

FATHER SCECINA



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EDUCATING THE SPIRIT, MIND, AND BODY



Seccina's Class of 2024 joined 1,000 other seniors for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis Senior Mass at St. Malachy Parish on Nov. 29, 2023.



SECCINA MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

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On the cover: (top) Mayanna Navarra, Angel Chavez, Seth Trimble-Sunderland, Gavin Turner, Michelle Gutierrez, and Isabella Adams (bottom left) Roman Romo and Brooklyn Drewes (bottom right) Jamile Isidoro, Natalee Darzentas, and Adyson Daniel

EAST DEANERY PARISHES AND SCHOOLS

Holy Spirit

Catholic Church and School

Pastor: Rev. Michael O'Mara

Principal: Rita (Branson) Parsons '76

Little Flower

Catholic Church and School

Pastor: Rev. Robert J. Gilday

Principal: Kevin Gawrys

Our Lady of Lourdes

Catholic Church and School

Pastor: Very Rev. Rick Ginther

Principal: Angie (Leffler) Therber '84

St. Michael (Greenfield)

Catholic Church and School

Pastor: Rev. Aaron Jenkins

Principal: Ruth Hittel

St. Philip Neri

Catholic Church and School

Pastor: Rev. Jeffrey L. Dufresne

Principal: Kelly England

Additional East Deanery Parishes

SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral

Rector: Very Rev. James Brockmeier

St. Rita

Parish Administrator: Rev. Jean Bosco
Ntaguwashira

St. Mary

Pastor: Rev. Jeffrey L. Dufresne

St. Thomas the Apostle (Fortville)

Pastor: Rev. Aaron Jenkins

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Seccina Community,

I am filled with immense gratitude for the remarkable progress and achievements that continue to shape the lives of our students and our school community.

Seccina's dedication to educating the whole child in spirit, mind, and body remains resolute. I am thrilled to share several Seccina achievements that mark our community:

- The ongoing construction of a new front yard, front entrance, and athletic fields, which is the largest project in our school's history. It is a testament to the commitment and generosity of hundreds of Seccina community members.
- Collaborative teaching, learning, and prayer that occur every day at Seccina in classrooms, extracurricular activities, and campus ministry offerings.
- Fiscal responsibility continues to be a cornerstone of school operations, as evidenced by our ability to operate in the black for the 14th consecutive year. Simultaneously, our endowments have grown as we look forward into the future.
- The enrollment of 120 freshmen for the Class of 2027 is evidence of families' continued trust and confidence in Seccina as a ministry rooted in high academic quality, faith, and community.

This annual report edition of the Father Seccina Magazine is a thank you for our alumni and friends' unwavering generosity. The stories of our students' successes reflect the gifts and joy that we share in this sacred ministry.

As we embark on this new year, I extend to you and yours my heartfelt wishes for a healthy and faith-focused 2024.

Yours in Christ,

Joseph S. Therber
President



Our FAITH, Our JOURNEY, Our TIME

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE



Aerial footage of the new front entrance, showcasing the landscaping, freshly laid driveways and sidewalks, staircases, streetlights, and visitor parking.

Seccina Memorial High School's largest construction project in history is nearing completion. This monumental transformation has reshaped the campus in notable ways. From the groundbreaking demolition on April 11, the project has evolved to encompass extensive

earthwork, concrete installations, a striking new front entrance, pavement, lush turf, and the list goes on. The updates are captured in the accompanying images.

The school is excited to unveil the finished product and celebrate

this significant milestone in 2024. For more campus construction updates, visit scecina.org/construction. ■



A bird's eye view of the remarkable transformation and modernization of Seccina's athletic complex.

NOWLAND NEWS

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



The 2023-24 school year has been a wonderful whirlwind! With several new staff members, new programs and new construction,

our focus has been on “embracing the change” and appreciating the gifts that each person—new and returning—brings to our school.

I have completed my first semester as principal at Scecina Memorial High School and have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know my new community of staff members, students, parents, and alumni. Everywhere I go, there are Scecina connections! I have felt very welcomed into the community and drawn into a network of Scecina

supporters that stretches to every part of the city and beyond and into a variety of professional occupations. We have so many career pathways to share with our students through contact with alumni.

New faculty members were welcomed into nearly every department in the school, some teaching for the first time and others with previous experience. These include:

- Two full-time teachers in our Learning Differences program.
- A bilingual attendance clerk who also works with our English Language Learners.
- A Title I advisor and Title I teacher to provide additional support in Language Arts.

- A French teacher to teach four levels of French.
- A graduate student intern in our Guidance Department.

We are blessed with dedicated and compassionate teachers and staff in all areas of our school. Thank you to our parents, benefactors, East Deanery parishes and broader Scecina community for your continuing support and allowing us to make a difference in the lives of our young people every day.

Blessings,

Dr. Peg Dispenzieri
Principal

FATHER TOM DAY MASS 2023

Scecina is proud to be named after Father Thomas Scecina, whose life story continues to inspire people worldwide.

Father Tom was a priest with the Archdiocese of Indianapolis who served God and his country as a military chaplain during World War II before perishing at sea with other U.S. prisoners of war in 1944.

This tragic event also serves as a powerful example and reminder of Christian faith in action.



Father Tom Service Award recipients (left to right) Tony Schmoll '77, Lee Ann Van Benten, and Ott Hurrle '70.

On Nov. 8, 2023, Scecina faculty, staff, students, alumni, veterans, and friends honored Father Tom at our annual Father Tom Day Mass.

Lee Ann Van Benten, Ott Hurrle '70, and Tony Schmoll '77 were all presented with the Father Tom Service Award for their countless contributions to Scecina. We also honored alumni veterans and veteran friends of Scecina. It was a beautiful day and a wonderful way to bring the community together. Scan the QR code to read the full Father Tom Day speech by President **Joe Therber.** ■



Educating the SPIRIT,

CHRISTIAN RETREATS

Christian Awakening retreats immerse students in a four-day spiritual experience with a small group of other seniors and young Seccina graduates who guide their experience. This retreat is structured to reflect the Triduum and Easter, especially the joy of the resurrection that we take into the world.

