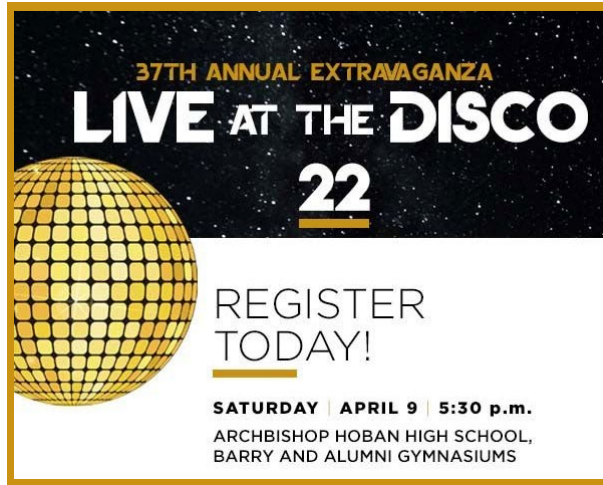


MARCH 2022



**37TH ANNUAL EXTRAVAGANZA**  
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A Video Message from President Chris DiMauro '99



A Message from Principal T.K. Griffith '89

Although my primary role at Hoban is as the academic leader, many of you know that I also have been the basketball coach for the past 29 years. Recently, our team enjoyed a post-season run in Division I all the way to the Regional Championship game...what they call the Elite Eight. It was magical in many ways, and it made me reflect on the beauty of the Hoban community and the synergy that we can build here when we all come together for a cause.

Over the course of the run, I received hundreds of emails and texts from alumni across generations. I must admit it brought tears to my eyes because of the goodness people channeled my way and the joy they have for Hoban. So, thank you. Thank you for modeling to me a compassionate heart and an attitude of gratitude. We had many legacy kids on the team...kids whose parents and even grandparents went to Hoban. That's special and rare today.

I know we can parlay this momentum into more important things than basketball. Whether it's recruiting and retaining the best teachers, updating our classrooms and capital improvements at Hoban, refining our curriculum and educational

opportunities, taking better care of student wellness...we can transfer this tidal wave of goodness into so many other areas of Hoban. So, thank you for celebrating a special moment...but know that we have bigger goals here at Hoban and we need your goodness again and again so that we can continue to deliver an incredible Holy Cross education to future generations. Thank you!

#### Academic Hall of Honor Dedicated

Hoban dedicated the second-floor hallway in honor of Brothers Joe LeBon and Ed Libbers on Saturday, March 19, in recognition of their unyielding faith and service. Over 200 guests were in attendance for the Mass, blessing and dedication. Together, Br. Joe and Br. Ed have served Hoban for nearly 90 years, making them the longest-serving Brothers in Hoban history. We also celebrated Brother James Spooner in his final year at Hoban.



The hallway, which was previously the Brothers residence at Hoban, honors the history and legacy of the Congregation of Holy Cross and also recognizes members of the **Academic Hall of Honor**.

Hoban is accepting **donations** for the Holy Cross Legends Scholarship, in honor of Brother Ed, Brother Joe, Brother James Spooner and all the Holy Cross Brothers. **See pictures of the event.**

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| <br><b>MRS. BATES</b><br><b>SCIENCE TEACHER</b><br>FACULTY MENTORSHIP COORDINATOR<br>COORDINATOR OF THE CENTER FOR SUSTAINABILITY<br>TEACHING 16 YEARS<br>B.A. BIOLOGY AND THEATER<br>M.A. SECONDARY EDUCATION<br>MASTERS CERTIFICATE IN EARTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE | <br><b>CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS</b><br>Mrs. Bates teaches semester courses on bioethics and public health. This year has also been the pilot year for the Center for Sustainability. Four students per month go for a day of service learning in Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Their adventures include mandatory studies of native trees, planting native plants for habitat restoration and bank stabilization to prevent erosion and improve water quality. These students are developing independent projects that combine their personal interests with Hoban's core courses of environmental science, bioethics and public health.<br> | <br><b>MR. MOTIL '06</b><br><b>MATH TEACHER</b><br>MEMBER OF OSCAA COMMITTEE<br>JV FOOTBALL COACH<br>TEACHING 9 YEARS<br>COACHING 3 YEARS<br>B.A. EDUCATION<br>M.ED. EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATION<br>DID YOU KNOW?<br>MR. MOTIL IS GETTING MARRIED THIS SUMMER. HIS FUTURE IS ALSO A TEACHER. | <br><b>CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS</b><br>Honors Geometry with Advanced Algebra students are working collaboratively to solve problems involving the properties of triangles. College Algebra with Statistics students are studying probability through various dice and card simulations and activities.<br> |
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#### SCHOOL SUCCESS AND NEWS

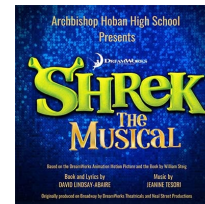
##### Shrek the Musical coming April 1-3

Get your tickets now for Shrek:

- Friday, April 1 at 7 p.m.
- Saturday, April 2 at 7 p.m.
- Sunday, April 3 at 2 p.m.

