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ON THE COVER

Father Timothy Wratkowski '09 and Archbishop Bernard Hebda at the Ordination Mass at the Cathedral of St. Paul on May 27, 2017. Photo by Dave Hrbacek '79.

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MISSION STATEMENT

Totino-Grace is an Archdiocesan co-educational Catholic high school in the Lasallian tradition. Welcoming a student body that is academically, economically, and culturally diverse, we strive for equity and excellence in all programs. Recognizing the key elements of our mission as learning, faith, community, and service, we seek to provide a safe environment that places priority on mutual respect, self-discipline, and acknowledgment of our responsibility in the world community.

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From the

President's Desk

When the School Sisters of Notre Dame and the Christian Brothers opened the doors to Archbishop Grace High School back in 1966, their purpose was to help our students know God, love God, and live the Gospel. They wanted students to feel welcomed, respected, and loved. That was the focus when our school opened its doors over 50 years ago, and that's the focus of our school today.

At TG, we believe young people need to know two things more than anything else. First, they need to feel loved -- by their parents, teachers, and God. Second, they need to feel worthy, that they have something of significance to contribute to this world. Our small class sizes and numerous co-curricular opportunities are impactful in affording teachers and coaches the means to challenge, encourage, and support our students to become the best possible versions of themselves -- and that is how we change lives.

As you will read in this issue's feature, the experiences our graduates had during their high school years led them to pursue their passions and interests and use their God-given talents to make a difference in the lives of others. The classroom experiences, opportunities to explore and develop skills, and encouragement from teachers and mentors played a notable role in their educational and professional pursuits.

The Lasallian expression "Together and by Association" describes a promise to make a difference in young people's lives through relationships and education, and that is what generations of faculty, staff, alumni, parents, and benefactors have accomplished. Totino-Grace is focused on helping our students live better lives. We have been blessed with a community dedicated to helping students discover their passions and pursue personal and professional success.

I am so proud of the contributions of our alumni and know our current and future Eagles will enjoy the same sense of belonging, academic preparation, personal challenge, and faith development that will lead them to surpass their potential.

Enjoy this issue of the Continuum,

Dr. Craig W. Junker President

Passions into Career Success

Archbishop Grace and Totino-Grace graduates share what sparked their passions and drove them to pursue professional experiences connected to high school interests and aptitudes.

Answering the Vocational Call to the Priesthood



FATHER TIM WRATKOWSKI, CLASS OF 2009

High School Co-curricular Activities

Soccer, Basketball, Baseball, Campus Ministry, Lasallian Youth, Symphonic Band, Jazz Band

Favorite TG Memories and Traditions

- Participating in the Minnesota State Soccer Tournament in the Metrodome.
- Campus Ministry mission trips to Browning, Montana and Kansas City, Missouri.
- Homecoming Week festivities, especially the class competitions on the last day of the week!

During high school, I lived in St. Anthony and attended St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School for elementary and middle school. My parents and I thought that going to a Catholic school was important for my siblings and me; to be able to talk about God in the classroom is an essential part of education! My father, Tom, is a 1976 graduate of Archbishop Grace High School and my siblings Becky '06, Dan '11, and Katie '14 are also alumni.

When I was young, the witness of our parish priests at St. Charles Borromeo (we usually had two) made a deep impression on me. Many of them were very joyful priests, and seeing their joy in serving the Lord allowed for an openness in my own life to follow that example. In addition to this, my parents taught my siblings and me that our Catholic faith is lived not just on Sundays but in all aspects of our lives. They taught us to pray and to be open to

God's will. From these two examples of witness, I began to consider the possibility of becoming a priest. However, becoming a priest was not always the most popular option in my mind, especially when I thought of the sacrifices it entailed and the other paths in life I possibly wanted to pursue.

While at TG, my Introduction to Theology class with Mr. Bill Vance reignited an excitement and an interest to study Theology in seminary. I really enjoyed my time studying French with Mr. Cepress, and I learned a lot about how to study a language from him. Having already studied a romance language helped me to learn Italian – important because in Rome my class lectures are in Italian. Lastly, I would say that my English classes with Mr. Schwalen helped me to learn to write well, which is kind of important when you are a priest. The science classes, believe it or not,

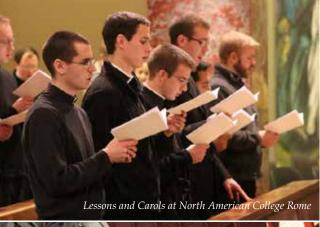
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Turning High School Passions into Career Success

DIPARTIMENTO DI TEOLOGIA MORALE Anno Accademico 2016-2017 CROCE Moral Theology Class at Santa Croce







have helped me in my study of bioethics, which requires a baseline knowledge about biological systems and certain scientific principles in order to begin any sort of moral appraisal of particular practices.

There were two main experiences during high school that God used to draw me toward answering his call to the priesthood. The first was the experience of volunteering to tutor, pack meals at Feed My Starving Children, and visit nursing homes through Campus Ministry. There were always opportunities to volunteer each week, and I discovered through these experiences how rewarding it was to give of oneself. Through volunteering my time and gifts, I discovered that my life was fuller, I was more joyful, and that it was through giving that one receives. It helped me to realize how when God calls all of us to lives of service, that it is actually for our own good.

Another important experience happened during a mission trip to Kansas City in the fall of my senior year. We were encountering the poor and homeless in a poorer neighborhood of the city while living and working at a Catholic Worker House. One evening, there was Mass at that house, and at one point, one of the men there spoke about his experience of coming to have faith and of becoming Catholic. He recounted to us that before he had the gift of faith, his life as a homeless man made no sense. His suffering made no sense. One evening he was welcomed into that very house while Mass was taking place, and he eventually became Catholic. Now, he was saying to us, he knows of the God who loves him and whose own Son suffered. In that light, his own suffering started to have meaning and his life started to have meaning. That story made a deep impact on me because I saw how great a gift the gift of faith is. It was at that moment that I started to consider the priestly vocation, especially as one who shares the faith with people.

God's call to me occurred throughout my youth. However, it took a lot of encouragement from others and from God to actually make the decision to enter seminary. During spring of my senior year, I took the question of whether to enter the seminary to prayer. I prayed in front of the Blessed Sacrament in the adoration chapel at St. Charles. It was there that I experienced again the affirmation of God's love for me and I could trust in His plan, which was not for my woe but for my happiness!

After graduating high school, I spent four years at St. John Vianney College Seminary in St. Paul, majoring in philosophy and Catholic Studies, as well as completing a minor in classical languages. Another defining moment in my vocational journey was the decision to study theology at the American Seminary in Rome, which is called the Pontifical North American College. I was approached by the Archbishop and asked to consider doing my theological studies in Rome. This was a big decision, as I knew it was a sign of my commitment to continue all the way to priesthood and that I was willing to be away from home for two whole years before I would be able to come back and visit. In praying about this decision, God affirmed his call for me and increased my desire to follow the path he had for me.

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While I received formation for the priesthood at the American Seminary, I attended academic courses at Pontifical Universities in Rome. For the first three years, I attended the Jesuit school Gregorian University, and I received a general theology degree, the first of three ecclesiastical degrees, called a Bachelor of Sacred Theology. Currently, I am finishing the second year of a two-year license program specializing in moral theology at the University of the Holy Cross. Upon the completion of this second year, I will receive a Licentiate of Sacred Theology. After this, my plan is to return to the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis and serve in a local parish.