Duong Nguyen: "What I observed during the retreat was the diverse ways in which people perceive, experience, and reflect on life—how everybody is unique and shines in their own way. The experience provided me with a great sense of comfort, acknowledging that our struggles are often shared, and they are what make us human. I have become more observant of my surroundings and now envision

different perspectives and nuances before commenting on something, especially about someone."

Isabella Adams: "Though it wasn't a major focus of the retreat, a particular talk about the significance of communication truly resonated with me. I've since applied what I learned by aiming to understand others and myself better, and by expressing my feelings more openly."

Shyanne Carmichael: "The retreat made me more aware of others' experiences and reinforced the idea of not judging people without knowing their personal struggles. I'm now working on refraining from forming quick judgments about others and striving to approach opinions with greater understanding and empathy." ■

MEDIA PRODUCTION

Upon joining the school 17 years ago, Chad Tuley took over the student media class, which was limited to yearbook production and needed direction. Leveraging his experience advising a student newspaper, he reinvigorated the program, successfully relaunching it and creating The Red and Gold Show, the student-led broadcast news production.

Chad Tuley: "My vision for Seccina's student media has always been to produce the best version of each form of media the school has seen every year. We've come a long way from where we started. I've worked to upgrade technology to keep up with industry standards and to improve the quality of content students can realistically produce. I also had to learn about the broadcast side of media because my initial journalism certification training was on the print side. I sought training online through workshops at Ball State University and completed an advisor internship at WRTV 6 through the Indiana High School Press Association in 2008.



(left to right) Haley Hernandez, Yamil Aguirre, Daniel Martinez, Shyanne Carmichael, Marlon Ochoa, Ruby Carillo-Montalvo, Duong Nguyen

Many students participate in student media for something fun to do, not for a future career. One

MIND, *and* BODY

of the most rewarding aspects of doing what I do is seeing students who do not have a niche here at Secina develop one within our school's student media.

Students who take media classes also learn many life skills, including communication, storytelling, teamwork, and project management, not to mention a variety of technical skills like shooting and editing video, photography, reporting and editing, and design. We build portfolios for college if they choose to pursue media further. I have 30 students earning dual credit through our partnership with Ivy Tech Community College. ■



Ethan Arismendi and Chad Tuley

DANCE CHOREOGRAPHY

By Natalee Darzentas '26

Theater and other types of performing arts are and have been a very influential and prominent part of many students' high school experiences. As someone who enjoys acting in productions, understanding movement is very important to be able to play a character accurately. Luckily, Secina has added a dance class to its course offerings.

Theatre Director **Leslie (Zimmerman) Young '99** says, "I have found that one of the most difficult pieces of character development for young performers is the physicality of a character. By adding a dance course, student performers can gain experience and confidence in using their bodies to express emotion and tell stories. Beyond the theatre scope, students in dance achieve an appreciation for their unique bodies and what they are capable of doing."

Dance class helps students learn about movement, how it connects to emotion, and how it looks while being performed. Incorporating some sort of movement into our daily lives is also very beneficial,



Natalee Darzentas and Adyson Daniel

especially when students and teachers spend much of their day sitting at a desk.

Sophomore **Gisselle Zepeda**, a student who takes the class, said that her favorite part of dance is "Meeting new people and learning new dances." Any student can enjoy dance class and the benefits that it provides.

Having a dance class makes Secina unique, and it impacts students' view of themselves and what they have the potential to do. Dance class has been an amazing new experience with its fair share of trials and errors. I would recommend it to any student looking to expand their love for performing or simply to experience something new. ■

'HOLES' WAS A HIT!

The Scecina Theatre Department led by **Leslie (Zimmerman) Young '99**, once again captivated audiences with its fall play. This year students performed Louis Sachar's beloved story "Holes." From the quirky characters to the adventurous spirit of the narrative, and the clever stage design, students transported audiences to the unforgettable world of Camp Green Lake. ■



HISPANIC HERITAGE

Scecina Spanish Club hosted a lively Hispanic Heritage Festival in the gymnasium on Oct. 15. The event featured delicious food, traditional music, and a popular game of chance called La Lotería Mexicana. ■



SACRED MUSIC CONCERT

On Sept. 29, the Scecina choirs, under the direction of Scecina's new music director, **Chase Hall**, performed at Little Flower Catholic Church for their annual Sacred Music Concert. Traditionally, the choirs tour a different East Deanery parish each year. ■



MCCORMICK-MESSER ON STAGE AT YOUNG ACTORS THEATRE

Tanner McCormick-Messer '24 secured a role in the Young Actors Theatre's (YAT) high school edition of the highly acclaimed musical "Mean Girls." Scan the QR code to read the full story. ■



ATHLETICS

CRUSADER VOLLEYBALL TEAM DELIVERS UNPRECEDENTED PERFORMANCE

By **Francesca Marino Bergman '01**

Records were set in 2022, but the Crusader volleyball team led by seniors **Hannah Anglemyer**, **Natalie Bollenbacher**, and **Ady Wellner** delivered an unprecedented performance in 2023. Finishing the regular season with a 25-12 record, the girls headed into the postseason with one phrase on their minds: “One Team, One Goal.”

Newly appointed head coach **Tim Houser** uses three words to describe this season, “Exciting, dynamic, determined. Not one player on the team saw quitting as an option. Unwavering in their perseverance, these girls left it all on the court every game. This attitude shortly became personified through the parents and community, making it an absolute blessing to join the Scecina family.”

For the second year in a row, the girls beat ICC rival Triton Central, advancing to the sectional championship, where they beat Eastern Hancock 3-0. Regional opponents included the Northeastern Knights (Scecina 3-0) and the Cascade Cadets (Scecina 3-1). On Oct. 29, the Crusaders headed to Columbus East to face Brownstown Central in the semistate. The Crusaders rallied, taking the Braves to five sets, but

ultimately lost by two points in a hard-fought final match.