##### PURCHASE TICKETS

Once upon a time there was a lovely princess. But she had an enchantment upon her which could only be broken by a true love's first kiss. She was locked away in a tower guarded by a terrible fire-breathing dragon. She waited for her true love and true love's first kiss... Like that's ever going to happen -BUT WAIT, IT WILL this spring in Hoban's Shrek the Musical, featuring seniors Colton Burkhart as Shrek, Adam Slawieski as Lord Farquaad, and Julia Martin as Dragon, along with freshman Molly Maltempi as Fiona and junior Lukas Cinko as Donkey with a thirty-two member cast. **See the full list.**



##### Hoban coffee shop opening

The entrepreneurship class held a \$1 pop-up coffee shop and ended up serving over 240 customers. The pop-up, held in partnership with Stray Dog Cafe, was part of an effort to validate the possible demand for a full-time student-run coffee cafe. In teams students put together product lists, worked on acquiring all needed supplies, put on a marketing campaign and trained and staffed the event. A second pop-up will be held later this month, with a daily coffee shop slated to open by the end of the school year.

##### Hardman speaks at First Friday luncheon

Senior Andrew Hardman represented Hoban at **First Friday of Akron** on March 4. His speech on "How God has walked with me through high school" gave insight into the impact Project HOPE has had on him, as well as seeing God in the people, he has had the chance to



meet in his time at Hoban. Andrew spoke wonderfully on Hoban's Holy Cross core values. He said when he first came to Hoban for the placement test he noticed that the core values were engraved in the walls of the Chapel (as opposed to being painted on) and now, after four years, those core values have made a lasting impression on him (much like them being engraved in the walls of the Chapel) through his academics, athletics and his service.



**The Hoban 24-hour Troubadour Challenge**, which featured performances of original One Acts written, rehearsed and produced in 24 hours by Hoban students was presented on Feb. 18. Fifteen students participated during their day off to create

entertaining and memorable performances for a wonderful supporting audience! The three original pieces included:  
 "Cuppy Cakes to Coconut Island" Written by Kay Plasphol and Directed by Eden Nichelson, Featuring: Kelly Brumbaugh, Micah Rice, Abigail Chirdon  
 "Anything You Can Do" Written by Elena Plasphol and Directed by Emma Boring, Featuring: Emma Boring, Colin Doss, Matthew Sandor  
 "Bethany's Bracelet" Written by Gabrielle Obhof and Directed by Will Schwing, Featuring: Will Schwing, Grace Kostko, John Lopez

#### Hoban students organize 'Hack St. Francis' day

Mr. Jason Dzik, director of the McCool Center for Entrepreneurial and Leadership Studies at Hoban and five Hoban students participated in Hack St. Francis at the end of February. Mr. Dzik served as a judge and seniors Anna Rutherford, Sophia Stahl and Mary Dolensky and juniors Evan Hardesty, Nathan Gill and Emma Doucet served as student ambassadors, helping St. Francis De Sales seventh graders create solutions to a given problem. The students spent about five hours brainstorming ideas, exploring creative solutions and creating a five-minute presentation to a panel of judges. The entire process teaches the entrepreneurial mindset of identifying a problem, creating a solution and presenting it to the target market.



#### Student work selected for the Door 2 Studios art show

The art department is pleased to announce that Hoban student artwork was selected for the Door 2 Studios student art show. Door 2 Studios is associated with Christ Community Chapel in Hudson. Jenna Fioritto, Jacob Hier, Piper Kolasky, Collin McDermott and Anna Rutherford all had work exhibited in the art show. Fioritto received a 3rd place award and Hier and Kolasky both received 4th place awards. Several Hoban students attended the gallery exhibition in support of their classmates.

