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Our Fatima Family

A Winding Road

You won't remember him as Pat Daly. Back at Fatima, he was Frank Daly, Class of 1967, arriving in the schoolyard, flipping baseball cards in front of his book bag. He was still Frank when he attended Iona Prep, where he says, "My greatest achievement, beyond intramural bowling, was becoming the photography editor for the yearbook."



Pat Daly '67

After Iona Prep, he attended SUNY Farmingdale to study photo technology before joining the first class to earn a BFA in film Production at SUNY Purchase. He says, "At Purchase there were no upper classmen or women, and everything we did set a precedent. It was an amazing experience that challenged everything I knew. Going to a school with no history was a risk, but I liked that and it turned out to be the right path for me."

Pat had a college internship working on industrial and documentary films. The very first film he worked on, *Princeton: A Search for Answers*, won an Academy Award for best short documentary. A year later he worked on a film about immigrants coming through Ellis Island.

He recalls, "We took a barge-load of film equipment, generators and a camper over,

and I spent the night on Ellis, which was an unrestored ruin at the time, to make sure nobody messed with our equipment. You could walk through the ruins and look through filing cabinets filled with old immigrant records that were sitting there unsecured. Disheveled rooms full of filing cabinets, crutches and wheelchairs. It was both surreal and spiritual."

His junior year Purchase film project was a ten-minute documentary about his grandfather called "Pat Car". It was shown and awarded at the Museum of Modern Art and other film festivals.

After college, he worked for a film director named Walter Gregg who directed all the Quaker Oats "Mickey" commercials and the Maxwell House coffee "Cora" spots with Margaret Hamilton of *The Wizard of Oz* fame. He was Walter's production manager for a year and then worked freelance for other commercial directors including Bob Giraldi who directed countless commercials and Michael Jackson's "Beat It" video.

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As the grind of production work dimmed his romantic vision of filmmaking, he thought of returning to commercials. “As a fat, red-headed, freckle-faced kid,” he says, “I was a good commercial type and had worked a couple of on-camera commercial jobs as a kid. I also realized trained actors were the obvious choice for that kind of work, so, having lost the fat but not my red hair, I decided to take acting classes.”

He studied for years, discovering he loved the craft but wasn’t terribly good at it. He says, “My, at that point, undiagnosed ADD made memorizing lines a challenge. It took so much energy to memorize lines that there wasn’t enough enjoyment left in the work itself. The process was fun, but my results were usually less than special.”

Introduced to voiceovers by a family friend, and having had a Screen Actors Guild job as a teen (That’s when his name changed. There was already a Frank Daly in the Screen Actors Guild, so he chose Pat because his Irish red hair and freckles seemed to demand it. He was underterred by the fact that his father, mother’s father and older brother were also named Pat), Pat re-focused on voiceovers. He says, “Voiceover work didn’t require memorizing lines, so the joy came back to me in a sound studio.” He began booking jobs for AT&T, Michelin, IBM and many others. He was interviewed on the *Today Show* by Jane Pauly as one of three people whose faces you didn’t know, but whose voices you heard all the time. For the past 25 years, Pat has given back by reading *Sports Illustrated* every week for a sight-impaired radio and internet network called Gatewave.

Pat met his wife, Vicki, in 1987. They married in June 1988 and welcomed their daughter, Julia, in 1993. In 1999, while living in Manhattan, they bought a weekend house in Northwest Connecticut not far from Lime Rock Park, where Pat spent many days watching road

races as a teen, and, in 2003, Vicki gave Pat a 3-day racing school for his 50th birthday. “I’d been talking about doing racing school for 25 years. Vicki thought it would get it out of my system as my one chance to sit in a racecar. Instead it completely changed my life,” he says. “I told Vicki how much fun I was having the first day, and she called her mom and said, ‘He wasn’t this happy on the day we got married!’”

Pat continues, “I’d found my happy place, and to my great good fortune Vicki and Julia recognized that and have been nothing but supportive ever since. I gradually improved, started winning races and was invited to become an instructor and pay my passion and knowledge forward”

Over the past 14 years, Pat has won open wheel races at Lime Rock Park, Watkins Glen, Sebring, Mid-Ohio, Road America, Road Atlanta, Laguna Seca and Roebeling Road. He has raced high down force Formula 3 cars, spec Miata’s and done the BMW Nurburgring training in M3’s. He is currently one of the house instructors at Lime Rock Park and is running in the Lucas Oil School of Racing formula series, where he won a race two weeks ago at Road Atlanta.

