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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Alumni and Friends of Serra,

In the second century, St. Irenaeus of Lyon said, “The glory of God is a person fully alive.” Serra students and alumni have taken this to heart since the school’s doors opened in 1944. Day in and day out, our students are achieving at the highest levels academically, on the performing arts stages and in service to others. The fact that they strive for excellence during the tumultuous years of adolescence makes their accomplishments even more remarkable.

Serra students are building on a foundation established by their alumni predecessors. In this edition of *Traditions*, we highlight alumni who have distinguished themselves in public service, the arts, television and radio broadcasting, the armed services, technology, education, and collegiate and professional athletics.

Our students and alumni are the first to admit that their accomplishments would not be possible without the guidance, example and wisdom of their teachers. In particular, Serra remembers longtime teacher and coach Dave Stevens, who passed away earlier this year. Dave is recognized as one of the finest teachers and coaches in Serra’s proud and cherished history. In March, Serra celebrated his life during a memorial Mass on campus. We honored his memory with the posthumous awarding of the In Via medal to his wife, Ginny, and their sons and daughters.

What is the common thread linking the alumni, students and teachers highlighted in the following pages? Each of these men is living out what it means to be a Serra Padre; which means he is living a life of faith in God and service to others. Now, more than ever, we need leaders who have wisdom, who build community, and who seek not personal gain but the promotion of the common good. Today’s Padres will be tomorrow’s leaders. Their sincerity, courage and devotion gives us hope for the future.

On behalf of our teachers and students, I thank you for your generous support of Serra in terms of your time, talent and treasure. Together, we are building a bright future by helping each student to learn what it means to be a person “fully alive.”

Siempre Adelante!

Sincerely,

Lars Lund, *President*



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PRINCIPAL BARRY THORNTON RECEIVES DOCTORAL DEGREE



Serra Principal Barry Thornton recently received a doctorate in education from the Institute of Catholic Educational Leadership at the University of San Francisco. In the following Q&A, he shared his personal journey.

Q: What is the mission of the Institute of Catholic Educational Leadership?

A: The ICEL program is designed to make a unique and significant contribution to the leaders, educators, students and parents who value Catholic and private education. Its mission is threefold: to offer a scholarly educational program relevant for Catholic and private school personnel, to build a sense of community among the students and faculty who pray together and serve others, and to prepare highly competent, effective and dedicated educators for Catholic and private schools.

Q: What made you decide to pursue a doctoral degree?

A: I saw it as a wonderful opportunity to pursue advanced study with dedicated colleagues. As I made the transition

into the Principal role at Serra, I knew it was important for me to stay current with educational research and practice. This information will assist me to help Serra engage best practices in teaching and learning.

Q: What were the highlights of the program?

A: It was wonderful to work with Catholic school educators from around the world. Although we all came from different cultures, our mission was the same, which made for a stimulating learning environment. I learned a great deal not only from the wisdom of my professors—each of whom was top-flight—but also from my classmates who are in leadership positions at their schools.

Q: What was the theme of your thesis?

A: The title was *Choices and Values in Catholic High School: A Study of Parent Decision Making in the San Francisco Bay Area*. I wanted to find out how today’s parents are assessing the value of a Catholic education, how finances affect that assessment and what role the Catholic nature of the school plays into their final selection of a high school.

Q: How did you conduct your research?

A: I conducted an online survey of parents from 15 Catholic high schools in the Bay Area. Almost 1,000 parents responded. I followed up with individual interviews of a small sample of those responding to the original survey.

Q: What did you discover?

A: Three factors emerged as the most critical for parents who send their children to Catholic high schools: strong college-prep academics, a values-based learning environment and a community environment that provides a moral and ethical base for their teenagers. This is exactly what we try to provide for our families at Serra.

Q: Did this research project affect the way in which you relate to today’s parents?

A: It affirmed the incredible dedication and love our parents have for their children. Parents are willing to make so many sacrifices to send their children to excellent schools like Serra. It really is a partnership between parents and Catholic schools. We share a common goal of raising young men and women with strong morals who will become productive members of society.

Q: Any thoughts about the rising costs of Catholic education?

A: Finances are a challenge for our families. We need to look at financial models that are realistic and relevant. We want to make sure that Catholic education remains affordable for our Bay Area families. This is a major emphasis at Serra.

Q: How long was your thesis?

A: It was 273 pages.

Q: That is an incredible amount of work. Do you have plans to share your thesis?

A: I have been invited to present it to the National Catholic Educational Association convention in New Orleans.

Q: How did you juggle your job with such an intense Ed.D. program?

A: It was a challenge! I got up very early on most mornings to study, and put in a lot of evening and weekend hours. My wife, Susie, supported me throughout the process.

Q: How did it feel to receive your doctorate on December 17?

A: It really was wonderful. My entire family came up to celebrate. The experience was particularly challenging due to a bout with cancer some years back. Although I was able to continue with my duties as Serra’s dean of studies, I had to take a couple of years off from the doctoral program to battle the disease. After my treatments were completed, I resumed my studies. I was determined to finish.

Q: What is next in terms of studies?

A: I will continue to focus on professional development in all aspects of Catholic educational leadership, but this will be the only doctorate! Looking back, I’m happy to have persevered. It was a tremendous learning experience and will help me in service to the Junípero Serra Community.



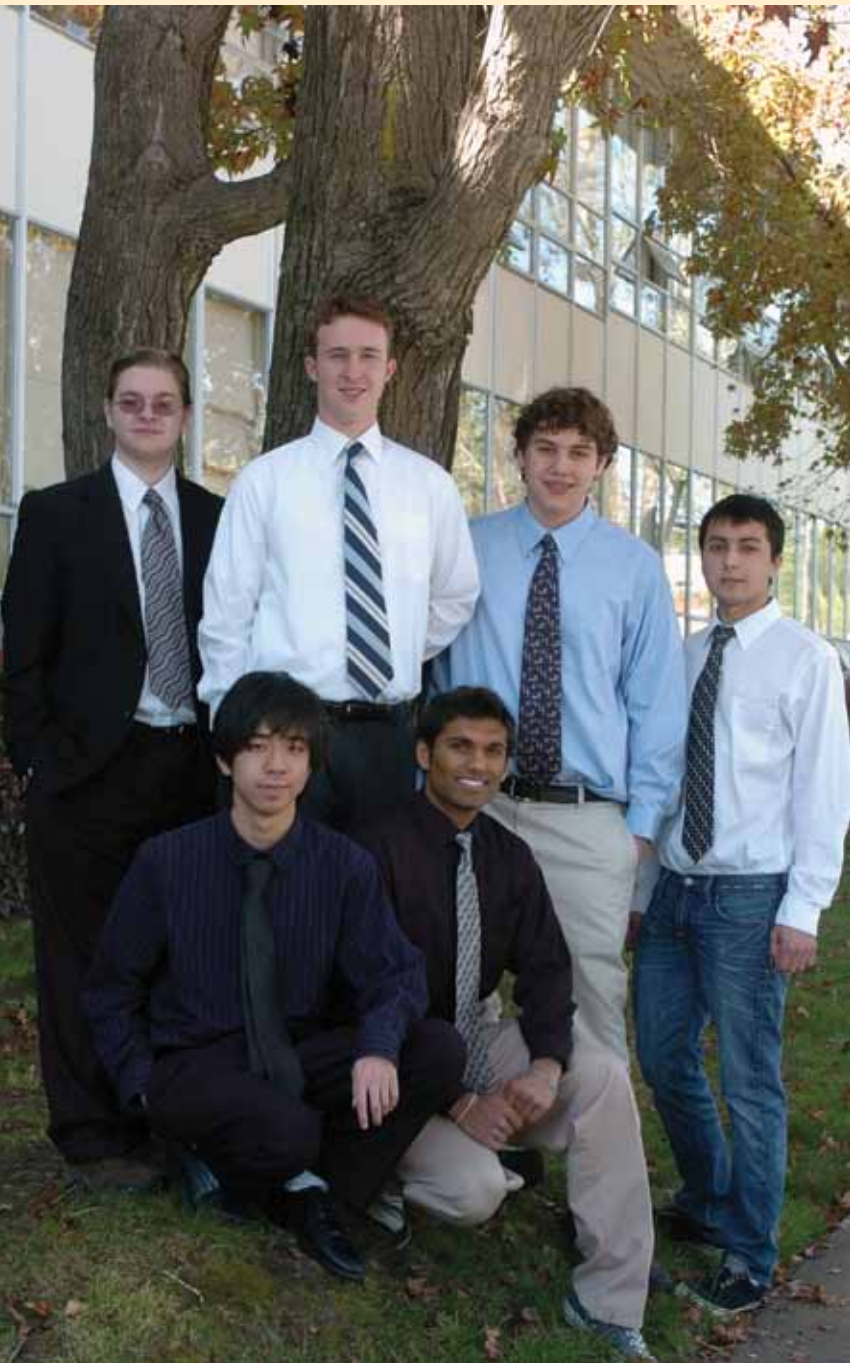
NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS

2011 Commended Students

AKASH DESAI	ALEXANDER POMS
PATRICK OU	ALEXANDER YOXSIMER
DANIEL JANOK	

Five Serra seniors (listed above) were named Commended Students in the 2011 National Merit Scholarship Program for academic excellence. Commended Students are recognized for exceptional academic promise demonstrated by their outstanding performance on the qualifying test used for program entry. In addition, senior Jason O’Conor was named National Hispanic Scholar and senior Carlos DeLeon received Honorable Mention for the National Hispanic Recognition Program for their academic achievements.

Below: back (l-r): Daniel Janok, Alexander Yoxsimer, Alexander Poms and Carlos DeLeon; front (l-r): Patrick Ou and Akash Desai. (Missing from photo: Jason O’Connor)





Fall Speaker Series

Six alums share insight and life lessons

Padre pride transcends time, career paths and generational boundaries. Six alums participated in the Fall Speaker Series to share insight and life lessons with current Padres. The Serra community welcomed back Mike Callagy '80, Scott Delucchi '85, Kevin Dunleavy '80, Justin Maffei '09, Gary Hughes '59 and Bob Yonts '59. Head Baseball Coach Craig Gianinno created the Speaker Series to help student-athletes achieve a healthy balance between academics, sports and social activities.

"I would like to thank Coach Gianinno for the time he put into implementing this outstanding program," said Serra President Lars Lund. "Serra is so fortunate to have so many wonderful men in our community who share their time with our student-athletes. They are making such a difference by sharing their life experiences."



Sometimes a split decision can be life changing. San Mateo Deputy Police Chief **Mike Callagy '80** talked about *Sports and Life Lessons*—particularly making smart choices when they are not popular decisions. He talked about those crucial moments when students are faced with serious challenges—such as being offered drugs and alcohol

at a party or stepping in when a friend is being bullied. "The decisions you make have a profound influence on your life," Callagy said. "You guys will be faced with those decisions, which are often very difficult choices. In my office, there is a sign that reads, 'Make a difference in a life today and come



home safe.' I challenge all of you to do something little every day. You have an opportunity to make a difference in someone's life every single day."

Scott Delucchi '85, a former Padre baseball player and coach, spoke about *"Making the Most of Your Playing Days."* His message to Serra student-athletes was to live in the present moment and enjoy high school. "There's a lot going on in high school and it's hard to stay focused," Delucchi noted. "Just do your best and try to get a little bit better each year. A lot of kids hear about Serra players who have gone on and played in the big leagues, but that's not going to be most student-athletes. For some players, high school is the last time they will play on an organized sports team. They should enjoy it and focus on the friendships they are making—some of them will be their best friends for life. High school is a pretty special time for playing sports with guys you know very well in the classroom and on the playing field."

Kevin Dunleavy '80, the chief assistant district attorney of Alameda County, discussed *Padre Pride: Making the Most of Your Serra Experience*. "You need to take pride in Serra and be grateful for the opportunities you have," he advised. "Serra shaped me and I am so grateful for the sacrifices my parents made. Be humble, kind, wear your uniforms with pride and be good Padres."



Gary Hughes '59, special assistant to the general manager of the Chicago Cubs, sprinkled his lecture with vignettes of various baseball teams. The charismatic Hughes talked about being *A Padre for Life: On and Off the Field*. "Always be the best person you can be and be true to the guy in the mirror," Hughes said. "The reason I have stayed in the game of baseball for so long is that I love the game. We followed you guys last year and were so proud of what you did last season. We were thrilled to read about Padre baseball in *USA Today*."

One of Hughes' best friends, the **Honorable Bob Yonts '59**, is a retired Superior Court judge. He visited Serra with Hughes and spoke to students about the importance of team camaraderie. Yonts played football at Serra. "I learned at Serra that teamwork really counts," he said. "Teamwork is a building block for the rest of your life. Scoring points is not the goal. The goal is to make the team work. On these playing fields, you're getting ready to play the game of life. Always be challenged and learn from your defeats. Don't be afraid to lose and don't quit."

