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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Alumni, Parents and Friends of Serra,

In this edition of *Traditions*, Serra celebrates myriad accomplishments of the Class of 2018. It was a privilege watching our graduates receive their diplomas last month from Dr. Thornton at the annual commencement ceremony at St. Mary’s Cathedral. This class has flourished throughout its four years on Serra’s campus, highlighted by the fact that 99 percent of our graduates will attend colleges next year, supported by the \$27 million in scholarships their outstanding achievements merited for them, their show-stopping performances on the Serra stage, and broken school records in swimming, track and football.

Most important, it is an honor to see the outstanding men they have become, thanks to the support and guidance of Serra parents, teachers and staff members. Beyond numerical accomplishments, the hallmark of a Serra man is being a person of faith, wisdom and service who who puts others before himself. What the Serra community does best is to form the hearts, souls and characters of our young men during this pivotal, and often confusing, time of their lives.

Looking forward, the school year 2018-19 marks the beginning of a yearlong journey that will culminate in the celebration of our school’s 75th anniversary in September, 2019. Throughout the last seven and a half decades, Serra teachers, staff, chaplains, counselors and coaches have walked with our Padres on their journeys to adulthood. They have helped these students to excel not only as students, but as human beings.

Also in this issue, we celebrate the legacy of six extraordinary teachers and staff members who have dedicated their lives to Serra: Bruce Anthony, Jay Jordan, Keith Stapleton, Jeff Wellmeyer, Joe Hession and Kathy Roque. Their love and devotion to our school’s mission has touched the hearts, minds and spirits of thousands of Padres. The ripple effect of these outstanding people is far and wide.

Please join me in thanking them for the amazing impact that they have had on our students. Reflecting on their legacies, and that of the students they have taught and guided over the years, we look to the future with hope and excitement. In the pages that follow, you can read the latest chapters of Serra’s 75-year story.

It’s important to reflect on the excellence of the past 75 years, and also to look forward with hope toward the next 75. Innovation in the Bay Area continues at breakneck speed, and we have made a commitment to embrace new technology, curricular offerings, and teaching methods that can make our school even better. As Congresswoman Jackie Speier recently told a group of Padres visiting Washington D.C., “Parents send their sons to Serra because they love them. It is there that boys receive a foundation to be wonderful men in this world.”

As it was at our school’s beginning in 1944, so it is now, and always will be.

Siempre Adelante,

Lars Lund  
President



## Help Keep Padre Traditions Strong at Serra

Serra relies on the involvement and generosity of our parents, alumni and friends to assure that each new Padre generation can reach beyond its grasp to achieve its dreams. Support Serra today by making your donation online at: [serrahs.com](http://serrahs.com).  
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# Class of 2018

Serra seniors were filled with excitement on May 26 during a memorable Mass and graduation ceremony at St. Mary’s Cathedral. This year’s class of 218 students completed 29,127 hours of community service and earned almost \$27 million in college scholarships.

Valedictorians Sean O’Brien, Tyler Baumann and Henry James shared the honors of delivering addresses at the Senior Mother-Son Mass, Senior Academic Awards Night and graduation. O’Brien gave the valedictory address.

The graduation Mass was celebrated by Fr. Joe Bradley ’73. Concelebrants included Fr. Mike Healy, Fr. Mike Mahoney, OFM Cap., and Fr. Alner Nambatac.

During a powerful homily, Fr. Joe asked the graduating Padres to ponder the true meaning of success. He referenced St.

Mother Teresa of Calcutta, who once said, “God has not called me to be successful. He called me to be faithful.”

“What does it mean to be a ‘success’ as a Serra Padre in these times?” Fr. Joe asked. “Is it all about academic achievement? Is that the jewel in the crown of the Padre experience? If that is it, if that is the center of all, then we have failed you. There has to be more. **A successful Padre is a man of faith, wisdom and service. He is aware of his blessings and aware of those less fortunate, living on the edges of our communities.**”

Fr. Joe used Music Director Jay Jordan as an excellent example of someone who has been successful because of his dedication to the arts, education and mentoring young people.

“I think of a retiring teacher, Mr. Jay Jordan,” he said. “A man who has used his God-given gifts of music, and has devoted his entire life to teaching and mentoring young men and women to find themselves through music and theatre. Selfless love. My brothers, that is a man who has lived a ‘successful life.’ Follow his example, and you will find joy, deep happiness and peace. God bless you on this beautiful day of your graduation!”

## GRADUATION AWARDS 2018 MEDAL WINNERS

SEAN O’BRIEN  
GENERAL SCHOLASTIC  
EXCELLENCE MEDAL,  
ENGLISH MEDAL,  
SENIOR GRADUATION MEDAL,  
SCIENCE MEDAL



UC Berkeley

ALBERTO RODRIGUEZ  
ACTIVITY MEDAL



San Jose State University

MATTHEW BAGOT  
CAMPUS MINISTRY MEDAL



University of North Dakota

HOLDEN BOGER  
DRAMATIC ARTS MEDAL



Otterbein University

ZACHARY SMALLMAN  
DRAMATIC ARTS MEDAL



Loyola University  
New Orleans

TYLER BAUMANN  
MATHEMATICS



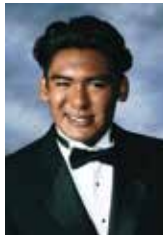
Stanford University

MICHAEL GONZALES  
MUSIC MEDAL



Orange Coast College

MIGUEL AMARAL  
SERVICE MEDAL



USC

ELIJAH FOLAU  
SHEA SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD



College of San Mateo

CARLOS BRENES  
THEOLOGY MEDAL



Chapman University

IVAN GERAGHTY  
VISUAL ARTS MEDAL



Carroll College

GREGORY SMITH  
WORLD LANGUAGES MEDAL



Loyola Marymount University

### SERRA 2018 NATIONAL MERIT FINALISTS

SEAN O’BRIEN  
UC Berkeley



JANG JUN PARK  
University of  
Pennsylvania



TYLER WANG  
UC Berkeley



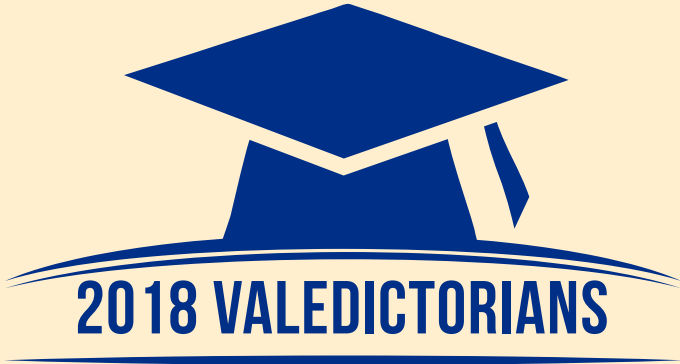


Sean O'Brien, Tyler Baumann and Henry James are this year's Serra valedictorians. All three seniors are outstanding students, leaders and athletes.

O'Brien is a National Merit Finalist who will attend UC Berkeley as a Regents' and Chancellor's Scholar. He is one of only 200 freshmen and transfer students who earn this scholarship each year. O'Brien is also a cross country and track athlete, and is ranked among the top 100 debaters nationwide.

"Serra's learning environment for me has been the same as its social environment—driven by friendly interactions and the mentorship of teachers who care about us as individuals," O'Brien said. "I'll always be proud to be a Padre."

Baumann is a recruited student-athlete who will row for Stanford University's crew team, which is currently ranked



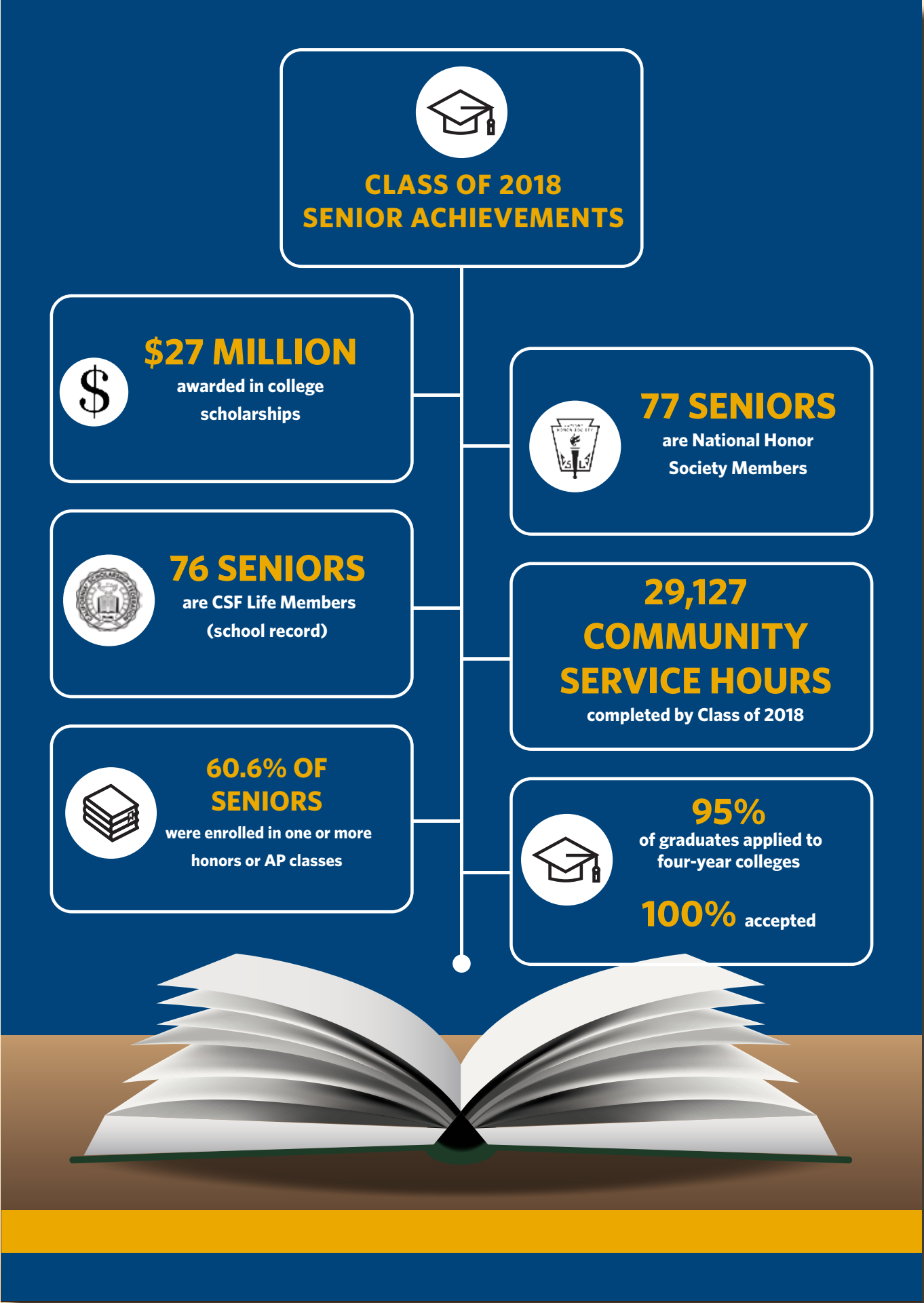
fifth in the nation. He has an unweighted 4.0 GPA, meaning he has earned straight-A's during each semester at Serra.

"As a member of the crew team, I have grown to understand the importance of teamwork in order to be successful," Baumann said. "By supporting each other, our team puts brotherhood into action."

James will attend Georgetown University. He has been a standout basketball player on Serra's varsity team for three years. He was named team MVP as a junior.

"I have an incredible family, and I attribute much of my success to them," James said. "The Serra community has become my second family, and one that I will be forever grateful for. Serra is a special place, with its defining characteristic being the quality of the people within it."

Class of 2018 Valedictorians (l-r): Sean O'Brien, Henry James and Tyler Baumann





# Bay Scholars Makes Padres’ Dreams Come True

Thirteen Serra Padres were recipients of a Bay Scholars Scholarship this year. The \$10,000 scholarship, which is distributed over four years, also provides selected students with mentoring, guest speakers and access to college visits.

“A four-year Bay Scholars scholarship can bridge the financial aid gap for families and make college prep-high school a reality,” said Tuition and Financial Aid Manager Maryann O’Leary. “The 2017-18 school year was our first year partnering with Bay Scholars. This year’s inaugural scholars paved the way and embraced all that the program had to offer. To date, we have an additional 11 scholars for the 2018-19 school year. We will continue adding members with each new incoming freshman class. We are appreciative to Bay Scholars for providing our Padres with the opportunity to attend Serra.”

In 2007, Clint and Janet Reilly established The Clint Reilly High School Scholarship Fund, which is now called Bay Scholars. Their goal was to give back to Bay Area communities by providing students with a solid education. Reilly’s father was a milkman for Berkeley Farms Creamery. A proud parent of 10 children, he could not afford tuition at Bishop O’Dowd High School. Grateful for his Catholic education, Reilly’s goal was to pay it forward to other Bay Area students. Over the years, the Reillys recognized that many Bay Area Catholic high schools successfully created pathways to colleges and universities.



“We realized that these schools knew how to get the job done,” Reilly said. “They had strong service missions, implemented rigorous core curriculum, taught discipline and values and formed partnerships with parents. In our eyes, this wrap-around education model was the recipe for success for our low-income Bay Area youth.”

Today, Bay Scholars enables promising scholars in the Bay Area to flourish at successful college preparatory Catholic high schools. During the last decade, the organization has provided \$3.25 million in scholarship aid to students, with 1,355 scholarships awarded. Most impressive, 100 percent of the students have gone on to college.

On April 30, Reilly and his team visited Serra’s 13 Bay Scholars during a special luncheon. Also attending the event were Caitlin Curran-Kavanagh, Executive Director Bay Scholars, Director of Operations/Bay Scholars Megha Rajput, President Lars Lund, Serra Principal Barry Thornton, Ed.D., Serra CFO Sue Reyneri, Tuition and Financial Aid Manager Maryann O’Leary, and Serra Alum and Bay Scholars Board Member Peter Muscat ’01.

During the lunch, the 13 Padres listened to motivational speakers Stefan Gartrell and Rodney Pierre-Antoine. Pierre-Antoine is the founder of Ripple Academy, a public charter school in Oakland. Gartrell, the president of Ripple Effect 22, is a graduate of the University of San Francisco who played professional baseball for the Chicago White Sox and the Atlanta Braves.

“Our Spring Speaker Series brings a featured speaker to each of our partner schools to share his or her own educational and career journey with our scholars,” said Bay Scholars Executive Director Caitlin Kavanagh. “These speakers provide words of wisdom and inspiration as role models. We are honored to count Serra High School among our 12 partner schools. The young men who make up our inaugural class of scholars at Serra are impressive in spirit and talent. They exemplify bright, thoughtful, engaged and motivated students.”

At the end of the luncheon, Lund gave Reilly a private tour of the campus.

“I am very grateful to be a recipient of the Bay Scholars scholarship,” said Dominick Antelo ’21. “Serra was always my dream school. Bay Scholars made my dream come true because without this scholarship, I wouldn’t be able to attend Serra. I will always be indebted to everyone who enabled me to attend Serra. Thank you so much, Bay Scholars!”



The Serra community is saying good-bye to six very special people this summer. They have all left an indelible mark on the hearts of their colleagues and our Padres. Combined, these six superstars served Serra for a whopping 203 years. We wish them well as they begin their next chapters. *Siempre Adelante!*

## BRUCE ANTHONY—41 YEARS

As the friendly face behind the Admissions shadow program, Bruce Anthony has a warm way about him that makes people feel welcomed into the Serra community.

Anthony recently retired after 41 years of service to Serra.

“I will always have many fond memories and friendships,” he said. “The daily activities, in and out of the classroom, I will truly miss. Hardly a day goes by without a special moment that leaves an imprint—those sometimes quiet but meaningful triumphs that change a student’s life, visits from former students and faculty members, simple conversations, as well as the hustle and bustle that surrounds all of us. Each day has been fresh, new and exciting.”

Anthony has worn many hats during the past four decades. In addition to serving as the school’s assistant admissions director, he taught mathematics, social studies, business accounting, business finance, economics and computer programming. He also moderated the Bowling Club and the California Scholarship Federation, and he managed the Padre Store for 20 years.

His favorite activity was being the game announcer for baseball, football, wrestling, track and field, volleyball and his greatest thrill, basketball.

“In 40 years, I don’t believe I’ve missed more than three home basketball games,” Anthony noted.



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Other career highlights include the years when his sons, Trevor '98 and Tyler '07, attended Serra.

“My favorite memories are of the days when I was a Serra dad,” he explained. “Trevor and Tyler experienced a miraculous transformation during their four years as Serra Padres. It was wonderful to see Trevor stand alongside his five Padre brothers at his wedding. I also will never forget cheering on my daughter, Heather (NDB '07), who coaches the Serra volleyball team, and admiring Tyler when he began his teaching career at Cathedral Catholic High School in San Diego. I am, indeed, a proud ‘Papa Padre.’”

