also participating in some panels focused on the new age of fundraising. Younger participants are astounded that we used to keep donor information on index cards in tiny boxes and that we used hard-cover print volumes to conduct corporate and foundation research. How far we've come! The one constant, though, appears to be donor relationships. The "seven touch" rule – having some contact seven times between "asks" – continues to be the norm, and for that, I am glad. It's been fun working with young professionals. May your holidays be filled with family and friends, and may 2024 be blessed with good health and happiness for us all.

#### 1970

After 24 years in Europe, **Rosemary Amato** is downsizing by selling her apartment in Amsterdam, and will now focus on Malta, UK and USA as her base.

**Carol Young Sterba** also reached out to say hello.

Many other classmates are downsizing too, so remember to update your address with Beaumont.

And any 1970 classmates that graduated from John Carroll University, please reach out to Rosemary ramatoams@gmail.com as reunion plans are underway. The big 50!

# 1971

Mary Kay Hutchinson Malone writes:
As many of you know, our class columnist,
Marianne "Kerby" Kerr passed away on
April 6th after a 10 year battle with MS.
Kerby earned her BA and Masters from
John Carroll University. She was a CPA and
worked for many years at the family company
Kerr Lakeside. She went on to be an adjunct
professor at John Carroll. She was very active
at St. Malachi, John Carroll and of course
Beaumont. A memorial Mass was held at

St. Malachi and attended by many class of '71 friends as well as many other friends who celebrated a life well lived. Kerby loved to travel, one of her favorite destinations was Ireland. When I asked people what they remembered about Kerby it was that she loved to be with family and friends, loved a party, her cats and the great hats she wore. Mim Conway shared a story of when her brother Don told Kerby the door of his car was broken, and she climbed out the window. Can you see her doing that??? Her brother Charlie held a celebration of life, on November 21st to coincide with her 70th birthday. Charlie was kind enough to donate some pieces of Belleek to a Fund Raiser for Project Hope.

Speaking of Project Hope, I ran into

Margaret Saulino Benic at the Fund Raiser.

She currently resides in Richmond Heights.

For now, I am happy to take on class notes for '71.... please send me some news at mkm1159@yahoo.com.

Join the Beaumont School Class of 1971 Facebook page for news and updates.

Hope to see you at Sip n Shop on Thursday November 30 from 5:30 to 8:30 for info go to www.beaumontschool.org/alumnae/ upcoming events

I Believe in Tomorrow "Hutch"

Mary Kay Hutchinson Malone

Liz Weiss writes I was so sorry to miss the 50th reunion. I am retired from Nursing and live with my husband Etienne and son Paul. Our twins turned 27 in August. Kate is in graduate school. I have kept up with

Margaret Saulino Benic over all these years. We visit Cleveland from Silver Spring, MD almost every year. Whenever we go I remember all the good times and wonderful clubs, especially the Drama Club and Miss Sonnhalter. We always drive by Beaumont and one time we stopped by and got a tour of the beautiful chapel and drama club facility. I do keep up with the news from the magazine. Hope everyone is doing well. Margaret hopes to attend your future get together and report all the news to me.



Class of 1972: Liz Weiss with family at Massanutten, VA

#### 1972

Greetings from NC! This year is certainly flying by!

Kim Binder Carroll has been busy with events at the Botanical Garden, including the Herb Fair, Leadership Forum, planting 600 tulip bulbs and installing their display for the holiday show on November 5th. Kim's choir and committee work at her church, her own design clients and family stuff keep her busier than ever!

Peggy Wood Van Dyke and a friend walked the last 100 km of the Camino de Santiago, the Way of St. James, a network of pilgrims' ways or pilgrimages leading to the shrine of the apostle James in the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela in Galicia in northwestern Spain (where tradition holds that the remains of the apostle are buried). They walked approximately 72 miles over 6 1/2 days. In order to receive the Compostela Certificate that certifies that you completed at least 100 km of the Camino, you have to receive stamps in a passport daily along the way. This tells the officials where you walked and how long. It ends at the Cathedral in Santiago where there is a Pilgrims' Mass with an elaborate incense ceremony. Peggy stated they were lucky the weather was great, and they didn't sustain any injuries. They traveled with a small group from all over the country and had their luggage transported and hotels arranged by a family-run company. Peggy said it was the experience of a lifetime for someone who had never hiked any distance. She highly recommends it!

