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*42nd Alumni Dinner
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November 17, 2023

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To All Our 2023 Inductees



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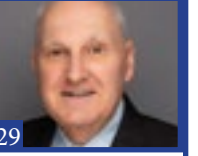
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*Friday, November 17, 2023
The Mansion at Mountain Lakes*

Program

*Cocktail Reception
& Open Buffett*

Hall of Fame Induction

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Keith Krauss '71*

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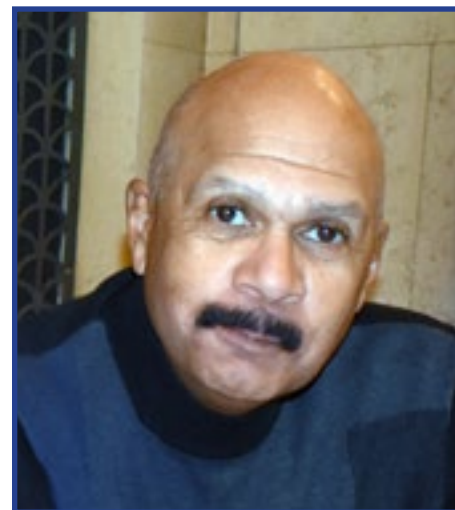
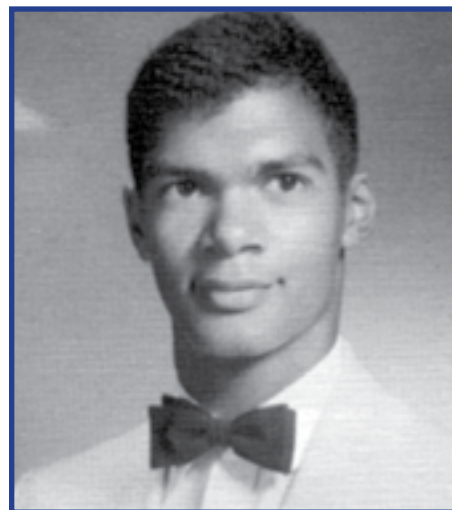
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To My Fellow Essex Catholic Alumni, Faculty and Friends;

The Essex Catholic High School Foundation is very pleased to present the 42nd Annual Alumni Dinner and Hall of Fame Induction.

We have been busy and active in 2023, committed to the Foundation's ongoing mission: "Providing alumni, faculty and friends with opportunities to gather, reminisce and reconnect; and providing scholarships to the descendants of Essex Catholic graduates."

Our Board of Trustees and Committees continue to meet regularly, through Zoom meetings. Our website, www.essexcatholiceagles.com, augmented by Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn social media postings as well as frequent email campaigns, is providing greatly improved access and communications for our alumni to keep abreast of events and stay connected. We continue to fund and grant scholarships to the descendants of Essex Catholic alumni following the successful inauguration of our *Century Club* in 2021 (see pages 7 and 9), awarding \$43,500 in scholarships over the course of three years. We continued to support the former students of Cristo Rey Newark enrolled at Montclair Immaculate High School. We held a well-attended 300 Broadway Reception & Tour in January and Eagle Open in May (page 47), as well as an All-Classes Reunion at McGovern's and a summer luncheon at the Cloverleaf Tavern. We'll return to the Cloverleaf on Dec. 8 for our annual Christmas luncheon.

I want to thank the members of the Board, the Officers and the Committees for their time, commitment and hard work.

Congratulations to this year's inductees, honorees and scholarship recipients. Stay safe and healthy, and stay involved.

Keith Krauss

Keith Krauss '71
Chairman and President
Essex Catholic High School Foundation, Inc.
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To Our Alumni and the Greater Essex Catholic Community;

As you know, an important part of the Foundation's mission is to award scholarships to the descendants of Essex Catholic High School graduates.

In 2020, the Board of Trustees authorized creation of the *Century Club*, the intent of which is to have 100 Essex Catholic alumni donate a minimum of \$100 per year exclusively for scholarships, with the goal of raising at least \$10,000 annually. All Board of Trustee members committed to this goal and signed on as *Century Club* members.

The first three years of this program have been successful, and it is with great satisfaction that the Foundation awarded five scholarships in 2021, four in 2022 and five in 2023 to the following students:

- Mackenzie S. Shannon, granddaughter of Michael Shannon '64: \$3,500, Henry Prata Memorial Scholarship to Clemson University
- Margaret McGovern, daughter of Sean McGovern '84: \$3,000 to University of South Carolina
- Tyler O'Keefe, son of Dennis O'Keefe '73: \$3,000 to University of Delaware.
- Kristen Reilly, daughter of William Reilly '72: \$3,000 to Rutgers University
- Gracie Vitkovsky, granddaughter of John Vitkovsky '67: \$3,000 to State University of New York – Oneata

The total amount of scholarships awarded thus far, \$41,500 over the course of three years, would not have been possible without the generosity of those who supported our *Century Club*. This generosity has put meaning and substance into the Scholarship Fund, and we look forward to ongoing support of a minimum \$100 per year, which will continue to allow us to award meaningful scholarships on behalf of our beloved school.