I look forward to finally being done with school and as generic as it sounds, I think the biggest thing I look forward to is being able to settle in at a parish and walk with those the Lord puts in my path. It has been a while since I have been in a parish for the whole year, so it will be good to finally have that opportunity to serve a parish community as their priest.

To those considering the call to consecrated life or the priesthood: pray about it, speak about it with someone, especially a priest, and have courage! For me to make the decision to enter, I had to talk to the Lord about it. I had to let Him have the opportunity to show me His plan. Know that

you are not alone. There are many men and women who are discerning priesthood and consecrated life. In Rome, I live in a house with around two hundred seminarians from all over the United States, and we are just one seminary! Have courage that seminary provides the time and the means for you to discern your vocation along with the Church who discerns along with you. Sometimes men enter the seminary and then discern further that the Lord is not calling them. That is what seminary is for!

Advice I have for today's high school students regarding educational and career choices is to know that it is okay not to have it all figured out by the end of high school. It can take time. Even more importantly, make sure you ask God what you are to do. God has a plan for you and for your happiness. Make sure to consult the Author of Life.

I sometimes think about what it would have been like not to have answered God's call, and I cannot even imagine it! The most rewarding thing about answering the vocational call to the priesthood is having the peace and joy of doing God's will, which for me is being a priest. It is so gratifying to see how God is at work in his Church, and I am amazed at what he allows me to see, whether administering the Sacraments or encountering different people.

Turning High School Passions into Career Success



NANCY WINDYK UTOFT. CLASS OF 1976

When I made the transition from banking to nonprofit work, it truly was a "leap of faith." I would have stayed in banking if that's where I believed God was calling me but it became clear that God had something else for me. What unfolded in the years that followed was amazing.

I grew up in Minneapolis and attended Holy Cross with my siblings Mark '77 and Maria '80. I know it was a financial sacrifice for my parents to send three kids to Catholic schools and am so grateful for their commitment to Catholic education.

At Totino-Grace I was in the stage crew for a play and a member of the E'gals. Sr. Marjorie, E'Gals moderator, was so affirming; I was never terribly athletic, and so to even think I would have what it took to be on danceline was a stretch, but I made danceline my senior year. I worked hard with her encouragement, and was awarded "Most Improved E'Gal," which I laugh at because I wonder how bad I was when I started out!

I most remember teachers that cultivated my business-related skills: Mr. Ned Thompson, math; Br. Michael Rivers, typing; and Mr. Jim Cappelleri, bookkeeping. My bookkeeping class just clicked for me, and I enjoyed the practical application of my math skills. It sparked my decision to major in business in college.

The seeds of encouragement that were planted at Grace didn't take root until my college days and beyond. I never liked class participation, especially in those squishier (as compared to the exactness of math and bookkeeping) subjects like English, social studies, and religion. I recall enjoying those classes, but really thought that I didn't have anything to share in discussing an opinion or insight on topics covered. I remember being encouraged rather than intimidated by teachers, like Mr. Bud Paape. I realize now that the encouragement bore fruit later, especially as I began my banking career, and started to put myself out there more to offer my insights or opinions.

I spent the first half of my career in banking and had an amazing career with U.S. Bank. I was in commercial banking and had the opportunity to develop my financial, marketing, and leadership skills in a challenging — and I mean this in a positive way — environment. It was never status quo, and I had opportunities to move into positions of greater responsibility. I

appreciated the support and encouragement by U.S. Bank to be involved in the community; I don't remember a time during my 20 years there that I wasn't involved in a community organization as a volunteer.

Community service has been an important aspect of my life since college. Most of the volunteer work I have done has been around kids and families. I was fortunate to serve the TG community as a member of the Board of Directors in a number of capacities, including terms as Co-President, concluding in 2000.

When I was about 35, I felt unsettled and drawn to something else, but was not really sure what it was. With the support of a mentor and a spiritual director, I decided to take a leap of faith and leave my position to pursue work in the nonprofit sector. I landed at Catholic Charities as communications director and spent close to 10 years there in leadership roles, followed by roles with the University of St. Thomas and Senior Services Consortium of Ramsey County. I joined Abria Pregnancy Resources as the organization's Executive Director in May.

Being Catholic has been ever-present for me in my professional journey, but often more about actions than words. I try to conduct myself in my work in a way that reflects the goodness that I learned from my family and my Catholic education. During the challenging times, I was grateful that I worked in downtown Minneapolis and had access to St. Olaf Catholic Church—my parish to this day—and the haven it provided me to encounter Christ for guidance and support. When I made the transition from banking to nonprofit work, it truly was a leap of faith. I would have stayed in banking if that's where I believed God was calling me, and with the counsel of a spiritual director, it became clear that God had something else for me. What unfolded in the years that followed was amazing: the opportunity to apply my professional skills to address social issues in our community; meeting my now husband of 15 years; and finishing out my career leading an organization that affirms the dignity of every human life.

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The Elements



TIM ESHELMAN CLASS OF 1977

I have many great memories from my high school years, most significantly the great friends and teachers. The push for excellence in all I do, I think, came from the

push I got from the teachers at Grace. I would certainly advise today's students to always give their best effort and good things will follow.

The art classes from my time at Grace cultivated my creative side. I get to implement those interests and skills as a member of The Elements and through the work of my cabinet shop, Rockwood Cabinets. It's so rewarding to see the smiles on homeowners faces when they see their dreams come to fruition. I am also the Property Director for Hammer Residences, an organization that helps people with intellectual disabilities live their lives to the fullest through a variety of support services and housing.



MIKE IANNAZZO CLASS OF 1977

My parents firmly believed in a Catholic school learning environment and many lannazzo family members attended Grace and Totino-Grace: my brothers Scott '70, Jeff '73, and Jon '83;

sisters-in-law Cyndee Fournier lannazzo '70 and Kathy Melsha lannazzo '83; nephews Tony '95, Jason '97, Troy '98, Jack '16, and Ben '18; and my niece, Emily '13.

I have been a Regional Sales Manager for All Integrated Solutions, in the industrial distribution sector, for 29 years. My oldest brother, Todd, was in the same business and showed me the real potential of industrial sales sometime around 1983. I take pride in being a part of AlS's management team and steering the company in a positive direction. I find it very rewarding to meet with successful people who enrich my own professional life. I would recommend that today's students and young professionals do their research and are sure of the career they want to pursue; continue education that will lead toward a fulfilling professional path; and build a network. It takes time, but is a large part of your success.



The Elements at the 2017 Oktoberfest. Pictured left to right: Scott Iannazzo '70, Tim Eshelman '77, Mike Iannazzo '77, and bandmate Bill Donnelly.



SCOTT IANNAZZO CLASS OF 1970

Being a member of the first graduating class at Grace made my entire experience incredibly unique. With each new school year, another wing was opened. The

evolution of the school over the course of four years allowed me to get to know nearly everyone, in every grade.

I'm now in a semi-retired position as a Director of International Sales with Safco Products Company, a division of Liberty Diversified International. Early in my career, I was a high school art instructor in the St. Michael-Albertville school district. I made the decision to leave teaching in 1980, and had the opportunity to join a company which manufactured art and drafting equipment as a territory sales manager. My primary responsibilities were to call on the art and drafting dealers in my territory and conduct training and sales seminars with large architectural and engineering firms. My teaching and art background made me an excellent candidate. I have been in this industry for over 37 years.

