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# **President's Message**

#### CAV Nation Rocks!

As Walsh University embarks on its 59th year and my first year as president, I write to our Walsh community around the world to reassure you that, while I am listening and learning, there's one thing that I know for sure, and that is that Walsh is a special place.

We are steeped in a mission to educate future leaders for our country and for our world. We are inspired by our 200-year-old mission of the Brothers of Christian Instruction to educate the working class. We are set in the context of a 900-year-old effort initiated by the Catholic Church to create institutions of higher education for the purpose of preserving, generating and transmitting knowledge. And we find ourselves active in a 2000-year-old conversation with the world that we commonly refer to as the Catholic Intellectual Tradition. In the words of G.K. Chesterton, education is the passing of the soul from one generation to the next. It is a great honor to be part of that immense task.

I am privileged to serve as the seventh president of Walsh University. I am humbled by the warm welcome that my wife, Drenda, and I have received here as I take my place to join in this effort of building future servant leaders. I am inspired and encouraged by the faculty, staff and students who are so dedicated to our mission.

Finally, a note to you, our alumni, benefactors, and friends of the University. You are the ambassadors for Walsh University around the world. You help our legacy live on. My hope is that you'll take your place in helping us with this monumental effort of creating leaders for generations to come by staying engaged and connected, and honoring the mission in whatever capacity you can. Our Lady of Perpetual Help – Pray for us!

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# **CAMPUS NEWS**







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# New Major in Sports Management

Offered through the DeVille School of Business, Walsh has launched a new undergraduate degree program in Sports Management.

According to *Forbes* magazine, by the end of 2019, the sports market in North America is expected to reach \$73.5 billion. The new Sports Management program is designed to provide students with the academic preparation and practical training for success in the sports industry, which includes the production, facilitation, promotion and organization of any activity, experience or business focused on fitness, recreation, sport tourism or leisure. The program also presents an opportunity to specialize in one of the following areas: Marketing, Communication and Data Analytics. Graduates will be prepared with necessary skills to work in this multi-billion dollar industry at various levels and in different roles in sports organizations.

Interested participants should contact the Walsh University Office of Admissions at 330.490.7172 or visit walsh.edu/sports-management.

#### Walsh Announces New Four-Year Graduation Guarantee

In its ongoing commitment to student success, Walsh University has announced the establishment of its new Four-Year Graduation Guarantee to help students graduate on time and on budget, effective for the Class or 2024. With the guarantee, if a student meets all outlined responsibilities, but doesn't meet the requirements to graduate in four years, Walsh University will cover the tuition cost of their remaining coursework for up to two semesters, or have the option to take two graduate-level courses.

To participate, students will commit to the Four-Year Graduation Guarantee during the first month of their fall semester and follow the steps outlined, which includes declaring of a major in a timely manner, passing all course work and registering for the appropriate amount of classes each semester.

Walsh University believes in the value of the degrees our students earn. Students are also eligible to participate in the Maroon and Gold Promise, which ensures that within six months of earning their degree, a Walsh graduate will be placed in a job or further training such as an executive development program, graduate school or service/scholarship opportunity (i.e. Fulbright or Peace Corps).

#### Byers School of Nursing, Mercy Medical Center Awarded Grants to Advance Nursing Education

Walsh University's Byers School of Nursing was recently awarded two separate grants from the Ohio Board of Nursing's Nurse Education Grant Program for 2019-2021 in partnership with Mercy Medical Center. Walsh received \$121,872 to support the new Fast Track B.S.N. program and \$199,999 toward the M.S.N. Nurse Educator program.

Through the grant funding, Walsh's Byers School of Nursing and Mercy Medical Center will work together to prepare nurses to start their careers through the Fast Track B.S.N, while helping experienced nurses transition into teaching through the M.S.N. Nurse Educator program aimed at preparing the next generation of nurses. Programs through Walsh's Byers School of Nursing are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

# Walsh Celebrates First Occupational Therapy Class with Pinning Ceremony

Graduates in Walsh University's first class of the Master of Occupational Therapy program were celebrated with a special pinning ceremony on Friday, August 9. In total, 31 graduates were honored marking Walsh's first Occupational Therapy alumni.

"Being the first class of a newly established program brings a set of unique challenges. We are so proud of these students for stepping up to the challenge and exceeding our expectations," said Occupational Therapy Program Director, Clinical Assistant Professor Stephanie Bachman OTD, OTR/L, CHT, CLA. "Each one of them worked hard for this and they deserve to be honored for their determination and the growth they demonstrated over the last two years. They will always have a special place in my heart and I'm excited to be able to call each one of them my colleague."

Occupational therapy was cited as a Top 25 job for 2017 by *U.S. News and World Report,* and the Bureau of Labor Statistics expects the field of OT to grow by 27 percent between 2014 to 2024. The Walsh University Occupational Therapy Program has earned national accreditation from the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy (ACOTE) for a full five-year cycle.

# New Partnership to Focus on Ethics in Medicine

Walsh University and Aultman Health Foundation have collaborated to establish a dual-appointment professorship in bioethics that recognizes the importance of the humanities in health care. Walsh Professor of Philosophy and nationally renowned bioethics expert Leslie Whetstine, Ph.D., has been named to the newly created Aultman Professorship in Bioethics at Walsh University to advise and promote ethical policies, procedures and decision-making in a clinical setting.

In her new role, Dr. Whetstine is the co-chair of the Ethics Committee and, with chair Dr. Eyad Nashawati, she will provide case consultation, draft and review policy, provide medical education, work directly with the clinical teams and serve as an ethics resource for patients, families and clinicians at the hospitals for the Aultman Healthcare Delivery System.

### Walsh Welcome Weekend Ushers in New School Year

Walsh University welcomed the Class of 2023 and all students back to campus during the weekend of August 24-25 for the start of 2019-20 school year. In preparation for Welcome Weekend, members of the Walsh community continued the tradition of praying for incoming first-year and transfer students by name at a late night prayer and Adoration with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel on Wednesday, August 21.

Welcome Weekend activities included Walsh's Matriculation Ceremony, which is a more than 900-year-old tradition that marks the moment that new students officially become part of the learning community at Walsh University. Faculty are robed in their traditional academic regalia for the event and new students are formally welcomed to the Walsh community of scholars by the University President and Provost.