Team chemistry and high morale are the keys to a winning season, according to **Justin Maffei '09**, a former All-League player who talked about *Preparing Yourself On and Off the Field as a Student Athlete*. Maffei is a

"IN ADDITION TO TEACHING THE STUDENTS, THE SPEAKER SERIES ALSO TAUGHT ME A LOT ABOUT THE SERRA BROTHERHOOD—ITS ROOTS AND THE LEGACY OF BEING A PADRE. I COULDN'T HELP BUT NOTICE THE PRIDE AND ENERGY THE ALUMNI SPEAKERS FELT WHEN THEY WALKED BACK THROUGH THE HALLS OF SERRA."

HEAD BASEBALL COACH CRAIG GIANINNO



centerfielder at the College of San Mateo. His team placed second in the state championship tournament last year. He currently is looking at Division I programs at various universities, and he hopes to play baseball professionally after he graduates. "One of the things I stressed was the importance of seniors making friends with juniors," Maffei noted. "There shouldn't be separate cliques on a team. They need to be united. WCAL competition is amazing and Serra has the best coaches. Serra prepared me for college; the school work and the work ethic. I learned a lot about myself and got a great education. The bonds I made with my friends from Serra are so strong—they are still my best friends today."

Serra student-athletes were inspired by the motivational Speaker Series topics. "I looked forward to hearing the speaker of the day," said senior Andre Mercurio. "Each speaker had so much insight to share. They truly had a strong and positive impact on us. Coach Gianinno's belief in the speakers is contagious. His excitement to hear these guys speak and share their experiences is something special. He does everything he can to give our athletes an edge, which is a testimony to the great and caring guy that he is."

Gianinno's passion for baseball matches his unwavering commitment to mentoring well-rounded student-athletes. His objective this fall was to expose Padres to a variety of successful, community-minded people. "All of these speakers are a personified class act," Gianinno said. "They shared not only their successes, but also how they learned from their mistakes. The common thread is that character counts; you cannot measure the importance of doing the right thing."



Jeff Wellemeyer

Making the rounds on
the Serra Grounds



Most days, Jeff Wellemeyer can be spotted zipping around the Serra campus in his green and gold John Deere “gator.” He currently is celebrating 31 years on the job—a profession he has enjoyed for three decades because “no day is ever the same.”

From maintaining school grounds to preparing athletic fields for competition to working with heavy equipment, Wellemeyer loves being out in the fresh air and looks forward to working with his maintenance team.

“Every day is different, and there’s always something that pops up unexpectedly,” Wellemeyer pointed out. “Recently, we have been dealing with 25 geese that seem to love the baseball field.”

Wellemeyer is a regular on the Frisella Stadium field. A highlight last year was when he was asked to throw out the first pitch of the senior parent appreciation game. Wellemeyer was presented with a plaque that read, *“Thank you for preparing the baseball field on a daily basis. Even in the rain, we knew we could count on your dedication to our field and to our team.”*

“It was a great moment for me,” Wellemeyer said. “It’s a family here at Serra and I work with a great team. Everyone here is supportive. You can really feel the community spirit.”

“Jeff follows our sports teams and is very loyal to our coaches and players,” said Serra Business Manager John O’Sullivan. “He has been here so long that he is interwoven into the fabric of our school. He does it all—far more than his job description. He takes his job very seriously and always goes beyond the call of duty.”

Wellemeyer resides in Pacifica. In his free time, he enjoys camping and hiking. One of his most memorable vacations was climbing to the top of Mount Lassen, Mount Shasta and Mount Whitney—the highest point was 14,000 feet. Wellemeyer keeps journals of his travels. He also is an avid reader of adventure stories and westerns.

Wellemeyer played basketball at Terra Nova High School and San Francisco State University. An avid sports fan, Wellemeyer enjoys watching Padre sports teams. He is excited about the new Center for the Arts and Sciences and is impressed by the positive changes on campus.

“I have seen so many changes over the years at Serra,” Wellemeyer noted. “The new building is going to be great. The pool is going to be incredible for our aquatics program and summer camps. Change is good - it makes for long days but it definitely keeps us on our toes.”



Benefit Auction raises funds for the young men of Serra



During the silent auction, guests madly outbid each other on Giants World Series memorabilia and other hot-ticket items. Thank you to our community builders— Special Events Coordinator Theresa Stoye and the Auction Committee—for constructing the foundation of an unforgettable evening.

On November 13, the Hard Hats & Heels benefit auction netted close to \$200,000. Of that, our Serra Padres sold a whopping \$102,000 worth of raffle tickets!

Members of the Serra community donned tool belts, hard hats and safety vests. The school was transformed into a colorful construction zone. Elements of the Center for the Arts and Sciences were highlighted in the gym: The backdrop resembled waves to celebrate the new pool. Appetizers were served from old-fashioned food trucks, and “mad scientists” poured drinks in the Lab Bar. Members of the Serra Band played their favorite hits before and during dinner.



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Alumni Career Day

Alums inspire students and share advice



Bret Dobell '00 (Construction Management Superintendent)



Daniel Schott '81 (Secret Service Agent)



Dominic Campodonico '86 (Litigation Attorney)

What do a radio talk show host, a secret service agent and a Hollywood screenwriter have in common? They all were speakers at Serra's Career Day on March 4. Students were mesmerized, as they listened to career advice from more than 40 alumni.

Padres asked questions and learned important information ranging from what to study in college to the highlights and challenges of various professions. Among the group of distinguished alums were attorneys, police and fire officials, corporation CEOs and CFOs, architects, dentists, marketing and sales executives, apparel designers and certified financial planners.

Who can live without their favorite iPhone apps? Rico Roque '05 develops applications for the iPhone, iPad and iTouch. He is the cofounder and owner of Loki Studios Inc. in Palo Alto. A Stanford grad, Rico majored in engineering. His industry is exciting and ever changing.



Brett Ayoob '89 (Construction Scheduling Consultant)

"Growing up, I was inspired by Pokemon and Digimon," Roque noted. "I love what I do. The most satisfying thing for me is hearing feedback from our users."

Rod Burns '89 is a director with Credit Suisse Advanced Execution Services (AES) who is responsible for the Western Region. Burns has developed and marketed multi-asset class products including equities, options and futures.

"It's so rewarding to be back here at Serra," Burns said. "The students seemed interested in investing in stocks. They wanted to understand Wall Street. My job is rewarding. It's a competitive environment with a global and diverse work force. We're always being pushed to get better and advance."

One of the most memorable moments of the day was when Bryan Bishop's grandpa, Robert Lorenzini, stopped by to surprise his grandson during his talk. Bishop '96 is a radio host who has been the on-air sidekick for *The Adam Carolla Show* since 2006. He also hosts his own weekly spin-off podcast, *The Film Vault*, which debuted at number one on the iTunes chart in May of 2009 and was selected for the iTunes Best of 2010 list.

Greg Hart '76 and Pat Moran '80 provided a rundown of what it takes to be hired in law enforcement. Hart is a retired police commander. Moran is a sergeant at the San Mateo Sheriff's Office who has worked for the County S.W.A.T. team as the Sniper Team Leader.

"We wanted to stress the importance of volunteering," Hart noted. "In law enforcement, jobs are so tight right now. Service in the community is priceless, and that has always been instilled in our Serra Padres."

Students were intrigued by Secret Service Agent Daniel Schott '81. Working for several years on the U.S. Secret Service Presidential Detail, Schott provided a comprehensive overview of the Secret Service and shared stories from two decades of protecting the President and other world leaders.

"My goal today was to point out that students need to be thinking about their future," Schott said. "At Serra, I learned about hard work, integrity and having a strong sense of self. I also learned a lot about faith. In my career, faith often has been critical in situations where that's all I have. One of the most important things Serra does for its students is to make them think about what they're going to do with their lives and how they will be in the service of others."

Peter Barsocchini '70 is an Emmy Award-Winning screenwriter and producer best known for creating and writing Disney's billion-dollar *High School Musical* series. He also wrote the novel *Ghost* and co-authored *The Look*, *The Jeopardy*, *Mission Impossible* and *Drop Zone*. He spoke to students about careers for writers and the importance of pursuing one's passion.

Imagine waking up at 3:45 a.m. every day to be on the radio. Hooman Khalili '92 has a large fan following. A radio host for Alice 97.3 FM, Khalili has been a part of *The Sarah and Vinnie Morning Show* for 11 years. He has interviewed many



Hooman Khalili '92

celebrities, including Sting, 50 Cent, Ed Harris and Maroon 5. His favorite guest? Hands down, John Travolta—a man whom Khalili described as "respectful to everyone and who makes the interviewer feel like it's the first time he's answering each question."

"I love my morning show," added Khalili, whose days are packed with celebrity interviews and media events. "Sometimes I'm so exhausted I can't think. And yes, I have fallen asleep on the air!"

Mark Mauro '92 is a special agent with the Department of Homeland Security who currently is assigned to the Financial Fraud Group. He has dealt with illegal knock-off clothing, drugs, gangs and even human trafficking.

"There is crime everywhere; it doesn't matter what neighborhood you live in," Mauro pointed out. "Our agency deals with a lot of different situations across the board. Serra taught us to take responsibility and own up to our mistakes. But we also had freedom to discover who we wanted to be and we had great role models. Today, we have so many speakers from all walks of life. That speaks volumes. Hopefully, these kids will come back one day to speak about their future careers."

"Career Day was great," said freshman Gabriel Flynn. "We got a lot of important information today and now we have a lot to think about."



A student checks out a T-shirt designed by Career Day presenter Kris McAlavey '03

ON THE RADIO: A Q&A WITH SENIOR JOE LAMI



Senior Joe Lami was the play-by-play announcer at the Serra varsity basketball game against St. Francis on January 21. Lami has worked at 89.1 KCEA radio station for four years as an engineer, producer, co-host and announcer. Serra junior Jack Eastling also works at KCEA as an engineer and announcer. Lami stopped by the Communications Office recently to chat about life in radio.

Q: What do you enjoy about sports radio broadcasting?
A: I have always liked sports. I started announcing games on the radio when I was only 14. It’s exciting and a lot of fun. The radio station I work for, KCEA, has a show every Wednesday night called *Inside the PAL* from 7 to 9 p.m. We also cover games on Friday nights.

Q: Do you ever get nervous?
A: No. I’ve gotten past that point.

Q: How many hours do you put into this per week?
A: About eight. I do everything from engineering to announcing.

Q: What about prep work?
A: You have to get rosters, stats and results from other games. I also call coaches and athletic directors from PAL schools.

Q: What sports do you announce?
A: Football and basketball.

Q: What’s your favorite sport to watch?
A: Hockey. I attended my first Sharks game when I was 6 weeks old. I’ve always liked it.

Q: What will be your major in college?
A: Broadcast journalism.

Q: Where do you see yourself in 10 years?
A: Being a play-by-play announcer in the National Hockey League.

Q: What was the best moment of the game against St. Francis?
A: When Sam Leahy iced the game with his free throws. It was a great win for the Padres!

AT THE TOP OF THEIR CLASS: 11 SENIORS EARN PERFECT 800 SAT SCORES

Eleven Serra seniors have been recognized for earning perfect 800 SAT scores.

“These students achieved the highest possible score on these sections of the SAT I and SAT II exams—a perfect 800,” noted Serra Assistant Principal of Academics Keith Strange. “When you keep in mind that only approximately one half of one percent of all students who take the SAT score 800, this achievement is extraordinary. It is most of all a tribute to their hard work, but also a credit to their classroom teachers and even their classmates who pushed them to this level.”

Recognized for perfect scores are:

- Akash Desai (Math level 2)
- Derek Lee (Math level 2 and Math)
- Brandon Tineo (Spanish)
- Xiang Xu (Math level 2 and Math)
- Rohan Acharya (Math level 2)
- Clinton Cosko (Math level 2)
- Spencer Hall (Math)
- Daniel Janok (Math level 2 and Critical Reading)
- Varsanth Mohan (Math level 2)
- Patrick Ou (Environmental Biology and Critical Reading)
- Alexander Yoxsimer (Critical Reading)



Below: back (l-r): Daniel Janok, Rohan Achary, Patrick Oh,Vasanth Mohan, Derek Lee; middle (l-r): Alexander Yoxsimer, Clinton Cosko; front (l-r): Brandon Tineo, Spencer Hall, Akash Desai

“This outstanding performance on the SAT reflects tremendous effort on the part of our students,” said Serra Principal Barry Thornton. “I am particularly grateful for the hard work of our faculty, which prepared students to achieve their highest potential. Excellence in all aspects of the program results from a collaborative effort from the entire community.”



Above l-r: Juan Rodriguez ’11, Sylvan Guo (Lowell High School award recipient), Olympic Club Member Mark Campana ’85

Senior Juan Rodriguez Receives Prestigious Ohleyer Memorial Award

In February, Juan Rodriguez was awarded the Ohleyer Memorial Award by the Olympic Club Foundation.

