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**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR!**

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**ARCHBISHOP CARROLL HIGH SCHOOL DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY**

*Sponsored by the Carroll Alumni Association*

**Saturday, September 30, 2023  
University of Dayton Daniel J. Curran Place**

**Schedule of Evening**

**5:00 p.m. Social Reception**

*Reception & Dinner Music provided by Andrew Larochelle '09*

**6:00 p.m. Dinner**

*Carroll Alma Mater sung by Isabella Olivas '23*

Welcome.....Julie Hemmert Weitz '94, Director of Alumni Relations

Alumni Remarks.....Marc McNulty '94, Alumni Association President

Benediction.....Rev. James J. Manning '66, 2023 Inductee

**7:00 p.m. Ceremony**

Introduction.....Gwyn Fox Stump '99, Awards Committee Chair

Master of Ceremony...Cheryl McHenry '74, 2008 Inaugural Inductee

Principal’s Remarks.....Matthew Sableski '91, Principal

Introduction of Inductees.....Cheryl McHenry '74

- (1) Tom Sableski, Honorary Patriot
- (2) James C. Evans, Ph.D., Class of 1966
- (3) Rev. James J. Manning, Class of 1966
- (4) Ron Reigelsperger, Class of 1966 (*Speaker: Rev. Mike Pratt*)
- (5) James Thomeczek, Class of 1966
- (6) Robert S. Fisher, Jr., Class of 1975
- (7) Amy Zimmerman, Class of 1993

Induction.....Cheryl McHenry '74 along with previous inductees

Closing.....Pete Williams '98, Director of Advancement

September 30, 2023

Dear Alumni and Friends,

Welcome to Archbishop Carroll High School's 2023 Induction into the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame.

The Alumni Hall of Fame display is easily accessible in Carroll's main gym lobby entrance, displayed in a state-of-the-art digital Wall of Fame Kiosk. It brings to life our school's proudest moments from athletic to academic to artistic achievements and motivates current students to strive for success, following the examples of past, present, and future inductees.

Carroll's administration, faculty, staff, and students appreciate each and every one of you. We are proud to have you in the Carroll family. Your achievements are a testament to the work ethic and dedication that many of you learned while you were students walking the halls of Carroll High School.

Join me in expressing gratitude to the Alumni Association for sponsoring this ceremony. It is important that we also thank the Alumni Association's Awards and Recognition Committee for planning all of tonight's festivities and for creating another moving event that is sure to produce wonderful memories of exceptional faculty and an excellent Carroll education.

Be sure to sit back and enjoy your evening. While you focus on the ceremony, think of other outstanding alumni who could be future hall of fame inductees and nominate those individuals for further consideration. We look forward to many celebrations welcoming our alumni back home and sharing Carroll's excellence with the community.

Today is a great day to be a Patriot because of the extraordinary accomplishments of the individuals being honored here tonight. We are proud to call the 2023 honorees Carroll Patriots! They represent the best of what we stand for at Archbishop Carroll High School and we are thrilled to celebrate this occasion with them as their Carroll family.

Sincerely,



Mr. Matthew Sableski '91  
Principal

## Archbishop Carroll High School History

Archbishop Carroll High School is a Catholic, coeducational school located within the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Carroll was born in concept early in 1960, named after Archbishop John Carroll, the first bishop of the United States. The site was blessed April 8, and the school mascot was chosen in June. Two area eighth graders, Bernard Middleton '65 and Larry Cowman '65, each won a transistor radio for their suggestion that Carroll be the home of "The Patriots" with the colors red, white, and blue. The enrollment of 400 (freshmen only) arrived for Carroll's first registration on August 19, 1961. The first day of school was on September 6, 1961.

### Alma Mater

Voices ringing in a pledge of loyalty  
To our great Alma Mater, we promise fealty.  
All days, always, in the things we do,  
We will show your spirit and be true.  
Hail, Carroll, to you.

