



NOLAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

February 2021

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Update your contact information

We want to hear from you! Please email [Pat Pierret](mailto:ppierret@nchstx.org) your contact information, job, education, and family updates. We want to be sure we have the most up to date information so we can mail and email all upcoming events, reunions and opportunities to get involved.

Send your news to us via [NCHS Website](http://www.nchshigh.org) and we will highlight it in the next newsletter.



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FROM THE ALUMNI RELATIONS COORDINATOR

Dear Alumni

In the short, often cold month of February, we take a break from the busy beginning of the year and anticipate the Spring season that will be here soon.

Valentine's Day and the [NCHS "Heart & Soul" Virtual Dinner & Auction](#) will warm us up. The auction has taken a turn for the virtual this year. It will be online on Saturday, Feb. 13, 6:30 p.m. Staff and volunteers have been busy making "Heart & Soul" a fun, enjoyable event that will also bring in much needed revenue for our current NCHS Vikings. Be sure to [check out the silent and live auction items](#). Purchase a "Party in Place" package with dinner and wine for you and your Valentine at [the auction website](#). See more details below. Donations are still accepted and sponsorships are still available.

As mentioned, Spring and outdoor activities are not too far from our minds. If you're looking for a way to reward or celebrate your kids, their ball teams, their classes – and don't forget their teachers and coaches, check out **Steve Holleman's** ('88) Kona Ice truck in the Business Spotlight. Kona Ice is a treat for anyone at any time!

Finding yourself with a lot of time on your hands due to the pandemic? Reading a lot? Why not take a reading challenge? NCHS Librarian, Therese O'Herron, is asking the students to try one of three different reading challenges. Alumni, let's take the challenge! Click on the link below and view the options.

[6-Book Reading Challenge](#)

[9-Book Reading Challenge](#)

[12-Book Reading Challenge](#)

February is a short month. Make the best of it.

Sincerely,

Pat-

NCHS Alumni Spirit Gear

Alumni Spirit Gear is here for you to purchase. Go to [this site](#), pick out your favorite and pay online. Your purchase will be mailed to you.

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ALUMNI BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT: Kona Ice

Join fellow alumni in registering your business on the [alumni web page](#) of the [Nolan Catholic website](#). Send your name, class year, the name of your business and a link to your site. You can also join the [Nolan Alum Biz page](#) on Facebook. The e-news would like to highlight your business. For information on all of these, contact [Pat Pierret, Alumni Relations Coordinator](#).

Kona Ice

Steve Holleman, class of '88

Steve Holleman and his wife Paige have owned and operated Kona Ice Northwest DFW for nine years. They serve specific zip codes in west and northwest Tarrant County.

Kona Ice is the largest mobile food truck franchise in the USA serving gourmet shaved ice at schools, sporting events, weddings, corporate employee treats, and festivals.

Many of the school and sporting events include a giveback to help provide financial support to the school or nonprofit sports leagues. Collectively, Kona Ice has donated over \$82 million dollars across the country.

Steve & Paige were asked to assist the franchise headquarters in the development of a new food truck, Grounded Coffee Transit, and they will be operating the prototype truck locally during the month of February.

For information about booking the Kona Ice or Grounded Coffee truck, visit <https://www.kona-ice.com/local-site/kona-ice-northwest-dfw/>, email holleman@kona-ice.com or call 817-939-9805 visit <https://www.facebook.com/KonaIceNorthwestDFW> to see more of what we offer.



EVENTS



January 31 - February 6
Catholic Schools Week

Nolan Catholic High School
Virtual Mardi Gras Dinner & Auction

Heart & Soul 02♥13
2021

February 13

Join us virtually for an evening of fun and fundraising! [Register online to watch the live stream.](#)



dianasschoolofyoga.com

February 19

Health & Wellness with Diana
Andrews Roehl '73

PRAYER REQUESTS



During these uncertain times, especially, but at any time, Fr. Moon, NCHS Chaplain, will include your prayer requests in daily and weekly NCHS Masses. Submit your prayer requests to [Pat Pierret](#).

Nolan Catholic High School

Virtual Mardi Gras Dinner & Auction



Heart & Soul

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Our VIRTUAL auction will look different, but it's the same great event!

Saturday, February 13
6:30 - 8 pm

Attend the Live Stream for FREE (registration required to bid and participate)



Golden Ticket



The Golden Ticket is a fun game and a drawing for a chance to win a LIVE AUCTION item of your choice!

That's right... you get to select a live auction item if you are the winner of the Golden Ticket. Tickets are \$100 each and only 100 tickets will be available for purchase! You have a 1:100 chance of winning!

YOU CAN BUY MORE THAN ONE GOLDEN TICKET!

Visit our auction website at <https://nolancatholicshs.ejoinme.org/> for more information or to donate an auction item or service!