I was always very active within the art department in high school. Having a passion for the fine arts, and joining the Grace High Rock Band, started by Mr. Greg Balego, kick started my music interest. I have used my art to help raise funds for various charities and fundraisers. Currently, I am working with the Make-A-Wish foundation with one individual to create a painting that will be auctioned at the spring Make-A-Wish Gala.

My high school art experiences have, in a roundabout way, brought me to where I am today. The pride instilled in me through the Grace experience has influenced me to continue to strive to be a better person and pursue my goals and dreams.

The most important takeaway from Grace, however, was my high school sweetheart, Cyndee Fournier '70. We have now been married 44 years and have three sons and daughters-in-law and four wonderful grandchildren.



GAIL BRAUN MIKOLICH CLASS OF 1984

High school is a small step in a long journey. Enjoy every day and feel blessed that you have the opportunity to attend a great school like Totino-Grace.

Growing up, I lived in Brooklyn Park and I attended St. Alphonsus grade school. I did not want to attend the public middle school in my district. At that time middle school was 7th -9th grade. I begged my parents to send me to TG for one year promising I would go to the public high school the following year. After one year my parents decided that TG was the right place for me. They liked it so much they sent my three younger brothers, Pat '85, Tim '88, and Jon '92, to TG as well.

I was on the volleyball team all four years at TG, played basketball my freshman year, and softball my freshman, sophomore, and junior years. My favorite memories revolve around volleyball and the fun we had. I now enjoy being a volleyball parent with my two daughters playing in the program, Lauren, a junior, and Claire, a freshman. My favorite teachers in high school were Mr. Bernie Litecky and Mrs. Neuman. Mr. Balego, Mr. Thompson, and Mrs. Mitteco coached many of the sports teams I was on so they were certainly a positive influence. Mr. Thompson was definitely my go-to guy if I needed help with anything.

I am the Chief Operating Officer for Northeast Bank in Minneapolis and have been with the company for 31 years. I did not grow up thinking I wanted to be a banker. In some ways I fell into it, but I'm sure glad I did. I loved my accounting classes at Totino-Grace; there was something exciting about making general ledger entries and getting things to balance. At the age of 23, I convinced bank management that I was the best candidate to supervise the data processing department of my bank. They were concerned about my youth, rightfully so, but gave me the opportunity. The rest is history.

I love seeing people succeed. My passion is developing leadership skills in young people by utilizing their strengths and creating learning experiences that assist them with their professional goals. This year I was given the opportunity to create a leadership development plan for my organization. This challenge has been extremely rewarding in both the creation and implementation of the plan.

In my career I am most proud of being elected the chair of the Minnesota Bankers Association. Being elected to represent the great bankers of Minnesota was an enormous honor; I am just the second woman in its 127 year history to have had that honor.

I find it significantly rewarding to volunteer and serve in a variety of capacities. Financial Women International, Inc. is an organization focused on helping women develop leadership skills. There, I was able to learn and practice these skills through my work on their board of directors. It was probably the most impactful learning I experience of my younger years.

As a board member and then board chair of the North Community YMCA I was able to utilize my skills by helping the executive director, also a former TG student, set goals and work within budgets. It was also exciting to be part of an organization that has a positive influence on the lives of so many people.

The Minnesota Bankers Association (MBA) represents approximately 95% of the banks in Minnesota. They support banks through education and training in both technical banking knowledge and leadership development. In addition, the MBA is deeply connected to the state and federal legislature and works to educate our representatives on the impact of regulation for both banks and consumers. I have served in a number of board leadership and committee roles for the association.

The Graduate School of Banking at Colorado embraces a mission of helping community bank executives advance their careers and organizational performance by providing the highest quality education and training while honing leadership and management skills. I, along with five other instructors, teach a course entitled Bank Simulation. In this course, students work in teams to make daily decisions in running a bank, ultimately hoping that the decisions they make lead them to being named "best bank" in their class community at the end of the course.

Being involved in your faith community can be a wonderful experience. I enjoyed the work I was involved in at Epiphany, on finance and marketing committees, at both the parish and school.

Catholic schools are transformative. Your faith is with you all the time; most of the time you may not even realize that your faith is in action. It is the foundation of the core values that you develop as you mature. It influences how you treat people and how you allow other people to be treated. Your faith also gives you a place to go to when you have to make the difficult decisions or you face major challenges and obstacles in your life. I am grateful for my time in Catholic schools.

Banking is a great career choice. I often describe banking as a way to help people realize their dreams. Whether it is buying a house, saving for retirement, or starting a business, bankers are the foundation of any great community. In addition, banks contribute to their communities through volunteer efforts and charitable giving. If you are a person who loves business and/or numbers, and want to make a difference in the lives of others, banking is an excellent career option.

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MARTY SCHUTZ, CLASS OF 1984

Advice I would give to someone considering the legal field would be go for it, but learn to laugh at all of the good lawyer jokes. There are many, and you will hear them often. More importantly, there are many distractions that creep into our lives, both personally and professionally, but learn to separate the distractions from what is most important...doing God's work as your vocation and staying focused on the task at hand. Finally, prepare, prepare, and prepare some more.

I attended St. Raphael's and later Immaculate Conception after my family moved within walking distance to TG around 1977. As the youngest of six children, I vividly recall attending sporting events for my older siblings, Sunday Masses in the school, the annual Snow-Daze winter carnival, Marathon for Non-Public Education, and many other events as a grade schooler, eagerly awaiting my freshman year. I was immersed in the Grace/TG community and was thrilled with being a part of "Eagle Country."

At Totino-Grace, I played baseball and football, ran track, and wrestled. I was involved in band and served in campus ministry and student government my junior and senior years. I always looked forward to Snow-Daze events, Homecoming Week, and decorating the Commons for the Christmas season — especially senior year when the class of 1984 succeeded in getting a larger Christmas tree, and more wreaths to hang on classroom doors, than the class of 1983.

I had very hard working parents who instilled in me that attending Totino-Grace was a privilege, not a right, and this was echoed by most of my teachers and friends in high school. Further, I had excellent teachers and friends. From a practical point of view, though, I had many leadership roles and public speaking opportunities while at Totino-Grace, which I believe helped shape my character and build my confidence.

Although we never had pre-law or a formal debate team at Totino-Grace, I always enjoyed debating issues, or arguing as some would say, especially with former 1984 classmates Tim Zelmer and Dan Neus — both of whom were much more skilled than me. Attending law school was certainly a remote possibility for me at that time, but I always had an interest in local government and politics and a desire to serve the Catholic Church and the broader community. I initially pursued a political science degree but changed direction, realizing a law degree would give me the most practical education if I wanted to work in local government. In my second year of law school I decided that I would rather practice law and transitioned from interning with the Minnesota Department of Corrections to interning for a mid-size law firm.

It may sound like a cliché, but high school life seemed to be a series of minor set-backs, readjustments, and accomplishments for me, which I am sure helped me face the challenges of obtaining a law degree. Totino-Grace was a positive and motivating force, which helped me become a well-rounded student and better equipped to handle law school and my career as a general practice lawyer.

In 1994, I left a comfortable and secure job with a mid-size law firm which specialized in medical malpractice cases to help a solo practitioner in the suburbs who was in dire need of a general civil trial lawyer. I have been an attorney with the law firm of Flower & Schutz, PLC since 1996 when we merged our law practice with two other lawyers. Since then, we have expanded and contracted our business to accommodate the needs of our clients and our growing families. My job brings new and different challenges to me every day. My job never gets stale and I thoroughly enjoy helping my clients navigate the legal system. I am most proud of the child adoption cases that I have handled over the years; these have been very rewarding cases. I was humbled to receive The Catholic Spirit's Leading With Faith award in 2011, which reminds all of us to bring our faith into the workplace.

