

# **CLASS NOTES**

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#### 1956

**Jan Woll Burnett** had her seventh great-grandchild born and number 8 coming in May.

Peggy Conway – My Past Year....Life on Life's Term! The year began when Carl Hofstetter met Peggy Conway through Match.com. Both had been set up by their sons. Opportunity at 84. A trip to Florida followed meeting to attend my granddaughters Volleyball Tournaments around South Florida. Carl joined me for one month. The rest of my 84th birthday year has been advocating for my son Mark after two severe Strokes. Rehabs and Assistant Living. He resides in his 5th Medical Facility for treatment. Jan. 25, 2023 marked my 85th birthday and I was encouraged to take a respite following granddaughter's Volleyball Tournaments in Florida. Carl joined me for the month of March. Son Mark is now at The Laurels in Chagrin Falls on Hamlet.

My traveling has been to Ohio University to visit my granddaughter studying
Astrophysics, another in Medina, soon to be married in England, granddaughters in L.A. and San Francisco, CA to visit niece/nephew and college pals.

Our family has buried one brother Tommy, 3 sister-in-law's Caroline, Mary and Marty plus one nephew Neil Conway (not my brother Neil).

My motto remains....Carpe diem. Seize the Day, cherish each moment and each loved one. Live life to the fullest and spread love/joy/confidence.

Nancy Gould Mulcahy traveled to Ponta

Grossa, Panama Brazil with her brother Dan and his wife, Barbara to attend the wedding of her great niece Jessica. She visited Copacabana, spent several days exploring Rio and then to Iquazu Falls on the boarder of Brazil and Argentina. Then to Ponta Gross to take part in the wedding festivities which culminated with a huge fireworks display.

**Connie O'Connell Strong** became a great grandmother to Carson Nicholas Collins. He will be baptized at St. Joan of Arc.

Sanibel was hit very hard by Hurricane Ian last September and is inhabitable for at least a year. Needless to say she has a lot of time to clean out closets, etc. this winter in Cleveland. Nine family members, including the baby spent a week in Islamorada in the Keys celebrating her birthday.

Wishing her classmates good health and happiness.

**Patty McIntyre Westropp** writes, I am very excited to have my first great grandchild, a little girl, in May.

Our family celebrated 3 birthdays last October at Nema Colin Resort and Spa; we rented a house. There were 9 of us. So much fun. A trip of a lifetime.

#### 1957

**Betty Artino** and her husband, Al, have lived in Maine for the past 27 years. Their sons and granddaughter live in great places to escape the winter: Florida and California. Betty mentioned her "delight" in their fifteen year old granddaughter.

**Ann Pavlish** and her husband, Jack, spent an enjoyable week at the Chautauqua Institution in western N.Y. last year and plan a return visit again this fall. They travel often to interesting areas such as Road Scholars. As usual, they were in Cleveland again this year for the Film Festival.

**Lynn Mann** and her husband, Steve, still belong to the choir at Saint Helen's in Newberry, where they met in 2008. Lynn hopes for a lunch meeting soon. We promise to respond in the near future with more information and dates.

Many of the messages received mentioned both grandchildren and great grandchildren and the joy that they bring. **Marianne**Walton and Joanne Ryan have new great grandchildren who are enriching their lives.

Joanne and her husband also have a new home, still located in Shaker Heights.

Sadly the class of '57 lost two classmates recently, both after long illnesses; **Dianne Golubski Toronski** and **Jane Cunningham**.

Comments about both Dianne and Jane during the past few years have been consistently about how brave and full of faith both were during their time of suffering.

Maryann Semancik has moved back to Cleveland from California and reports that she is getting settled and accustomed to her new home. She and Judy Nieser spent time recently at The Jesuit Retreat Center for the women's monthly morning prayer session. Maryann has been catching up with Beaumont friends and looks forward to our spring get together for more reconnecting.

**Barbara Schubert** and her husband John spent the winter in Tucson, AZ, and have recently returned to Cleveland. Please feel free to contact me with any updates, questions or just to say "hi." Judy and I love to hear from you.



