

LIVING THE LANCER LIFE

ALUMNI CORNER



Marc Kuntz '96 has built a life around sports. As a student at Notre Dame, he was heavily involved in the athletics department, playing year-round on the basketball, soccer and golf teams. While here, Marc found his desire to pursue a career in athletics, and would later attend Xavier University for sports management.

After graduating from college, Marc coached at Norwich University in Vermont, Wilmington College in Ohio, and UMass Lowell. He then moved to NCAA Division I with an opportunity at the University of New Hampshire, and is now the head coach at Post University in Waterbury, CT. In his current role, Marc coaches, recruits, manages academics and mentors his athletes. He also finds himself involved in community service with the YMCA, Waterbury PALS, local Boys and Girls Clubs and Special Olympics, and has helped run the Post University Athletic golf tournaments for the past five years.

Two decades later, Marc is both an accomplished coach and a proud Notre Dame alumni. He regularly participates in the Lancer Open Golf Tournament and makes sure to attend a yearly ND basketball game for recruiting!

"I honestly don't think I would be the person I am today had I not attended Notre Dame Boys High School."

James Williams '69 holds Notre Dame in high regard and is grateful for his experience during the years 1965 through 1969. During that time, ND shared its campus with Sacred Heart University, offering unique opportunities for the students to interact with each other regularly.

For James, Notre Dame High School instilled values such as teamwork, dedication, and integrity. The school offered all of its students opportunities to grow, develop and succeed. The atmosphere was conducive to growth and success, providing James with a nurturing academic environment where he could truly develop as an individual. James attributes much of who he is today to his time at ND. In his words, "It was the most supportive place I have ever been," and he feels that he learned many valuable lessons about life, culture, success, and how to think complex thoughts. As an athlete, James proudly served as the two-time captain of the Lancer basketball team, under the guidance of Coach Alvin Clinkscales and later, Coach John Waldeyer.



Following his graduation, James received a basketball scholarship to attend Morgan State University in Baltimore, Maryland. During his time at Morgan State, James became a member of the Omega Phi Phi Fraternity and earned a bachelor's degree in business administration in 1975. Later in 1991, James attained his master's degree in adult education from the University of Connecticut.

James began his professional journey at Hall's Motor Transit Company, where he joined as a management trainee at the Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania break-bulk facility. During his time at the company, James gained extensive knowledge of the trucking business. He was later promoted to the role of night operations manager serving the Greater New York/New Jersey metropolitan area, where he was responsible for securing the adequate dockworkers from the International Longshoreman's Union and overseeing the loading of trucks, as well as identifying the most efficient routing to different cities. James continued to grow, and was next promoted to the position of terminal manager in Syracuse, New York, where he supervised office staff as well as International Brotherhood of Teamsters drivers and dockworkers. He proved to be successful in the role, which resulted in a promotion to serve Washington D.C., southern Maryland and Northern Virginia, where he continued to excel in his role as a terminal manager.

James returned to CT and joined the University of Connecticut, where he served as a regional director/adjunct faculty for their Small Business Development Center (SBDC) located on the Waterbury Campus. In this role, James provided his extensive knowledge and experience as a business consultant and management advisor to small business owners. Additionally, he was instrumental in developing and delivering seminars and workshops aimed at the professional development of small business owners. James also provided valuable input with regard to funding sources, accounting systems, financial statement analysis, marketing strategies, legal issues, and business plan development. He was a valuable resource, offering guidance, consultation, and recommendations for both current and potential small business owners.