I am a cradle Catholic still pursuing faith formation, as an adult, on a daily basis. I work really hard to maintain a Christian worldview throughout my professional work, and I often think about the Christian Brothers, and nuns, who taught at Totino-Grace and the commitments and sacrifices they made to live out their vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience. I have a deep appreciation for them beyond my Catholic education.

I have been blessed with a good business, which has made it easier for me and Sandy to send our children, Nick '16, Nate '18, and Sammi '20, to Totino-Grace. I still keep in close contact with many of my friends from Totino-Grace and currently serve on the Board of Directors, the adoration team, and I am the secretary of the Totino-Grace Touchdown Club. Remaining connected to the Totino-Grace community has definitely helped me as a parent and professional.



BRIAN BECHARD, CLASS OF 1990

Identify your passions. Be inquisitive. It's okay to not know the whole plan before you begin because it will change. Shadow someone who is doing what you want to do. Take smart risks and try things without fear of failure, with the intent of learning. Seek out special assignments and projects that will open doors. Your work should speak for itself, and you are your best advocate, so learn how to communicate well. Surround yourself with people you aspire to be like. Most of all, remember that success can be measured in many ways, but is nearly always achieved by collaboration. Don't underestimate the value of relationships.

I grew up in Fridley and attended Immaculate Conception in Columbia Heights prior to Totino-Grace. My younger brother, Kevin '92, also attended TG, and my mother was a staff member in the kitchen for a number of years. I have had a long string of years organizing a group of alumni and friends to volunteer at the Winter Place Gala, but most recently I have been supporting the Engineering Institute students during their annual visit to Medtronic.

At TG, the deep commitment of the instructors was apparent, and their encouragement led me to seek a career where I would find similar joy and fulfilment. The way subject matter was taught and brought to life by Totino-Grace teachers was inspiring. At home, I was blessed with the encouragement to experience a diversity of activities without pressure to lock into a specific area, which gave rise to my approach of continuous learning and an openness to pursuing different interests.

I work in the healthcare technology industry as a Market Development Consultant in Healthcare Innovation on Medtronic's Digital Health team. For as long as I remember, I have had an interest and curiosity around how things work, particularly in the biological sciences. My father was a Civil Engineer and he influenced a healthy approach to creating. I pursued a biology degree, not knowing whether this would lead me into medical school or the DNR, yet being open to new experiences and learning as I went along.

During my time at Medtronic, I have led an expansion of preclinical research in early product development, established Human Centered Design capabilities within a new innovation center, worked directly with clinicians in underserved markets, and most recently am influencing the strategy for some promising emerging technology adoption. All of these experiences require different skills and approaches, but progressively build off of each other to form meaningful career milestones.

Early in my life I was taught the value of volunteering, so I believe we are called to serve and give of ourselves - in time, talents, and resources. The scope and impact of my volunteering has grown to include my 11-year old son accompanying me on a mission trip to the slums of New Delhi, something I never in a million years thought I would do. The perspective gained by both of us has shaped how we approach life, with renewed senses of humility and gratitude.

When I look back on some key people and conversations where I received encouragement, personally and professionally, I recognize how they provided aspirational guidance in significant, life-changing ways. Over time the expectations of others have been replaced by expectations I put upon myself, especially as I learn more about God's purpose for my life, I am embracing my role in becoming that positive influence to others. I know that God has a perfect plan and is in control and I regularly invite His guidance into my decision-making, trusting His timing, spending more time in appreciation for what I have, and seeking opportunities for learning and growth in difficult situations.

A dozen years ago when I began employment at Medtronic, I took advantage of a volunteer opportunity with a group of technical subject matter experts who were organizing the annual Science and Technology Conference. I recognized the purpose of this event and the selfless investment by these leaders as something with which I wanted to be associated. I started down a path that one year ago yielded the privilege of being awarded the designation of Medtronic Technical Fellow, a long time in the making, but a great source of accomplishment and pride.

What I find the most professionally rewarding is knowing that my work is improving the health and welfare of millions around the world, and working alongside some of the smartest and most dedicated people you could hope to meet. It is satisfying being on the leading edge of our field, and knowing there is always more to explore, to learn, and to achieve.

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Turning High School Passions into Career Success



SARAH SOLZ BRENES CLASS OF 1997

Totino-Grace Campus Ministry work introduced me to the world beyond my home and school.

Along with my sister, Liz Solz Sperr '95, my Catholic education continued at Totino-Grace following my time at St. Charles Borromeo School. More than half of my 8th grade graduating class went to TG.

I went on to study international affairs at the George Washington University. My master's degree in human rights and peace education is from the National University in Costa Rica and I received my J.D. from the University of St. Thomas School of Law.

I returned to the Totino-Grace community as an alumni representative on the Board of Directors and currently serve as Vice Chairperson. My family has enjoyed attending school events like Breakfast with Santa.

My first mission trip experience to Tijuana in December of 1994 sparked my interest in international affairs and human rights. The Federal government had just approved Operation Gatekeeper to fortify the border wall in San Diego and Californians had just passed Proposition 187 a month earlier, prohibiting access to health-care, public education, and other services to undocumented immigrants in California. I remember visiting the southern border wondering what to make of a man-made wall that protruded into the Pacific Ocean. Our trip leaders challenged us to think about the real life lessons in Catholic Social Teaching and how we could live in solidarity with our southern neighbors despite the seemingly remote connection to our relatively safe lives in the northern Midwest. They asked us to think about how the choices we make in our daily lives may contribute to or alleviate poverty in other parts of the world. There were no clear answers, but we learned that as Catholics we are called to not become complacent in the face of injustice and that struggling with the questions themselves is an important part of our faith. Striving to contribute to meaningful solutions in our own lives is an important part of stepping forward in that journey.

In June of 1996, I went on another mission trip to Guatemala, Totino-Grace's first trip to Central America. At the time, I did not fully comprehend the historical significance of this trip. Guatemala was emerging from a 36-year long war and it would still be six months before the signing of the Peace Accords. Mrs. Marcia Wiger led a team of teachers, including Sra. Barb Isham, Mr. Mark Loahr, among others, along with a handful of students and Father Kevin Kenney. We connected with nuns, priests, and

laypeople that lived and worked in Guatemala during the conflict. The trip introduced us to groups connected to Minnesota like the Diocese of New Ulm and The Godchild Project (now Common Hope). As with all mission trips, our contributions were insignificant next to the life-changing impact the experience had on our group. We made a small contribution to addressing the immediate effects of poverty, but left with a desire to understand its underlying causes. As private high school students, the experience felt exotic and removed from our reality. I joined the trip feeling the need to do something to address the injustice I saw in the world, yet not comprehending what little power, or place, I had to change anything in the lives of the people we met. The experience invited us to confront global disparities, and begged us to not look away.

I have often found myself returning to images of the wall in Tijuana and the innocent faces of children in Guatemala. Operation Gatekeeper led to increased migration via Arizona and Texas, where between 250 and 500 people die each year in the desert and Rio Grande. My work today includes assisting the families, individuals, and children who make it to the border alive, asking for protection, many of whom are placed in immigration detention facilities and separated from their family members while they go through the asylum process. There are no clear answers and I continue to struggle with the question of why and how this practice respects the dignity of human life.