Class of 1963: Joanne Fana ,Sis Bush (not class '63), Pat Gilmore Kearney, Casey Bight Toohig, Regina Fana, Kati Callahan Crawford, Mona McMahon Murphy, Mary Redmond O'Malley. Spent an extended "pajama party" weekend in Aug 2022

#### 1963

Kati Callahan Crawford writes we lived on Wilson Mills for 44 years and sold the house in 2022 to one of our twin grandsons, who has wanted it since grade school. Obviously, we should have started downsizing "stuff" a long time ago! Luckily there is a barn and it is now full of things we'll likely never go through. Had a condo in FL that Vince couldn't adjust to, so we sold that. Now we're nomads. Seriously too old for cardboard boxes and sorting. Can't decide to rent or buy.... The other twin got married Feb 25th. He and the bride were the only ones disappointed by no snow! We were in Ohio a month and only one snowy day- 45 degrees for the wedding. Fabulous fun – they went to Vail for honeymoon -ergo Feb wedding.

My sister Marty, class of 1959, passed away March 7th. She had suffered stokes in 2021 & 2022 so God was good to bring her home. My sister, Peggy, lives in the Villages and loves it- I do talk to her everyday. I think those phone contacts get more important as our numbers add up.

See you hopefully in September.

Mary Blubaugh Kinley has been an award-winning representative for Shaklee for decades. Recently she earned double qualifications for a trip to Cabo San Lucas. Do you remember she was "Miss Cheerful"? We'll she still has that smile, energy, and positive attitude. Go Mary!



Suzanne Hughes Rydel shares: Above is a photo of me on the left side with my husband Dan Glanz with my sister Mary Alice Hughes Jones and her husband Stan Jones. Mary graduated Beaumont in 1968 and is celebrating her 55th anniversary this year. We all are retired and live in The Villages, FL but despite our senior status, we still enjoy an active lifestyle with regular pickleball, bocce, golf, swimming. Not good at any of them but still have fun! This picture was taken 2 weeks ago on St Patrick's Day this month. Note the green gear.



The other photo (above with hat) is me last month at a Driveway party here in Florida.

I have 3 other sisters, 2 of which also graduated from Beaumont, Connie Hughes Brady 1964 and Nancy Hughes Wallace in 1970. (The other sister would have attended but the family moved out of state.)

I look forward to seeing others at the Reunion in September but in the meantime, we would welcome Northern visitors here to Florida.

#### Shirley Miller Schilling



Robert and Shirley Schilling, Jamaica 2022



Robert and Shirley Schilling, 50th anniversary vow renewal, Jamaica 2020



Sister Ritamary Welsh – In October, my sisters Terry, Donna and I took a tour to Albuquerque and the Hot Air Balloon Festival (photo above). We all rode in a balloon that was untethered and floated across the city for 45 minutes. At the end, we landed in a city park that was built just for this purpose. Many people came up to welcome us. What an amazing experience. It was so quiet and breathtaking. This was on my bucket list and I am so happy we did it. I highly recommend the experience. The picture I am sending is at the end of the ride with the six passengers and our balloonist toasting with champagne!

#### 1966

Mary Brooks writes I am living in Chesterland, OH, and enjoying retirement. I left teaching in 2009. I still miss working with kids, but find ways to still be with them.

When I retired, I saw an opportunity to take a woodworking class at Orange Schools. I always wanted to try it, so I did. That was a few years ago, and I got hooked on it. I have made tables, benches, cutting boards, and many other items. For Christmas last year, I made boxes for my 18 great nieces and nephews! I do love it.

I love to travel. I went to the Galapagos Islands in 2019. It was a wonderful and amazing trip. I highly recommend it for anyone. This October, I am going to Kenya, Africa for some safaris. I can't wait to see the animals and learn about the people.

So, I am happy and good, and hope you are all as well.

**Fran McMahon Buckley** – Jim and I celebrated our 50th anniversary in August

2020. We have 4 daughters and 13 grandchildren, ages 19-1 year. Two of our daughters live in Shaker Hts, so we get to Cleveland often. We have a daughter in Minneapolis and our youngest in Rye, NY.

We live in Naples, FL and Rye, NY when we are not out visiting daughters or traveling.

Our oldest grandson Matthew Russell is a freshman at Denison playing football. Our 2nd grandchild, Anna Farley will be a freshman at Villanova, she will be swimming.