We praise thee, Carroll High,  
May you be always blessed.  
Your sons and daughters now  
Share your happiness.

Voices ringing in a pledge of loyalty  
To our great Alma Mater, we promise fealty.  
All days, always, bearing cross or crown,  
We shall prove our love for God above  
And, Carroll, for you!

### Original Fight Song

*(retired in the 1970's/1980's)*

Right in step and full of pep, Proud Patriots are we,  
Roll the drum, unfurl the flag, we're marching out to victory.  
Our heads are high, our hearts are strong, we're really on our way.  
For the Red and White and Blue – Let's go!! Hip Hip Hurray!  
Onward to victory, we pledge our unity, we'll bring fame to Carroll's name,  
We're Patriots and always game.  
Steady in all we do, ready to see it through,  
Reach the stars and ride the sky,  
Let's give three cheers for Carroll High. (Rah! Rah! Rah!)

### Current Fight Song

*(formerly called the Cheer Song)*

We're the Carroll team  
And we're right on the beam –  
Always fighting right down to the end.  
We're out to gain our high school fame –  
So watch out you (Knights...), Beware!!  
All our fans are true to the red, white and blue  
And all our foes will hear us say  
"Better step aside, we'll do or die –  
Keep your eye on Carroll High!"



## Archbishop Carroll High School's 2021 Induction to the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame



The 2021 inductees are pictured above. Left to right are the following: Honorary Patriot Tom Hoefler, Amy Menke Loges '65, Christine Rafalko '72, Dr. Stephen Blatt '77, Jim Skowron '87 (representing his sister, Dr. Elizabeth Skowron '84), Col. Urban Gillespie '86, and Michael Sticka '00.

*The Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame is sponsored by the Carroll Alumni Association and organized by the Awards and Recognition Committee.*

### Awards and Recognition Committee

Gwyn Fox Stump '99: Committee Chairperson

Jeannie Heid McManus '66  
Sharon Schneider Becker '69  
Kathy Kuntz Heeb '70  
Bev Kissell Rose '70  
Greg Notestine, DDS '71  
Cathy Wuebben Jackson '75  
Patty Hattan Buhrman '80  
Mark Jobe '83  
Kim Timm '86  
Amy Sableski Wittmann '88  
Marc McNulty '94  
Julie Hemmert Weitz '94  
Jill Kilby, Carroll faculty member

### Alumni Association Executive Board and Representatives

Marc McNulty '94, President  
Patty Hattan Buhrman '80, Vice President  
Jack Glaser '69, Treasurer  
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Katie Frey Klain '65  
Jan Voss Galiardo '66  
Jeannie Heid McManus '66  
Mary Ann Wendeln '69  
Mark Seiter '72  
Jeff Graham '74  
Nan Christensen '75  
Helen Cantrell Wyskiver '75  
Sue Sheetz Graham '76, *Special Events Committee Chair*  
Bob Miller '76, *Alumni Golf Outing Chair*  
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Barb McCoy '83  
Carol Dodaro Brown '86  
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Julie Staton Malesko '93, *Athletic Hall of Fame Chair*  
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Julia LeMaster Bey '95, *Alumni Mentoring Committee Chair*  
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Jillian Heigel Chaney '13  
Tyler Thompson '14  
Sam Dodson '18

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### Carroll's Digital Hall of Fame Kiosk:

Visit [www.carrollhs.org](http://www.carrollhs.org) for the latest Carroll news!





## Carroll Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame Selection Procedure

Archbishop Carroll High School's Alumni Association established the Awards and Recognition Committee in May 2006 in order to evaluate criteria, research candidates, solicit nominations for alumni sponsored awards, and coordinate the planning and hosting of an awards ceremony. Being named to the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame is an incredible honor and is based on post high school achievements.

