

ALUMNI GRAPEVINE NEWSLETTER #110

JUNE 2022

NEWS FROM HUNT HOOL

ASSUMPTION HIGH SCHOOL

- 604 ACS Students
- 121 Assumption College Catholic Middle School Students
- 350 ACS International Bachelorette Students
- ACS Graduation—June 27 2022
- 67 Staff Members

The Alumni Association would like to invite anyone interested in joining the Alumni Association, to please contact Hunt Hool at Hunthool@hotmail.com

The Alumni Association meets regularly on the third Wednesday of the month from 7-9 pm at Assumption College Catholic High School.

Well, it is the year 2022, two years after the horrible covid-19 pandemic started. I sincerely wish that everyone has survived it, mentally and physically, and bless all those who have passed, and those mourning the loss of loved ones.

Back to "normal", whatever that is now, with the revival of the ACH Alumni Golf Tournament, the continuance of the Newsletter, and your Alumni Committee's work to keep all alumni in touch with one another, and informed about the current activities of our beloved Assumption High School. As far as the 150th anniversary ACH reunion that was cancelled in 2020, the committee is constantly assessing the situation as we move forward gingerly.

On a couple personal notes, the Hool family has added another member, Abigail Isabella Marie Hool, on February 2, 2022, joining her brother Nathan Hunt Hool (2 yrs). So, as the family has lost two, Jack and Jane, we have gained two, such is the circle of life.

Secondly, my father, Jack Hool, was inducted into the Windsor Essex County Sports Hall of Fame on May 13th, 2022. He was a fantastic athlete in his years at Assumption College High, 1949-53, then Assumption University, 1954-58, following his one year at the University of Michigan, 1953-54, as a "walk-on", making the Wolverine basketball and baseball teams.

He returned to teach and coach at ACH in 1958, coaching the football team from 1958-66, and the basketball team from 1958-84. His players were always regarded as family, and there were many winning seasons, championships, and life-long friendships. Our family is very proud of all of his accomplishments

Hunt Hool '79

ACS ALUMNI COMMITTEE

Hunt Hool, President
Bruno Limarzi, Finance Officer
Lisa Paolatto, Secretary
Members at large:
Robert Sartor
Michael Duchene
Fr. Q. Johnson
Linda Presello
Cris Kohl
Denis Malette
David Gruska



meet face to face as a committee on May 18, 2022 at Assumption High School. Especially seeing Fr. Q! Thanks to Bruno

Limarzi for taking

the picture.

It was a blessing to

L to R: Rob Sartor, Cris Kohl, Fr. O Johnson, Michael Duchene, Linda Presello and Hunt Hool



Dear Mr. Brunet, Principal of Assumption College Catholic High School:

Attached/disclosed is a memento from my father's belongings. He passed a number of years ago and we came across this book recently. He always spoke of his experience there and attributed the positive things following his father's death to his experience there. His name is Clarence Heufelder '40 and before he went off to serve his Country, the United States in World War 2, he attended your school. When I looked on your website, I did not see that you had any yearbook prior to 1941. As you many know, the year my dad graduated was a 70th year anniversary.

As I round third base and head for home, and there are no folks left to have interest in my dad's high school yearbook, I thought I would send it to your school. My dad went off to war, lost a leg and came back through adversity to become a High School teacher, fathered four children and adopted one, and passed his faith to the children. We all went to a Catholic School because of his positive experience in yours. I hope that you can pass this on to whoever would care and treat it with the respect it deserves. Dad is survived at this point by one son, me, and one adopted

daughter. My other siblings have passed.

Please pardon any presumption on my part. I could not bear to discard this book, but by default if I had not sent it to you, it would need another end not worthy of the memories it contains.

Regards, George Heufelder gheufeld@capecod.net

Note from the Editor, Mrs. Linda Presello '81—Mr. George Heufelder was contacted and we had a wonderful conversation. We will be sending a copy of this newsletter to him. Thank you George for the wonderful letter and donation of your father's 1940 Yearbook.

From Richard H. Donald '52—Dear Century Club Members. It was truly a blessing to have just received #109 copy of the Grapevine Newsletter after an absence of so long that was forced on you for so long. I was thrilled to see the Newsletter #109 in my mail. Enclosed is a cheque for \$200.00 which will help you a bit with the wonderful work you are doing in keeping in touch. Does anyone there know of Charlie Hickey who was a Basilian in the '50s but withdrew from the order. He was a classmate at Osqood Hall Law School?