The Board of Trustees recognizes the names of *Century Club* members in appreciation for their donations on our website, at www.essexcatholiceagles.com/scholarships, and in this Alumni Dinner Journal, on p. 9. If you're not already participating, we ask that you consider committing to this project. If you haven't renewed your commitment, please do so as soon as possible.

All donations are tax-deductible, as the Foundation is a 501(c3) entity.

There are few endeavors more meaningful than helping to educate a student. Please send your donation checks, payable to "Essex Catholic High School Foundation Inc.," to:

Bill Vantuono '77
Treasurer, Essex Catholic High School Foundation Inc.
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Please be sure to designate your check as "Scholarship Fund." The donation will be used exclusively for scholarships. Alternatively, you can donate through the website at <https://essexcatholiceagles.com/donations/>. Be sure to send a separate email to Bill Vantuono at wvantuono@sbsub.com to notify us that you've contributed to the *Century Club*.

Sincerely,

Roger Desiderio

ROGER J. DESIDERIO '67
Scholarship Chairman

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Century Club Scholarship Fund

\$30,050

As of Nov. 8, 2022

\$10,000 Annual Goal

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2023 Inductees!

Essex Catholic High School Fencing Alumni



Paul Martino



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Danny Sullivan Jr. '69
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Daniel C. Christy '64



15th on the all-time career-winning percentage list of Essex wrestlers who had more than 15 matches. At 21-7, Dan's percentage was .750. He was a leader on the Essex wrestling team and Coach D pointed out that Dan was a volunteer coach at Essex in 1965-1966, the season after he graduated. Dan didn't win any tournaments or District titles, but he led our team in pins in both his Junior and Senior years and earned the honor of being a captain in both years.

Dan and two of his classmates continued wrestling at Catholic University on scholarships for wrestling. CU had a program that went back to 1950, and Dan wrestled on the freshman and varsity teams before he transferred to Rutgers Newark. He got his degree there and began teaching math, physics, and English in various high schools. After Dan decided to change fields, he got a second degree from NCE, now NJIT. At Rutgers Newark, Dan met his wife Dolores, to whom he was happily married until his death in 2006. He moved away from the New York Metropolitan Area in the 1970s and followed his career by engaging in bigger roles in the public hydrology field up and down the East Coast.

While attending engineering school, Dan began working for the Montclair Water Bureau and concentrated on public water systems for the rest of his professional career. He worked for and in one instance led departments in Montclair, Southington, Conn., West Nyack, N.Y., Pinellas County, Fla., and Frederick, Md. Dan maintained membership in American Water Works Association and related organizations in North Jersey, Connecticut, New England, Florida and the Chesapeake Bay. He participated in public relations and public service, giving tours to school groups, and updating the subterranean aqueduct system in New York City. Immediately before his death in 2006, Dan became the principal of Christy Consulting LLC of Odessa, Md.

Dan is loved and missed not only by his wife, Dolores but also by his sister, Barbara, sister-in-law Janet, brother-in-law Russ as well as his nieces and nephews (John, Toni, Beth, Jennine, Chris, and Jason), who wish he was here to talk them through life's sticky situations.

At Essex Catholic, the late Dan Christy was on the honor roll and played on the golf teams all four years. When he was a sophomore and joined the new wrestling team, Dan helped to usher in the Gene D'Alessandro era. He stayed with golf and on the honor roll, but he made waves when he and other sophomores along with freshmen joined Coach D and Mr. Zarro on the first Essex Catholic wrestling team.

Dan was a "pinner." He led the team in pins in a season in 1963 and in dual meet pins in 1964. Recognizing their trailblazing status, Dan and all Juniors in 1963 (there weren't any seniors on the team) and all Seniors in 1964 were selected as team captains. Wrestling all three years at 130 pounds, he finished

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Michael D. Flannery '68



Mike entered the United States Military Academy in 1969. During his tenure at West Point, he played football for four years, lettering in his last two years. He was also involved in intramural wrestling and basketball. He persevered through the challenging academic rigors of the academy and its engineering program.

In 1973, Mike graduated from the West Point and was commissioned as an infantry officer in the U.S. Army. His duty stations were Fort Ord, Calif., Fort Hood, Tex.; Hohenfels, Germany; West Point; Fort Drum, N.Y., and California Polytechnic University. During his military career, Mike served as platoon leader, company executive officer, company commander, battalion operations and training officer, supply officer, executive officer in the Office of the Director of Intercollegiate Athletics at West Point, brigade personnel officer, emergency deployment readiness officer and professor of military science.

