2017
REGINA RECORD
A Newsletter for Alumni, Family & Friends

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Capital Campaign Chairs, Jason Dumont & Matt Pacha and Foundation Executive Director, Kecia Boyser, pictured breaking ground at the new 1st Avenue entrance.
As the two years of my presidency on the Regina Foundation Board come to an end on June 30th, I am very grateful to have been given the opportunity to serve and support the institution that gave so much to me. It was 30 years ago that I graduated from the halls of Regina High School and I am so excited that my eldest will get to experience that same satisfaction and hold dear those similar memories a year from now when she graduates! The Regina Foundation has played a key role in helping to ensure multiple generations like my own get to experience the wonderful faith-based education experience that is Regina!

The Regina Foundation continues to be a strong vehicle for enhancing the long-term financial strength of the school. We have seen our endowments grow from $1 million back in 1996 to now over $6.5 million. Scholarships awarded to our talented and deserving students at Regina have increased from an original number of 10 to a total of 58 this year, allowing numerous opportunities for those who want to attend Regina. And the Foundation continues to provide significant funds each year to assist with teacher salaries, special projects, and key operating expenses of the school.

Starting in July, there will be a new president of the Regina Foundation Board. Eric Aitchison has been a member of the board for five years, assisting with marketing activities and driving key aspects of our fundraising and development activities. Eric has been a strong contributor over the last year as the president-elect and will be a great leader for this organization moving forward! His wife, Missy, has also been an active volunteer, serving as president of Home & School, initiating and leading the lunchroom recycling program, and helping to organize various Foundation events such as the donor recognition dinner. Eric and Missy have two children who currently attend Regina, 4th-grader Will and 7th-grader Sam.

As I wrap up these last few weeks in my current role with the Foundation Board, I am very grateful for the work of numerous players involved in the activities of the Regina Foundation. I am thankful to have had a skilled and experienced executive director in April Rouner who led the Foundation for 16 years before departing last fall. I’m excited to have a strong and capable new executive director of the Regina Foundation in Kecia Boysen, who will partner with our committed existing development coordinator, Shelley Rublaitus, to accomplish great things for Regina going forward. I am impressed with the talented board members and subcommittee members who are devoted to the mission of the Foundation and serving Regina. Above all, I am appreciative of the wonderful and generous donors who support Regina and what it stands for!

Sincerely,

Chrissy Chambliss ’87
Foundation Board President
"Pay it Forward" – It’s a Nice Phrase, but It’s a Better Way of Living.

In the span of time since I graduated from Regina High School, like most of us, I have gone to college, gotten married, had children (sent them to Regina!), changed careers, been involved in civic volunteer boards and committees, traveled, and a whole list of experiences too numerous to mention. Through it all, I have been called back to Regina time and time again. Why? The experiences I gained during my formative years at Regina, along with my mother and family, helped to shape the person I am today. So, I pay it forward. The experiences and successes achieved by my children here at Regina have helped them to thrive in their lives as well. So, I pay it forward and encourage them to do the same.

I am once again privileged to serve as the chairperson of the Regina Board of Education this year. There are a LOT of exciting things happening at Regina. We are making small strides toward growing our enrollment, enhancing our teacher pay to recognize their outstanding efforts and performance, enhancing our technology in the classroom, and we have some construction beginning! In addition to my role with the Board of Education, I am honored to be co-chairing the Pride in Our Past, Building our Future Capital Campaign. We began this effort last fall, kicking into high gear this spring. Our goal for Phase Zero and Phase One of this campaign is just under $6 million and I am delighted to tell you that we have raised over $4.2 million to date! If you are in the neighborhood and notice some dirt moving in the back – we have begun the initial stages of Phase Zero, which is construction of a First Avenue access to our school, something that has been sorely needed for many years!

I ask that you to take some time and consider what Regina has meant to you, your children or grandchildren. There are opportunities to support both our Capital Campaign as well as the Regina Foundation Annual Appeal, which helps to defray a portion of our school operating costs and ensures the future of Regina through endowments. If you are in the area – please stop in for a tour, talk to our staff and administrators, and learn more about the exciting things happening at Regina.

Please consider Regina as an opportunity to “Pay it Forward.”

Matt Pacha ’78
Board of Education Chair
Pride in Our Past, Building Our Future Campaign
Co-Chair
Capital Campaign Update

PRIDE in Our Past
Building Our FUTURE

REGINA CATHOLIC EDUCATION CENTER

A BRIGHT FUTURE FOR REGINA

Regina has always strived to foster a legacy of faith-based education to all families who desire rigorous academics, spiritual development and a service-above-self experience. To meet the demands of a growing school community, and structural needs, Regina has embarked on a three-year capital campaign, *Pride in Our Past, Building Our Future*.

Regina leaders have spent the last year raising over $4.2 million towards the Pride in Our Past campaign, which has come from the generosity of faculty, staff, alumni, parents, businesses and other friends of Regina. Regina has received tremendous support, but still needs the help of the larger Regina community to reach its $5.995 million goal.

With the feedback provided from a planning study conducted in summer 2015, Regina is confident the Pride in Our Past campaign will allow Regina to grow into the future while remaining faithful to its mission and core values. Through this historic effort, we will take a large step toward realizing the vision for the future and will address as many of the following needs as possible. We will focus on our most urgent facility improvements, which are as follows:

**ADDITIONAL ENTRANCE AND EXIT OFF FIRST AVENUE**
($250,000)

**PHYSICAL UPDATES**
($305,000)
- Upgrade boys’ and girls’ locker rooms and bathrooms
- Repair gym roof
- Install security upgrades

**RESURFACE AND EXPAND FRONT PARKING LOT**
($375,000)

**CAMPAIGN EXPENSES**
($385,000)

**BUILD EDUCATIONAL WING**
($4,680,000)

A primary focus of growing our enrollment will be to expand our Early Childhood Center into existing classroom space. Historical data tell us that we have an 80 percent rate of retaining students at Regina once they attend our Early Childhood Center. By increasing the size of our early childhood program, we will ensure Regina continues to thrive for years to come. We will need to build seven new classrooms to replace the space repurposed for our early childhood students. In addition, we will build a new science lab, which will accommodate more students and provide a better learning environment for them. We also will be adding flex space, collaborative teaching space and a new, secure entrance to the back of the school.