* Note from Editor, Linda Presello '81. I did reach out to the Basilian Fathers and they have lost touch with Mr. Hickey. *Fr. Leo Burns '52—C.S.B.—* Thank you Fr. Leo for your recent donation to the Assumption Scholarships.

Ronald Klamt '48—A great school from 1944-1948. I recently lost my wife in January 2019. Please say a prayer for her.

Robert Ruel '55—Hi Guys. It's hard to believe that it's been 66 years since I graduated. Best wishes to you all.

Dear Assumption College Catholic High School: Thank you for sending the Newsletter. I always enjoy it. My husband Tom graduated in 1947. He later graduated from Villanova University in suburban Philadelphia. He was a wonderful teacher for many years. *Mary Lou Dondero.*

Dear Mrs. Presello—I regret to inform you that my uncle, Joseph Patrick Finn, passed away earlier this year. I have attached a copy of the Obituary from the Montreal Gazette. Regards Fr. Paul Finn (nephew)

Joseph Patrick Finn '45 passed away May 28, 2021, in his 93rd year, of complications from cancer. Patrick is survived by his sister Clarice Friesen of Windsor, Ontario, his nephew, Fr. Paul Finn of Kingston, Ontario, and numerous other nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sister Maureen Lund (Jerry) and by his brothers, Frank and Joseph (Eleanor). Born in Windsor, Ontario, Patrick attended Assumption High School and Assumption College. After receiving his B.A. in 1950, he attended a journalism program at Fordham University, in New York City, following which he began his first job as a reporter with the Sarnia Observer. After covering local news in Sarnia, Ontario for three years, he was hired by British United Press (later UPI) and served as a correspondent in a succession of Canadian cities including Toronto, Winnipeg, Halifax, Ottawa (Parliamentary Press Gallery), London and Montreal. In Montreal, he left UPI for Weekend Magazine, but returned to his roots as newspaper reporter a few years later, in 1964, when he accepted a position with the Montreal Star. At the Star he wrote for the business section and also covered transportation, science and defence issues. After the Star folded, in 1979, he found work as a communications officer and speechwriter for Canadian Pacific. A long-time resident of Westmount, Patrick was a man of deep faith, a radio enthusiast, an avid salmon fisherman and always a keen follower of the news. He retained his sharp mind throughout his life.

ASSUMPTION NEWS

MESSAGE FROM PETER HRASTOVEC '75

Hi Linda:

This was taken after our Class of '75 Autumn Classic Golf Tournament organized by Art Magri and Mike Niziolek, held on Friday October 22, 2021 at Ambassador Golf Club. It was a great opportunity to have some fun, share some laughs and try to crawl back to normal in this pandemic age.



Left to right (standing at the back): Brian Brannagan, Gerry Pageau, Dave Roberts, Frank Tramontozzi, Ted Patterson, Duane Parent, Art Magri, Andy Broderick. **Seated and or kneeling (left to right):** Marty Beneteau, Mark Neilson, Mike Niziolek, Peter Hrastovec, Mark

David DuPerron '76 writes: "I always enjoy receiving our Alumni Newsletter. One of my sons, Jason DuPerron, died tragically. Please keep him in your prayers."

Zakoor, Mark Bortolotti, Terry Bachynski, Sal Cimino.



Kevin Masterson visits ACS

Kevin Masterson '51—I am most grateful to Fr. Harrison, Frank Manichetti, and Fr. Cyril Udall for the training, teaching and inspirations they gave me during my years at Assumption 1947-51. They put me on the path to a musical career. I will never forget them.



L to R Mario Barresi, Gaspare Rubino, Joe Iacono, Dino Capucci, Nick Iannicello

REMEMBERING PAULINE KENNEY- A TRUE RAIDER

Pauline Kenney – February 6, 1933 - February 16, 2022

Heaven has a new angel...Pauline Kenney. She is now with other guardian angels watching over our Assumption family. I'm blessed to have known her for years as she worked at our school and as a valued and active part of our Alumni activities. I considered her a dear friend, talking to her while in the hospital in her last weeks...she had hoped to join me at a future Caboto lunch. I will cherish the memories of her easy-going way, wonderful smile and genuine friendship.

Pauline was a member of the Assumption Mothers' Club that put on fairs, fashion shows and many other fund-raising activities to help the school stay viable. She was also part of the Assumption Math Mothers, who monitored math testing in the basement of the school. Pauline became a main office secretary in 1985. All through this time she also helped Fr. Ron Cullen in the Alumni Office with the newsletter and annual reunion.