Mike retired from the Army in 1993 and followed his passion to teach. He served as a high school Junior ROTC instructor in Pomona, Calif. The students dealt with very challenging issues. Mike took pride in the growth of these students and how they thrived in the JROTC environment. Many went on to serve in the military, breaking the cycle of their home environment.

In 1999, Mike and his family moved to Virginia Beach, where he continued his passion for teaching, but this time as an elementary school health and PE teacher. He liked to run his PE classes as a mini-military training camp. The kids absolutely loved his PE classes. While teaching, Mike also volunteered in various activities, including teaching CCD classes, serving as the manager for his daughter's summer league swim team, and as the manager for his son's travel soccer team.

After years of teaching PE, in 2016, with much thought and consideration, he decided it was time to relax. Mike and his wife Mary are both happily retired. They live in Virginia Beach and love entertaining, traveling, exercising, attending Army football games and spending time with family and friends. They have four children and five grandchildren with whom they enjoy spending time any chance they get.

Mike Flannery '68 grew up in Bloomfield and was fortunate enough to start and finish his high school career at Essex Catholic. There were many faculty members who had a profound impact on his choices and performance while at Essex. Brothers Jensen, Germain, Danker, Naclerio and Wright all inspired him to apply himself to his studies.

Mike played football under Mr. Greg Riel and was on the track and field team coached by Brother Anthony Naclerio for four years. As a football player, Mike played tackle and garnered recognition on the All-City teams. On the track and field team, Mike threw the shot put and discus. He was a member of the Essex Catholic team that set a national record for a four-member shot put relay team. He was named to several postseason All-City, All-County and All-Parochial teams. Brother Nick, who would go on to coach the United States Olympic field team, would later publish a book, "Progressions of the Shot Put and Discus," in which Mike is featured on several pages.

In Loving Memory of the Deceased Members of

the Class of '63, From Your Fellow Classmates



Robert J. Atkins



Joseph E. Callahan



Noel T. Callahan



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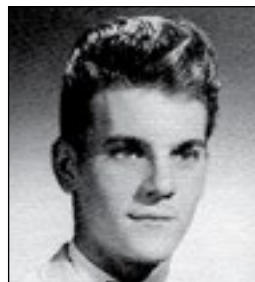
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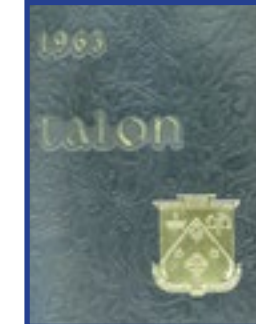
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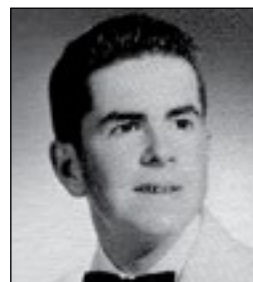
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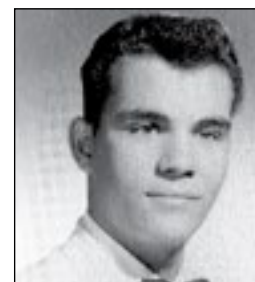
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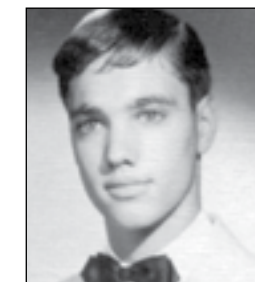
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*Class of 1963 60th Anniversary
1963-2023*

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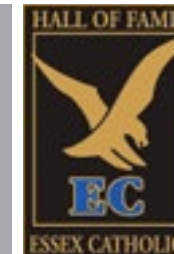
MIKE SHANNON '64

Hall of Fame 1983



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Keith P. Jarvis '69



years and a member of the track and field team for four years. He was truly dedicated to field sports and his team. His personal best in the shot-put was 60 feet 1 inch, and his personal best in the discus was more than 150 feet, with warm-up throws of more

than 200 feet.

Keith was captain of the field team and a member of the shot-put relay team at the NJSIAA (New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association) meet in 1968, setting a record. The relay team included Mike Flannery '68 (inducted this year into the Essex Catholic Hall of Fame), Robert Gray '68, Ron Thau '69 and Keith. That shot-put relay meet record held for more than 20 years. Keith was also a member of the shot-put relay team that set the National High School Shot-Put Relay record in 1969. That record was then broken two years later by another Essex Catholic team consisting of Alan Wujciak '72, John McCree '71, Tom Flannery '72 and Rudy Guevara '71, all in the Hall of Fame.