There are two categories for consideration: *Alumni Distinguished Patriot* and *Honorary Patriot*. The *Alumni Distinguished Patriot Award* honors Carroll graduates (at least 15 years out) who have made a significant impact on their communities and professions. The volunteer selection committee makes nominations and considers those received from alumni and the community. They solicit nominations from diverse backgrounds based on academic excellence, career achievement, Christian leadership, dedicated service, philanthropy, heroism, humanitarianism, and/or cultural enrichment, and then vote for the 'best of the best.' The *Honorary Patriot Award* honors those who are not Carroll graduates who have had a lasting and profound effect on Archbishop Carroll High School, its students, and its community through their commitment to Catholic education and their active involvement, leadership, and support of the school.

Nomination forms must be received by the first day in September to be eligible for induction the following school year. Once candidates are nominated, their nominations remain active in subsequent years.

The committee is given descriptions of each candidate received from actual nominations, newspaper and web articles, or other forms of research. Then, the committee is divided into four sub-groups to discuss and research the nominees further, to place them in one of three categories, to assign a point value to them and determine if they are eligible to be included on the official ballot using the evaluation worksheet supplied to them, and later share their findings with the rest of the committee. Prior to voting day, sub-group recommendations for official ballot names are tallied and announced. A maximum number of 25 Distinguished Alumni Patriot names and a maximum of 5 Honorary Patriot names that received the highest scores of all of the sub-groups are included on the ballot.

On voting day, there must be a two-thirds majority quorum present, and only those committee members present can vote. Voting day should be held at least six months prior to the ceremony. From the official roster (using a secret ballot), each committee member is required to select one Honorary Patriot candidate and five Distinguished Patriot candidates. Votes are then tabulated and the top vote getters become the final awardees. In the case of a tie, another vote will occur on just those tied individuals. Each year, after the votes are tabulated, the committee determines the specific number of final awardees to be selected.

The committee sets no quotas by gender, area of achievement or era, but diversity is encouraged. Members are expected to be unbiased and fair-minded. Also, the committee is sworn to strict confidentiality as to protect the nominees and maintain the highest standard of integrity.

## Archbishop Carroll High School's 2016 and 2018 Induction to the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame



The 2016 inductees are pictured above. In row 1 (left to right) are the following: Andrew & Michael Osgood '20 (representing their deceased father, Mike Osgood '78), Dr. Cheryl Conley '69, and Honorary Patriot Mr. Joseph Sens. In row 2 (left to right) are: Becky Osgood (representing her deceased husband, Mike Osgood '78), Matt Joseph '90, Dr. Alan Thurman '78, Lt. Col. Charlie Middleton '94, and Michael Neatherton '70.



The 2018 inductees are pictured above. In row 1 (left to right) are the following: Dr. Kathleen (Greaney) Cashman '83, Honorary Patriot Mr. James Hemmert, and Michael Easterling '65. In row 2 (left to right) are the following: Jim Chervenka '66, Dr. Mark Draper '84, Dr. Mike Pleiss '71, and Dr. Richard Campbell '67.

## Archbishop Carroll High School's 2012 and 2014 Induction to the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame



The 2012 inductees are pictured above. In row 1 (left to right) are the following: Carol Gasper Huber '68, Bill Hess '71, and Tamara Gonzalez '71. In row 2 (left to right) are the following: Thomas Hischak '69, Honorary Patriot Fr. Stanley Neiheisel, and John Timm '89.



The 2014 inductees are pictured above. In row 1 (left to right) are the following: Honorary Patriot Sr. Mary Alice Stein, George Kuntz '65 (representing friend Mike Lofino '65), and Carole Hohl '67. In row 2 (left to right) are the following: Larry Blanford '72, Dr. Mark Stibich '91, Dale Nieberding '76, and Steve Haller '68.



The crest of Archbishop Carroll High School is found on the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame plaques, as well as the awards given to the inductees. The crest of Archbishop Carroll High School reflects both the spiritual and temporal objectives and ideals of the school's namesake, its faculty, and its student body. Surrounding the outside is the laurel wreath, the ancient and modern symbol of excellence both in academics and athletics.

