

**This is an  
exciting time  
in Academy  
history...**

**GOING BEYOND**

# LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear OA friends and family,

Recently, I had the pleasure of speaking with some veteran OA parents about why they chose the Academy for their children. We all agreed that our strong, clear, and welcoming Franciscan Catholic mission is priority number one, followed closely by being a place where no one “falls through the cracks” and an environment that offers a rigorous, differentiated,

and empowering curriculum. For 170 years, Oldenburg Academy has been that special school community that families across southeastern Indiana and southwestern Ohio have relied upon to offer their daughters and sons a unique and transformational secondary school experience.

This is an exciting time in the Academy’s history. Our beautiful campus now includes four buildings, a highlight of which is our amazing new Hillenbrand Family Feldhaus. Our main academic building now contains a state-of-the-art Makerspace, an outdoor classroom/ecology lab, a student

run/sustainability focused coffee shop and upgraded wireless throughout. Our Board of Trustees has just completed a dynamic strategic plan that will continue to position OA with the vision, priorities and resources necessary to proactively meet the demands of the 21st century. As you will see in our Annual Report data, community support for OA has never been stronger and we are richly blessed and deeply grateful. Despite the challenges of this past year, God never ceases to remind us that grace and mercy are always in our midst if we but choose to pay attention.

If you haven’t been to campus in some time, I invite you to come by for a visit when you feel comfortable. Come to our November Hog Roast or Open House. Come cheer the Twisters at a volleyball or basketball game in the Feldhaus and the soccer teams in the “graveyard”. Enjoy our music and drama productions this fall. Follow us on our social media sites. Something new and exciting happens every day at OA!

Twisters together always go beyond!

Diane H. Laake  
President

***“... grace and mercy are always in our midst if we but choose to pay attention.”***

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*OA is grateful for the many years of service given by the following individuals who recently retired from the Board:  
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# LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL



I can't even begin to tell you how many people have asked me, "How's the new job going?" over the last three months. My answer always starts the same... "It's going great." And, it really is.

In my initial speech to the families of OA, I focused on how we would "Grow and Learn Together" this year. Academically, socially, and professionally, we are all growing. In the classroom, our students are thriving. They are interacting

with their peers and learning. Our teachers are pushing our students and themselves to become better every day. We are focusing our professional development time on learning new teaching strategies to enhance and improve our delivery to our students. We are together -- working together, praying together, learning together, participating in clubs together, playing sports together.

I am very impressed with how much so many people do to support our students' learning. Every single teacher and faculty member has many different roles, in and out of the classroom. Our parents and community members are available to help any time we reach out. Everyone is so giving of themselves and their time in a way that I have never experienced previously. From academic support to extra curricular activities, from club moderating to relationship building, we are truly blessed to have the staff and community that we have to support our students.

This being said, the beginning of this school year has been rough. I do not believe that anyone was prepared for the way that COVID would affect us this year. Last year, we were coming back to school after being out for months. We were excited to be together but concerned and anxious about how the virus may spread. We made it through last school year -- we had some rough times and some interruptions -- but we were able to end the school year on a positive note and with a very optimistic outlook. When school started this year, we quickly realized that COVID would be directly impacting our school world again this year. Possibly, even more so than last year. It has added a layer of stress to all of us, adding to our workload and our anxiety. It has consumed our time and our resources on many occasions.

But, we are working together and doing everything we can to make this year the best it can be. We are holding Masses and retreats. We are scheduling club meetings during REACH and after school. We are participating in and hosting extra-curricular events. From clubs to athletics, it seems like every single student has something they are involved in. That involvement and interaction with others is what everyone remembers from high school.

I love how involved our students are. I hope we are able to help your children find their passion. I hope your child is actively involved and able to make amazing memories here at OA so that we can "Grow and Learn Together" this year!

Angela Parmer  
Principal

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# BOARD OF TRUSTEES STRATEGIC PLAN



Oldenburg Academy's Board of Trustees and President Diane Laake and her leadership team recently completed the strategic planning process and we are pleased to share with you a new strategic plan to guide the school over the next few years. The strategic plan was developed using the direct contributions from the OA community including faculty, staff, students, parents and the board.

This plan invites active participation of all OA stakeholders as we build upon our strengths, address our opportunities, and work to realize our potential. A large number of strategies and action plans will emerge from the stated goals. Some will be administrative in nature; some will require significant tactical development; some will call upon the diverse skills and talents of our community. We will continually assess the effectiveness of our actions against these goals, and we will be accountable to our stakeholders for the progress made toward them. Please contact me or President Laake if you have questions or comments about the new strategic plan.

