

JOHN F. BERRY '40 SPIRIT OF SAINT ANSELM AWARD

Robert (Bob) Dziadosz, '68

Tonight we honored a professional archivist for the preservation of our collective memories. In the spirit of John Berry, it is also fitting that we give praise to an amateur preservationist whose love of his classmates, aptitude for technology, and devoted care have lifted the spirits of the class of 1968 for the past 54 years. Robert Dziadosz has been an avid and active supporter of his class and his college since arriving at Saint Anselm in 1964. He remains an unflinching supporter of all things Anselmian and a devoted Hawk fan, especially for the men's and women's basketball teams. Among other things, Bob is the guy with the camera. At annual golf tournaments, luncheons, and events like this one here tonight he is the one asking people to "look over here and smile". Bob appreciates perhaps better than most of us the ephemeral nature of time that makes our lives together worth cherishing and remembering. He knows that a single photograph can help us to recollect, relish and relive in some way the moments we have shared together as Anselmians, lifelong companions, and friends. Bob is the reason that every member of the class of 1968 who has passed away is represented by a photograph at the annual Memorial Mass. He is the one who insisted on the creation of a Facebook page for his class and thereby garnered hundreds of photographic images and spent hundreds of hours creating a video tribute to the Class of 1968 for their 50th Reunion. With painstaking effort, he ensured that every member of the class was represented, especially those no longer here to celebrate. The presentation was a powerful and memorable climax to their class reunion, invoking memories and warming the hearts of everyone gathered. Bob Dziadosz has gone above and beyond to help his fellow Anselmians stay connected with one another and in doing so has earned the enduring appreciation and love of his classmates who at his request will continue to turn and put on their best smile for his camera. On behalf of the Class of 1968 and all Anselmians, the Alumni Association is proud to honor Bob Dziadosz with the John F. Berry, '40 Spirit of Saint Anselm Award.