Vicki, who graduated from Harvard University with undergraduate and business school degrees, also attended theater school in Paris with Geoffrey Rush and recently completed NYU’s graduate program for creative writing. Julia graduated with undergrad and graduate degrees in physical therapy/athletic training from Boston University’s Sargent College and has a job with a respected physical therapy facility that works with professional dancers.

Pat reflects, “I wanted to be a filmmaker but my organizational skills and short attention span let me appreciate those who were good at it and realize that I was not one of them. I took act-

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Pat and his daughter, Julia.

Reunions—Class of 1962 and Class of 1977 Enjoy Separate Reunions

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The Class of 1962 reunion was a luncheon held on May 13 at Leewood Golf Club. The reunion was attended by seven members of that class, a spouse and a member of the Class of 1960. Some memorabilia was brought out of boxes that had been stored away for many years so that it could be enjoyed at the reunion. The class graduation photo was circulated and memories of classmates were shared. The reunion lasted almost four hours with everyone promising to stay in touch.

Leading up to the reunion, the classmates had a happy series of emails going around. As the contact information for each classmate was discovered, emails became more and more detailed!

The class picture generated a few memories from Michael Cerniello. “Andrew Little and I lived in the same apartment group, so I knew him long before we ever started school. One’s first impression of Andy was that he was definitely not ‘little;’ in the class picture, only Robert



The Class of 1962’s official graduation photo

Manning was noticeably taller. He often wore ribbed, rubber-soled shoes that would squeak rather loudly when he went up to receive his report card.”

One email asked which members of the class had passed away. A sobering thought, it led Patrick Natarelli to

reminisce about those gone to God. “My goodness, six out of thirty-six are no longer with us! Much too soon for all of them. I’m saddened by their passing; however, several are particularly poignant for me,” he wrote.

“Gene Pettinati, Roger Polidoro and I stayed close for many years after OLF. Gene bought land in Saugerties, NY, because he thought Stewart Airport would someday make him rich. Perhaps it did. I lost track of him when he moved to the Catskills.

Lee Ritter and I hung out together a lot in 7th and 8th grade. His father worked for the NY Central Railroad, and we used to ride the

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Attendees at the Reunion were (front left to right) Mary Ann Agostino Magaletta, Dorothy Herrick Washburn, Mary Angela Bellew Kennedy, Michael Cerniello, Patrick Natarelli and (back left to right) Walt Johanson, Roger Polidoro, Joseph Cantwell, Frank Magaletta

Reunions



Class of 1977, left to right, Karen Oliveri Nordone, Rosanna Tedone Giuliano, Denise Devenuti Wenacur, John DePietro, Lisa Baum McGowan, Robert Pandaleon, Kevin Flagg.

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train for free. We'd go to Yankee games, and since we were both into rock 'n roll music, we'd take the subway to Greenwich Village to the House of Oldies to hunt up 45 rpm records from the 1950s. Unfortunately, our paths never crossed after OLF.

Patti Oberst, Darlene LaBarre and I took driver's ed together one summer, and she was my date for my senior prom. She was a sweet, lovely person. May all of our classmates rest in peace," he said.

The Class of 1977 had a reunion at the end of April. Six of the twenty-five graduates had din-

ner and reminisced about their days at OLF. They were having so much fun during dinner, that they called another one of their classmates and encouraged him to come over after work, which he did. At the same time, Annunciation School's Class of 1977 was having their reunion. Lisa Baum McGowan was a member of both schools' classes at one point, beginning at Annunciation and transferring to Fatima when her family moved to a different home. Some of the members of each class also knew each other from their high school days, prompting both classes to get together for a group picture.

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ing classes to win more commercials, and fell in love with the craft, though I never could amortize that love into a career. My switch to voice-overs was a way to make a living that I enjoyed but never felt emotionally connected to."

"The one thing I never saw coming was racing. I've achieved success and happiness in racing I'd never imagined. I've met heroes of racing I'd read about but never expected to meet and made life-long friends that understand how lucky we are to do this. I've probably worked harder at racing, and achieved more success, than anything else in my life because first, I truly love it and second, starting late meant there wasn't time to fool around. My commit-

ment, joy and success always led to the next amazing chapter.