TOP TO BOTTOM: Occupational Therapy Graduates Professor of Philosophy Leslie Whetstine, Ph.D. Students and Faculty During the Matriculation Ceremony



# Welcomes President Tim Collins

"As I stood there, I was taking it all in. The Good Lord talks to us in the depths, in the silence of our inner most being," said Dr. Collins. "And sometimes, he inspires others to say something that we are meant to hear. Afterwards my bride, Drenda, told me 'I have a sense of peace here that I haven't felt on any other campus.' And she confirmed what I had been feeling-- there is something special about Walsh University." On a quiet May morning, Timothy Collins, Ed.D., stood alone in the middle of Walsh University's quadrangle and slowly turned, surveying the campus in one sweep. As he paused, facing the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel with the tile mosaic of Christ's image before him, he knew, without a doubt, that he had found a home.

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After officially taking office on August 5, Walsh's seventh president has quickly become a familiar figure on campus, briskly walking to meetings and interacting with faculty, staff, alumni, students and community members as he embarks on a "listening tour" to find the soul of the University.

"In the *Rule of Life*, the Brothers of Christian Instruction are reminded 'to discern the Will of God by listening to the Word of God and by



reading the signs of the times," said Dr. Collins. "As I begin my journey with Walsh University, I'm taking heed of this and seeking assistance in helping to read the signs of the times by following the advice of St. Benedict who reminds us to listen. In these early days of my presidency, job one for me is to listen."

Dr. Collins' genuine enthusiasm for his new "Cav Nation" community has proven endearing. On campus, he is greeted as an old friend by faculty and staff alike, while students stop to pose for selfies, challenge the new president to push-ups or exchange a friendly fist-bump on their way to class. He is seemingly everywhere – whether it be chatting with guests in the David Center's DeVille Atrium, unloading student cars during Welcome Weekend or greeting scholar-athletes on the field during early morning practice. His boundless energy is infectious, his personable approach sincere.

"Our employees are the number one resource of this University and the work they do daily is valued and important. We will not be successful with what we seek to do without all of us in this together. My hope is to create an environment in which we can unleash each individual's potential. We need to allow people to be a part of establishing, nurturing and sustaining a culture that allows everyone to contribute to the best of their ability."

While Dr. Collins' first month in office has been marked by new beginnings, there is an underlying feeling of familiarity in his introduction to campus. As Walsh University turns a page in its history, it does so with a leader who has a steady grasp of the Brothers of Christian Instruction's founding mission and a grounded commitment to the Catholic values that unite a campus.

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# Seven Things to Know About Walsh's Seventh President

1. Service in Action: Dr. Collins' self-titled "first career" was spent in service to his country and included many milestones. Born and raised in Illinois, Dr. Collins was a high school graduate at the age of 16. He chose to pursue service in the military and channeled his energy to become the No. 1 student-leader at the Air Force Academy, the youngest pilot instructor-evaluator in the Air Force and the Air Force's youngest senior officer. From 1997-2005, Dr. Collins served as a Senior Officer in the U.S. Air Force with multiple senior command experiences during his 23 years of service in the U.S. and abroad, including command of operational or operational forces at the flight, squadron, group and wing levels. His military honors include Air Medals, Aerial Achievement Medals, Aircrew Safety Award

of Distinction, Bronze Star, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legions of Merit and the Purple Heart. He continues to serve as an FAA-certified flight instructor.

"My first career was serving the immediate needs of our nation and focused on the here and now. I believe that as citizens we have obligations and responsibilities, not just freedoms and privileges. I flew fighter jets most of my life. This was my opportunity to serve and give back."

2. Engineering Solutions: A senior executive since 1997, Dr. Collins joined Walsh from Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory (APL) where he served as Chief Government Relations Officer for the nation's largest university affiliated research center. APL has more than 7,000 staff members involved in technical and scientific contributions on behalf of the Department of Defense, the intelligence community, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and other federal

"Faith is central to my life. I believe we are passing the soul of one generation on to the next. A place like Walsh understands values based education and service. I can't imagine a better fit for me than a university with the mission to create leaders in service to others." or the column agencies. In addition, Dr. Collins served as the Board Secretary for APL and Chair of two graduate degree programs in the Johns Hopkins Whiting School of Engineering. Dr. Collins has strategically set visionary objectives during 14 of the last 39 consecutive years that Johns Hopkins led U.S. universities in research and development.

"APL's mission is to provide for the government an extension of engineering and technical capabilities in the areas of national security and space. My second career was an opportunity to make sure that those who are safeguarding our way of life, our first responders and those protecting us, had the best that we could possibly produce."

#### 3.A Call to Catholic Education:

Dr. Collins' appointment as Walsh University's seventh president is only the most recent step in a career of notable moments. He brings to Walsh more than 22 years of senior-level experience as a distinguished higher education professional with expertise in philanthropic endeavors, conceptualization and implementation of institutional strategic plans and a demonstrated understanding of a private university's mission, student-centered culture and Catholic traditions.

"This career for me is all about people, about building leaders. In the Catholic intellectual tradition, we talk about education as drawing out an individual's character. If we want to be involved in where this country is heading, then we need to be deeply involved in university life."

**4. Faith Forward:** Dr. Collins is a published authority on Catholic higher education. As a national guest lecturer and scholar, he has been involved in Catholic education for nearly three decades and

Dr. Tim Collins and Drenda Collins in front of the Patroness of the Brother of Christian Instruction, Our Lady of Perpetual Help



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earned his doctorate in higher education and organizational change with Benedictine University. Through multiple relocations, Tim and Drenda have been involved in more than 20 parishes with service and leadership roles on Parish Councils and the Knights of Columbus (4th Degree), to name a few. Dr. Collins' professional affiliations include Catholic Charities, Fellowship of Catholic Scholars and United Service Organizations.

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**5. Vocation of the Family:** Tim and Drenda met as young adults in Georgia and have been married for 37 years. As a military

family, they were relocated a total of 21 times and have enjoyed building and sustaining communities in parishes through active participation and volunteer roles. They are the proud parents of three children and grandparents of ten. Throughout their lives together, Tim and Drenda have consistently given of their time to the Roman Catholic Church while raising their children, who are all products of Catholic elementary and secondary parochial schools and universities.