In addition to seeing an end to Guatemala's civil war, in 1996 there were also changes in U.S. immigration law leading to the mass deportation of thousands of Central Americans, many of whom had fled civil wars in the region during the 1980s and 1990s but who were refused protection under U.S. asylum law. Facing a lack of employment and post-conflict poverty, these exported gangs grew strength and power over the next two decades. The clients I work with today include indigenous Guatemalan high schoolers who have been driven from their schools by gangs who forced them to choose between joining their ranks and being killed. These are some of the most difficult cases to win. I struggle with why this is the reality for our most vulnerable clients but am committed to searching for a meaningful solution.

As the Director of the Refugee & Immigrant Program at The Advocates for Human Rights, I assist low-income asylum seekers with legal representation in the immigration process. In addition, I lead recruitment efforts, training, and support for the volunteer attorneys who represent refugees and immigrants. I work among dedicated colleagues and partners, learning from clients and helping them navigate resources to get them to self-sufficiency in the United States.

Totino-Grace Campus Ministry work introduced me to the world beyond my home and school. Mission trips opened my eyes to the injustice in the rest of the world and here in the United States. My current work gives me a small role in helping migrants, who are unsafe in their home countries, find protection in the U.S. and move onto another chapter in their lives with relative physical safety, though oftentimes continuing to struggle in poverty.

Turning High School Passions into Career Success



ANNEMARIE HANSEN VEGA, CLASS OF 2001

My faith has driven my professional journey. For me, my professional and faith journey are one in the same. God has been present in each step of my professional journey, albeit a challenge or triumph. God has provided me with abundant blessings and talents and I strive to use those each day to glorify Him.

My parents wanted my brothers and I to receive a Catholic education as they did. They believed it was superior to public school and would threaten to send us to public school when we would get in trouble. My parents believed that TG was a strong community that would support the traditions and values they worked hard to pass along to us at home. My dad, Scott, graduated from Grace in 1972, and my brothers are TG graduates: Nick '99 and Andrew '06.

I was involved in a variety of activities at TG, including Lasallian Youth, The Eagle newspaper, Knowledge Bowl, choir ensembles and Company Crew, student ministry, National Honor Society, AFS, and student council. My favorite memories are from the afternoons I spent putting together the layout of The Eagle in Mrs. Broadhead's room. I enjoyed the time she and I spent and the many visits from other faculty members during those hours. Their support and mentorship influenced a lot of why I chose to go into education. I benefited greatly from Honors Spanish. Señorita Schroeder was such a demanding instructor who pushed me and my classmates to learn more than just Spanish vocabulary. She also stressed that learning Spanish would open doors for us in our future careers. Her enthusiasm and love of the Spanish language and culture led to my own love of it! Although it was hard work, I am proud to be bilingual.

I was an elementary education and Spanish major and while I was supposed to student teach for a semester after finishing four years of coursework, I felt a strong call to return to Honduras where I had visited on a high school service trip with my parish. I decided to forgo student teaching and embark to Honduras after graduating. If I had chosen to stay in Milwaukee another semester and student teach, I believe my life would have taken a completely different course. My time in Honduras and the relationships I built there are at the core of who I am today.

Through the experience of teaching for a year in Honduras, I realized that I don't have a love of pedagogy. I decided to pursue an administration role in the education sector and learned that I was more excited and successful in the areas of management and operations. Later, I worked as the Director of Admissions at Cristo Rey Jesuit High School. This role allowed me to deepen my knowledge and experience in educational administration.

I currently serve as the Director of Enrollment for the Catholic Schools Center of Excellence (CSCOE). I am also proud to serve on the Totino-Grace Board of Directors. Strangely enough, being editor of The Eagle gave me a great base to be a successful marketing and communications professional. I finished high school trained in copywriting and print design software. While I took a hiatus in college, I was able to build upon that experience in my roles at Cristo Rey Jesuit and CSCOE.

I am lucky to work with the 79 elementary schools in the Archdiocese and I coach parents, principals, and other staff on marketing and enrollment strategies. It is rewarding to see schools' enrollment grow because of their work. I am honored to be able to serve them.

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Teacher Appreciation Week 2018

CELEBRATE YOUR FAVORITE ARCHBISHOP GRACE/TOTINO-GRACE TEACHERS!

We want to celebrate our teachers, both current and past, during the upcoming Teacher Appreciation Week **Sunday**, **May 6** - **Saturday**, **May 12**, **2018**. Please send a note of thanks to your favorite Archbishop Grace or Totino-Grace High School teacher to **tgalumni@totinograce.org**. Let them know how they supported you or made a difference in your life or your student's life. Notes will be shared during the 2018 Teacher Appreciation Week.



It takes a big heart to help shape growing minds.

LOOKING FOR TEACHERS TO FEATURE

Totino-Grace wants to feature educators in an upcoming issue of the *Continuum*. If you or an Archbishop Grace or Totino-Grace graduate you know is a current or past educator, please let us know! Complete the alumni update form at **www.totinograce.org/contact-news-update** or contact the Alumni Relations Office at 763-586-6326 or **tgalumni@totinograce.org**.

Share Your Story

We want to hear from you! Let us know how you discovered your gifts and talents during your years at Archbishop Grace and Totino-Grace and how you have pursued your passions.

Contact the alumni office at tgalumni@totinograce.org or complete the online update form at www.totinograce.org/contact-news-update-form.







From the

Board of Directors Co-Chair

I am thankful and truly humbled by the opportunity to serve as Co-Chair of the Totino-Grace Board of Directors. As a 1981 graduate and parent of two TG grads, I know first hand the incredible value of the education, community culture, faith formation, and commitment to service this institution provides. I am proud to serve along with the other dedicated members of the Totino-Grace Board of Directors.

One of the key responsibilities of the Board of Directors is to ensure that the mission of our school, is protected and fulfilled on a daily basis. We were able to celebrate, with zeal, our 50-year tradition last year, and look forward to another 50 years and more of continuing this tradition.

The Totino-Grace Board of Directors, in conjunction with the president and his administrative team, work closely to ensure our strategic plan and vision are met through strong goals and guiding principles. We work with the administrative team to support innovation and creativity to continue to build upon the many successes Totino-Grace has achieved throughout the years. We uphold the pillars of our mission: Learning, Faith, Community, and Service, and support the dedication and commitment of the Totino-Grace faculty and staff. They are an amazing group of people who collectively ensure the students of Totino-Grace receive the best education, filled with love and guidance, on a daily basis.