Rodriguez is described by his coaches, teachers and classmates as "exuberant, dynamic, hard working and a great role model." He is a two-sport athlete with a 3.69 GPA. In 2010, he was the WCAL track champion in the 110-meter high hurdles, and he placed sixth in the CCS competition. Last fall, Rodriguez completed his second year as a starter on the varsity football team. His community service work includes volunteering at the Mid-Peninsula Boys and Girls Club and at local elementary schools.



Seniors Win Big on Wheel of Fortune

Seniors Mike Bertoldi and Adam Lumpkins picked the perfect four letters—D, H, M and I—in the final puzzle to win a total prize package of \$50,000 on *Wheel of Fortune’s* “Teens & Friends” week.

“I had watched the show for a while, and was able to solve many of the puzzles,” Bertoldi said. “I decided to sign up online a year and a half ago.”

Competing against two all-girl teams, Bertoldi and Lumpkins, both 17, were the underdogs throughout the game. With a couple of bad luck spins of the wheel, they earned only \$2000, until the final spin. By solving the final spin puzzle, they locked in the most money and earned the right to compete in the final bonus round, where they easily and ironically solved the puzzle, “It Can Happen.” Although they won’t receive their winnings until mid-June, both boys know exactly how they are going to spend their prize money. “We will each open an investment account and use our prize money for college,” Lumpkins noted. “It was a win-win situation and a surreal experience.”

“It was a once in a lifetime experience,” Bertoldi agreed.



Ron Longinotti '72

Recipient of the 2011

Junípero Serra Award



THE NEWS NEVER STOPS . . .

As the president and general manager of CBS affiliates KPIX, KBCW and KSTW TV, Ron Longinotti '72 has made a significant difference in the lives of others through his illustrious career in television news. In recognition of his professional accomplishments, his service to others and his outstanding example, he was presented with the 2011 Junípero Serra Award during the Career Day opening ceremony.

Established in 1982, the Junípero Serra Award is Serra's highest alumni honor. The Serra Alumni Association presents the Junípero Serra Medal to an alumnus who exemplifies the ideals, goals and objectives of a Catholic education, which is expressed in Serra's school philosophy.

"I can't think of a more deserving alumnus to receive the Junípero Serra Award than Ron," said Serra President Lars Lund. "He exemplifies the virtues of a Serra man. A Serra Padre is a leader who builds community and who makes a difference in the lives of others. Ron has done this throughout his life."

Longinotti attended St. Matthew's Catholic School, Serra and Stanford University. In addition to balancing a high-profile profession, Longinotti serves on the Serra Board of Regents and is a member of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce. He gives back to his local community by sponsoring students in the ICA Cristo Rey Program and Students Rising Above.

"Our CBS family is really proud of Ron," said CBS 5 Eyewitness News Anchor Ken Bastida, who joined Longinotti on Career Day. "It is an honor to work for someone who has so much compassion for people in the Bay Area. Compassion and integrity are the hallmarks of his success."



CBS 5 Eyewitness News Anchor Ken Bastida shakes hands with Ron Longinotti '72, recipient of the 2010 Junípero Serra Award.

"Being involved in the media is very rewarding because you reach so many people who are entertained, informed and, on occasion, truly helped by your efforts," Longinotti noted. "Every day is different, but there always is a sense that we can make a difference somewhere, somehow."

At Serra, Longinotti learned an appreciation for discipline and time management.

"As a student-athlete, you had to organize and prioritize your time to fit it all in," Longinotti explained. "To this day, a large part of what I do requires planning ahead and setting priorities and goals, all of which were a part of my Serra experience. Striking a balance between work and play is another way of setting priorities and utilizing time

management skills. Serra encouraged a balanced approach to the whole high school experience."

Longinotti said the lines between right and wrong were clearly drawn when he was a student at Serra.

"There was always a strong emphasis on values, ethics and morals in the classroom," he explained. "There was a strong sense that to be a Padre is special; a point of pride. You are held to a higher standard as a result of being given an opportunity to receive an education at Serra. That higher standard is something you carry with you for life."

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RON LONGINOTTI '72



Above (l-r): Alumni Board President John Esplana '82, Ron Longinotti '72, Alumni Director Bob Greene '85.

Jay Jordan

Music Teacher of the Year



“WE DO NOT TEACH MUSIC IN ORDER TO CREATE GREAT MUSICIANS. WE TEACH MUSIC TO OUR STUDENTS SO THEY MAY BECOME GREAT PEOPLE, REGARDLESS OF THEIR CAREER PATH.”

- Bob Morrison, Executive Vice President and Chairman Emeritus of Music for All, Inc.

The above quotation splashes across Jay Jordan’s web homepage, and it couldn’t be more fitting. Although the Serra music teacher has taught hundreds of musicians during his 34-year career, his primary goal is to teach his students to become great people. Whether he is leading the Serra Jazz Band, strumming a guitar or working on the score of a theatrical production, Jordan’s passion for music is evident and effervescent.

March was declared Arts Month by the San Mateo County Arts Commission. On March 1, Jordan was honored by the San Mateo County Arts Commission and the County Board of Supervisors for making a significant difference in the lives of his students. As the San Mateo County Arts Educator of the Year for Music, he joined three other educators in the categories of music, stage and theater, arts education development and visual arts.

“We honored Jay for his years of outstanding service and dedication to the musical arts,” said Lisa Steel, chairperson of the San Mateo County Arts Commission.

According to San Mateo County Supervisor Carole Groom, “Jay Jordan has dedicated his life to providing the highest quality of arts education to many young people. The arts provide opportunities for students to explore and express who they are, while developing confidence and self-esteem. An arts education prepares our students for the expectations of the 21st century workforce.”

Jordan was nominated by Serra Assistant Principal of Academics Keith Strange. For more than three decades, Jordan has taught all music classes at Serra High School, including the award-winning Tri-School Symphonic Band, Jazz Band, Men’s Chorus and introductory music classes. He also directs the Tri-School Chorus, a joint venture between Serra, Mercy and Notre Dame High Schools.

“Through his leadership at Serra, our music and dramatic arts productions have grown and have received numerous awards,” Strange said. “Of special note, the Serra Men’s Chorus was one of two American choirs that performed on the main stage at World Youth Day in 2008 in Sydney, Australia. I can attest to the quality, precision, dedication and depth of his instruction.” Jordan said he was honored to be singled out among the many fine arts teachers in San Mateo County.

“More than half my life has been spent at Serra,” he said. “Our school’s mission is to create men of faith, wisdom, service, community and leadership. I’m grateful that the arts have always been considered a vital part of that mission and I’m happy that Serra is getting a lot of attention for the arts. It’s nice for people to know about the high quality of academics and the arts at our school.”

Serra Principal Barry Thornton noted that Jordan is a leader who has mentored not only Serra Padres, but also students in the Tri-School program with Notre Dame and Mercy.

“I can’t think of anyone more deserving of this honor than Jay,” Thornton added. “So many outstanding musicians have come through the Serra music program over the years. He will soon have a brand new music building to showcase the talents of our Serra Padres. We are so proud of Jay’s work and all that he does for the Serra community.”

Serra’s new Center for the Arts and Sciences will open in August. The new building will feature state-of-the-art band rehearsal and choral space, recording facilities, a Green Room for the Theater Arts Program and a work room for instrument repair.



Jay and June Jordan



Andrew Licko ’13 Accepted into California State Honor Band

When sophomore tuba player Andrew Licko learned he had been accepted into the California State Honor Band, it certainly was music to his ears. This is the third time in Serra history that a Padre has been chosen for the prestigious honor. Thousands of California music students applied for the position, but only a few hundred were accepted.

“I was so excited when I found out because I put so much effort into the application,” Licko said. “I love to play music. It’s like a sport to me.”

Licko practices about two hours a day and is passionate about his music. He also plays the trombone in the Serra Jazz Band. On the weekends, Licko can be spotted in Los Altos playing in the California Youth Symphony.

“As part of the excellent program at Tierra Linda Middle School, Andrew came to Serra highly recommended,” said Serra Music Director Jay Jordan. “He certainly has backed up his reputation as a good musician. I was impressed that he was willing to learn bass trombone so he could play in the Jazz Band, and even more impressed that he auditioned for State Honor Band again this year after not making it last year. His solid tuba playing is literally the foundation of our sound in Symphonic Band.”

Although he plays classical music, Licko also enjoys listening to rap, playing soccer and boxing. He hopes to major in music in college. When asked where he hopes to be 10 years down the road, he said “Playing in the Chicago or San Francisco Symphony as my full-time job.”

Philadelphia Story

Tri School Productions
presents another smash hit!



Above: Lucas Gust '11



Above (l-r): John Santaga '13, Taylor Sanders (Mercy '11) and James Giusti '11



Left: Joey Scannell '11 and Barbara Del Castello (Mercy '11)

Tri-School Productions presented *The Philadelphia Story* in October. The light, romantic comedy featured Mercy senior Barbara Del Castello as Tracy Lord, a rich East Coast socialite entangled in a romantic triangle between her ex-husband, C.K. Dexter Haven (senior James Giusti) and her fiancé, George Kitteredge (senior Robert Cecchi).

“*The Philadelphia Story* allowed Tri-School Productions to focus on a smaller show with strong character roles,” said Director Joe Hudelson '92. “The cast and crew did an amazing job working with a smaller stage due to the construction of the new Center for the Arts and Sciences. The finished product was a well-acted, fun, hilarious and moving show. We were graced with Jon Hayward '07, our production manager, and Barbara Braeutigam, our costume designer, for making this show look so amazing on stage.”

The plot revolved around a chaotic weekend getaway. Reporter Macaulay Connor (senior Lucas Gust) and photographer Elizabeth Imbrie (Mercy junior Hilary De Witt) complicated matters. Hilarity ensued as Tracy tried to find her true love while navigating the waters of high society.

“It was fun to focus on the time period of the 1930s,” said senior Lucas Gust. “Everything was fast-paced. The show was a stretch from last year—it was so different from *Macbeth*. It was good for us as a cast to step out of bounds; we had great chemistry.”

“*The Philadelphia Story* was a particularly satisfying drama for Tri-School Productions to stage, since I cut my teeth as

an actor in this show back in 1987 (Canada College, directed by Bill Kenney),” noted Tom Sullivan '81, production manager for Tri-School Productions. “I played C.K. Dexter Haven. It was a really fun production—a period piece with a certain charm and grace. Our Tri-School Productions students captured those qualities especially well.”



Above (l-r): James Giusti '11 and Robert Cecchi '11



Above (l-r): Marty Koenigs '11 and Hilary DeWitt (Mercy '12)

Serra's Mission at Work

Padres Sponsor 11 Families Through the Samaritan House Adopt-A-Family Program



“THE ADOPT-A-FAMILY PROGRAM ENABLES OUR BOYS *to fulfill the mission of our school. The boys see firsthand the need that exists right in our own backyard.*”

Director of Campus Ministry Kyle Lierk

The door cracked open, as a woman with a beautiful smile welcomed Padres into her Belmont home. Scattered across an end table were pictures of her grandchildren—a boy and a girl with radiant smiles mirroring their grandmother’s. As the Padres wished her a Merry Christmas, they placed bags of groceries in her kitchen and arranged toys in her living room. The woman grinned from ear to ear. Gratitude streamed across her face as a sense of peace washed over her spirit.

Sandra is just one woman who was touched by the generosity of the Serra community this year. Eleven families were sponsored through the Samaritan House Adopt-a-Family program in partnership with Serra’s Big Brothers Club. In December, Serra students delivered groceries and presents to local families in need. As rain poured down on students loading school vans, they chattered about finals and Christmas vacation.

“The Adopt-a-Family program enables our boys to fulfill the mission of our school,” noted Director of Campus Ministry

Kyle Lierk. “They see firsthand the need that exists right in our own backyard. Through the program, our students live out a preferential option for the poor. Many of the boys in the Big Brothers program come away feeling even more grateful for the blessings in their own lives. I am very proud of them.”

Another woman on the Adopt-a-Family list lives alone in Belmont with a newborn baby and a cherubic 2-year-old daughter. As Padres entered her apartment, her toddler immediately spotted a Barbie play set in the mix and was delighted by the endless possibilities of Barbieland. The young mother wiped away happy tears and earnestly thanked the students.

“It’s so hard,” she said in broken English. “I can’t find a job and I have two babies. God bless you and thank you so very much.”

An apartment in San Mateo is home to a disheveled woman in her thirties who takes care of her 4-year-old niece. When Serra students delivered her items, the little girl shivered

under a blanket—either from a high fever or from a lack of heat on a chilly day. Although they didn’t have much, the apartment was cheerfully decorated with a Christmas tree, bright lights and a ceramic gingerbread house resting on faux snow.