The monogram "M" over the vertical olive branch in the center represents the Blessed Virgin Mary, to whom Archbishop John Carroll was intensely devoted. The slogan, *Via Pacis* (Way of Peace), recognizes Mary as our intercessor with Christ in obtaining that peace which the world cannot give.

The eagle is primarily the symbol for St. John the Evangelist, to whom the school chapel is dedicated. Soaring heavenward, it reminds us that we, too, should lift our hearts above earthly aspirations. Also well-known as an American symbol, the eagle urges us to be strong, to be sure, and to be satisfied only with the heights in both our spiritual and temporal lives.

The torch at the lower right represents the "lamp of learning" as well as the spirit that fired the Patriots of early America to love, to work, and to fight for God and Country. The plow of Cincinnatus identifies Carroll as being an institution within the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

Overall, Christ's Cross with its open arms spanning the universe, teaches men true freedom and how to enjoy its gift of peace here and hereafter.

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**Those interested in nominating a distinguished graduate for consideration in future Alumni Hall of Fame Inductions can find full instructions at [www.carrollhs.org/alumni/distinguished-alumni.cfm](http://www.carrollhs.org/alumni/distinguished-alumni.cfm).**



## 2023 Master of Ceremony

### Cheryl McHenry Class of 1974

In 2008, Cheryl McHenry Chabali was inducted into Archbishop Carroll High School's Inaugural Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame for her outstanding career achievement. Since 1991, Cheryl has served as the News Center 7 Evening News Anchor at WHIO-TV.



After graduating from Carroll, she earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Broadcasting from the University of Cincinnati. As a senior at UC, she was fortunate to have an internship at WKRC radio. Cheryl worked in radio news for three years, with stints at WING radio in Dayton and WCKY in Cincinnati, before landing a job as a reporter at WHIO-TV in August of 1981.

For much of the 1980's, she covered the Dayton Police/Montgomery County Courts beat, reporting on all kinds of stories from the local criminal justice system. During those years, Cheryl won four Emmy Awards. Three of them were for *Spot News* (now called *Breaking News*), and one for *Investigative News* for a 3-part series on repeat drunk driving offenders (1990). Since 2013, Cheryl has added four more Emmys for four half-hour special reports. One was *Miami Valley Murder Mysteries* (2013); the second was *PTSD: Invisible Wound*, raising awareness for post-traumatic stress among military combat veterans (2013); the third was focused on problems at Veterans Affairs (2015); and the fourth was the latest edition of *Miami Valley Murder Mysteries* (2016). In 2019, Cheryl earned a ninth Emmy for her role in covering the Oregon District mass shooting.

Cheryl also co-hosted the Children's Miracle Network Telethon from 1987 until 2014. She emceed a number of local events including The Hundred Club which awards police and firefighters for going above and beyond the call of duty, and the United Way Big Thanks breakfast which honors its volunteers.

Since 2007, Cheryl was honored twice as Best Anchor by the Associated Press and twice by the Society of Professional Journalists. She was also inducted into the Radio/TV Broadcasters Hall of Fame of Ohio and the Dayton Area Broadcasters Hall of Fame. She and three of her co-workers also received a regional Edward R. Murrow award in 2010 for a half-hour special called, *Domestic Violence: Breaking the Cycle*.

Cheryl enjoys spending time with her husband, Bob; their daughters, Christina and Maria; and their black Labrador, Missy. She is a big sports fan, loves to run and swim, enjoys cooking and relaxing by the pool with a wonderful book. Cheryl remains very dedicated to Carroll and has emceed many of its events, including the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame and the Athletic Hall of Fame.

