

# Knight News

## May 2019



### Class of 2019 Commencement

Hoban held its 63rd Baccalaureate Mass and Commencement Exercises on Sunday, May 26, at the Akron Civic Theatre. The Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Michael Ausperk. The Rev. Joseph Tuscan, OFM Cap was concelebrant and homilist. Deacon Ramon DiMascio was the Master of Ceremonies, and the commencement speaker was Christine Amer Mayer, president of the GAR Foundation. The ceremony also included speeches from valedictorian Lauren Fricker and salutatorian Merideth Vieson. Senior event photos can be viewed [HERE](#) .

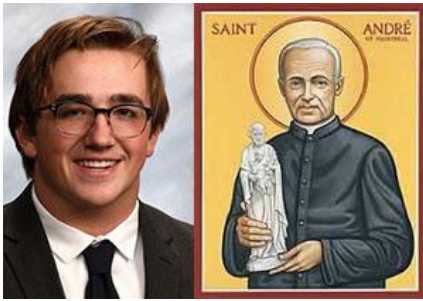


### Dr. Tom Curry selected as new Hoban president

Dr. Tom Curry has been selected as Hoban president, beginning July 1, 2019. An extensive, national search was conducted by Partners in Mission, and applicants from across the country were considered. Curry's extensive and successful experience as educator and administrator within Catholic schools set him apart from the other candidates. Throughout the interview process, including an on-campus visit, it was clear he was a right fit for the Hoban family.

## Lucey named Associate Principal and Dean of Students

Tim Lucey '97 has been named Associate Principal and Dean of Students. His position includes student concerns related to discipline, attendance and activities, as well as faculty development, observations and coaching. Lucey replaces Dr. Tym Tagliaferro who has accepted a position at Gilmour Academy.



## Robinson receives Brother Andre Heart of Holy Cross Award

The 2019 recipient of the Brother Andre Heart of Holy Cross Award is Owen Robinson. This honor, now in its third year, is bestowed on a senior who has taken the Holy Cross mission to heart and follows the example of St. Andre Bessette, the first member of the Congregation of Holy Cross to be canonized a saint. The recipient welcomes all and shows care and concern for the whole Hoban community. Each member the of Hoban community who encounters this award winner is always shown the hospitality of Christ.

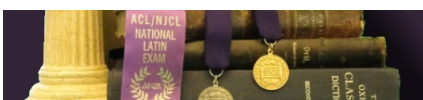


## Winners of prestigious Dowed Award announced

The highest award given by Hoban, the Monsignor Dowed School Spirit Award singles out students who have made outstanding contributions of their time, effort and talent to the Hoban community and to the activities connected with the school. Winners of the Dowed Award for 2018-19 are senior Abigail Griffith, junior Dominic DiMascio, sophomore Gavin Morrison and freshman Andrew Hardman.

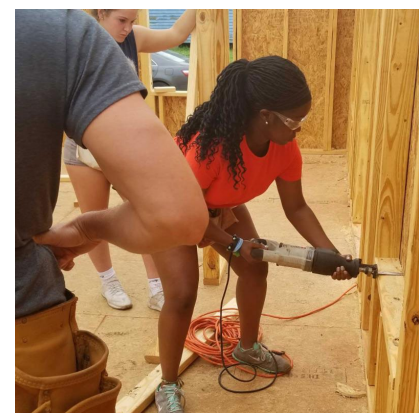
## Marino advances to finalist in National Merit competition

Senior Reese Marino has advanced to finalist in the 2019 National Merit Scholarship Competition. He will attend Arizona State University in the fall and major in Computer Science.



## 24 students win awards on National Latin Exam

Of the 44 Hoban students who took the National Latin Exam this year, 24 earned awards. This year over 139,000 students from all 50 states



## Students spend Easter break performing service

Easter break is an exciting time and a much-needed break from school for students. While some students are on vacation, others choose to spend their week off school helping others. A total of 30 students completed an estimated 900 hours of service this year. Nine students visited

and the District of Columbia and 20 foreign countries took the exam. For a complete list of Hoban winners, click [HERE](#).

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### **Six student-artists win 2019 Hoban Purchase Prize**

The art department has announced its selections for the 2019 Purchase Prize. Hoban will purchase artwork by seniors Amy Dudek, Lauren Fricker and Kate Jordan, juniors Kolby Adams and Madeline Owen and sophomore Clara Krohn. These works will be displayed throughout the halls of the school. The Purchase Prize was established in 2014 by Dr. Todd Sweda and the visual art department in an effort to build a collection of exemplary student-created artwork to enhance the school environment. Selected works are professionally framed, and the student artist is awarded \$75 and a reproduction of the original work. The Purchase Prize collection now comprises 37 pieces.