In 2011, Pat had a serious crash and concussion that took a full year to recover from. Then, a melanoma required surgery and another extended recovery. Pat says, "Both events led me to think I might be at the end of my racing journey with no regrets. Those events only made me more appreciative of my good fortune. Many people go through life and never find or own that happy place they were meant to inhabit. For me it came late, but I've appreciated every step of the way... and I'm not done yet! Since my accident and cancer, I've returned to race multiple seasons and won two more masters championships."

Where Are They Now? Mrs. Francine Naughton

Francine Naughton acknowledges that she never set out to be a teacher. “I received a degree in psychology from Hunter College and worked for years as a case worker in Yonkers before I stopped working to raise my family. It wasn’t until my youngest was in school that I returned to work as a substitute teacher at Our Lady of Fatima School and realized how much I enjoyed teaching.”

Along with her undergraduate degree, Fran had also minored in education, leaving college with what was known as a common branch license to teach K-6th. She then pursued a master’s degree in Education, resulting in a certification to teach grades 6-12 in social studies.

After her first year of substitute teaching at OLF, a full-time position opened up. In 1984, Fran took over a homeroom and taught social studies to grades 5 to 8 in addition to 6th-grade reading and 8th-grade religion. She taught at Our Lady of Fatima until the school closed in 2013.

Today, Fran continues to work part-time at The Hoff-Bartheslon School of Music in Scarsdale and volunteers for Meals on Wheels. She loves to travel and has been to places such as China, Egypt, Japan and India. She enjoys new experiences such as riding elephants in Nepal, zip lining in Alaska, rappelling down cliffs in Great Bear National Park and ballooning over the Canyonlands in Utah, “Ballooning was such a great experience. It so was quiet when we were in the air,” she recalls.

When her feet are planted firmly on the earth, Fran says she loves to vegetable garden. Her husband, who passed away in 2006, was also an avid gardener, although he preferred roses to vegetables.

A mother to five children—three girls and two boys—and a grandmother to twelve grandchildren ages 5 to 21-years-old, she says, “I love to show my grandchildren how food grows. I grow snap peas, garlic, corn, tomatoes, string beans and sweet and white potatoes. I also learn a great deal about these vegetables when I try them out for the first



Francine Naughton

time. For example, I did not realize that sweet potatoes grow on a vine. The vine spread, and sweet potatoes were all over the garden!”

“Regular potatoes are the most fun for the grandchildren. On top you see the green plant, but when you pull it up, the potatoes are all at the roots. It is a surprise for a child when they first see it.”

Two of Fran’s children have followed her footsteps and are social studies teachers. The others are an attorney, a social worker and a sales account manager. All live in the area, so Fran is able to visit with her family often.

Fran says that her best memories of teaching at Our Lady of Fatima were the interactions she had with her students and watching them grow and learn. “Especially in grades 5 to 8, there is such growth from every aspect—physically, intellectually and spiritually,” she noted. Fran also says that there was a wonderful camaraderie with the other teachers and that going to work was always fun.

Acknowledging that the school had the dark cloud of closing hanging over its head for many years, Fran says that it never impacted the quality of the student. “Our Lady of Fatima School always produced very well-educated students. Knowing that these students have done well for themselves and that the teachers had a little part in their foundation is very rewarding,” she says.

It also never impacted her enthusiasm for being involved with the students in different experiences. “I was the moderator of the yearbook for many years. I was also part of a team of teachers that introduced musical theatre as part of our educational experience. Our students performed in a number of musicals including *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Pirates of Penzance*, *Into the Woods*, *Bye Bye Birdie* and *Godspell*. It was a wonderful collaboration by the teachers and a lot of fun for the children.”

This year, Fran is looking forward to taking two of her grandchildren to Rome and Venice as a celebration of their graduation from high school.

In Memoriam

Please pray for the soul of the following family of alumni:

Christine Farah, daughter of Diane Burlinson Farah '69

May she Rest in Peace.

Missing Alumni

As we continue to grow the database of OLF School alumni, there are some who go “missing.” If you are in touch with any of the following, please ask them to reach out to Mary Theresa McCombe at mtmc525@aol.com.