## Archbishop Carroll High School's 2009 and 2010 Induction to the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame



The 2009 inductees and/or representatives are pictured above. In row 1 (left to right) are the following: Kathy McGarry Brewster '70 (representing her deceased husband, Inductee Dr. Robert Brewster '70), Honorary Patriot Rita Kroger, and Peggy Miller Ruhlin '67. In row 2 (left to right) are the following: Leo Dugdale '70 (also representing Dr. Robert Brewster '70), Capt. Tony Tangeman '66, Dr. Greg Notestine '71, Lt. Col. Ed Robbeloth '66, David Seiter '70, Michael Bashaw '67, and Dr. Jim Volz '71. Not pictured is Rick Good '69.



The 2010 inductees and/or representatives are pictured above. In row 1 (left to right) are the following: Sharon Schneider Becker '69, Steve Ries and Charles Middleton '65 (representing deceased Honorary Patriot Fr. Victor F. Ries), and Julie Thurman Thorner '81. In row 2 (left to right) are the following: Lt. Col. Mike Milord '67, Jack Glaser '69, Michael Gaines '86, and Ted Fecke '73.

## Archbishop Carroll High School's 2008 Inaugural Induction to the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame



The 2008 inductees and/or representatives pictured above (left to right) are: Kevin Hess '73 (representing his deceased brother, Inductee Lance Corporal Dale Hess '67), JP Nauseef '84, Ann Marie Stieritz '87, David Gasper '74, Diane McGarvey Wright '79, Cheryl McHenry Chabali '74, Steve Bognar '81, US Congressman Steve Austria '77, and Chris Clifford '79 (representing his deceased best friend, Inductee Col. Paul Kelly '79).

*Your fellow alumni, the administration, faculty, staff, and students of Archbishop Carroll High School want it to be known that you are distinguished in our midst and shall evermore be remembered as a member of this honored Hall of Fame in which you are recognized and held up as an example of what it means to be a Carroll Alum, a true Patriot for Life, and an example of the ideals of Church, family, country, community, and service. Be it so known. Be you so honored.*

## Tom Sableski Honorary Patriot

Tom was a member of the Carroll faculty for 41 years (1973 thru 2014). He taught English, public speaking, theater, and film classes.

In the early days, he was the audio-visual coordinator, director of the closed-circuit TV show, as well as golf and assistant football coaches, and bus driver. For most of his career, however, he enjoyed, in addition to his classes, his involvement with the school plays, being the yearbook advisor, publishing the sports program book, and being the announcer at the men's basketball home games. His booming voice fired up many Patriots over the years on the court and in the classroom.

Tom was an adjunct instructor of communications and public speaking at Sinclair Community College for 35 years. Some of the classes he taught at Sinclair were to the inmates at the Dayton Correctional Institution.

He served on, and was chair of, the Lay Employees' Pension Plan Committee for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, was a substitute newscaster for MIX 107.7 radio, and volunteered at Goodwill Easter Seals broadcasting the newspaper to the visually impaired.

Tom's first love and source of great joy is his family. He has been married to his wife, Patty, for 54 years. They have two children, Amy (Joe) and Matt (Mary-Kate), and 8 grandchildren.

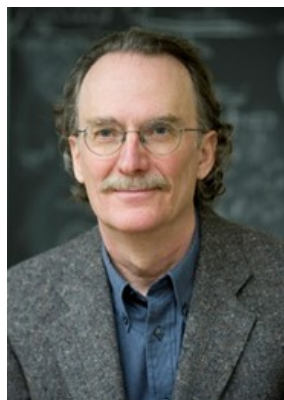
Tom is truly honored to be inducted into this Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame. He wants to be remembered for his enthusiastic spirit, positive attitude, and his "stern-but-jolly" demeanor; but most of all for his PRIDE in being a PATRIOT and his GENUINE LOVE of Carroll High School, its students, staff, alumni, and parents.





## James C. Evans, Ph.D. Class of 1966

Jim holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from Purdue University (1970) and a Ph.D. in physics from the University of Washington (1983). His research interests center on the history of astronomy, especially in the ancient Greek period, and the history of physics from the eighteenth century onward.