Thank you to all who have supported Totino-Grace in countless ways since 1966. It is my hope that you will continue to share with me the excitement and hope for a Totino-Grace future that continues the mission that has been unfailing in its sense of community and goes above and beyond on a daily basis.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

Mary Richter Daugherty '81

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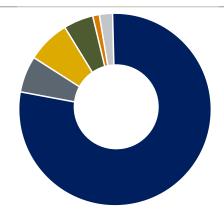
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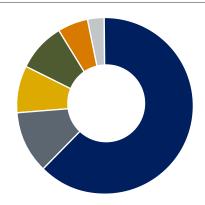
REVENUES

■ Tuition and Fees	\$11,537,086
■ Advancement-unrestricted	\$896,021
Advancement-restricted	\$1,065,622
■ Student Services	\$722,466
■ Endowment Interest	\$168,103
■ Other income	\$316,152
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	\$14,705,450



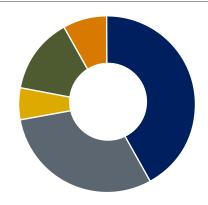
EXPENSES

	\$14,705,450
■ Debt Service	\$429,600
Capital & Reserves	\$799,926
■ General and Administrative	\$1,321,902
Advancement/Admission/Marketin	ng \$1,265,774
■ Financial Aid	\$1,682,917
■ Instructional & Student Services	\$9,205,331



ADVANCEMENT INCOME

■ TG Fund (Annual Fund)	\$896,021
■ Called to Lead Capital Campaign	\$642,833
Restricted Gifts	\$128,326
■ Special Events	\$294,463
■ Transfer from Endowment Interest	\$168,103



\$2,129,746

OTHER INCOME

Gifts in Kind	\$100,911		
Called to Lead campaign outstanding pledges	\$1,496,939		

*Led by the Board of Directors and followed by inclusive, comprehensive planning, Totino-Grace High School boldly launched *Called to Lead: The Campaign for Totino-Grace* on March 15, 2017. The goals of *Called to Lead* are to significantly improve our facilities and endowment in order to lay the foundation for the next 50 years of our school's history. Construction is scheduled to begin the summer of 2018. To learn more contact the Advancement Office at 763-571-9116.

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Class of 1971

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Class of 1972

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Class of 1973

Robert Betzold Mark Bonitz Susanne Ewald Dolan Teresa Dziedzic Giel Sheila Janson Gutmann James Harris Joseph Hasling Karen White Hoff

Timothy Johnson Nancy Kaminski Chris Paidosh Patricia Flaherty Regnier Maureen Ward Charlotte Pearo Wentzell Robert Zubrzycki 5.86% (15 out of 256) gave

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Bonita Lentner Corwin Cecilia Crowley Mary Jean Johnson Del Principe Martha Stoneberg Dixon Jeffrey Ferguson Nancy Schmitz Fox Linda Harty Joseph Hernandez Kim Jensen Kevin Leonard William Mack Gina Pearo Marushin Mary Howitz Menard Janie Miernik Michael Murlowski Sandra Farrell Peterson Colleen Raskob LTC. Earl Rasmussen Christine Kania Rutz Mary Klingler Schiferli Margaret Bowler Wolfe 10.05% (22 out of 219) gave

Class of 1975

Kevin Bennek Bonnie Bravis Michael Cassidy Paul Crowe James Dubay Mary Smude Fasching Theresa Netkow Glaeser Michael Lohr James Matlon Patrick O'Neill James Palkert Pegeen Ward Kathleen Keller Wiggins 6.22% (13 out of 209) gave

Class of 1976

Michael Brandes Thomas Coleman Russ Funaro Donna Kramer Gadtke Margaret Crowley Hoffman Linda Shermoen Melcher Tab Nesser Lisa Crawford Newell Michael Niznik Jeanine Johnson Perovich Paul Phillips Catherine Amerongen Ries Michael Ross Natalie Murray Rumble Nancy Windyk Utoft 6.55% (15 out of 229) gave

Class of 1977

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Class of 1981

Christine LeRoux Buttenhoff Sharon Kasel D'Agostino Mary Richter Daugherty Cindy Drew Dockendorf Leslie Miller DuBois Anne Cotter Goddard Neva Anderson Gullickson Troy Gullickson Mark Hart Colleen Harris Hill Craig Johnson Russell King Paul Louiselle Robert Marty Joan Graner Wright Marty Joan Graner Matheson Susan Sitarz McSherry Mary Cassidy Moynagh Mary Beth Robinson Ronza Julie Welsh William Wimmer 8.64% (21 out of 243) gave

Class of 1982

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Class of 1983

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8.94% (21 out of 235) gave

Class of 1984

John Bienias Gregory Brenny Hollylee Indlecoffer Davis Jon Durand Richard Harkwell Gregory Holewa Louise Kocon Louiselle Hugh McSherry Gail Braun Mikolich James Quandt Karen Sopcinski Rafter James Sarych Martin Schutz 5.56% (13 out of 234) gave

Class of 1985

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David Freund
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Christine Wallis Ginkel
Amy Sorenson Goettl
Patrick Hrbacek
Stephanie Jacobson
Douglas Jaeger
Jeffrey Kline
Jeffrey Lenzmeier
Margaret Makowske
Mary Beth Matlon

Timothy Quesnell John Rohling Ann Olson Scott Anne Sweet Susan Piotrowski Wolf 7.17% (18 out of 251) gave

Class of 1986

Richard Campion Michael Doran Keith Fibensteiner John Golden Patty Prokott Hartwig **Donald Krieger** Michael Lafeber Janet Chies Langner Anthony LaPanta Lisa McDonald Lentner Lynn Machowicz Maureen McGarry Scott Neilson Shari O'Hern Nichols Angela Olejar Kenneth Perry Michael Presseller Thomas Reak Ted Schirck John Wackman 8.20% (20 out of 244) gave

Class of 1987

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Peter Jordan
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Stephanie Pawlyshyn
Michele Wild Wackman
5.00% (10 out of 200) gave

Class of 1988

Frances Cappelleri Besztery
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Teresa Johnson Marchek
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Jennifer Krautbauer Moore
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Donn Scroggins
Aggie Smolecki
4.91% (14 out of 285) gave

Class Of 1989

Michael Altendorf Andrea Jacobson Anderson John Burnes Mary Gerber Goman Amy Yach Hokanson Eric Johnson Tara Brandt Melsha Christopher Melsha Timothy O'Neill Michael Pawlyszyn Michelle Baltus Pribyl Ellen Thompson 5.63% (12 out of 213) gave

Class of 1990

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Class Of 1993

Ryan Brandt
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4.37% (8 out of 183) gave

Class Of 1994

Lauretta Friis Blake Gregory Eibensteiner Melissa Wilson Herzog Matthew Kostolnik Nicole Rocek Reinarts Kevin Rudeen Nathaniel Schutta Craig Sevick 3.85% (8 out of 208) gave

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6.03% (14 out of 232) gave

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Michael Derus Joseph Hasling Meghan McCarty Daniel Salzer Daniel Shamp Rebecca Bird Wolf 2.19% (6 out of 274) gave

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Thomas Schmidt
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5.81% (14 out of 241) gave

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Class Of 2006

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Class Of 2007

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Tom Young '95

I attended Totino-Grace for only three semesters. My mother was an alumna and both my parents grew up in the Twin Cities. My father took a sales job based out of LaCrosse, Wisconsin just after I was born and his company moved him back to Minneapolis when I was a junior. After visiting TG,

I chose to go to school there and transferred mid year. My sister, Chrissy '98, was in 8th grade at the time and my mom was a teacher, so they joined us after they completed their school years.

My transition to TG was relatively easy, much easier than one might expect it to be at that point of high school. I got involved and made a lot of friends that are some of my best friends to this day. Despite it being my first semester at TG, I was elected to serve on student council and as Co-President for the National Honor Society. I give my classmates a lot of credit for that. I participated in state for golf, qualifying for allstate, just after graduation. That was a nice way to finish my high school experience.

Since graduation, I've enjoyed seeing the renovations to Jim Totino Stadium and it has been fun watching the football team experience so much success. The E3 Engineering Institute is a program that I believe was a great addition.

I work for a great company – Thrivent Financial. The organization has a culture of generosity that has impacted

how I think about giving. Since 1995, I have played in a number of Eagle Shoot and TG Cup Golf Tournaments. I also recently served on the Winter Place Gala Live Auction Committee.