Keith Moenter  
Chairperson, Board of Trustees

**LEARNING.** Education is ever changing. Once a school to educate Postulants, Oldenburg Academy, became a college preparatory school for young men and women. The demands of a high school education are shifting again. Oldenburg Academy students have access to overwhelming amounts of information. The call for us to be stewards of our planet grows louder, and faith, always at the heart of what we do, now extends far beyond any single boundary both geographically and metaphorically. We know the world in which our students will walk will demand an understanding of multiple perspectives and that plurality will be the norm.  
**GOAL:** Assess current school resources to execute specialized academic support programs and define future needs and methodology for measuring success.

**TEACHING.** Teachers and their passion for the classroom represent Oldenburg Academy's greatest and most significant asset. While continuously developing the skills of any faculty is essential, strengthening and re-envisioning professional development will be critical for ongoing excellence. The development of faculty cannot be seen as episodic; rather, it needs to be lifelong and sustained.  
**GOAL:** Targeted professional development expectations and teacher compensation based on appropriate models, individualized evaluation and market rate.

**ENROLLMENT.** Improving diversity, educational offerings and finances will all require increased enrollment at OA.  
**GOAL:** Achieve enrollment of 210, annual retention rate of 97% and 40% enrollment from tributary elementary schools by 2023-24.

**FINANCES.** The value of an Oldenburg Academy education far exceeds the price of tuition; it is an investment in every student. While continuing to meet the promise of that potential and support innovative programs, we must do so within a plan of affordability and sustainability firmly grounded in endowment growth, enrollment strategies and embracing the school's long tradition of nimble transformation to meet the challenges of the day.  
**GOALS:** Foster purposeful student relationships and engagements that build lifelong commitment to OA and an identity as an OA alum. Enhance the alumni database. Reorganization of the Advancement Office.

**COMMUNITY.** Oldenburg Academy serves students from across southeastern Indiana but is uniquely woven into the fabric of the Oldenburg/ Batesville area community. Opportunities are abundant for our students to enrich their education with hands-on, practical experiences. The community too, will benefit from enhanced collaboration and engagement.  
**GOAL:** Develop an academic and collaborative relationship with Greenacres and strengthen local community partnerships.

Note: This is also OA's accreditation year that will focus on developing additional academic goals for the next several years.

**GO BEYOND**

# 2020 -2021 STUDENT SUCCESSES

## ACADEMICS

- **1 Lilly Endowment Scholar**
- 2 Lilly Endowment Finalists
- 1 National Merit Semi-Finalist
- 29 Graduates (56%) Earned Indiana College Core through Ivy Tech Community College
- **4** Graduates Earned an **Associates Degree** through Ivy Tech Community College
- 48 of 52 Graduates are pursuing post-secondary education
- 3 Graduates are entering workforce
- 1 Graduate entering the military
- Class of 2021 earned over **\$3.1 million in college scholarships**
- 73% of graduates earned Indiana Academic Honors Diplomas (38 students)
- 2 students in Class of 2022 qualify for National Merit Recognition based on PSAT scores
- **First place at Maverick Challenge** Local Competition (business planning competition)
- Innovation Award at Regional Maverick Challenge
- **A pollinator garden and raised-flower beds created by science department**
- Project Commit Manufacturing Competition – First place
- Cross-Curricular Humanities Industrial Revolution Project
- Archdiocese of Indianapolis Vocations Essay - winner

## COLLEGE-TO-CAREER READINESS PROGRAM

- 100% of seniors participated in a semester-long internship and/or capstone project
- **18 different partnering organization** participated in our internships

- 5 students completed capstone projects
- Capstone Projects include:
  - Launched a **sustainable coffee shop** at OA
  - **Outdoor classroom** created (built pergola)
  - Composed a song

## SPORTS

- 2020 Sectional Champs – Girls Soccer – 4th consecutive year
- 1 student advanced to Semi-State in Cross Country
- **Indiana Academic All Team Award** – Girls Volleyball
- 1 student named All-State in Boys Basketball
- 1 student named SEI Winter Athlete of the Year
- 1 student named ORVC Senior Winter Athlete
- 1 student named to the **All-Star Team in Baseball** (first time)
- 2021 Sectional Champs – Boys Baseball
- 7 students advanced to Regionals in Track and Field
- 1 student advanced to Regionals in Golf
- 2 students advanced to Regionals in Tennis
- **4 students sign to play collegiate sports:**
  - Owen Russell – Defiance College – football
  - Christopher Hautman – Hanover College – baseball
  - Andrew Wagner – IU Kokomo - golf
  - Charlie Schebler (sophomore)– The Ohio State University – baseball
- **20 students named Academic All-State**  
fall/winter sports (pending spring/summer)