"I was 17 when I first met Drenda. She was at a school across town. We've been married for 37 years and together for 43. When I was at the Air Force Academy, she wrote me a letter every day. I still have them all. She numbered each one of them, and I saved them carefully in a box. I never went without mail." 6.Academic Scholar: Dr. Collins earned an Associate of Science degree from Georgia Military College, a Bachelor of Science degree from the United States Air Force Academy, a Master of Aeronautical Science degree from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, a Master of Science degree from the National War College and a Doctor of Education degree from Benedictine University. His extensive educational experiences include coursework at Columbia University, Georgetown University, Harvard University, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, FEMA's Emergency Management Institute, Air War College, Army Command and General Staff College.

As an experienced public speaker with diplomatic expertise, he has served as a guest lecturer on ethics, character development, and aviation technology development, as well as chairing a Doctoral Dissertation Committee. Dr. Collins has been teaching undergraduate and graduate coursework since 1996. He has authored numerous articles on Catholic higher education and presented at Catholic education symposiums conducted by the University of Dayton, King's College and Saint Vincent College.

7. Oath of Fidelity: Pledging to uphold the faith, morals and teachings of the Catholic Church, Dr. Collins made a public profession of faith by reciting the Oath of Fidelity to the Magisterium during the University's annual Opening Week Mass of the Holy Spirit on Wednesday, August 28. Dr. Collins took the Oath surrounded by members of Walsh's founding order, the Brothers of Christian Instruction, and University Chaplain Reverend Thomas Cebula, who accompanied him in the recitation of the Oath.

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# **Torch Passed:** Longtime Curator of Hoover Historical Center Collection Retires, Vows to Stay Connected

When Director Ann Haines left the Hoover Historical Center on July 3, she was closing the door on a 35-year career that spanned the folding of an iconic company and the guardianship of its legacy. Now in her retirement, she looks forward to enjoying her new title, "Center Volunteer."

"I was with the Hoover Company for nine years I had my second daughter. I left to stay home full-time, but I guess God had different plans for me," said Haines. "I was home for about three years before I got a call from Hoover's Human Resources Office about a part-time position at the Historical Center. At first, I declined. But one thing led to another, and the position turned into full-time job for me. That was the summer of 1984."

The Hoover Historical Center is the Victorian boyhood home of Hoover Company founder William H. Hoover. The Center, located inside Walsh University's Hoover Park, is the original Hoover family farmland, which now includes beautiful award-winning gardens tended by volunteer members of The Herb Society. The mission of the Hoover Historical Center is to preserve, promote and educate the public on the life of W.H. "Boss" Hoover (1849-1932) and history of The Hoover Company up to 2008, after manufacturing ceased and Hoover headquarters was closed. "The history of the farm spans close to a century," Haines said. "It represents a significant time in Hoover and North Canton's history."

For most of the 20th century, Hoover was among the most popular and profitable makers of vacuum cleaners in the world. Founded in 1908, Hoover started out making leather horse saddles and automobile seats at the homestead. By 1916, the company had become so successful in the production of vacuums that it had to build a massive downtown factory to handle the ever-increasing demand for its products. Although Hoover would go on to set up manufacturing facilities all over the world, North Canton remained the company's headquarters for decades.

Ann Haines began her tenure at the Hoover Historical Center as an assistant to the Director Stacey Krammes. The Museum had opened officially less than 10 years before in 1978 as a part of the Hoover Company's 70th Anniversary. Krammes was only the Center's second director.





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"Stacey really brought life to the Museum. She knew that you had to have community involvement," said Haines. "You have to have volunteers to help run events and contribute to new programs. So she really got the volunteer program up and running and helped launch The Herb Society, which is now in its 35th year as well. I learned so much from her in those early years."

During her tenure with the Center, Haines witnessed many milestone moments. In 1997, the Hoover Historical Center home, barn and tannery had to be moved further inside the Hoover Park. The entire home was lifted from its original foundation, placed on a truck and carefully moved 400 yards west of its original location. Due to faulty hydraulic equipment, the Victorian home was actually dropped in the midst of the move but did not sustain any damage.

"The move was incredible. We had to carefully pack up every item in the house. We even have a video and scrapbook about the whole experience. I'm still in awe about how they did it," said Haines. "When we opened after the move, it was one of my proudest moments. I worked with the Hoover Company graphics department on new displays and the interior design had all been renovated to Victoriana at its finest. I felt we were better than before."

Haines also saw the acquisition of the 30-acre Hoover Park and Center by Walsh

University in 2004 and the sad closing of the North Canton Hoover plant facility in 2007, marking the end of an era. For more than 30 years, Haines personally greeted guests from all over country and the world, including Europe, Sweden and Russia.

"I'll miss the people who visited. I especially loved the stories about how the Hoover name is alive and well in England, but it's now a verb. In London, you're not vacuuming, you're 'hoovering' the carpet. I still don't

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know why that never caught on here in the United States."

Most of all though, Ann will miss the volunteers, which is why in her retirement she has decided to become one.

"The Center holds a very strong presence in this community. Our volunteers are not just from Canton, they are from all over the region. We all work together to keep the Hoover legacy alive," said Haines. "I can't imagine not being a part of the Hoover Historical Center in some way. There are just too many things I would miss."

Owned and operated by Walsh University, the Hoover Historical Center is located at 1875 E. Maple St., North Canton, Ohio 44720-3331, inside Hoover Park and across the street from the University.

# Hoover Historical Center Welcomes New Director



Walsh University has appointed alumna Megan Early '11 as the new Executive Director of the Hoover Historical Center. Early was a member of the second graduating

class of the Museum Studies program and was one of the first students to complete her practicum at the Center. After graduating from Walsh in 2011, Early continued to volunteer for Center events including Christmas on Hoover Farm.

A native of Cleveland, Early joined the Hoover Historical Center from the National First Ladies Library in Canton, where she served as a volunteer coordinator for nine years and was responsible for the recruiting, hiring and training of volunteers as docents for the Museum and the Saxton McKinley House.