Mary Cay Powers McConnell and her husband celebrated their 47th wedding

anniversary on October 26th. Congratulations to you both!

Karen Bartko Reming was very happy to volunteer her time again this year to Pink-A-Palooza, a fundraiser for Breast Cancer. The master of ceremony was Todd Meany, Fox Channel 8 Morning Show personality. Over 300 people attended this worthwhile event on October 19th.

Adrianne Senft Kohn and her husband. Peter, recently celebrated our 70th birthdays in style. A lovely overnight trip on October 8th to Greenville, SC, where we reconnected with old friends and checked out Main Street and the restaurant scene. Then on October 21st, with the help of my sister Jeannine **Senft Julian ('76)**, my daughter hosted the perfect birthday surprise. The Paris-themed soiree was complete with authentic foods, wine pairings, music and decorations. Mrs. Lioon would have loved it! A particularly memorable part of the event was a video featuring birthday wishes from out-of-town relatives, neighbors and friends, including a special appearance by Mary Beth Walton Guzzo. Thank you so much MB!!

We are deeply saddened by the passing of **Susan Knazek Bartlett** on August 19th after a long and debilitating battle with Lupus. Susie loved life, the arts and especially drawing. Rest well, sweet Susie.

Please continue to pray for our classmates and their families.

Wishing you sunshine always!

# 1973

Annamarie Carcioppolo Kachurek writes: 5 days after our 50th reunion I traveled to Sicily with my daughter Laura to achieve my lifelong dream of experiencing my father's country, culture and history. Mervigliosa!! Upon my return Caroline Rees Fazio organized a luncheon for classmates at Miss Molly's Tea House in Medina. It was great to continue the conversations from our reunion and catch up. For those of you in the NE Ohio area, we hope to make this monthly.

Contact Caroline or me for details.



Class of 1972: Annie Kachurek in Castiglione di Sicilia with daughter Laura



Class of 1972: Caroline Rees Fazio and Ilona Durny Gyerman at Miss Molly's Tea Room in Medina



Class of 1972: Had to continue the reunion fun at lunch at Miss Molly's. (Annie, Ilona, Caroline and Lynn Baucco)

#### 1975

Elizabeth Flynn Campbell is still in private practice as a psychoanalyst in Burlington, Vermont. She lives in Shellburne, Vermont, and would be very happy to hear from classmates who are visiting this beautiful state.

**Maureen Meissner Lakin** retired from the University of Notre Dame after 25 yrs. She and her husband Brian recently built a house

at Lake Santee, Indiana.

Marla Esgar Robbins is still coaching Varsity B boys and girls tennis at Hawken. She has been teaching and or coaching for 42 years. They retired their private railroad car to the Age of Steam Museum in Sugarcreek Ohio this fall.

Sharon Latkovich Valente serves as Director of Institutional Effectiveness at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis. She is responsible for providing leadership and oversight of the institutional effectiveness efforts for academic and administrative units at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center. She works closely with the Associate Vice Chancellor for Institutional Effectiveness and Decision Support to manage regional and specialized accreditation activities, to support the institution's strategic planning process, and to coordinate reporting to the University of Tennessee System and the Tennessee Higher Education Commission.

She joined UTHSC in October 2023.
Previously, she was the Assistant Director of Curriculum Assessment and Evaluation and Associate Professor for the Master In Physician Assistant Studies Program in the Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine at Florida International University.

Dr. Valente holds a Ph.D. from the University of Akron, a M.B.A. from Seattle University, and a Bachelor of Arts from Cleveland State University.

# 1978

**DWana "Dee" Filey Davis** – Many of the alumnae could not make it back to Ohio for Reunion Weekend. So, we gathered at Hilton Head. Some of us had not seen each other in over 40 years. In recognition of sisterhood we made the effort to reconnect. Long love Beaumont.