His books include *The History and Practice of Ancient Astronomy*, *Geminus' Introduction to the Phenomena: A Translation and Study of a Hellenistic Survey of Astronomy* (written with J. Lennart Berggren), and *Quantum Mechanics at the Crossroads: New Perspectives from Philosophy, History and Physics* (edited with Alan Thorndike).

In 2008, the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) selected Jim as Washington State's Professor of the Year. In December of 2014, the *New York Times* featured research by Jim and co-author Christián Carman which sheds new light on the clocklike astronomical mechanism known as the Antikythera Mechanism that has intrigued scientists for more than 100 years. Their research was published in the *Archive for History and Exact Sciences*.

Jim has recently retired from teaching as a Professor of Physics and the Director of the Science, Technology and Society program at the University of Puget Sound, but continues with research and writing. He is currently the editor of the *Journal for the History of Astronomy*.

Jim's wife, Sharon Leach Evans, is also a Carroll grad from 1965. Their daughter, Elizabeth Evans, is a professor of English at Wayne State University. Jim looks back on his high school education with fondness and appreciation for some of the great teachers he had, especially in English, mathematics, and biology. He is even grateful for the three years of Latin, which he didn't enjoy at the time, but which have stood him in good stead.

## Amy Zimmerman Class of 1993

Amy holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Cincinnati. She has held various Fortune 500 leadership positions and is currently the Global Program Manager for Rockwell Automation, on the Procter & Gamble account, where she has successfully utilized skills in management, leadership, relationship building, and new generational approaches to business. She received the "40 under 40" award from the *Cincinnati Business Courier* in 2009.



Her passion, however, lies in her commitment, activism, and participation in Kiwanis International at the local, state and international levels. Her dedication to youth has been a profound motivation in her pursuit of service to the Kiwanis community. She states, "I learned so much about giving back to my local community, leadership, team-building, and collaboration through our Service Leadership Programs (Key Club and Circle K International). I want to pay it forward so that our youth will enjoy similar opportunities to learn skills that will help them later in life."

Amy was one of the youngest people to serve as the Ohio Kiwanis District Governor in 2015-2016 and has served on international committees for Kiwanis. She will be named President of the Kiwanis International Foundation Children's Fund in October of 2023, the first leader from Ohio.

In addition to her work with Kiwanis, Amy has been a supporter and life member of Ambucs, which provides Amtrykes to more than 150 children and veterans through a partnership with Ohio Kiwanis. As a supporter of the Kiwanis Children's Fund, she is a George F. Hixson Fellow, charter Walter Zeller Fellow and Dr. Wil Blechman Fellow. She has also received the Kiwanis International Centennial Award.

Some of Amy's fondest memories from Carroll High School are her trip to Europe which inspired her love for travel and helping people all over the world. Her involvement in Key Club sparked her interest in Kiwanis and paved the way for her valuable life's passion. She enjoyed science experiments in Ms. Dillon's class which encouraged her pursuit of an engineering degree. Amy's participation in volleyball, track/field, and basketball brings back many good memories of team camaraderie and motivated her to walk onto the UC track team. Her greatest memory and honor, though, is being chosen as Patriot of the Year and earning the Religion Award at graduation. Her prayer life and relationships with her Godchildren are treasured times.



## **Robert S. Fisher, Jr. Class of 1975**

Bob received his M.B.A. from Harvard Business School, B.A. from Kenyon College, and A.A. from Sinclair Community College. Bob's wife (Leslie Portune '77), brothers (Bill '77, Keith '78), sister (Myrna Gazzero '81), and numerous nieces and nephews are also Carroll graduates. While at Carroll, Bob established a business that manufactured concrete slabs for the HVAC industry. After several years of successful operation, he sold the company to finance his college education.