"While I love working with the collections and discovering hidden artifacts, I also love working with and meeting new people who visit the museum," said Early. "I'm excited to return to my alma mater, and I'm looking forward to learning more about the Hoover family and The Hoover Company. I know the obvious, but I know there is so much more to their story."

Since assuming her new position in July, Early has made it a habit to take time out of each day to organize and sift through the Center's archives in the basement.

"People think of this as the vacuum cleaner museum, but there is so much more that the Hoover family did for North Canton and the world in general. There were advances in technology, engineering, marketing, advertising and more that continue to influence our lives today. I look forward to sharing that side of the story."

# Walsh University's West Coast Influencers

The scope of contributions by Walsh University's talented alumni network extends far beyond the University's Midwest campus borders. Wherever they live, alumni continue to make important connections as ambassadors of the Walsh University name and mission. More than 3,000 miles away on the West Coast, Walsh graduates are making an impact across a wide-spectrum of specialties. From protecting the health of professional athletes to safeguarding federal funding to fostering the culture of gaming technology, Walsh's influence continues to shape the communities our alumni serve while helping graduates transform dreams into careers.

# Alum Creates New Media Platform for Millennials

Communications major Jason Hicks '07 may have been well-known at Walsh as a member of the 2005 NAIA National Championship basketball team, but today he is making a name in the Pacific Northwest and gaming industry as the co-founder and creative director of *GRN Tea* magazine. With offices set in the hub of entertainment activities, the Seattle Seahawks Stadium, the bi-monthly *GRN Tea* magazine is a new media platform for young professional millennials interested in gaming, restaurant, nightlife, technology, entertainment and arts.

During his time at Walsh, Hicks was an NAIA All-American starting point guard who led the Walsh University Men's Basketball team to its first NAIA National Championship in 2005. After graduation, Hicks played a season of professional basketball in Romania before returning to the United States. Hicks was inducted into the Walsh Wall of Fame in 2014.

"I've always been the type to adapt to my environment. Walsh broadened my horizons. At the end of the day, I'm from the inner city of Cleveland. Being at a Catholic college, I was able to interact with a lot of diverse people, from various backgrounds and different ideas," said Hicks. "My mind just opened up. My campus experience helped me to adapt when I went overseas to play basketball for Romania. I always felt supported at Walsh."

In 2018, Hicks followed his entrepreneurial spirit to help develop a new media platform to highlight the arts, technology, entertainment and cultural aspects of his adopted city of Seattle. The magazine is supported by an online platform dedicated to bringing significant content to its readers. The first issue released in October 2018 and included

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### Federal Government Job Fulfills Alum's Love of Travel

Megan Navarre '08 has always had an interest in travel. When she arrived at Walsh University from Greenwood, Indiana, she chose an academic path that combined her interest in politics and global issues with a major in International Politics, Government and Foreign Affairs.



"I wanted to be a political analyst. My instructors at Walsh sparked my interest with their knowledge in the field and fine-tuned my writing skills," said Navarre. "Walsh helped to prepare me for the professional writing in my career today, and I appreciated learning from other students on a small campus with a diverse international community."

After graduation, Navarre spent more than a year in South Korea teaching English and then returned home and made her entry into the U.S. Federal Government with a short stint at the Transportation Security Administration in Virginia.

"At TSA, I also continued to learn more about languages from travelers while they passed through security," said Navarre.

Next, Navarre transferred to the Department of the Interior in Virginia to be a human resources assistant and served there for three years before pursuing an opportunity to join the Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General at the San Francisco field office. In her role as program analyst, Navarre seeks to detect and deter waste, fraud, abuse and misconduct in DOJ programs and personnel, and to promote economy and efficiency in those programs. Coworkers with accounting degrees have the position title auditor, and those without are referred to as program analysts. Navarre's regional office conducts audits mainly on the West Coast, Hawaii and Alaska.

"I have been enjoying learning about the financial and budgeting aspects of the government," said Navarre. "I'm also thrilled to have a career that allows me to continue to travel and learn about a variety of programs."

# PT Grad Lands Dream Job with Major League Baseball

As both a Walsh undergraduate and graduate physical therapy student, Ryan Bitzel '04, '06 had one goal in mind, to leverage his love of baseball into a career in sports medicine. That goal became a reality in 2018 when he got a call from the Seattle Mariners to join the team as a major league physical therapist.

"There are only 30 teams in Major League Baseball, and not all of them employ a PT on the medical staff," said Bitzel. "These positions rarely open up."

Bitzel's primary responsibility is to work with MLB players on the injured list so that way they can rejoin the active roster. He also works alongside the team's athletic trainers, and during games you'll find Ryan in the dugout monitoring the players with the athletic training staff in case an injury occurs.

"Traveling with the team is a great perk of the job. I've gotten to see a lot of the country and play in ballparks that I only dreamed of seeing on TV as a kid," said Bitzel. "Playing catch with rehabbing players on the field is still a 'pinch me' moment."

Bitzel cites Walsh's physical therapy department for their support and encouragement in pursuing his dreams and securing his first clinical with the prestigious Steadman-Hawkins of the Carolinas, Greenville, S.C., which is one of the more highly regarded sports medicine and orthopedic clinics in the country. After graduation, he joined the staff full time and served as a consultant for the Greenville Drive Minor League Baseball team. In 2010, he received a phone call from the San Diego Padres and joined their minor league rehabilitation staff as a coordinator at the spring training complex in Arizona. His "call-up" from the minors to the majors happened in 2017.

"Out of the blue, I received the phone call that I had waited my whole life for from the Seattle Mariners. My very first major league game was Opening Day 2018. This is a special day in baseball, as they introduce the team, as well as the staff, on the field to the home crowd before the game," said Bitzel. "After 12 years in the minor leagues, to be able to stand out there on the line and hear my name called, with my parents sitting in the front row...it's a moment that I will never forget. My story just reinforces the point that you don't have to go to a big university to accomplish big dreams."

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# A Special Message from the Alumni Board President



#### Dear Tim and Drenda,

On behalf of myself and the entire Walsh Alumni community of 14,000 strong, I am delighted to extend a warm welcome to both of you. You have hit the ground running – your energy and enthusiasm is palpable and your impact already measurable. Your generosity

and collaborative leadership was evidenced even before Day One with your meaningful pledge of \$10,000 to help provide scholarships for incoming freshmen. The pledge was more than doubled thanks to your match challenge and quick response by the Walsh University community! You clearly demonstate servant hearts and are approachable, visible, and joyfully present at campus activities and community events. I'll bet many first-years were thrilled to have extra hands on move-in day as the two of you joined this year's Cavs Crew of student volunteers, donned the yellow Cavs Crew t-shirts and were on hand to welcome students and unload their cars.