1957

Lucille Peloquin
Carol Rossi

1958

Brian Coape-Arnold

1959

Mary Rossi

1960

Janet LaMorte
John McLaughlin
Duff Smith
Margaret Smithwick
Barbara Weisman

1961

Kathleen Braun
Jane Lange
Tara Lynch
Marie Palmer

1962

Patricia Miller

1963

Michelle Adrian
Elizabeth Couley
Kathleen Murphy
Kathleen Snure

1965

Joseph Benza
William Reeves

1966

Lois Kramer
Mary Sepa

1967

Mary Doyle
Linda Mauriello
Frederick Ritter

1968

Patricia Long
Catherine Lynch
Sharon O'Coarroll
Suzanne Peloquin

1973

Frank Raho
Rita Sapienza

1976

Louis DiNapoli

1977

Val Constantin
Kerrin Siegel

1978

Carol Constantine

1986

Deane Barlanti
Kerriann Dickson
Joseph Doyle
Nicholas Errico
David Gojcaj
Blake Ippolito

1991

Gina Bonante
Louis DeCicco
Sara Siragusa

1996

Eric LaManna

1998

Michael Berardinelli

2006

Alexis LoBasso

2007

Michael Rojas

2008

Joon Hee Cho
Patrick Neshiwat
Joseph Recchia

Class notes

1958

Peggy Moore Pure is living in sunny Bonita Springs, FL with her husband, Ron. They have two children and three grandsons. Peggy says that life is good.

Alfred Kaltenback writes that the pictures of 1958 class trip to aircraft carrier FDR, in the [June 2016 OLF newsletter](#), brought back many memories. "I entered OLF in 7th grade in 1957, after the local public school system suggested I seek alternative educational opportunity. I thank Sr. Marie Genevieve and OLF for getting me headed in the right direction in education and behavior areas.

This start led to Fordham University and a B.S. in chemistry. After graduation in 1966, I hitchhiked all the way from New York to California. The U.S. Army then invited me to join and introduced me to Colorado at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal as a chemical lab specialist.

Later, a graduate degree from the University of Connecticut in chemical oceanography began a 30-year career at Marathon Oil's Denver Research Center as an exploration geochemist, which included field work around the U.S. and offshore. Career highlights included a cruise to the North Atlantic on the Glomar Challenger of Deep Sea Drilling Project as the organic geochemist. I also visited the Dry Valleys of Antarctica, doing field and lab work."

Alfred lives in Colorado with his wife, Jane, of 46 years and his family, including their sons and grandchildren. He says, "We've enjoyed world travel, and I volunteer as a CSU Master Gardener, and teach table tennis and Qi Gong."

1960

When **Vicki Crawley** graduated from OLF in 1960, Monsignor Madden was the pastor

and Father Kennedy was the assistant pastor. Eighth-grade teacher Sister Marie Genevieve was also the principal. Coincidentally, Vicki tracked down Father Kennedy to have him officiate at her wedding to Joe Torres in 1969. And years later, she located Sister Marie Genevieve who had become Sister Jenny Love and ministered at a prison in Mississippi, which is a far cry from teaching in Scarsdale!

Vicki says, "All four Crawley kids attended OLF: my older sister **Janys '59**, and brothers **Norman '63** (who has since passed away) and Robert, and I all live in Florida outside of Orlando. My husband, Joe, and I moved here in 1977. Looking back, I think we were crazy. Neither of us had a job, and our oldest son, Christopher, was only one. But, it all worked out."

Joe and Vicki have two sons, Christopher and Randal, and a grandson, Nicholas, who will be graduating from University of



Central Florida with a degree in music. Nick plays the sax and piano and hopes to teach at the college level some day. They also have two toy rat terriers, Sophie and Millie who, she says, run their lives.

Vicki earned a bachelor's degree in management and psychology and spent her career in human resources. When Joe retired, Vicki decided to leave her position as HR director with a local company and start her own consulting firm specializing in HR management and communications. Vicki says, "It allows me to work from home, set my own hours and generally do as much (or as little!) as I want to take on."

Vicki and Joe also very involved in their church, Annunciation. Vicki serves on a couple of boards there and organizes lots of fundraisers to help various grass-roots charities.