## FINE ARTS

- 2020 **ISSMA Instrumental Awards** – 2 students earned gold in piano and 1 student earned gold in string bass
- **Scholastic Art and Writing Awards** – **9 students received 14 awards**
- 2021 Overture Awards Competition – Visual Art Semi-Finalist
- BAAC Young Artist Showcase Drama – 2 ribbons
- BAAC Young Artist Showcase Art – 4 trophies; 17 ribbons
- BAAC Young Artist Showcase Writing – 2 trophies; 4 ribbons
- Regional Youth Artist Patriotic Award – first, second, and third awards

## SERVICE

- **Launched weekly morning prayer service for students and staff**
- March for Life – students attended service and walk in Indianapolis
- Second **village-wide OA Day of Service Project** – collaborative activity with Ripley County Community Foundation's Ripley Youth Outreach and celebration of Earth Day
- Painted Easter Eggs – collaboration with Batesville Beautification League
- **Staff volunteered at Margaret Mary Health Covid vaccination clinic**
- Light Up Oldenburg (replaced Holidays Under the Spires due to covid) – Oldenburg community event led by OA's National Business Honor Society
- St. Louis Science Fair – OA student judges
- Recyclones hosted a winter apparel drive for local organization
- 4 students achieved the rank of Eagle Scout
- **1 senior student registered over 500 service hours**



# CAMPUS ENHANCEMENTS



## Feldhaus

The OA Feldhaus - the newest building on campus, was completed last summer. Volleyball and Basketball are two of our 19 varsity sports that call this court home. Over 85% of our student body participates in athletics. OA student athletes go beyond the regular season and achieve their goals. We are very proud of our many student athletes and teams who receive academic awards throughout their season, with almost half receiving Academic-All State by Senior year. Twister Spirit fills the space, encouraging Alumni to come back to cheer in stands and coach current students. Coming in 21-22.... New weight room equipment for the mezzanine!

## Makerspace

The OA Makerspace, StudiOA, is a new addition to the campus and is located in the center of the academic building. In order to have a hands on learning experience students will have access to this workspace and tools such as the 3D printers and laser cutter. Through project-based learning, the makerspace environment will help students build skills in an authentic, rigorous and motivating environment. StudiOA will help teachers to Go Beyond by incorporating hands on learning into curriculum.

## Outdoor Classroom & Pollinator Garden

Recent graduates Chris Hautman '21 and Jason Strohmeier '21 designed a pergola/outdoor classroom for their senior capstone project. The area has been enhanced with a beautiful pollinator garden and raised garden beds. These projects are examples of the cross-curricular learning experiences available at OA. This space has also proven to be immediately valuable for our safe, social distancing needs.





## Coffee Shop - The Friendly Bean

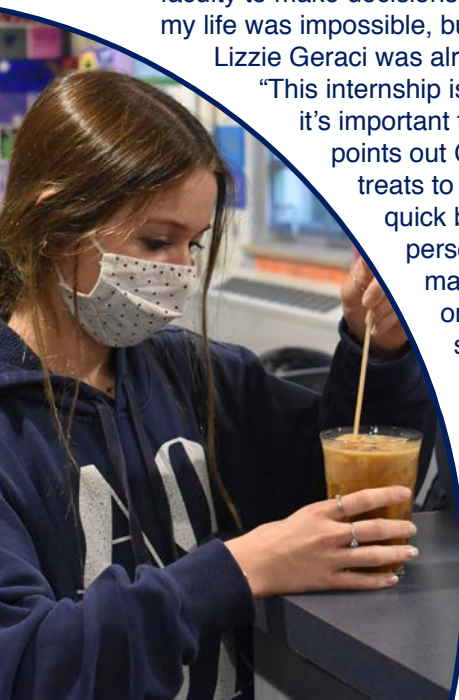
The Friendly Bean OA's sustainable coffee shop, is thriving under the direction of two students, Lizzie Geraci '22 and Anna Carballo '22. With their infectious attitude and superb coffee making skills, these young women have created a space for students to get a morning pick-me-up or a homemade snack. The coffee shop serves a variety of drinks all in glasses or returnable to-go cups—with the goal of reducing plastic waste at school. "I've learned how to make macchiatos, lattes, and frappes," remarks Geraci, "but more importantly, I've learned how to make coffee that the students want to buy."