**PHASE ONE TOTAL COSTS: $5,995,000**

Donations received

$4,163,785

30.55%

Donations needed to reach campaign goal

$1,831,215

69.45%

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UPDATE ON PHASE TWO PROJECTS

Strategic planning from our Board of Education and feedback from the planning study clearly point to the need for the following projects – renovated auditorium, new gymnasium, new weight training facility, wrestling room and varsity locker rooms – which are part of our long-term strategic vision.

While the Pride in Our Past campaign provides a great opportunity to expand our school, it is our responsibility to be good stewards of the money generously given to us. Regina has come across an opportunity to do just that!

In addition to the funds already raised, a gracious donor, who has already committed to the campaign, has stepped forward to fund a new hitting facility for baseball and softball. This project will not take away funds from campaign contributions, but will provide an opportunity for Regina to maximize how our dollars are being spent for phase two of the campaign.

After having our engineers do a cost analysis, we will be able to move a new weight room and wrestling facility to the basement of the new hitting facility for a substantial cost savings to the school – a projected $1.5 million reduction to the phase two projects. Regina will be responsible for the costs of the weight room and wrestling facility in this new building, and will pay for these through the funds raised in the campaign.

These changes will allow Regina to move faster with our future practice gymnasium and fine arts auditorium, as we need to tear down the weight room and wrestling room to make room for both additions. Please note that the projects in phase one of the campaign are Regina’s priority.

LEAVE A LEGACY AT REGINA

To make these plans a reality, Regina is asking the greater Regina community for a three-year commitment to the Pride in Our Past campaign. We are challenging Regina alumni to raise an additional $1.0 million to match the $1.0 million received from alumni during the leadership phase of the campaign.

The new Educational Wing will feature a wall listing the names of alumni donors to the campaign by class. In addition, a new donor wall will recognize donors of $3,000 or more to the campaign. The following levels have been established to recognize those generous contributions:

- **Bronze:** $3,000 - $9,999
- **Silver:** $10,000 - $49,999
- **Gold:** $50,000 - $99,999
- **Platinum:** $100,000 and up

You can learn more about ways to give and donate online at our website: www.regina.org/foundation.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

2016-2017 Annual Appeal

Alongside the extraordinary campaign effort, Regina is continuing to run the 2016-2017 Annual Appeal.

Your DOLLARS MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

We have currently raised $330,000 toward our June 30th goal of $450,000. It is many gifts of all sizes from individuals like you that allow us to meet our goals and forge a legacy of faith and service for generations to come!

Your 2016-2017 Annual Appeal gift will help us:
- support the Teacher Endowment
- maintain competitive teacher salaries
- update technology and purchase textbooks
- provide professional development opportunities
- enhance curriculum and programs
- and support facility maintenance

Regina is only as strong as the dedicated donors who continue to support what we do. Your contributions make an impact today, tomorrow and for generations to come!
REGINA CLASS OF 2016
VALEDICTORIAN

KYRA WILSON
Kyra attends Carleton College in Northfield, MN.

REGINA CLASS OF 2016
SALUTATORIAN

GABRIELLA THOMSEN
Gabriella attends The University of Iowa.
REGINA CLASS OF 2017

VALEDICTORIAN

GAYEON CHOI
GaYeon will attend Georgia Tech University in the fall of 2017.

REGINA CLASS OF 2017

SALUTATORIAN

KATELYN MURHAMMER
Katelyn will attend The University of Iowa in the fall of 2017.
Hats Off to Thee!

**KEN DONNELLY ’59**
Ken was recently elected as a Wapsie Township Trustee. His duties include making sure the two cemeteries in the township are being cared for and also that the residents in the township have a signed agreement with West Liberty with regard to the police and ambulatory services.

**TED PACHA ’66**
Ted and Deb Pacha recently contributed $5 million toward renovations at UI Kinnick Stadium. In recognition of their leadership gift, the Ted Pacha Family Club will be named in their honor.

**DIANE (DENNENY) STRAWN ’68**
Diane retired from Mercy Hospital on October 2, 2015. She worked at Mercy a total of 21 years in Echocardiography (ultrasound of the heart). Retirement has allowed more time to travel and visit with family. Diane and her husband moved from Solon to Iowa City and are happy in their new east side condo.

**GARY BELGER ’70**
Gary was hired to coach the Muscatine boys basketball team. Since graduating from Regina, Belger has coached at various levels of competition in basketball in Iowa, Illinois, and Minnesota. He notably helped start the basketball program at Trinity Catholic High School in Ocala, FL when the school opened its doors in 2000. He was also the 1992 Iowa Basketball Coach of the Year while at Keokuk’s Cardinal Stritch High School.

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**STEVE ROE ’84**
Steve was promoted to Director of Finance at Oaknoll. Steve was awarded “Excellence in Leadership” in 2009 from the state association to which Oaknoll belongs.

**CLAIRE GALLARDO ’84**
Claire celebrated her 20th anniversary with the Anchorage Police Department on April 15th, 2016. She also recently completed the 40 hour FBI post blast investigation school and is currently a Senior Patrol Officer with the APD.

**SHANE KRON ’87**
Shane joined the Coralville Police Department as an Officer in 1990, and has served as Patrol Sergeant, Patrol Lieutenant, and Interim Chief of Police. He was appointed Chief of Police in February 2017. He earned an MS in criminal justice administration from Columbia Southern University and a BS in public administration from Upper Iowa University.

**BETH CLARK ’92 & NICK SYNAN ’09**
Nick Synan and Beth (LaBrecque) Clark met up at the 2016 TCS New York City Marathon. Beth was one of Nick’s cross country coaches in high school. Nick works for New York Road Runners (NYRR), which organizes the NYC Marathon. Beth ran the 2016 New York Marathon.

**MIKE CARBERRY ’79**
Mike was elected to the Johnson County Board of Supervisors in 2014 and currently serves as Vice Chair. He is seeking re-election in 2018.

**KURT SANDERS ’95**
Kurt is the Middle Market Business Development Director for Nationwide Insurance at the company’s Western Regional Office in Sacramento, California.
Where are they now?

Amy (Gullickson) Lynch ’96
Amy was recognized by the Corridor Business Journal as one of the Forty Under 40 recipients in 2016. She is currently the President and CEO of K&S LLC in Cedar Rapids.

Michael Rossmann, SJ ’03
Michael was ordained a priest on June 3, 2017 in Milwaukee. He will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Mary’s in Iowa City on June 11.