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Vicki says the charity closest to her heart is Bags of Hope/Kids Club which feeds and mentors kids who are homeless but still attend school. "It's hard to believe that in central Florida we have whole families living in the woods," comments Vicki, "but we're trying to fix that one family at a time."

Joe and Vicki love to go on cruise vacations, usually with a group of friends. They also love to take off on road trips and explore, stopping wherever and whenever a small town appeals. She says, "We never know where we're going to end up, but we have the best time! God has been so good to us. We are very blessed!"

1962

Mary Angela Bellew Kennedy went to The Ursuline School and Manhattanville College. She had always wanted to be a teacher, so she completed her master's at the University of Virginia. She retired from Bronxville School, having completed thirty-eight years of teaching. Since then, Mary Angela has been teaching at St. Joseph School of Religious Education. She says, "It is a joy to be teaching first-graders about Jesus. I have been blessed with a wonderful family—Donald Kennedy, Michelle, and Andrew. I am enjoying being 'MiMi' to three beautiful grandsons Connor, Owen, and James."

Joseph Cantwell went to Fordham Prep and then Fordham College, where he earned a B.A. in economics, before graduating from the University of Michigan with an M.B.A. in 1972. His parents remained in OLF parish until they moved to Bronxville in 1986.

Joe met his wife, Margaret Hurley, at Fordham, and they were married in 1973. Joe says, "Margaret grew up in Annunciation parish, but our paths did not cross until Fordham. She is the smarter one. After graduating from Fordham's Thomas More College with a B.S. in chemistry, she went on to get an M.D. at the Medical College of Pennsylvania. We have one son, Joseph (born in 1979) and two grandsons Alexander (age 7) and Nicholas (age 5)."

Joe began work at Bank of New York in 1972 in the commercial banking training program. There were a few minor interruptions for the Army (Joe was commissioned into ROTC at Fordham and pushed out as a reserve captain in 1978). He then moved to investment banking at First Boston Corporation in 1979, where he stayed for twelve years, mostly working with non-U.S. banks and corporations seeking to raise capital in the U.S. markets and obtaining and maintaining their credit ratings. The job required lots of travel. At the same time, Joe was responsible for the credit and administrative sides of the company's commercial paper operation, since that was the financing vehicle most frequently used by his clients to enter the U.S. markets.

Joe left First Boston to set up his own consulting business which was active for about fifteen years. Concurrently, he was the CFO of Margaret's consulting business (Hurley Consulting Associates) since its inception in 1987. "There are approximately thirty-five employees in the company, and we provide regulatory and drug development advice and services to pharmaceutical and biotech companies," Joe explains.

"These days, family and work take up most of my time. I try to play golf, but not nearly as well as previously. Putting is still the best part of my game," he says. "If anyone wants to reach out, my best e-mail is josephcantwell8@gmail.com."

Michael Cerniello lives in Norwalk, CT and is a consulting professional engineer at Landmark Facilities Group, Inc. His firm specializes in the design of mechanical, electrical and other engineered infrastructure systems for historic and landmark buildings. The firm was heavily involved with the recent restoration of St. Patrick's Cathedral and, for the past few years, Michael has been coordinating the modifications and upgrades necessary to convert the tower of the Woolworth Building in lower Manhattan from office use into

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unique residences.

Michael still has some 1950s vintage cars—cars that were new when he attended OLF—that can usually be seen at antique/classic auto shows in the Norwalk area.

Karen Hartnett says, “In the early ‘60s, when I was going into the 8th grade, Daddy accepted a job in Greenville, SC, and we were ‘transplanted.’ I often tell the story about my early schooling with the Dominican nuns—we were taught so well, with great discipline. I credit my later academic success to those nuns, and recall my Mother asking me, ‘why do you always say ‘Sister says this’, or ‘Sister says that?’ You never say ‘Mother says anything!’ Sadly, she was right! I also learned that the world was divided into two distinct groups—Catholics and pagans. So, the move to South Carolina was a bit daunting.