Walsh Alumni are excited by your firm and vocal commitment to "further advance the 200-year old charism of the Brothers" and "take our place" as a "**disfinctive Catholic university of national prominence**." We look forward to being part of your team to do just that! I encourage Walsh alumni to watch for details of Dr. Collins' "listening tour" to personally meet with alumni in cities across the country. Please give him a heartfelt Walsh welcome when he arrives in your town and share the incredible ways Walsh alumni are "taking their place" to serve and impact the world. He'd love to hear your ideas and what role you'd like to play as the amazing Walsh University journey continues in its enduring mission to create leaders through service to others.

Dr. Collins, in an interview with the *Canton Repository* after your inaugural week you were asked for a first impression of Walsh. You responded, "The place rocks…" My sense is members of the Walsh community are developing a reciprocal impression…Tim and Drenda, YOU ROCK! Welcome aboard. **Best Wishes**,

Cathy Eato Shew

Cathy (Robb) Shew '79 Alumni Board President

#### 2019-20 Alumni Board Executive Committee: President – Cathy Shew '79; Executive Coach & Business Advisor, Catherine Shew LLC Vice President – Luke Vincer '07; Financial Advisor, Wentz Financial Group Treasurer – Jennifer Grossman '06; CPA, Director, CliftonLarsonAllen LLP Secretary – Marcellus Stroud '97; Senior Manager, Kenan Advantage See full board membership https://www.walsh.edu/alumni-board-members

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# ITY Alumni Association

# New Alumni Initiatives Focus on Building 40 – 60 Year Relationships

Several new initiatives recently launched by the Office of Alumni Relations focus on fostering support and enriching relationships to strengthen Walsh's alumni network both on campus and in the community.

# Alumni Welcome Letter Campaign

This summer, in anticipation for the start of the 2019-20 academic year, more than 70 alumni from eight states participated in Walsh's first welcome letter campaign welcoming the Class of 2023 to the Cavalier community. Each Walsh first-year student received a handwritten letter from alumni offering words of support and encouragement for the start of their college career. According to Alumni Director Stephanie Koontz, '08 feedback was overwhelmingly positive for the new program, with several students taking the opportunity to respond to alumni out of appreciation.

"We are thrilled at the response from both our alumni participants and also from our new students and look forward to making this an annual tradition," said Koontz. "We wanted to do more than just welcome students to campus. Our goal was to help build relationships between our alumni and students and showcase one of our major strengths – the Walsh University community."

### Annual Golf Outings Showcase Walsh Support

This past summer, more than 130 alumni and friends participated in two separate golf outings sponsored by the Office of Alumni Relations. The second annual Gilchrist Golf Outing was held on June 8, at the Bend Tree Golf Course in Columbus, Ohio. This outing is co-sponsored by the Walsh University Alumni Office and Jacquie Gilchrist and is a fundraiser for the Michael '86 and Brian '88 Gilchrist Scholarship Fund at Walsh. This scholarship was created in loving memory of the brothers. In addition, Walsh's Alumni Golf Outing was held on August 19, at the Sanctuary Golf Course in North Canton. President Tim Collins was on hand to welcome alumni golfers for a day of fun, fellowship and support for continued alumni programming. Mark your calendars for next year's Alumni Golf Outing on June 13, 2020.



### New Networking Events Highlight Alumni Interests

The Office of Alumni Relations continues to create and expand new programming to reflect the growing interests and needs of its alumni base. Events were hosted in Chicago, Columbus, Cleveland and beyond to create opportunities for alumni to reconnect with their peers and their alma mater.

"Whether it's grabbing a cup of coffee or meeting at an event, I've really enjoyed getting to know our alumni personally," said Koontz. "Keeping alumni connected and engaged in ways that are meaningful is what we're all about as an Alumni Office."

# We Would Love to Hear From You!

Stay up-to-date on regional and campus alumni events and programming at walsh.edu/alumni. Connect with us anytime by contacting Stephanie Koontz at 330.244.4943 or skoontz@walsh.edu.

Service to Walsh

# Walsh Board of Directors Appoints New Leaders

# The start of the 2019-20 fiscal year in July marked a new transition in leadership with the appointments of President Tim Collins and new leadership to the Board of Directors.

Jeff Rossi was named chair of the Board of Directors after serving two years as vice chair. The Honorable Sara Lioi completed her term and will remain a member of the Board. The Board also announced the selection of A.J. Hyland as vice chair. All three played an integral role in the national search, appointment and transition of Dr. Tim Collins as Walsh's seventh president.

#### E. Jeffrey Rossi, Chair



Since 1978, Jeff Rossi has been a principal with E.J. Rossi & Company, a life and health insurance brokerage firm in Youngstown, Ohio. He has

been an active member of the Walsh Board of Directors since 2010 and has served in numerous roles including chair and vice chair of the Investment Committee.

Rossi has served a number of community organizations during his 40 plus year career. He is a member of the Trumbull County Bar Association and licensed to practice in the State of Ohio, belongs to the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors, serves as a member of the Diocese of Youngstown Investment Advisory Committee and the John F. Kennedy High School Investment Committee. He has served as a Trustee for the Ohio Foundation of Independent College, the Community Foundation of the Mahoning Valley and the Humility of Mary Health System (past chair). Jeff currently serves as a Trustee of the Catholic University of America, Washington D.C., as well as on their Executive Committee.

Jeff graduated from Warren John F. Kennedy High School. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Politics from the Catholic University of America and a Juris Doctor degree from the Columbus School of Law at the Catholic University of America. He also holds Chartered Life Underwriter and Chartered Financial Counselor degrees. Jeff and his wife, Carol, reside in Warren, Ohio, and are the proud parents of three children and have six grandchildren, with another on the way. They are members of Blessed Sacrament Parish in Warren.