#### 1985

**Molly Sweeney** is now teaching nursing lab at Ursuline College.



Class of 1978: Top Row (left to right): Rosalind Batson, Kathy Hairston, Juanita Austin (née Williams) all Class of '78; Middle Row (left to right): Vivian Thompson, Monica Vickers (née Burris), Cynthia Jordan all Class of '78; Bottom Row (left to right): Angela Foote, Class of '77, Cathy Hollinger and DWana Filey Davis (née Filey) both Class of '78

#### 1992

Beth Fairman Kinney has a new job! She is the new Director of Community Outreach for the Franklin County Auditor's Office. A highlight of the job for her is connecting with constituents all over the county. Right now, she is talking with constituent groups about the 2023 Reappraisal. If you're in Franklin County, look for our mobile units or table at events this summer!

Last July, a group of us went axe throwing!

Missy Hunter was in town, and to celebrate the occasion we had a great time catching up and throwing really sharp axes around.

Afterwards, we went to dinner at the nearby Oak Barrel. This group included:

Ava Greenfield, Toya Adams Driscal,

Janine DeFranco Walsh, Letitia Nall,
Melissa LoDuca, Aimee Caschera
Blomgren, Terese Adomaites Fennell,
Danielle Russell Stitt, Nicole Chylinski
Rey, Melissa Hunter, and Johanna
Keenan Henz.

The reunion in September ended up being in competition with a LOT of family activities – football games, soccer games, marching band, cheerleading, and more – so not too many of us were able to attend. On Friday, at the school, Miriam Metlock Sterling, Beth Fairman Kinney, Mary Traverse, and Johanna Keenan Henz had a lot of fun and

laughs. On Saturday, Miriam, Beth,
Mary, Janine DeFranco Walsh, Nicole
Chylinski Rey, and Johanna gathered to
at The Veranda in Avon to hear Janine's
husband perform! He was fantastic, and we
really enjoyed hearing him play as we had a
great time reminiscing and catching each
other up on our lives! We also really enjoyed
some delicious mini bundt cakes from
Nicole's Nothing Bundt Cakes store in
Stow (in the Stow-Kent Shopping Plaza).
If you're in the area – and even if you're not!
– go see her!

Heidi Hughes writes... "Hello 92s, from literally one day ahead and the other side of the world, since my family moved to Singapore in January! After stints in Germany, Switzerland, Montréal, the CA Bay Area, Brazil and then Panama (all for my husband's job with Roche Diagnostics), this is our first time living in Asia, and the first time in a long time that we haven't had to learn a new language. (Which I'm a little bummed about, but between that and no pandemic, this move has felt pretty easy so far.) The food here is amazing, the public transportation is safe and ubiquitous (especially nice for Éamonn (15) and Maeve (13) who are now, they tell me, free), and there's a really fascinating cultural mashup that permeates absolutely everything. Oh, and I'm learning mahjong! Come visit! PS: Shoutout to



Class of 1992: Heidi Hughes and family in Singapore.



Class of 1992: Ava Greenfield, Toya Adams Driscal, Janine DeFranco Walsh, Letitia Nall, Melissa LoDuca, Aimee Caschera Blomgren, Johanna Keenan Henz, Terese Adomaites Fennell, Danielle Russell Stitt and Melissa Hunter.



Class of 1992: Gathered at the Oak Barrel.



Class of 1992



Class of 1992: Johanna Keenan Henz, Miriam Metlock Sterling, Mary Traverse.

Johanna who, as usual, makes sure that our class has stuff to read in the class notes and does a fab job of keeping us all connected."

Before signing off, **Johanna Keenan Henz** writes: "I want to send my thanks again to the Beaumont community and my fellow 1992ers in particular as I recover from my second double-lung transplant. Just shy of the five-year anniversary of my first lung transplant, I was listed for another one due to my body rejecting those lungs. The second



Class of 1992: Mary Traverse, Miriam Metlock Sterling, Nicole Chylinski Rey, Johanna Keenan Henz, Beth Fairman Kinney and Janine DeFranco Walsh.

transplant was in September and I am recovering really well. All the prayers, well-wishes and good thoughts really do make a difference. Thanks from the bottom of my heart!"