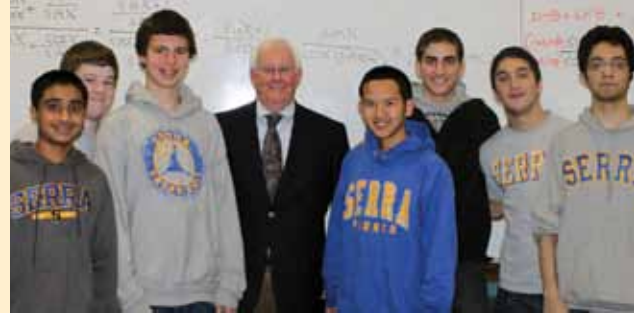
Theology teacher Patrick Cody shared his group’s impressions of local residents currently living below ideal standards. These neighbors include an entire Salvadorian immigrant family living in a one-room tenement apartment near downtown San Mateo; a camp of decrepit railroad track crowded shacks; and a humble home that was destroyed by a fire last summer.

“What a great thing it is to bring sorely needed items to people who, in many cases, live in very marginal conditions right here so close to us,” Cody said. “Not so much for the deed itself—although that is a beautiful thing—but for the change that can be brought about in ourselves. To see the real conditions of poverty can inspire us to give thanks to God for our lives and all that we have and to continue to do what we can to work on behalf of the poor.”



Above (l-r): Seniors Jared Vargas, Steve Garibaldi, Matt Pastore and Cris Perla ’12

According to Serra Principal Barry Thornton, “There are a lot of things these students could have done on a finals afternoon, but they chose to participate in Adopt-a-Family because they care about the community around them. The Adopt-a-Family program provides a tangible way to put their faith into action. That’s the most important thing we teach at Serra High School.”



Jim Fox ’62 Shares Insight with Padres

Jim Fox ’62 spoke to members of the Serra Justice and Peace Club on March 25 about the grim realities of human trafficking.

According to Fox, the former District Attorney of San Mateo County, 800,000 people are sold into slavery each year— 45,000 to 100,000 of whom are trafficked here in the United States. Serra students had many questions for Fox, who discussed the significance of the issue and also talked to students about his career.



Four Padres participated in Mercy High School’s Habitat for Humanity Build on February 12. Juniors Christopher Palza, Kyle Baker, Sean Robertson and Piam Mottaghian spent the day sawing, sanding, priming and painting three homes in Morgan Hill.

“Habitat for Humanity enables students to give of their time to those in need while gaining valuable skills,” said Serra Christian Service and Justice Coordinator Eric Morin. “Transforming a home builds a sense of pride not only for the homeowners, but for our students as well.”

Fund A Dream Luncheon

Inspires Serra Community



Pictured (l-r): Seniors Brennan Jaeb, Sam Leahy, Andre Mercurio, Barry Timko, Connor McGrath and Ryan Strombom.

Opposite below: Fund A Dream Keynote Speaker Rick Justice '67.

Below: Fund A Dream Keynote Speaker Danny Bocanegra '04.

The ballroom of the Peninsula Golf and Country Club was packed on March 16, as members of the Serra community caught up with old friends and bonded over a common cause —contributing to the school's Tuition Assistance Program at the annual Fund A Dream Scholarship Luncheon.

"This event is extraordinary every year," said Serra President Lars Lund. "It has become a wonderful showcase of alumni talent and a major fundraiser in support of Serra's Tuition Assistance Program. Since its inception in 2005, Fund A Dream has raised close to \$750,000 to support students who

otherwise could not afford the cost of tuition."

Fund A Dream guests were treated to inspirational stories from guest speakers Rick Justice '67 and Danny Bocanegra '04. The event began with an invocation from Rick Justice's cousin, Bishop William J. Justice '60.

As the executive advisor to Cisco Systems Chairman and CEO John Chambers, Rick Justice '67 mentors Cisco's senior executive team. Prior to his semi-retirement in 2009 due to an ongoing battle with cancer, Justice was Cisco's executive vice president of worldwide operations and business development. In that role, he oversaw an organization of more than 20,000 sales, systems engineering and operations employees. Although Justice remains a key strategic leader at Cisco, his major focus is on preventive health care for men.

"It is extremely important that we are all here today," Justice said, "Because I can't think of anything critical than funding dreams for young people. The world ahead is more complicated. A prerequisite is a strong education. I have had an incredible journey. But for me, that all started at Serra High School."

As a high school student, Justice took the bus to and from his home in Belmont. He shared some of his favorite high school memories and noted that the life lessons he learned at Serra influenced his relationships and career decisions. In particular, he praised his Latin teacher, John Kelly, for helping him to understand and appreciate other cultures. Kelly was a faculty member and administrator at Serra from 1956-72 and, again, from 1977-79. Kelly was present at Fund A Dream.

Danny Bocanegra '04 changes lives through his business, Selfless Tee: an apparel company with a social conscience. In his first project, Bocanegra used his sales proceeds to take 1,000 mosquito nets to several villages in Africa. The project was so successful that his company also was able to assist an organization in building a school and irrigation system to provide clean water for drinking and growing crops. Last year, Bocanegra received a \$50,000 grant from the Pepsi Foundation in recognition of his efforts.

Sharing vignettes of his struggles as a young man, Bocanegra, who benefited from Serra's Tuition Assistance Program, explained how Serra turned his life around. He said that his high school years at Serra shaped his character and introduced him to positive opportunities. Although he was raised by his grandmother, three male role models truly believed in him: Tim Trzeciak, Mark Griffin and Serra Head Football Coach Patrick Walsh. Today, Bocanegra's business is booming and he recently moved back to the Bay Area.

"At Serra, I learned that there are numerous opportunities out there," he explained. "I wouldn't be who I am today if it weren't for Serra. My high school years provided had the most impact on my character. When I look back on decisions that I have made, they are based on the values I learned at Serra. Fund A Dream is so important. The program means so much to me because I believe it's important to give other kids like me the opportunity to make something of their lives—much bigger than they are expecting right now."

Lund thanked guests for their generous support of Fund A Dream. "Our nation's economic downturn has had a tough effect on our families' finances," he noted. "Now, more than ever, we in the Serra community need to support our Padres who need financial aid to make their dream of a Serra education come true."

To date, this year's Fund a Dream luncheon has raised more than \$118,000 in support of its annual goal of \$150,000.



If you would like to make a contribution to our Fund A Dream Scholarship Fund,

please call the Serra Development Office at 650-573-9935.



Honoring Dave Stevens

Recipient of the
2011 In Via Award



Above: Father Stephen Howell '63 and Father Joe Bradley '73

Generous. Fair. Loyal. Committed.

These words describe Dave Stevens, a man who meant so much to his family and the Serra community. A beloved husband, father, grandfather, teacher, coach, mentor and friend, Stevens passed away on January 21, 2011 after a courageous battle with lung cancer. He was posthumously honored with the Serra In Via Award during a special Mass and celebration on February 27. The In Via Award is presented each year to a non-alumnus who has led by Christian example, who has made a difference in his community and who has helped to promote the goals and objectives of a Catholic education.

“Dave Stevens was an absolute gentleman who was always very generous with his time,” said Serra teacher and Head Basketball Coach Chuck Rapp. “He was a true ambassador of Serra High School, embodying all the virtues that we still strive to impart on the Serra student body of today.”

The Early Days

Stevens was born on September 11, 1938, in Providence, Rhode Island. He was the oldest of four boys born to Dorothy and David Stevens. The family moved to Southern California, where Stevens attended St. Therese Elementary School in Alhambra and Loyola High School in Los Angeles. He moved up to San Francisco after



high school to attend USF. A twist of fate occurred a short time later, when he traveled to Rhode Island with the USF basketball team. It was there that he met his future wife, Ginny.

“Besides being tall, dark and handsome, he had a very sincere personality,” Ginny remembered. “There wasn’t anything phony about him. He was genuinely warm and caring, and extremely respectful.”

The couple married in 1964 and moved to Foster City. After graduating from USF, Stevens began his teaching and coaching career at Serra. A quiet, steady leader, he was inspired by his family, students and colleagues.

“I first met Dave in 1976 when I was hired as a coach and world history teacher,” said Serra teacher and former baseball coach Pete Jensen. “Dave was a history expert. He took me under his wing from the first day we met. He became one of the most important guys in my teaching career. He was kind, soft-spoken and always upbeat. He made me feel at home as a new teacher and coach. In 1983, Dave gave me the opportunity to coach varsity baseball. He truly was one of the nicest guys I’ve ever known.”

“Dave Stevens was, without a doubt, one of the finest people I have ever met,” agreed Serra Counselor Tom Mackenzie. “I met Dave when I was in elementary school and he played football for my dad at the USF. Dave stood out in particular because he was the only athlete who walked by, smiled, mussed up my hair and said, ‘How’s it going, kid?’ Years later, when I came to Serra, Dave welcomed me to campus with open arms and became my mentor. If I had questions regarding students, parents, players, discipline, football or basketball, he was always there to provide his insight, knowledge and unique perspective. As a mentor, Dave had a special type of wisdom. He is and always will be special to me. As a father, parent, teacher, coach and human being, Dave had a true impact on me and made a significant difference in my life.”

Stevens remained at Serra for almost 30 years. In 2003, he and Ginny moved to Sun Lakes, Arizona.

A Man of Faith

Stevens was a man of great faith. When he was diagnosed with lung cancer last August, he said the Rosary twice a day. A non-smoker, never once did he complain or ask, “Why me?” Stevens accepted his fate and decided not to undergo chemotherapy treatments. Instead, he went home and spent the last of his days with his family. He passed away at home in Sun Lakes, with his family around him.

“He was the best,” said Stevens’ wife of 46 years, Ginny. “Dave truly loved being a dad. He was very much involved in their lives. Our children thought he was the greatest dad around. He couldn’t get enough of his eight grandchildren. Family meant everything to him.”

“He was the dad everyone wished they had,” said daughter Lisa Stevens. “I feel like the luckiest girl in the world to have had him as my father. I was born on Father’s Day and always seemed to gravitate to whatever he was interested in—sports, sports, sports! He made me want to be a better person. He was always learning and always studying. He loved his family and we were his pride and joy. My Mom was his world and he never liked being away from her for long. He was and will always be the person I aspire to be.”

During his tenure at Serra, Stevens became a Eucharistic minister. He lived a life based on Gospel values and principals. He found church bells to be calming and meaningful—a constant reminder that God is with us now and always.

Stevens is survived by his Ginny and his children, Dave, Brian, Amy and Lisa; his brothers, Tom, Bob and Don; his daughters in law, Stacy and Allison; his son in law, Bill; and eight grandchildren—Kaitlyn, Sean, Madison, Lexi, Logan, Tucker, Ashlen and Dawson.

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Above (l-r): David Stevens '85, Ginny Stevens and Serra Principal Barry Thornton

A Man of Wisdom and Service

Brian Stevens '86 said his dad always took the high road and he simply tried to find the best in people.

“For my dad, it wasn’t about the wins,” Brian noted. “It was about the effort and the execution, the passion and the pride. He viewed the field not as a battle, but as an opportunity to challenge and inspire the human spirit. He was determined to have an impact on young people’s lives. He was selfless and always available.”



Above: Brian Stevens '86 stands with his proud father at his Serra graduation.

According to Brian, his father felt blessed to have had an opportunity to impact young men’s lives, and never took it for granted. He never judged others. Instead, he observed and listened. He sought to understand before being understood. Everybody was important and everybody belonged.



“Dad’s heart was and always will be with the Blue and Gold,” Brian added. “For close to 30 years, his selfless demeanor, competitive and compassionate spirit, and commitment to students and athletes was extraordinary

and yet, easy. He was simply inspired to educate youth and to provide a meaningful foundation where they could prosper. There’s no greater cause than standing up and owning the responsibility of providing a solid and supportive path for students. My dad’s legacy has and always will be a welcome shadow in my life, and a constant reminder that he did it right.”

Brian’s brother, David '85, remembers talking about history for hours with his father and comparing notes on favorite books.

“He made it fun,” David said. “Whatever my dad did, whether it was teaching in the classroom or coaching the kids, Dad took



David '85 and his father, Dave Stevens, enjoy a ball game together at Wrigley Field.

the time to explain things. He always told us to treat people the way we wanted to be treated. You couldn’t ask for a better dad, friend, teacher and coach wrapped up in one. The last thing he said to me was ‘Always take care of your family,’ and that he loved us very much.”

Stevens’ service extended to Mercy and Notre Dame high schools, where he coached girls’ basketball and softball. He also was a respected coach at St. Matthew’s Catholic School in San Mateo, his children’s alma mater.



Above: 1985 Mercy girls’ basketball team with Coach Stevens. Daughter Lisa is #25.

“I remember reading a quote by Maya Angelou shortly after Dad’s passing,” said Stevens’ daughter, Amy Mueller (NDB '91). “She said, ‘At our best, we are all teachers.’ I found her simple words profound. Dad was always at his best. As a father and grandfather, he was constantly giving of himself—his love, his time, his knowledge. Whenever we needed him, no matter how significant or how trivial, he always made himself available.