Jim is retired from KPMG, currently working part time for the Hindja company.

I retired after 25 years with Julia B Fee Sotheby's in Rye.

My sister Dottie Brooks '65 moved back to Chagrin Falls to Hamlet Hills. I keep in contact with Janie Gauntner Ryan.

I see Sue Delaney and Marti Geraci Spoth from time to time when in Cleveland, Michele Day Massaglia in Naples, and Mary Ann Koral Michaels in Rye.

Mary McDermott Bunker is living in downtown Cincinnati with her husband of 52 years, Alan.

**Charlotte Ciricillo** I still run my independent insurance agency, Charlotte Fowler Agency Inc. in Parker, Colorado. My website is www. charlottefowleragency.com.

All my children live in Colorado, and I enjoy being with my grandchildren as well.

My youngest son Brett Foster is being trained to run my Agency as time passes.

It was nice visiting Cleveland last year for the reunion, but not many of our classmates showed up.

It would be nice to see more of our classmates the next time, since we are all entering our 75 years of life.

Jennifer Corlett I have been an Ursuline sister for over 50 years now and am living in Cleveland Hts. with another Ursuline, a dog and two cats. I have a private practice in a healing modality called Biodynamic Craniosacral Therapy, and have recently added some work with women centered coaching and facilitation, right in sync with

an Ursuline focus on women's empowerment.

**Barb Eby** I've been married to my awesome husband for 52 yrs. We have 3 kids and 9 grandchildren. We live on Callawassie Island in Beaufort County, SC in the winter months and Marblehead, Ohio in the summer. We are blessed.

Sally Kinnsella Gale shares that she has done a lot of traveling past few years. She cruised around Hawaii, went on a trip to Greece, and spent Christmas in Seattle with her first grandchild, Marcello Thomas. He has grown so fast! She is working almost every day in their business still when not traveling. Sally will be heading on a cruise to Iceland and 5 other countries in May. They sold their boat and miss it – they had some great experiences sailing to the Abacos, the Intercoastal and the Atlantic. Sally is looking forward to the next reunion!

Jane Rodenfels Hayes writes hello from Chicago! For the past 17 years I have had a needlepoint shop, The Classic Stitch, in Winnetka, IL. It was a hobby I picked up in college and turned into a business. I can agree with the saying, "if you love what you do, you'll never work a day in your life".....well, sorta....there are days! My three children and 6 grandchildren are all in the area, so we do have lots of family time. I also have 6 stepchildren and 15 step grandchildren. Needless to say, it is impossible to get everyone together, but we will take what we can get....never a dull moment.

Camilla Burby Jenkins – Hi everyone.

Camilla here. All is so good in my life. I live in NYC but spend a lot of time in the Adirondacks, where my husband Jenkins (he has a first name but it's a secret) and I have a house. Our 3 children are all happy and have produced 8 grandchildren, who Jenkins and I of course dote on. We see the family quite a bit. I am still working as the communications director for Children's Rights, a nonprofit that advocates for children and families harmed by the child welfare system. It is incredibly rewarding work and a big part of what makes my life rich and interesting. My love to you all.

**Paula Guzzo Mason** – Briefly I am doing well...my husband and I married off our only

child a couple of years ago on a beautiful Autumn day at Gervasi Winery in North Canton, Ohio.

Even with the Covid cloud, our daughter had her perfect day.

Almost to the date a year later, I was diagnosed with ovarian cancer in stage one. It just was surreal as I felt good and was very active, just experiencing the occasional pelvic pressure...as life goes, I went through treatment and felt very grateful it was caught. "Each day is a gift" takes on a whole new meaning indeed! I caution all women to listen to their bodies...ignore nothing! It's frightening how fast things can happen. We are so fortunate here in Cleveland with excellent health care. But, with that said, any illness is a most private and personal journey. I pray you all stay well.

Moving past this, my husband finally retired this past March and we spent a delightful retirement getaway to both The Villages and Sarasota for a few weeks with our daughter and son in law joining us a few days... Terry Rini Patton, who lives in The Villages now, and a very close friend, threw a wonderful surprise retirement dinner party for ten for my husband...it was the beginning of many events.