All the best for an outstanding rest of 2023 to everyone!

#### 1994

**Dr. Rosary Kennedy** is the primary author of a chapter on correctional education

professions in Career Pathways in Adult Education. The anticipated publication date is winter/December 2023.

#### 2006

Sarah Repasy ran into Mrs. Gretchen Santos who was representing Beaumont at the American Heart Association's STEM Goes Red for Girls event. Sarah is the Development Director for the Heart Walk for the American Heart Association.



Class of 2006: Sarah Repasy and Mrs. Gretchen Santos

#### 2008

Kristian Gist Creative, in partnership with, All Together Studio was recently awarded the American Planning Association Historic Exploration Award for our project, Adventures in Stockton. The project hopes to increase small-town tourism while telling the story of America through creative writing, public art, and placemaking. It is now open in Stockton, IL.

# 2009

Kaitlin Daly Mueller, PhD, LRT, CTRS was awarded Slippery Rock University's Rock Solid Top 10 Under 10 for her professional accomplishments since her college gradua-



Class of 2009: Kaitlin Daly Mueller, PhD, LRT. CTRS

tion. Kaitlin is an assistant professor of recreational therapy and the director of the Healthy Aging Center at Catawba College in Salisbury, North Carolina.

#### 2011

**Michelle Graf Bianco** and her husband, John, welcomed their first son, Jack, to the world this year!

**Diana Hauptman Chimes** and her husband Matt moved back to the east side of Cleveland after many years in Columbus. They are expecting their first child at the end of November!

**Claire Grega** moved to Philadelphia, PA, last June and is an environmental attorney for a law firm. Claire is now a member of 4 state bars.

**Liz Calvey Huber** and her husband, Matt, welcomed their first son, Lucas, this year!

**Grace Manfroni Lawless** and her husband Billy Lawless (Ignatius c/o 2011) welcomed their first child, Declan James, this past February.

**Erin Lawless Luy** and her husband James welcomed their first baby, a boy, on April 22, 2023! John Timothy Luy.

**Megan Monroe Wackerly** and her husband, Jimmy, celebrated their wedding this year!

#### 2013

**Madeline Anderson** received her Bachelors Degree in Business management in 2017 with minors in English, Economics and Marketing. She got her Master's Degree in Business Administration in 2021 from CSU and is now working in marketing communications in Cleveland.

Chelsea Day Cooper graduated from Case Western Reserve University with her PhD in psychology in the Spring. She also had her first child, a wonderful little girl, in June!

Caroline Bacevice Molnar gave birth to a beautiful baby girl, Violet, on September 18, 2023.

# **IN MEMORIAM**

#### As of 11/8/2023

### Beaumont Alumnae:

Agnes Seifert Dreka '45
Sister Marie Cecile Bauers, OSU '46
Nina Spicuzza Knechtges '49
Sister Margaret O'Brien, OSU '49
Patricia Oberst Tepas '49
Sue Marie Somnitz '50
Joan Killoran Griffin '52
Carole Quiggle Scharfenberger '54
Barbara Jaeger Lapinta '55

Janet Hausser Taylor '55 Carole Egan Grady '56 Joan Broglio Kimmel '58 Juliann Locuoco Mancino '58 Maureen O'Driscoll Gnoddie '59 Norma Shaia Sayour '59 Martha Callahan Rucker '59 Kathleen Deutsch Abood '61 Ann Johnston Dayment '61 Sharon Zeleznik Winterich '62 Mimi Dowling Nook '63 Julie Ganim '67
Susie Knazek Bartlett '72
Patricia Stanton Nahra '75
Tory Oswald Linnert '77
Deborah Dent Stradley '77
Audra Groce Jackson '85
Laura Yambor Mortellaro '85
Kathaleen Cecelia Collins '86
Alyssa Jeswald '09