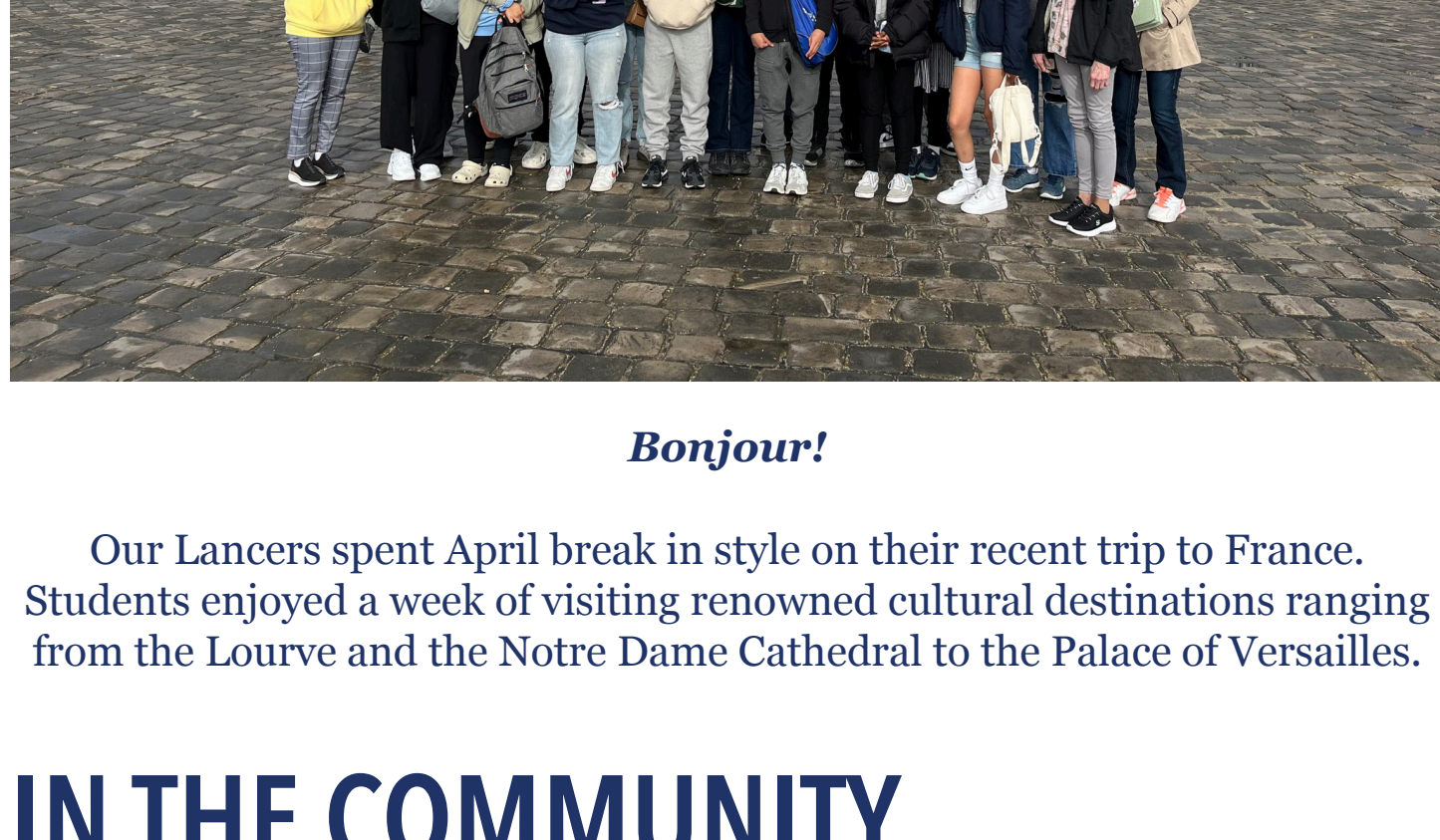
After serving as a regional director/adjunct faculty for the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) for five years, James moved on to a new position as the assistant district director for business development at the US Small Business Administration (SBA) in Hartford, CT. In this role, James had the responsibilities of overseeing district-wide marketing and public relations plans, promoting agency loan guaranty programs, coordinating small business development programs, and managing agency priority activities throughout his locality. His hard work and dedication earned him recognition by then Connecticut Governor Lowell Weicker as one of the "100 Most Influential People in Connecticut" during his tenure in the state. This recognition paved the way for James to expand his horizons, and he eventually moved to Richmond, Virginia, where he continued his excellent work with the SBA.