If all stays well, we will now plan on going down for a few months beginning '24. We found a really new lovely place/condo that will accept my new pup Toby, a toy parti poodle, a real love and great companion to both Jim and myself. Toby needs us, but as Jim would say, "we need Toby more!"

I keep my hand in volunteering at both the church and Auburn Lakes neighborhood committees...and, my daily art is my needed therapy. Bless you all, and your prayers are always appreciated...

#### Virginia O'Brien Record writes:

Dear Class of '66,

Hope you are all doing well. All good here in Alexandria, Virginia.

I finally retired (for good) in 2018 after nearly 40 years of servant leadership in the nonprofit sector, primarily in management, fundraising, and board development. Since then, I have

been volunteering for MedStreet, a fabulous nonprofit organization that brings physicians, medicine, healing, love, hope, and friendship to our homeless neighbors. We are a relatively new organization, so my role is primarily on the back end helping to "stand up" this nonprofit. In my spare time, I am balancing that with the joys of home ownership and all that is entailed in maintaining a home that was built in 1953. No rest for the weary.

My one and only son lives in the Northeast Kingdom of Vermont where he applies his talents as a Music Supervisor in the film industry and also licenses music to the radio, television, and film industries. He is very happy there, even during the winter when the temps are generally well below zero. His sidekick (my grandpuppy), Opie, is a rescue American bulldog-pitbull mix, and he is the love of our lives.

I've been in touch with some of you on a regular basis and others sporadically, so please don't hesitate to get in touch with me (recordvo@gmail.com) to let me know what you are up to and where you are.

To all of us who have already celebrated or will be celebrating a "special" birthday this year, a very Happy Platinum Day to you.

Hope to hear from you soon, Ginnie (O'Brien) Record

Jane Gauntner Ryan writes Dan and I will be celebrating our 53rd Anniversary in June. We have lived in Columbus our entire marriage and have four wonderful daughters and four terrific sons-in-law who have given us ten grandchildren plus one great grandchild with another on the way! I often think of my happy days at Beaumont and the friends there.

Marti Geraci Spoth writes living in Cleveland and all 5 of my children and 5 grandchildren live here. For the past 7 years, me and my husband Greg have owned our Geraci's Restaurant in University Hts. which is 66 years old. In the last 5 years we have grown and have additional restaurants in Pepper Pike, Mayfield Village and Willoughby. Obviously, I'm not retiring any time soon.

Two of our sons are actively involved in the restaurants. When I need a break I go to my cottage in Vermilion. Recently saw Charlotte Mears Walbert in Atlanta. Charlotte and I have been best of friends since we were I and 1/2 years old, pretty amazing. Hello to everyone in my class.

**Susan Kugler Weitzel** – Retired and living in South Carolina.

#### 1970

Rosemary Amato – Hi Class of 1970, I was happy to hear from Patricia Martin, Dorothy Ross Cass and Joannie Friel Barrett recently. But first my news – I finally retired and I am now "economically inactive". My new motto is "if you rest, you rust!" Looking forward to visiting Cleveland in 2024 and attending my 50th year reunion at JCU, and seeing some of my Beaumont family.

And don't forget to keep the updates coming: ramatoams@gmail.com

Joannie Friel Barrett wrote: My husband Tom and I still live in Manchester, NH. We are both retired now and enjoying life with our two daughters and their families. I was so sorry to miss the reunion. But I was in Cleveland recently and met up with Fran Pertz Zettl ('70) and Maureen

Hawkins Christy ('71).

Dorothy Ross Cass wrote that she is in

Washington, D.C, across from the Potomac

River in old town Alexandria, VA.

#### 1972

Adrianne Senft Kohn: It's hard to believe that our 50th Reunion was over 6 months ago. Thirty of us gathered under the tent on campus to share dinner, a toast and special memories. And twelve of us continued the festivities the following evening at Cedar Creek Grille. Fifty-five will be here before you know it!

Eight of us shared a holiday lunch on December 27th at Cooper"s Hawk. Great company and wonderful food! Let me know if you'd like to be part of the fun in the future. **Brenda Woodworth O'Toole** and hubby Don moved to Concord, Ohio, in time to celebrate Christmas. Brenda says they are so happy with their new home.