Fortunately, we thrived in the deep South—after we learned the language. I went to College at Sweet Briar in Virginia—a choice I’d never have made if we’d stayed in Scarsdale—Manhattanville was much more likely. After five years on staff at Sweet Briar, I moved to Manhattan and began a career in human resources with Mobil Oil. Within five years, I was in Texas, first with Zale Corporation and then with a number of banks. It was the early ‘80s, and Texas was ground zero for the first financial banking crisis, and I was dead center in the middle of it. I became chief human resources officer for several banks, which got bought, got sold, got bought again. About twelve to fifteen years ago, I decided to opt out of the corporate world and begin to consult on HR matters to banks and other kinds of companies. It was an exciting career, and if I ever write ‘My Life in Financial Companies’ I’ll have to change a lot of names to protect the innocent AND the guilty!

Personally, I found the love of my life, late in my life—about 25 years ago. George Gayle is a native Houstonian and a 6th generation Texan—he has a relative who died at the Alamo, for goodness sake! He is still a bit suspicious about teaming up with a native New Yorker,

and I’m still petitioning for Texas citizenship. According to George, I may not have fulfilled the residency requirement—yet!! We live on a ranch about 40 miles west of Houston, and enjoy raising horses and cattle and

dogs and cats and armadillos and other critters too creepy to mention. We have five grandkids, 8-years-old and younger, and I’m thrilled to have gotten to grandkids without having to raise children—much less trouble.”

Karen, who was amazed to have been found in the months leading up to the Class of 1962 reunion (see page 3), says, “As I look forward to turning 69 in a few weeks, I’m heartened by re-discovering long, long, LONG ago classmates. I hope all of you who gather will remember each other fondly, and perhaps recognize each other, too!! Know I send best wishes for a happy reunion! Bless those good nuns who gave us such a solid foundation for life.”

Roger Polidoro says he “continued my completely unremarkable academic career at Stepinac after graduation from Our Lady of Fatima. It wasn’t until my father took me aside for a ‘little father-son talk’ just prior to senior year that I realized I was about to be launched into life without any chance of finding the easier road. I managed to graduate from Stepinac and the next year attended a community college. I applied myself that year and was accepted into Bradley University’s College of Engineering and Technology. While

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there, I earned both a B.S. and M.S. degree.

Within days of completing my degree requirements, I was on active duty in the Navy. I decided to take the 'enlisted-man-route' rather than officers candidate school for a number of reasons but primarily because the skills would compliment my technical education. After training, I was assigned to a 'Destroyer Tender' home-ported in Naples, Italy. Being stationed in southern Italy was a once in a lifetime opportunity for me to learn about the world from where all four of my grandparents immigrated.

Very shortly after arriving in Italy, I was in Rome with some fellow servicemen and met a young American lady traveling in Europe. She was on her way to see her brother who was also in the Navy but stationed on another ship north of Naples. We had lunch and talked for quite some time, and when I left to get back to my ship, I gave her my name and the name of the ship I was stationed (USS Cascade). I never really thought I would see her again, but to my surprise, a couple of days later, I received a call during the work day on board the ship. Now this



may sound like no big deal but in those days there was only one land line on the ship and it was located on the quarterdeck. In order to even go on the quarterdeck, to receive the call, I had to change out of my work clothes into dress whites.

I wasn't able to get off the ship for a couple of days because of various duties. To make a long story shorter—I asked Gwynn to marry me about ten days after we met, and she said yes to my proposal. We got an apartment in the town of Arco Felica which

is about 25 miles north of Naples harbor. We were married by the ship's Chaplin in the naval airbase chapel. Both our families and several of our friends flew over to Naples for the event.

Once I was discharged from the Navy, we stayed and traveled in an old Alfa Romeo that I had purchased from a shipmate for \$25. We toured Europe and Northern Africa before coming back to the States. Since Gwynn is from Columbus, GA, and I was from Yonkers, we decided to split the difference and we moved to the southwestern part of Virginia. We had no jobs, didn't know a soul and had spent what little money we had managed to save on an enlisted man's salary. It didn't really matter—it all worked out. We still live in the little farmhouse we bought 40-plus years ago. The house is located on thirty-two acres on top of a ridge line in Floyd County, VA. We have two boys who grew up in the house and moved far away for college and careers. Just when Gwynn and I had resigned ourselves to the fact that we would have to travel to see the boys and their families, they moved back to Virginia. We also have three grandchildren.

Gwynn is a self-employed clinical social worker and works a three-day schedule. I run a machinery rebuilding company that specializes in machine tool rebuilding for nearly my entire career. I am currently building a 'retire in place' shop on my farm, so that I can continue to work as long as I am able. I am truly blessed that I turned a hobby—tinkering with mechanical stuff—into a career. After all these years, I still look forward to working.

