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# Bill Feldkircher '45 & Jim Barrett '60 to join Hall of Fame – Saturday, September 6

The 55th Annual Athletic Hall of Fame Induction is Saturday, September 6, 2014 in the NDCL McGarry Gym. Social hour begins at noon with lunch at 1:00 p.m. followed by the induction ceremony. The evening before, inductees will be recognized at halftime. Game time for NDCL vs. University School is 7:00 p.m. on Lozick Field at Lion Stadium.

This year's Cathedral Latin inductees are Bill Feldkircher '45 (deceased) and Jim Barrett '60. Also joining them are Diana Harkai '69, Joan Leksan '71 (deceased), Roy Nicka '96, Allison Madar '97 and Coach Jack McParland.

Cost is \$30 for adults and \$15 for students (18 and under). Children 5 and under are free. Make your reservation online at www.ndcl.org or mail a check made payable to NDCL at NDCL Alumni Office,

13000 Auburn Road, Chardon, OH 44024. If you have any questions, please contact Liz Maier '06 at (440) 279-1079. Deadline for registration is Friday, August 29.

# William Feldkircher '45



Born on Cleveland's west side, Bill was a product of St. Ignatius Grammar School which was the "training ground" for his exceptional athletic and scholastic achievements.

Bill was a 6 ft., 165 lb. ferocious defensive back and a punishing and fleet runner, enabling his Latin

teammates to win the 1943 and 1944 Charity Games along with the 1944 State Championship. Alex Zirin, sports writer for the *Plain Dealer*, called this team the greatest scholastic team ever produced in the Ohio area. They had a record of 10-0 and amassed 510 points to their opponents. Zirin devoted an entire sports page to this team and its Coaches Herb Eisele and Bill Belanich.

# Jim Barrett '60

Jim "Jimmy" Barrett '60 was a true "two sport" 2-year star while attending Cathedral Latin from 1957 – 1960. He played both football and basketball. He was a 2-year starter on the football team. During his junior year the team was City Champs with a record of 10-0-1. Jim played in the Charity game scoring a touchdown, and had an interception, while defeating



St. Ignatius 12-6. His senior year he was a tri-captain and the team was 4-6. Jim was All East Senate, All Catholic, All Star- East team and All Scholastic (Call Post).

Here is a quote from Tim Hudak, author of the book, When the Lion Roared highlighting an event in Jim's football career: "Every once in a while, as we have seen,

# New Committees Established



I hope all of you are having a safe and enjoyable summer. I would like to start by congratulating our two members of the 2014 Athletic Hall of Fame Class, Bill Feldkircher '45 (deceased) and Jim Barrett '60. Joining them will be Diana Harkai '69, Joan Leskan '71 (deceased), Roy Nicka '96 and Coach Jack McParland. We hope you will join us as we celebrate the 55th Annual Cathedral Latin and 12th Annual NDA/NDCL Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony Saturday, September 6 at the McGarry Gym at NDCL. Social hour starts at noon and lunch at 1:00 p.m. followed by the induction ceremony.

I am pleased to announce that that the Cathedral Latin Alumni Association Executive Board has pledged a 3 year \$15,000 commitment to the Brother Frank Nurthen Endowed Scholarship Fund. The Association recognizes the importance of endowment to help provide a Catholic education to the descendents of our fellow alums. The Brother Frank Nurthen Endowed Scholarship Fund helps provide education at NDCL School for eight children of Cathedral Latin alums each year. This past year, we have received over \$11,000 from alums and friends – some of which were class donations from reunions. These donations are greatly appreciated by our alumni and we encourage you to consider making a donation to support Catholic education.

Our Association has a number of committees staffed by Trustees and volunteers to keep us active and meet the needs of our alums. We have several committees such as the Hall of Fame, Merit Award, Communion Breakfast, Golf Outing, Archival and the W.O. Walker Plaque. Two new committees have been established which include St. Patrick's Day and 2016 Celebration.

The newly formed 2016 Celebration Committee has already begun to prepare for our Centennial Celebration of the founding of Cathedral Latin School in 1916. This should be a wonderful event to have our alums come together and celebrate 100 years of our school. Look for more information in upcoming newsletters and correspondence.