And more students are buying the coffee, creating an atmosphere of camaraderie. "I like the feeling of family we get at the coffee shop," say Anna Carballo, "Everyone who comes in chats about their day, and working here has helped me get to know underclassmen and other people in the school." From 7:30 to 10, students stop in between periods and Seniors who have finished their internship for the day hang out before returning to class. The coffee shop is, as Carballo indicates, a lively place where the school meets and visits with each other. Even teachers find time to mingle with the students. Mr. Feller, a toasted marshmallow latte drinker, comments that "It's a time for people to interact with each other outside of the classroom setting, which is fun."

While the coffee shop certainly wants to be a place for social interaction, its other goal is an environmental one. Funds provided by the Hillenbrand VISION grant allowed OA to start the shop. The aim is to get students and faculty to make decisions that lessen the impact on the Earth. "I used to think reducing single-use plastics in my life was impossible, but the coffee shop has shown me many ways to achieve that goal," shares Carballo.

Lizzie Geraci was already concerned about the environment, so working at the Friendly Bean made sense. "This internship is making an impact. With Dunkin serving coffee in plastic cups that are not recyclable, it's important to make decisions that reduce our plastic waste and this coffee shop does just that," points out Geraci. Geraci, who makes cinnamon rolls, blueberry pastries, and other delectable treats to sell, also sees other benefits. "We make it more accessible for students to grab a quick breakfast here at school. Having warm homemade baked goods brings a friendly personal touch to the morning," she says. Her classmates agree. Senior Elizabeth Gigrich made the switch to getting her coffee at the Friendly Bean, "Lizzie and Anna know my order and share new flavors they know I will love. The welcoming environment and sweet treats make my morning routine so enjoyable."

Both Geraci and Carballo hope the coffee shop has a sustaining presence as does the school. The intention is to reinvest all the store's profits into other sustainability efforts that will, ultimately, encourage all OA students to make choices with a focus on the environment. "It would be great if the Friendly Bean were the first step toward completely eliminating plastic waste here at our school and the inspiration for adopting more wide-ranging eco-friendly practices," observes Geraci. No doubt, future generations would agree. - Helen Yane '97, AP Environmental Science Teacher





# CARE FOR CREATION

*"There is a nobility in the duty to care for creation through little daily actions."  
Pope Francis Laudato Si', no. 211*

For the 2021-22 school year, OA is focusing on our Franciscan sponsorship value of Care for Creation. This is especially appropriate as we continue to implement several sustainability projects begun last year (see p. XX Friendly Bean, Pollinator Garden and outdoor classroom). Our student leaders are making this a special goal for STUCO as well. During our October 4 Feast of St. Francis all school Mass, we heard some reflections from Sr. Mary Ann Stoffregen, OSF about some ways that the Sisters of St. Francis celebrated Pope Francis' "Season of Creation".

Another exciting collaboration recently launched is welcoming our newest "neighbors" to the Village of Oldenburg. Greenacres Foundation has recently purchased Michaela Farms from the Sisters of St. Francis. But have no fear. This dynamic organization is committed to many of the same values that have been the focus of Michaela for decades: sustainable agriculture, education, and the fine arts. Could there be a more perfect match?

OA wanted to dive a bit deeper into the vision that Greenacres has for Michaela Farms (the name will remain) and begin to explore partnership opportunities. The entire faculty and staff spent a day at Greenacres Indian Hill/Cincinnati campus learning first-hand, how they have been caring for creation as they serve students and the entire community since 1989.

Our Sophomores will spend part of their April retreat day providing service for Greenacres at Michaela Farms.





# ADMISSIONS EVENTS CLASS OF 2026

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## **TWISTER THURSDAYS - SHADOW DAY OPPORTUNITIES**

October 7, 21, 28  
November 4, 11, 18  
December 2, 9

Any 8th grade student can join us for a half day from 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM or full day from 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM on Thursdays for a “shadow day” experience. Students will be partnered with an OA student who will serve as their host during their morning visit to campus. Visiting students will attend classes, meet students and teachers, and see first-hand what makes OA a great high school experience. Call the Admissions Office at 812-934-4440 ext. 231 to schedule your visit.