Sr. Sarah Martz, OSF ’98
Sarah received her Masters of Justice Ministry with an emphasis on Reconciliation and Peace Building from the Catholic Theological University, located in Chicago.

Kelsey (Homewood) LaVerdiere ’04
Kelsey, after being Associate Director of Athletics for External Relations at Western Illinois University for five years, has been named Assistant Athletics Director of Marketing and Fan Engagement at the University of Iowa.

Robert Campagna ’00
Robert was nominated for an Arts and Culture Emmy Award in 2016 for his work on Buried History featuring Mark Wahlberg.

Steve Pacha ’04
Steve is now working for The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics as a financial counselor.

Karen Karr ’00
Karen was one of The Business Record’s Forty under 40 honorees of 2017. She is a member at BrownWinick Law Firm.

Jesicah (Ambrisco) Ruffin ’06
Jesicah is a graduate of Des Moines Medical School and is completing a cardiac rotation at Genesis Hospital in the Quad Cities. She also plays club volleyball in her “free” time.

James Jensen, OSB ’01
Brother James Jensen, OSB leads, “One Bread, One Cup” Summer Liturgical Leadership Conference for High School Youth on the campus of St. Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology in St. Meinrad, IN. Lauren Kimani ’19 and Neal Eckhoff ’19 attended in June 2016.

Shane Nelson ’07
Shane (second to left), a minor league athletic trainer for the Chicago Cubs, was awarded Trainer of the Year Award by Mark O’Neal (PBATS President/Director of Medical Administration) and Nick Frangella (Cubs Head Minor League Athletic Trainer) for his work in injury prevention, treatment and performance enhancement.

Alissa (Brandt) Jarrett ’02
Alissa became an at large member of the Regina Foundation Board and serves on the PR & Marketing Committee.

Ned Fleming ’08
Ned is currently an account manager/designer at Landscape Concepts Management in Chicago. In February 2017, his design for the courtyard at the Clybourn Lofts near Lincoln Park was featured in Turf Magazine.
Hats Off to Thee!

DANIEL BONTHIUS ’11
The Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (IIAC) announced that former Wartburg College track & field runner Daniel Bonthius ’11 has been named the Duane Schroeder Iowa Conference Male Scholar Athlete of the Year for the 2014-2015 school year. Daniel is a medical student at Medical University of South Carolina for orthopedic surgery.

EMILY DUNCAN ’12
Emily is attending the Juilliard School and is pursuing a Master of Music degree. She was selected to be a 2016-17 MAP Teaching Fellow for flute.

CLAIRE FLEMING ’12
Claire graduated from Iowa State University and began graduate school at the University of Iowa College of Public Health in Health Care Administration.

JACOB VOLLSTEDT ’12 & GEORGE SEHL ’12
Jacob Vollstedt ’12, George Sehl ’12 and Coach Rich Wright (Married to Sarah (Kriz) Wright ’94) of the Northwest Missouri State Bearcats defeated North Alabama in the 2016 DII College Football Championship.

ALEX PACHA ’12
Alex graduated from the UI REACH program on May 6th. UI REACH provides a Big Ten campus experience to empower young adults with disabilities to become independent, engaged members of the community. Courses, campus life, and career preparation assist students in reaching their full potential.

TYLER JENSEN ’13
Tyler graduated magna cum laude with a degree in musical theatre and minor in dance from the University of Northern Colorado. He appeared in productions including Sweeney Todd (Anthony), Children of Eden (Japheth), Sideshow and Marathon 33, and the lead role in The Who’s Tommy.

VICTORIA VAUGHN ’12
Victoria played Natalie in the City Circle Acting Company of Coralville’s production, “Next to Normal” in February 2017.

ASHLEY GAFFEY ’15
Ashley, now a track and field athlete at Marquette University, was named Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) member of the week. SAAC is a team comprised of Marquette student-athletes who act as a voice for their peers through providing insight on the student-athlete experience.

DANNY PACHA ’12
Danny graduated Magna Cum Laude with a bachelors in business administration from the University of Illinois Springfield in 2016. He was one of 10 Prairie Stars to receive the Council of Presidents Academic Excellence Award for competing in the Great Lakes Valley Conference in baseball while maintaining a 3.5 minimum GPA. He is now working for Stryker Endoscopy as an OnSite Specialist.

JENNY WICK ’16
Jenny was named to Missouri Valley All-Freshman team in women’s soccer. She is a middlefield/forward for the University of Northern Iowa women’s soccer team.

Submit achievements by going to www.regina.org/foundation
Where are they now?

**Jillian Kurovski ’16**
Jillian earned national recognition in the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards of 2016 from the Alliance for Young Artists and Writers.

**Ka tel ynn DeGroot ’17**
Katelynn was named a gold medalist by the U.S. Figure Skating Organization. She passed a skating test before a panel of judges to earn the distinction, a challenge she’s been preparing to tackle since fourth grade. Only three percent of figure skaters achieve the Gold Medalist recognition.

**Jared Brinkman ’17 & Jake Brinkman ’15**
Jared has verbally committed to play football at UNI. Older brother, Jake Brinkman, will be a linebacker at FCS and Missouri Valley Conference rival North Dakota State this season after red-shirting last fall.

**Olivia Wolfe ’17**
Olivia signed with Marshalltown Community College athletics to play volleyball next year.

**Sam Lincoln ’16 & Ken Westrick ’16**
Sam and Ken signed to run track at D1 level. Sam at the University of Northern Iowa and Ken at Columbia University.

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**Brandt Heating & Air Conditioning**
Brandt Heating & Air Conditioning was recognized as a 2016 Outstanding Philanthropic Organization by the Eastern Iowa Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals on National Philanthropy Day. They were nominated by the Regina Foundation. Pictured are (L-R back) Jamie and Alissa (Brandt) Jarrett ’02, Erin (Brandt) Litton ’00, Eric Aitchison (Regina Foundation Board), Bill Brandt ’77, Carolyn and TJ Brandt ’76 and (front) Deb Brandt and Pat Brandt.