Anthony has worked with former admissions director and current math teacher Randy Vogel for more than four decades. Vogel will miss Anthony next year but wishes him well in his retirement.

“What can you say about your best friend?” Vogel said.

“Bruce has been a mentor and role model for students and young faculty members, and he has contributed to the fabric of Serra in countless ways during these past 41 years. Bruce is the essence of what it means to be a teacher in a Catholic school. He is a loyal friend and a true gentleman.”

Now that he has retired, Anthony plans to travel, play pickleball and go to the movies with his wife, Teresa. He promises to come back to Serra for basketball, volleyball, bowling, plays, musicals, concerts and Masses.

Serra graduates are fond of saying, ‘Once a Padre, always a Padre,’” Anthony noted. “I have been blessed to watch, teach and experience so many of these young men who have truly made a difference in my life and in the lives of so many. Although I did not graduate from Serra, I would like to think that ‘Once a Padre, always a Padre’ applies to me as well.”

## KEITH STAPLETON—38 YEARS

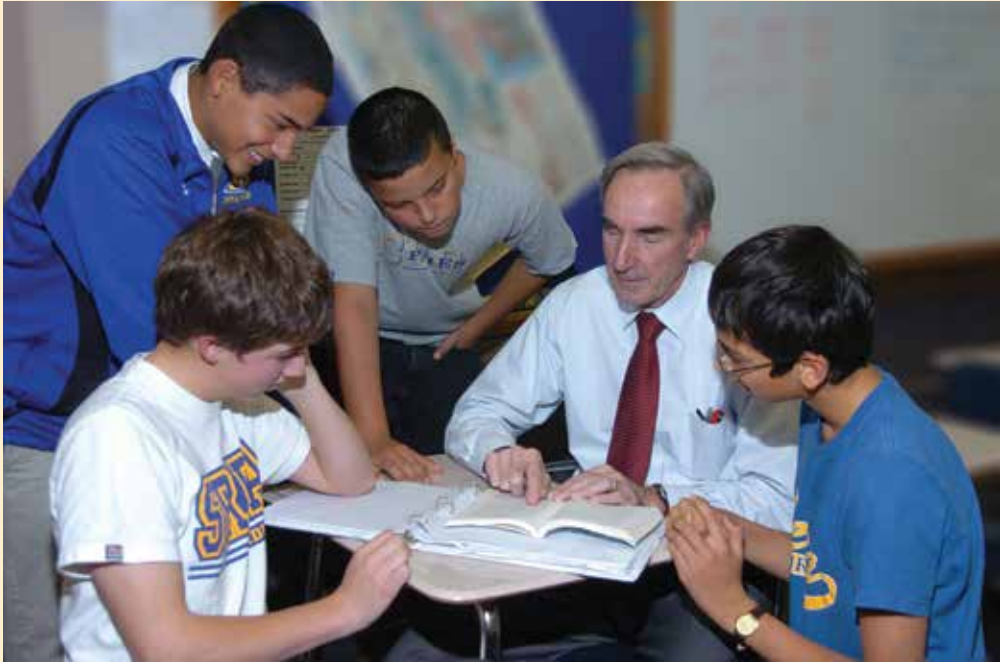
Is it lay or lie? Who or whom? Just ask Keith Stapleton and he will know the answer to just about any grammar dilemma. Stapleton retired in June after teaching at Serra for 38 years.

“He’s a legend,” said Liam Ehlers '19. “My writing skills have advanced tremendously since the beginning of the year. He’s really funny when he reads, and his quick-writes have pushed us to improve our critical thinking skills. I was so lucky to have him during his last year at Serra.”

What makes an excellent writer? According to Stapleton, he is impressed by students who enjoy playing with words.

“Those who enjoy expressing themselves to others through writing write the best essays,” he explained. “Obviously, that’s the result of real dedication and not rushing to get it finished. Being able to write well is important for any career.”

When Stapleton started teaching at Serra in 1980, it was a different world. The Internet didn’t exist, and neither did Snapchat or Instagram. Because of this modern distraction, Stapleton has had to find innovative ways to keep today’s teenagers engaged.



Keith is pictured with his wife, Dorothy, daughter, Liz, son-in-law, Mark, and granddaughters, Lauren and Caroline.

His classes were interesting and his students were razor-focused. He also had a gentle way of persuading teenagers to realize that having a secondary life on social media can be detrimental to one’s academic success, as many sites are simply “time suckers.”

Through the years, hundreds of Padres have returned to Serra to thank Stapleton for fostering a love for the written word. The revered teacher’s pet peeve?

“When I see signs such as ‘Drive like your children live here.’ It should be, “Drive as if your children live here.’ The word ‘like’ is a preposition, whereas ‘as’ is a conjunction.”

“Keith Stapleton is a transcendent teacher and scholar,” said Assistant Director of Advancement Jonathan Allen '01. “He is a connoisseur of the written word and he ignited a passion for writing that was a mere simmering ember before I entered his classroom as a young freshman. Keith sets the bar high. He didn’t allow me to settle for ‘pretty good.’ The level of excellence in diction and syntax that he demands of his students is remarkable. It was a privilege to learn from him for two years as a student and to also count him as a friend and colleague as an adult. It is often repeated that we need more great men in this world. Keith Stapleton is a great man.”

One of Stapleton’s most memorable moments was when a group of students rang his doorbell on Christmas Eve and left a gnome figure from a Serra ceramics class.

“That was fun and a big surprise,” Stapleton remembered. “It left a lasting image. “Teenagers are fun to be around—they are optimistic.”



Brad Stapleton '97 is pictured with his wife, Lynlee, and Keith’s grandchildren, Bridget and Everett.

In addition to teaching, Stapleton has been a beloved track coach since 1968.

“I enjoyed seeing the kids in a different domain and helping them to be successful in something athletic,” he said. “Competition is exciting.”

As Stapleton looks forward to retirement, he plans to spend more time with his wife, Dorothy, his children, Brad '97 and Elisabeth (NDB '95), and four grandchildren. He is an avid gardener who also hopes to tackle some home projects. Stapleton will miss the Serra community when he retires, although he will always be part of it.

“I’ve really enjoyed the connections I’ve made with my students and their parents,” he said. “When you have a supportive community, it helps our students to do better. I will miss my colleagues in the English Department—they have supported me through the years and we genuinely like one another.”

“I’m so grateful to have had Keith as a colleague and friend for 33 years,” said English Department Chair Tom Sullivan '81. “His passion for learning and his earnest desire for student thinking and writing has inspired countless Padres—students and teachers alike. Keith has embodied the Padre brotherhood as a teacher and a man throughout his career . . . and that’s what has made him legendary to so many Padres for so many years.”





# JEFF WELLEMAYER—38 YEARS

For almost 38 years, Jeff Wellemeyer enjoyed cruising around the Serra campus in his green and gold John Deere “gator.” No two days were ever alike. From maintaining the school grounds to working with heavy equipment to preparing the athletics fields for competition, Wellemeyer loved being outdoors with the maintenance team.

“Being able to keep a steady job and maintain a level of enthusiasm for close to 38 years seems remarkable to me,” he said. “I will always be grateful to the people who gave me an opportunity on a blustery autumn day in 1980—Ken Houle, Michael Peterson and Fr. Stephen Howell not only hired me, but they provided me with the support and guidance necessary to maintain a level of efficiency.”

Wellemeyer played basketball at Terra Nova High School, Skyline and San Francisco State University. An avid sports fan, he always has enjoyed watching Padre sports teams.

“Fortunately, the majority of my work revolved around sports and athletics, an area I was comfortable and familiar with,” Wellemeyer noted. “I’d like to thank all of the fine coaches I’ve worked alongside during those long seasons. A special tip of my blue, omnipresent baseball hat to trainer Laurie Rossi for her tireless efforts for two decades.”

Wellemeyer said he will miss the teamwork and companionship of the Maintenance Department. “Working with an intelligent and skillful group of people always makes a job easier,” he added. “For all of those incredibly hardworking people, past and present, I give my total respect, best wishes and gratitude. There is one person that I must single out and recognize—David Kidd. He and I have a combined total of 75 years of service at Serra. Thank you, Dave, for riding that long, wild rollercoaster with me!”

Wellemeyer was honored on May 17 at the end-of-the-year liturgy. He said it is a privilege to retire with such



an esteemed group of retirees. He also thanked the Serra Padres, faculty and staff members for the moving tribute and standing ovation he received.

“It was humbling and emotional—I will never forget that magical moment,” Wellemeyer said. “May you all be fortunate enough to share such a wonderful experience. I wish everyone good luck academically and athletically for years to come.”

“We are all grateful for Jeff’s years of dedicated service,” said Chief Financial Officer Sue Reyneri. “During his tenure on the maintenance staff, he ensured that the school and grounds were safe, clean and prepared for all Serra activities. Jeff had a special place in his heart for the baseball program, and he spent countless hours prepping the field to make sure that it was always ready for play. We wish Jeff the best as he starts his next chapter.”



# JOE HESSION—28 YEARS

Joe Hession’s life has revolved around service, from his early days in the U.S. Marine Corps to his 28-year career as a teacher at Serra.

It all began in 1990, when Hession was hired as an English teacher at Serra after he graduated from UC Santa Cruz with a bachelor’s degree in English and Irish literature. He earned his teaching credential at San Francisco State University and later attended Stanford’s Publishing/Writing School.

“The best part of teaching is being in the classroom with the kids and interacting with them,” Hession said. “I enjoy discussing things like sports, politics and music. That’s when you get to see who the students really are. I’ll certainly miss the witty and sometimes unintentionally funny comments the students make.”

Hession added that reading and reviewing literature were highlights for him in the classroom. “I love stories and trying to understand the actions the characters take,” he explained. “I also enjoy teaching vocabulary because I love words. Sometimes they have a meaning or pronunciation that can become a pun or double-entendre. Shakespeare was the greatest punster of all time. His bawdy puns, especially in *Hamlet*, were often difficult to explain to Catholic school kids. I like words and authors who can shape and twist them into a sentence that is funny, dramatic and tragic all at once.”

After he retires, Hession looks forward to traveling, surfing and helping military veterans through charity work. He also will continue to write for the 49ers. When he was asked to write “a few short stories” a few years ago for the 49ers Museum at Levi’s® Stadium, he jumped at the chance.

“Jerry Walker, the 49ers former public relations director, asked me if I could write a few descriptions of 49ers memorabilia,” Hession said. “They had a warehouse full of amazing artifacts, seats and ticket-taker booths from Kezar Stadium, the furniture from Bill Walsh’s office, old playbooks going back to 1946, pictures of the original 49ers team, including former quarterback and Serra alumnus Jesse Freitas, and of course, the football Dwight Clark caught in the 1981 Dallas playoff game that changed 49ers history.”

Hession, a former sports reporter for the *Oceanside Blade Tribune*, also wrote *Forty-Niners: 50th Anniversary Collector’s*

*Edition*, which is said to be the most complete guide written about the first team to win five Super Bowls. About 40,000 copies of the book have been sold since 1995.

“I will continue to work for the 49ers,” Hession said. “During the season, I write for the team’s *Gameday Magazine*. During the offseason, I contribute to the team’s website and keep the information in the 49ers Museum up to date. It’s constantly changing with new players and coaches.”

Hession and his wife, Michele, are looking forward to a trip to Denmark, Finland and Russia later this summer. “I have always wanted to see the Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg,” Hession noted, “and there are a lot of places I still want to surf. I’ve surfed on every continent but Antarctica. That’s on my bucket list.”



In addition to teaching, Hession was the varsity golf coach for many years. He also coached baseball and football. Hession’s sons, Sam ’12 and Liam ’14, are Serra alumni.

Hession will be missed by today’s Serra Padres. “Throughout Mr. Hession’s time within our community, he has provided us with not only excellence in the classroom but on the field as well,” said Patrick Norton ’20, who wrote a touching tribute article about Hession’s career in *The Friar* student newspaper. “His pride and devotion to the Padre community and the global community are to be praised. His legacy and commitment will surely remain in the spirits of our community, and he will be missed by students and faculty alike.”



# KATHY ROQUE—18 YEARS

As the executive assistant to the Serra principal, Kathy Roque is extremely busy. She is the queen of efficiency—from coordinating meetings and managing the front office staff to keeping track of the principal’s daily duties.

Roque will retire in June after 18 years of service to Serra.

"In her role, Kathy has supported four principals and two presidents," noted Serra Principal Barry Thornton, Ed.D. "She has executed the role with incomparable skill, dedication, professionalism and care for the entire Serra community. We will all deeply miss her presence, and we wish her the best as she heads to her well-deserved retirement."

“I have loved being part of the Serra community—it feels like family to me,” Roque said. “The biggest highlights are getting to work with the students and feeling as if I’m able to make a difference in their lives.”

Roque started her job when her son, Rico ’05, was a freshman. “I was able to watch him grow every year,” she remembered. "Serra taught him the importance of community, discipline and faith. When he graduated and went on to Stanford, Rico’s professors commented on how prepared he was for college.

Serra not only prepared him for the challenges of college, but also gave him the leadership and fortitude needed to start his own company after he received his degree in computer engineering.”

Roque’s daughter, Raquel (NDB ’08), graduated from Santa Clara University with bachelor’s degrees in English and Spanish. She later received a master’s degree in education and social policy from Northwestern University, and currently is a teacher in Chicago.

“I am so proud of my children and all that they have accomplished,” Roque said. “During my retirement, I plan to spend more time with them and my husband, Bob. I also hope to do more traveling, bike riding and gardening.”

Roque is looking forward to another family vacation to Greece and Italy later this summer. “Retirement feels bittersweet,” she said. “I am so glad that I was able to be part of the Serra community for 18 years, and I will miss it dearly. **My experience at Serra has been incredible. I have been blessed to have worked with so many amazing people, and I can't describe how thankful I am to have had the opportunity to be a part of such a wonderful place.”**

# Serra Partners with SAP in Pilot Design Thinking Program

Serra's Design-Led Innovation Program is an interdisciplinary course of study in partnership with enterprise application software giant SAP. Students are introduced to the principles of design thinking, a human-centered approach to creative problem solving. Design thinking gives students opportunities to become innovators who find solutions to real-world problems. The class draws on logic, imagination, intuition and systematic reasoning to explore what could be while creating intelligent solutions.



Serra teacher Barb Luis is excited to teach the new class. "Design thinking is a user-centered, empathy based, problem solving process," she explained. "The vast majority of our boys will one day solve problems and fill jobs that don't exist yet; 21st century design thinking taps into that."

“The Design Thinking class gave me a unique perspective on how empathy can be used to approach problem-solving,” said Serra senior Chris Severino. “The key concepts of Design Thinking are empathizing with the user, then defining a specific problem, finding a possible solution, and testing to find an optimal solution. This new skill will set applicants apart from their peers as they apply for jobs.”



Serra students visited SAP in early May. SAP Vice President of Design Thinking Andrea Anderson, the mother of Serra student Sebastian Anderson ’20, noted that design thinking is a vital 21st century skill. Students enjoyed presenting their design thinking projects to Anderson and her team.

For example, senior Marius Kulda's design challenge focused on college ID cards. Apparently, many college students lose these important cards and approximately \$84 million per year is spent on replacing them. Kulda’s idea is to use students’ thumbprints instead of cards. In addition to college campuses, this innovative solution could be used in hospitals and companies.

“Visiting SAP gave my classmates and me an opportunity to see design thinking in action,” Severino said. “It also enabled us to present what we developed over the semester to the SAP staff. My group and I focused on our cafeteria redesign challenge, which would give Serra students an improved cafeteria with an open floor design. The SAP staff gave us a unique perspective on how we could use design thinking to solve our challenge, as well as how we could improve the process. After presenting our projects to numerous members of the SAP staff, we were guided on a campus tour. They showed us how design thinking has shaped not only the problems they face, but the company itself.”

According to Serra Dean of Studies Rita Lee, “Our students represented Serra incredibly well—they clearly and accurately demonstrated their understanding of design thinking, and they showed off their new ways of problem solving and thinking creatively. Our students made us proud, and this is proof that our collaboration with SAP is working.”





# Campus Upgrades

Serra’s campus has been renovated and refreshed over the past two years. Investment in infrastructure continues in earnest with an eye toward upcoming Phase III construction.

The refresh began in 2016 with the installation of new sod for the baseball field. After years of games and practice, even with constant maintenance, the need for new grass and a leveling of the ground itself was necessary. The result was a beautiful new field of Bermuda grass for our student-athletes to use.

Next up was a new athletic field and track, complete with royal blue end zones and gold numbers on the fifty-yard-line. The previous field had surpassed its lifespan and had a carpet-like feel to it. The new turf has an organic fill, keeping it significantly cooler compared to the old rubber fill used in the previous iteration. A new track was installed along with the renovation.