A few weeks ago, Amy’s son, Tucker, played his first T-ball game. Amy turned to Tucker and said, “Papa would be so proud of you right now—I wish he were here to see you.” Under a clear blue sky, Tucker turned to his mom, gave her a hug and said, “He is here, Mom, and he’ll always be watching over us.”



Toddler Amy Mueller (NDB '91) takes a stroll around campus with her father, Dave Stevens.



Dave and Ginny Stevens in baseball dugout with five of their eight grandchildren.

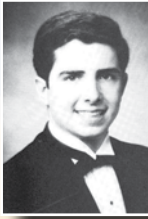
Where are they now?



George Peacock '59



Tom McBreen '70



Juan Orozco '86



Sandeep Chatterjee '91



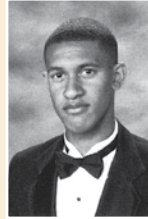
Sean Dugoni '89



Brian Bedell '93



Alan Terranova '07



Jordan Taylor '09

David Stronck '49

It's a Science: Professor Inspires Teachers



David Stronck '49, Ph.D., has spent a lifetime pondering the wonders of the scientific world. Since 1984, he has taught graduate seminars in Science Education and Methods of Teaching Science to future teachers at California State University, East Bay.

“Science is never static,” said Stronck, who recently celebrated his 80th birthday. “When I started out, there wasn’t anything such as gene splicing. I can remember when we taught biology students that only one protein is produced by each gene. After the completion of the Human Genome Project, we recognized that the typical human gene produces three different proteins. Science is forever growing and changing.”

Stronck’s career began with teaching chemistry and other science courses at Serra. He later completed graduate degrees at Oregon State University and has served as the mentor of hundreds of students and teachers. In 1989, he was tenured and promoted to professor of science education. In addition to teaching, Stronck serves as the director of many grants and as a mentor of Noyce Scholars.

“I have directed more than \$1 million in grants from the Genentech Foundation to assist local teachers in doing hands-on biotechnology activities,” noted Stronck, the author of eight books and more than 200 articles. “There is so much going on in the world of science. Look at what’s happening in the biotechnology and computer industries. The advances in astronomy and space exploration are mind-boggling. Everyone should be excited about science.”

Stronck was delighted to reconnect with his friends and former students at Serra’s 50-Year Club Luncheon in February.

“My former students who graduated in 1959 are now in the 50-Year Club,” he noted. “It was wonderful to see everyone and so interesting to reconnect. It’s always fun to be back on campus. Serra is such an interesting and vibrant place.”

David Stronck lives in Union City with his wife, Florence. They have three children and five grandchildren.

George Peacock '59

Strings Decades of Music



If walls could talk, those inside Peacock Music certainly would have some colorful stories to tell about the electrifying San Francisco music scene. San Francisco's oldest instrument shop is owned by Serra alumnus George Peacock '59.

Peacock has serviced musical instruments for flower children, classical musicians, rock 'n' roll bands and folk artists. Numerous celebrities have graced the premises as well—members of Fleetwood Mac, The Who, Chris Isaak, Metallica and Van Morrison, to name a few.

The music shop at 15th and Noe streets used to be the Chinatown Meat Co. It has been an oasis of creativity for Peacock and his wife, Miriam, since 1973. The old-fashioned shop smells of fresh wood shavings. That's because Peacock crafts guitars from wood shipped from India, Germany and Brazil. Inside Peacock Music, an endless buzz of strings being tuned combined with easy chatter fills the air. The shop attracts an eclectic crowd—teenagers with aspirations of hitting it big, learned music scholars, even a prominent San Francisco surgeon who plays music to unwind after a busy day at the hospital.

Peacock grew up in Millbrae. He said his four years at Serra “provided me with a good moral foundation and grounding. Serra gave me a great start in life.”

After high school, Peacock attended San Jose and San Francisco State universities. He lived in North Beach for a while, going to school and working as a cabinet maker. During the Middle Eastern music revival in North Beach, he studied under local guitar maker Warren White, who was known for his wild ways and many connections. Peacock quickly became known as San Francisco's most reputable luthier—a musician and craftsman who could repair just about any stringed instrument.

Peacock met his wife, Miriam, 50 years ago at a cabaret show in San Jose. She was a budding opera singer and he played the guitar. From the moment they met, each suspected they were soul mates. However, life sometimes plays a different tune and they chose separate paths. Peacock spent a year in Spain, working as an apprentice to flamenco luthiers. Although he enjoyed playing the guitar, he discovered that repairing and building stringed instruments was his passion.



George and Miriam Peacock

A year later, Peacock moved back to San Francisco, reconnected with Miriam and married her a few years later. The Peacocks opened their music shop . . . and the rest is history. They have enjoyed a rewarding business during their 45 years of marriage.

“San Francisco has always been an exciting place,” Peacock said. “I have met so many people and have always been open to what they need. We bless the guitars! Sometimes people are insecure about their music, so we try to help them with whatever they need. People should experience the joy of music. It's good for them and it's great mental exercise.”

A Courageous Battle

Last year, Peacock was diagnosed with a brain tumor. He is battling the disease with courage and grace. The Peacocks are raising their 14-year-old granddaughter, Emma, who recently was accepted into Mercy High School's Women in the Arts Program.

“The tuition is high for us, so we'll have to see if we can make that work,” Miriam said. “The cost of chemotherapy is astronomical. We are so grateful to Father Tony La Torre

and members of St. Philip the Apostle school and parish for setting up the Peacock Family Fund to help us. As a family, our focus is for George to get well.”

Although Peacock has had to limit his work hours, Peacock Music still makes him smile. He is the last luthier in San Francisco who owns his own shop. A true artist, Peacock continues to play the guitar and hopes that new cancer treatments will give him the gift of a bright future. For now, he is inspired by classical music, stringed instruments and his family.

“Music is like a flight of fancy,” Miriam Peacock noted. “You can be a millionaire or a ditch digger, it doesn't matter. You can be creative. Music is a way of being free.”

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JOY OF MUSIC. IT'S GOOD FOR THEM
AND IT'S GREAT MENTAL EXERCISE."

- George Peacock '59



Sandeep Chatterjee '91

Changing Lives, One Village at a Time



Villagers, standing under the shade of a big tree, perform bank transactions each morning.

World Economic Forum names Sandeep Chatterjee a 2011 Young Global Leader

Sandeep Chatterjee, Ph.D., is changing lives in remote villages around the world. In March, the World Economic Forum named Chatterjee a Young Global Leader for 2011. This honor recognizes top leaders from all over the world—all of whom are under the age of 40—for their professional accomplishments, commitment to society and potential to shape the future of the world.

March was an extremely busy month for Chatterjee—in addition to receiving the prestigious award, he was invited by Harvard University to participate in an executive education program on global leadership.

Ten years ago, representatives of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) asked Chatterjee to develop technology to deliver secure banking and related services to the almost four billion people in the world without access. Chatterjee developed a wireless-based technology solution that worked.

“The problem is this: four billion people don’t have bank accounts because in many countries, branches are only located in big cities,” Chatterjee explained. “People aren’t going to sit on a bus for 200 kilometers to go to the bank. My idea was to have a computer server at the bank’s head office that is linked to point-of-sale and other types of mobile devices in smaller cities and villages. These mobile point-of-sale devices, together with powerful software, allows people to perform bank transactions without ever visiting the bank. Fingerprints are used for identification. The banks hire agents who live in the villages to perform these services; essentially human ATMs.

“Many studies have shown that having a bank account is critical for personal and financial empowerment of people,” he added. “Making daily or weekly deposits into their bank accounts—even small amounts of only \$1—results in financial responsibility and may allow many people to rise out of poverty.”

A Chance Meeting

Chatterjee will never forget meeting a Ugandan woman in a bright yellow dress (*photo, top right*) who was the elder of a village where he was testing new technology. She made an impact on not only his career, but on his heart. The woman earnestly thanked Chatterjee for making banking possible in her village.

“NOBODY CARES ABOUT US,” SHE CLAIMED. “WE LIVE IN A POOR VILLAGE AND YOU HAVE BROUGHT SOMETHING THAT WILL CHANGE OUR LIVES.”

“This lady was so eloquent, and it was very powerful to hear her words,” Chatterjee remembered. “Our technology was enabling her and the people in her village to have better lives. I will never forget that day and I will never forget her words. It made me want to take this technology and spread it to more people around the world. Since then, we have taken it to India, Bangladesh, Costa Rica, Mexico, Peru and Nicaragua. We are changing the future for their children and their children’s children.”

Chatterjee is the co-founder, chief technology officer, vice president and director of SourceTrace Systems, Inc. He also is the president of SourceTrace Systems in Nicaragua and the managing director of SourceTrace Systems India Pvt. Ltd.

“SourceTrace offers robust, financial transaction software that utilizes mobile phones, point-of sale-devices and other wireless handsets operating over existing networks,” Chatterjee explained. “We have partnered with financial services organizations throughout Mexico, Central America, Asia and Africa to help enterprises serve vast new markets.

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SourceTrace will connect tens of millions of people—primarily ‘bottom of the pyramid’ poor and low-income people in rural areas—with companies that provide banking services.”

The Early Years

Chatterjee was born in Calcutta, India. His family moved to Foster City when he was 5 years old. He learned to work hard at Serra. “Serra was very different from other schools,” he remembered. “We were taught to be driven and motivated. We worked hard and didn’t waste time. It was a respectful environment between the teachers and students. The environment was extremely positive.”

After high school, Chatterjee graduated from UC Berkeley with a bachelor’s degree in electrical engineering and computer science. He received a master’s degree and a Ph.D. in computer science from MIT. While at MIT, Chatterjee invented a mobile technology solution that is preserved in a time capsule at the Boston Museum of Science as one of the most important inventions in computing. He shares this honor with Bill Gates, the founder of Microsoft, and Tim Berners-Lee, the inventor of the World Wide Web.



Indian villagers are pictured learning how to use a mobile banking device.

“Changing the world for the better will take creativity, deep thinking, global dialog and teamwork,” Chatterjee said. “I am honored to have been selected as a 2011 Young Global Leader, and to be included in this group of extraordinary individuals who, working and thinking together, will certainly have significant and positive impact around the world.”

Tom McBreen M.D. ’70



Tom McBreen ’70 (back left) laughs with former Serra swim coach Gus DeGara and members of the 1970 swim team.

Taking the Plunge

Serra Athletic Hall of Famer Tom McBreen M.D. ’70 recently started swimming again after a long 20-year break. When his fiancée, Anna, decided to compete in triathlons, McBreen rekindled his passion for swimming.

McBreen was a three-time recipient of the Blanket Award and he was a freestyle All-American. He still holds Serra’s longest standing swim record in the 400 freestyle. McBreen was an All-American at USC for four years. He swam in the 1972 Olympics and won a bronze medal for the 400-meter freestyle. When McBreen was captain of the USC swim team in 1974, his team won the NCAA championships.

“I learned to be motivated and diligent at Serra,” McBreen remembered. “Gus De Gara, my swim coach, taught us to work hard and put in a lot of effort.”

Over the years, McBreen has built a thriving family medical practice in Ventura, California. “I love watching children grow up from birth,” he said. “We live in a relatively small town, where I have delivered more than 2,500 babies to date.”

McBreen and Anna are looking forward to their upcoming wedding on May 10. They have four children and two grandchildren between them. Padre Mark Brenner ’70 will officiate the wedding ceremony.

McBreen still keeps in touch with fellow Padre and NFL Hall of Famer Lynn Swann ’70. “Lynn is still one of my best friends and we talk and text weekly,” McBreen said. “Serra gave me a solid foundation in my education, athletics, work ethic and brotherhood. It started me on my wonderful journey as a physician, father and community leader.”

Brian Bedell ’93

Promotes American Values Abroad



Working for the U.S. Foreign Service has taken Brian Bedell ’93 around the world. His career is exciting, ever-changing and keeps him on the edge of his seat. For the past 10 years, he has lived in Japan, India and China. As a State Department diplomat, Bedell’s duties change with each assignment.

Imagine looking out your window to see lines of rickshaws zig-zagging in and out of crowded streets. Or women carrying heavy baskets on their heads. Or cows grazing on roadside garbage. These sights are not uncommon to Bedell, who has settled into various cultures drastically different from his childhood days in San Carlos.

Bedell’s desire to make a difference in the world stemmed from the life lessons he learned as a high school student at Serra. Bedell said the school’s emphasis on community service prepared him well for a career in the public sector.

“My experience at Serra provided a good compass of moral education,” he said. “It had a big influence on my decision to continue my Catholic education at the University of San Francisco.” At USE, Bedell majored in Spanish and minored in biochemistry. After college, he participated in an exchange program sponsored by the Japanese Ministry of Education. He worked at a junior high school in a quaint fishing village for two years, and later taught English and Spanish to adults in Japan’s northern island of Hokkaido.

In 2003, Bedell was accepted by Georgetown University, where he received a Master of Science in foreign service. He joined the Foreign Service in May of 2006.