**Pleasant Valley Garden Center**
After six decades in the community, Pleasant Valley Garden Center and Flower Shoppe closed in January 2017. In 1962 Arie and Toni Kroeze purchased the land for their garden center. Their daughter, Aleda (Kroeze) Feuerbach ’72, joined them in the family business in 1984. Since that time, Aleda and her husband, Kerry, have been involved in the family business, including the Pleasant Valley Golf Course. Pleasant Valley and the Kroeze and Feuerbach families have been generous Regina supporters. The business has given many in-kind gifts to the school of trees, bushes, mulch, use of golf carts, use of office space, as well as event space for numerous events. Each year for over two decades, preschoolers from the Regina Early Childhood Education Center went to the Pleasant Valley store for their annual spring field trip.

Once a Regal, Always a Regal!
Wedding Bells

Anne Vidnovic '02 & Gabe Kindinger
May 7, 2016

Logan Hanrahan '08 & Desirae Ungaro
September 24, 2016

Anita and Shawn were in the same graduating class at Regina. Anita is a behavior interventionist for Johnston schools. Shawn is Vice President of Credit Risk Management at US Bank in Des Moines. The couple now lives in Clive.

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Shawn Douglas '86 & Anita Ehmsen '86
April 28, 2017

They were married at Mary, Queen of Peace Parish in Sammamish, WA. Sarah is a design engineer at Boeing and Ron works as an engineering technician. The couple lives in Kirkland, WA.

Abbie (Brandt) '10 & Mitchell Shellady
April 29, 2017

Upcoming Nuptials

Patrick Reilly '03 & Heather Pierce
July 22, 2017

Jeff Pacha '07 & Molly Giblin
August 12, 2017

Erin O’Donnell '09 & Brandon Riley
October 4, 2017

They will be married at St. Patrick Church.
LIZ (REILLY) ’00, SHAWN MOORE & BIG BROTHER MASON WELCOMED
MALLORY ELIZABETH MOORE
October 18, 2016

TARA (BURKE) ’00 & ANDREW SEBERGER WELCOMED
MADELYN ANNE SEBERGER
October 16, 2016

BETH (BRANDT) ’04 & PAT FITZGERALD ’03 WELCOMED
ANNABELLE ROSE FITZGERALD
May 21, 2016

Danny ’06 & Jaime Brandt Welcomed
KYLER BRANDT
July 22, 2016

Whitney (Butler) ’02, Dominic Amoroso ’01 & Big Brother Eric Welcomed
Twins, Adam David & James Anthony Amoroso
January 30, 2017

Beth (Brandt) ’04 & Pat Fitzgerald ’03 Welcomed
Annabelle Rose Fitzgerald
May 21, 2016

Andrew ’03 & Nan Jennings Welcomed
Nathaniel Mathias Jennings
February 27, 2017
2016 marked the 13th year Regina bestowed alumni and honorary awards. Recipients are nominated by their peers and selected by Regina and Regina Foundation representatives.

**DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI**

- **Msgr. Jim Parizek**
  - Class of 1964
- **Sarah Summy**
  - Class of 1983
- **Steve Kron**
  - Class of 1968
- **Leigha (Rockafellow) Rios**
  - Class of 1993

This award honors an alumnus/a for outstanding achievements in his/her chosen profession. This person’s daily life reflects the Christian ideals promoted by a Regina Catholic education. Alumnus/a must have contributed to Regina in outstanding ways OR made significant humanitarian contributions to his/her community-at-large.

**ALUMNI APPRECIATION**

- **Michael Rossmann, SJ**
  - Class of 2003
- **Jacqueline Nepola**
  - Class of 2009
- **Roger & Barb Reilly**
- **Arie & Toni Kroeze**

This award honors an alumnus/a of Regina, who by his/her consistent volunteer efforts has given their personal time and energies to further the mission and functions of the Regina Catholic Education Center. Current paid employees of Regina are ineligible for this award.

**OUTSTANDING YOUNG ALUMNI**

- **Katie Corbett-Johnson ‘96**
- **Aliou Keita ‘02**
- **Hope (Coffin) Witt ‘04**

This award honors a young alumnus/a, who has graduated from Regina within the last 15 years, for outstanding accomplishments since graduation. This young alum has distinguished himself/herself through their professional accomplishments, service to alma mater, and/or selfless caring work to benefit society.

**DISTINGUISHED HONORARY ALUMNI**

- **Jacqueline Nepola**
- **Arie & Toni Kroeze**

This award honors someone who has made significant contribution to Regina through his/her actions of service, influence and/or through financial contributions, is distinguished in his/her chosen business, profession or life work, has participated in leadership roles within his/her parish or community-at-large and has demonstrated a concern for community relations.

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Do you know a Regina alum who has made outstanding achievements in his/her career, has contributed significant time and commitment to the community or the Regina Inter-Parish Catholic Education Center? Does someone stand out in your mind who you believe is deserving of an alumni or honorary award?

Please review the awards and their criteria online at www.regina.org/foundation and submit your nominations in one or more award category(ies) no later than September 2, 2017. Submit your nomination online, send by email to shelley.rublaitus@regina.org or mail to the Regina Foundation, 2140 Rochester Ave, Iowa City, IA 52245. Please submit your nomination regardless of supportive material.

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**2016 BOOSTER CLUB HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES**

The Regina Booster Club honored three alumni with induction into the school’s Athletic Hall of Fame.

**THE 2016 HONOREES ARE:**

- Katie Corbett-Johnson ‘96
- Aliou Keita ‘02
- Hope (Coffin) Witt ‘04
The Class of 2006 celebrated their ten-year reunion on Labor Day 2016 with about 20 graduates and their families, eight kids and three future Regals on the way.

This Regina alumni event rocked 80s attire while celebrating Marty McDonald’s ’94 40th birthday.
(c) 2016 DaniLise Photography

After missing their 40th year reunion, the Class of 1974 decided to celebrate turning 60 in 2016.

The Class of 1959, Regina’s “First & Finest”, regularly gather for lunch. They are pictured above at the Hilltop Tavern in December, 2016.

The Class of 1966 held their 50th class reunion at the home of Mike and Barb Stimmel on the south edge of Iowa City this past August.
Photo Credit: Joe Novotny

Plans are underway for a Class of 2012 five-year reunion. If you are interested in helping coordinate the reunion, contact Jessica Ziniel at jessicaziniel2016@u.northwestern.edu.

The Class of 1976 held their 40th class reunion this past August with a weekend of events. Friday was held at the First Avenue Club, Saturday luncheon at Regina with social time and a school tour, and a dinner that evening at the Iowa River Power. On Sunday, there was a Mass at St. Patrick Church and brunch at Blackstone.