“The new Freitas Field is the jewel of the WCAL,” said Steven Lo, who coordinated the Padres offense for the past five years. “With the new organic material in the field, the surface looked and played like real grass. The field was absolutely immaculate and shining on game day. We pride ourselves in running a precision up-tempo offense. The new field was instrumental in providing us with efficient practices to prepare for execution on game day. Knowing that we have a pristine field for years to come bodes well for our execution in the future.”

Football, track and field, and soccer each earned championships in the field’s inaugural year.

Last summer was a busy one at Serra, with numerous parts of the campus refreshed in time for the fall semester. Most noticeable is new exterior paint on much of the school building. A deep brown color named Friar's Cloak, a nod to Saint Serra, was chosen to freshen up the façade. A cream color was also used as an accent.

An eye-catching change that can be seen from Alameda de las Pulgas is the addition of Serra's logo to Freitas Field. A 40' by 30' Serra block “S” now adorns the center of the field used for lacrosse, track and field, soccer and football.

Last, the floor of Morton Family Gymnasium was torn out and replaced with a brand new maple floor, complete with a new design. The floor features an "S" logo at midcourt and Saint Serra's motto, *Siempre Adelante*, at the edges. The last time the gym floor was fully renovated was 1982. This renovation was made possible through proceeds from our fall raffle and major gifts from Serra benefactors.

We are grateful to our alumni, parents and friends who made these projects possible. Without support for our Padre Fund and Major Gifts Program, we would not have been able to move forward to the degree that we have. As we move toward Phase III in the coming years, we are grateful that our community continues to be extremely generous with its support. As St. Junípero Serra said, “Siempre Adelante!”





# Fund a Dream 2018

An incredible evening for the Serra community



More than 400 members of the Serra community raised \$450,000 for students on financial aid at the Fund a Dream Scholarship Benefit held on February 10. This year, financial aid was awarded to 33 percent of the student body. Keynote Speaker Mike Callagy '80 united the crowd with his honorable speech that focused on what it means to be a Serra Padre and a man of integrity. In addition, two very special people—Academic Resource Director Gayle Rosenberg and Music Director Jay Jordan—were honored for their unwavering service and commitment to teaching high school students. Alumnus Eduardo Ruano '16 wrapped up the evening by illuminating how Fund a Dream impacted his life as a recipient of financial aid, and how he is paying it forward at Santa Clara University.

## Fund a Dream Keynote Speaker Mike Callagy '80

Callagy, the former San Mateo deputy police chief and current assistant San Mateo county manager, has dedicated his career to serving and empowering others.

“I consider myself blessed to have attended Serra, as I know how much of a sacrifice it was for my parents to send me there,” Callagy said. “What I learned at Serra shaped me morally, ethically and professionally. It led me to a life of service to the community.”

Callagy worked for the San Mateo Police Department for nearly 30 years. His volunteer work has included coaching baseball

and basketball, and serving on numerous boards of nonprofit agencies in San Mateo County. In 2015, he was presented with the Junípero Serra Award for his exemplary service to San Mateo County.

“I was inspired at a young age to give back to others, which was reinforced through my education at Serra,” Callagy noted. “From the perspective of my life experience as a public servant, I know that now, more than ever, Fund a Dream is essential to making the dream of attending Serra a reality. We live in an area where the demands of everyday living often create difficult choices for parents. However, when we are talking about choices being made for the young men who hold the future in their hands, what makes more sense than providing them with an opportunity to receive the best education that they can?”



Pictured (l-r): Brianna, Shannon, Mike '80, Lisa, Kevin '19 and Ryan '16

Callagy and his wife, Lisa, have four children. Their son, Kevin, is a junior at Serra. Their older son, Ryan, graduated from Serra in 2016, and their daughters, Brianna and Shannon, attended NDB. Lisa Callagy works at Serra as the executive assistant to Serra President Lars Lund.

“We have always taught our children that if you have an opportunity to help others, you have an obligation to do it,” Callagy noted. “Whether this is done through community service, one-on-one interaction or monetary contributions, the ability to impact the life of another is one of the most rewarding things that one can do. As part of the Serra family legacy, where my deep affinity for education and giving back to others was honed, I am hopeful that this way of life can be transferred to yet another generation.”

## 2018 Honoree Jay Jordan

During his 40 years at Serra, Jay Jordan has worn many hats. As the school's music director, he has taught every music class. Today's classes include Jazz Band, Symphonic Band, Men's Chorus and Beginning Guitar. The entire Serra community will miss the music maestro when he retires this summer after sharing the gift of music for four decades.

Jordan founded the Men's Chorus in the fall of 1978, the same year he added beginning winds and percussion classes. He later developed and taught a history of rock 'n' roll course, one of the first of its kind at a Bay Area high school.



Pictured (l-r): Jeff and Maddie Taylor, Jay and June Jordan

“My mission has always been to provide Serra students with a well-rounded music program,” Jordan said. “Along the way, I discovered that the opportunity to accomplish this mission in a faith context is a gift. Today's youth are incredibly open-minded to the music of the past. I do occasionally come across a student who says, ‘I don't like the Beatles,’ and I make it a mission to show him the error of his ways!”

Jordan served as Serra's visual and performing arts chair from the early 1990s to 2010. As a Serra faculty representative on the committee formed to begin the Tri-School Program in 1988, Jordan was and continues to be an advocate for the Tri-School Program. He has worked tirelessly to provide opportunities in Symphonic Band and Jazz Band for girls attending Notre Dame and Mercy. He and his fellow music directors at the girls' schools founded the Tri-School Chorus, which has been a popular extracurricular activity for more than 35 years.

In 1979, Jordan became the general music director for the spring musicals. He continued in that role until his retirement from that position in 2016 after the mesmerizing production of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*.

Over the years, Jordan was instrumental in bringing the world's most spectacular plays and musicals to life. He became the first artistic director of Tri-School Productions in 1990.

In 2009, Serra parents Bob and Julianne Sullivan and others helped Jordan to establish TRISTARS (Tri-School Theater Arts Recognition and Support) to serve as a long-needed official support group for Tri-School Productions and to provide scholarships to graduating seniors from all three schools. Jordan and Director/Choreographer Gennine Harrington wrote and directed the four TRISTARS Cabarets, which featured Tri-School Productions alumni and current students. In addition to this work in the visual and performing arts, Jordan served as the director of Serra's summer school program from 1999 to 2008.

During the past several years, Jordan and his students have been recognized all over the world. Last year, members of the Serra Men's Chorus, Jazz Band and Symphonic Band received Unanimous Superior ratings at the CMEA

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sponsored festivals for each group. This accomplishment marked the first time in Serra history that all three performing groups received Unanimous Superior ratings in the same year.

In 2008, the Serra Men’s Chorus was selected as one of two United States choirs to sing on stage at World Youth Day in Sydney, Australia. In 2011, Jordan was named San Mateo County’s Arts Educator of the Year for Music. His original choral composition, “The Rosslyn Fire,” was published by Santa Barbara Music Publishers in 2014. The same year, Jordan set the written Serra school prayer to music.

“Getting today’s Padres to love music as much as I do is my ultimate goal,” Jordan said. “I get as much joy out of it as they do. I get to play trumpet and guitar, sing and play piano every day as part of my job. How cool is that? Then I get to watch the students in the performing groups get excited about their successes. Without a doubt, the biggest rush for me is sharing in the joy when a student suddenly gets it. Music is who I am.”

Jordan is looking forward to spending more time with his wife, June, his son, Alex ‘08, daughter and son-in-law, Maddie (NDB ‘04) and Jeff Taylor, and grandson, Wesley.

### 2018 Honoree Gayle Rosenberg

Step inside Serra’s Academic Resource Center and it’s easy to see why Padres thrive under Gayle Rosenberg’s direction. For the past 20 years, Rosenberg has worked with Padres with learning differences. As the director of the Academic Resource Center, she created the program that currently serves about 170 students.

Over the years, countless graduates have come back to visit Rosenberg—many of whom call her “my second mom” or “the mentor who believed in me when others did not.” She has made an incredible difference by helping her students to build confidence and discover alternative ways of learning and retaining information.

“I enjoy working with the boys,” she said. “They come in as young, wide-eyed ninth-graders and graduate as confident, accomplished young men. I love working in an all-boys school because there’s no drama. The Padre spirit at Serra is unbelievable. There’s a culture here of respect and good manners.”

When Rosenberg returned to college to earn her master’s degree, she thought she wanted to become a psychologist until she stumbled upon a relatively new field in education. “I was exploring the area of psychology but heard about a new field, educational therapy,” she recounted. “It seemed like the perfect blend of psychology and working with children.” Rosenberg was one of the first students in the joint Special Education Master’s and Educational Therapy Program at San Francisco State University.

“I was excited to learn about the methods that had been developed since the early 1970s, when we operated in the dark,” she said. “Looking back, there were no established methods developed for how to reach these children. We invented ways to try and help them learn.”

Rosenberg is a board certified educational therapist and a member of the Association of Educational Therapists. In addition to her position at Serra, Rosenberg had an educational therapy private practice for many years. She also assisted in revamping the program for students with learning differences at Sacred Heart Prep High School. She currently serves as the educational therapist at Sacred Heart’s Center for Student Success.

“I enjoy working with students who have learning differences because they tend to think outside the box,” Rosenberg said. “I try to find their special talents and help them to discover their strengths. They learn how to use their strengths to manage their challenges. At Serra, I work with wonderful faculty and staff members who understand and accommodate our ARC students. The boys don’t feel any stigma here. They’re happy to wear their ARC Serra gear; you can feel the brotherhood and camaraderie.”



*Pictured (l-r): Steven, Gayle, Jill and Art Rosenberg*

### Serra Student Speaker Eduardo Ruano ’16

Eduardo Ruano grew up in Redwood City with his mom, Gloria, and younger sister, Lesley. He lived in a diverse apartment complex. Many of the tenants were undocumented and knew few English words. He played soccer with other children in the sparse concrete parking lots near his building.

“This is what I hold on to the most now that I am older—finding joy in the simplest things, even though my family’s financial stability was not ideal at that time,” Ruano noted. “My mom recognized the value of a college-prep education, which is why I attended Serra. Moral development was so important to her. I was extremely lucky to be the recipient of financial aid when I was a high school student at Serra. That is something that I will always keep very near and dear to my heart. People I’ll probably never meet in my lifetime donated a considerable sum of money, and that changed my life for the better.”

Ruano thrived at Serra, where he participated in retreat leadership and was a member of the National Honor Society and the California Scholarship Federation. He also was the manager of the Serra soccer team.

“Everything that I achieved at Serra, whether it was an award or college acceptance, was rooted in the financial aid that was given to me,” Ruano said. “‘Thank you’ is not enough to describe the profound sense of gratitude I have for those who donated and those who continue to donate each and every year.”

“If I were to give advice to today’s Padres, I would say, ‘Never forget where you come from; always stay true to who you



*Eduardo is pictured with his mom, Gloria, and his sister, Lesley.*

are and how you grew up.’ I sometimes sit and think, ‘Who would have thought that the Central American kid who came out of a broken public school system and a low-income, single-parent household

would have so much success at a high school that was totally different from what he was used to growing up? Who would have thought that this same student would become a student activist advocating and fighting for the rights of others at Santa Clara University on a full scholarship?’ I will never forget my humble beginning.”

Ruano is majoring in economics at Santa Clara University. He often speaks to high school and middle school students about college life, and what it means to be a student of color on a predominantly white campus. Ruano also serves a lector at the university’s monthly Spanish Mass and is a co-cultural chair for MEChA-El Frente, the school’s Latinx student union.

“I don’t think I would have had the passion and conscientiousness to do these things if it had not been for the personal moral growth I had as a Serra Padre,” he said.

Ruano believes that Fund a Dream makes an incredible difference in the lives of Serra Padres.

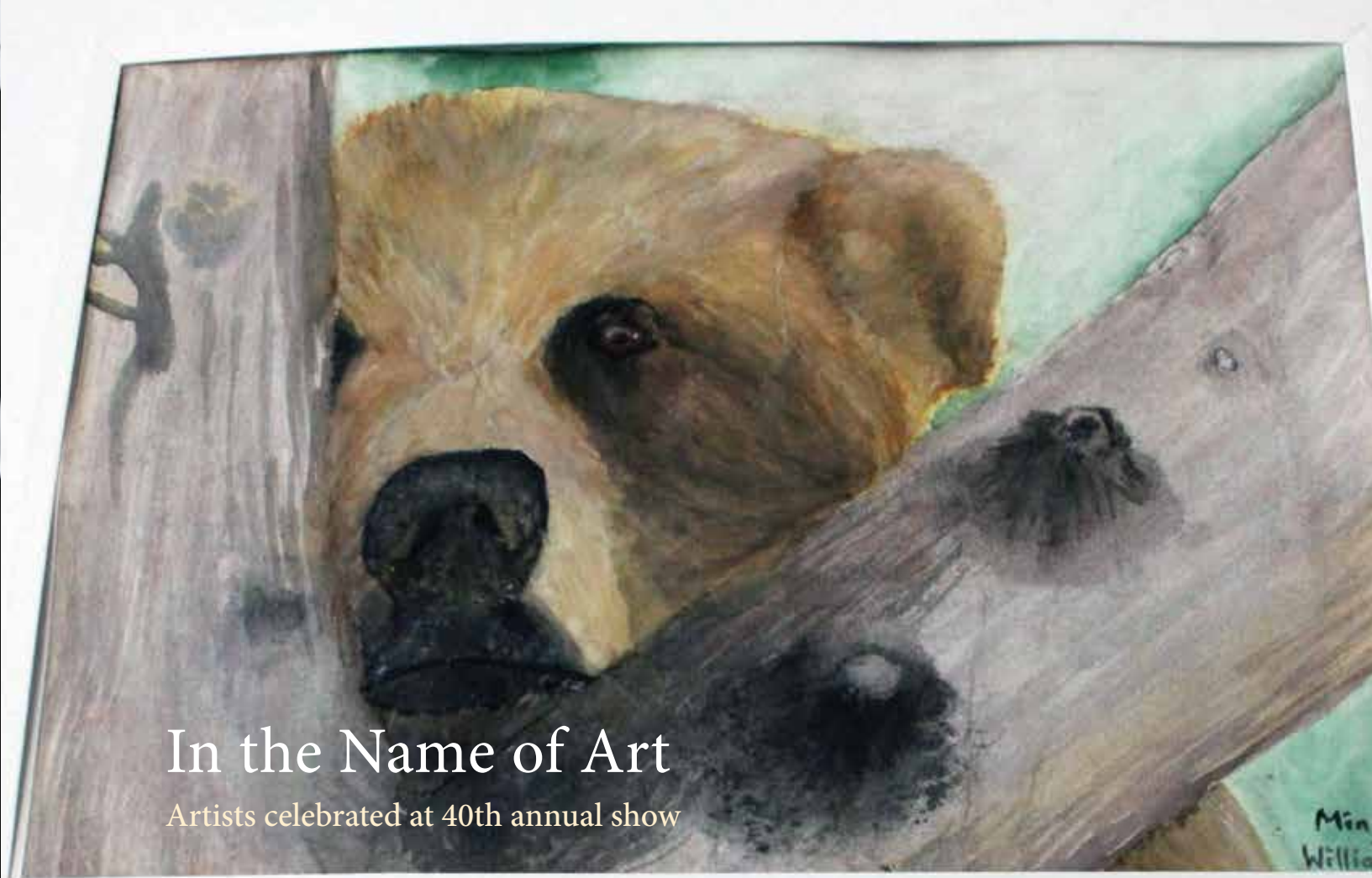
“It’s such an important event because it helps Serra Padres to develop into young men of compassion and faith,” he explained. “Our generous donors ensure that more young men will have these traits so that they will go on to become leaders on college campuses and in their career fields. We are cultivating future husbands and fathers who are intelligent, compassionate and full of love for others. These are the traits that make the Serra brotherhood a true brotherhood.”







Pictured, right (l-r):  
Kyler Jerome '18, Kristin  
Jerome and Jeff Jerome;  
Below (l-r): Rory  
McGinty (NDB '16),  
Kara McGinty (NDB  
'88) and Scott McGinty.  
(Son Patrick McGinty  
'18 is pictured in his bow  
tie on the main stage)



The Serra community celebrated the senior class at the 35th Annual Mothers' Auxiliary Fashion Show *Mardi Gras* on April 28. It was a delightful evening with a festive theme. The highlight of the show was the Mother-Son Walk, where Serra seniors honored their moms on the runway and presented them with a red rose.

A very special thank you to Fashion Show Chairs Andrea O'Riordan and Davina Murphy for running the show, and to Joanie Bevilacqua for choreographing the vibrant dance segments. We would also like to say a fond farewell to Kristin Jerome and Kara McGinty for their many years of service to the Serra fashion show.



Padre artists showcased their extraordinary artwork on May 2 at the 40th Art Show. The event was held in the art and ceramics rooms.

According to art teacher Peggy Farrell, "It was a wonderful chance to see our new artists, enjoy and buy their work, and celebrate 40 art shows together in one fabulous art community."



Students raised more than \$1,000 for the Memory Project, a nonprofit that supports disadvantaged orphans in other countries across the world.