**Lynn Traxler Gilligan** traveled to Australia to visit her son and granddaughter (and work on her tan). She had a marvelous time over the holidays down under.

Kathy Simoson O'Brien and hubby Norb welcomed their eighth grandchild on January 20th, Michael John O'Brien, Jr. Their oldest grandson will be a junior in college. Leading the grandchild running total with fifteen is Pat Connelly Dubiel and hubby Phil. They have eight grandsons and seven granddaughters, the last one born in August. Pat says there are no more coming right now that she knows of.

Mary Beth Walton Guzzo's mom celebrated her 99th birthday on March 15th. There were two big parties with lots of grands and great grands and of course cake. Birthday blessings, Mrs. Walton!

**Maryellen Amato Stratmann** and her family recently enjoyed a fun trip to Dollywood in Pigeon Forge, TN.

Our very own Juliana Scurec Barnick achieved a momentous work anniversary on March 27th - FIFTY years with IKORCC (Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters). The company name as well as Juliana's job title and responsibilities have changed over the years due to corporate restructuring. She started as a secretary, then was trained to do bookkeeping/ accounting, and also served as administrative assistant to the Executive Secretary/Treasurer of the Council. Juliana received a beautiful bouquet of flowers, notes, well wishes and congratulations, and a catered lunch in the office, all for a job well done. Congratulations on an exemplary career!

We send our deepest condolences to **Tess Dreka Rosch** on the loss of her mother and **Karen Bird Mellon** on the loss of her father.

Many of us will be facing 70 in the not-toodistant future, and **Mary Beth Walton Guzzo** is reminding the Sunshine Class to put on



Class of 1977: 45th Reunion, September 2022

your sunscreen, floppy hats and paisley bell bottoms!

Please continue to pray for our classmates and their families.

Wishing you sunshine always!

### 1975

Marla Esgar Robbins has been at Hawken for 42, where she has taught Physical Education and has coached basketball, softball, field hockey, and still coaches boys and girls varsity tennis. She also has a great niece and nephew who attend Hawken as well!

#### 1977

The ladies from the Class of 1977 enjoyed their 45th Reunion back in September.

#### 1978

Welcome home to Cleveland! **Laura Griesmer** retired from the State Department in September 2021 and permanently moved to Shaker Heights. Since then, she has joined the Board of Directors of COAR and the Board of Advisors of the University of Akron's Center for Intelligence and Security Studies.

Thank you so much **Ann Monroe-Baillargeon** for organizing a wonderful Zoom Meeting with many members of our class. It was fun to hear about the grandchildren, careers, retirement, travels and lives beyond the wall.

Maidie Volpe McGarry and Rosemary
Leone Nemeth are trying to update all of

your email addresses. If you changed your email, let us know.

Save the date for Reunion Weekend 2023, September 22-23, 2023. More information will be coming!

#### 1984

**Laura Kopfinger Chase** shares that her father passed away on December 2, 2022. We are extending our sympathies to Laura and her loved ones.

Tamra Stokes wants to let classmates know that she has written and published 3 books and is working on her 4th book. All are available on Amazon books! Search Tamra Stokes. One is on geocaching, one is a children's book; a memoir of family trips down south and the last one is on intermittent fasting – of which she lost 20 pounds and is still maintaining the weight loss.

She would really appreciate her classmates making a purchase and writing a review. It has been a great change in her life as she walked away from teaching and is currently the primary caregiver for her 81 year old mother. What a blessing to care for her.

Joanna Tomallo Wayner shares that her sister Kathi passed away due to cancer in January 2023 and her mother passed away in November 2022 due to dementia and Parkinson's. We are extending our sympathies to Joanna and her loved ones.

# 1985

Leatrice Bradford Clark My college basketball team and I were inducted into the CIAA League's Hall of Fame in February 2023 and then into Hampton University's Athletic Hall of Fame in March 2023. Our 1988 NCAA Women's Basketball Championship Team is the only team in the university's history to win a national title. This honor was given after 35 years and all teammates and coaches are alive and attended both induction ceremonies. I am amazed at God's grace and generosity towards me and my teammates.