Even after her retirement in 2000, she continued to volunteer, especially in the Alumni Office. Many newsletters have been folded, addressed and sorted for mailing by Pauline. She became our finest proofreader of the Alumni newsletter! Even though we tried our best, she would find corrections or omissions. It became a fun challenge to try and stump Pauline...to no avail...she always found something! We loved that about her!

At the annual reunion, she was the one to welcome you as you entered the school to attend Mass in the chapel. She also sold the beverage tickets to you in the gym and helped wherever she was needed.

She enjoyed meeting up with retired staff members at monthly Caboto or Ciociaro Club lunches. She also enjoyed the wonderful 'tea gatherings' of retired Assumption female staff members. We truly enjoyed catching up news with those attending.

Many staff recount her dedication to Assumption, her kindness and always making sure she had the supplies you requested while staying on budget (even during our chalk and paper ration!).

She is remembered as being one of the nicest persons you could meet. She was kind, caring, friendly, always had time for you. She had a warm smile and a great love for her family. That was truly evident in conversations with her.

Fr. Don McLeod, who taught English from 1967-1974 and then became Principal from 1982-1986, shared some memories:

"Pauline was both a valued co-worker when we were both at Assumption (way back when), and a continuing long-time good friend. Probably the sharpest memory that I have, is that while we were both in the Main Office, Pauline was our "eye of the hurricane" -- no matter what was going down, she was the epitome of calmness, kindness and reassurance, untouched and unfazed by whatever whirlwind happened to be blowing at the time. I truly valued her calm demeanor and wise counsel at those times.

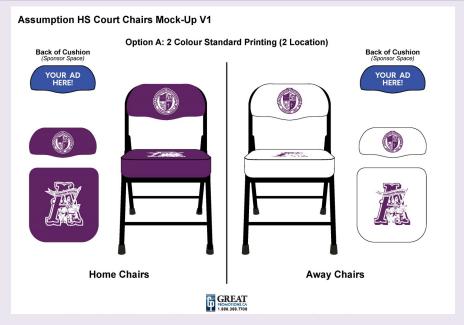
Also, long after we had both moved on from the school, we remained in touch, at the very least exchanging Christmas greetings once a year as well as re-connecting whenever I was able to get to a reunion (which I know she always provided invaluable assistance to the reunion committee in the organizational aspects). Those opportunities came more infrequently as I became more and more ensconced in the West, but I still treasure fond memories of the times I was able to attend."

Pauline is survived by Robert T. Kenney, her husband of 64 years, her son Perry '79 and wife Lucy, her daughter Mary '84 and husband Kim Holmes and her beloved grandson, Jesse Holmes of whom she was so proud!

She will be missed and fondly remembered by many in our Assumption community as a wonderful lady, a true Raider!

May she rest in eternal peace.

ASSUMPTION HIGH SCHOOL TEAM CHAIRS



If anyone has ever played sports in the Assumption Gym in the past 30 years, you were probably sitting on the same benches the present day Purple Raider athletes are sitting on. The Assumption Alumni Committee, in conjunction with the school, are looking at purchasing a full set of home and visitor chairs for all ACS home games in our beloved Fr. Armstrong Gym. A full set includes, 30 chairs and storage rack.

The cost of the chairs and storage cart is approximately \$9000.00. We are looking to help reduce the cost by inviting Alumni to sponsor a chair for \$250.00 each. This will ensure your name, Grad year class, or in memory of, will permanently be placed on the chairs for many years to come.

The Alumni Committee made the decision to only permit personal or a "Class of " sponsorship only, non-commercial sponsorship.

Cheques may be sent to:

Assumption College Catholic High School, 1100 Huron Church Rd., Windsor, ON N9C 2K7

Attention: L. Presello

E-Transfers to Assumption College Catholic High School can be sent to genvm101@wecdsb.on.ca Security Question is: Mascot Security Answer: Raider

** In order to be eligible to a charitable donation receipt for the chair, please send an email to:

genvm101@wecdsb.on.ca indicating:

- A request for a charitable donation receipt
- first and last name
- Mailing address (including postal code)
- Phone number
- Donation amount \$250
- Date of donation

CENTURY CLUB CONTRIBUTIONS

The Century Club is composed of those former students and friends who have contributed \$100.00 or more within a given year to the Alumni Fund to Sponsor Alumni Activities including the Newsletter. The following are individuals who have generously made a contribution. We thank you for your continued support.