Keith served in the U.S. Army from 1971 to 1984. When the Essex County courthouse was dedicated as "Veterans Courthouse," he was one of the veterans selected to appear and be honored. Keith served as Commander and Sergeant-at-Arms for his American Legion Dunellen Post 119.

Beginning in 1977, Keith made his career with the Office of the Essex County Register of Deeds and Mortgages. Recording documents manually and via computer input, serving as a vault clerk, researching and storing records, and performing map indexing were among his positions for 32 years. Upon his retirement, he was honored by The Essex County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Keith is the proud father of Jonathan Walker Jarvis and grandfather to Marine Corps – E2 Jonathan Jarvis Junior and granddaughter Maya. He would like to thank his family for supporting him and sharing in this honor.

Keith Jarvis '69 attended St. Mary's Grammar School, Essex Catholic, Rutgers University, and the Cittone Institute. At Essex Catholic High School, Keith was a member of the basketball team for three

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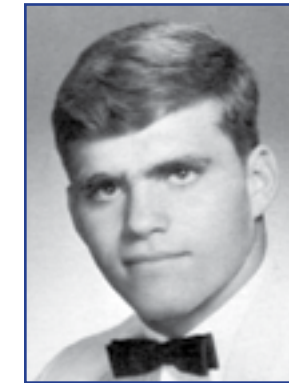
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- Land Use & Zoning
- Municipal Law
- Labor & Employment Law
- Business Transitions & Buy-Sell Agreements

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Bob Heugle '71 • Hall of Fame 2017*



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Daniel W. Sullivan Jr. '69



Danny's love of sports and community continued after his graduation from Essex. When Seton Hall Prep expanded programs to include ice hockey, Athletic Director Father Michael Kelly recruited Danny to coach. Danny's brothers Patrick and Tommy played for the team and in their second season, Seton Hall Hockey won the High School Division Championship. Always ready for new

adventures, Danny played soccer for Mount St. Mary's College. He joined the Essex Rugby Club, and after moving to Marlton, N.J., joined the South Jersey Rugby Club, where he returned to coaching, even taking the team on a tour of England and Wales. He also played for the Scarlet Old Boys at Rutgers University. Danny continued to play Old Boys' Rugby, including the 2005 Golden Oldies Rugby Tournament to San Diego with the Philadelphia MARS (Middle Aged Rugby Side) Team. Danny expanded his athletic repertoire by officiating high school and youth sports, including ice hockey, wrestling and soccer. He founded and coached the Marlton side for the South Jersey Soccer League for a team that included girls, one of whom was his daughter Kelly

Danny has remained active in the Catholic Church. He taught religious education to seventh and eighth graders and is currently a Eucharistic Minister for his parish. He is a Knights of Columbus. Lifetime Honorary Member and was named Knight of the Year in 1998 and elected Grand Knight in 1999.

Danny attended Mount St. Mary's College and Fairleigh Dickinson, and married Denise Bradley, his high school sweetheart. The father of three spent most of his professional career in financial services, ten years as Vice President of Sales for Christensen Mortgage Inc. He now owns KDB Enterprises, which includes investment properties, and The Danny Sullivan Agency of Farmers Insurance. His children have inherited his love of sports, community and helping others, two going on to teaching careers. All have been involved in coaching and supporting youth sports. Danny now participates in the lives and endeavors of his seven grandchildren, who are currently in high school and college and are exemplifying the same important ideals that he demonstrated as an Essex Catholic Eagle.

Danny Sullivan '69's love of sports, faith and family have benefited each community touched by him, and it all began at Essex Catholic. While at Essex Danny was involved in a multitude of sports: football, swimming, wrestling, club boxing and ice hockey. He learned much from his coaches (Bob Taglieri, Brother Reddy, Gene D'Alessandro, Brother Valdez, and most important, his dad, Dan Sr., (ice hockey), and he took these lessons and spread them to others, starting as a student. After being elected Student Council president, Danny obtained support from faculty and students to start an ice hockey team. Brother Brennan agreed to be the faculty moderator, but the team still needed a coach. Danny recruited his father, who had played high school hockey for Framingham (Mass.) and college hockey for Holy Cross. The Sullivans, with some very talented Essex men, had a winning season that first year. This love of hockey stayed with him. In 2003, Danny was again recruited to help and coached Eastern High School, Voorhees, N.J., to a league championship.

Danny was also instrumental in starting Essex Catholic's lacrosse team as a club sport. He taught the fundamentals and coached, while his fellow seniors from the football team got the crew in shape. Danny subbed in and out from midfield while organizing plays and players when on the sideline. The Lacrosse Club won more than half the games that first season and the next year it became a varsity program.