“We spend about one third of our time in Washington D.C. and about two thirds of our career abroad,” Bedell noted. “Most assignments last for three years but some are shorter, depending on specific circumstances such as danger or hardship.”

From 2006 to 2008, Bedell worked as a visa officer in Chennai, a tropical port city of 8 million people on the southeastern coast of India. “I did everything from assisting Indian IT professionals

who were transferring to the Bay Area to helping religious workers to weeding out fraudulent applications,” he explained. “We also were constantly on the lookout for people with possible terrorist connections. We interviewed applicants from behind a bulletproof window. On most days, I saw between 100 and 120 people.”

For the past two years, Bedell has been a political officer at the U.S. Embassy in Beijing, where he works on civil society development, academic freedom, censorship, anticorruption and women’s issues.

“Beijing is in incredibly busy post because the U.S. and China arguably comprise the world’s most important and bilateral relationship,” Bedell said. “The Chinese economy and society are evolving at an astonishing speed, but there is far less room for people to maneuver in the political sphere. Many of the institutions we take for granted in the U.S. are yet to emerge.”

After China, Bedell will work on child labor, women’s rights and human trafficking issues in Pakistan. The Islamabad assignment will last only a year because of the current security situation. Bedell is scheduled to study Urdu full time in northern Virginia before his July 2012 departure.

“Pakistan is a diplomatic priority for the United States, and there will be endless work to do,” he noted. “However, I am up for the challenge. Working abroad for years on end is not for the homesick. Living overseas is utterly fascinating.”



Pictured above: Brian Bedell ’93 (far right) with three U.S. State Department colleagues and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton.



USS Winston S. Churchill

Juan Orozco '86

Troubled Waters: Keeping the High Seas Safe



The idea of piracy is shocking to most people—it is hard to fathom that pirates still exist in modern times. Yet U.S. Navy Commander Juan Orozco '86 has met more than his share of criminals who terrorize the Gulf of Oman. As the captain of the USS Winston S. Churchill, Orozco was in charge of 288 sailors during a seven-month deployment in 2010.

“For 54 days, the crew flawlessly performed duties as Air Defense Commander for the USS Harry S. Truman, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom strike missions into Afghanistan,” Orozco explained. “I loved being the captain of a ship. I had an arsenal of weapons to include two helicopters with me. My job was to protect the aircraft carrier and to conduct counter piracy and counter narcotics operations in the Gulf of Aden and Gulf of Oman. To be able to work with a tremendous crew was incredible.”



Juan Orozco '86 with Sir Winston S. Churchill's daughter, Lady Soames.

Orozco's crew saved 70 lives in three rescues at sea, and was involved in dangerous counter-piracy situations. It was the first crew to respond to a piracy attack on a Chinese heavy lift vessel last November. Modern day pirates—clad in jeans, T-shirts and shorts—carried AK47s and RPGs and held people hostage. When Orozco fired a canon at the pirate ship to warn them to stop, 22 civilian hostages were forced on deck. Pirates challenged Orozco's crew, waving machine guns and threatening the hostages. Orozco made the difficult decision to turn his ship around to protect the hostages from being killed by the pirates.

During this last deployment, Orozco met people who would do just about anything to leave their undesirable surroundings behind. Men, women and children escaped in small boats. Many of them did not know to swim but were willing to take a chance, hoping for better lives.

“We had our challenges,” Orozco noted. “It was eye-opening. It made me appreciate life and how good we have it in the United States. So many refugees are out in the open ocean trying to leave their home countries. Most of them don't know how to swim and are spending their life savings just to get to another country.”

Life is not always smooth sailing during a deployment. The hours are extremely long. Orozco rarely gets a full night's sleep.

“We are an international on-call police force when merchants are concerned about something approaching them,” Orozco noted.

“We respond to everything, all day and all night. It is difficult for us to distinguish pirates from the Somali fishermen. There are a lot of fishermen in skiffs out there, and it's hard to determine who's who. It also takes a lot of evidence to arrest them. There are thousands of pirates out there. The challenge for us is finding a nation that will prosecute them.”



Somali Pirates surrender.

One of the most memorable moments for Orozco's crew was when President Obama called the ship to wish sailor Tabatha Figueroa a Happy Thanksgiving. The Los Angeles native is an exceptional sailor who performed CPR and revived a man during a rescue operation.

“Every member of your ship's company has ultimately contributed to some very real achievements in these waters,” Rear Admiral Sinan Ertugrul of the Turkish Navy wrote to Orozco. “Looking ahead, piracy remains a serious threat to freedom and security in these waters. Like the namesake of your ship, we must resolve to persevere.”

“I couldn't be prouder of my crew,” Orozco said. “They gave it their all for seven months, with a positive attitude and tremendous resolve. This crew has been challenged and has excelled in the most difficult of situations. Next in line for us is taking the Winston S. Churchill into a dry dock for much needed maintenance.”

In December 2011, Orozco will take on a new role as the reactor officer of the USS George Washington, based in Yokuska, Japan. Orozco stays in touch with his family through email and Facebook. He lives in Virginia with his wife, Jennifer, and two sons, Andrew and John. Both boys plan to follow in their dad's footsteps by attending his alma mater, the Naval Academy in Annapolis.

Orozco grew up in Foster City, where his parents still reside today. He and his brothers, Alvaro '93 and Jimmy '97, graduated from Serra. His sister, Maria, attended Aragon High School.

“Serra High School played a key part in helping me succeed in the military,” Orozco said. “I developed leadership skills at Serra. My teachers and coaches were mentors who stressed the importance of a balance between academics and athletics. While I was at Serra, I realized that the methodical life of the military would fit my personality and lifestyle. It has been everything I expected it to be and more.”

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Sean Dugoni '89

A Class Act



Serra history teacher Sean Dugoni '89 sat down with us a few weeks ago to share what it's like to work at his alma mater.

Q: What do you enjoy about teaching history?

A: I teach junior U.S. History and sophomore Honors History. This is my seventh year teaching at Serra. History is fascinating because it is happening every day. We are living in the moment and witnessing our own history.

Q: How do you make your classes interesting and fun?

A: I rarely lecture. My students do a lot of hands-on activities. I enjoy activities such as our Supreme Court Project—the students learn about the three branches of government and defend court cases.

Q: You come from a large Dugoni legacy. Can you tell us about that?

A: There are 10 kids in our family and 29 grandkids. I have five brothers and four sisters. Four of my brothers also attended Serra— Bill '76, Bob '79, Tom '82 and Larry '86.

Q: What is it like to teach at your alma mater?

A: It's great to be back! There is such an emphasis on academics. There are more AP classes than ever before. We all are looking forward to the new Center for Arts and Sciences. It's also fun for me to see my nephew every day, Thomas Cox, who is a junior.

Q: What advice do you give to your students?

A: My advice to them is to make the most of their four years at Serra. I encourage them to get involved as much as they can, to try their best and to hold their heads up high. In other words, always give it your best effort.

Q: What does it mean to be a Padre? A: It means giving back. I try to instill that in my students. As a teacher here at Serra, I try to give back as much as I can. I moderate the Young Democrats and Republicans Club and I'm also the assistant varsity basketball coach.

Q: You played basketball all four years at Serra and also in college. What is it like to coach today's Padres?

A: I still get butterflies in my stomach before each game, and that's a good thing! I'm always excited. It's great to work with Chuck Rapp.

Q: What is your favorite movie?

A: I watch the History Channel and a lot of documentaries. My favorite movies are *Glory*, *Band of Brothers* and *Boardwalk Empire*.

Q: Where do you live?

A: I live in San Carlos with my wife, Linda, who is also a teacher, and three little girls— Josephine (11), Margaret (9) and Charlotte (4).

Q: What is something that people might be surprised to know about you?

A: I'm an avid baker. I make my daughters' birthday cakes and lots of other desserts. At Christmas time, I make cream puffs for the entire family. I even made Kevin Carey's wife's 30th birthday cake! My grandfather was a chef for the St. Francis Hotel, so that's where I get it.



Smiles erupt with Sean Dugoni's molten volcano cake..

Alan Terranova '07

Paving the Way in a Wireless World

Tapping letters on a hand-held wireless device, Alan Terranova has all sorts of ideas for future apps that can change the world.

Terranova will graduate from UCLA this spring with a degree in computer science and engineering. He already has a job lined up as a software development engineer at Qualcomm in San Diego.

"I like the engineering discipline," Terranova said. "Computer science is constantly changing at a rapid pace. When you major in computer science, you have the ability to take what you have learned and apply it to the changing world."

According to Terranova, incredible wireless developments are on the horizon. "It's fascinating to think what people are going to be able to do with smaller and more powerful devices," he noted.

"We'll see other systems exchanging information and making intelligent decisions without our help. Wireless technology will be used in every aspect of modern life—medicine, transportation, sustainability—the possibilities are endless. In the Information Age, people became more connected. Now we will see that same phenomenon applied to our physical world."

At UCLA, Terranova is the assistant editor in chief of the *BruinLife* yearbook and also is involved in UCLA's Blue &



Gold Athletics recruiting. His roommate is Padre Marcus Tong '07. He often runs into some other Padres from the Class of '07: Jason Dunn, Brad Satterwhite, Jeff Flaherty and Nick Zakula.

Terranova claimed that modern technology has improved communication for his group of friends. "We like to keep in touch," he explained. "Nothing beats an old-fashioned phone call, but people are keeping in closer contact through social networking sites such as Facebook and Twitter."

Terranova visited the Serra campus in March. "A lot has changed," he said. "I'm happy to see the positive changes around campus. AP scores are at an all time high. The new building is going to be great. It makes me proud to be a Padre."

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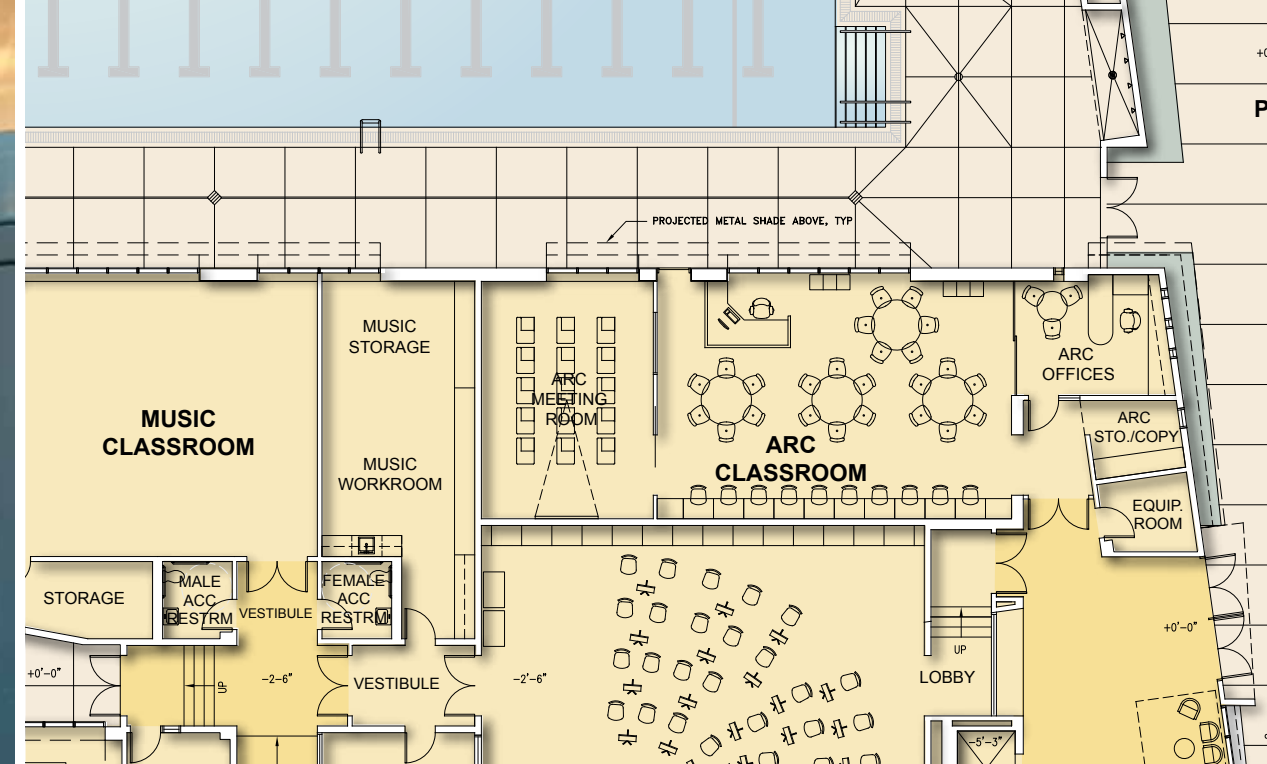
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Jordan Taylor '09

Inspires Academic Resource Center Students



Above: Plans for the new Academic Resource Center, which will feature expanded classrooms, a meeting room to accommodate conferences, and a tutoring/collaborative study classroom.