The show was packed with students, parents, friends of Serra and alumni.

One special guest included world-famous photographer Michael Collopy '76, who was impressed by the quality of the students' work.



Pictured (l-r): Noreen Solari, former science teacher Rob Solari, Peggy Farrell, Michael Collopy '76 and Dean of Studies Rita Lee

"I was so happy to be at the majestic, crowd-packed opening of stunning student artwork," he said. "There are some up and coming superstars under the amazing leadership of Peggy Farrell and the direction of Sister Celeste and Clara Lonardo."





## Radium Girls Explores American Obsessions, Corporate Exploitation

Gender bias, corporate malpractice and exploitation . . . Tri-School Productions students from Serra, Mercy and Notre Dame presented D.W. Gregory’s *Radium Girls* during the fall semester. Inspired by true events, *Radium Girls* is a fast-moving, highly theatrical ensemble piece that offers a wry, unflinching look at American obsessions with health, wealth and responsibility.

*Radium Girls* struggles with the idea that truths hiding in darkness are the most dangerous of all. When the girls who work at the U.S. Radium Corporation’s watch dial factories get sick from an unknown poison, could the world’s newest miracle cure—radium—be the culprit? During a time when Nobel Prize winner Mme. Marie Curie became a celebrity and toured the world, physicians learned that the application of radium salts to tumors shrank cancer. Radium therapy was introduced into hospitals during that time.

“There were bottles of radium water (guaranteed to make the drinker sparkle with energy), radium soda, radium candy and radium-laced facial creams to rejuvenate the skin,” noted Tri-School Productions Director Lawrence Long. “Health spas even dumped uranium ore into their hot springs in order

to capture radium’s magic. The world was riding high on the health bounty of the radioactive element, but for the girls working as dial painters in the U.S. Radium Corporation’s factory in Orange, New Jersey, radium meant something else entirely.”



A factory worker using luminous paint in 1932

For many girls, some of whom were only 15, their factory jobs enabled them to escape poverty. Girl such as Grace Fryer and Kathryn Schaub quit school to work for U.S. Radium Corporation’s watch dial painting factory. They made almost three times what their fathers or husbands made, and left



the factory each night literally basking in the glow of their work, painting glow-in-the-dark watch dials for American soldiers during WWI. In order to get the point of their paint brushes just right, they were instructed to point the tips with their lips. What harm could come from swallowing a little radium, the medicine used by doctors and scientists?

“We don’t hear enough stories of strong women fighting back,” said Keira Cruickshank (NDB ’18), who played Grace Fryer. “Culturally, we have this idea that female role models have to behave a certain way; they have to be strong, confident and outspoken. We unfairly expect them to be more than human. What I’ve learned from playing Grace is that she’s not perfect. There are times she is neither strong nor confident nor outspoken. Often, female characters aren’t given the luxury of being human in the same way male characters are, but in this play, they get their chance.” Kat McGee (Mercy ’18) noticed the role of the media in

the play, which is quite similar to the role of the media today.

“The power that the media has to persuade the public can be frightening, especially now with poor reporting tainted by bias and spin,” she said. “It makes it nearly impossible to know the truth about politics.”

In the play, the U.S. Radium Corporation is represented by its figurehead and leader, Arthur Roeder, who was played by Serra’s Kevin Castellanos ’18. When asked about his character, Castellanos said, “One of the main ideas stressed is how humans may prioritize the efforts to achieve validation from others over principled and ethical behavior. Arthur wants the people around him to see him as a righteous individual, which ironically overshadows his sense of moral obligation. Playing a morally complex character in a realistic world has taught me so much about humanity.”

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# Musicians Shine at the Spring Concert

Event marks Jay Jordan’s last concert before retirement



The Gellert Auditorium was packed on May 9, when Tri-School musicians presented *Will the Circle Be Unbroken*, this year’s spring concert. The event marked Music Director Jay Jordan’s last concert before his retirement in June.

“I was excited because it was my last concert, but I didn’t want that fact to overshadow the fine work that all the student-musicians were doing,” Jay said. “The theme of the concert was Americana, a music category encompassing many different styles including folk, country, blues, bluegrass, rock ‘n’ roll, etc. The repertoire of each group included one or more selections from the Americana genre, including the title song of the concert, *Will the Circle Be Unbroken*, which was sung by the Tri-School Chorus. I thought that title was also a relevant question regarding the future, for me and for the Music Department.”

A highlight of the show was when alumni trio, Tom Sullivan ’81, Alex Jordan ’08 and Owen McInnis ’10 accompanied the Men’s Chorus on the bluegrass standard, *Shady Grove*.



At the end of the concert, Jordan was honored by his music students and the Serra administration. Serra President Lars Lund announced the Jay Jordan Scholarship Fund has been established to celebrate Jordan’s 41-year legacy of outstanding music education. The scholarship fund will support outstanding music students who require financial assistance to be able to attend Serra.



“Based on this solid foundation of early support, we are asking our entire community to support this fund so that worthy students will have an opportunity to flourish in the fantastic programs that Jay built and stewarded over four decades,” Lund said. “Jay changed the lives of thousands of Serra, Mercy and Notre Dame students over the years. His profound effect on our school will never be forgotten, and we are proud to honor his wonderful career with this scholarship fund.”

For more information about the Jay Jordan Scholarship Fund, please visit <https://www.serrahs.com/jordanscholarship>.



Tri-School Productions Presents  
*West Side Story*





## ♪ When you're a Jet, you're a Jet all the way... ♪

Tri-School students from Serra, Mercy and Notre Dame recently presented *West Side Story*, the beloved musical that has inspired generations of theatre fans. Who could ever forget the heart-wrenching tale of star-crossed lovers Maria and Tony, based on a *Romeo and Juliet* theme that has stood the test of time since the show's debut in 1957.

"Tri-School Productions was immeasurably proud to bring *West Side Story* to our community this spring," said Drama Director and Production Manager Lawrence Long. "The show is a wonderful representation of the good and bad in life. The issues that society faced half a century ago are still relevant. Our students worked tirelessly on this iconic show, bringing thrilling dance numbers, gorgeous singing and a story that resonates with social issues that are as relevant today as when it was first performed. It's a horribly tragic story that's told with so much beauty."

Audiences were mesmerized by captivating sets, colorful costumes and unforgettable music and dance numbers, as the Sharks and Jets danced their way through turf wars ignited by heated issues of immigration and racism. The Sharks' fiery shades of crimson, purple and orange electrified the stage, while the Jets were unified in sherbet shades of yellow, blue and green.

"The opportunity to play a lead role during my senior year of high school was amazing," said Serra senior Holden Boger, who played Tony. "The role of Tony is very emotionally intense, and it required a lot of hard work and contemplation of character choices and motivations. The story centers on this idea that we all have something in common. It was a challenge that I was thrilled to take on!"



Mercy senior Isabella Torre played the role of Maria, a hopeless romantic who falls madly in love with Tony. Torre noted how different Maria is in Act II, compared to Act I. "She goes from being young and naive to suddenly very mature," she explained.

NDB sophomore Sophia Bouzid, who played the feisty Anita, had a lot to manage, particularly with the powerful music and dance number, "America." Not only did she manage complicated choreography, she also sang all the way through the song. "It's all about breath control," she said. "All while presenting the intense emotions that my character experiences."

Director and Choreographer Gennine Harrington called the show "a choreographer's dream."

"It was awesome to have teens playing teens," she added. "In the end, the audience was left with a powerful message—hate kills and love wins."





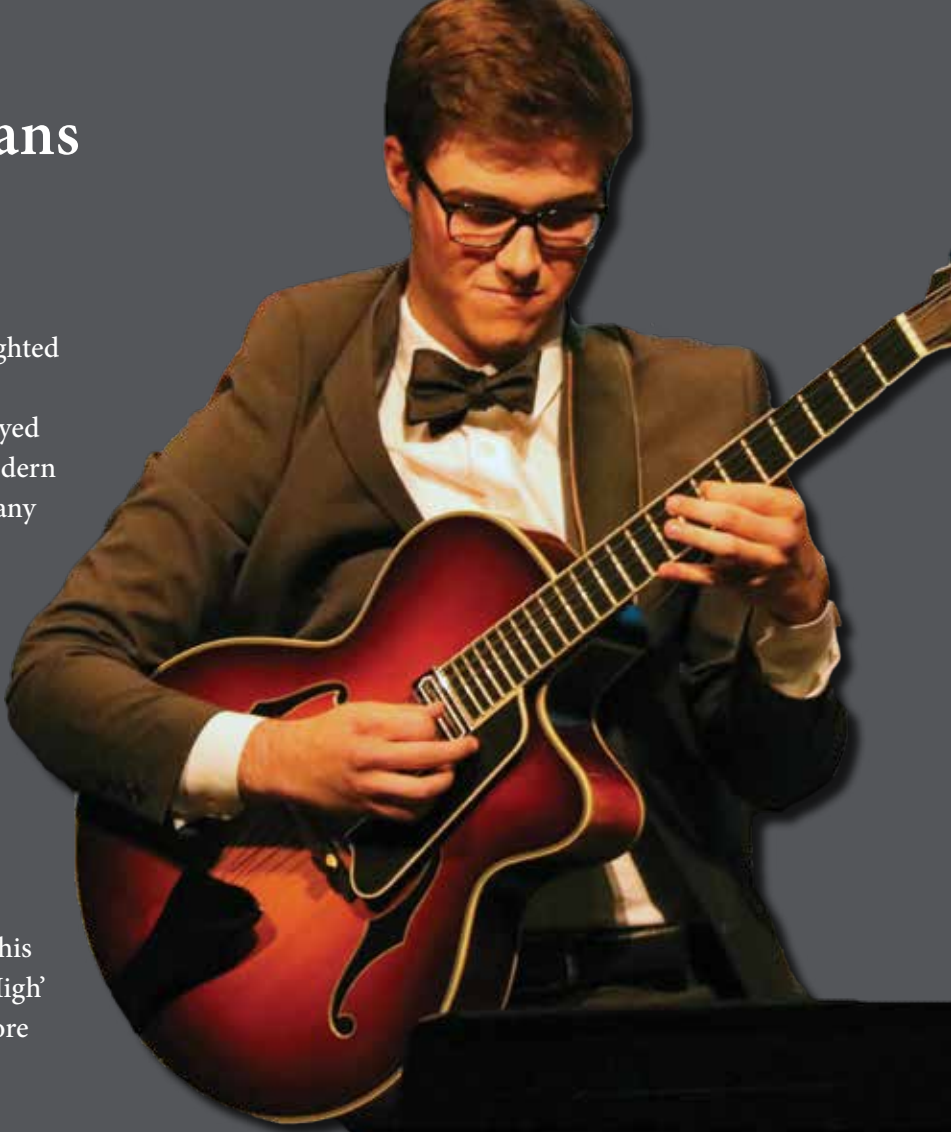


Sax Section (l-r): Elizabeth Cheung (NDB '18), Yasmine Duden (Mercy '19), Miguel Amaral '18, Zihui Liu '18, Nicholai Triner '18

# Tri-School Musicians Swing into Spring

Serra’s *Swing Into Spring* concert delighted music fans of all ages on April 18. Members of the Serra Jazz Band played everything from Count Basie swing to modern Miles Davis funk. The concert featured many fine soloists, including Nico Figueroa ’19 on trumpet, Grant Grech ’18 on guitar, Liz Cheung (NDB ’18) on tenor sax, Preyasi Kumar (NDB ’19) on vocals, and Miguel Amaral ’18 on alto sax. Miguel also played an original piano piece, “Hey, Pipe Down.”

“The band played a great concert,” said Serra Music Director Jay Jordan. “We had some challenging charts on the program this year, including Chick Corea’s ‘500 Miles High’ and Miles Davis’ ‘Tutu.’ Our musicians more than rose to the occasion.”



Guitar: Grant Grech '18



Trombone: Marco Cornelio '19



Vocals: Preyasi Kumar (NDB '19)





# Dennis '58 and Pam Lucey

Honor Serra's Founder



## Father Serra Heritage Society

Dennis Lucey '58 and his wife, Pam, are always out and about in Washington, D.C. They are involved with many causes, and their passion for giving back and making a difference shines through in everything they do.

As members of the Father Serra Heritage Society, the Luceys want to make sure that the spirit of Serra High School continues well into the future.

“What better way to do this than to support institutions such as Serra by designating a bequest,” Dennis said. “We are all people for others. We were blessed at Serra. Let us continue that great Serra tradition and mission. We were put on this earth to be stewards of what we have and to give back. Much has been given to us, so it’s important for us to give back to others.”



Dennis and Pam recently commissioned an exceptionally generous gift to the school—a statue of St. Junípero Serra, which will be blessed and dedicated in the Alumni Courtyard this fall. The bronze sculpture was made by artist Shelley Smith.

“The statue symbolizes who St. Serra was and how he

made a positive difference by establishing the missions,” Dennis noted. “Pam and I wanted to continue that spirit of St. Serra into the future.”

“The Serra community is grateful to Dennis and Pam for their generosity and support of Serra’s mission,” said Serra President Lars Lund. “The statue of St. Junípero Serra will be a wonderful focal point for our Serra Padres, as he will welcome them with his hand outstretched every morning. Saint Serra was a devoted follower of Christ, who made it his life’s work to spread the Gospel message. He is an example of a man who answered God’s call and dedicated his life to service. Emboldened by his motto, ‘Siempre Adelante,’ Saint Serra forged ahead along the California coast, never losing sight of his mission. He serves as a great model for our students, each of whom is called by God to a life of holiness and service to others.”

## Once a Padre, Always a Padre

Dennis grew up in Redwood City, where he attended Our Lady of Mount Carmel School. His parents were from Ireland. They did their best to provide for their young family in a new world.

“We didn’t have a lot, but I thought we had everything,” Dennis said. It’s hard to believe that Dennis the extrovert actually was an introvert in high school!

“I was the shyest guy at Serra,” he remembered. “I had one date in high school and thick glasses. But, I loved my teachers and the whole philosophy of the school. The teachers were fantastic

and we had an unbelievable group of great priests—Fathers Frank Hurley, John Ring, Tom Madden, John Zoph, Tom Kennedy, Peter Sammon, John Kavanagh, Len Williams and Ed Allen were all truly men for others.”

Dennis was the student manager for the baseball and football teams. He also created the Public Relations Club. His job was to feed school stories to the local newspapers, especially *The San Mateo Times*, *The Burlingame Advance Star* and *The Redwood City Tribune*.

“After high school, I went to St. Joseph’s Seminary,” Dennis noted. “Then, at 18, I got a pair of contact lenses and became the most extroverted guy in the world.”

Dennis left the seminary after two years and continued his education at the University of San Francisco. After college, he moved to Washington, D.C. and joined the Burroughs Corporation in the very early days of the main computer market. Dennis later joined the computer division of Xerox and remained there for 14 years. He took two sabbaticals from Xerox, spending a year as the chief administrator of the Navy Hospital ship HOPE on its yearlong service to the people of Northeast Brazil. Dennis spent two additional years serving as the director of Peace Corps in Liberia, West Africa.

After a year in Africa, Dennis returned to Washington for a three-week Peace Corps training session. A twist of fate occurred on his first night back, when he walked into the only Irish pub in Washington. Dennis’ cousin played in the

pub’s Irish band and told him that a pretty, young biology teacher would have a great time talking to Dennis about Africa. The cousin introduced Dennis and Pam, and it was love at first sight.

“She was funny and oh so good-looking,” Dennis remembered. “The very first thing Pam said to me was that she wanted to go to Africa. The Holy Spirit whispered in my ear and the first thing out of my mouth was, ‘I’m in town for three weeks. We have to get married.’”

Lucky for Dennis, Pam said “yes” on the spot. The Luceys celebrated 41 years of marriage this year! Today, Dennis and Pam are extremely involved in the National Peace Corps Association, the American-Ireland Fund, So Others Might Eat (one of the largest homeless shelters in Washington) and SOAR (Support Our Aging Religious. They are also generous supporters of Gonzaga College High School, Georgetown Visitation Preparatory School in Washington, D.C., the Knights and Dames of Malta, the Ignation Volunteer Corps, the Jesuit Volunteer Corps, Providence Hospital and Holy Trinity Jesuit Parish in Washington.

“In volunteering, the volunteers are the ones who benefit the most,” Dennis said. “The volunteers always receive more than they can ever give.”

The Luceys live in Virginia. Dennis continues to work in the computer industry. They have two children, Christopher and Megan, and four grandchildren.

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# STATE CHAMPIONS



of 18-straight victories against WCAL opponents dating back to 2016 and has beaten St. Francis four games in a row.

After 17 years at Serra, Coach Walsh was recently asked about what makes a coach and why he believes it to be an important vocation.