The exhibition features art created by high school seniors from the Akron area and opens on Friday, April 8, from 5 to 7p.m. It is free and open to the public.  
[Images of Student Artwork Here.](#)





#### EXPLORE HOBAN SUMMER CAMPS

Students in various grades are invited to experience life at the Castle, gain additional instruction, continue advancing in skill and have tons of fun during Hoban's academic and athletic camps.

[REGISTER TODAY](#)



#### Science Olympiad heads to state competition

Hoban's Science Olympiad team qualified for the state competition. The students have been working since the fall to design, build and improve their competition materials. The team is moderated by Amie Mancine, Greg Pero and Diane Vrobel. Team members are Matthew Bielecki, Zachary Mancine, Logan Miavez, Eden Nicholson, Gabrielle Obhof, Elena Plaspohl, Kay Plaspohl, Evan Polack, Biz Savitski, Kate Schimmoeller, Adam Slawinski, Christopher Swindell, Timothy Vrobel and Ryan Yovichin.

[View all Hoban Headlines](#)

[2021-22 School Calendar](#)

#### FROM THE ADMISSIONS OFFICE



*Experience life as a Hoban Knight!*

**TUESDAY | MARCH 29**  
**9 A.M. - 1 P.M.**

All seventh-grade students are welcome to attend Hoban's 7th Grade Visit Day on Tuesday, March 29, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Spark curiosity with Hoban's college-prep curriculum. Seventh graders will connect with Hoban teachers and students, charge their Hoban spirit at a Knights pep assembly and imagine life as a Hoban student exploring campus.

[Register today!](#)



Join us for an admissions information event on Tuesday, April 12 at 6 p.m. to learn more about the admissions process. The informational night is meant for families and students in seventh and eighth grade and those considering transferring to Hoban. A presentation will begin at 6 p.m. in Hoban's Moreau Ministry Hall, and families are invited to tour the school after. [REGISTER](#)

Seventh-grade students can get a jump start

#### on the admissions process!

##### PRE-HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST May 7

The pre-HSPT provides seventh-grade students to take a practice test. Hoban will use the test score for enrollment and merit-based scholarships to Hoban in 2023 or you can choose to take the test again as an eighth-grade student.

##### HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST PREP COURSE AND TEST SUMMER CAMP JUNE 6 - 9

Students will learn the study skills needed to score well on the high school placement test Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. - noon. On Thursday, students can take the HSPT to be used for enrollment and merit-based scholarships to Hoban in 2023. They also can choose to re-take the test as an eighth-grade student.



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#### ATHLETICS OFFICE NEWS



##### HDT Hip Hop State Champs

The Hoban dance team won the OASSA State Championship for hip hop! Coached by Erin Smith, they also earned third in the state for their contemporary routine. This marks Hoban's fourth state championship for dance.

##### Bowling teams have great season

Hoban's girls and boys varsity bowling teams competed in the conference tournament at Stonehedge Lanes on Feb. 27. The girls won the tournament and are the season champions for the third year in a row. The boys finished second to Ellet for the season and placed second to St. Vincent-St. Mary in the conference tournament.

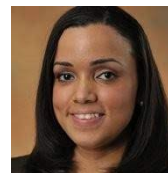


Junior Carly Jones received awards for the high game 257 and conference-high series 440. Senior Alexis Phillips was second for the conference high game with a 221, second for high series with a 414, and tournament high game with 199 and a high series with a 371. Senior Josh Underwood was runner up on the conference high game with a 245 game. The boys team score was 3148, with the high team game of 1079, a new Hoban boys high team game.

#### ALUMNI NEWS



ASHLEY HORTON '04  
MARCH 14, 2022



##### Horton '04 speaks at new "Voices in the Crowd" series

Hoban presented the second of a new speaker series called *Voices in the Crowd* in March. Hoban graduate Ashley Horton '04 joined *Voices in the Crowd* via Zoom from Pittsburgh where she practices law. Ashley was an incredible student-athlete at Hoban who then played basketball and studied law at Case Western Reserve University. She talked about women in leadership and her journey to success.

Ashley focuses her practice on railroad defense, with a particular emphasis on the Federal Employers Liability Act (FELA) and occupational disease litigation. She has been a member of several trial teams obtaining defense verdicts in FELA litigation. In addition, she is well versed in matters relating to product liability and general litigation, including medical malpractice and nursing home defense, as well as insurance defense. She litigates cases in multiple state and federal courts across the country. Her previous experience includes practicing at a firm specializing in defense of Class I and short line railroads including Norfolk Southern, CSX, and Conrail, as well as other companies, suppliers, and manufacturers, in a variety of complex toxic and mass tort claims involving occupational injuries under FELA. Ashley was selected as a 2020 Fellow by the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD) where joined a select group of young attorneys carefully chosen to participate in a landmark, year-long program created by the LCLD to identify, train, and advance the next generation of leaders in the legal profession.