Gwynn and I are preparing to remodel our little farmhouse for the third time—this time it's not to make it 'livable' or to accommodate two kids. This time, we are turning it into a older folks' home—move washer/dryer upstairs, widen doorways, accessible bathrooms, etc. We hope to live it out right here.

It's with very fond memories that I think about my childhood in Yonkers and life at Our Lady of Fatima. I only wish my brother, Vic

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(OLF class of '64) was also here to enjoy the fruits of life."

Lynn Quetel Fogarty says, "The love of learning instilled in me by the Dominican Sisters at OLF motivated me to enjoy an undergraduate college career of 10 years! I then decided a few more years of education would be enjoyable as well. This resulted in a M.P.S. in humanistic education from SUNY New Paltz and a M.S.W. from Adelphi."

Lynn was employed by the New York State Department of Disabilities in Rockland County and then moved to Sullivan County (NY) in 1981 for a position with Sullivan County Community Services as a clinical social worker. She says she was very fortunate to meet Tom Fogarty, the now retired Director of the SC Department of Probation. "I met Tom in a professional capacity, even though I do tell people I married my probation officer. Tom and I married in 1983. We have two sons, Sean (30) and Ryan (28). Sean and his wife, Madison, have a 2-1/2 year son. We are very proud grandparents. I look forward to dancing with Ryan at his wedding when he is ready to make a commitment. He seems to take after me in some ways so I can wait! It will be worth it!"

Lynn recalls, "When Sean was born, I changed careers from clinical social work to school social work. During my 23 years in the Monticello Central School District, I continually recalled important skills demonstrated by our Sisters and developed by us during our OLF days. I suggested classroom management and organization skills to teachers and encouraged students to have respect for themselves, their classmates, classroom rules and expectations. My education at OLF also provided me with the ability to teach CCD classes on Sunday mornings at our local parish, St. Peter's, for 15 years."

Tom and Lynn have been retired for several years. Both of their sons went to college and are now (re)enlisted in the U.S. Coast Guard. As a result, Tom and Lynn have spent time during the past six years traveling from Florida to California to visit with their sons.



Lynn says, "The photo above is very special. It is of me and my brother, **Andre L. Quetel '67** taken in Florida in February 2017. He was the one who first told me about the OLF reunions and newsletters! I have to say that in the [March newsletter](#), Andre was humble as usual and minimized his education and professional accomplishments and those of his children, my nephew and neice! I am happy that he highlighted his house in the woods that he built and his lifestyle! His house and lifestyle are remarkable! He is my guiding light. I have learned to keep things simple from him. In February, Tom and I met up with Andre in southern Florida during his travels and ours. He spends a few weeks every year during his winter travels visiting with our cousins, Claudia and John McMahon, who also attended OLF before their family moved to Florida! They are very close. He visits with them every year. I hadn't visited with them in many years. It was a special visit this year. Among other things, we all shared memories of our OLF days, including their mom, our Aunt Barbara. She enjoys reading the OLF newsletters on her computer. Hi Aunt Barbara!"

1966

Richard Ragazzo went to Archbishop Stepinac High School, Iona College (BBA) and NYU (MBA). He worked as a CPA for KPMG and then as a vice president and corporate of-

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ficer at Xerox Corporation. Richard is married to Analinda Pandolfi and they have two adult children—Adriana is 34 and lives in Cincinnati, OH, and Andrew is 29 and lives in Pittsford, NY.

Richard is retired and living in Bonita Springs, FL and Pittsford, NY. He enjoys the beach, fishing, golf, hockey and travel.

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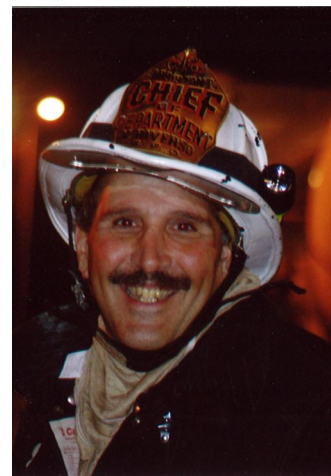
Diane Auletta Clark remembers her years at Fatima filled with happiness, joy and friendship. And although many years have passed, she looks forward to reconnecting with some of you in the near future!