“I believe a coach in 2018 needs to understand that we are filling the role of a servant coach,” said Walsh. “Servant coaching is something that I truly believe in. How do I serve the kids? Their parents? Serra High School’s mission and philosophy? I believe this vantage point is something that I have had to learn over my 17-year career as a head coach. I love football and I love what it does for kids. Football is the best platform to accelerate adolescent growth into adulthood. [As an extension of the classroom and the efforts of parents at home, football accelerates personal accountability, responsibility, commitment and love for our fellow man.](#) Where else can you dig this deep into the soul of a teenage boy than a football locker room? This is why I still coach and what brings me back to Serra year over year.”

The Padres faced first-class competition all season, competing against players with offers to all the big-name colleges, including a running back who broke the national touchdown record. But the Padres grew as a team and trusted one another. The senior leadership of Mafi, Villaroman, Kendrick, Patrick Nunn and Nick Brown guided the team to new heights, holding the high-flying offense of Cajon to just 14 points in the title game.

A football state championship banner will hang proudly in Morton Family Gymnasium for decades to come. The “team of never” will hang it together, never forgetting the hard work, belief and bonds that took them to the apex of high school football.



The sky above Hornet Stadium popped with bright hues of magenta and fuchsia as the athletes below toiled and struggled for every yard. The players breathed the crisp December air deep into their lungs, knowing the end of the season was growing near.

Serra was battling highly-regarded Cajon High School of San Bernardino in the D2-AA State Football Championship Game. Late afternoon transitioned into early evening as darkness settled on the Sacramento area. Suddenly, a rush of cold water enveloped Head Coach Patrick Walsh. WCAL Player of the Year ‘Atonio Mafi had just given Coach Walsh the celebratory “Gatorade bath” that coaches dream of. An eye-opening jolt out of a dream season. The Padres had won a state championship; an exclamation point on an astounding season for Serra football.

Coach Walsh nicknamed this team “the team of never” because of its historic accomplishments. The Padres won 12 games in a row and went undefeated in the WCAL, the first Serra team to do so since 1969. Quarterback Luke Bottari broke Tom Brady’s ’95 single-game completions record with 28 in the CCS Championship Game. Receiver Shane Villaroman surpassed Lynn Swann ’70 to set the all-time receptions and receiving yardage marks at the school. Running back Isiah Kendrick is now the career touchdown leader at the school. The team has a streak





# Serra QB Advocates for Suicide Prevention



Varsity football quarterback Luke Bottari '19 is a role model to his peers, and he is a soft-spoken leader on and off the field. Last year, Bottari lost someone close to him—a former girlfriend whom he had known since middle school.

“She was always smiling, had a great personality and was beautiful,” Bottari remembered. “She taught me to always treat people with respect and respect people’s differences. Having someone very dear to me take her life at such a young age had a huge impact on me.”

Bottari decided to channel his grief into creating something meaningful that would help other teenagers and their families to cope with mental health issues and suicide. With the help of his mother, Natasha, and Serra Head Football Coach Patrick Walsh, Bottari established Play4Prevention, a nonprofit foundation. Play4P is sponsored by Next Level Sports Foundation. Community partners include Game Face Performance and Safespace community service agency in Menlo Park.

“I wanted to support Luke’s passion and dedication,” said Walsh, the founder of Next Level Sports Foundation. “Most students have great ideas that are never brought to fruition. Luke has

made this happen, and there’s a deep well of energy that you can feel when you’re around him. This actually can be more powerful than the traditional vocal leader. He inspires the rest of the team through his dependability and accountability. If you want a friend or teammate to support you, Luke would be on everybody’s short list.”

Play4P kicked off an awareness campaign in October during the Serra homecoming game against Mitty. Members of the varsity and junior varsity football teams wore Play4Prevention socks during the game. In addition to addressing mental health issues, the foundation also encourages teens to find their passions.

“We hope to inspire and empower them,” Bottari said. “Even during their hardest times, kids and teens are not alone, no matter the circumstance or overwhelming struggle of the moment. We want to bring a voice to the stigma of teen suicide for teens and parents and offer a place to find resource support, open discussion, ultimate comfort and kinship.”



Luke Bottari '19 and Serra Head Football Coach Patrick Walsh

Play4Prevention was featured at more than 20 sporting events during its rollout last fall. Bottari and his volunteers educated thousands of Bay Area students from all walks of life.

“Student-athletes from girls’ volleyball, coed cross country, girls’ dance and cheer, and football spoke publicly about teen suicide at their competitions,” Bottari noted. “The students wore P4P socks during their games to show their commitment to learning more about the dangerous signs of depression, anxiety and suicidal thoughts. Helping teens to overcome adversity and stay mentally healthy is a lifelong goal for me.”

Bottari was honored by the San Mateo Chamber of Commerce in February during the 23rd annual Business Awards Dinner at the Marriott Hotel. He received the Community Service Award from the chamber and the City of San Mateo for his dedication to increasing awareness about teen suicide.

A quiet leader, Bottari’s compassion has inspired students from public and private high schools across Northern California to become student ambassadors. He has received certificates of recognition from Congresswoman Jackie Speier, The San Mateo City Council, The San Mateo County Board of Supervisors, State Senator Jerry Hill and Assemblyman Kevin Mullin '88.

“I am immensely proud of Luke’s advocacy on the behalf of students,” said Serra Principal Barry Thornton, Ed.D. “He has shown tremendous courage in sharing his story and calling his peers to join him in reaching out to one another. It is wonderful that the San Mateo Chamber of Commerce recognized the importance of Luke’s work in our community.”



Serra Principal Barry Thornton, Ed.D. and Luke Bottari '19

## Marine Corps Honor

Bottari was ecstatic when he learned that he was selected as the Bay Area Semper Fidelis All-American. Presented by the United States Marine Corps, the Semper Fidelis All-

American Program recognizes high school students who face life’s battles with the conviction and determination to succeed. Only about 100 students in the United States receive this prestigious honor every year.

According to the Marine Corps Marketing and Communications Director Sgt. Alfred V. Lopez, “These students embody the same fighting spirit that Marines stand for by taking on the challenges of succeeding academically while bettering their communities and excelling in athletics and extracurricular activities. They have turned obstacles into victories through drive and passion and will be recognized for their achievements at the exclusive Battles Won Academy.”

Bottari, who was nominated by Tom Brady, Sr., was recognized for excellent grades and for establishing Play4Prevention. Brady is extremely impressed by Bottari’s commitment to Play4Prevention.

“I have heard nothing but glowing comments about Luke—he is unique in so many ways,” he said. “He has succeeded academically and he is a leader on the football field. Luke started his own foundation, which is something that very few people would be able to do. The Marine Corps motto is ‘The few, the proud, the Marines.’ In this case, Luke is one of the very few and he has a lot to be proud of.”



Tom Brady, Sr. and Luke Bottari '19

Bottari will receive an all-expenses paid trip to attend the four-day Battles Won Academy, which will be held in Washington, D.C. in July. He will participate in daily workouts, an immersive Marine Corps experience on base in Quantico, a community service event, teambuilding outings and a tour of our nation’s capital.

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“I was really excited and shocked to hear that I had been selected for this honor,” Bottari said. “I am so grateful to Mr. Brady for nominating me and to all of the people in the Serra community who have supported me. When I was a freshman, I didn’t fully understand the concept of the Serra brotherhood. But now, through this and so many other experiences, I understand that lifetime of brotherhood and hope to pay it forward to younger Padres in the future. I am looking forward to visiting Washington, D.C. this summer. I think the experience will enable me to grow, mature as a man and be pushed to my limits.”

Walsh said Bottari is an extraordinary teenager. “Character, compassion, love for others, spiritual warrior . . . these are the words that come to mind when I think of Luke,” he said. “Although his individual accomplishments in 2017 are unprecedented—the most yards in a season, most completions in a season, most completions in a game, and leading our team as the starting quarterback to the state championship—they all pale by comparison to his efforts in starting Play4Prevention. Luke focuses on others in need and he is truly a remarkable human being. And the best part? We get him for another year at Serra!”

### Rooted in Faith

A life-changing aspect of Serra’s football program is the chapel series, led by Fr. Joe Bradley ’73. Bottari said chapel has grounded him and has encouraged him to speak up.

“Chapel is one of the most important parts of Serra football,” he added. “We form strong relationships and it has brought me back to my faith.”

“Luke is mature beyond his years, both on and off the football field,” Fr. Joe said. “He has handled success with grace, and he is a genuine team player. The loss of his dear friend has deeply affected his life, and I have great respect for how Luke is turning a terrible tragedy into a deeply reflective experience for teens throughout the area. I admire his courage to bring teen suicide into a focused discussion for teens, their families and school communities.”



## What is Serra Football Chapel?

*It’s Friday afternoon and the sounds of Metallica echo through the chapel windows. Pregame prayer service has begun. There’s a lot of clapping, then silence, then more music, and a final prayer at the end of the hour.*

Flash forward to the end of the season—the Serra Padres take the state title. What has brought Serra’s football program to such prominence? What has taken individual teenagers and woven them into an interconnected web of consciousness? What was the “it factor?” Weekly team chapel.

In the fall of 2001, Head Football Coach Patrick Walsh brought his favorite De La Salle tradition to Serra. As a high school student-athlete, Walsh found value in the serene, chapel environment. He and Fr. Joe Bradley ’73, Patti Ferretti and Ed Taylor established a rock-solid program over the next 17 years.

“Our chapel services, led by Fr. Joe, are held throughout the year the day before the game,” Walsh explained. “They give our student-athletes a safe and comfortable place to share any and all of their emotions. Too many places in our society today don’t allow men to share their feelings, and that can be unhealthy. The chapel services are very emotional. It is not uncommon for them to end in tears and hugs with players telling them that they love each other. Where else can young men do this in our society? The common concept of men being warriors and having to hold all of their emotions inside is a failing business model. At Serra, we encourage our young men to be spiritual warriors. Fr. Joe has been the pillar of the football chapels and is the chief of the spiritual warriors!”

The chapel services focus on the Padres’ emotional and spiritual preparation for each week’s upcoming game. Students choose music, Bible verses, quotes and poems. They also share their personal stories and challenges.

“It’s more than scoring touchdowns in a high school football game,” Fr. Joe explained. “Football is just the instrument we use to measure our growth as spiritual men. The ‘spirit’ of chapel does not come from me; it evolves from the guys, themselves. They prepare the music, quotes and shared reflections. We consider our lives in light of the Gospel values of faith, trust and humility. My hope is that they will become comfortable in church, comfortable sharing their faith experience with their brothers, and comfortable in silent reflection with God. For me, it’s a genuine blessing to watch as each Padre grows and matures through his experience of chapel. The questions we always come back to are ‘What kind of man will you be 10 years from now?’ and ‘Can you take the spiritual lessons of chapel and competition with you?’”

Football lineman and Student Body President Alberto Rodriguez said he found his place on the team in the chapel. “Chapel enabled me to open up to my brothers and tell them before every game why we fight and how much I love

them,” he explained. “Chapel was a sacred space, where you could feel the love of the brotherhood flow through a group of hardened football players. No place at Serra is as sacred as those red chairs in that cozy chapel.”

Ferretti called the chapel series “a peaceful bonding of the brotherhood,” adding that the students “cry in there, laugh in there and call each other out. Most of all, they help each other. It’s a sacred place for them to share whatever is on their minds. Whatever is said in chapel, stays in chapel. If it’s a good chapel, we know we’ll have a good game.”

“I hope that our students will learn the true meaning of love, brotherhood and humility,” Walsh said. “I also hope that week by week, they will gain a deeper sense of our purpose and direction. [Chapel is a great place to clear the air about any issues preventing us from being our best selves and being the best team.](#) We have many obstacles in our everyday lives to achieve success, but our football community should never be one of them. If we can build a culture of love in chapel, then we will be a much better team on Fridays and Saturdays. Playing for the love of a teammate is also much more rewarding than playing for the scoreboard and trophies.”

*“THE QUESTIONS WE ALWAYS COME BACK TO ARE ‘WHAT KIND OF MAN WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS FROM NOW?’ AND ‘CAN YOU TAKE THE SPIRITUAL LESSONS OF CHAPEL AND COMPETITION WITH YOU?’”*

*Fr. Joe Bradley ’73*





# Padre Bench



## ▲ FOOTBALL

Varsity Head Coach: Patrick Walsh

### Record/Qualifiers

Varsity  
WCAL, CCS, NorCal and State Champions  
WCAL: 7-0 (1st Place)  
Overall: 13-2  
MVP: Isiah Kendrick and 'Atonio Mafi

Junior Varsity  
WCAL Champions  
WCAL: 6-1 (1st Place)  
Overall: 6-3  
MVP: Dylan Eaton

### Awards

WCAL Player of the Year: 'Atonio Mafi  
WCAL QB of the Year: Luke Bottari  
WCAL Receiver of the Year: Patrick Nunn  
WCAL Utility Player of the Year: Chris Park  
WCAL Kicker of the Year: Damon Lewis

1st Team All-WCAL:  
Luke Bottari  
Nick Brown  
Isiah Kendrick  
E.J. Lahlouh  
'Atonio Mafi  
Patrick Nunn  
Chris Park  
Moses Tameilau

### College Commitments

Andres Atkins, Luther College  
  
Lucas Hackett-Provenzano, Pomona College  
  
'Atonio Mafi, UCLA  
  
Patrick Nunn, Washington State University  
  
Chris Park, Columbia University

## CROSS COUNTRY ➤

Head Coach: Ron DiMaggio '97

### Record/Qualifiers

Varsity: WCAL 6th place (13 total points)  
JV: WCAL: 6th place (12 total points)  
Soph: WCAL: 4th place (22 total points)  
Frosh: WCAL: 6th palce (11 total points)

### Awards

MVP/Blanket Award: Enrique Brenes  
Most Improved Runner: Jared Lujan  
Coaches Award: Will Malone and Daniel Ralls

Most Outstanding JV Runner: Andrew Abbey  
Most Outstanding Soph Runner: Aidan Pond  
Most Outstanding Frosh Runner: Julian Schaffner



## PAST FIVE YEARS

FOUR WCAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

THREE CCS CHAMPIONSHIPS

TWO NORCAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

ONE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

## NEW SERRA RECORDS

Team points per game (42.1)  
Team points in a game (76 vs. Tulare Union)  
Team yards in a season (6,474)  
Career points (324, Isiah Kendrick)  
Career touchdowns (54, Kendrick)  
Receptions in a career (107, Shane Villaroman)  
Receiving yards in a career (1,535, Villaroman)  
Receptions in a season (64, Patrick Nunn)  
Passing yards in a season (2,770, Luke Bottari)  
Completions in a career (282, Bottari)  
Completions in a season (203, Bottari)  
Completions in a game (28, Bottari)  
Passing attempts in a season (281, Bottari)  
PAT's in a season (74, Damon Lewis)  
PAT's in a game (10, Lewis)  
Most wins in a season (13)







SERRA VOLLEYBALL RISES TO NEW HEIGHTS

Volleyballs traveling at high velocity scream through the air at Morton Family Gymnasium before games these days. Finely-tuned athletes climb to new heights before reaching back to finish rallies with a violent swing of their arms. Spikes, aces and victories were common place for Serra volleyball this spring, as the program has been reborn under Head Coach Gary Colbert.

Leading the charge for the Padres’ resurgence was senior Zach Smith '18, who was named WCAL Volleyball Player of the Year after an outstanding career and senior season for the Padres.



The senior captain was a dominant force for Serra this season, leading the team in kills and hitting percentage. The program is looking forward to a bright future, thanks to excellent coaching, fan support and a talented group of underclassmen set to take the reins in the coming years.

“The past two seasons have been two of the best in the history of the program,” said Head Coach Gary Colbert.

“After going winless in the WCAL in 2015, the current group of players has worked extremely hard these last three years to go from the basement to a feared and respected opponent in both league and CCS.”

In 2016, the young team won its first league game and won 10 matches. In 2017, the team finished third in WCAL, and qualified for the playoffs for the first time in more than a decade; only to lose in the quarter finals to the eventual NorCal champions. This past year saw the team finish second in the WCAL with a 10-2 record, and a stellar overall record of 27-8, losing in the CCS Semifinals to Branham.

“For the first time in school history, the team boasted the league MVP in senior Zachary Smith, who will continue on to play volleyball next year at Chico State,” Colbert noted. “Along with Zachary, the team had the most All-League players in the program’s history, with senior Michael Gonzales joining him for the second consecutive year on the First Team.”

Juniors Neeraj Keshav and Brian Ronan made the Second Team. Senior Trenton Miller was named Honorable Mention. This year’s team award winners were senior Zachary Smith (MVP), who led the team with 460 kills, hitting percentage (.362), and in point differential (+265). Keshav earned the Coaches’ Award for leading the team with 710 assists, a .960 service percentage and 278 service points. Junior Matthew Conry (most improved) led the team in blocks with 78, and was fourth on the team with 112 kills, hitting .173. Keane Blundell (best newcomer) played his first and only year on varsity, adding 101 kills, 27 blocks, and 19 digs.



2018 SHEA AWARD RECIPIENT ELIJAH FOLAU

Serra’s Shea Award was established in 1966 in honor of James P. Shea ’58, who fought in the Vietnam War and was killed in action. The annual award goes to a senior athlete who displays outstanding sportsmanship, athletic ability and excellence in the classroom.