We are always seeking new trustees to join our board or volunteers to staff our committees. We welcome sharing your new ideas. Please contact Sue Wise at the alumni office if you are interested in participating in some way with the alumni association.

Thanks to everyone for supporting our alumni association and showing your Latin pride.

Terry Roncagli

Terry Roncagli '77

### 2014 Alumni Dues

Annual dues donations will be received until December 31, 2014. While there is no set dollar amount, the Board of Trustees recommends a gift of \$40. You can pay on-line by credit card at www.clatin.com or mail a check made payable to CLAA to the Alumni Office. If you're not sure whether or not you paid for this year, please feel free to contact Sue at 216-691-9999.

We would like to thank everyone who has already made a donation to support our Alumni Association. Every donation is deeply appreciated by our association and has kept our alumni going strong!

### William Feldkircher '45

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They called Left Half Bill Feldkicher and Right Half Leo Hyland the "Touchdown Twins," scoring about 150 points between them.

Highlights of Bill's season were scoring three touchdowns against East Senate foe John Adams and four touchdowns and an extra point against Collinwood. Bill managed to score the clinching touchdowns in the two most closely contested games against Holy Name and then East Tech for the East Senate Championship. The 1944 Charity Game would feature the two best teams in the entire state. A crowd of 52,880 would watch the Lions batter the Lincoln Presidents 33-0.

Bill was also a key player in leading the 1944-45
Basketball Team to win the school's first City Title in
Basketball. They overcame a 1-3 start to climb all the
way to winning the East Senate in a thriller over
Benedictine 45-41. Bill's accurate shooting with thrilling
long shots and tough rebounding, greatly helped the
basketball in its turnaround championship season going
all the way to the City Championship. The game was
played in front of 5,500 fans at Public Auditorium

against Lincoln. With the Lions trailing 32-30 and only one minute left, Bill and the defense caused two turnovers that led to the school's first City Championship 34-32.

In March 1945, Bill enlisted into the U.S. Navy and did his training and testing at the Great Lakes Naval Center. He earned a Naval Reserve Officer Training Opportunity and was assigned to Purdue University for his studies. In his second year, he was a "walk-on" starting defensive halfback, making game-saving tackles and interceptions. One notable event was the Latin reunion after the 1947 Notre Dame game with his teammates Frank Gaul '45 and Bob Lally '46.

In 1949, Bill earned a degree in Electrical Engineering and also a Naval Commission with the Seabee's. He worked for an electrical equipment manufacturer and served the company in several cities, culminating in Gardena, California as the President of Sierra Electric Company.

After his work years, Bill resided in Sun City (Las Vegas), Nevada where he passed away on May 2, 2012. The bugle's taps resounded in the Nevada foothills and seemed to say "44—44" requiescat in pace.

# Jim Barrett '60 (cont'd from page 1)

one player takes over a game and it is his "night." On Saturday, October 31, 1959 that happened to Lion halfback Jimmy Barrett. The treats were on Barrett as he scored a pair of touchdowns on short runs, ran back a pass interception for another touchdown, and even added a two-point conversion as he scored all of Latin's points in a 20-6 victory over Collinwood.

He was also a 2-year starter in basketball as a guard. During his junior year the team was 15-5. Senior year he was co-captain and was second leading scorer (11.4). The team finished with a record of 12-7.

After graduation, Jim attended Borromeo Seminary for two and a half years. Having not played football for three years, he was still given a full scholarship to Xavier University where he played for three years and received his BA degree in 1967.

Upon returning to Cleveland, Jim taught at St. Ignatius High School and also was the backfield coach for the Wildcats. He moved on to Padua Franciscan as assistant varsity coach and academic classroom teacher.

In December of 1973 Jim moved to California and became a sales agent for the insurance industry. He also pursued and received his secondary teaching credentials and has taught high school classes over the years. He wanted to be back in Cleveland with his family, so he returned home and worked for the County Health Department. In 2000, he started his own maintenance and window cleaning business in Parma. After four years, the Cleveland winters caught up with Jim so he moved back to the West Coast.