Submit class reunions by going to www.regina.org/foundation
Regals Remembered...

**DR. PATRICK D. CALLAHAN ’60**

Dr. Patrick D. Callahan ’60, formerly of Iowa City, died Saturday, April 22, 2017 in Lampasas, Texas at the age of 74, following a long illness. He is survived by his brother, Michael D. Callahan of Iowa City. Pat was preceded in death by his parents, Dr. George and Helen Callahan.

**DAVID M. WRIGHT ’61**

David M. Wright ’61, of Iowa City, passed away October 1, 2016. He was the owner of Crown Electric from 1983 until he retired. David is survived by his wife, Kay (Sladek) Evans ’68; daughter, Cheryl (John) Sudbay, and their children, Jason M. Wright, and his son Jason W. Wright, and J.T. Sudbay; stepson, Brian Evans, and children, Cheyanne and Skyler Evans; and brother, Michael (Babara) Wright ’67.

**WILLIAM DIETSCH ’62**

William “Bill” Henry Dietsch ’62, of Iowa City passed away June 26, 2016. Bill was an avid Cubs and Hawkeye fan who enjoyed hunting and fishing. He worked at The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics for over 40 years. Survivors include his siblings, Anthony ’66 (Beth), Connie ’61, Carol and Anne (David) Hoke, and Jack and Evan Ekwall, and sister Kay Ekwall.

**JOHN EDWARD EKWALL ’61**

John Edward Ekwall ’61 of Iowa City, passed away September 28, 2016. John served in the National Guard for several years and worked at The University of Iowa as manager of the mail room. He is survived by his wife Nancy, daughter Anne (Joel) Hocke, son John (Erin) Ekwall and three grandchildren, Hope Hocke, and Jack and Evan Ekwall.

**ANITA M. "NICKI" (QUINN) RUPPERT ’66**

Anita M. “Nicki” (Quinn) Ruppert ’66 of Iowa City passed away August 14, 2016. She worked at Moore Business forms before entering into the insurance business. She was associated with Freeman Insurance Company in Iowa City before retiring. Her family includes her husband Jim; siblings Mary Lee Ehrenfelt, James William Quinn ’61 (Tonya), Carol Albaugh ’65 (Dennis), Kristine Quinn (Bib Copeland) and Mark Quinn (Gerri); step-sons Tony Ruppert (Cheri) and Brad Ruppert (Nicole); and four grandchildren, Samuel, Megan, Cassidy and Cade.

**MARLENE “KAY” (WHITE) CIHA ’63**

Marlene “Kay” (White) Ciha ’63 passed away on December 20, 2016. She and husband Dave lived in Kalona. In 2002 Kay retired from RR Donnelly after a career of 33 years. She had strong interests in nature, raising and showing rabbits throughout the U.S. for many years and also becoming a Master Gardener. Kay was also an avid supporter of the Washington County Democrats. She is survived by her husband, her children Tami Stellmach (John), Jodi Nealsion (Jason Helle), Dan Ciha (Colette Soults) and Bill Ciha (Wendy Rasmussen), 13 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren, a sister, Janet Edmonds, of Iowa City and brother James White of North Liberty.

**RUTH (KAEFRING) CARY ’64**

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**PAMELA WAGNER ’63**

Pamela Wagner ’63 passed away on December 3, 2016 in Keokuk. She grew up in Iowa City where she worked with local families as a nanny and was later employed for Congregate Meals at the Iowa City Senior Center. She is survived by siblings Joan Wagner Knutson (Otto) of Colorado, Carolyn Orth of Arizona and J. David Wagner of New Jersey.

**RALPH "BUB" FOUNTAIN ’64**

Ralph “Bub” Fountain ’64, of Iowa City, passed away May 27, 2016. After graduating from Regina, he joined the U.S. Army from 1964-1966. Ralph then went to work at Oral B and remained there for 32 years. Ralph is survived by his wife, Pat (Jenn) ’64; three children, Julie Rohlena ’87, Annette ’88 (Eric) Arbogast, and Bryan ’92 (Jennifer) Fountain; seven grandchildren, Seth Rohlena, Brittney (Jonathan) Rakestraw, Isaac Rohlena, Allison Arbogast, Amber Rohlena, John Rohlena, and Roland Fountain; two sisters, Carolyn Worley, and Norma (Leonard) Murphy.

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DANIEL SWEENEY ’67

Daniel Sweeney ’67 died December 6, 2016 at his home in Cedar Rapids. Over the years Dan served as a Coralville police officer, Johnson County deputy sheriff and corporate pilot. Survivors include his three daughters Sherry, Brandy and Kris; sisters Donna Kelley ’67 and Sharon Sweeney ’79 of Iowa City; brothers Joe Sweeney ’66 (Margie) of Colorado and Jim Sweeney ’78 of Iowa City.

JAMES R. “JIM” HAMAN ’68

James R. “Jim” Haman, 66, of Iowa City, passed away Monday, February 27, 2017 at his home. Jim was born October 16, 1950 in Iowa City, to Richard and Joan (Sladek) Haman. He attended The University of Iowa. Some of his favorite pastimes were watching old westerns and listening to polka music on Sunday mornings. Jim also enjoyed a good car deal and cooking for his family. Jim is survived by his son, Christopher (Stephanie Kilker) Haman of Des Moines; mother, Joan Haman of Iowa City; siblings, Joyce Showman of Ottumwa, Judee Strommer of Iowa City, Janet (Dave) Dvorsky of Iowa City, and Jerry Haman of Iowa City; and extended family. Jim was preceded in death by his father, Richard.

MICHAEL “MIKE” McNAMARA ’69

Michael (Mike) McNamara ’69 passed away on February 26, 2016. Mike’s first love was music, and he drummed for several regional bands throughout his life. He enjoyed NASCAR, Sci-Fi, cross word puzzles, and Sudoku. Prior to moving to Iowa City Mike lived in Cedar Rapids for over 30 years where he worked at Galt Sand/Adidas and McKesson Corp. Mike is survived by his two daughters Valerie (Justin) Wallace and Kyla McNamara; three grandchildren, Desiree McNamara, Luke McNamara, and Ainsley Wallace; siblings Dick ’67 (Margaret, ’65) McNamara, Patricia McNamara ’69, and Marcia McNamara ’77.