Elijah Folau ’18, the 2018 honoree, is a high-character student-athlete who excels in the classroom and on the field. Folau was a member of this year’s state-champion football team. He started all 15 games at left tackle, and anchored an offense that broke school and WCAL records. Folau was named All-League after the season.

Folau also excels in track and field as a thrower. He recently won the WCAL and CCS shot put championships and placed second in the CCS in discus. He has been an excellent thrower throughout his years at Serra, as he earned the WCAL discus title during his sophomore year. Folau’s success this year is an inspiring story, given that he tore his MCL in the football state championship game in December. With his health for track season in doubt, Folau committed himself to 10 weeks of intensive rehab. He was back throwing in February, and ended his season with a trip to the CIF State Track and Field Championships in Clovis.

Folau is an excellent student. His senior year class schedule included AP literature, AP statistics, AP government and calculus. He made the Principal’s List in each semester of his Serra career and boasts an overall weighted GPA of more than 4.0.



“It is an honor to receive the prestigious Shea Award, and I am blessed to have been nominated for it,” Folau said. “I am truly grateful and I am thankful for everyone who helped me along the way. This is my greatest accomplishment at Serra High School, and I am honored to continue the rich tradition of the student-athlete at Serra.”

Folau is a consummate Serra Padre who embodies the values of Serra as a well-rounded man of faith, wisdom and service. We wish him well as he continues his track and field career in college.



2017-2018 BLANKET AWARD WINNERS

- ENRIQUE BRENES  
2017 CROSS COUNTRY
- ’ATONIO MAFI  
ISIAH KENDRICK  
2017 FOOTBALL
- BRIAN BUTLER  
DANIEL GILMARTIN  
2017 WATER POLO
- COLIN MCCARTHY  
2018 BASKETBALL
- BRANDON GARCIA  
2018 SOCCER
- JACK WOODS  
2018 WRESTLING
- CAMERON BARSTAD  
MITCHELL SCOTT  
2018 BASEBALL
- JAKE DORAIS  
2018 CREW
- MIKE SAVIN  
2018 GOLF
- ELLIOT ADAMS  
2018 LACROSSE
- BROOKS TANER  
2018 SWIMMING
- NATE VAN DELL  
2018 TENNIS
- SCOTT FITZPATRICK  
ELIJAH FOLAU  
2018 TRACK AND FIELD
- ZACHARY SMITH  
2018 VOLLEYBALL



GOLF

Head Coach: Mike Langridge '91

Record/Qualifiers

Varsity: WCAL: 7-7

Tournaments: Team champions of the Gary Rovig Invitational at Saddle Creek Golf Course. Mike Savin also earned the individual championship.

MVP: Mike Savin

Team Captain Award:

Ethan Manalo and Matthew Breen

All-League:

Mike Savin

Ralph Kho

Ethan Manalo

JV: WCAL: 5-7

MVP: Damon Lewis

Most Improved: Jackson Furukawa

College Commitments:

Mike Savin, San Jose State University

Ethan Manalo, Kenyon College



SOCCER

Head Coach: Jeff Panos

Record/Qualifiers

Varsity

Overall: 13-7-2

WCAL: 7-6-1

MVP: Brandon Garcia

Offensive Player of the Year:

Iver Lyche III and Colin O'Donoghue

Defensive Player of the Year:

Murdo Nicolson

JV

Overall: 8-7-5

WCAL: 5-6-3

MVP: Omar Carr-Wallace

and Rami Muhawieh

Most Improved: Julien Schaffner

Freshman

Overall: 12-2-4

WCAL: 5-1-4

MVP: Ivan Torres

Most Improved: Danny DeFilippis

All-League:

Adam Joss, Colin O'Donoghue,

Brandon Garcia, Iver Lyche III and

Murdo Nicolson

College Commitments

Adam Joss, Whitman College

Ivan Geraghty, Carroll College

Esteban Thumas, University of Redlands

Aleksandar Garza, Montana State

Marc Esqueda, Westminster College

WATER POLO

Varsity Head Coach: Bob Greene '85

Record/Qualifiers

Varsity:

WCAL: 2-4

Overall: 14-10

MVP: Brian Butler and

Danny Gilmartin

JV:

WCAL: 2-4

Overall: 11-8

MVP: Michael Smoot

Freshman:

WCAL: 1-3

Overall: 2-8

MVP: Gavin Costa

Awards

All-WCAL:

Mitchell Alandt

Brian Butler (All-CCS)

Danny Gilmartin (All-CCS)

Robert Greene, III

College Commitments

Robert Greene, III, La Salle

University

New Career and

Single-Season Assists

Record

Robert Greene, III

(124 and 67)



TENNIS

Head Coach: Beeyong Sison

Record/Qualifiers

Varsity: WCAL: 2-12

MVP (Singles):

Nate Van Dell

MVP (Doubles):

Sri Erra and James Holmes

Most Improved Player: Abhi Erra

JV: WCAL: 5-9

MVP (Singles): Jonathan Hooper

MVP (Doubles):

Nicolas Erickson and Nicolai

Meiswinkel

Most Improved Player: Hayden Farsad

BASKETBALL

Varsity Head Coach: Chuck Rapp '86

Record/Qualifiers

Varsity: Overall: 16-11

WCAL: 7-7

Awards

All-WCAL:

Colin McCarthy

Parker McDonald

Henry James

Masie Mohammadi

JV: Overall: 19-14

WCAL: 10-4

MVP: Antonio Abeyta

Frosh Blue: Overall 17-4

WCAL: 11-3

MVP: Chris Garcia and Luke Bidinost

Frosh Gold: Overall: 10-11

WCAL: 8-6

MVP: Nick Worrall

College Commitments

Colin McCarthy, Cal Poly, San Luis

Obispo

Diyar Yuksel, California Lutheran

University







◀ **BASEBALL**

Head Coach: Chris Houle '92

<b>Record/Qualifiers</b> Varsity: Overall: 22-9 WCAL Champions: 11-3  MVPs: Cameron Barstad and Mitchell Scott  Frisella Award: JJ Ota  Defensive Player of the Year: Brad Shimabuku  Pitcher of the Year: Mitchell Scott  All-WCAL: Mitchell Scott Nicolas Lopez Jack Damelio Brad Shimabuku	Drew Dowd JJ Ota Cameron Barstad Noah Marcelo Ryan Sutter	Frosh: Overall: 18-2 WCAL Champions: 13-1  MVPs: Nico Button and Thomas Gould  Defensive Player of the Year: DJ Ghorso  Pitcher of the Year: Connor Brady  Serra Baseball Award: Joey Lee
	JV: Overall: 16-5 WCAL Champions: 10-4  MVP: Drew Dowd  Co-Offensive Players of the Year: Logan Azem and Terence Loville  Defensive Player of the Year: Tyler Shaw  Serra Baseball Award: Kyle Pe	



▲ **SWIMMING**

Varsity Head Coach: Bob Greene '85

<b>Record/Qualifiers:</b> Varsity: WCAL: 3-3 Finished 10th overall in California   Finished 3rd overall in CCS  <b>Awards:</b> MVP: Brooks Taner Most Improved: Alec Cullen Coaches Award: Tyler Martin Seven All-American Times	Seven school records broken: 200 Medley Relay - 1:32.32: Taner, Cullen, Scanlan and Gilmartin 200 Freestyle - 1:37.94: Brooks Taner 100 Butterfly - 47.59: Brooks Taner 100 Breaststroke - 54.10: Alec Cullen (State Championship Record) 100 Freestyle - 44.89: Brooks Taner 400 Freestyle Relay - 3:05.68: Scanlan, Cullen, Gilmartin and Taner 100 backstroke - 51.82: Brooks Taner	Medley relay team placed third at the State Championships  All-WCAL: Brooks Taner, Riley Scanlan, Danny Gilmartin, Alec Cullen, and Dylan Van Horn  <b>Frosh-Soph:</b> WCAL: 1-5 MVP: Brandon Hornstein Coaches Award: Gabe Paganucci Most Improved: Brian Kelly

**LACROSSE** ➤

Varsity Head Coach: Adam Bysouth

<b>Record/Qualifiers</b> Varsity: Overall: 5-12 WCAL: 0-7  MVP: Elliott Adams Co-Offensive Players of the Year: Elliott Adams and Brogan Reed  Defensive Player of the Year: Patrick Vergara  Rookie of the Year: Charlie Gross  Most Improved Player: Joseph Kastelic	Hoover Award: Brendan Callagy  Iroquois Six Nations Award: Brendan Callagy  JV: Overall: 3-9-1 WCAL: 1-5-1  MVP: Alex Carlson  <b>College Commitments</b> Elliott Adams, Roanoke College Patrick Vergara, Cal State Fullerton Ryland Hayes, Colorado College



**WRESTLING** ➤

Varsity Head Coach: Mike Klobuchar '90

<b>Record/Qualifiers</b> Varsity: WCAL 2-4  MVP: Jack Woods Coaches Plaques: Marcellus Eison, Charles Matthews and Arman Popli Padre Plaque: Marius Kulda  JV: WCAL: 3-3  MVP: Anthony Hartnett  Coaches Plaques: Jacob Aho and Alan Kauffmann  Padre Plaque: Nico Cappabianca	Freshman: WCAL: 2-3-1  MVP: Nino Panayotou  Coaches Plaque: Anthony Alcaraz and Evan Reeve  Padre Plaque : Ryan Ohlfs  <b>College Commitments</b> Marius Kulda, Benedictine College







TRACK & FIELD			
Varsity Head Coach: Jim Marheineke			
<b>Record/Qualifiers:</b> Varsity MVPs: Scott Fitzpatrick and Elijah Folau  Most Valuable Track Athletes: Dylan Eaton and Tyler Mak  Kevin Ragan Memorial Coaches' Award: Sean O'Brien, Jagger Healy and Dustin Healy  Frosh/Soph Most Valuable Athlete: Juan Pablo Roa  Most Valuable Track Athlete: Liam Kilbridge  Most Valuable Field Athlete: Will Denning and Tommy Barrett  Coaches' Award: Garrett Munsey	2nd place WCAL Elijah Folau – Discus (143-1) Parker McDonald – High Jump (6-4)	Central Coast Section CCS Champions  1st Place CCS 1600m Relay – 3:18.72 (Champions 5th year in a row) Anthony Ovalle Tyler Mak Nathaniel Sanchez Scott Fitzpatrick	8th place: 1600m Relay – 3:19.39 (3:15.91 in Trials) Anthony Ovalle Tyler Mak Nathaniel Sanchez Scott Fitzpatrick
	3rd place WCAL Scott Fitzpatrick – 200m (22.43) Anthony Ovalle – 400m (50.38) Ben Kurr – Discus (143-5)	WCAL Frosh/Soph Champions 4x100m Relay – 44.10 Juan Pablo Roa Liam Pearl Arthur Hodgett Jarred Quilter	School Records Frosh Soph 4x100m Relay – 44.10 (also a WCAL Record that was held by 2009 Serra team)
	4x400m Relay – 3:33.24 Adrian Primo Liam Kilbridge Liam Pearl Juan Pablo Roa	2nd Place CCS Parker McDonald - High Jump (6-4) Elijah Folau – Discus (151-5) Scott Fitzpatrick – 400m (49.28)	Juan Pablo Roa Liam Pearl Arthur Hodgett Jarred Quilter
	Tommy Barrett – Discus (109-4) Will Denning – High Jump (5-8)	5th Place CCS Anthony Ovalle – 400m (50.32)	Tyler Mak – 300m Intermediate Hurdles (37.50)
	1st Place WCAL Scott Fitzpatrick – 400m (49.43) Elijah Folau – Shot Put (56-10) Tyler Mak – 300m IH (39.17)	6th Place CCS Sai Patel – High Jump (6-2)	Varsity 4x400m Relay – 3:15.91 Anthony Ovalle Tyler Mak Nathaniel Sanchez Scott Fitzpatrick
	1600m Relay – 3:22.23 Nate Sanchez Tyler Mak Anthony Ovalle Scott Fitzpatrick	CIF State Championships  3rd place: Tyler Mak – 300m IH (37.50)	
	Frosh/Soph: WCAL Duals (5-2 Record) 2nd Place WCAL Championships		



CREW		
Varsity Head Coach: Chad Anderson		
<b>Awards:</b> Kahle Cup Champions	MVP: Jake Dorais Dylan Cappel Award: Tyler Baumann	<b>College Commitments</b> Tyler Baumann, Stanford University Griffin Eger, Santa Clara University Louis Whittle, Cornell University



VOLLEYBALL		
Varsity Head Coach: Gary Colbert		
<b>Record/Qualifiers</b> Varsity Overall: 27-8 WCAL: 10-2	WCAL Awards: League MVP: Zachary Smith All-WCAL First Team: Michael Gonzales All-WCAL Second Team: Neeraj Keshav All-WCAL Second Team: Brian Ronan All-WCAL Honorable Mention: Trenton Miller	<b>College Commitments</b> Zachary Smith, Chico State University
Team Award Winners: MVP: Zachary Smith Coaches Award: Neeraj Keshav Most Improved: Matthew Conry Best Newcomer: Keane Bludell	JV Overall: 11-5 WCAL: 7-5	





## Nicholas Sy '14

### Rocks the Red Carpet

Nicholas Sy caught a glimpse of the Red Carpet in March, when he attended the arrivals for the 90th Academy Awards ceremony with 30 Academy Gold interns. From Meryl Streep and Nicole Kidman to Steven Spielberg and Gary Oldman, Sy and his friends spotted some of Hollywood's biggest stars.

"We were so inspired," said Sy, who graduated recently from Loyola Marymount University. "It's funny how small everything is—the Red Carpet is not as wide as you would think. The stars could actually hear the interns calling them by name from the bleachers. It was an incredible experience to be there."

Sy participated in the Academy Gold Program, which is part of the Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences. The Academy Gold Program is a multi-tiered educational

initiative that was designed to offer an industry-wide diversity internship enhancement program under the Academy brand. The program offers interns exclusive access to Academy members, industry professionals, screenings and educational workshops. Major studios and companies, including Disney, Warner Brothers, Imax, Fotokem and HBO participate in the Academy Gold Program.

Last summer, Sy learned about different facets of the industry as an Academy Gold intern. He met numerous actors, directors and editors, including Sofia Coppola and Jada Pinkett Smith. Sy also had a chance to meet the producer of *La La Land*, Jordan Horowitz, as well as Academy president and the cinematographer of *Groundhog Day* and *Ordinary People*, John Bailey. Film editor Carol Littleton, best known for her work on *E.T. The Extra Terrestrial* and *The Big Chill*, invited Sy to visit her cutting room for an HBO film, *My Dinner with Hervé*.

"It was such an honor to participate in an internship through Academy Gold," Sy said. "I hope that it will open doors for more minorities in the film industry. Partnering with these companies promotes diversity and inclusion in the film industry. There were about 20 participating companies and almost 70 interns across town. We have access to career development discussions with panelists and industry experts and professionals."

Sy noted that the program is trying to eliminate Hollywood stereotypes by, for example, promoting more diversity in

lead roles. The program also encourages women to seek more executive roles such as directors, a high percentage of which traditionally have been filled by men.

Sy's Academy Gold mentor was Edie Ichioka, the film editor of the animated features *Toy Story 2*, *The Boxtrolls*, and the upcoming *Wonder Park*. She also was the assistant editor for legendary film editor Walter Murch on *The English Patient* and *The Godfather: Part III*.

"I also met Maryann Brandon, the editor of *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*," Sy noted. "She gave me great insight on how she works and approaches her projects. Through this internship, I've learned a lot about editing, camera work, being on a set with the crew and talent, post production, rewriting a film, music, sound and digital effects. Actually, I've learned about every part of the filmmaking process."

In addition to being part of the Academy Gold Program, Sy interned for HBO, Viacom and Emotion Studios. He enjoyed his film classes at Loyola Marymount immensely, and noted that he and his fellow film students often discussed the role that film plays in society.

"We talked about where film fits in mass media and what kind of power it has," explained Sy, who recently made his

own short film, *A Duet of Dreams*. The movie is about a third-generation Asian-American woman in medical school who has a passion for tap dance.

"She wants to be a doctor to honor her grandmother, but she struggles to honor and pursue her own passion for tap dance," Sy explained. "The movie was inspired by my own grandparents and my relationship with them. Film is my passion because it's a unique form of storytelling and a collaborative medium. It really honors almost every type of art; almost every type of art is represented in film. Telling a story and being able to tell it to such a large audience is exciting."

Now that he has graduated from university, Sy hopes to edit a major film one day that will be seen by a large audience. He is looking forward to a summer internship at Pixar Animation Studios in Emeryville.

"I'm really grateful for the opportunities I have been given and I'm optimistic about my career in the film industry," Sy said. "I also hope to be a mentor one day to the next generation of Academy Gold interns. Change is happening very quickly in this industry, more so than in previous decades. These changes inspire me and give me hope for the future of the film industry."