When Jordan Taylor '09 was a freshman at Serra, he struggled with academics and lacked confidence. It was not an easy year. However, after spending time in Serra's Academic Resource Center, his life turned around and he became the confident, successful, ambitious man he is today.

Taylor returned to his alma mater in January to speak to current Padres in the Academic Resource Center. He shared his path to success and credited Academic Resource Director Gayle Rosenberg with making a difference in his life.

"I had challenges with auditory processing and short-term memory," Taylor explained. "I struggled with math but Mrs. Rosenberg helped me. She was like a second mother to me."

"When I first met Jordan as a ninth grader, he was resistant to dealing with his learning difference," Rosenberg remembered. "He did not fully understand what having a learning difference meant. As we began to work together, he embraced his learning strengths as well as his learning difference. It has been a pleasure to watch Jordan grow into a young man who inspires other students with learning differences. He has returned to Serra several times, and I am always thrilled to have Jordan work with me in the ARC. He is such a positive role model."

Although his freshman year was tough, Rosenberg quickly helped Taylor to shape up and raise his GPA to a 3.0 by his sophomore year. The same year, he played football and joined student government as the executive athletic commissioner.

"Being a leader at Serra not only on the football field but also in student government provided me with the skills and experiences needed to help me in all aspects of life," Taylor said. "Today, I am able to face all problems in a positive light, while getting them solved in a calm yet productive manner."

Taylor currently is a student at Howard University in Washington D.C. He hopes to become a corporate attorney for a Fortune 500 company.

"Living in Washington D.C. is a great experience," Taylor said. "It has a rich history and there are so many opportunities to get involved. Howard is a historically black college and I would love to see more Serra Padres consider this university."

The brotherhood at Serra is something Taylor said "cannot be described in words. It is something that lasts forever. My friends from Serra and I are still in contact today. Whenever we come home for breaks, we hang out and have a great time. It's a bond

so deep. Recently, I was walking down the street in Washington one day while wearing a Serra shirt. Someone pulled his car over and told me he was a Padre graduate of the Class of '89."

Serra ARC students were inspired by Taylor's talk. "Jordan inspired us by sharing the realities of the ARC program," said freshman Dane Archer. "We connected with him and he helped us to prepare for the future. Mrs. Rosenberg has also helped me with time management by teaching me how to plan my assignments and homework."

Taylor was thrilled to speak to Serra ARC students. He said he connected with today's Padres because he was in their shoes less than two years ago.

"I feel honored to help Mrs. Rosenberg with anything she needs because she has done so much for me over the years," Taylor said. "I also received support from Tim Kennedy '95, who was a vital part of the ARC; Brian Duffy '76, without him I would not have been a Serra Padre; and Serra coaches Patrick Walsh and Jason Hardee '00, who inspired me. I would also like to thank my father, David Taylor, who is my role model, the man who raised me and the person who made me into the man I am today.

"It's a very humbling experience to see how far I have come from being a confused high school student to being a college student on the dean's list of a prestigious university," he added. "Serra will always have a special place in my heart. This place gave me so many opportunities I cannot even count. Thank you for letting me still be a part of Serra High School."



Above (l-r): Jason Hardee '00, Jordan Taylor '09, Academic Resource Center Director Gayle Rosenberg



FOOTBALL

Varsity: 6-4-1
CCS Playoffs (8 out of 10 years)
JV: 5-4-1 (3-3-1 WCAL)
Frosh: 8-1 (7-0 WCAL)

Varsity Head Coach:
Patrick Walsh

Varsity Assistants:
John Kirby '95
Kevin Lopina
Lyndon McGee
Eric Morin

JV Staff
Head Coach: Bob Vinal
Assistant Head Coach: Perry Carter
Assistant: Ed Berry
Assistant: Jason Hardee

Freshman Staff
Head Coach: Imani Stewart
Assistant: Bill Ahern
Assistant: Ray Baldonado
Assistant: John Diaz

Football Awards

WCAL Kicker of the Year: Parker Toms
Sophomore of the Year: Eric Redwood

WCAL First Team All League:
Alex Bravo
Jonny Maurino
Andy McAlindon
Michael Tatola
Erich Wilson

WCAL Second Team All League:
Juan Rodriguez
Kyle Rudolph
Mark Timko

WCAL Honorable Mention All League:
Nick Alspaugh
Eric Redwood
David Sevelo

Collegiate Players:
Kyle Rudolph, Amherst College
Parker Toms, Yale University
John Vincent, Wagner College



“The Padres had two very successful seasons of fall and winter sports. All six teams earned the status of CCS Scholastic Achievement Teams, earning a cumulative team GPA of 3.0 or higher. This accomplishment is a direct result of the hard work of the student-athletes and teachers. Thank you for your help and support.”

Dean Ayoob '92
Athletic Director

“Although the season didn’t go exactly how we would have liked on the scoreboard, I was proud of the effort and intensity this group of kids put into the season. I will truly miss the senior class.”

Varsity Head Coach Patrick Walsh



CROSS COUNTRY

Head Coach: Will McCarthy
Assistants: Ron DiMaggio and John Wise

Cross Country Awards:

Most Outstanding Runner: Carsten Stann
Outstanding Senior Runner: Danny Colom
Outstanding Sophomore Runner: Joey Berriatua
Outstanding Freshman Runners: Skip Breen & Grant Schulte
Coaches’ Award: Junior Aredo

Varsity, Second Team, ALL WCAL:
Danny Colom
Ford Milligan

“The varsity cross country team experienced a successful WCAL III Championship Meet, finishing 3rd in the meet at Crystal Springs and 3rd overall in league.”

Varsity Head Coach Will McCarthy

WATERPOLO

Varsity 15-13 (3-3 WCAL) CCS Semi-Finals
JV: 19-4-1 (4-2 WCAL)
Frosh: 4-2 2nd in WCAL

Varsity Head Coach: Bob Greene '85
JV Coaches: Stavros Lee and Josh Oren
Freshman Coach : Matt Fox

Waterpolo Awards:

Two-Time CA/HI All American:
Max Murphy

ALL WCAL & ALL CCS:
Jake Folan
Max Murphy
Ian Williams

MVP: Max Murphy
Most Improved:
Paul Smallman & Paul Jordan

Coaches’ Choice:
Tim Vavuris & Brennen Jaeb

JV MVP: Anthony Buljan

Freshman MVP: Peter Berquist



“This was a great season for Serra Water Polo. Without a home pool and limited time in the water, we were still able to exceed many of our goals. I look forward to more success in the future with our new aquatic facilities.”

Varsity Head Coach
Bob Greene

Padre Bench

SOCCER ➤

Varsity Head Coach: Jeff Panos
Assistant: Corey Edden

JV Head Coach: Renan Pineda
JV Assistant: Enzo Rosano
Freshman Coach: Matt Angell '80
Freshman Asst.: Nick Carrara

Varsity Record: 10-9-5 (6-4-4 WCAL)

Beat Mitty 1-0 in WCAL first round; lost to Bellarmine 3-1 in WCAL semifinals; Beat Woodside in CCS 1st round at Serra; lost to Bellarmine 4-1 in CCS quarterfinals.

4th CCS appearance for Serra in last five years

Blanket Award Team MVP: Spencer Hall
Team Offensive Player of the Year
and 1st team ALL WCAL: Cristobal Perla
Team Defensive Player of the Year
and Honorable Mention ALL WCAL: Matt Pastore
1st Team ALL WCAL: Alex Kunkel
2nd Team ALL WCAL: Darren Finn



“Coming off a championship season, this year’s squad survived arguably one of the toughest schedules in CCS with the target on their backs the whole time. We made a nice run through the second half of league play culminating with a huge home victory over St. Ignatius that propelled us to our berth in the CCS playoffs. Beating Woodside at home in the 1st round of CCS was a terrific experience for our entire program. Our guys gained valuable playoff experience for next year, where we return the bulk of our team and will be poised for another run for both the WCAL and CCS titles.”

Varsity Head Soccer Coach Jeff Panos

BASKETBALL ➤

Varsity Head Coach: Chuck Rapp '86
Varsity Assistants:
Brian Carson
Sean Dugoni '89

JV Head Coach: Rob Ruis
JV Assistant: Tim Egan
Freshman Coaches: Mark Massey '83
and Brian Morton '83

Varsity: 21-10 (8-6 WCAL, 3rd Place); JV: WCAL Champions

Varsity lost in the WCAL Playoff Championship Game to eventual State Champion Mitty by 1 point (45-46), and then lost to Santa Teresa by 2 points (44-46) in the CCS Championship Game. The team qualified for the Northern California Playoffs and lost in the first round to Franklin, Sacramento by 3 points (54-57).

1st Team ALL WCAL & San Mateo Times County Player of the Year: Connor McGrath
Honorable Mention ALL WCAL: Dylan Pacheco; 2nd Team ALL WCAL: Henry Caruso '13.



“I was very proud of the players’ efforts in what turned out to be a highly successful season. A lot of people thought we would struggle through a rebuilding campaign this year, but we surprised everyone in finishing with a winning WCAL record and a 20+ winning season. Our team was built on defense and rebounding, and the players really took a lot of pride in those areas. We beat eventual State Champion, St Joes’s, Alameda by 14 (58-44) at their gym and nearly beat another State Champion, Mitty. I have nothing but respect for these players and will certainly miss the seniors.”

Varsity Head Soccer Coach Chuck Rapp '86

WRESTLING ➤

Varsity Head Coach: Ricardo Garcia
JV Coach: Michael Klobuchar '90
Assistants: Steve Heimuli, Bob Marshall, Andre Monney '03

The Serra Padre wrestling team had another outstanding year under Head Coach Ricardo Garcia, as they continued their upward trend of being a force on the mat.

WCAL Dual Meet Record 4-2
WCAL 3rd place



State Qualifier: Travis Roberts 119
CCS Placers: Travis Roberts 3rd, Nick Alspaugh 5th,
Jerry DeLaRosa 130 Top 8, Chad Thodos 189 Top 12

WCAL Champions: Travis Roberts 119, Luimere Hayes 152, Tim Glauninger 215
WCAL 2nd place: Bo Hall 145, Nick Alspaugh 171, Chad Thodos 189,
WCAL 3rd place: Jerry DeLaRosa 130, Kyle Rudolph HWT
Other CCS Qualifiers: Elias Hernandez 125, TJ San Diego 135, Geo DelValle 145
Varsity Awards: MVP: Travis Roberts; Padre Award: Nick Alspaugh;
Coaches’ Award: Tim Glauninger; Most Improved: Jerry DeLaRosa;
CCS Academic Award: Lumiere Hayes
JV Awards: MVP: Andre LaRosa; Padre Award: Chris Ippolito;
Coaches’ Award: Ulysses Molina; Most Improved: Jake Mercurio
Freshman Awards: MVP: Sean Clarke, Padre Award: Jericho Tufono and Zachary Zimits;
Coaches’ Award: Sam Collison

We wish all the best to our senior wrestlers as they graduate from Serra. We look forward to next year’s team, when we will be returning seven varsity starters.”

Varsity Head Coach Ricardo Garcia

KEVIN DONAHUE NAMED STATE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR



Former Serra Athletic Director Kevin Donahue was named State Athletic Director of the Year by the California State Athletic Directors Association (CSADA). A special ceremony will take place during an awards banquet on May 7 in Palm Springs.

“This is such a wonderful honor for Kevin,” said Serra President Lars Lund. “For so many decades, Kevin mentored our Padres and was an outstanding role model at Serra. We were thrilled to learn that Kevin had been chosen for this prestigious award. On behalf of the entire Serra High School community, I congratulate Kevin Donahue for this well-deserved honor.”

Donahue said he was deeply honored to receive such a meaningful award, especially since his peers voted for him.

“This award was made possible by the tremendous support I have had from Serra’s Administration,” Donahue added. “All of the successes we have had at Serra with athletics were due to having great coaches running our programs. They all share this award with me. Without their skills and dedication, this would not have happened. I also am thankful to my wife for all of her support and the sacrifices she made while I was spending many hours a day at Serra doing what I was passionate about.”

Donahue retired from Serra last Spring after more than 31 years of dedicated service.

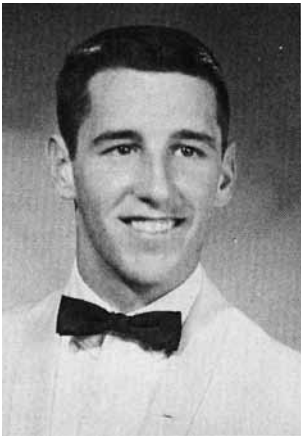
Athletic Hall of Fame

Six Extraordinary Men



The energy was high, as old friends reunited at the 2010 Hall of Fame Induction Dinner on October 15 at the Hilton SFO. Close to 200 Padres mingled with their friends and family members while celebrating the athletic success of six extraordinary men.

“It was nice to see everyone come together for a great occasion,” said Alumni Director Bob Greene ’85. “These are six well-deserving inductees. The evening was a great success.”