JAMES DAVID “DAVE” BUTLER ’72

James David (Dave) Butler ’72, of Iowa City passed away October 6, 2016. Dave was inducted into the Regina Athletic Hall of Fame and was a Letterman Football player at The University of Iowa. He worked in insurance for 30 years and was a board member of Iowa City Life Underwriters. He was involved with the Make a Wish Foundation and was a Board Director for the Iowa Letterman’s Varsity Club. He is survived by his wife Carol (Russell) ’73 and three children, Brent, Zach, and Whitney ’02 Amoroso (Dominic ’01) all of Urbandale; grandchildren, Eric, Adam, and James Amoroso, and Patrick and Emmy Butler; mother Gloria Butler, sisters Becky Kriz, Trudi Snavely ’70 and brother Jim Butler ’83.

DIXIE NACKE

Dixie Nacke, retired Regina teacher, passed away January 1, 2017. She taught English, voice and drama at Regina. She is survived by her husband, Donald, two sons, Bradford (Jill) Nacke and Burton Nacke, two daughters, Julie (Dan) Foster and Jill (Rob) Reynolds; six grandchildren, Ryan Nacke, Alyssa (Ryan) Burton, Fiona Baldwin, Garrett Baldwin, Jeffery Foster, and Jonathan Foster; one brother, Lance (Carmen), two sisters, Virginia (Thomas) Orendorf, and Carolyn (Michael) Foley.

Seniors took a moment on their Senior Trip this year to say a Hail Mary for Regina alum, Thomas Dostal ’63, who fought in the Vietnam War.

A photo of seniors gathering for a photo after remembering loved ones during the Memorial Mass.

Eight families, including the families of Priscilla Holtkamp, Dave Butler ’72 and Janet Sirois, carried candles in remembrance of their loved ones whose memorial funds benefited Regina.

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ACADEMICS

For the App Avengers group at Regina Elementary School in Iowa City, service comes in the shape of an iPad. The group of fourth, fifth and sixth-grade student volunteers meets twice a month to clean the devices, perform maintenance and updates and make sure the iPad programs (apps) are compliant with school guidelines.

Sam Rohlman and Joel Sueppel, seniors at Regina High School, recently created a learning area in the library. The space provides students with access to tools related to STEM programs — science, technology, engineering and math — as well as the arts. Rohlman and Sueppel said they pursued the makers-space project because they wanted to expand learning opportunities at Regina.

Three speech team groups competed in the state contest at Cedar Rapids Washington High School. Group Improv received all 1s (1s being the highest score, 4s being the lowest). Ensemble “Romance on the Rocks” received all 1s. Group Mime “Strings” received two 1s and one 2.

6th grader Mary Cate Pugh won the Iowa City One Book, Two Book writing contest. She and her family were invited to a dinner and awards reception in February. Mary Cate had the opportunity to read her poem, “Winter” at the reception.

Anthony Kimani was named Iowa National Geographic State Bee Semifinalist by National Geographic Society.

The Regina Dance Marathon received the Student Team/Group Excellence award at the Chamber of Commerce Excellence in Education award ceremony.


FINE ARTS

On November 17, 2017, Zofia Larragoite (5th), Mason Irving (8th), Beau Leavenworth (8th), and Jacob Mascardo (8th) participated in the Opus Honor Choir Festival which was held in Ames. Over 3000 students auditioned for 720 spots in four different choirs.

Regina High School held their production of My Fair Lady at the Coralville Center for the Performing Arts in February 2017. The cast and crew of 51 students put on an absolutely lovely show, which both entertained and moved the audience.

Regina’s 7th grade play was written by director, James Trainor. Typically an overwhelming number of girls try out for these plays, so James wrote the piece which calls for mostly girls.

Junior high and high school choirs put on an excellent Pops Concert. The concert featured a variety of pop, jazz and musical theater songs sung by the choirs and soloists.

All of Regina’s participants at the IHSMA Solo and Ensemble Festival received Division I ratings. Anastasia Scholze and Ellie Stimmel performed solos, with Rachel Scholze as the accompanist. The high school orchestra, comprised of Meg Keating, Nourah Abusada, Carolina Icardi, Alex Bartels, and Steven Icardi, performed Bach’s Fugue in G minor. The Regina orchestra was the only string group present at the festival.

Regina had award-winning artists at the 2017 River Valley Conference Art Show at Hills Bank in Iowa City. Abigail Burger won the Rising Star award; Elisa Espinoza won an Honorable Mention; Morgan Louvar won 1st Place in the Photography Category; Harrison Goedken won 2nd place in the Ceramics Category; and Dan Sullivan won 1st Place in the Drawing Category. Dan Sullivan also won the coveted Best-in-Show award.
5 Regina High School students received Human Rights Awards at the Iowa City Human Rights Commission's Annual award ceremony in May 2016. Six students received the award in 2017.

The junior/senior high held a food drive in May and donated 369 pounds to the Johnson County Crisis Center.

Regina Elementary raised over $21,968 for the American Heart Association during the annual Jump Rope for Heart and Heart Wall service mission.

This year’s 5th grade service project was collecting donations for the The Crisis Center of Johnson County, Iowa. The 5th grade students and their parents delivered the donations, weighing in at 1,130 pounds. Along with the food donations they collected $141 for the project.

Regina’s Mini-Dance Marathon is connected with The University of Iowa’s Dance Marathon to raise awareness of pediatric cancer and to raise money that will be donated to The University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital. Regina raised over $16,000, which was given to the University of Iowa’s Dance Marathon.

December’s elementary service project supported the Toys for Tots program. Sixth grade students used donations to purchase gifts for children in need. With the Regina community’s generous support, they were able to purchase more than 20 gifts and provide the Toys for Tots program with an additional check for $1,412.66!

Ellie Van Landschoot won 1st team all conference in golf and tied for medalist (lowest score).

Regina Dance Team placed 3rd (Jazz) and 4th (Pom) at the State Dance Competition. Katrina Chambliss, Greyson Dumont, and Taylor Boyd also received Division 1 rankings at state individual dance. Boyd came in 12th and Dumont came in 4th.

Regina’s girls basketball team won the 2A state girls basketball quarterfinal game against Logan-Magnolia.

Junior High Girls Track - Emma Sueppel, Mie Diazza Caston Gonzalez, Lauren Sharpless and Abby Clark set the 8th grade Shuttle Hurdle school record (1:15.84). Abby Clark also set the 100M Hurdles- 8th grade record (17.39).