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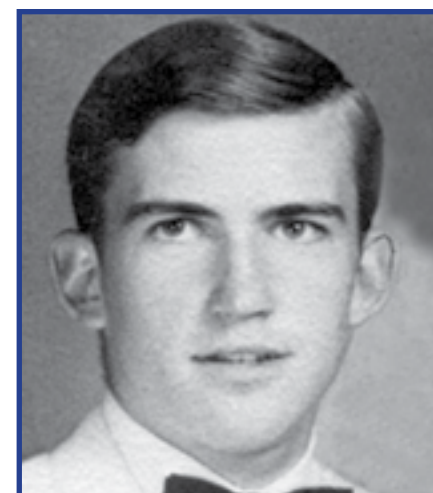
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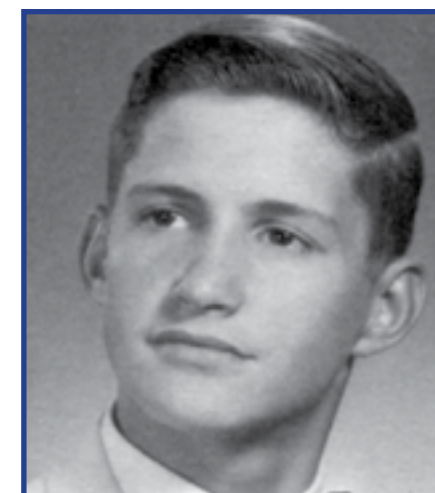
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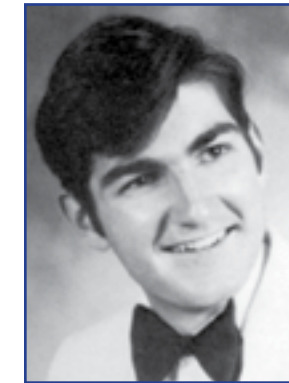
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Essex Catholic Faculty, 1966-1972



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Mark J. Cavanaugh '72



separate roles in the production of "Carousel." In senior year, he played Horace Vandergelder in "Hello Dolly."

Mark was an integral member of the Essex Catholic Forensics Team for three years. In his senior year, he participated in the final round of the National Catholic Forensics Tournament in New Orleans. Mark's athletic service

consisted of varsity basketball team manager under Hoddy Mahon, and football team manager under Coach Bob Taglieri during the famed 1971 11-0-1 season. He was a frequent supporter of all sports, even visiting athletes whose injuries put them in the hospital. The name "Mark Cavanaugh" was on bylines for *The Eagle*, and he contributed to the annual yearbook, *The Talon*. Because of his extensive academic, extra-curricular and service accomplishments, Essex Catholic awarded him its most prestigious honor at commencement in 1972, Foremost Essex Senior.

The "Vailsburg Cavanaugh's" contributed greatly to Essex Catholic. All four "Cavanaugh Boys"—Larry, Jim, Tim and Mark—are Essex alumni. Jim is often featured on cable news stations following mass shooting incidents, as he is a former USATF Special Agent in Charge.

Mark has been an Associate Professor in the Department of Conflict Resolution at Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale since 1988. He holds a Bachelors degree in English from Iona College, and Masters and Doctoral degrees from the University of Notre Dame. He has taught a wide variety of courses at "Nova" since its inception. Mark served as the NAIA/NCAA Faculty Athletics Representative for 23 years and shepherded the university's membership into the NCAA starting in 1997.

Mark is also a musician who has conducted orchestras in the United States and Europe, and composed music and lyrics for the "NSU Alma Mater" and its "Victory March." Currently, he is working on a book that lays out the underlying neuroscience of music and conducting in Western classical music. He lives in Plantation, Fla.

Mark Cavanaugh '72, Ph.D., entered Essex Catholic after graduating from Sacred Heart School in the Vailsburg section of Newark. During one of his first days at Essex Catholic, he was attracted to the noise in the auditorium and discovered that the stage crew was preparing for the yearly musical under the direction of Br. Rich Gray. For four years he worked with the stage crew but also acted. He was in "Inherit the Wind," played Doc in "West Side Story," starred as Oscar Madison in "The Odd Couple" and as murderous Harry Roat, Jr. in "Wait Until Dark," and had three

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Keith Jarvis '69 Sam Marchese '75



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Paul J. Martino '72



team captain, as well as overall team captain, helping to bring the team to a State Championship in 1972. He was also awarded the honor of First team All-State.

Paul continued his education and fencing career at William Paterson College and in 1974 won the Under 20 National Championship. He then represented the United States at the Junior World Championships in

Istanbul, Turkey. In 1975, he went undefeated 42-0 while fencing against some of the nation's top teams such as Notre Dame, Maryland, Penn State and North Carolina. He went on to win The National Junior Championship and represented the United States at the Junior World Championships in Mexico City.

Paul was named NCAA First Team All American in 1976. In recognition of his skill and overall sportsmanship on the fencing strip, he was named Outstanding Foil Fencer of the Year by NCAA opposing fencers and coaches nationwide. In 1983, he was inducted into the William Patterson College Hall of Fame for his contributions to the sport.