##### Save the Date

The Alumni-Senior Breakfast is May 17 at 8 a.m.! Alumni who would like to welcome the Class of 2022 should email [Kristin Robinson](mailto:Kristin.Robinson@hoban.org) to RSVP!



#### AULMNI ASSOCIATION

Hoban would like to reinstate our Alumni Association! We need your input. Please answer a few questions to help us get it going again.

[Take a 2-minute survey](#)



#### Class Reunion Planning

Come Home to Hoban Weekend is currently being planned with activities for Labor Day weekend beginning Sept. 2. This year we will be celebrating milestone reunions for classes ending in 2 and 7. The Class of 1957 will be celebrating 65 years! Are you planning your reunion? Contact [Kristen Robinson](#) for information or assistance with activities. Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

FROM THE ADVANCEMENT OFFICE

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**Get Involved! Volunteer for Extravaganza!**

[Adult Volunteer Form](#)

**Win BIG at the Hoban Extravaganza!**

**Raffle tickets are on sale now!**  
Ticket holders do not need to be present to win!  
[Learn more.](#)

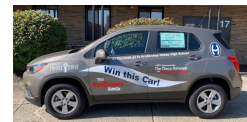
**the HOBAN TUITION raffle**  
**TRADITION**  
WINNER GETS ONE YEAR  
FREE TUITION  
ONLY 500 TICKETS SOLD [\$50/TICKET]

**the BIG \$10k raffle**  
WHERE THE  
WINNER TAKES HOME  
\$10,000 CASH!  
ONLY 300 TICKETS SOLD [\$100/TICKET]

#### HELP US REACH OUR GOAL!

**We have set a goal to sell 6,000 more car raffle tickets by April 1!**

If we reach this goal, students will be permitted to wear *Hoban hoodies every day and flipflops on Fridays* for the month of



May.

Gather your friends and families to help us sell tickets. Our athletic teams and academic clubs rely on the funds raised. Tickets are \$10 each! 100% of ticket sales benefit Hoban cocurriculars!

Be sure to fill in the field on the ticket form to give credit to the Hoban student seller and to designate the specific sport, service or academic club you want to support. The drawing will be held during the Hoban vs. St. Vincent-St. Mary baseball game at Canal Park on April 24.

**PURCHASE YOUR TICKET**



#### Hoban now accepting Cryptocurrency

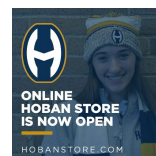
Hoban is one of the first schools in the area to accept donations of cryptocurrency! Donating crypto to Hoban saves you money on two types of taxes: 1. Avoid paying any capital gains tax (and state income taxes) on your crypto gains and 2. receive a full federal income tax deduction for the value of your crypto. An alternative is to sell your crypto and donate the cash proceeds, but you would first owe capital gains tax on the appreciation, resulting in higher taxes for you and less dollars going to furthering Hoban's Holy Cross mission. This

information is general and educational in nature and does not take into consideration your personal circumstances or other factors that may be important in making tax and investment decisions. **LEARN MORE.**

#### Hoban store 21-22 information

Shop **online!** Check the [hoban.org](https://hoban.org) website for updated store hours each week. Follow the Hoban Store on Twitter [@hobanstore](https://twitter.com/hobanstore). Both spirit wear and uniform shirts can be purchased **online** through the Hoban store.

Hoban Store hours for the 2021-22 school year:  
Generally, Monday-Friday 12-3:30 p.m. when school is in session.  
But, please be sure to **check the updated hours** before coming in. Hours also updated each week on Twitter, [@hobanstore](https://twitter.com/hobanstore)



For any questions, please contact Helene Markowski at [markowskih@hoban.org](mailto:markowskih@hoban.org).

#### Stay Connected

As a member of the Hoban family, there are numerous ways for you to connect with fellow alumni, stay engaged with Hoban and make a difference in the community. Visit the **Alumni page** on the Hoban website. You can also connect with Archbishop Hoban High School Alumni on **Facebook**, **Instagram** and **LinkedIn**.

The Advancement Office would like to celebrate with you! Please notify us of accomplishments whether its professional, weddings, births or awards, we'd like to know. **Update my information.**

Have pictures you'd like to share? **Email us.**