Sarasota, Fla.; another nine traveled to Austin, Texas; and 12 worked in New Orleans. Each trip was unique yet similar in students' growth in faith, fellowship and connection to our neighbors in other parts of the country. Students took part in building a home for Habitat for Humanity, visiting nursing homes, nurseries and schools, weeding gardens, painting benches, feeding the homeless and having a good time throughout. For pictures, click [HERE](#).



### **Heller, Brennan receive Manhood and Womanhood awards**

Each year the Akron Council 547 of the Knights of Columbus bestows a Manhood and a Womanhood Award to two graduating seniors from each of the Catholic high schools in Summit County. This year's recipients from Hoban are Michael Heller and Faith Brennan.

### **Extravaganza 2020 dates announced**



### **Register now for the Alumni Golf Outing**



**42<sup>nd</sup> Annual  
Alumni  
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**Saturday 07.27.19  
Paradise Lake CC**

**7:15 Registration | 8am Shotgun**

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**\$90 per golfer/ \$360 per Foursome**

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## 2019 SUMMER CAMPS

**ACADEMIC CAMPS** are available to students entering grades 5 - 8 in the fall of 2019. Created and instructed by Hoban faculty, sessions include:



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WIZARD CAMP (LANGUAGE ARTS)  
PHOTOGRAPHY  
PRE-ENGINEERING (3D PRINTING)

**ATHLETIC CAMPS** are organized and run by Hoban coaching staff and student athletes. Camps are offered to students entering 4th - 8th grades in the fall of 2019. Choose from the following offerings:

BASEBALL  
BASKETBALL  
BOWLING  
CHEER  
CROSS COUNTRY  
DANCE  
FOOTBALL  
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Dave Arbogast, Summer Camps Coordinator | (330) 773-6658 Ext. 265



### Senior earns the rank of Eagle Scout

Senior Paul Hirsch has recently earned his Eagle Scout rank. His project was to build a new floating dock for the swimmers at the Akron Rotary Camp. He completed the project in December and officially earned his Eagle Scout rank in April. He will be attending the University of Akron in the fall. He was accepted into the Williams Honors College and he will be majoring in mechanical engineering.



### Sophomore wins trip to D.C. in Holocaust art contest

Sophomore Isabelle Hahn and art teacher Jill Fortman visited Washington on April 16 on an all-expense-paid trip to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum. Hahn won first

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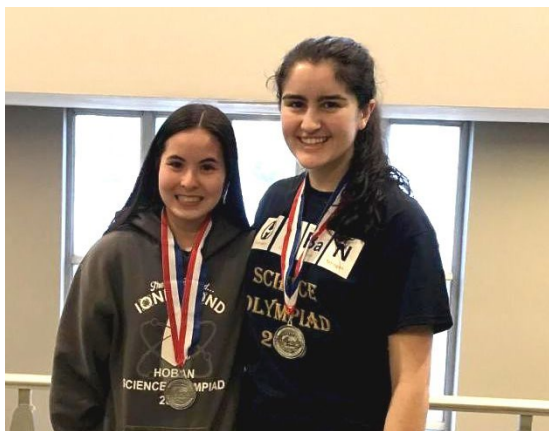
### **Reikowski to skate at highest level in U.S. Association**

Catherine Reikowski of the Class of 2019 has attained the highest level in the U.S. Figure Skating Association. This fall she will compete at the senior level in the Eastern Great Lakes Region. Reikowski is a member of the Strongsville Skating Club. Her coach is Glyn Watts, a former British Olympic competitor, and her choreographer is Jaqueline Henry. She has shared her love of figure skating by teaching Learn-to-Skate and Special Olympics at Kent State.



place in the City of Akron's Holocaust Arts and Writing Contest for her drawing entitled "Inception." They also visited various monuments and memorials and met with a representative from Congressman Tim Ryan's office.

At an awards ceremony at the Akron-Summit County Main Library on April 30, Hahn received the "Best of the Best" award for her drawing. This award is given to only one of the first place winners in the three categories: visual art, writing and spoken word. Information, photos and a video of the D.C. trip, can be found on the City of Akron's [website](#).



### **Fricker, Coffman place 2nd in state in Science Olympiad**

Hoban's Science Olympiad team competed at the state tournament Sept. 26-27 against some of the most talented teams in the nation. Senior Lauren Fricker and junior Ayaka Coffman placed second in the state in the Write It Do It event. The state tournament is the culmination of outstanding team performances from Ohio's eight regions. Eighty teams are invited to Ohio State University for a challenging competition and a chance to qualify for the national tournament May 21-June 1 at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y.