EXPERIENCE the possibilities at Nolan Catholic

Visit our [website](#) to learn more about tradition of growing our students closer to knowing, loving, and serving God. The Nolan Catholic experience forms the whole child with development in faith, academics, and student life. [Admission and tuition assistance applications](#) are available now.

Please join us at one of our upcoming events/tours
www.nolancatholic.org/events-and-tours

Contact Donna O'Malley Executive Director for Admissions and Enrollment
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**Admissions
Corner**

FEBRUARY 2021



February 2021 #1



February 2021 #2



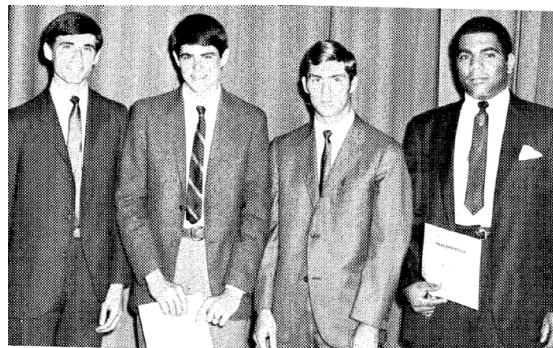
February 2021 #3

JANUARY 2021



January 2021 #1

Paul Roehl '72



January 2021 #2

Tom Stewart '68, Steve Hartnett '68, Ken Clark '68, Ozell Birks '68



January 2021 #3

Tonya Salvant Tooley '86, Linda Plumlee
(Dance Company Instructor)

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS



Mrs. Pat Pelletier, Director of Mother and Unborn Baby Care, and Mr. Bobby Warren, Campaign Director for Fort Worth 40 Days for Life, spoke to students of the Pro-Life Club and LIFE Team during Respect Life Week.



The '20-'21 Royelles Competition Team finished as 1st Runner Up in the TAPPS State Championship. Several of the Royelles have siblings or parents who are alumni:

Standing: Director **Rebekah Yarmchuk '12**, Anamae Toye (**Isabella Toye '20**), Avery Williams, Isabelle Rivas, Emelia Marquino, Director **Tatyana Peffers '09**;

Kneeling: Julia Guinn (**Cathleen Gilmore Guinn '87**, **Meredith Guinn '18**), Maggie Reilly (**Brenden Reilly '18**), Elizabeth Hyde (**Madeline Hyde '14**, **Gabby Hyde '17**)

Nolan Catholic Fund



Everything we do at Nolan Catholic, every step we take and everything we say, is done with meaning and purpose. We are dedicating more than 100% of our effort to providing our students with the opportunities for faith, academics, and student life.

Tuition only covers 80% of the cost to educate a student at Nolan Catholic. Gifts to the Nolan Catholic Fund help to bridge this critical gap in the operating budget and touch nearly every component of school life, thereby benefiting each and every Nolan Catholic student.

We are grateful for your generosity! Help us reach our goal this year of raising \$150,000!

Join us today by going online to www.nolancatholic.org/give!

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February 2021 Class Notes

Faculty/Staff

Mr. Jack Crowder finished his 11th book while following COVID-19 lockdown. Appropriately for the times, the book is called [How Disease Affected the Military During the American Revolution](#). Mr. Crowder's books can be found at [Amazon](#) and [Thriftbooks](#).

(Photo 1)

1970s

Special delivery made to **Horace Ivory '72**. Horace thought his letter jacket was long gone until a Viking friend with a good eye found it at Montgomery Antique Mall. [Here's the story](#). *(Photo 2)*

1990s

Jenn Mauk '91 is serving as Chief of Staff at [Americorps](#) under the Biden-Harris Administration.

Karen Erickson Finn '97 is the Executive Director of [Springfield \(MA\) Cultural Partnership](#). She is the head of the organization that has created "a highly visible beautification project" that will "transform an under-utilized urban park into an outdoor art gallery, increasing access to the arts for city residents" in Pynchon Park in Springfield. [Read more](#) about this project. Karen and her husband, Andrew, live in Longmeadow, MA with their sons, Andrew (11) and James (9). She is the daughter of **Jeanne Caesar Erickson '69**.