"Walsh University is a very special place. We are fortunate to have a wonderful and dedicated group of administrators, faculty and staff, along with an amazing group of students. It is an honor to work with the talented members of our Board of Directors," said Rossi. "We are energized and encouraged with the arrival of Dr. Tim Collins as the seventh president of Walsh. We as a Board are dedicated to the goal of continuing to advance Walsh University as a distinctive Catholic University of national prominence in our world."

#### A.J. Hyland, Vice Chair



A.J. Hyland is the retired president and chief executive officer of Hyland Software, Inc., and joined the Walsh University Board of Directors in 2014.

Hyland joined Hyland Software in 1993 and held various positions throughout the company during his tenure. He was part of the quality assurance team until 1995 before he moved into the sales department. In 1997, Hyland was promoted to president of Hyland Software, and in 2001 he was promoted to CEO. Under his leadership and guidance, Hyland Software became a globally recognized software company. For six years in a row, the company was recognized nationally as one of Fortune Magazine's "Top 100 Best Companies to Work For." A.J. retired from Hyland Software in 2013 and currently serves on the company's Board of Directors.

Hyland was a member of the Association for Information and Image Management (AIIM) Board of Directors for five years and served as Chair of the Association in 2004. He was welcomed into AIIM's Company of Fellows in 2005. Hyland earned his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Georgetown University and is a graduate of St. Ignatius High School in Cleveland.

A.J. and his wife, Tricia, live in Broadview Heights with their five children. They are parishioners of Assumption Church in Broadview Heights.

"It's been an honor to serve Walsh University as a Board of Directors member. I think we're a high-functioning Board with a lot of talented and caring people who aren't afraid to ask the tough questions," said Hyland. "Over the past several years, I have had the opportunity to make contributions on the IT, Advancement and Student Affairs committees. It's been our goal to tackle the challenges facing higher education today, while maintaining our mission and Catholic identity."

# Walsh Welcomes New Member to the Board

In addition, Walsh University welcomed alumnus and new member Bruce Altieri '82 to the Board this July. Altieri is senior vice president and business development of Lincoln Electric Holdings in Cleveland, Ohio. Look for his profile in an upcoming Walsh Times.

# WALSH UNIVERSITY

Welcomes

# His Eminence Francis Cardinal Arinze



While Walsh has hosted prominent Catholic leaders in the past, welcoming a Cardinal to campus is a rare opportunity for any Catholic organization.

Walsh University had the esteemed privilege of hosting His Eminence Francis Cardinal Arinze of Nigeria to campus on Tuesday, September 17, for the Celebration of Holy Mass of the Memorial of Saint Robert Bellarmine in the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel.

During his visit, the Cardinal met with Walsh President Dr. Tim Collins and local religious leaders, and shared remarks on the topic of "The Church and our Young People" with students and theologians in the Barrette Business and Community Center.

"Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life. I see it written on the entryway of your beautiful Chapel here. Christ gives meaning to our lives. He gives a sense of unity to the various things we do," said His Eminence during remarks to students. "Life is not just one senseless thing after another. The various things we do during the day are parts of a mosaic that makes sense. Christ gives all that a sense of unity and direction. With Christ, we know where we are going."

Francis Cardinal Arinze was ordained a priest in 1958 for the Archdiocese of Onitsha, Nigeria. When he was 32, he became the youngest Catholic Bishop in the world and served at the Coadjutor Archbishop for his home diocese. Cardinal Arinze is a member of the Special Council for Africa of the General Secretariat of the Synod of Bishops. He was also a close advisor to Pope St. John Paul II, who elevated him to the cardinalate and appointed him head of the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue in 1985. In 2002, he was named Prefect of the Congregation of Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, which he now serves as Prefect Emeritus.

"Having Cardinal Arinze here on campus was a great blessing for Walsh, especially for the students," said Walsh senior Fred del Guidice. "The Cardinal made it a point to stress the importance of young people in the Church today. He encouraged them to get involved and take roles of leadership and responsibility. In this way, he helps us realize that the Church is not merely a hierarchical institution but is also a community of believers that we all can play a part in. God has given each one of us various skills and abilities. We must do our best to utilize those to serve His Church."

Cardinals are designated by the Pope to assist in the administration of the Church at the highest level. Collectively known as the College of Cardinals, they are the most senior officials under the Pope. Cardinals also elect the Pope when that position becomes vacant and have done so since 1059.



"Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life. I see it written on the entryway of your beautiful Chapel here. Christ gives meaning to our lives. He gives a sense of unity to the various things we do," Francis Cardinal Arinze

# The Walsh Fund

The Walsh Fund jumpstarted its fundraising goals early this year when the University community came together this summer to support the Presidential Challenge by surpassing President and Mrs. Collins' initial match of \$10,000 by raising an additional \$10,725 towards student scholarships for incoming freshmen. Let's keep that momentum going!

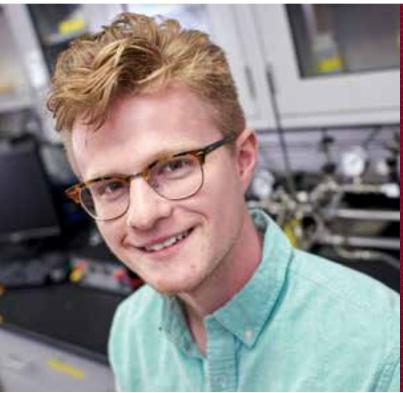
The Walsh Fund ensures students have the resources they need to be successful. This fall, Walsh welcomed new and returning students to campus. They are tomorrow's leaders in business, education, science, technology, healthcare and public service. While each is unique, they share the common advantage of the wide range of opportunities through The Walsh Experience.

- Academics that move beyond the classroom into practical application
- Inspiring community service, faith study and exploration
- Internships and clinical experiences placing them above their peers in the marketplace
- Cutting edge research, NCAA Division II athletics, global travel
- And so much more!

Walsh University is preparing the next generation of leaders, and your contribution matters. You make the Walsh Experience possible. For more information on contributing to the Walsh Fund, please call 330. 490.7280.