2

## **OPEN HOUSE**

Sunday, November 7, 2021 - 1 PM to 3 PM

Come spend Sunday, November 7 in picturesque Oldenburg, Indiana! Tour our beautiful and historic campus and meet students, faculty, administrators, parents, and future classmates. Learn about the many opportunities awaiting you at Oldenburg Academy! Register for tuition certificate drawings and other prizes!

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## **PLACEMENT TEST and PARENT MEETING**

Saturday, December 4, 2021 – 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM

The High School Placement Test will be held on Saturday, December 4. Taking the test at OA is a requirement for all freshman scholarships offered at OA. Pre-registration for the test is encouraged. A parent meeting will be held in the OA Feldhaus during the test. Topics include academic curriculum, fine arts, campus ministry, athletics, financial assistance, and scholarships.

NEXT STEPS



# STUDENT LIFE

## Junior Class Induction

Several years ago, we began a new tradition at OA. Each fall we have a special ritual that signifies the induction of Juniors as official “upperclassmen/women”. They are each given a lapel pin with the OA crest on it from one of the Senior class officers. This usually occurs during our September all school Mass. All juniors and seniors are then encouraged to wear this pin during all formal uniform days.

### *Excerpts from principal Angela Parmer’s address to the Junior class*

“Junior year is a year of really large milestones.

You may have your license. With that comes a freedom you have never experienced before. You are able to go where you want, when you want...pretty much. With that freedom, you are expected to prove by your actions that you are trustworthy.

You may have a job which has allowed you some financial freedom you’ve never had before. With that job, you also have to prove that you are dependable and reliable.

There are personal decisions to be made that are significant for your future: What is next in your life? For the last 12 years, that decision has pretty much been made for you. Now it is your turn...Are you going to pursue a 4-year college, a 2-year degree, a trade school, enter the military...?

Your classes are probably HARD! You have made it past the ‘required’ classes that everyone absolutely has to take and are now able to choose classes that interest you. Maybe you chose to take an elective course or an AP course because you are interested in pursuing a career in that field. Maybe that is going well for you...maybe not!

There are significant social events to look forward to: parties, athletic events, Prom.

With all these freedoms and decisions come expectations and responsibility.

Here at school, being a Junior means we have a level of expectation and responsibility for you because you are now an upperclassmen.

Turn around and look at the freshmen and sophomores for a second.

I guarantee at least one of them looks up to you as a role model or a mentor. Even without you knowing it...at least one of them is watching you. Watching your actions and your reactions. They are watching how you handle yourself in public and not-so-public interactions. They are learning how they do...or maybe how they do not want to behave in those same situations... That is a huge responsibility, an opportunity, and an honor. Use that opportunity to show what is important to you. What do you represent? What does OA represent to you? What are your values and morals that you would want someone to attribute to you? What is your legacy that you want to leave here at OA?

Congratulations, and welcome. Growing up and maturing is a very windy path. You will make some good decisions. You will make some not-so-good decisions. There will be consequences you have to accept for both. Let God always be your moral compass. On my dry-erase board in my office I have written the Bible Verse from Psalms 20:4 -- ‘May He Give you the Desire of your Heart and Make all of your Plans Succeed.’ That is my wish for every single one of you. That He will give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed.”



*This year OA welcomed: new teachers (in order) Ben Popson, Jenny Schneider, David Jensen, (Not pictured) Administrative Assistant for Admissions and Guidance Kathy Jones, and Principal Angela Parmer.*



*Congratulations to OA Senior Caleb Lehman who was recently named a National Merit Commended student. Caleb is one of 50,000 nationwide who received this recognition.*



*Freshmen enjoyed their retreat last month; the theme was "Identity in Christ."*



# VISION FOR OASIS

“OASIS Athletic Boosters has always been very close to my heart as I have volunteered with this group since I was a student here at Oldenburg Academy. My goal is to get more student-athletes and parents involved with the group. It’s a great way to give back to a group that does so much for its athletic teams. My goal is to go beyond just providing the sports equipment and expand how we support our teams. More student interactions during the games is something I want to bring back. Let’s have little contests at halftime of basketball games to give the younger kids something to do during that time. I also want to award our coaches for being great role models for our student-athletes and all their successes they have in a year. I’m very excited to see what the future holds for OA athletics and OASIS Athletic Boosters.” - Athletic Director Patrick Kolks ‘10

*This year OASIS has taken over the Annual Golf Outing and made improvements to the “graveyard” soccer field.*



## OASIS ATHLETIC BOOSTER HOG ROAST

SAVE THE DATE NOVEMBER 06, 2021  
6PM TO 11PM @ OA  
DINNER TO START AT 6:30  
DRAW DOWN GRAND PRIZE \$5000  
WILL START AT 7PM  
\$100 TICKET = 2 DINNERS & 1 ENTRY  
INTO THE DRAW DOWN

FOR TICKETS AND INFORMATION  
CONTACT PATRICK KOLKS @ (812)  
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33rd Annual Dinner Auction

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IN THE  
**FELDBAU**

February 26, 2022

Welcome New Dinner Auction Coordinator Jennifer Lehman who will be leading the event this year ably assisted by Debbie Holtel Lamping '73.