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# The Houle Family Tradition

Once a Padre, Always a Padre

by Jonathan Allen '01



This year, a familiar name filled out the lineup card of Serra's varsity nine in the clubhouse of Danny Frisella Memorial Stadium. Head Coach Chris Houle '92, selected in the summer of 2017 to lead the Padres' vaunted baseball program, continues a family legacy at 451 West 20th Avenue. A longtime faculty member, Chris' immediate family includes legendary figure Ken Houle (grandfather), Ron Houle '70 (father) and Brian Houle '97 (brother). Chris' son, Nino, will be a member of the Class of 2022.

Chris earned a state championship as an infielder on Serra's 1991 team. After graduation, he enrolled at the University of the Pacific and started his coaching career at Rio Vista High School as a college senior. He cut his teeth by coaching the frosh-soph team by himself.

Chris' first year at Serra was 1997-98, when he taught the author of this article computer literacy as a 14-year-old freshman. He went on to reinvent the business program at Serra, leading to a robust program today of four different business class offerings. He was also the JV head coach from 1998 through 2009.

"I am extremely excited to lead the Serra baseball program," said Chris. "It feels good because I am able to carry on a tradition that has been built by previous coaches, including my grandfather. He had friendships with many of his former players, as did Dave Stevens and as does Pete Jensen. The alumni of our school are very important to me and I love

it when they come back to campus for games and other functions."

"There's a special connection with our alumni that I'm not sure many high schools have," Chris added. "I coached both Dan Nolan '01 and Matt Page '10, who are both assistant coaches this year. Tom Monahan is also back coaching for the first time since 2009 and Antonio Freschet '12 is returning as a freshman coach."

Chris' first year as head coach has been a resounding success, earning WCAL regular season championships on the varsity, JV and freshman levels. As of press time, the Padres are ranked number 21 in the nation by Baseball America. His senior players are committed to play in college for schools such as Cal, Stanford, Utah, Oregon and UC Davis, among many others.

On April 21, the Houle family legacy at Serra came full circle. Ken and his family traveled down from Folsom to watch Serra play Bellarmine at home. He visited with coaches, players and fans alike. Ken, who coached Serra from 1955 through 1975, watched his grandson lead the Padres to a 5-2 victory.

Said Chris of his conversation with his grandfather in June about earning the head coaching job, "It was incredible. He was overcome with a lot of emotion. I think it was probably something in the back of his mind that he had always hoped might happen."

That sunny day in April would be the last time Ken would set foot on Serra's campus. He passed away on May 15 at his home in Folsom. At Ken's funeral, alumnus Gary Hughes '59 arranged for the organist to play and sing, *Take Me Out to the Ballgame*—a fitting end to the celebration of Ken's life. His spirit will live on in Serra's students, teachers and coaches who thrive in the programs that he helped to build. His foundation has paved the way for thousands of students who have walked Serra's halls and played on its fields. A younger Coach Houle has taken the reigns at Serra, echoing the legacy of kindness, instruction and success of his grandfather.

After graduating with a BA in teaching at the College of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota, Ken completed his graduate work at Notre Dame, San Jose State and USF. Starting out in a small Catholic high school in North Dakota, he ended up in California's Central Valley, teaching at Modesto Junior High School before coming to Serra.

When Ken moved to the Bay Area, he was drawn to Serra for several important reasons. In addition to being part of the new Serra, he liked the people and the area, a combination essential for any career. He said he had a "gut instinct" that Serra was the place for him. He was correct, with one addition: he was the right man for Serra!

Although all the Padres always had a special place in Ken's heart, the freshmen of the Class of 1959 were his first students. In 2011, they honored Ken and Fr. Tom Madden with a special plaque in the Class of 1959 Fine Arts Plaza. On the plaque is the following message from Ken to the class:

*As most of you know, I came to Serra in the fall of 1955 as a freshman teacher when you were freshman students. I still don't know who learned more, the teacher or the students. I stuck with you for four years and stayed around for 31 more. I kept looking for another class like you guys but never found one. Whoever coined the phrase, "Once a Padre, Always a Padre," was surely thinking of the Class of 1959. You will always epitomize what Serra is all about. God bless each one of you and Go Padres!*

## REMEMBERING KEN HOULE

by Randy Vogel

Ken came to Serra in 1955, the year that the school moved to 20th Avenue from its original site at St. Bart's. He was one of only four lay teachers in a school staffed almost entirely by priests. Ken had one of the most influential and lengthy careers in the school's history, and he played a significant role in all aspects of life on the Serra campus. Ken was a mentor and a role model for students and young faculty members during his 35-year career. Upon his retirement in 1990, Serra's sports facility was named the Kenneth R. Houle Athletics Complex.

Ken served at Serra as a teacher and a coach, holding the varsity baseball job for 20 years and winning Catholic Athletic League (CAL) titles in 1959, 1960 and 1962. The Padres dominated the CAL baseball scene from 1959 to 1965, making the playoffs almost every year. During those years, Ken coached future major leaguers including Jim Fregosi, Tim Cullen and Dan Frisella. He also coached basketball and junior varsity football in his early years while teaching business finance, accounting, algebra, geometry, English and PE.

In 1959, Ken became Serra's director of athletics, a position he held until 1977. He was instrumental in the forming of the current West Catholic Athletic League (WCAL) in 1967. In his later years at Serra, Ken served as the school's business manager and facilities manager. If you wanted to know anything about the buildings or campus, Ken was your man. He oversaw many of the physical improvements to the school's plant.

Ken also was instrumental in starting Monday night bingo in the '70s and '80s. His wife, Ilene, and friends, Jean and Ray Kniffin, ran the school's cafeteria services for many years. He and Ilene had seven children (including Serra alumni Ron '70 and Greg '74), 13 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.





# John Klyver '13 Brings Hope to Haitians

The day starts early for Johnny Klyver with a lukewarm shower—often a bucket shower when there isn’t running water. Two simple meals of rice and beans sustain him as he goes about his duties in the Central Plateau of rural Haiti.

For almost a year, Klyver has lived and worked at St. Joseph’s Medical Clinic in Thomassique as a Medical Missionaries Global Health Fellow. He is part of a volunteer group of doctors, nurses, dentists and others who work to improve the health of the poorest of the poor in the United States and throughout the world by providing medical care, supplies, clothing and food.

Thomassique is hot and humid. Most people live in wooden shacks with dirt floors off the main road into town. They usually ride on the back of motos (well-worn motorcycles)—sometimes four people at a time. The fellows use this mode of transportation for patient visits to remote areas, even in torrential rain.

In addition to supporting clinic doctors, Klyver and his colleagues help to combat serious public health concerns, such as the lack of clean water.

“Contaminated water results in diseases including typhoid fever and cholera,” Klyver noted. “The standing pools of water during the rainy season multiply the already robust mosquito population, which increases malaria, chikungunya and Zika risk. **Our community suffers from pervasive malnutrition; consistent poverty is part of the culture. But I get to work with incredible people every day who are real life heroes. We work with limited resources, yet people rarely complain.** Despite the fact that I’m always sweaty, dirty and mosquito-bitten, I love the people and the work. I’m very thankful for this opportunity to serve. I am also thankful to Madame Dowden for the French instruction that was foundational to helping me learn to speak Creole.”

One of Klyver’s main projects has been spearheading a partnership with internationally recognized Trees That Feed.

The organization introduces breadfruit farming to rural villages. High in protein and other essential vitamins, the fruit from a single mature breadfruit tree can sustain a family throughout the year.

Klyver graduated from UC Davis in 2017 as a Regents’ Scholar with a bachelor of science in microbiology. He served as the president of Phi Sigma Honor Society and was a member of the University Honors Program. Klyver also volunteered at San Francisco General Hospital, UC Davis Medical Center’s pediatric emergency room, and City Impact’s medical clinic in the Tenderloin.

Klyver received exciting news a few weeks ago—he was accepted to the Mayo Clinic School of Medicine in Arizona. He will begin his classes in July. “I want to become a doctor because of my love of people, science and biology—it’s the best manifestation of who I am,” he said. “I want to help people who have had a difficult time.”

Although Klyver is starting a new chapter, he will never forget his time in Thomassique. “I’m incredibly grateful for my experience in Haiti,” he said. “My Haitian overseers, Charles Saint-Fleur and Dr. Lawrence Mercier, have taught me so much and have welcomed me into their lives as family. I’m almost finished with my fellowship year, but I don’t think my relationship with Haiti will ever really end.”



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# Duke University Undergraduate Uses Engineering Skills to Assist African Hospital

Just a little more than a year after graduating from Serra, Miles Todzo '16 has affected the lives of scores of newborn infants in the Republic of Tanzania. Todzo spent two months in the African nation last summer after finishing his first year as an electrical engineering student at Duke University in Raleigh, North Carolina. His project—building an incubator from scratch that helps to warm newborns, many of whom were abandoned after birth.

As part of the Duke Engage program, which provides students the opportunity to participate in fully-funded service trips around the world, Todzo set off for Tanzania on June 10. He joined a group of engineering students from the United States and Denmark. His first month included four hours of Swahili lessons in the morning, followed by four hours of mechanical training, in preparation for work at low-resource hospitals in the region. On the weekends, the group visited local schools and worked with students on engineering projects. "The children were very intelligent, but they just didn't have an outlet," said Todzo, who hopes that his group influenced the students to pursue science.

Todzo's second month focused on the application of his skills at Nkoaranga Hospital near the town of

Arusha. He stayed in a residence on the hospital grounds with other college students. Without shower water, the students had to boil water in a pot and poured it over themselves to bathe. Electricity was intermittent and it turned cold in the mornings. There was only one paved road in the surrounding area.

Despite the less-than-ideal conditions, Todzo embraced his opportunity. His daily work at the hospital included fixing blown fuses, loose wires and circuit boards, as well as

assembling items that were donated from the United States. To the surprise of many students, virtually all machinery in the hospital was donated by hospitals and medical equipment suppliers in the United States. Todzo and his team were of great assistance, since they were able to translate the English assembly instructions. The technicians who worked at the hospital were grateful for the electrical engineering training they received, and were sad to see the group eventually leave in August.

Beyond the constant troubleshooting throughout each day, Todzo's team also focused on a solution to a problem with incubation for abandoned newborn babies. There were no incubators at the hospital, so Todzo partnered with a

carpenter to find a solution. The carpenter carved the wood to their specifications, and the team assembled and wired the incubator. A sense of accomplishment overcame the team as they saw their incubator warming babies in their final days of the trip.

Beyond Todzo's work in the hospital, he embraced adventure by hiking 15,000-foot Mt. Meru. He spent two nights on the mountain with a group and a guide to direct them. As he sat back at Serra in mid-August, he recalled stunning stories of a man entering the hospital after being attacked by a lion, and of fixing a lamp in a bed next to a woman giving birth. It was an unforgettable experience, and one that created positive change in a community across the Atlantic.



## PADRES REUNITE AT THE 50-YEAR CLUB LUNCHEON



The 50-Year Club Luncheon on January 19 had the largest attendance in Serra history. A crowd of 80 alumni from the classes of 1944-1967 caught up with each other and reminisced about their Serra days in the Serra library. The lunch was catered by Serra alumnus Kevin Weir '70.

"It was a fantastic day, and we were happy to see so many Padres come back to Serra with their friends," said Alumni Director Bob Greene '85. "I always love hearing their stories of days gone by. They like to talk about their high school activities and sports teams, as well as their career paths and families. It's amazing how they have stayed connected with each other over the years. Many of them have told me that they look forward to this luncheon every year."

Jim Ernst '57 brought his wife, Nora. The couple met at a Catholic Youth Organization conference when they were in

high school. Nora attended Holy Names High School. "We went to the prom together," she noted. "I wore a black and white, polka-dot dress with a tulle skirt. Jim wore a dinner jacket and brought me an anthurus corsage from Ah Sam's.

Jim and Nora recently celebrated 58 years of marriage.

Al Chanteloup '50 was the quarterback of the 1949 football team and the captain of the first baseball team. He is a member of Serra's Athletics Hall of Fame. He went on to become a high school government and economics teacher in the Palo Alto School District, as well as a respected coach.

"I came today to keep in contact with people I went to high school with years ago," he said. "I learned values at Serra, such as how to stick with something and work hard at it. It's always a lot of fun to catch up and reconnect."



Class Notes

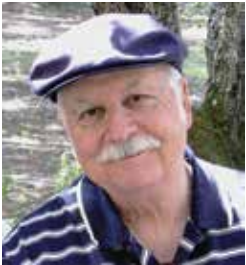
1949

DAVID STRONCK presents at the STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics) Conference of the San Mateo County Office of Education every year. He is pictured while addressing science teachers on February 10.



1955

RICHARD SMITH continues to publish books. His latest is *Little Church in the Wilderness*. Visit his website at: [rlsmithbooks.com](http://rlsmithbooks.com).



1958

PAUL KEMPER is retired and recently moved to Sonora, CA.



DENNIS LUCEY and his wife, Pam, attended the American-Ireland National Gala held in Washington, D.C. on March 14. Dennis served as co-chair of the event, which raised over \$1 million to support peace, culture, education and community development in Ireland and among Irish communities around the world. Dennis and Pam are pictured with the Prime Minister of Ireland, Leo Varadkar.



In April, the Luceys were honored by The Ignatian Volunteer Corps' Regional Council for supporting dozens of Catholic, Jesuit and humanitarian causes, including SOAR, SOME, Gonzaga and Visitation High Schools, The American-Ireland Fund and The Peace Corps. Dennis credits his Jesuit formation at the University of San Francisco for devoting his life to philanthropy. Pam developed a groundbreaking environmental science curriculum, taught it in Liberia, West Africa and later in Fairfax County Public Schools. Pam served on the IVC National Board, and she and Dennis are veteran members of the IVC Regional Council.

1959

BERNARD DEASY recently retired after serving 20 years as the CEO of Merritt Community Capital Corp.



1966

TERRY TROUTT has been a personal protection instructor since 1975. He retired from law enforcement more than 20 years ago to concentrate on running his business full time. Terry said he enjoys helping people to feel empowered.

1968

JIM MOLL was selected as one of four local residents to write a monthly column for the *Chico Enterprise Record* and *Oroville Mercury Register*. Jim is best known for his emcee work in Oroville, where he has earned the nickname "The Voice of Oroville."

1969

TIMOTHY REILLY moved to Sparks, Nevada. He analyzes the financial health of local governments, mostly for police and fire associations.

1970

LARRY BATINA recently moved to Portland, Oregon.

CHRIS COLLOPY is the president of Clipper Corporation in Southern California, a global manufacturer and distributor of food service equipment, uniforms and corporate apparel. Chris and his wife of 31 years, Mary Cay, reside in the Temecula Valley. They welcomed their first grandchild, Evalyn Rosemary, on May 10.



1973

TOM NORMAN retired from state service after more than 35 years in the IT business.

1975

MARK BURTON pilots a high altitude Global Hawk drone over hurricanes for a NASA research program.

1976

Michael Collopy was the 2018 undergraduate commencement speaker at St. Mary's College on May 26. Michael, an alumnus of the St. Mary's Class of 1982, gave an uplifting speech that inspired the 2018 graduates. He talked about his career as a world-renowned photographer and the importance of giving back to others. Michael spoke about his friendship with Saint Mother Teresa, and the impact she had on the way he views the world. Michael also spoke about the importance of love, inclusion and acceptance. "We need to reach out and help each other by being present with each other," he said. "Let us place ourselves close to the poor, close to those who are most vulnerable. Especially in these days of division in our country and our world, I can hear the voice of Mother Teresa saying, 'We have forgotten that we belong to each other.' Prayer in action is love. And love in action is service. Never give way to discouragement. Defeat it with joy. It is there where harmony and happiness can be attained."



1978

MICHAEL HALL and his wife, Cindi, recently celebrated their first wedding anniversary. They married last year at the Halekulani Hotel in Waikiki.

TOM LINARI retired in April of 2017 from the Foster City Fire Department after 33 years working as a firefighter/engineer.

Class Notes

1982

BARRY BONDS will be celebrated this summer for his outstanding baseball career. On August 11, the Giants will retire uniform number 25 in a pregame number retirement ceremony prior to the first pitch against the Pittsburgh Pirates. While at Serra, Barry '82 averaged .404, hit .467 as a senior and was awarded All-American status. He was inducted into Serra's Athletics Hall of Fame in 1992.



1983

LEO ALVAREZ and his wife, Marianne, moved back to the Bay area as new empty-nesters after 20 years in the sweltering heat of the Central and Sacramento valleys. He loves coastside living in Montara, watching whales and waiting for the next big swell.



1986

SEAN O'DONNELL recently took an oath of office as a Special Deputy U.S. Marshal. Sean's assignment is detective sergeant for the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office assigned to the FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force out of the San Francisco FBI field office. Sean is pictured with Marshal Don O'Keefe, U.S. Marshal San Francisco.