Regal Football made it to the 1A Championship game, but lost to the Western Christian Wolf Pack. This was the first year Regina did not win the State Championship since 2009, and their 6-year stretch still stands as the longest in state history. Jared Brinkman, Bradey Bigley and Sam Stein were named to the All-Iowa 1A team.

Jared Brinkman, Regina heavyweight wrestler, won the state championship, in convincing fashion. Brinkman went undefeated this season at 285 pounds, posting 42 wins without a loss. The senior defeated six top-10 ranked opponents along the way, four of them twice. He also made a new school record discus throw of 162’ 2.25” and won the Class 2A state shot put, breaking a 40-year-old state record by a foot and a half (63’ 4”).

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Regina Recap 2016-2017 (cont.)

**FAITH**

Each year on Ash Wednesday, Seniors paint a mural that coincides with the theme of Lent which was, “Do small things with great love.”

Fifth grade students and teachers pick a saint to learn about. On All Saints Day, elementary students dress like their saint and visit classrooms, giving short presentations about their chosen saint.

The religious education program closed the 2016-2017 academic year with a May Crowning. Director Carolyn Brandt, celebrated the year with a beautiful photo of Mary surrounded in flowers brought by students for the last evening.

On Good Friday, Regina High School held a prayer service re-enacting the Stations of the Cross.

The Fatima Centennial U.S. Tour for Peace visited Regina junior/senior high in November 2016, to give a veneration and prayer service.

**FACULTY & STAFF**

Michelle Harney, secretary in the Regina Elementary office, received the 2016 Kingery Character Endowment award.

Casey Kreiter, former Regina teacher is currently the long snapper for the Denver Broncos.

Michele Goldsmith was presented the Secondary Teacher Excellence award at the Excellence in Education Ceremony hosted by the Iowa City Chamber of Commerce.

Julie Lacina, kindergarten teacher of 45 years, is retiring. She has spent all of those years at Regina Elementary.

Goodwill of the Heartland honored Regina Catholic Education Center as their employer of the month for May 2016. Regina and Goodwill have partnered for many years with Regina’s food service department and more recently with the activities office.

**THE LEGACY OF COACH BOB BROWN**

The head coaches at the three high schools in Iowa City: Regina, City and West, all have prepped under the guidance of Regina Coach Bob Brown. Chad Swope ’89, Regina’s head cross country coach, Regina junior high coach Beth Clark ’92 and Regina assistant coach Abbie Gould ’09 were students of Brown. Some who branched out from the Regina community include former Regina assistant football/track & field coach, and now activities director at Clear Creek Amana, Kurt Ronnfeldt, and current West Liberty cross country coach Melia Larson ’04. Additional students under Brown include, T.J. Craig ’95, the West High boys head track coach and Joe Graf ’95, the City High girls head track coach. Craig and Graf were teammates on the Regina 1993 state cross country team and won the title, the first of five captured under Brown.

Alumni in order as listed in above paragraph.
Regina Booster Club focuses on subsidizing the Regina High School athletic department. Our efforts benefit ALL Regina athletic programs and ALL student-athletes.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- **Youwell-VIP Golf Classic** - Friday, June 16, 2017, Pleasant Valley Golf Course.
- To register, go to: [http://bidpal.net/reginagolf](http://bidpal.net/reginagolf)
- The deadline to register is **June 9th, 2017**.

- **Kinnick Stadium Seat-back Installation**
  - Saturday, August 5, 2017, at 8 a.m.

PISA is a group that supports the Fine Arts departments at both the elementary and high school level. This group holds monthly meetings to plan and assist various activities such as the junior high play, high school play and musical, speech activities, cake auction, butter braid and holiday wreath fundraiser, and to help support the fine arts teachers with their programs. PISA funds 100% of the junior high play, high school play and high school musical performance expenses that are not covered by ticket sales, concessions or donations. PISA also covers a portion of the teachers’ expenses for K-12 fine arts classes.

The Regina Elementary Home and School Association is a group of parent volunteers working in conjunction with administration, faculty and staff, so that parents can have a direct influence on their student’s school experience and a lasting impact on Regina Catholic Education Center.

Elementary chocolate sales and Scholastic Book Fair each fall provide Home & School with a yearly income for these events and more:

- Artist in Residence
- Back to School Night
- Teacher Appreciation, Silver Tea and Catholic Schools Week
- A field trip for each grade level
- Playground upkeep
- Bike Rodeo/Bike To School Week
- Teacher and classroom supplies
- Classroom technology
- Family Fun Night

PTO is an organization representing the interests and concerns of parents, students (K-12) and teachers. The mission is to promote open communication and understanding between parents and staff.

**COMMITTEES**

- Assisting classroom teachers
- Crystal Bowl Fund
- Directories - Business Office & PTO
- New parent orientation
- Prayer Partners
- Staff hospitality

If you are interested in volunteering, contact Lina Kimani at reginaiowacitypto@gmail.com or 319-400-5321.

Scrip is a program offering gift certificates from national and local retailers. Participating retailers agree to sell gift certificates to Regina at a discount (1.5% – 17%). Families buy the certificates through Regina for full face value and redeem them for full face value at the stores. The discount is Regina’s Scrip revenue. Half the revenue raised this year by the Regina Scrip Program will be given to the Regina General Fund. The other half goes to your account to use toward: tuition, lunch accounts, sport participation fees or yearly spring registration fees! Teachers can also have accounts with money earned being applied to lunch accounts, or “classroom cash.”
Walk the halls at Regina on any given day you may hear up to seven different foreign languages spoken across the schools K-12 classroom’s. In just three years’ time, Regina has grown in diversity with international students from more than nine different countries.

“Regina provides an exceptional academic opportunity for international and local students,” says Pam Schowalter, Regina’s Director of Admissions and the face of international student recruitment for 7-12th grade.

The Regina International Program at one time hosted 40+ international students, but has seen an almost 50% decline in enrollment this past school year, with just over 20 students currently admitted in the program. Regina junior/senior high has recently increased its efforts by reaching out to recruitment agencies, such as the Wisconsin International Agency (WIA). WIA is self-defined as an innovative residential program for Chinese high school students preparing to study at American colleges and universities. They assist with the admissions process and also mentor international student success with homestay families.