Next, James joined the US Treasury Department in the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) as the community relations and minority affairs liaison, where he was responsible for building and maintaining public relations across communities on matters related to fair access to financial services. James successfully implemented a proactive outreach program aimed at educating minority communities about fair access to financial services. He coordinated community-based outreach activities and worked towards securing a safe and sound national banking system for minority-owned national banks and federal savings associations. James served as a point-of-contact on matters relating to fair lending practices, community reinvestment, economic development, consumer protection laws and regulations, and access to financial services for minority businesses.

James officially retired from federal service after spending three successful years at the OCC. He currently resides in northern Virginia and credits his professional success and accomplishments to the nurturing environment he experienced at Notre Dame High School. James feels that his experience at ND allowed him to truly grow and develop as a person, providing him with valuable tools to overcome the challenges he faced throughout his professional life.

Congratulations on a remarkable career, James. We are delighted to know that Notre Dame played a significant role in your success, and we hope to see you at a Lancer event in the near future!

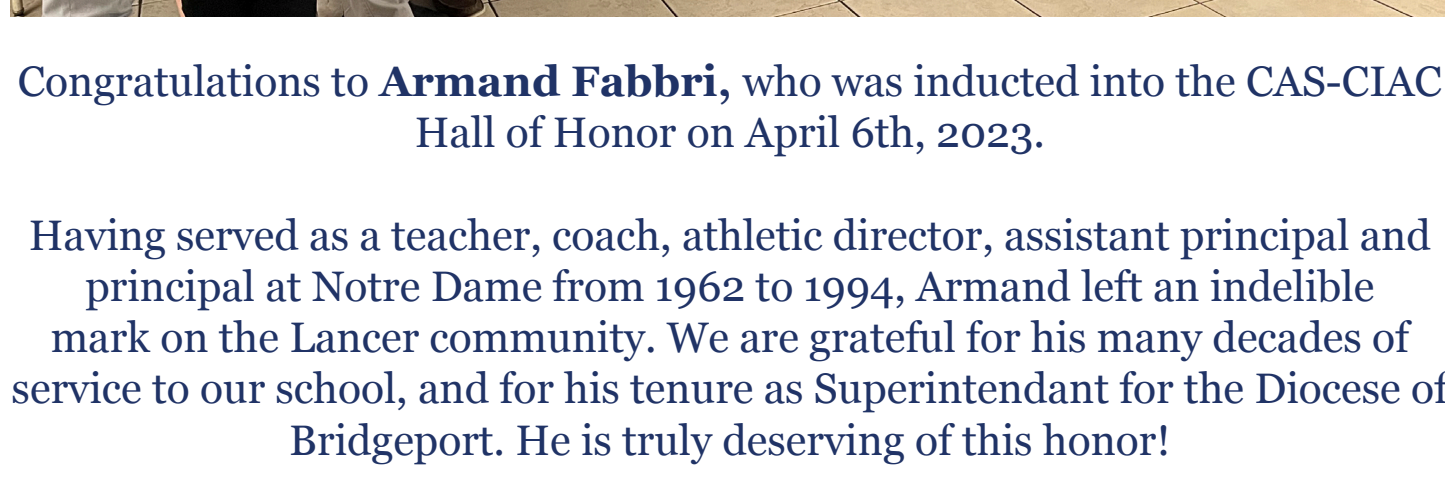
IN THE WORLD



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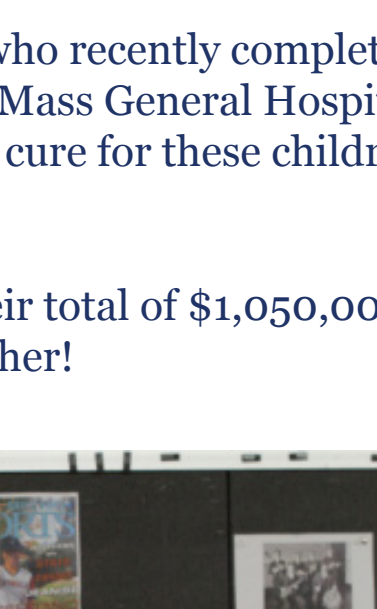
Our Lancers spent April break in style on their recent trip to France. Students enjoyed a week of visiting renowned cultural destinations ranging from the Louvre and the Notre Dame Cathedral to the Palace of Versailles.