### **3rd and 4th quarter Academic and Chivalrous Knights announced**

Each grading period two students from each grade level are selected by the Academic Review Board to be Academic Knights and Chivalrous Knights. Academic Knights excel in scholarship. They also demonstrate leadership, service to the Hoban family, service to the community, Christian values and good character. Chivalrous Knights exhibit industriousness in the classroom, outstanding effort, involvement in student activities, Christian values, and a polite, positive and helpful attitude toward others. [More...](#)



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### **2019-20 student council representatives elected**

Results of the student council elections are in. After hearing speeches from all candidates, students voted on their iPads on May 10.

- Student council president: Jaclyn Turk
- Student council vice president: Daniel Henry

### **Talmage, Robinson reign as queen and king of prom**

The court for the senior prom of the Class of 2019 ruled over the dance on Friday, May 10. The queen was Alexis Talmage and the king was Owen Robinson. Other female members were Abigail Adaway, Megan Hutson, Athena Markowski

- Senior class president: Owen McDermott
- Senior class vice presidents: Eva Klockner, Aaron Kornaker, Alexis Smith
- Junior class president: Luke Monteleone
- Junior class vice president: Drew Pasadyn
- Sophomore class president: Jude Yovichin
- Sophomore class vice presidents: Rachel Alexander, Sawyer Huckabee, Juliana Parisi

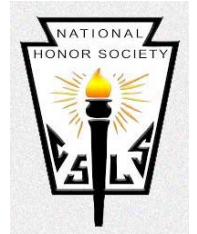
and Katherine McRaven. Other male members were Jaden Baxter, Alan Cook, Garrett Mellon and Nicholas Sack.



### Hoban graduate ordained to the priesthood

The Rev. David Stavarz, a Hoban graduate of 2010, was ordained to the priesthood at St. John the Evangelist Cathedral in Cleveland on May 16 and offered his First Mass of Thanksgiving on May 17 at his home parish, St. Francis de Sales in Akron. He is shown with Bishop Nelson Perez and his parents, Jean and David Stavarz Sr.

### Hoban chapter of NHS inducts new members



A total of 62 students—57 juniors and five seniors--were inducted into Hoban's Seat of Wisdom chapter of the National Honor Society on May 12, 2019, in Holy Cross Chapel. The program began with an invocation given by junior Veronica McDowell and a welcome by Mrs. Laura Siplivy, NHS co-adviser. Student speakers on the NHS attributes were junior Alec Haas on Scholarship, senior Lauren Patterson on Service, junior Madeline Owen on Leadership and senior George Hudak on Character. Following a candle lighting ceremony, the new inductees recited the NHS membership pledge. After final remarks by Dr. Emily Ramos, principal, there was a reception in Moreau Ministry Hall. For names of inductees, click [HERE](#).

### From the Admissions Office

Once again Hoban is working with the International Partnership of Education Research and Communication Foundation (IPERC) to expand interactions with students and educators from China, and to help share the cultures of our respective countries to truly develop global learners at our school. Through this partnership, we anticipate enrolling several students to be a part of the Hoban community for the 2019-20 academic year. We are currently looking for great families who would be willing to welcome these students into their homes during the academic year.



The students are all eager and excited to experience life in the U.S. and to be a valuable contribution to their host families. Serving as a host family not only enriches the experiences of the international students, but can also be a rich cultural experience for you and your family. Families are provided a \$900 monthly stipend to help with the cost of hosting a student. All that is requested is that the student be provided with their own room, all meals outside school lunches, and transportation to and from school (the school bus is acceptable). Host families are asked to welcome their exchange student as part of the family and help them experience American culture!

If you are interested, please contact Kileigh Su, Host Family Director, IPERC at [hostfamily@iperc.org](mailto:hostfamily@iperc.org) or 330.703.1643. She would be happy to answer any questions or provide additional information.





### **Adams' artwork to be part of Summit ArtSpace exhibit**

A photographic triptych by junior Kolby Adams will be on display in the upcoming "A View from Within" exhibition at Summit ArtSpace. This juried exhibition includes portrait-based works by Summit County artists, mostly adults. Adams, as a high school student, is a rare inclusion. The exhibition will be on display from May 31 to July 7. The opening reception is on Friday, May 31, from 5 to 8 p.m. and is free and open to the public.



### **Art Career Field Experience students learn options for art careers**

This semester 10 students participated in a new art course entitled "Art Career Field Experience." This after-school career-readiness class visited artists and art-related businesses to gather information about career options. Students met with Peter Kratcoski, jeweler and arts administrator of Courtney Cable, photographer Tim Fitzwater and sculptor Jon Comunale. They talked with staff at the Akron Art Museum and learned about graphic design from Whitespace Creative and Little Jacket. A highlight was hosting a visit from artist John Backderf. In April, the class flew to New York City to visit artists and designers, view museums and galleries and explore the city.

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