Don't miss the Fall Play

almost,  
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November 12 & 13

## Twice Blessed Resale of Oldenburg Academy



# TWICE BLESSED

**15TH ANNIVERSARY GRAND RE-OPENING**

In September, OA's resale store "Twice Blessed" celebrated its 15th anniversary. To commemorate this historic moment, TB Manager Tonya Weiler Hudepohl '94 orchestrated a facilities facelift with a fresh coat of paint on the walls and ceiling, plus a new entrance door and storefront curtains. Funds are still being raised for the floor upgrade. It looks amazing! Members of OA's Academy Singers sang the Alma Mater at the ribbon cutting and several local officials joined in the celebration. Over the past 15 years, Twice Blessed has generated over \$300,000 in tuition assistance for OA students. The store also regularly provides access to clothing and small housewares for local families in need. As a result, we all can say that we are indeed "Twice Blessed"!

HELP OA MAKE THIS THE BEST YEAR EVER  
& WIN SOME MONEY IN THE PROCESS



# LUCKY BUCK 21-22

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programs for OA  
students!



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\$100 53 Weekly Drawings (every Friday)

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\$100 Alumni Drawing (October 9)

\$1000 Feast of the Immaculate Conception Drawing (December 8)

\$1000 Feast of the Assumption Drawing (August 15)

**BUY ONE TICKET FOR \$20 OR THREE TICKETS FOR \$50.  
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# ALUMNI UPDATES

## **BREAKING UP IS HARD TO DO CINCINNATI/OLDENBURG CLUB RETIREMENT**

It is with heavy heart that I am informing the Oldenburg Academy Alumni that the Cincinnati Oldenburg Chapter is disbanding.

For many years we have tried to entice new and younger Alumni to join our group with little success. Our older members are dwindling and slowing down with no one to take their place.

It was enjoyable getting together at the County Park to learn about birds or even snakes. Other times we would just chat with friends and classmates. We were always curious to find out what was happening or being planned at the "Academy".

Many years ago, Marge Kreimer Keilholtz-Tamblyn organized the Retired Sisters Christmas Party. It soon became the Chapter's principal activity. It has occurred almost every year since. We hope that some group will continue this tradition when life returns to some semblance of normalcy.

We are leaving tangible gifts as a tribute to the school and something to remember our past and present members.

I believe the Cincinnati group organized the first Chapter in the late 1930's. It's sad we could not continue but with modern technology we can find ways to keep close. The Immaculata Club has invited anyone to join their Chapter.

I feel grateful to have served you these many years. But now I and others feel it's time to call it quits. It is hard to believe that my classmates and I will celebrate the 70th anniversary of our graduation this year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has helped the COC in any way enabling it to last as long as it has.

Gratefully,  
Irma L. Sand, President of COC

## IN LOVING MEMORY...

Betty Rose Toschlog Hart '42  
Rosemary Giesting Stercz '47  
Virginia Paul Hummell '47  
Gretchen Haverkos Enzinger '53  
Dorothy Blair Mersch '54  
Imelda "Melly" Simmermeyer Allgeier '56  
Sandra Waltz Mitchell '57  
Sr. Helen Eckstein OSF '58  
Ann Louise Ollier Klein '58  
Cecilia Effinger Schultz '65  
Deborah Prickel Cox '67  
Peggy Moorman Wilson '68  
Barbara Ann Hildebrand '69  
Debbie Gillman Meyers '75  
Mary Agnes Merkel Linger '71  
Carole Link Clark '61  
Sr. Marta Aiken OSF *Honorary Member*  
Sr. Rosaire Bishop OSF *Honorary Member*

## **ABAHOF INDUCTION**

**December 11, 2021**

during half time of the Boys basketball game



## **CONGRATULATIONS**

Rosie Oberting (former Athletic Director) Cathy Hamilton (former Volleyball Head Coach)  
Kirsten Ricke '15, Andy Eckstein '06, Sarah Wilder '15



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