IN THE COMMUNITY



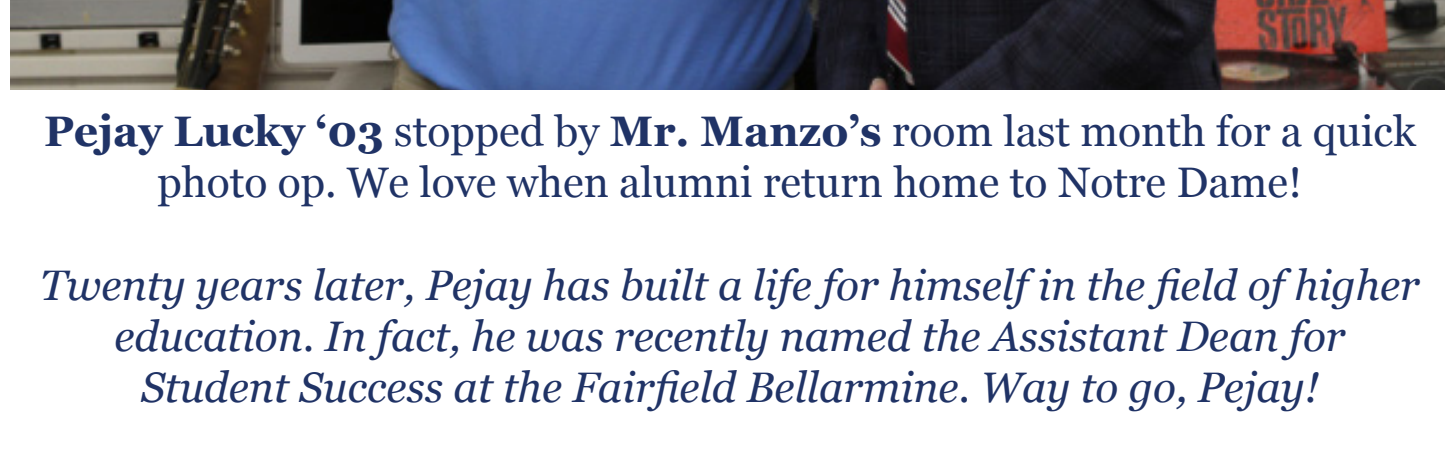
Congratulations to **Armand Fabbri**, who was inducted into the CAS-CIAC Hall of Honor on April 6th, 2023.

Having served as a teacher, coach, athletic director, assistant principal and principal at Notre Dame from 1962 to 1994, Armand left an indelible mark on the Lancer community. We are grateful for his many decades of service to our school, and for his tenure as Superintendent for the Diocese of Bridgeport. He is truly deserving of this honor!



