



## '49er Friars Pass the Torch!



Dr. Gene McEnery (from left) and his Class of 1949 classmates -- Bob Lee, Dick Enderle (with trophy), Ken Geiger, Dick Schutter and Tom Morsch -- pose with Fr. Richard Peddicord, O.P. the evening of September 21st.

Despite 93-degree heat last month, the 7th annual "Pass the Torch" Golf Outing raised more than \$200,000 for Fenwick High School students!

In a searing heatwave of camaraderie, Friar Nation came together on September 21st to help support the school we all love! Our '49ers from the Class of 1949 were among the record 126 golfers who teed off at Oak Park Country Club. Thanks to all of these gentlemen -- and especially to our honoree, Dr. Gene McEnery -- for their inspiring devotion to each other and to FHS.

"The paddle-raise segment alone took in \$80,000," reported **Mark Laudadio '84**. "The Friars almost fried out there, but in the end we crushed it! It's as if the excessive heat ignited the flame of giving. We definitely passed the torch yesterday." Funds will be used to enhance Fenwick's new Digital Collaboration Room, a collaborative work space adjacent to the **John Gearen '32** Library.

"In 2018, Pass the Torch will surpass the \$1 million mark, which is an awesome feat over eight years," Ladaudio concluded. To everyone who played, sponsored and helped make the 2017 event a success, a heartfelt THANK YOU!