After graduating from college in 1977, Paul he was invited to join The New York Athletic Club. As an athletic member of this prestigious club, he was a part of a four-man foil team that won the Men's National Championship. He then spent eight years at CF Air freight starting as a sales representative and worked his way up to Manager of National Accounts of the Government Aerospace Division.

Paul married Linda in 1984. In 1986 they opened their first successful beauty supply store together and had multiple retail salon stores that operated for more than 35 years. Within those years they were blessed with their daughter Jenna in 1988. Jenna married Cameron DiFede in 2019, then in July 2022 Paul and Linda were blessed again with their granddaughter Drue Nicole. Their daughter Jenna followed in her father's footsteps by becoming a top athlete, but in the sport of lacrosse, both in high school and college. In 2009, she earned First Team Regional All-American honors and in 2022 had the honor of being inducted into her alma mater Hall of Fame at St Joseph's University, Philadelphia.

Ability and good sportsmanship are two qualities that exemplify a talented athlete, and Paul Martino '72 had no difficulty mastering this in his fencing career. He picked up fencing as a freshman at Essex, but was cut from the team. However, later that year he decided to show up at practice and earned a spot on the team. By the end of his freshman year, he came in first place in a competition among his peers. By the time he reached his senior year, he earned being named foil

Thank You Essex Catholic for the Memories!

THE MULLIN FAMILY

Jim, Class of 1973 (B.A. Columbia, M.B.A. Rutgers), Hall of Fame 2013
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 Daughters, Jessica (B.A. Columbia); Christen (B.A., M.A. St. Joseph's)

Sisters

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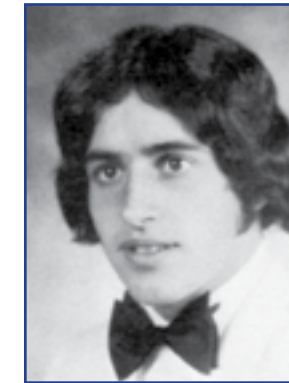


Essex Catholic 1973 Varsity Wrestling Co-Captains, left to right: Jim Mullin, Baggio Uricoli, and Ken Villano.



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Carlos F. Bazo '73



7, 1972: "Essex Catholic, on the strength of a gutsy mile anchor leg by Carlos Bazo, beat St. Joseph's by two yards in the good time of 10 minutes 8.4 seconds. The Buffalo school had won this event in the Queens-Iona meet and last week at the Penn Relays missed the national record by less than a second. Essex Catholic took the lead on the 440 leg, but Eric Trammell ran a fine

1:54.4 half-mile to put St. Joseph's on top by three yards going into the anchor mile. Gary Duszynski, who won the individual mile, did a commendable job in holding off Bazo until the last lap. Bazo made a move early in the backstretch and Duszynski fought him off. But the Essex Catholic junior was not to be denied. He switched his baton from the left to the right hand, put his head down and started to sprint as the two reached the final turn. When they came off the turn, Bazo was in the lead and he hit the tape two yards in front. His time of 4:12.5 for the mile was his fastest by almost seven seconds."

During his senior year, Carlos was ineligible to run because he started school late when he came to the U.S. Still, he received a full track scholarship to Eastern Michigan University.

Outstanding races:

- 1971: St. Joseph's Montvale Mile Champion – 4:19.8.
- 1971: Outdoor Parochial A Two-Mile Champion – 9:13.2.
- 1971: Cross Country Parochial A Champion – 12:29.2 (2.5), second Chris Inman, third Steve Liquori.
- 1972: Indoor Parochial A 2 Mile Champion – 9:27.9.
- 1972: Indoor Meet of Champions Two-Mile Champion – 9:11.0.
- 1972: East Coast Relays Distance Medley Champion – 10:14.2 (anchor mile).
- 1972: New York Relays Distance Medley First Place – 10:08.4 (4:12.5 anchor mile).
- 1972: Outdoor Parochial A Two-Mile Champion – 9:13.2.

After college, Carlos went to work for Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. It was there he entered the computer field, and after moving to Florida he worked in information technology until he passed away from cancer in 2017.

The late Carlos Bazo '73 was born in Cuba and escaped to Florida with his family before settling in the Vailsburg section of Newark. Carlos had a great positive demeanor, always smiling with the will to win. He was an excellent runner from the start of his freshman year at Essex Catholic, winning several races. He improved during his sophomore year as he ran the mile in 4:19.8 and the two-mile in 9:13.2 to win the outdoor Parochial A Championship.