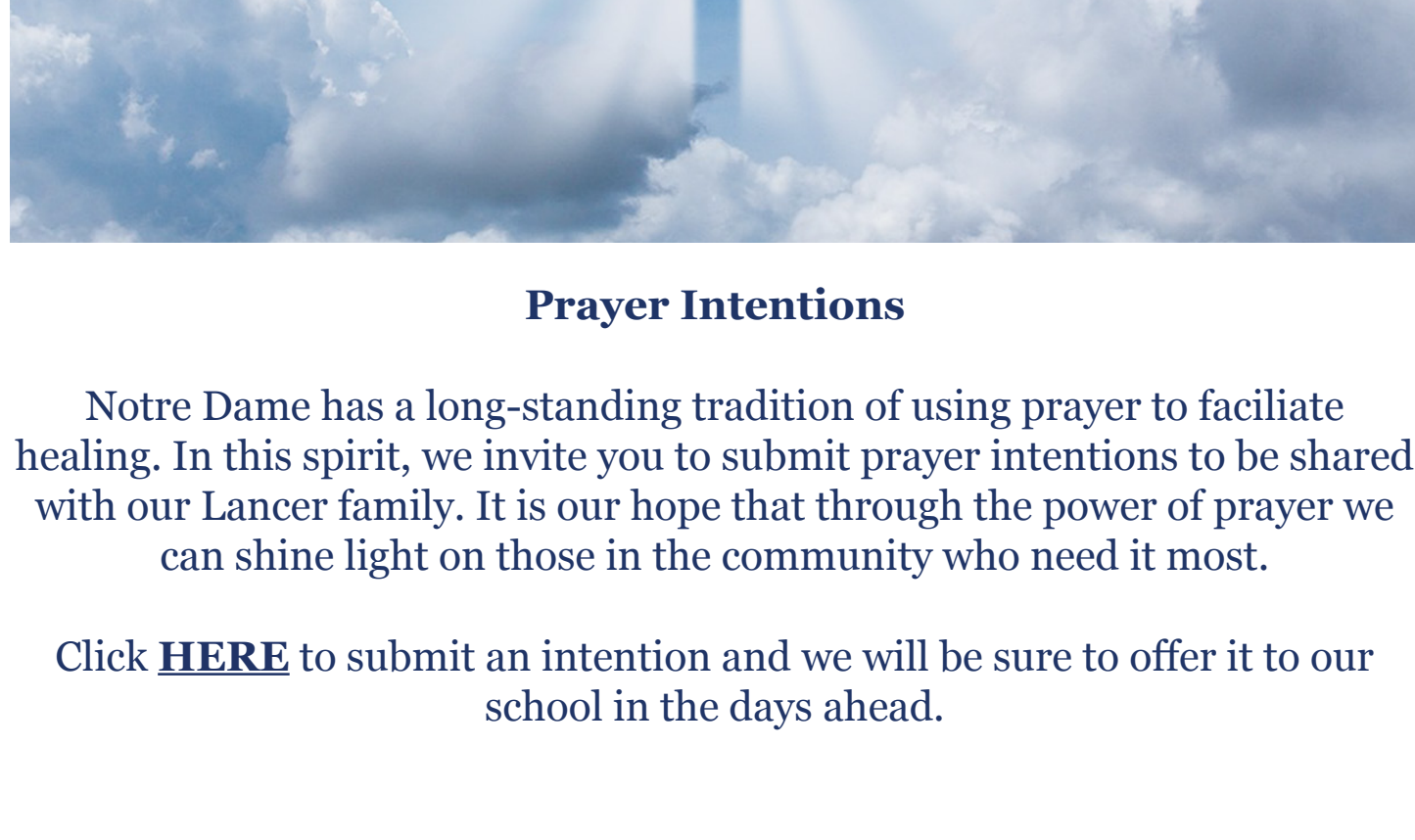
Congratulations to **Christopher DiOrio '84**, who recently completed his third Boston Marathon. Christopher raced on Mass General Hospital's Pediatric Cancer Clinic team, raising money for a cure for these children and their families.

This year, he raised over \$15,000.00 toward their total of \$1,050,000.00. Congratulations, Christopher!



Pejay Lucky '03 stopped by **Mr. Manzo's** room last month for a quick photo op. We love when alumni return home to Notre Dame!

Twenty years later, Pejay has built a life for himself in the field of higher education. In fact, he was recently named the Assistant Dean for Student Success at the Fairfield Bellarmine. Way to go, Pejay!



Prayer Intentions

Notre Dame has a long-standing tradition of using prayer to facilitate healing. In this spirit, we invite you to submit prayer intentions to be shared with our Lancer family. It is our hope that through the power of prayer we can shine light on those in the community who need it most.

Click [HERE](#) to submit an intention and we will be sure to offer it to our school in the days ahead.



The Office of Alumni Relations invites all alumni, alumni parents and current families who own a business to submit their information to the Lancer Business Directory.

The purpose of the Business Directory is to give members of the Notre Dame family the opportunity to support each other in business and professional endeavors! We will share this information on our website and will strive to keep the list updated as we receive new submissions.

Click [HERE](#) to view the Business Directory and complete our form.

Extra! Extra! Read all about it!

Click [HERE](#) to view Notre Dame's Lancer Life newspaper!