There is a close connection to TG for my family through

our church, St. John the Baptist in New Brighton, where my three children attend school. My wife, Michelle, and I want to support and foster the success of Totino-Grace and Catholic education. With three kids (Sam 10, Taylor 8, and Tommy 5) in Catholic schools, we know that our contribution of time and treasure help these communities to thrive.

Totino-Grace is a great school and the people leading it care deeply for the young adults there. They want to help guide them to a life of abundance and generosity, and that is easy to see in their behavior when I am at Thrivent Financial events or at the school.

I am very grateful to TG. The way I was welcomed with open arms helped me gain a lot of

confidence in myself at a young age and made the transition to college very easy for me. Community is important and our world is a better place when communities are strong. TG has been one of the most impactful communities in my own life, making a difference for me during my high school years and today, through lifelong friendships.



You can learn about giving and volunteering at www.totinograce.org/Advancement



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The class of 2021

191 students



Residents of 45 different cities

10 live more than 27 miles from TG

73% from Catholic schools



27% from public schools/other

32% have older siblings currently at TG

15% TG

are children of alumni

This year's freshman class is the largest in the school!

Thank you for directing prospective families to Totino-Grace and sharing your TG story. Your efforts have an impact!

If you or a family you know is exploring high school options and opportunities, these upcoming events will allow you to discover how the advantages available to students at Totino-Grace provide incomparable opportunities. See for yourself why parents from across the Twin Cities choose our school.

COFFEE WITH THE COUNSELORS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, FROM 8:00 TO 9:00 A.M.

Coffee with the Counselors provides prospective parents with an opportunity to learn about our robust college counseling program and unique, four-year, personalized planning process.

PARENT OBSERVATION DAY TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, FROM 11:30 A.M. TO 1:15 P.M.

Totino-Grace Parent Observation Days offer a unique opportunity for interested parents to see our school community in action. Sit in on classes, meet with teachers and administrators, and tour the school.

DISCOVER TG: WINTER OPEN HOUSE

The Totino-Grace Winter Open House will take place on **Wednesday, January 10, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.**

Learn more about these prospective parent events and register at www.totinograce.org/Discover_TG

Advancement Updates

SHARE YOUR NEWS



Garrison Hickman, son of Angela Rodgers Hickman '06

Did you know that we send custom TG bibs to alumni who recently welcomed a baby? That's right! Simply share your news with us and your little cutie could be sporting this adorable Future Eagle bib.

Whatever it is — weddings, births, career changes, awards — we want to know what you're up to. Update us at: http://bit.ly/tgnewsform.

Winter Place Gala	Saturday, November 18, 2017
Breakfast With Santa	Saturday, December 2, 2017
Advent Mass Alumni are invited to attend Mass	Friday, December 22, 2017 and lunch
Alumni Christmas Happy Hour	Thursday, December 28, 2017
Legacy Awards	Monday, February 19, 2018
TG Giving Day	Thursday, May 10, 2018
Eagle Shoot	Monday, June 4, 2018

Class of '74, '83, '90 & '02 You're the 2016-2017 Class Giving Challenge Winners!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2016-2017 CLASS CHALLENGE WINNERS!

Last year, we created the Alumni Class Giving challenge to encourage alumni from each graduating class to go head to head to outpace their peers in giving participation. We are excited to announce the following classes are the winners of their decade: 1974, 1983, 1990, and 2002! Members of these classes received a complimentary drink token at the 2017 Oktoberfest celebration.

STAY CONNECTED



Are you receiving emails, e-newsletters, event invitations and the school magazine from Totino-Grace? Update your contact information online at

www.totinograce.org/contact-news-update

or contact the Alumni Relations Office at 763-586-6326 or **tgalumni@totinograce.org**.

Follow Totino-Grace's Alumni social media accounts to stay up to date on alumni news, stories and events.



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Alumni Community Events

SPRING ALUMNI HAPPY HOUR

In May 2017, nearly 100 alumni gathered in the Totino-Grace library to enjoy appetizers and drinks, and reminisce about their high school days. The event honored Mark Loahr '70, Mike Shimek, and Ned Thompson, and served as an opportunity to send them off to retirement.

TG CUP

The fifth annual TG Cup took place on August 14, 2017. Thanks to the TG Cup sponsors and all those who came out to play, the event was a success with great company, beautiful weather, and a terrific time! Proceeds from the event benefit the Lasallian Scholarship Fund, Totino-Grace's financial aid grant program.

ANGIE LEY 5K

There was an amazing turnout for the 4th annual Angie Ley 5K on August 24, 2017. Angie Ley Henderson '98, sister of Michelle Ley Skalicky '95, wife, and mother to Hannah and Max, lost her life to cancer on November 19, 2013. Thanks to all those who came to support and honor Angie's memory.

CLASS OF 1987 30 YEAR REUNION

Members of the class of 1987 celebrated their 30 year reunion at Lyon's Pub on September 23, 2017.

ALUMNI SOCCER GAME

On October 8, 2017 30 former Totino-Grace boys and girls soccer players gathered at Jim Totino Stadium to play a game of soccer and reconnect with former teammates and coaches.







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MICHAEL HART '87 stopped by TG for a visit on the weekend of his 30 year class reunion. Michael is pictured with Paul Cleary, member of the TG mathematics and technology departments.

LEGACY PARENTS GATHER AT HOMECOMING MASS

Legacy parents joined their current TG students for Homecoming Mass on October 4, 2017 and socialized over donuts and coffee at the Legacy Reception following the celebration.

SOCCER ALUMNI SUPPORT FORMER TEAMMATES

TG soccer alumni from the class of 2017 attended the boys soccer season opener as the Eagles faced off against Anoka.







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TG ALUMNI FACULTY AND STAFF

Totino-Grace boasts with pride that 23 alumni currently serve as members of our faculty and staff community. What a humbling endorsement of the incredible impact TG has on the lives of students.

LASALLIAN MAN AWARD - A TOTINO-GRACE LEGACY

A number of former Lasallian Man Award recipients were present to congratulate **Ben Jaeger '17** on the honor of receiving the award at the 2017 Baccalaureate Mass. Pictured are **Doug Jaeger '85**; **Andrew Blake '99**, Director of Campus Ministry and Dean of Students; **Ben Jaeger '17**; **Andrew Million '09**, Campus Minister; and **Jon Delwiche '08**, former TG Alumni Relations Officer. Former award recipients present at the event but not pictured are **Tim Pastoors '02**, Director of Facilities and Technology, and **Brian Litecky '96**, social studies teacher.

TG BOYS BASEBALL TEAM CHEER ON ALUMNI

On April 4, 2017 TG baseball players had an awesome opportunity to see Eagle alumni in action at the University of Minnesota and North Dakota State game. They rooted for three baseball alumni players -- Reggie Meyer '14 and Ben Mezzenga '15 for the U of M, and Ben Petersen '13 for NDSU.

COACH BERNIE LITECKY RETIRES

After more than 40 years coaching football at Totino-Grace, Bernie Litecky retired. Many alumni, parents, and friends gathered to honor Coach Litecky at Moe's of Mounds View on August 10, 2017.

2017-2018 OPENING MASS CELEBRATION

On September 1, 2017 we were blessed to celebrate our school year opening Mass with current and former chaplains and **Father Tim Wratkowski '09.**

2017 FOUNDERS' DAY MASS

Totino-Grace celebrated Founders' Day Mass on May 11, 2017 with retirees and former Christian Brothers and School Sisters of Notre Dame.