NEW!! ** Contributions can now be made through e-transfer at ACHALUMNI@gmail.com**

Century Club Contributions

Broughton, Sean Allen Birch, Michael Donald, Judge Richard Dondero, Mrs. Mary Fleming, Lenora Hool, Hunt Leveque, Kelly Masterson, Kevin McMahon, Joseph O' Linn, Michael J Papp, George P Paron, Dave Stroia, Eugene

Ruel, Robert G Petho, Louis C. III Other Contributions

Caira, Pietro Kefgen, Robert Duchene, Michael Limarzi, Bruno

DuPerron, David Souliere, Ray

FOR ALL ACS ALUMNI AND FAMILIES LOST

Adam, Patricia – sister-in-law of deceased staff member Joe Laporte

Alessi, Joseph '52

Dettinger, Vince '81

DuPerron, Jason- son of David '76

Finn, Patrick '45

Gibala, Joseph – father of Joe '84, Mary '86, Michael '90

Heufelder, Clarence '40

Jeannette, James '73

Kenney, Pauline – retired Main Office Secretary 1985-2000

Kornacker. Bob '57

Maciel-Curran, Jane '78 – Sister of Brad '77, Paul '80, MaryAnn '83, Peter '85, Jeff '88

Mayea, Blaise—father of Denise (Hrastovec) '75, Mike '76, Greg '78, Yvette (Sztorc) '79

Miruzzi, Emmanuel '56

Koscic, Lisa (Spickett) '76 – daughter of Ernie '47 (d), sister of Laura '73, Ernie Jr. '76 (d),

Roberts, Larry '54

Sisti, Ferruccio—Father of retired staff member Anna Sisti

Matthew '77, Mark '79, Leslie '82 **Pageau, John Eugene** '45

"You knew me Lord, before I was born. You shaped me into your image and líkeness. Welcome me home."

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ASSUMPTION RAIDERS CELEBRATE MASS TOGETHER



Linda Presello '81 Campus Minister—After 2 1/2 years, the Assumption Community gathered once again at the Table for the first School Mass. Our Celebrant, Fr. Steven Huber, was wonderful and we could feel the excitement in the Fr. Armstrong gym once again. Over 750 students and staff from ASC and ACCMS, came together with guests from the WECDSB as we celebrated Catholic Education Week. This year's theme was so fitting, "Rebuild, Restore and Renew Together". These past two years have been a challenge to everyone. It has been harder on some than others. In these days when we may begin to see the end of this challenging time, we are called to work hard to build back community. God's people are resilient and many have served others to get us all through this. Please continue to keep the students and staff in your prayers. We have a long road ahead of us. May the spiritual, emotional, and personal healing continue to be a priority in our lives.



Dwayne Brunet '89 - After 4 1/2 years, Assumption College Catholic High School's Principal will be moving on to Holy Names Catholic High School September 2022. Dwayne has dedicated his time at ACS as a proud Alumnus, always instilling the Basilian Motto: "Teach Me Goodness, Discipline and Knowledge" to students and staff. We wish Dwayne all the best, the roots have been planted, your blood will always remain forever purple. Thank you Dwayne for all that you have done for the Raider Community.



We welcome Melissa Cavallin as our new Principal. Melissa is no stranger to the Raider Community. She has been our Vice-Principal for the past 4 years. Melissa is married to Shawn, and together they have three beautiful children, Sofia, Chiara and Gemma. Melissa is excited to serve in the community where she began her teaching career. She taught at Assumption from 2003-2010. Melissa loves the family feel of this great school and she looks forward to carrying on the tradition of "Goodness, Discipline and Knowledge".

"We must restore hope to young people, help the old, be open to the future, spread love. Be poor among the poor. We need to include the excluded and preach peace."

Pope Francis



Kyle Cowan joins us from St. Anne's High School as a Vice-Principal, the very school he graduated from in 1994. He attended the University of Windsor and began his teaching career in 2000. Kyle taught at St. Michael's Adult on Manning and 42 Campus, (which has been demolished), Catholic Central (which is also being demolished..."I am sensing a pattern here"). Kyle has taught many difference courses and worn many hats which include classroom teacher, cooperative education teacher, guidance counsellor and now Vice-Principal. He is looking forward to the move to Assumption and the opportunity to be part of the school's rich history. Welcome to the Raider Community?