Winning a state championship will always be the goal, but the Crusader volleyball team is thrilled with the recognition it received in the postseason:

Anglemyer: Academic All-All State Gold Award, Academic All ICC, Scecina Coach’s Award

Bollenbacher: Second in the state for assists, finished with 2,508 career assists, Second Team All-State & All District, High Honorable Mention for All-USA Central Indiana Super Team, City All-Tournament Team, Academic All-State Silver Award, All ICC, Scecina Volleyball MVP

Molly Welborn: Third Team All-USA Central Indiana Super Team,

All-District, City All-Tournament Team, All ICC, Scecina Volleyball Offensive MVP

Izzy Martinelle: First team All-State and All-District, City All-Tournament Team, All-USA Central Indiana Super Team Honorable Mention, All ICC, Scecina Volleyball Defensive MVP

Avery McCoy: Academic All ICC

Olivia Anglemyer: All-District, City All-Tournament Team, Central Indiana Freshman Standout

Leah Guilfoxy: Central Indiana Freshman Standout

The Crusaders are already looking forward to the next season and cannot wait to return to the gym in June 2024. ■



SEASON RECAP

CHEERLEADING

Coach Jana Montgomery

Coach Montgomery returned for her fourth year as the head coach. The football cheer squad represented the Crusaders to the best of their ability while supporting their classmates in their athletic competitions. Captain **Tanner McCormick-Messer** led the squad.

Moreover, the cheer squad dedicated extensive effort to perfecting tumbling and tricks, seamlessly blending traditional cheer with innovative Stomp N Shake techniques to infuse the team and its fans' Crusader spirit.

CROSS COUNTRY

Coach Jon Benson '89

The cross country team exhibited significant improvement this season. The boys team improved their 2021 and 2022 finishes in the conference championships and finished fourth this year. Junior **Peter Certo** earned All-Conference

honors. In the city championship, the boys team improved from sixth to fourth place. The team, consisting of 10 runners, set 20 personal records. Certo and **Bradley Hilbers** advanced to the regional championship. Certo and senior **Matthew Hentz** earned Academic All-Conference.

FOOTBALL

Coach Ott Hurtle '70

The Crusader football team had an up-and-down season, which was not unexpected given the team's young nature, with only seven seniors, and the challenges they faced in commuting to practice daily due to construction. However, the team responded well, being ranked No. 1 in the state during the mid-part of the season before finishing with a 5-5 record and a big homecoming win over rival Cardinal Ritter.

Senior captains **David Mendez** and **Keegan Ray** were excellent leaders for the many underclassmen getting their first extended varsity playing time. Ray had 132 tackles (10th in

school history for a season) and was All-Conference and Honorable Mention All-City. Mendez was an All-Conference and All-City quarterback and finished with the second-most passing yards in a career in school history with 3,235 and second-most touchdown passes with 34, among other accolades. Underclass All-City selections included **Henry Weimer '25** for his offensive line performance, and sophomores **Eric Montgomery** and **Owen Weinzierl** for punting and kicking, respectively. Next year, with the return of several key players, the Crusaders aim to expand upon the strong foundation established by the Class of 2023 seniors.

GIRLS GOLF

Coach Matt Schroeder

In a surprising turn of events, the girls golf season kicked off on Aug. 16, following a last-minute surge of interest after the school year began. Six girls, all new to the sport, eagerly signed up for the season. The team made remarkable progress, with several individuals achieving impressive scores. To



build the team, practice time focused on developing a correct swing path at the driving range, putting and chipping, and playing four to six holes of golf. Several of the girls could shoot bogies, and a couple could shoot par on several holes. The team won two exhibition matches against Purdue Polytech, setting the stage for a promising season ahead.

BOYS SOCCER

Coach Quinn Cloghessy

This season the boys soccer team improved to a 7-10-1 record, scored 50 goals, was shut out only once, and made it to the sectional championship, where they put up a valiant effort against defending state champion Park Tudor.

Freshman **Hector Valencia-Zapeda** finished the season with eight goals and was voted to the IndyStar All-Freshman team. Sophomore **Jose Vargas** finished the season with seven goals and three assists, and was named team MVP, All-Conference, and made the IndyStar All-USA Central Indiana

Super Team honorable mention. Sophomore **Alejandro Calzada-Cano** finished the season with one goal and one assist, was named to the All-City team, made the IndyStar All-Sophomore team, and made the IndyStar All-USA Central Indiana Super Team honorable mention. Junior **Carlo Ponzini** finished the season with nine goals and one assist, was named to the All-Conference Team, and made the IndyStar All-USA Central Indiana Super Team honorable mention. Most of the team is set to return next season, poised to surpass this season's win total and make a strong push for the postseason.

GIRLS SOCCER

Coach Monica Spiegl

The 2023 team, led by senior captains **Lilly Cunigan** and **Cecilia Carey**, exhibited remarkable growth, achieving a higher number of victories and goals compared to the previous year. The team's senior leadership was instrumental in upholding a steadfast defensive performance, enabling the team to remain competitive in numerous

matches. Notably, the influx of newcomers elevated the offense, resulting in 12 additional goals, with freshman **Dayana Lopez** leading the newcomers with five goals. Junior **Mariangela Gascon** showcased seasoned skill, leading the team with eight goals and six assists, a stellar performance that garnered her First Team All-City honors.

BOYS TENNIS

Coach Jordan Myers '10

Under the guidance of first-year coach **Jordan Myers '10**, the boys tennis team navigated through a season marked by numerous challenges and triumphs. Senior standout **Max Krause**, recognized with All-City and All-Conference honors, played a pivotal role in leading the Crusaders. The contributions of seniors **Boscoe Rife** and **Gavin Turner** were integral to the team's success, and their departure leaves big shoes to fill for the upcoming year. Despite ultimately falling in the sectional championship, the Crusaders demonstrated significant progress. With a roster predominantly composed of nine freshmen and sophomores, the team is poised for growth and holds a promising future. ■





COLLEGE SOFTBALL SIGNING

Lilly Cunagin '24 on Nov. 28 signed to play softball for the NCAA Division 3 Hanover College Panthers. ■



FOOTBALL FEATURED ON FOX 59

Fox 59 reporter **Adam Unger** caught up with our football team as they navigated travel to and from their temporary practice field at St. Andrew the Apostle Parish while the Secina football field was under construction. The story features Coach **Ott Hurre '70** and seniors **David Mendez** and **Keegan Ray**.