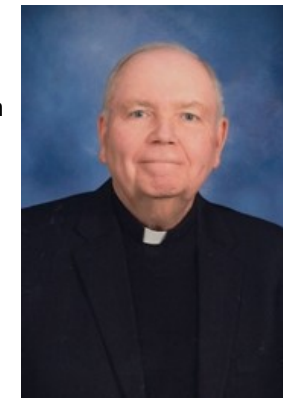
As an entrepreneur and senior business executive, Bob managed manufacturing businesses worldwide, including a global high-tech business with over 2,000 employees in Asia, Europe and North America. His career spanned a wide variety of technology-oriented industries including factory automation, electronic sensors, power distribution, automotive, robotics, precision measurement equipment, and networking switches/routers. The businesses Bob managed won numerous awards including the Shingo Prize for Excellence in Manufacturing, Cisco Systems Supplier of the Year, and Jabil All-Stars.

Bob retired from business at age 45 to pursue humanitarian efforts focused primarily on helping young people make informed education and career decisions. As Managing Director of the National Education Empowerment Foundation, he conducted career and education planning sessions for thousands of students, parents, teachers, and guidance counselors. Bob published a non-commercial website with hundreds of the best "free" career/education planning resources. As a business professor at the University of South Florida, he taught Marketing Management and created/taught the Career Empowerment course which enabled students to make informed career choices and develop specific education and career plans for success. He also wrote numerous articles, presented at district/state conferences, and participated in TV/radio interviews.

Bob fondly remembers his years at Carroll as some of the best years of his life: forming many life-long friendships, meeting his wife of 43 years, receiving an outstanding education, and developing Christian values. "Carroll football games, basketball games, sock-hops, and Spring Carnival were a blast." Other highlights included torch running to the football games and performing in plays (Flowers for Algernon, The Mouse that Roared). "A class banner reminding us that 'We've Only Just Begun' made us excited about new adventures after graduation." Bob remains dedicated to his Carroll Alma Mater and currently resides with Leslie in their homes in FL/TN.

## **Rev. James J. Manning Class of 1966**

Ordained a Roman Catholic priest in 1975, Fr. Jim also holds Masters degrees from the Athenaeum of Ohio (M.Ph. and M.Th.) and Xavier University (M.Ed.). For the past 48 years, he has served at La Salle High School, Saint Bernard Parish, Saint Aloysius Parish, Saint James Parish, Saint Henry Parish, Saint Albert the Great Parish, Archbishop Alter High School, Saint Mary of the Assumption Parish, and Saint Augustine Parish.



Fr. Jim was a visionary leader as the first President of Archbishop Alter High School where he formed the Board of Limited Jurisdiction and helped bring about major capital campaign renovations. He also was instrumental in the vision and the strategic planning process that resulted in the relocation of Saint Mary Parish from Franklin to Springboro, the building of a new church, and the regionalization of Saint Mary of the Assumption Parish with Saint Augustine Parish in Waynesville.

He is presently the Parochial Vicar (Associate) to the Family of Parishes of Saint Mary of the Assumption, Saint Henry, and Our Lady of Good Hope—one of the fastest growing boundary parish families in Ohio. He is committed to seeing the strategic planning process of engagement, growth, and debt reduction to its completion.

Friend of all ages, trusted by peers, counselor and mentor to all, he has led his parishes and schools to a fuller understanding of their faith and has never forgotten his own Carroll roots and classmates.

A profound Carroll memory of Fr. Jim's is when he was contemplating the priesthood while in high school, he sought guidance from Fr. Neiheisel. Upon encouragement to enter the seminary, he quotes Fr. Neiheisel: "You will know in a minute if you are meant to be there. If not, you can be at Wright State in your backyard by Christmas." Fr. Jim laughs, "He was right! Nine years in the seminary followed and 48 years as a priest!"

## **Ron Reigelsperger Class of 1966**

Ron earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Wright State University and continued at Xavier University for some post-graduate classes. Ron was employed by the Montgomery County Juvenile Court for 32 years. He began as a traditional probation officer and quickly realized there was so much more he could do for at-risk youth than the standard care afforded in that position.