THE WALSH FUND supporting our greatest resource

# Your Gift in Action



# Using Research to Advance Healthcare

"I interned at the Michigan State University Grand Rapids Research Center, coordinated by Walsh professor Dr. Adam Underwood. There I worked alongside collaborators from MSU and Australian researchers on a SOX family protein project while also designing my own bioinformatics-based project. Both projects aim to provide doctors with genomic tools that will one day contribute to personalized therapies for preventable diseases. I also earned a middle author spot on a manuscript published in a Nature journal, Scientific Reports, and presented at the Experimental Biology conference in Florida – all as an undergraduate student!"

- William Cvammen '19 Biology, Pre-Med



# **Tackling World Hunger**

"As a Blouin Global Scholar at Walsh, I've had the opportunity to study the issues of food, hunger and sustainability with the other students in my cohort. We've traveled abroad to Tanzania, which has broadened my perspective on the issue of hunger, both at a global and local level. In addition, my immersion trip and upcoming internship in Mexico helped me to connect with clinicians and therapists in the field. These experiences would not have been possible without Walsh."

– Kaili Kashiwaeda '20 Biology, Pre-Physical Therapy

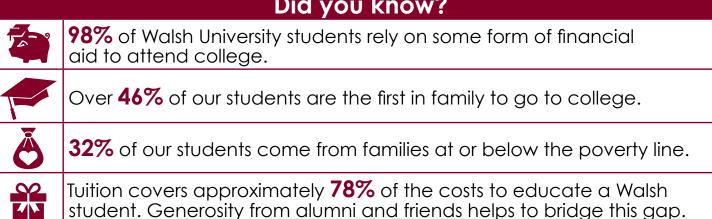
# **Engaging in Civic** Leadership

"In my first year at Walsh, I've already had so many unique experiences. In one week alone, I had the opportunity to speak with the CEO of a major national corporation and a former U.S. Congressman. Walsh does a great job of pairing coursework with real-world experiences and connecting students to engaged leaders and mentors." – Mitchell Yeigh '22

Business



# Did you know?



# **CLASS NOTES**









# Marriages

# '**12**

**Courtney Long** married Connor Graham on June 1, 2019.

# '15

**Ashley Blickensderfer** married Jordan Turek on August 3, 2019.

# '16

**Brooke Chaney** married **Alex Recker '16**, **'18** at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel at Walsh University on July 21, 2018. Fellow Walsh Alumni were in their bridal party. The happy couple resides in Cortland, OH. 2

# '17

Andrea Asbun married Craig Dougherty '18 on July 8, 2018, in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic and had another wedding reception in Canal Fulton, Oh. 3

# '**18**

James Sanders married Taylor Sanders '16 on September 21, 2018.

# Births '03

Julia (Shuttic) Haffele and her husband, BJ, are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Stella Dee Haffele, in May. The family resides in Carroll, OH. 5.

# **'08**

**Sam Cerreta** and his wife, Andrea, welcomed their son, Luke, on September 14, 2018.**6**.



# **'08**

Jessica (Lowdermilk) Fellers and her husband Brad '10 welcomed their second child and first daughter, Isabella Hayden Fellers, on November 22, 2018.

# '12

#### Chadwick Flath and Marie Jubak -

married on November 28, 2015 – gave birth to their second child, Mia Jean Flath, on December 13, 2018. Big brother Jonathan was born on November 17, 2016.

# '**14**

**Bethany (Elchert) Maddox** and her husband, Samuel, welcomed their first son Isaac Anthony Maddox on November 29, 2018. **?** 

# **Class Notes**

# '73

Mary Simpson Faigley retired in June 2018 from St. Thomas Aquinas High School after 44 years as an English teacher.

# '90

**Charles Novak**, former Walsh Cross Country and Track runner, has won several national titles including the 50-54 age group road mile in Michigan and capped off his 2018 season with the gold medal at the World Masters Track championships in Malaga. He also won the indoor 3000m national title and 1500m indoor national title in March 2018.





'96 In her 20th year at Hyland Software, Tiffany (Gaughan) Scherer recently accepted

a role as Director, Chief of Staff. She also completed her certification as an executive coach through the Hudson Institute, and is a yoga teacher through Inner Bliss Yoga.



#### **'03 Annie Zaremba** studied coral reefs, manatees, howler monkeys, jaguars and other wildlife while

learning the methods communities are using to sustain them in Belize during the summer of 2019. Annie, a science teacher at GlenOak High School, lives in Canton, OH, and is a graduate student in Miami University's Global Field Program.

### '07

**Tim Geabler** started as a We Developer Trainee for Foundation Software in May 2019.



# '11

Katie Berry has been inducted into Saint Joseph Academy's Athletic Hall of Fame.

In high school she was a four-year varsity letter winner in basketball and a four-time Most Valuable Player. She was also named All-District three times and served as team captain for three seasons. At Walsh, Katie became a 1,000-point scorer and helped her team to two NAIA national tournament appearances, two AMC Tournament titles and one AMC regular season championship. She was named First Team All-Conference and earned All-American honors as a senior. Katie resides in Cleveland and works as a judicial assistant for the Eighth District Court of Appeals in Cleveland.

# '13

Matthew Humerickhouse went to Mount Saint Mary Seminary in Cincinnati to begin his discernment for the priesthood. He continued his education at Saint Mary Seminary in Wickliffe, OH. On June 1, 2019, Matthew was ordained a Transitional Deacon at Saint Columba Cathedral in Youngstown, OH, and is preparing to be ordained a Priest for the Youngstown Diocese in June 2020.

# '15

**Laura Kozuszek** began working as a Disaster Program Manager for the American Red Cross in July 2019.

# '**18**

**Katelyn Mokros** studied coral reef ecology and the conservation of marine systems along the Great Barrier Reef in Australia during the summer of 2019. Katelyn, a science teacher at Lake High School, lives in North Canton, OH, and is a graduate student in Miami University's Global Field Program.

# '19

**Annie Resetar** began working at Nationwide Children's Hospital in August 2019 as a Registered Nurse in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit.





**Malia Turley** graduated from Walsh in May and started soon after with Ernst & Young LLP as Advisory Staff. She made her way back to campus in September for the EY Recruitment event.

# In Memoriam

Susan Louise (Spear) Bruhn, age 70, of Canton and Springfield, OH, passed away on February 10, 2019, in her childhood home with her husband at her side, after battling ovarian cancer for four years. Susan spent a self-proclaimed glorious childhood in the arms of St. Paul's Parish in Canton's Northeast end and was an alumna of Central Catholic High School.