Scan QR code to watch story. ■



INDIVIDUAL HONORS

ALL-CONFERENCE

CROSS COUNTRY
Peter Certo '25

FOOTBALL

David Mendez '24
Keegan Ray '24

BOYS SOCCER

Carlo Ponzini '25
Jose Vargas '26

BOYS TENNIS

Max Krause '24

VOLLEYBALL

Isabelle Martinelle '25
Molly Welborn '25
Natalie Bollenbacher '24

ALL-CITY

FOOTBALL
David Mendez '24
Eric Montgomery '26
Henry Weimer '25
Owen Weinzierl '26
Keegan Ray '24,
HONORABLE MENTION

BOYS SOCCER

Alejandro Calzada-Cano '26

GIRLS SOCCER

Mariangela Gascon '25

BOYS TENNIS

Max Krause '24

ACADEMIC

ALL-CONFERENCE

CROSS COUNTRY
Matthew Hentz '24
Peter Certo '25

FOOTBALL

Wil Battles '24
David Mendez '24

GIRLS SOCCER

Cecilia Carey '24
Shyanne Carmichael '24

Ella Gaudreau '25
Mariangela Gascon '25
Charley Pottthast '24

BOYS TENNIS

Max Krause '24
Gavin Turner '24

VOLLEYBALL

Hannah Anglemyer '24
Avery McCoy '25

JUNIOR ALL-STATE FOOTBALL

Noah Stuczynski '25
Owen Weinzierl '25

SENIOR ALL-STATE FOOTBALL

David Mendez '24
Wil Battles '24
Keegan Ray '24

ALL-DISTRICT 2A CENTRAL VOLLEYBALL

Molly Welborn '25
Isabelle Martinelle '25
Olivia Anglemyer '27
Natalie Bollenbacher '24
Tim Houser, *COACH*

ALL-METRO VOLLEYBALL TEAM

Molly Welborn '25, *FIRST TEAM*
Natalie Bollenbacher '24,
HONORABLE MENTION

ALL-TOURNAMENT VOLLEYBALL TEAM

Molly Welborn '25
Olivia Anglemyer '27
Isabelle Martinelle '25

ALL-STATE VOLLEYBALL

Isabelle Martinelle '25

2022-23

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIR



Greetings to all
my fellow Scecina
Community
Members,

Well, here we are
again! Celebrating another remarkably
successful year.

The school year ended with another
100 Scecina graduates going out
into the world, to 24 colleges and
universities, into the military, and
to join the workforce, all of whom
have been uniquely prepared to
take their place in society alongside
their Crusader predecessors. As with
those who have gone before, these
young ladies and gentlemen have
been expertly educated and trained
in spirit, mind, and body. This 2023
graduating class earned over \$6
million in scholarships and included
two graduates, among our many
outstanding students, who went on to
West Point.

The financial condition of the
school remains robust. A look at
the information within the Annual
Report will illustrate another year
of growth in the fiscal strength
needed to maintain and enhance
our educational program expansion
requirements. We also increased
our endowments, which remain a
focal point for the years ahead. The
growth of cash reserves and the higher
endowment level are vitally necessary
for the continuing development of our
educational offerings, the attraction
and retention of talented and skilled
faculty, administrators, and staff
members, and the maintenance and
improvements of our 70-year-old
property. These outstanding financial
results were achieved in a challenging
economic environment that continues

to be plagued by high inflation and
shortages in some materials and labor
supplies.

During the latter part of this
calendar year, we have begun the
initial discussion about updating
our Strategic Growth Plan, which
will set the vision for the next three
to five years. As we develop this
process, we will ask for your prayers,
perspective, and input to guide us in
this exercise. We have accomplished
extraordinary success in recent years,
and we must stay on the path in the
pursuit of continuing excellence.
With the continuing support of your
“time, talent, and treasure,” I know the
Scecina future is bright!

During this year, we said “goodbye” to
Julanne Sausser, who had served the
Board for several years in a valuable
and dedicated fashion. Thank you,
Julanne. We will miss you. And we had
the honor and good fortune to add
Anne O'Connor and Leon Waninger
to our membership. “Welcome,” Anne
and Leon.

I cannot conclude my annual remarks
without congratulating and thanking
President Joe Therber and the entire
Scecina faculty, administration, and
staff for their expertise and energy
in making Scecina Memorial High
School the remarkably unique and
outstanding organization it truly is.
Another job, “Well done,” everyone.

And my best wishes to you, our Scecina
Community. May God bless you in
2024.

George T. Newhart '60
Chair

2022-23 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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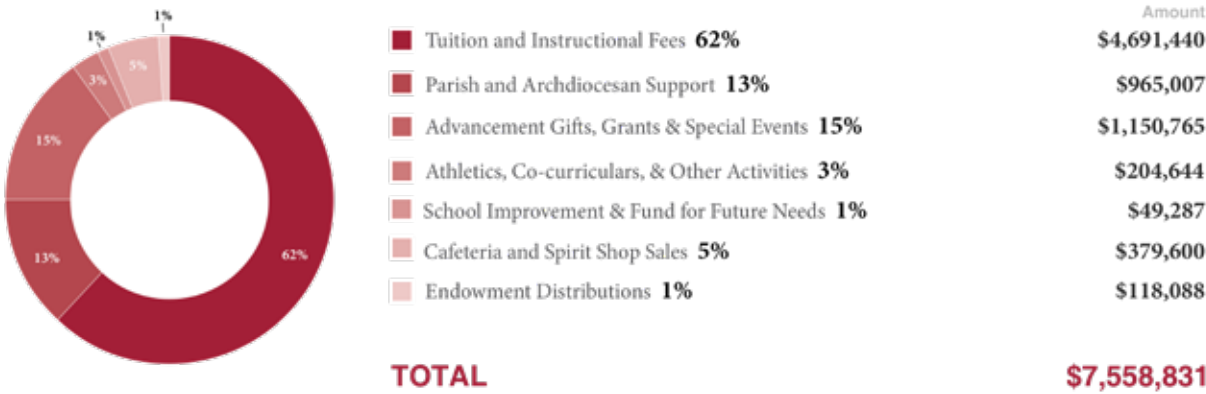
Phil Kenney