**Dr. Lisa Sims** is a School Counselor at John R. Buchtel CLC in Akron. She also provides counseling at Western Reserve Academy as a Psychology Associate. She was recently selected as an Emerging Leader for the Ohio School Counseling Association. This allows her the opportunity to have exposure the OSCA board as well as the opportunity to run for board positions in the future. She is also a board member for SEL 4OH which helps educators learn ways to infuse Social Emotional Learning in their classrooms. She is honored to give back to her community in such meaningful ways!

# 1987

Yolanda Harris – Classmates Holly Ousley-Lavender, Sherry Goode-Cloud and Yolanda "Yoki" Williams-Harris celebrated our 35th class reunion with a trip to Paris, France. Complete with a shopping spree of a lifetime (below and to the right).











# 2008

Colleen Slattery Cereijo is still living in Willoughby Hills. She welcomed baby boy Cruz Joseph on May 17, 2022.

Ann Klements Cooper is living in Buffalo, NY with her husband Mo and her two daughters, Sophie (5) and Natalie (2). She is looking already forward to when they can also attend an all-girls school someday!

Bridget McMurray Grover and her husband Dan welcomed their daughter Madison Lucia on July 27, 2022 (above top).

Katie Seringer Russell and her husband Nathan welcomed twin girls into their family on January 13, 2023. Frances "Frankie" and Vanessa joined their big brother, Sam (above bottom).

# 2012

Jaelle Croom I have joined the ranks of poorly paid Catholic school teachers! I am teaching grades 4-5 at Saint Rocco school and love it!

Taylor Pacak is currently pursuing a full time, nursing school program at Ursuline College. She is possibly thinking about being a labor & delivery nurse and plans to graduate in August 2023!

#### 2017

Deja-Verenda Baker writes since graduating from Beaumont in 2017, I went to pursue my bachelor's degree in Forensic Psychology and Criminalistics at Tiffin University! After

graduation (photo below) I had the opportunity to intern with the Sindhi American Political Action Committee in Washington, D.C. During the pandemic, I returned home to Cleveland where I interned with the Ohio Crime Victim Justice Center and started working at Case Western Reserve University. Currently, I work at Case Western Reserve University as a Campus Resiliency Specialist in the Emergency Management Department and teach Rape Aggression Defense courses here on campus as a certified R.A.D instructor. I will be pursing my Master of Arts in Bioethics and Medical Humanities and Master of Social Work here at CWRU next fall! I'm also in the final stages of obtaining my real estate license here in Ohio and launching my real estate photography business called Jane's Media Visions in honor of my late aunt and namesake, Verenda Jane. I am extremely grateful for everything that I have, I have worked so hard these last 4 years to make my dreams come true. This is just the beginning!



Morgan Jochum writes at the beginning of 2023, I began a new adventure of being a full-time small business owner! Truly a dream I have had since my four years at Beaumont. My business, Morgan Jochum Design, helps small business owners communicate their brand story through intentional brand strategy and creative design.

# **IN MEMORIAM**

#### As of 6/13/2023

#### Beaumont Alumnae:

Mary Jane Volzer D'Emilia '45 Joanne Raimer Waress '46 Joe Ann Steffen Beyer '47 Jackie Kofron Friend '47 Eileen Sweeney Greer '48 Joan Patterson Bassett '50 Mary Jane Burens Sonnhalter '51 Adrienne Wisneski Melena '52

Marilyn Waechter Kinzel '53

Sister Mercia Madigan OSU '54
Merici Paulus Kramer '55
Gretchen Pentrack Smith '57
Jane Cunningham '57
Dianne Golubski Toronski '57
Molly O'Connor Holland Avery '59
Maggie Ginthner Case '59
Judy Mehl Cowell '62
Casey Bright Toohig '63
Sheila Story Hornung '64

Eileen Gibbons Dillon '64

Donna Myers '66
Pat Padden Pandak '66
Sara Adams Wilcox '68
Kristina Azelis Lamb '69
Maureen McDevitt Monroe '70
Marianne Kerr '71
Allison Abood Formal '76
Stephanie Arnold Schrock '93

Sue Schenkelberg Boland '65