He teamed up with Mike Pratt who had created a new program called Building Bridges and began a lifelong journey of serving at-risk youth in a personal and transcendent way. Ron, with the backing of Building Bridges, placed youth in helping situations and allowed them the opportunity to realize their value while contributing to their communities. Ron advanced to be the Director of that program and encouraged his staff to engage with the youth and their families in meaningful ways that left the youth with a mentor for life.

His theory in supporting youth was simple - "WW"- Whatever Works! You could find Ron and his staff at all hours of weekdays and weekends going the extra mile to make sure that their youth felt the support and care of a loving adult. He also worked for many years with service clubs to recruit volunteers as well as financial support for the Building Bridges program.

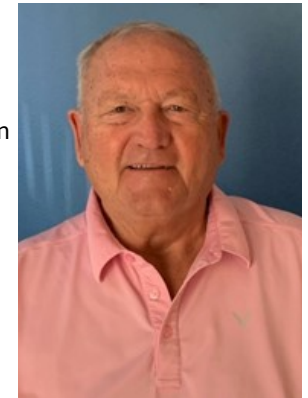
In 2002, Ron received the Brother Raymond L. Fitz, S.M., Ph.D. Award from Montgomery County Office of Family and Children First.

Ron's contribution to his community shows up still, 11 years after his March 15, 2012 passing, as his former clients attribute their positive outcomes solely to Ron's commitment to their success. He truly dedicated himself to making the world a better place for all of us.

Ron is survived by his wife, Karen, and his children - Brad '89 (Melanie), Mandy '01 (Scott), and Curt '05 (Kayla). Their grandchildren are Grant (Kaitlin), Megan, Tommie and Auggie.

## **James Thomeczek Class of 1966**

Jim served six years in the Ohio Air National Guard and received his Associate degree in accounting from Miami Jacobs Junior College. He joined his family business, Northwestern Tools, Inc., while attending Carroll High School and worked at the business for over 50 years, retiring as CEO.



As Chairman of Northwestern Tools, Inc., his company went global and thrived. He also received two patents for specialty tools relating to the industry. He purchased two additional companies, American Drill Bushing (Georgia), a manufacturer of hoist rings and lifting devices and TSB (Georgia), a specialty product bending company. He is still working as President of American Drill Bushing and TSB.

Jim has spent his adult life assisting with Catholic education and parishes. He has voluntarily served as finance committee member, coach, festival chairman, and bus driver for Carroll athletic teams. He has provided extraordinary financial support to Archbishop Carroll High School, including the electronic signage in front of the building, remodeling of one of the science labs, contributing to the entrance steps replacement project in front of the school, renovation of the chapel, as well as other projects. He has been an active member of St. Helen Parish in Dayton, St. Mary of the Assumption Church in Springboro, and Resurrection Church in Winter Garden, Florida.

Jim and his wife, Marilyn Horstman Thomeczek, have three grown children who are all Carroll High School alumni - Amy '90 (John Chico), Jennifer '93 (Kevin Gerry), and Brian '96 (Ronit Thomeczek). They have nine grandchildren - Ben, Grace, Kevin, Andrew, Kate, Nicholas, Daniel, Matthew, and Ella. They live in Dayton; but consider themselves "snowbirds", living in Winter Garden, Florida for several months of the year. They enjoy travelling, especially to Las Vegas, and taking cruises.

Jim remembers the bonfires and the football games at Carroll. He recalls pulling out and unfolding the tarp on the gym floor and setting up folding chairs for First Friday Mass. His sophomore year, Jim played baseball and basketball for Coach Jim Hemmert. He claims he was never any good but enjoyed the camaraderie of the team. He learned that you didn't have to be a star at something to enjoy what you are doing. Jim also learned to make the most of the opportunities one is given. Those are two of his live-by-life philosophies.