Cathy Fath O'Brien lives in Haddonfield, NJ, just outside of Philadelphia. She and her husband, Ed, have four children—two girls and two boys. Veronica works for 1st Dibs, an on-line antique dealer, and Elizabeth is a sophomore at Rutgers University. Veronica and her husband have just welcomed a daughter named Isabella Alice. Their sons are Daniel, who works in solar energy and has a five-year-old son named Hunter, and Rob, who lives in California and works for a cyber security firm.

Cathy worked in advertising for many years, and then fourteen years ago, began teaching at Christ the King Regional School in Haddonfield. She started as a Spanish teacher and now has been teaching language arts for the past eight years. Cathy says, “I simply love it—love teaching and love the children!”

She continues, “I have many fond memories of Our Lady of Fatima, particularly Sister Mary Ellen, my classmates and the group of kids from our neighborhood with whom I walked home. It saddens me to see the school closed, but I am grateful for the many wonderful memories I collected during my years there.”

Vincent G. Riverso went to Fordham Prep after OLF. He graduated in three years after a summer in Europe. He then went to Manhattan College where he earned an engineering degree and played football for the college. During that time, he also played rugby for a Westchester-based club team. He received a master's in engineering from the University of Florida where, he says, he saw real football being played, but this time as a spectator. Vincent joined the Greenville Fire Department during college and has served there as a volunteer firefighter for the past 43 years, most of that time as Assistant Chief.



He received his professional engineering license in 1982 and has built construction projects all over the United States. He also attended law school while building hi-rises in New York City. Vincent started his own construction consulting firm after admission to both the New York and Connecticut Bars. In addition to his firm, he is an arbiter for the construction panel for the American Arbitration Association and is a director and treasurer of Sportsmen for Charity, an organization that runs sporting clay shooting events to benefit the research and treatment of childhood diseases (www.sportsmenforcharity.org).

Vincent's wife, Denise, is a psychiatric R.N., which Vincent says, “many say was a prerequisite to marrying me!” They live in White Plains and in Montana, where they have a residence and a ranch. He is an avid hunter, fisherman and still responds to fires.

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Audrey Gehan Mulholland graduated from Eastchester High School and Bethany College, where she received a bachelor of arts in communications. She married Dan Mulholland in 1992, and they have one daughter, Fiona, who recently graduated from Hobart and William Smith Colleges.

Audrey retired after thirty-five years in advertising, both on the agency and client sides, in the Washington, D.C. area. The last twelve years of her career was spent as an advertising director for Mercedes-Benz. Audrey is now a part-time vintage and antique art and furniture dealer and a certified personal organizer. She spends lots of time traveling domestically and abroad hunting for that special find for her business and adding to her prized art collection. She is still an avid hockey fan.

2007

Nicole Zimmerman graduated with her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from St. John's University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences in May. Nicole is also a graduate of Saunders Trades and Technical High School. She works for Cohen Children's Medical Center in New Hyde Park, NY and lives in Yonkers, NY.

Seen on Facebook

Pia E. Riveroso writes, "Here is a picture of my siblings who all graduated from OLF. This was our tradition for each holiday, communion, confirmation and graduation!"



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Neil Squillante '85 and his wife, Jennifer, send their children to our parish school—Annunciation School. The three students were “Principal for a Day” in May. Some of their duties consisted of reading to the younger students and even helping clean up during lunch duty. They also gave the whole school a “no homework day” and a “dress-down day.” Pictured are Angelo '18, Angelina '22 and Francesco '21.



Funny Fatima Memories

Fran Bastone '64 shared two of her favorite memories of her days in school.

One of my favorite memories is of Sr. Marie Genevieve. She spoke with a lisp. She would always say, “I want siwence!” This went on for a few years. We would just giggle. Then one year, we came back from summer break and she shouted, “I want silence!” We were shocked! She stood up front and just grinned so wide. She got us! I guess she had her teeth fixed!

Another memory is when Ms. Chapman, a 3rd-grade teacher, told Frankie LaMorte to go to the principal's office. He was really a funny kid. He refused, and she argued. He refused again, and finally he held onto her desk, while she pulled his other arm. It looked like a tug of war. I can't remember, but I guess he finally had to go to the office!