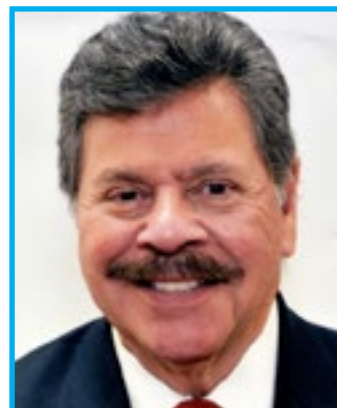
During his junior year, Carlos led a 1,2,3 finish at the Parochial A Cross Country Championship by winning the race in 12:29.2 followed by Chris Inman and Steve Liquori. During the indoor season, Carlos won the indoor Parochial A Championship two-mile in 9:27.9. He finished off the indoor season as the best two-miler in New Jersey by winning the Meet of Champions two-mile in 9:11.0 at Princeton University. Carlos continued his great running outdoors by winning the Parochial A Championship two-mile in 9:13.2 and anchoring the distance medley teams to first place at the East Coast Relays and the New York Relays with a 4:12.5 mile as the team won in a time of 10:08.4.

The New York Times wrote an article about the race on May

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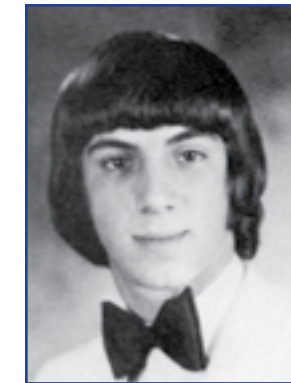
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Kenneth G. Villano '73



state champion from Westfield. He was a two-time region finalist and a two-time district champion, pinning the eventual region champion in the 1972 district finals. He won the Seton Hall Christmas tournament and led the team in dual meet wins (11-0) and season pins (11). He was team co-captain and named outstanding

wrestler by Coach D.

Ken joined the New Jersey State Police in 1979 and retired in 2009 as Lieutenant, Station Commander, Troop B, after a 30-year career. In addition to several promotions, Ken received numerous letters of appreciation from the many people he helped as a state trooper. He has been married for 19 years to his wife Karen and have three wonderful children: Madeline, Jacquelyn and Nicholas.

Ken Villano '73 was one of Gene D'Allesandro's most successful wrestlers. He won the Region II championship in 1973 at 148 pounds and finished the season with a 23-2 record. His only losses were to the eventual



Varsity: Row 1: Kevin Roach, Al Alvaro, Biaggio Uricoli, Jim Foti, Row 2: Frank Stellatella, Harry Veni, Rich Budenas, Vinny Bellaran, Row 3: Charlie Reiner, Kevin Kerns, Kevin Van Riper, Rich Geneverino, Tom Hall, Jim Mullin.

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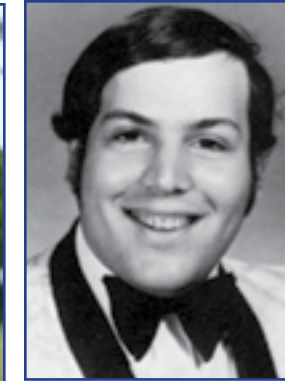


Dom Tivaldo



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Samuel C. Marchese '75



and a member of the Drama Club and the Dance Committee—his most memorable moment at Essex was becoming the starting center for Brother Nick's 1971 undefeated freshman football team. Sam's innate leadership qualities became evident during his Essex years.

After graduating from Essex in 1975, Sam continued his education at Pace University, obtaining an

accounting degree in May 1979. He continued to lead at Pace by becoming class president for three years.

Sam has been married to the love of his life, Marianne Salvatore, for more than 41 years. Together, they raised two boys, Sam and Michael. During their youth, Sam volunteered for many years as a coach in Little League, hockey, and as a Scout leader. Sam and Marianne's son Sam and daughter-in-law Jessica have blessed them with two grandchildren, two-year old Amelia Grace and two-month-old Noah Robert.

Sam spent more than 41 years involved in various aspects of real estate accounting, recognized consistently over the course of his career for his expertise and leadership abilities, ultimately attaining the levels of Controller, Chief Financial Officer, Director, Principal and Partner. He traveled extensively to the Middle East and Europe, where he was responsible for financial reporting of billions of dollars in real estate portfolios. He served as an intermediary between the New York office and Middle East headquarters and was relied on heavily to resolve accounting and communication issues when they arose. Sam was also a member of the Board of Directors of Fisher Island Holdings.

Sam will be the first to tell you that the root to his successes in business and in life all relate back to the foundation his four years at Essex Catholic provided him. He is also grateful for the lifetime friends he made at Essex. Sam is currently a 1975 Alumni Team Captain.

"My induction into the Essex Catholic High School Hall of Fame is something I am truly honored and humbled by," Sam says.