Phil Wilhelm '59 (*deceased*)

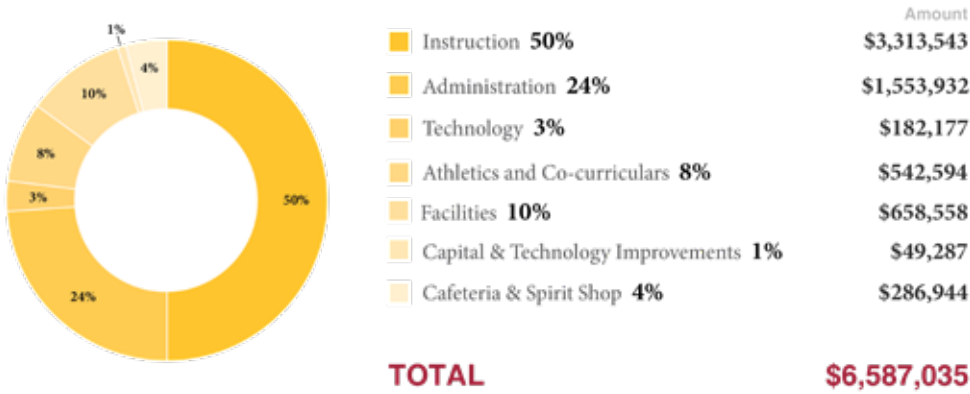
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2022-23 OPERATING REVENUE AND EXPENSES
(Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023)

2022-23 OPERATING REVENUE



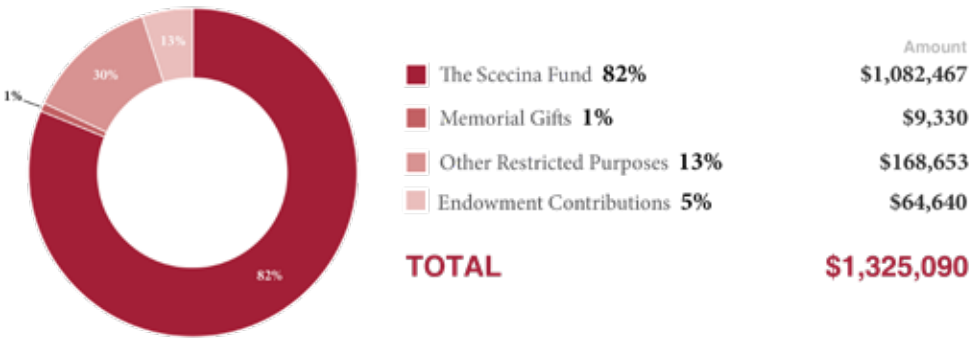
2022-23 OPERATING EXPENSES



GROSS OPERATING SURPLUS FOR 2022-23	\$971,796
Allocated to Fund for Future Needs	\$512,547
Allocated to Deferred Maintenance	\$435,181
Allocated to Real Estate Reserve Fund	\$19,341
NET OPERATING SURPLUS FOR 2022-23	\$4,727

ADVANCEMENT FUNDS RAISED

These figures represent annual support gifts pledged or received in the 2022-23 fiscal year through the school's advancement efforts, excluding Capital Campaign.



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PROGRESS TOTAL AS OF JUNE 30, 2023

Capital Campaign donations pledged	\$7,592,923
Capital Campaign cash received	\$7,156,743
Capital Campaign on-time pledge fulfillment rate	98.5%

2022-23 ENDOWMENT ACTIVITY

Beginning Balance 7/1/2022	\$2,064,140
Investment Earnings	\$208,690
New endowments or additions to existing endowments	\$189,450
Distributions for intended ministry purposes at Scecina	\$(118,088)
Ending Balance 6/30/2023	\$2,344,192

Scecina's endowments are managed by the Catholic Community Foundation of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. For more information, please contact Beth Murphy, Director of Development, at bmurphy@scecina.org or 317-352-3227.

SCECINA ENDOWMENTS

(Fund balances as of June 30, 2023)

Scecina Memorial High School Endowment Fund	\$14,760	Sr. Lavonne Long - Sisters of St. Francis Endowment Fund	\$14,801
Joe McNelis Endowment Fund	\$22,693	David S. and Mary Robinson ('61) Allen Endowment Fund	\$97,923
Father Thomas SMHS Godparent Program Endowment Fund	\$282,815	Patricia "Trish" McMahon ('73) Sergi Endowment Fund	\$23,482
Ray Riley Educational Endowment Fund	\$273,815	Class of 1966 Academic Excellence Scholarship Endowment Fund	\$14,166
John Edson Educational Endowment Fund	\$38,312	Philip J. Wilhelm Endowment Fund	\$160,589
Timothy and Jane McGinley Family Endowment Fund	\$152,517	Eileen Hurre Memorial Scholarship Fund	\$16,017
SMHS Facilities Endowment Fund	\$302,639	Catherine & Robert J. Dangler Scholarship Fund	\$44,063
Sister Hortense Endowment Fund	\$40,841	Class of 1968 John Meyer & Jeffrey Young Memorial Scholarship Fund	\$23,677
Joe Ajamie Donor Advised Endowment Fund	\$36,442	First Responders Tuition Assistance Endowment Fund	\$430,570
Class of 1959 Scholarship Fund	\$18,863	Father Tom Academic Excellence Endowment Fund	\$130,443
Fred and Patty Gause Endowment Fund	\$29,140		
Steve Farrell Endowment Fund	\$26,778		
Class of 1963 William F. Kuntz We Care Scholarship Endowment Fund	\$148,814		

2022-23 HONOR ROLL OF DONORS: ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

(Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023)

\$20,000+

Mary A. (Robinson) '61 and David S. Allen
Anonymous +
G. Patrick '66 and Jeanne E. (Davidson) '66 Corydon + *
Shirley Daley +
Franciscan St. Francis Health
Hare Family Charitable Trust
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ALUMNI NEWS

A HOST FAMILY TRADITION

Dick Kramer '59 and **Peg Kramer** hosted 14 international students over the span of nearly two decades. For Dick, each host student represented an opportunity to gain insight into different cultures.