2000s

Casey Voorhies Bonano '06 and her husband, Will, welcomed Charles "Charlie" William Bonano just in time for Christmas. Charlie was born on Nov. 27, 2020. He is pictured here with his mom and dad. *(Photo 3)*

Kyle Bush '07 popped the question to Danielle Lobsinger at [Mueller Lake Park](#) and she said, "Yes." *(Photo 4)*

Matthew Peterson '07 and his wife, Sara, are now a family of three with the birth of Logan James Peterson on June 5, 2020. Logan's aunts, **Elizabeth Peterson '10** (l.) and Stephanie Peterson (r.) welcomed him. *(Photos 5-6)*

Jake Mercer '09 married Meredith Kirk on Dec. 20, 2020. Jake graduated from Texas A&M with a Masters degree in accounting. He is currently working at KPMG in Dallas. Jake's mother, **Tisha Sulak Mercer '80**, is the proud mama. *(Photo 7)*

2010s

Sara Chandlee '11 got engaged to Austen Cole in November 2020 in Disney World. *(Photo 8)*

Nick Walden '13 and his wife, Sydney, are the proud parents of this year's New Year's baby, Declyn Grace. Declyn Grace was born Jan. 1, 2021. The Walden Family made a trip to Boston to see her. Photo 1, l. to r.: Sydney, Declyn Grace, Nick; Photo 2, l. to r.: Bailey Schneider (Jake's fiancée), Jake '16, Ella, class of '23, Kim, Declyn Grace, Sydney, Jim, Nick. *(Photos 9-10)*

Stephanie Mengis '14 received her BS in Chemical Engineering at [University of South Florida](#) and then graduated from the [US Navy – Officer Training Command](#) in Rhode Island. She is currently training sailors to operate nuclear warships at the [Nuclear Power Training Unit](#) in Charleston, SC. Stephanie was recently promoted from Ensign to Lieutenant Junior Grade. *(Photo 11)*

Kathryn Seyer Buell '16 and her husband, Jack, are living in Colorado, stationed at Fort Carson, CO in the 4th Engineer Battalion. Kathryn just graduated Engineer Basic Officer Leadership Course and was awarded the [Sapper Spirit Award](#) voted on by her peers. She was also a distinguished graduate graduating in the top 20% of her class. *(Photo 12)*

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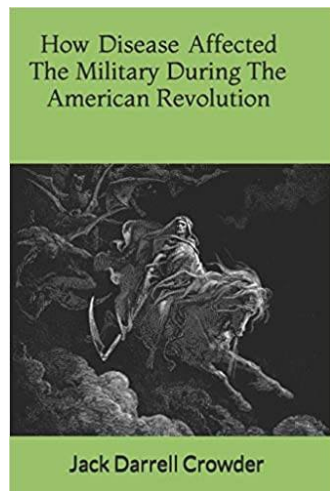
Oliver Gallina '17 was named to the [University of Utah's](#) Fall 2020 Dean's List. Gallina is majoring in Games BS.

Emily Keoughan '17, a student-athlete at [Angelo State University](#), was named to the Lone Star Conference Commissioner's Honor Roll for the Fall 2020 semester.

Nicolas Lubrano '17 and his brother, **Dominic Lubrano '20**, toured the improvements to the NCHS campus and visited with several teachers. Their sisters, Izzy Lubrano, class of '22, and Angela Lubrano, class of '21, joined them after school when they were chatting with Mr. Alex Mishork, NCHS Theology teacher. Nic is majoring in civil engineering at [UTA](#); Dom is majoring in Biology at [University of Dallas](#). Pictured, l. to r.: Izzy, Angela, Mr. Mishork, Nic and Dom. (Photo 13)

Matthew Logan '19 is everyone's favorite car salesman at [Vandergriff Toyota](#) in Arlington.

February 2021 Class Notes Photo Gallery



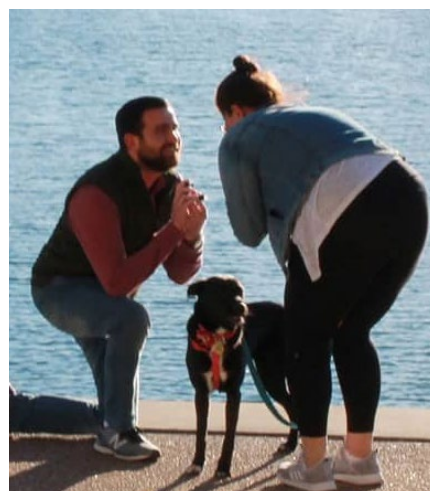
1. Mr. Jack Crowder



2. Horace Ivory '72



3. Casey Voorhies Bonano '06, husband, Will, and Charles "Charlie" William Bonano



4. Kyle Bush '07 and Danielle Lobsinger.



5. Logan James Peterson



6. Elizabeth Peterson '10 and Stephanie Peterson '12

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7. Meredith and **Jake Mercer '09**



8. Sara **Chandlee '11** and Austen Cole



9. Sydney, Declyn, and Nick **Walden '13**



10. Bailey Schneider (Jake's fiancée), **Jake '16**, Ella c/o '23, Kim, Declyn Grace, Sydney, Jim, Nick.



11. **Stephanie Mengis '14**



12. Kathryn Seyer Buell '16 (left)



13. Izzy, Angela, Mr. Mishork, Nic and Dom