Sam Marchese '75's experience at Essex Catholic began the instant he stepped onto the practice fields at Branch Brook Park for freshmen football tryouts in early August 1971. While he participated in many different areas of student life at Essex—as a four-year letterman in football, four years as an officer in the Student Council, four years of intramurals,

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Arnaldo Mateo '99



Coach Steve Helms and received his associate's degree. Naldo continued his education at William Paterson University, where he played baseball for Coach Jeff Albies and received his bachelor's degree in Exercise Movement Science and Health. While attending WPU, he became a member of Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity Incorporated, a non-profit organization that attends to commu-

nities for the betterment of all people.

After attending college, Naldo began a career with the Newark Public Schools and was a physical education and health teacher at Barringer High School. In addition, he coached junior varsity baseball and bowling. Although he loved educating and developing he youth, his calling would take a twist and turn as he began to pursue a career in law enforcement with the New Jersey State Police. Naldo graduated the 150th NJSP Academy Class and spent 13 years in Field Operations. During his time on the road, he received numerous Letters of Recognition, a yellow ribbon, and was promoted to the rank of Sergeant. He became a member of the New Jersey Latino American Trooper Society (NJLATS). As a member, Naldo volunteered to assist the communities of Puerto Rico after two natural disasters, Hurricane Maria in 2017 and Hurricane Fiona in 2022. The deployment brought relief and for him was a very rewarding experience. His current assignment with the NJSP is Detective Sergeant for the Office of Professional Standards, Internal Affairs.

In addition, Naldo and his younger brother Reggie, who are both Eagles, Fraternity Brothers and Troopers, had an eye for building and design. They established a construction business, Mateo Brothers Remodeling, which has been operating for the past nine years.

Naldo and his wife Eileen have two beautiful children, Arnaldo Jeremiah, 11, and Anabella Victoria, 4. His family is his support system and backbone of the construction company.

"I thank my lucky stars for the opportunity God has given me," Nalso says. "The Lord has blessed me with such amazing people from all walks of life. I am forever grateful! This means a lot to me being recognized by so many great leaders who I consider family. Thank you for your service to our community."

As a young boy growing up in Newark, Arnaldo "Naldo" Mateo '99, the Spanish origin of whose first name means "Eagle Power," dreamed of becoming a professional baseball player. While playing Little League baseball with his younger brother, Reinaldo Mateo Jr. '00, they had the privilege of being coached by an Essex Catholic alumnus, Stephen Sangemino '70. Who would have thought the kids he impacted would be introduced to something much greater and special? The commitment and sacrifice of their parents, Reinaldo and Josefina, gave the Mateos the opportunity to join the Essex Catholic family.

The pride of being an Eagle was overwhelming as Naldo excelled in academics and became a member of the National Honor Society. He was also involved in sports as he played freshman basketball and four years of varsity baseball for Coach Frank Stanco. Essex Catholic was a home away from home for Naldo as he roamed the halls after school training and conditioning for the love of the game. Naldo received numerous awards including First Team All-County, First Team All-Area, First Team All-Conference and Second Team All-State Parochial as a lefty pitcher. One of his greatest moments and accomplishments was breaking the strikeout record at Essex Catholic his senior year.

Naldo received a full scholarship and played Division 1 baseball at Troy State University, Alabama his freshman year. He would then move on and attend Lurleen B. Wallace Junior College, Alabama on a full scholarship where he played baseball for

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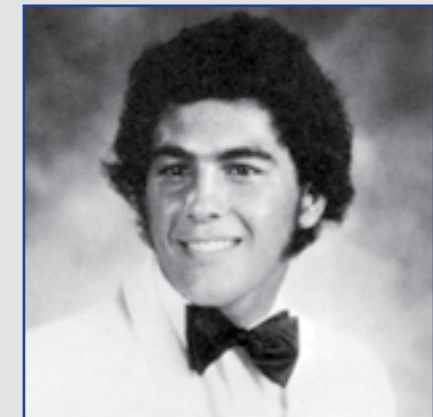
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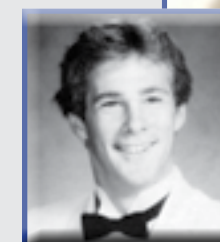
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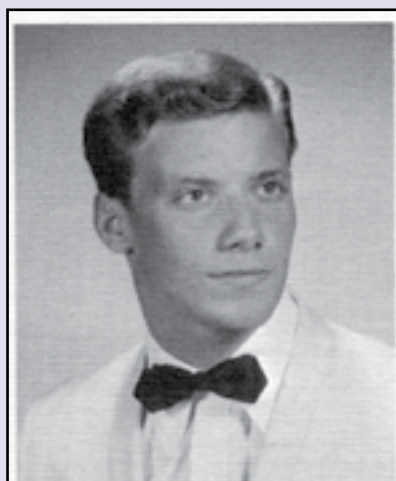
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