"We wanted to develop an understanding of different cultures and facilitate reciprocal learning," said Dick. "This was the momentum for our involvement."

The Kramer family formed strong bonds with all of the exchange students. One student from Argentina, **Julio Matias Gonzalez '90**, who was close in age to their late son, became more than a temporary visitor; he became a member of their family.

"We didn't view our students as temporary guests—they were an extension of our family," Dick explained. "Hosting our students has had a profound impact on our lives."

During a visit in August 2023, Dick and Matias shared lighthearted moments, laughter, and fond memories as if no time had passed. Dick also expressed his ongoing curiosity about the strong bond they shared and why Matias remained connected with the family.

"We've had others come back, and we've visited others in their countries, but Matias has returned often, resulting in great reunions," said Dick.

Matias reflected on the significance of Dick's impact on his life, attributing it in part to Dick's time serving in the Peace Corps, which shaped his openness and acceptance of other cultures. "The way he treated me just like any other in a very simple way gave me a rich experience. It's a matter of an open mind and understanding," Matias shared.

Dick added, "I never really thought of it that way. I was in my sophomore year of college when President Kennedy announced the Peace Corps. I remember turning to my parents while watching TV and saying, 'When I graduate from

college, I'm going to apply for the Peace Corps.'"

During Dick's senior year at Marian College, he applied, was accepted, and underwent training at Notre Dame and Puerto Rico before embarking on a two-year assignment in Chile.

"I gained an understanding of people and a completely different culture during my time with the Peace Corps. This experience significantly influenced my decision to open my home to international students," expressed Dick.

Matias' integration into the Kramer family went beyond spending time together or gathering around the dinner table. The true bonding occurred when he took on household responsibilities, as Dick believed in fully including Matias



(left to right) Dick Kramer '59 and Julio Matias Gonzalez '90



(left to right) Casady (Kramer) Williamson '91, Lucy Williamson '23, Laurencio (Lau) Gonzalez Malleville '23, and Julio Matias Gonzalez '90

into every aspect of their lifestyle. This ultimately played a significant role in creating positive experiences during his time at the Kramer house.

"I have vivid memories of working in the garden and spending a lot of time pulling weeds," added Matias. "I adapted to their family life and household routines. I also have fond memories of going on trips and celebrating Christmas as if I were one of their own."

Dick's daughter, **Casady (Kramer) Williamson '91**, along with her husband, **Steve**, and three daughters, continue the tradition and hosted Matias' son, **Laurencio (Lau) Gonzalez Malleville '23**, during the 2022-23 school year.

Lau, who has no sisters, found it meaningful to be hosted by Casady, who has three daughters—**Audrey, Lucy '23**, and **Susan '24**.

"Matias trusted us to take care of his son. Children are precious. They are the most precious things you have, and he trusted me to take care of Lau," shared Casady.

The Class of 2023 commencement added significance as Lau became the first second-generation international graduate from Scecina, while Lucy became a third-generation graduate in the Kramer family. Both families were honored at a Baccalaureate Mass.

"Being part of a host family when I was young and being an international student myself were both such positive experiences that I had no reservations about opening my home to young people who have the desire to study in the U.S.," Casady shared. "We missed our chance to host Matias' oldest son, **Cipriano**, but Matias has one more son, **Servacio**. I hope to host him in five or six years."

Interested in hosting an international student? Contact the International Student Program Director, **John Hegarty**, at jhegarty@scecina.org or 317-258-5159. ■



(left) President Joe Therber, Dr. Peg Dispenzieri, Olivia Young '24, Steve Clegg '90, and Eamonn Brandon. (right) Row 1, left to right: Fr. John McCaslin '85, Tim Gallagher '93, Deacon Gary Blackwell '78, Kevin Murray '71, Steve Clegg '90, and Lance Langsford '74. Row 2, left to right: Matt Fleetwood '82, Tom White '93, Mike White '92, Kerry Forestal '74, Charlie Therber '13, and David Allgood '09.

INDIANAPOLIS FIRE DEPARTMENT 9/11 MEMORIAL MASS

The Indianapolis Fire Department paid a poignant tribute to the heroes and victims of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks with a memorial Mass at Scecina Memorial High School. The solemn event, attended by Scecina faculty, staff, students, several alumni, and members of the community, aimed to honor the sacrifices made that day and commemorate the bravery of first responders.

Among the distinguished attendees were Mayor **Joe Hogsett**, Marion County Sheriff **Kerry Forestal '74**, Fire Department Chief **Ernest Malone**, Battalion Chief **Howard Stahl**, Assistant Fire Chief **Mike White '92**, Captain **Hank Harris**, President of Indianapolis Professional Firefighters Local 416, and Captain **Steve Clegg '90**, a Scecina alumnus and president

of the Indianapolis Firefighters Emerald Society. Their presence underscored the significance of the occasion and highlighted the city's unwavering support for the fire department and its members.

Leading the commemorative Mass was **Fr. John McCaslin '85**. Fr. McCaslin's presence and spiritual guidance provided solace to those in attendance, as his words echoed the sentiment of unity and remembrance. Deacon **Gary Blackwell '78** and **Fr. Jim Farrell** assisted Fr. McCaslin.

At the conclusion of Mass, members of the pipe and drum ensemble played their rendition of "Amazing Grace." The melodies filled the gymnasium, evoking a deep sense of reverence and paying homage to the bravery and

sacrifice of the firefighters and first responders.

In a heartwarming gesture, the Indianapolis Fire Department Emerald Society, along with Scecina President **Joe Therber** and Principal **Dr. Peg Dispenzieri**, presented a scholarship to senior **Olivia Young**. The scholarship not only recognized Olivia's academic achievements but also highlighted her dedication to making a positive impact on the community.

As the ceremony concluded, the attendees left with a renewed sense of purpose, carrying the memory of the fallen heroes and the indomitable spirit of the firefighters who exemplify courage and selflessness. Their sacrifice will forever be etched in the hearts of the Indianapolis community. ■

DIVINE VALOR

Doug Nally '87, a devoted and decorated Putnam County police officer, recently demonstrated a heroic act of bravery by rescuing not one but two individuals from imminent danger.