Jim currently resides in Woodland Hills, California where he is a self proclaimed "prose and poetry writer."



Some of our Trustees gathered for a picture with Sr. Margaret Gorman, SND, Provincial Superior of the Sisters of Notre Dame from Chardon, OH at the Mane Event.

seated left to right: Ellen Allerton, Ben Carlozzo '71 and Rita Raymer

standing left to right: Laurie Roncagli, Terry Ronagli '77, Maureen Ashdown, Tom Ashdown '62, Sr. Gorman, Tom Nowel '65, Joe Spagnuolo '61 & Lynne Nowel

## **ALUMNOTABLES**

#### 1944

The Class of 1944 meets for lunch @ 1:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday of every month at Don's Lighthouse, 8905 Lake Avenue in Cleveland. Anyone interested is invited to attend the luncheon.

#### 1945

Dr. Henry John Sazima Rear Admiral Dental Corps U.S. Navy (retired), DDS, KH, passed away on July 12, 2013. Dr. Sazima served in the Navy's Reserve Dental Corps for 33 years. He enlisted in the Navy in 1948 and served two tours in Vietnam. His military honors included two awards of the Legion of Merit, two awards of the Meritorious Service Medal, a Joint Service Commendation Medal, and two Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals.

Dr. Sazima was a clinical associate professor emeritus at Georgetown

University, where he taught oral and maxillofacial surgery at the school's dental school and medical center from 1988 until 1992. He also received professional awards from the Academy of Dentistry International and was a diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.

Our prayers go out to his family.

#### 1950

Dominic LoGalbo was honored by the East Light Yacht Club in March 2014 and was presented with a plaque. He started this club 25 years ago. We extend our congratulations to Dominic!

#### 1955

The Class of 1955 meets for lunch @ 11:30 a.m. on the second Thursday of every month. To make a reservation, please call Don Hutton at (440) 331-7778.

#### 1963

Congratulations to *Clinton Jones* for making the 2014 College Football Hall of Fame ballot.

#### 1973

Bill Schwarber works at the Greater Cleveland Volunteers where they recruit volunteers age 18+ to serve at over 100 local nonprofit organizations in Cuyahoga County. They assist people in finding the right opportunity to serve based on their interests, skills, and availability. They have a wide variety of opportunities available and are seeking people age 55+ to help with literacy tutoring (grades K-3) and lunchtime mentoring (grades 4-6) in the Cleveland Metropolitan School District. Contact them for information at 216-391-9500 or email EC@greaterclevelandvolunteers.org



# It was a "Brother Nurthen" Kind of Day at the June 27 Golf Outing

That was one way our alum, Jim Feldkircher '52, summed up the beautiful weather for this year's annual Golf Outing. With all the rain we experienced days before the event, we thought we would have a rainy day. Leave it to Brother Frank to provide us sunshine and beautiful temperatures to make this outing spectacular!

The golf outing was Friday, June 27 at Grantwood Golf Course in Solon, Ohio. When golfers arrived, they each received a 62" purple and gold fiberglass umbrella with the charging lion imprinted on the panel – luckily we didn't need to use them! The Winking Lizard served up delicious hamburgers, turkey and sausage sandwiches at the turn followed by a chicken & rib dinner. Each year, Jeff and his crew serve a great meal to our guys and our thanks go out to them.

Following dinner was our raffle where guests won some wonderful gifts. Thank you to Paul Ertel '71 and Georgine Welo (wife of Carter Welo '74) for donating prizes for the raffle. Another note of thanks goes to Bernie Hyland '81 of Aable Rents who each year provides purple and gold tablecloths for the tables in the banquet hall to display our school colors.

The winning team of Dennis Myslenski '69, Tim Myslenski '64, Ian Marek and Mike Witmar shot 59 (12 under) to win the scramble for the second year in a row. They each received a roaring lion head cover and Grantwood gift certificate. Their foursome also had the only skin on hole 4 with a birdie. Congrats to each of them!