For the past two years, Regina has worked with WIA to examine avenues of potential growth for Regina’s International Program. After much discussion of the overall benefits, Regina decided to partner with WIA to increase enrollment for Regina’s International Program in grades 7-12. The school is hopeful that 10-15% of its 2017-18 junior/senior high enrollment will be made up of international students, despite many of the program’s recent students graduating this past May.

The partnership with WIA produced an opportunity, allowing Pam Schowalter to visit China as an American delegate and introduce Regina at a large expo in Beijing in March 2017. As one of the WIA representatives, she visited schools, agencies, and government officials across eight different provinces in China, as well as Hong Kong, in order to share what the Regina International Program has to offer. Potential junior/senior high students lined up at the admissions booth in China to interview for the 2017-2018 school year at Regina. Recruiting efforts made by junior/senior high principal, Glenn Plummer, consisted of interviews given over the phone or through Skype.

Recruitment doesn’t solely include international students. A considerable amount of energy goes into finding homestay families that are willing to host a student for a single semester or the school year. A preliminary application will match families with students and help provide seamless transitions. “International families would like their children to experience the American culture by living with American families to share the use of the English language, foods, customs and also by providing a ‘family-feel’ to their child’s experience at Regina,” says Schowalter, who is currently hosting an international student from Shanghai, China.
“Nick is attending 10th grade at Regina. The Schowalter philosophy is to treat him like one of our kids. He has chores and homework time, but he loves family outings! He truly has become part of our family and is looking forward to receiving care packages from the Schowalter family when he goes off to college.” Though Nick will be heading back to China for the summer, he will be returning to Regina and the Schowalter house in the fall.

GaYeon Choi ’17, is a recent Regina International Program graduate from Korea who excelled in academics and the arts. Regina named Choi its 2017 Valedictorian, who held a GPA of over 4.0. In addition to academic excellence, Choi excelled in art. John Demory, Regina art teacher, states, “She has probably more artistic ability than anyone who has gone through Regina during my 17 years. Last year, she said she would like to leave some religious art on a wall somewhere before she leaves. This year she decided that she would paint the ‘Last Supper’ in Regina’s Margaret & Leonard Pacha Nutrition Center (cafeteria) for her senior seminar class project.” The mural tied into Regina’s Catholic Identity Committee’s request for more Catholic imagery around the school. Choi will be attending Georgia Institute of Technology to study biochemical engineering in the fall of 2017. Choi has left a lasting impression on Regina’s Catholic identity and culture.

“Our international students are teenagers and just like our American-born students, they are each their own unique person,” says Glenn Plummer about the integration of international and local Regina students. Regina’s International Program has allowed local and international students to grow together as a community, building lasting relationships in a school that respects diversity and cultural differences. “Our students are able to meet peers from various countries and with various backgrounds. While there are differences in language, culture, race, and ethnicity, our students are able to see the many commonalities that they use to start and build lifelong relationships.”

By Jessica Murray, Communications & Marketing Coordinator
Special Events
Trish Kohl, Special Events Coordinator

38th Annual Iowa City Family Fun Festival
We are proud to once again offer this time-honored tradition that brings home hundreds of families and friends from all around Iowa City and surrounding communities. It will be held on the weekend right before school begins, so come out and celebrate the start of the new school year!

Iowa City Run for the Schools
Regina partners with the Run for the Schools organization and the Iowa City Community School District Foundation to not only participate in this program but provide much needed volunteers to execute this city-wide event! Regina receives credit for anyone who registers to walk, run, or who volunteers to help. The credit for participation is then given to each school. Money based on the percentage of participants in the race is donated to the schools. This race includes a half-mile run, 1 Mile, 5K, 10K run/walk and half marathon and is a partner in the “Iowa’s Longest Run” program. There are nearly 3,000 participants and volunteers.

2017 NFL Benchwarmer Raffle
It’s that time of year again to start thinking about the NFL football season, and the Regina Benchwarmer football raffle. A total of 15,600 will be given away throughout the 17 weeks of the NFL season, with a top prize of $500 given away each week. Weekly winners will be posted on the Regina website at www.regina.org.

Total prizes given away each week for weeks 1 through 16 of the regular NFL season = $900

Final week prize given away for week 17 of the regular NFL season = $1,200

The first game is scheduled for Thursday, September 7, 2017, so buy your tickets today!

Regina is home to nearly 850 students and 100 employees. The draw to Regina goes beyond our commitment to educational excellence as we involve surrounding communities, thousands of guests, local businesses and Regina alumni to support, partner and participate with us each year. We accomplish this through major fundraising events that benefit not only Regina, but the Iowa City community as well.

Regina Gala 2018
This event is one of our school’s largest annual fundraisers. The evening is a chance for the community of parishioners, parents, friends, alumni, and staff to come together to celebrate Regina while raising funds to help support the valuable work of providing our children with a solid, faith-based education. Each year’s Gala offers an evening that includes a formal dinner, spirited live and silent auctions, and live music and dancing.
2017-2018 Calendar

**First Day of School**
- August 23rd
- Wednesday

**Iowa City Family Fun Festival 2017**
- August 18th-19th
- Fri.-Sat.

**7-12 Back to School Night**
- August 30th
- Wednesday

**K-6 Back to School Night**
- September 14th
- Thursday

**Regina Homecoming Week**
- October 1st-7th

**Alumni Awards**
- October 6th

**Donor Recognition Evening**
- October 22nd

**Regina Service Day 2017**
- October 27th

**Senior Citizen Thanksgiving**
- November 16th

**Catholic Schools Week 2018**
- January 28th through February 3rd

**Regina’s 30th Annual Gala 2018**
- February 10th

**Ash Wednesday Senior Mural Painting & Prayer Service**
- February 14th

**High School Stations of the Cross Prayer Service & Elementary Prayer Service**
- March 30th

**Memorial Mass, 9:30am**
- April 25th

**Grandparent’s Day 2018**
- May 4th

**Class of 2018 Baccalaureate, 7:30pm**
- May 23rd

**Class of 2018 Graduation, 2:00pm**
- May 27th

**Last Day of 2017-2018 School Year**
- May 30th

Mark your calendars!

Dates and times are subject to change. Please confirm with the activities calendar on Regina’s website, www.regina.org.
Ash Wednesday mural painted by class of 2017 seniors and designed by Regina Art teacher, John Demory.

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