Nally credits his Catholic upbringing to how he responded to the call. His unwavering faith and commitment to his core values empowered him to make a swift and compassionate decision that forever changed the lives of those he saved.

“My Catholic background has been vital in shaping my approach towards people and handling challenging situations. It has instilled in me a solid foundation of right and wrong, along with essential moral and ethical values. This spiritual grounding has made me a better law enforcement professional and a dedicated husband and father. It’s guided me to make decisions prioritizing justice and compassion,” said Nally.

Deputy **Josh Boller** and Captain Nally were presented lifesaving awards by Putnam County Sheriff’s Merit Board members **Tony Detro** and **Nancy Michael** and Board President **Mike Dean** for their actions in a water rescue on March 3.

When a distress call reached the dispatch center, Nally answered a call, reporting a vehicle partially submerged in rapidly rising



Deputy Josh Boller and Capt. Doug Nally (center) were presented lifesaving awards by Putnam County Sheriff’s Merit Board members Tony Detro and Nancy Michael (left) and Board President Mike Dean for their actions in a water rescue on March 3.

floodwaters. The occupants, a woman and her father, were trapped inside the car, desperately seeking help.

Hearing the urgency in the call over the radio, Nally was determined to reach the scene. As he raced toward the location, an additional report revealed that the occupants had been forced to retreat to the vehicle’s rear compartment due to the rapidly rising water levels. The situation grew increasingly dire as the floodwaters engulfed the front seat compartment.

Upon arriving at the scene, Nally found a Jefferson Township volunteer firefighter and his partner, Boller. The trio wasted no time and rushed toward the stranded vehicle, which had become lodged against a cluster of trees, preventing it from being swept further away from the safety of their home. However, the car

remained approximately 20 feet out in the raging floodwaters.

Through their joint efforts, the team successfully rescued the woman and her father, extricating them from the dangerous situation in the nick of time. Nally’s heroic act, along with the collaborative efforts of the volunteer firefighter and Boller, epitomizes the law enforcement officers’ unwavering commitment and selflessness in the face of adversity.

Nally continues his dedicated service as the Captain of Investigations at the Putnam County Sheriff’s Department, and this recent life-saving incident stands as a testament to his exceptional character and unwavering commitment to protecting and preserving the well-being of his community. ■

Class Reunions Guide

These are the Scecina Class Reunions planned for the coming year. If you need information or have questions regarding your reunion, please email Matthew Leming at mleming@scecina.org or 317.352.3292.

Class of 1974 | 50th Class Reunion

Friday, September 20, 2024

5:00 - 10:00 p.m. | Saturday, September 21, 2024

Scecina Memorial High School Cafeteria

5000 Nowland Ave.

Indianapolis, IN 46201

Keep up to date at:
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CLASS OF 1973 50TH CLASS REUNION

The Class of 1973 celebrated their 50th Class Reunion both at Manley's Irish Mutt and Scecina. They had a great time getting the gang back together. They toured the school and enjoyed connecting at their reception in the gymnasium.

The whole class was generous to designate their class project to support the school's music program. ■



left to right: Ott Hurrle, Karen (Naughton) Branson for her late husband Tom Branson, Sr., Denny Davis, John Harbor, Joe Therber (President), Dr. Peg Dispenzieri (Principal), Pat Wilson, Jason Kehrer (Athletic Director), (Seated) Pat Kirk, Michael Hupp

HOMEcoming 2023

Scecina Memorial hosted crosstown rival Cardinal Ritter at the homecoming game played at Marian University Oct. 6.

Each year, Crusader Football coach Ott Hurrle '70 honors alumni football players. Members of the 1974 Crusader Football team were recognized during the 2023 homecoming game. They each received hats honoring Scecina football and a round of applause from the stands.

The Class of 1999 was also recognized during halftime. They proudly celebrated their 25th year anniversary with outstanding representation. ■



Celebrating the Class of 1999: Row 1, left to right: Angi (Roembke) Grant, Larina (Hubbard) Phegley, Jenny (Walker) Hess, Jenny (Mauer) Covarrubias, Peggy (McCoy) Slack, Joe Smith, Mike Duncan, Eileen Winter. Row 2, left to right: Jason Kehrer (Athletic Director), Nick Baue, Tim Gill, Jeremy Hambrick, Lance Bradbury, Jimmy O'Donnell, Principal Dr. Peg Dispenzieri, President Joe Therber

DEVELOPMENT

NEW SCHOOL VESTIBULE

As part of our commitment to providing a safe and secure environment for all students, staff, and visitors, an interior vestibule was constructed at the front entrance of the school building.

This addition provides multiple layers of security, including a secure waiting area for visitors, interior bullet-resistant doors and reception area window, an additional buzzer entry system, intercom communications, and corner-to-corner security camera visibility.

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ANOTHER RECORD-BREAKING SCECINA GIVING DAY!

Scecina's fourth annual Giving Day was a huge success! This year's Giving Day occurred on Father Tom Day, the 79th anniversary of the death at sea of Father Thomas Scecina while he was serving as a U.S. Army chaplain during World War II. Our Scecina Community lived up to Father Tom's motto to "give that little extra."

Thanks to the 192 donors, nearly \$46,000 was raised in support of Scecina's students and programs. We cannot thank you enough for taking part in this special day and giving that little extra in memory of Father Thomas Scecina. ■



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CLUB 53 – SAVE THE DATE

Club 53 returns on April 20, 2024!

This year's Club 53 will be a special night to celebrate Scecina and support the school. Here is what's in store:

- \$10,000 grand prize reverse raffle
- Catered meal by Indy Anna's
- Silent auction
- Beer and wine
- Dancing with a new live band – Living Proof

Tickets go on sale in late January. Be on the lookout to purchase your tickets.

If you would like to volunteer at Club 53, become a sponsor, or learn more, please contact:

Matthew Leming '18, mleming@scecina.org

David Smock '89, dsmock@scecina.org ■



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- Stock (appreciated securities)
- Bequest/planned giving
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- Real estate

Please check with your tax advisors and IRA custodians for rules that apply specifically to you.