This event is our only fundraiser for the alumni association. We raised close to \$11,000, which helps keep our alumni association alive and well. We couldn't have done this without the support of our hole sponsors. Mike D'Amato '79, owner of Nissan of North Olmsted, sponsored a sign on every hole – "Are you Kiddin' Me!" Thank you to all the sponsors. We really appreciate your support.

We would like to thank Rick Cavolo '74, Terry Roncagli '77, Kevin Wise and Terry Wise '77 for volunteering to help with this year's event. A special thank you goes to Sue Wise for putting together this event and making sure everything runs smoothly. A special collection was taken at the dinner and given to Sue as a thank you for all the hard work she does for the alumni association. She was very humbled by this gesture and thanks everyone for the gift.

Save the date of **June 26, 2015** for next year's outing at Grantwood. It's sure to be another sellout. We hope to see you there!





Kevin Flynn '79, Jim Hyland '78, Tom Flynn '82 & Brian Quinn '79

Dave Murphy '66, Paul Kolb '71, Jeff Porter '71 & Jim Murphy '71





Jim Otto '79, Ivan Otto '55 & Patricia Stier-Janes



The 1964 Class were honored on the occasion of their 50th anniversary.

# Ivan Otto '55 Honored at Communion Breakfast

Over 80 alumni, friends and family attended the 63rd annual Communion Breakfast on Sunday, April 27. Mass was celebrated at St. John's Cathedral. The 1964 Class participated in readings and brought up the gifts. They were guests of the alumni association and honored on the occasion of their 50th anniversary.

After Mass, guests went over to the Wyndham Cleveland at Playhouse Square for a delicious breakfast followed by the awards presentation. **Ivan Otto '55** was the recipient

of the Merit Award – the highest honor given by the Alumni Association. This award is given to someone who has distinguished himself in his chosen field of endeavor in a manner that brings renown to CLS. Ivan was honored to receive this award.

We would like to thank everyone who attended this wonderful event. Next year's Communion Breakfast will be Sunday, April 26, 2015, so please save the date. We hope you can join us for this wonderful affair.



The 1948 Class held their 65th reunion on August 31, 2013 with Mass and a great dinner at St. Monica's Church.

# Dr. John Bastulli '72 Saves Patient in Flight

Dr. Bastulli, his wife Lorene and his daughter Mary were on their way home to Cleveland from an Easter vacation in Arizona aboard a United Airlines flight. Seated in front of them was a 90-year-old man named Harry along with his son. There was a small oxygen tank that provided needed oxygen for Harry along with a portable pulse-oximeter on his finger.

After take-off, John noticed Harry was short of breath and looked blue. He also saw that his pulse-oximeter reading was very low and found out that Harry had chronic lung disease. Dr. Bastulli asked the flight attendant about the type of medical equipment on board the plane. With Harry's condition starting to deteriorate, John asked to sit next to him so he could keep an eye on him. Harry passed out on his shoulder so Dr. Bastulli laid him down on the seats and began to resuscitate him. Harry wasn't breathing, so John asked his wife, who is a nurse, to start chest compressions while he intubated and

provided supplemental oxygen. Within five minutes, Harry regained consciousness. As a precautionary measure, Dr. Bastulli started a saline solution and applied an external defibrillator.

The pilot diverted the plane to Kansas. Once landed, the local paramedics came on board and took over Harry's care.

Dr. Bastulli has never faced this situation in flight during his 26 years of practice. He knew there was a chance that something might happen before take-off because he could see Harry's condition wasn't good. Fortunately, he had time to mentally prepare what to do in case he needed his help.

As for Harry, Dr. Bastulli has been unable to find out how he's doing despite many attempts. We are very proud to have Dr. John Bastulli as our alum to serve "in deed and truth."

# Yearbooks Needed & For Sale

The Alumni Office is in need of yearbooks for 1934, 1950, 1953, 1954, 1958, 1959, 1967, 1968, 1969 and 1971. If you have one of these yearbooks and are willing to donate it, please call Sue at 216-691-9999.

We also have used yearbooks available for sale. The cost is \$35/each (price includes shipping/handling). If you are interested in purchasing one, please contact Sue.

## t IN MEMORIAM t

Our thoughts & prayers are extended to families who have lost loved ones.

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