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1988

CHRIS FLEISCHER won his fantasy football league!

ADRIAN SIMOES and his wife, Angela, welcomed a baby boy, Alexandre to the family on May 3, 2018. Alexandre joins his sister, Aurelia.

1996

RYAN VILLASIN married Katherine Hill on May 6, 2017. Pictured (l-r): Pete Frankel '88, Greg Moreno '96, Rick Villasin '88, Ryan Villasin '96, Nino Palana '00, Gene Rivera '96 and Dan Munda '96.



1997

KEVIN KOPIACK is the vice president of public relations and marketing at Charles Zukow Associates in San Francisco. Kevin works with some of the top entertainers and theatrical productions from around the globe. Recent clients/projects include *Crystal by Cirque du Soleil*, Rita Moreno, Jeff Goldblum, Rob Lowe, the national tours of *Beautiful–The Carole King Musical*, *Rent*, *The King and I* and the world premiere theatrical adaptation of Khaled Hosseini's *A Thousand Splendid Suns*.



2002

RAY ALMEDA married Lorraine Acheron at Saint Ignatius Church on November 4, 2017. The reception was held at Bentley Reserve in San Francisco. Ray is a Brand Marketing Manager for Electronic Arts who works with Lucasfilm and the Star Wars franchise.



JIMMY GONZALES is the new chief information security officer of El

Dorado County.

2003

LAWRENCE TOBONI JR. and his wife, Melissa, welcomed a second baby boy, Gino Lawrence, on November 15, 2017.



2004

DUSTYN WOROPAY and his wife, Amy, welcomed a daughter, Sophia Noelle, on May 20.



2005

SEAN WILKINSON married Alicia Toombs on April 7 in San Francisco. Fr. Michael Healy presided over the ceremony, which was held at the Mary Mardel, RSCJ Chapel in The James Leary Flood Mansion. Sean's brother, Nick '10, served as best man. Family photo below (l-r): Steve '75, Michelle, Sean '05, Alicia, Stephanie (NDB '07) and Nick '10. Sean is an attorney at Wilson, Sonsini, Goodrich & Rosati. The newlyweds live in Mountain View.



2006

JOSEPH (JOEY) HAGGERTY III, M.D. graduated in May from Creighton Medical School in Omaha. An undergraduate of USC, Joey earned a master's in biological sciences from Regis University in Denver. In 2016, he married a local girl, Jen Ridgley, at Our Lady of Angels Church. Proud father, Dr. Joe Haggerty, hooded Joey at the traditional Hooding Ceremony held on the evening before graduation.



DAN MAVRAIDES represented the United States in the Giants of 3x3 Basketball Tournament, held in Brazil in February. Mavraides and his team took home the gold medal for the U.S., defeating Serbia and Brazil along the way. The team was invited to compete after winning the Dew3x3 national championship in September of last year. Team USA won a \$10,000 prize and Mavraides was named MVP of the tournament. 3x3 basketball is set to be an Olympic sport starting with the 2020 Tokyo Olympics.



2007

JAFAR MAHMOOD recently graduated from Florida Atlantic University College of Medicine with his M.D. He will attend the University of Michigan for his residency training in emergency medicine.



PHOENIX O'ROURKE and his wife, Jaclyn (NDB '08), welcomed a baby girl, Lennox James, on April 23. Phoenix is a San Mateo police officer. Rocky seems perfectly content with the sweet new addition to the family.



2009

ROBERT ABBOTT married Emily Ward (Convent of the Sacred Heart '10) on February 18, 2017 in Pebble Beach. Their wedding took place at Carmel Mission. In attendance were many friends and family members who are proud to call Serra their alma mater. The groom's brother, Frank Abbott III '96 was the best man and Roy Steiner '09 served as a groomsman. Robert and Emily live in San Francisco.





Class Notes

2013

EMILION ALVARENGA AND MICHAEL MURPHY celebrated graduation day at St. Mary’s College. Both Padres received bachelor’s degrees from the School of Economics and Business Administration.

Exit 11 is a Bay Area Based Indie Pop Band comprised of Serra alumni MATT DESCALA ’13, MICHAEL VEIZADES ’12, ZACH AGUSTIN ’12 and MATT PRITCHETT ’10. The group recently released its sophomore album, *Summer’s End*, and played to a packed house at Devil’s Canyon Brewery in San Carlos during the record’s release show. *Summer’s End* is available to stream or purchase, and it can be found on all major sites.



The Menlo Park Fire Department is home to many Padres! Pictured (l-r) are Scott Bassett ’05, Jason Martin ’92, Marco Dito ’02, Rod Brovelli ’88, Joey Figone ’93, Walter Vidosh ’86, Steve Susa ’88, Patrick McGlennon ’04 and Steve Rohrer ’88.



Ella Mae Keenan was honored at her 90th birthday party by several Padres. She was serenaded with re-written lyrics to Mame by Noah Boger ’15, Mikey Takla ’16, Ian Tighe ’16 and Adam Weaver ’18. The lyrics were re-written by Joey Oliva ’01 and choreographed by Tri-School Choreographer and Director Gennine Harrington. Ella Mae Keenan is the grandmother of Mark Kullberg ’89, Joey Baker ’99, Richard Trueb ’03, Max Trueb ’06, and Jake Trueb ’07; and the great-grandmother of Michael DeLuna ’11, Dan Deluna ’17, Nick DeLuna ’15 and Brad Kullberg ’18.



2015

JAMES OUTMAN was selected by the Los Angeles Dodgers in the seventh round of the 2018 MLB Draft. James is an outfielder who has played for Sacramento State for the past three years. He hit 11 home runs in two consecutive seasons and hit .360 in the recent WAC Tournament.

2018

CAMERON BARSTAD was selected in the seventh round of the 2018 MLB Draft by the Miami Marlins. Cameron is a catcher who hit .422 for the Padres this past season. A recent graduate of Serra, he also has a scholarship offer from the University of Oregon.



Named after Serra’s patron, the Father Serra Heritage Society is a group of generous donors who have designated a gift through their estate plans to Serra High School. Below is a list of our current Father Serra Heritage Society members.

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Endowed Scholarship Funds

Serra’s Named Endowed Scholarship Funds exist to honor families and loved ones by supporting Serra’s financial aid program in perpetuity. Each year, these funds accrue interest on their principal amounts, and scholarship awards are given to deserving families. This year, these funds are contributing \$320,000 toward financial aid for our Padres. We are grateful to the Serra families who have set up these funds and to the scores of alumni, parents and friends who have generously contributed to building them over the years.

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| Jeff Healy '84 Memorial<br>Endowed Scholarship  | George & Adelaide Keller<br>Endowed Scholarship             | Vogel Family Endowed Scholarship                         |
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# In Memoriam

JOHN D. ANDERSON ’67 passed away on April 12.

KERRY BACH, the father of Kyle Bach ’05 passed away on March 19.

ERNEST J. BIAGI ’57 passed away on October 31. He was the father of Tony Biagi ’90.

DR. JAVIER EL-BIETAR ’93 passed away on December 19.

CHRIS BURNETT ’85 passed away on October 12. He was the father of Nicholas Burnett ’17.

PATRICK J. CALLAGY passed away on April 11. He was the father of Mike Callagy ’80 and Mark Callagy ’81; and the grandfather Ryan Callagy ’16, Patrick Callagy ’17, Brendan Callagy ’19, Kevin Callagy ’19, Brianna Callagy (NDB ’17), Shannon Callagy (NDB ’18), Caroline Callagy (Mercy ’21), Katie Callagy and Brady Callagy.

JOHN CARAMBAT ’65 passed away on May 17. He was the uncle of Justin Matsu ’17.

LAURA COLABIANCHI passed away on January 10. She was the mother of Dominic Colabianchi ’12 and Nicholas Colabianchi ’15.

CHARLES CODY passed away on December 28. He was the father of Charles “CJ” Cody ’19.

MARVIN CROCKETT passed away on March 23. A former president of the Serra Booster Club, he was the father of Mark Crockett ’80, Matthew Crocket ’81, Michael Crockett ’78 and Mitchell Crockett ’84.

ROBERT CROWE ’89 passed away on July 21, 2017.

GEORGE DOLIM passed away on March 21. He was the father of Stephen Dolim ’73 and Greg Dolim ’83.

ROBERT EVANS ’56 passed away on April 8.

WALTER JAMES FARRELL passed away on June 8. He was the father of Serra art teacher Peggy Farrell.

GERALD “JERRY” FORBES ’52 passed away on April 11. Jerry was the recipient of the Junipero Serra Award in 1989. He was the father of Michael Forbes ’74, and the brother-in-law of Rev. Msgr. Maurice “Mickey” McCormick ’51 and Rev. Kieran McCormick.

CAROL GALLETTA passed away on October 28, 2017. She was the mother of Nicholas Galletta ’05.

HELEN AND GEORGE GALLOWAY, the parents of Patrick Galloway ’62 and Michael Galloway ’81, passed away on February 17 and March 19, respectively.

LESTER EUGENE “GENE” HANCE, the father of Serra teacher Paul Hance, passed away on April 11.

FRANCIS HEALY, M.D. passed away on July 29, 2017. Dr. Healy was the beloved husband of Grace Healy for more than 68 years, and the father of nine children—Francis Healy ’68, Peter Healy ’69, Susan Healy (NDB ’70), Michael Healy ’72, Brian Healy ’74, Tim Healy ’78, Bill Healy ’79, Kathy Healy (Mercy ’80) and Jeff Healy ’84. He also was the grandfather of Brendan Healy ’99, Trevor Healy ’12, Aidan Healy ’14 and Dustin Healy ’19.

ARTHUR CARL HOFFMAN, JR. ’60 passed away on December 31.

KEN HOULE, a legendary Serra teacher and coach, passed away on May 15. He was the father of Ron Houle ’70 and Greg Houle ’74, the grandfather of Brian Houle ’97 and Chris Houle ’92, and the great grandfather of Nico Houle ’22.

ALANNAH HURLEY passed away on February 5. She was the mother of Alannah Hurley Chase (NDB ’86), Desmond Hurley ’82, Jay Hurley ’79 and Mark Hurley ’89. She also was the grandmother of Jack Chase, Clark Chase ’17 and Patrick Chase ’22.

JAY HURLEY ’79 passed away on Feb. 24. He was the brother of Alannah Hurley Chase (NDB ’86), Desmond Hurley ’82 and Mark Hurley ’89. He also was the uncle of Jack Chase, Clark Chase ’17 and Patrick Chase ’22.

MARK HURLEY ’89 passed away on April 29. He was the brother of Alannah Hurley Chase (NDB ’86), Desmond Hurley ’82 and Jay Hurley ’79. He also was the uncle of Jack Chase, Clark Chase ’17 and Patrick Chase ’22.

CHARLIE KEYSER ’53 passed away on November 18. He was the father of Mark Keyser ’88 and Matt Keyser ’90, and the grandfather of Jack Lopez ’16 and Nicholas Shaffer ’21.

PETER LABRADOR ’67 passed away on March 6, 2017. He was the brother of Victor Labrador ’65.

JOHN “JACK” MACY ’60 passed away on August 2, 2017.

HENRY “HANK” MAHER ’53 passed away on April 21.

DOUG MAC DONELL ’57 passed away on March 24.

JULIE MALASPINA, the wife of John Malaspina ’56, passed away on January 23. John said that Julie enjoyed the Padre spirt of the 25<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> and 60<sup>th</sup> class reunions.

GARY MCENTEE ’77 passed away on March 6. He was the father of Kevin McEntee ’09, Michael McEntee ’11 and Brian McEntee.

RICHARD MIROWSKI, JR. ’07 passed away on November 4.

JOHN MORRIS, the father of Serra Technology Specialist Rob Morris, passed away on March 24.

EDWARD A. NOLAN III ’52 passed away on August 6.

BETH NUTTMAN, the mother of Sr. Celeste Marie Nuttman, RSM, passed away on July 8.

HERBERT NORCROSS passed away on March 22. He was the father of Mark Norcross ’72, John Norcross ’73, David Norcross ’76 and Paul Norcross ’82.

DESMOND OOGHE ’47, the father of Robert Ooghe ’80, passed away on May 21.

RICHARD G. OXSEN ’55 passed away on February 1.

RONALD PHILLIPS ’77 passed away on February 16. He was the brother of Chris Phillips ’83, Steven Phillips and David Phillips.

VALESKA RANTZ, the mother of Academic Resource Center Director Gayle Rosenberg, passed away on April 1 at the age of 101.

RAY REUDY, the father of Jordan Reudy ’10, passed away on February 27.

JOHN ROGERS RIFFLE ’61 passed away on August 25, 2017.

MATTHEW SACHER ’06 passed away on June 7. He was the son of Laurie and Rich Sacher ’80 and the brother of Robbie Sacher ’05 and Kyle Sacher ’11.

ESBERTO L. SINIGAYAN passed away on April 20, 2017. He was the father of Voltaire Sinigayan ’99 and Vashti Sinigayan (Mercy, ’99).

DONALD STEBENNE ’51 passed away on December 31.

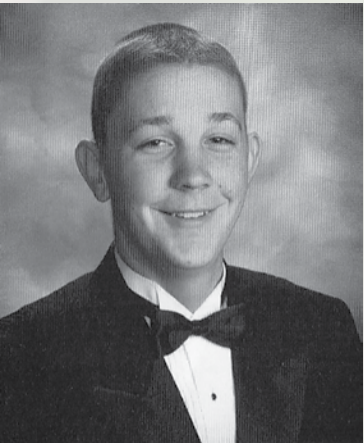
BUFORD L. TONEY, the father of Serra teacher Mary Dowden, passed away on April 20. He was the grandfather of Ben Dowden ’10, Peter Dowden ’10 and Charlie Dowden ’17.

DANIEL TURNER ’68 passed way on October 31.

STEVEN UNORTE ’76 passed away on March 8.

## REMEMBERING C.J. SCHELEY ’12

It is with great sadness that we acknowledge the passing of CJ Scheley on February 4. CJ was a compassionate leader who brought people together. He wrestled early in his high school career at Serra and was a lead attorney in the Mock Trial Program. CJ graduated with honors in 2012. He was incredibly loving and strong. CJ loved his family and friends.



When he was 15, CJ was diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor. In spite of his diagnosis, he lived his life with gusto and courage, always seeking and giving joy. After his diagnosis, CJ attended the remarkable Camp Okizu as an oncology camper. He later became a much-loved oncology Camp Counselor.

CJ was accepted to UC Davis in the fall of 2012. He loved student life and made many friends. Despite difficult treatment regimens including brain surgery, chemotherapy, radiation and stem cell transplant surgery, CJ had a positive and life-affirming attitude. He cherished his family and friends. He truly loved the many family gatherings, get-togethers, vacations and camping trips that were always a part of his life.

## SERRA’S MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND

Gifts made to the Memorial Endowment Fund are a thoughtful way to remember or honor a loved one. All gifts to the Memorial Endowment Fund support financial aid for deserving families, assuring the continuance of Serra’s legacy of inclusiveness and diversity. When a contribution is made, his or her name will be entered into the Serra memorial book. The honoree will be remembered during Mass and an acknowledgement card will be sent to the family. To make a gift, please log on to: [serrahs.com/memorials](http://serrahs.com/memorials).

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### MEMORIAL AND HONORARY TRIBUTE GIFTS

A gift to the Memorial Endowment Fund perpetuates the values and ideals that guided a loved one's life. Gifts provide a tribute in memory of a loved one's passing and honor a person during his/her lifetime. All contributions to the memorial program help fund financial aid for deserving families, assuring the continuance of Serra's legacy of inclusiveness and diversity.

### THE FATHER SERRA HERITAGE SOCIETY

Members of this society have thoughtfully included Serra in their estate plans or wills. These gifts of forethought and generosity take many forms: bequests, living trusts or life income plans, which name Junípero Serra High School as beneficiaries in their estate plans or wills. If you would like more information about making a planned gift, contact the Serra Advancement Office at 650.573.9935.

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- 20TH First Day Back to School
- 30TH Back to School Night

### SEPTEMBER 2018

- 21ST Alumni Father-Son Mass

### OCTOBER 2018

- 19TH Homecoming Night Game v. SI
- 20TH Alumni Reunion Gala (Classes of '48, '53, '58, '63, '68, '73, '78, '83, '88, '93, '98, '03, '08)

### NOVEMBER 2018

- 5TH Open House
- 10TH Monte Carlo Night
- 21ST Alumni Basketball Game/  
Alumni Wrestling/Poker Night
- 22ND Alumni Water Polo Game/Alumni Soccer Game
- 27TH President's Circle Dinner at Kohl Mansion

### JANUARY 2019

- 30TH Jungle Game

### FEBRUARY 2019

- 1ST 50-Year Club Luncheon

### MARCH 2019

- 16TH Fund a Dream Scholarship Benefit
- 31ST Alumni Baseball, Volleyball and Lacrosse Games

### APRIL 2019

- 10TH Alumni Career Day

### JUNE 2019

- 24TH 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Serra Golf Classic

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