To learn more about giving opportunities, please contact the Scecina Development team:

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Individuals or businesses that donate to the SGO receive tax credits equal to 50 percent of the amount donated. For example, a donation of \$2,500 would equal a tax credit of \$1,250, so the donor's out-of-pocket cost is only \$1,250.

You may receive a federal income tax deduction. The math is easy, and the giving feels great! Check with your tax or financial advisor.

After you donate, you receive a tax certification number to file with your Indiana taxes.

Learn more on the IQE website, www.i4qed.org.

To donate directly to Scecina through IQE, scan the QR code.



If you'd like to learn more about this program, please contact Director of Development **Beth Murphy** at bmurphy@scecina.org or 317.352.3227. ■



“To know that we have so many donors supporting us here at Scecina means a lot.

You really get to see how much people in the community care about your success. It is a great community to be a part of.”

Hannah Anglemeyer
Class of 2024

CLASS NOTES

1960s

Joe Kesterson '64 is the Attractions Manager at the Indianapolis Zoo, directing 75 people to operate the rides and provide attendants at the two aviaries and the kangaroo exhibit.

1970s

Vincent Delaney '75 recently joined Indiana Weather Network as their newest storm chaser.

Angela Espada '79, the Scecina Women's Circle chair, received the St. Thomas More Society's Woman for All Seasons Award.

Angela, currently director of the Indiana Catholic Conference, received the award on Oct. 2 at a



dinner following the St. Thomas More Society of Central Indiana's annual Red Mass at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral. The Mass marks the blessing of the Catholic Church upon members of all the legal professions at the start of the legal year. Espada has served as a Marion County deputy prosecutor, dean at the Indiana University McKinney School of Law, and staff attorney for the Indiana Supreme Court.

1980s

Angie (Bewsey) Lacy '88 founded a non-profit organization in 2016 called Project Play. The non-profit

was born because many families struggle to provide general necessities such as clean clothes, food, and shelter, as well as kids toys. You can read more about Angie and Project Play on a recent "Send the Love" story done by WTHR.



Dawn (Till) Fitzgerald '89

accepted a full-time position with Compass Group as a catering attendant in October 2023. In the same month, Dawn celebrated her second anniversary with Mission BBQ.

1990s

Victoria (Henninger) Hendley '91 and her husband, **Scott**, have a YouTube Channel called @twoindytravelers, where they showcase various attractions, restaurants, hotels, events, and other fun happenings in and around Indiana and the Midwest!

Shaw Kopp '97

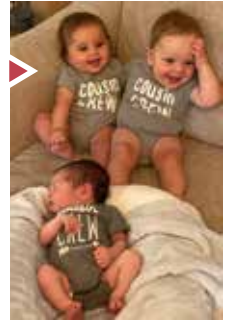
was promoted to US Senior Manager of Software Service at Varian Medical Systems.



2010s

The Delaney cousins: **Allison (Delaney) '10** and Matt Bedwell had their daughter, Margo Maxine Bedwell, in January 2023. **Logan '12**

and Katheryn Delaney had their son, Parker James Delaney, in July 2023. **Bridget (Delaney) '16** and **Lex Martin '16** welcomed their son, Sullivan Jordan Martin, in November 2022.



Sloan Jones '16, and her mother, **Laurie Jones**, have started their own small business in Chicago called House 15. This is a home decor and vintage store. Be sure to check it out on Instagram, @the.house.15.

Lauren Gray '17 is a singer and songwriter living in the Nashville area. Check out her new song, "Driving Back to Nashville," on all streaming platforms.

Nick Mirabelli '18 will be joining the Indianapolis Fire Department.

Kerrington Shorter '18 is a swing actor in the classic Christmas show "A Christmas Carol" at the Indiana Repertory Theatre.

Spencer Martinelle '19 is an Estimator and Sales Coordinator for HSC Pavement Maintenance. The company is located in Indianapolis and does work for schools, roads, the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, the Indianapolis International Airport, and more. ■

IN MEMORIAM

ALUMNI DEATHS

Sharon (Early) Severance '57
Margaret "Peggy" (Gootee) Woods '58
Donald Wright '58
Michael Kiemeyer '59
Fred Arnold '60
Shirley (Hauck) Foote '60
Mary Ellen (Bryner) Lowry '60
J. Charles Pogue '60
John Schmidt '60
Karol (Coleman) Bartlett '61
Anna Rose (Horning) Dalton '61
William Powers '61
Daniel A. Smith '61
Jean (Just) Stratman '61
Kathleen (Weissenberger)
Harrington '62
James Luthman '62

Donald L. Walker '62
Collette (Grossman) Bureker-
Neudigat '63
Linda (Corsaro) Kitterman '63
Joseph "Patrick" McDavitt '63
Thomas Bryan CLU CHFC '64
James Green '64
George Obermeyer '64
Janine (Sliwa) Schumm '65
William Loos '67
Dennis Fahey '74
Robbie McMahon Jr. '76
John Radefeld '77
Patty (Hagist) Miller '78
Mary (Hammond) Harmon '79
Lee T. Ward '82
Brian Fields '92

FORMER FACULTY AND STAFF DEATHS

Dr. Kevin Hennessy Caspersen

SCECINA COMMUNITY DEATHS

Patrick Fogarty
Brian M. Hambrick
Edward "Edd" O'Donnell

CORRECTION

The Summer 2023 issue of the Father Scecina Magazine had errors in the Alumni Deaths section. The names of David Hofmann '57 and Sue Ann Thompson '67 were misspelled. Shirley (Golay) Marsella '58 was listed with the incorrect class year.

Class Notes and In Memoriam reflect notices received on or before November 30, 2023.

To update your information (home or email address), submit a class note, or report an alumni death, please contact Gia Spaulding, Advancement Coordinator, at gspaulding@sccecina.org, or submit information via the online form at www.sccecina.org/alumni.

ACTIVE-DUTY OR RETIRED MILITARY? WE'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

To the Sccecina alumni and friends who are active or retired members of the United States military services: We deeply appreciate your bravery and your spirit of service and sacrifice!

To properly thank and recognize you, we want to continually update our listing of Sccecina alumni and friends who are active in or retired from each branch of the U.S. military services.



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