Class Notes

1981 Russell King received the Service to Humanity
Award from the United Hospital Foundation on
September 30, 2017. The award is given to a
community member who has demonstrated selfless
dedication and exemplary leadership in improving
the health and welfare of St. Paul residents and the
communities United Hospital serves.



1995 During a trip to Scandinavia and England, former TG English teacher Peggy Anderson visited with Tony lannazzo '95. Phographed on June 12, 2016, in London, England, are (back) Jennifer and Tony lannazzo '95, Peggy Anderson, her granddaughter Zofia Anderson, Mike Anderson; (front row) Tony's daughters Sofia and Emily lannazzo, and Peggy's grandson, Joseph Anderson





1998 In July 2017, Erin Lauinger Schmidt was one of eight high school science teachers chosen to study forest owls in the Chiricahua Mountains of Arizona through a teacher fellowship program with Earthwatch called Project Kindle. The mission of Earthwatch is to engage people worldwide in scientific field research and education in order to promote the understanding and action necessary for a sustainable environment to be citizen scientists!

2001 In July 2017, Annemarie Hansen Vega joined the Totino-Grace Board. She currently serves as the Director of Enrollment at Catholic Schools Center of Excellence.

Justin Stenglein married Theresa Kramer '03 on September 8, 2017 at St. John the Baptist in New Brighton. Graduates in the wedding party included: Brandon Stenglein '03, Darin Stenglein '05, Billy Gerber' 03, Rory Cardinal '02, Jen Suess Cardinal '02, Megan Lutmer Johnson '02 Tom Murlowski '02, Patrick Rehkamp '02, Nate Kraemer '98, Andy Kraemer '00, and Nick Kraemer '07.



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2002 Tammy Meissner Olson and her husband, Kyle, welcomed twins Lindsay and Weston on July 9, 2016.

2003 Rachel Brenk Doran was the 2017 recipient of the Minnesota Association of Dance Team's Assistant Coach of the Year for Class AA.

Kristen Rafferty and her 4th grade class were featured the Land of 10,000 Stories segment on KARE 11 in April of 2017. When one of their classmates was diagnosed with a life-threatening condition, Rafferty's class decided to make 1,000 paper cranes for their classmate to help lift his spirits.

2004 Amanda Raines Greavu and her husband, Steve, welcomed a daughter, Rose, on February 26, 2017.

Lindsey Merritt married **Daniel Brueske** on September 18, 2017.

Johan Michael was born to Mario and Danielle Larson Perez on May 1, 2017.

2005 On May 9, 2017, Gavin Boyd was born to Jenna Ferguson Zamjahn and her husband, Adam. Image by Hello Dolly Photography / Katelyn Ferguson '11

2007 Russ Gervais received Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine from Des Moines University in May 2017. He is currently in residency at Mayo Clinic in Rochester.

2007 Doug Louiselle and his bandmates of Tux Bolo released their second pop single, "Taste," on August 15, 2017. Tux Bolo is comprised of *One Direction* guitar player Dan Richards, Minneapolis-based producer Lance Conrad, and Doug Louiselle.

2008 On August 7, 2017, **Emily Engbloom Spillman** and her husband, Michael, welcomed a daughter, Gianna Marie.

Jordan Marshall and his wife, Brianna, welcomed daughter Stella on April 4, 2017.

In July 2017, TG Campus Minister, **Traci Pastoors Bennington**, spent two weeks in New York City completing her second year of the Buttimer Institute hosted by Manhattan College. The Buttimer

Institute of Lasallian Studies is an intensive Lasallian education and formation program that studies the life, work, and spirituality of Saint John Baptist de La Salle and the origins of the Lasallian educational mission. Through an examination of the writings of De La Salle and an analysis of some modern educators, participants from all over the world develop a deeper understanding of the Lasallian heritage and its influence on contemporary education and spirituality. The Buttimer Institute is a three-year program conducted over three consecutive summers, in two-week durations.

2009 Timothy Wratkowski was ordained to the priesthood on May 27, 2017 at the Cathedral of St. Paul. Fr. Wratkowski attended St. Charles Borromeo School









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prior to attending Totino-Grace. He will complete his final year of theological studies at the Pontifical North American College in Rome before returning to Minnesota.

2010 Amanda Kay Glaus got engaged to Ryan Marker on September 9, 2017 at Bunker Hills Golf Club.

Helen Brandt received her Master of Science in Human Biology (forensic anthropology) from the University of Indianapolis in May 2017 where she was presented with the Rising Star Award and Grant for Exceptional Scholar in Human Biology. This fall, Helen started her PhD program in Anthropology at Binghamton University, with full funding.

2011 A daughter, Lucia, was born to Felicia Richardson Villafan and her husband, Diego, on March 16, 2017.

2014 Aimee Jo Ayshford married Aaron Martinek on September 9, 2017. Graduates in the wedding party were **Brianna Walczak '14** and **Chad Ayshford '12**.

2016 After taking a structured, multi continent gap year,

Dmitri Knoll is now a member of the class of 2021
at Georgetown University. His plan is to major in
international service, minor in Russian language, and
spend a semester studying in St. Petersburg, Russia.

Matt Lutz earned MIAC Men's Golf Athlete of the Week honors on September 19, 2017 for his performance with Saint John's University.



Annual giving is a big deal, but making a recurring gift shouldn't have to be. That's why we've created the TG Sustainers Club. This critical program supports the TG Fund, which is the best way possible for parents, alumni, grandparents, parents of alumni, and friends to help make a difference in the future of Totino-Grace. Every gift made to Totino-Grace impacts the lives of current and future Eagles.

Becoming a TG Sustainer and making a recurring gift is easier than ever. TG Sustainers make their support throughout the year on a monthly (or quarterly) basis via an automated deduction of \$10 or more through a credit card or electronic fund transfer. When you become a TG Sustainer, you join an exclusive group of stewards who provide a stronger foundation for our school to continue to change the lives of the students we serve. When you make an investment with Totino-Grace, you make an investment in *our future*.

Annual Gift Total	\$150	\$250	\$500	\$750	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$2,500
Monthly	\$12.50	\$20.84	\$41.67	\$62.50	\$83.34	\$125	\$208.45
Quarterly	\$37.50	\$62.50	\$125	\$187.50	\$250	\$375	\$625



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AT TOTINO-GRACE WE CHANGE LIVES



Average 22



1:1 Learning Technology Program

Each student is issued a Macbook Air computer for their studies, utilizing 21st century learning skills of collaboration, creativity, critical thinking, and communication.



100% of students graduate



95%

of graduating students attend a four year college or university the next year.

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At Totino-Grace, we believe that every student who walks through our doors will walk out four years later as a confident leader, well-equipped for college and career.

Despite the rising costs of education, we strive to keep the cost of providing an unparalleled Totino-Grace education as manageable as possible. The investment parents make in a Totino-Grace education pays dividends for life. It equips today's students with the necessary skills to succeed in future endeavors. TG students thrive in a highly personalized environment with small class sizes, a dedicated staff, and programs and facilities that will challenge, encourage, and enrich their lives in a way that sets Totino-Grace apart.

The advantages of a Totino-Grace education provide our students with incomparable opportunities. Through the generosity of our alumni and benefactors, we are able to offer need-based financial aid to make a Totino-Grace education a possibility for all our students. Because of your financial commitment to the Totino-Grace mission, we can continue to change lives.

Thank you for your generous investment in Totino-Grace High School.



187 Class of 2017 graduating students were offered

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