# '87

Carol J. Frazee, age 70, of Uniontown, OH, passed away after a valiant battle. She was a former member of the Board of Directors of the Walsh College Alumni Association.

# '88

Timothy Huntsman, age 60, of Columbus, OH, passed away on February 16, 2019. Timothy was a veteran who served in the Air Force. He was very committed to his family and their wellbeing.



# IN MEMORIAM



# Thomas

"Yih-Tang" Ling Beloved professor Tom Ling passed away September 5, 2019, after a battle with liver cancer. Tom was born

Yih-Tang Ling in Tainan, Taiwan (Republic of China), on June 12, 1936. He began teaching at Walsh University in 1966 and enjoyed a career that spanned 50 years. He passed his knowledge of mathematics to countless students giving them a foundation for careers in business, medicine, behavioral sciences and other professions too numerous to list. Professor Ling is survived by his two sons: Steven of Canton and David of Fort Wayne, IN. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 55 years, Dorothy. Contributions may be made to the Thomas Y. Ling academic scholarship established in his name at Walsh University.



#### Patrick Gargoline, Ph.D. A longtime Walsh Spanish professor from 1967- 1995, Dr. Gargoline earned his undergraduate

degree from Youngstown State University, M.A. from Columbia and his Ph.D. from Middlebury. He served on campus as the Chair of the Languages Department, Director of the Glee Club and Chorale Society and taught some interdisciplinary seminars. He was nominated for the Outstanding Educator of America in 1972 and presented the Honors Convocation address in 1985. Dr. Gargoline remained an ardent supporter of Walsh University long after he left the classroom, consistently giving to Walsh since his retirement. His final wish was to continue to support Walsh University after his death by bequeathing his entire estate to the University. In his honor, Walsh University has renamed the Admissions Recruitment Scholarship as the Patrick J. Gargoline Recruitment and Retention Scholarship.



Dennis Harold Biery Former Trustee and Honorary Advisory Board Member Dennis Biery, 75, passed away on July 20, 2019, following

a courageous battle with cancer. Through Biery Cheese, the family owned business that dates back to 1929, the Biery family has always made time to take on leadership and service roles in the community, especially in the area of local education. Their steadfast support of Walsh University culminated in the renovation of Walsh's baseball facilities including the dedication of Biery Stadium in 2015. Dennis is survived by his wife of 53 years, Judith Lynne (Koellisch) Biery; his daughter Jennifer Lynne (Biery) Trujillo and son-in-law David Richard Trujillo of Colorado; and his son Benjamin Harold Biery '00 and daughter-in-law Michelle Ann Biery '98 of Louisville, both alumni of Walsh University.



#### Michael Douglas '88

Walsh University's Chief Diversity Officer and 1988 alumnus Michael Douglas passed into the loving arms of

the Lord on Saturday, June 1, 2019, after suffering a fatal heart attack. Michael provided insight and guidance to the University's Diversity Council whose 20 members focus on maintaining a welcoming, responsive and positive environment for the entire campus while promoting understanding of intercultural competence and cultural diversity sensitivity. His influence, enthusiasm and passion will continue to make an incredible impact on our campus and in the community.



#### Br. Marcel Sylvestre, FIC, Ph.D.

Br. Marcel Sylvestre, FIC, Ph.D., passed into the loving arms of the Lord on Saturday, May 4,

2019. He was 91 years old. Marcel Sylvestre was born in Biddeford, ME, in 1928. He attended local Catholic schools and entered the Brothers' novitiate in 1944, taking his final vows as a Brother of Christian Instruction in 1950. In 2017, after calling Walsh's campus his home for 12 years, Br. Marcel moved from La Mennais Hall in North Canton to live with the Brothers of Christian Instruction in La Prairie, Canada. His involvement with Walsh spanned the history of the University, from his first appointment to the Board of Directors in 1964 to leadership positions over the years including sociology professor, academic dean and interim president. Contributions in his memory may be made to the Brothers of Christian Instruction Scholarship Fund.

Please direct your questions regarding memorial contributions to the Advancement Office at 330.490.7337, via e-mail at ebelden@walsh.edu, or mailed to Walsh University, Office of Advancement, 2020 East Maple Street, North Canton, Ohio, 44720.



# WALSH UNIVERSITY'S WINTER COLLEGE 2020



Join Walsh alumni, faculty and friends as we gather for enrichment, fellowship and fun at our Winter College 2020 in Naples, Florida.

Re-enter the classroom to learn from Walsh alumni and top faculty as they share their insights and expertise on a wide range of stimulating and enlightening topics. It's your turn to be a student again!

The experience will also include a welcome cocktail & dessert reception, an offsite dinner at a local venue, and fun-filled excursions.

# **February 23 – 26, 2020** The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort in Naples, Florida

\$450 per person or \$899 per couple, (includes classes, welcome reception, breakfast and dinner) A special room rate of \$299 is available for those requesting accommodations.

Please contact Stephanie Koontz at skoontz@walsh.edu to register.



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# Friday, October 18, 2019

**10:30 a.m. Guided Tour of Campus** *Please meet in the lobby of Farrell Hall* 

11 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration 11:30 a.m. Holy Mass Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel

**12:30 p.m. Lunch and Refreshments** Schervish Dining Hall, David Center

5:30 p.m. Outstanding Alumni Dinner and Awards Presentation Please join us as John Latchic '69 recieves the Lifetime Achievement Award Cocktails at 5:30 p.m./Dinner at 6 p.m., Barrette Business and Community Center

8:30 p.m. After Party in the Atrium Gloeckl Atrium, Barrette Business and Community Center (Cash bar)

# Saturday, October 19, 2019

**12 p.m. VIP Reception in the Maroon & Gold Club for the Class of '69** *Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium* 

**1 p.m. Homecoming Game** *Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium* 

# Sunday, October 20, 2019

**11 a.m. Alumni Holy Mass** *Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel* 

**12:30 p.m. Lunch and Refreshments** *Schervish Dining Hall, David Center* 

For a complete list of events or more details, please contact alumni@walsh.edu or visit walsh.edu/homecoming-weekend