Norm Angelini ’65

Norm Angelini played baseball for three of his four years at Serra. “Serra has always had a great baseball program and I wanted to be a part of it,” he remembered. “I was a left-handed pitcher and played on the freshman team. I got cut from the sophomore team, but made the varsity team the following two years. As luck would have it, that team had two

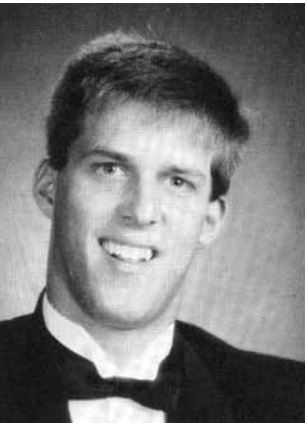
left-handed starters already. I pitched in a few games and did well when I had the chance. My four years at Serra were very challenging. Coming from Half Moon Bay at that time was tough. There were only a few of us attending Serra from our little town back then, but we ended up with a great education and friends with whom I stay in touch today.”

After high school, Angelini played baseball for two years at the CSM. He ended with a record of 19-1 and made the All Conference team both years. He received a scholarship to Washington State University, where he played baseball for two years and was 12-1. Angelini was named to the Pac-8 All-American Team in 1969.

After graduating from college, Angelini played professional baseball with the Kansas City Royals. In 1972, he was called up to the Major Leagues. Angelini currently is involved with the Major League Baseball Players Alumni, a group that coordinates golf tournaments and children's clinics to raise money for various charities.

Rich Bricker ’91

Rich Bricker made his decision to attend Serra while swimming for Coach Keith Strange at the age of 12. Swimming was a passion for Bricker until he discovered the incredibly challenging and rewarding game of water polo when he was a freshman.



During his four years at Serra, Bricker was awarded All-American status in both swimming and water polo. Bricker also received the Blanket Award and All-WCAL and First Team All County for water polo and swimming. Bricker’s water polo

accomplishments allowed him to travel to the Soviet Union in 1989 with a national team that traveled throughout the Eastern Block and Scandinavia. He and his teammates visited the 1980 Olympic Aquatorium in Moscow. Bricker’s greatest honor at Serra was receiving the Shea Award 1991 in a class of exceptional athletes. Bricker remains the second highest all-time scorer at Serra in water polo.

After Serra, Bricker attended Cuesta College in San Luis Obispo. He made All-State in water polo and obtained All-American status in swimming. Bricker later transferred to UC Davis, where he played water polo for an additional year.

“It is truly amazing how much pride I still feel when I tell people I went to Serra,” Bricker said. “It is simply an experience that I will never forget and will always treasure.”

Jason Hardee ’00

Jason Hardee played football and basketball all four years at Serra. “My four years at Serra were great,” he said. “I felt the brotherhood and the teachers really took care of me. They didn’t give up on me—they kept me going. I was a diamond in the rough.”



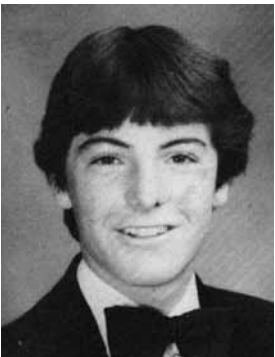
Hardee received the Blanket Award two years in a row for basketball. As a junior, he received First Team All-WCAL and First Team All County. As a senior, he received Player of the Year for West Catholic Athletic League, San Mateo County and Central Coast Section. Hardee also was First Team All Bay Area, First Team Northern California and Third Team All State.

During his senior year, Hardee scored 39 points and had 20 rebounds in the CCS Semifinals game against Bellarmine—a game that made its mark on Serra sports history. The varsity basketball team won the CCS Division I Championship at the end of the season. Hardee has the highest rebounding average in a Serra basketball career, as well as the highest rebounding average in a Padre basketball season. He also scored the second highest number of points at a Serra basketball game.

After high school, Hardee played football at CSM and basketball at Canada College. In 2002, he transferred to West Virginia University on a full football scholarship. There, he started 16 consecutive games, including two Gator Bowl Games. As a junior and senior, Hardee led West Virginia in sacks while helping his team win two Big East Championships. Hardee was honorable mention All-American during his senior year. Hardee played professional Arena Football for the Green Bay Blizzard and the New York Dragons. During his off season, Hardee coached football at Serra. He currently is the campus security supervisor and coaches both Padre football and basketball.

Jeff Healy ’84

The Serra community was deeply saddened to lose beloved Padre Jeff Healy in July. He was a student-athlete throughout his four years at Serra, excelling at both basketball and baseball in addition to academics. Healy’s first love was baseball. He was among the top career batting leaders at Serra and was a star baseball player at Santa Clara University.



Healy played basketball at Serra for four years, including one year as a starter on the junior varsity team and two years as a starter on the varsity team. After helping Serra advance

to its first Central Coast Section baseball championship game as a junior, Healy played on the program’s inaugural CCS championship team as a senior in 1984. Healy was a switch hitter who finished his high school career with a .428 batting average, which then ranked second in the program’s history and now stands as the Padres’ eighth best mark. Healy was twice awarded All-West Catholic Athletic League honors. As a senior, Healy earned the prestigious James P. Shea Outstanding Sportsmanship Award, the Most Inspirational Player Award and the Captain’s Award. He also was named by the Serra faculty as one of the top 10 seniors of 1984.

Healy received a scholarship to Santa Clara University, where he was a four-year starter on the Broncos baseball team. Healy was considered one of Santa Clara’s best offensive players from 1985 to 1988. He was a switch-hitting outfielder and third baseman who led the Broncos in batting average (.393) as a sophomore and was named to the West Coast Athletic Conference first team as a senior. Healy overcame injuries to hit .406 in conference play during his junior season and .379 as a senior. He finished his Santa Clara career with a .339 average, totaling 159 hits, 78 RBI and a .465 on-base percentage. Incredibly, Healy struck out only 44 times in 543 career plate appearances with the Broncos. He was a four-year letterman at Santa Clara and received the Broncos’ Most Inspirational Player award when he was a senior.

Healy developed friendships with Padre classmates, teammates, coaches and teachers. One of Healy’s greatest passions was playing golf with his many friends, numerous Padres and his family (which included his six Padre brothers and three nephews). Today, two of his nephews are current Serra students. The Serra family misses Healy dearly and will never forget his passion for sports, life and the Padre brotherhood. Bob Fitzgerald ’84 spoke on behalf of the Healy family at the Hall of Fame induction ceremony.



Pete Jensen

Of all the people who have donned a Padre baseball uniform during the last 60 years, nobody has better represented Serra baseball than Pete Jensen. Born and raised in San Mateo, Jensen was a three-sport star at Hillsdale High School, earning the Male Athlete of the Year in 1968. After outstanding years at CSM and San Jose State, Jensen began his coaching career with a short stint at CSM before becoming the head coach at Mitty.

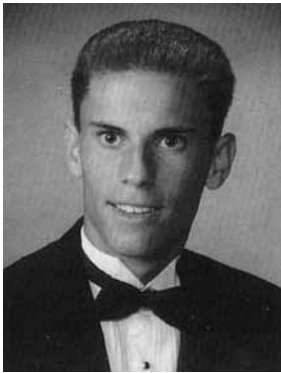
In 1976, Jensen began his career at Serra as the head JV football coach, guiding his teams to two championships in his first two seasons. His JV baseball teams won four championships before he became the varsity coach in 1984 – winning the WCAL and CCS titles in his first season.

That was just the beginning of Jensen’s illustrious career. Overall in his 24 years at the helm of Serra baseball, Jensen amassed 565 wins, with a winning percentage of over .750, led his team to 14 WCAL titles, four CCS titles and two state titles. Along the way, he earned various coach of the year awards, including the 2009 Cal Hi Sport State Coach of the Year and the 2009 ABCA National Coach of the Year. In 2008, Jensen was inducted into the San Mateo County Sports Hall of Fame.

In addition to Jensen’s on-the-field accomplishments, he has served as a teacher, a mentor and role model to hundreds of young men who have passed through the halls of Serra on their way to making a positive impact on our community.

Adam Perez ’98

Adam Perez was a four-year varsity cross country athlete at Serra. He was a vital member of teams that participated in the CIF State Cross Country meet during each of his four years at Serra. He was the captain of the cross county teams that won CCS championships in 1996 and 1997.



During his senior year, Perez was the WCAL most valuable runner. In track and field, he achieved Serra High School records in the frosh/soph 3200 meters (9:43) and the varsity 3200 meters (9:27). He also was a member of the Serra High School record-holding, 4 x 1600 meter team. In the 1600 meters, Perez achieved a personal best of 4:27.

“In addition to giving me a great education, Serra provided me with leadership tools and guidance,” Perez said. “Serra gave me a foundation to be a gentleman. Serra faculty and staff helped me to make the right choices in challenging situations, when the difference between right and wrong wasn’t always clear. My closest friends today are my fellow Padres, who I’m sure feel the same way I do about their time at Serra.”



BRAINS AND BRAWN: PADRE SENIORS OFF TO PRESTIGIOUS EAST COAST UNIVERSITIES

Three Padre student-athletes recently signed letters of intent with prestigious East Coast universities. “This is an incredible opportunity for these student-athletes,” said Serra Athletic Director Dean Ayoob. “They all have worked so hard and have such bright futures ahead of them.”

Max Murphy, a water polo two-meter player, will major in aerospace engineering at Harvard. “Max has been an impressive student-athlete since he started playing for our club team at a young age,” said Serra Head Water Polo Coach Bob Greene ’85. “He is a two-time, high school water polo All-American. That means he’s in the top 100 in the country. Max has an ability to juggle his studies with water polo, music and community service. He is your ideal student-athlete because he has natural talent and an ability to lead others. I am very proud of Max’s accomplishments and know that he will be extremely successful at Harvard. This is only the beginning of a wonderful career in and out of the water.”

Parker Toms, the WCAL Kicker of the Year, will attend Yale next year. “We are all so proud of Parker,” said Head Football Coach Patrick Walsh. “It says a lot about Parker when his peers unanimously voted for him to represent our team as a captain of the 2010 season. Parker has garnered a lot of respect as a leader. He is a very hard worker, and I wouldn’t be surprised if he starts right away as a kicker for Yale. He has a great attitude and believes in himself. I can’t wait to hang a picture of Parker kicking for Yale on our Collegiate Wall of Fame. Knowing Parker, I know this step is just the first of many in a long career in whatever he chooses to do.”

“In my first year as Special Teams Coordinator, Parker made my job easy,” said Assistant Varsity Football Coach John Kirby. “He is an outstanding kicker and has so much confidence in himself, which will lead to success in the future.”

John Vincent, the son of John Vincent ’78, is a wide receiver and defensive back. He will play football at Wagner College in New York, where he plans to major in criminal justice. “John has had a great career at Serra and is a true Padre,” Walsh said. “He has bled blue and gold from a very young age. His dedication is seen daily in the classroom and one the field. John has played many roles while at Serra and has filled them with great effort. He has participated in multiple sports while maintaining a high GPA. It is because of these efforts that John will be playing at Wagner next year, which is a highly competitive FCS team. I know that with John’s enthusiasm and work ethic, he will light up Staten Island and will have a great career.”

“It was a pleasure coaching John for the last two years,” Kirby said. “He always brought 100 percent of what he had to the field every day. I am so proud of what he has accomplished.”

“I could not be more thrilled for these young men,” said Serra Principal Barry Thornton. “Serra prides itself on developing student-athletes—men who embody the ideals of Serra to build men of faith, wisdom and service; men who are leaders in the world. These students exemplify these ideals. I want to thank their parents for partnering in their education, and their coaches for all of their hard work. You’ve done well, Padres. Always remember, ‘Once a Padre, always a Padre!’”

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Class Notes

1951

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1956

JIM OAKES and **LARRY MOORING '62** ran into each other during a chance meeting on October 1 in Colorado Springs. While Jim watched the Navy versus Air Force football game, he noticed Larry in the crowd. Larry, a 1962 graduate of West Point, retired in Colorado Springs after a career in the U.S. Army. Jim graduated from Annapolis in 1963. The pair had not seen each other since 1961, when Larry visited Annapolis on an exchange weekend.

1957

MIKE GOODMAN recently visited Serra to show off his new 2011 Volvo XC60, which his wife surprised him with for Christmas. Serra Athletic Director Dean Ayoob surprised Mike again by presenting him with a Serra Lacrosse jacket.



1958

DENNIS LUCEY and his wife, Pam, are pictured with the newly elected Prime Minister of Ireland, Enda Kenny, and his wife at the March 16 National American-Ireland Gala held in Washington, D.C.. Dennis co-chaired this year's dinner, which honored Prime Minister Kenny. The annual event raises funds to support programs of peace and reconciliation, arts and culture, education and community development throughout Ireland. Approximately 800 guests attended, and more than \$750,000 was raised.



Above: The Honorable Enda Kenny, newly elected Prime Minister of Ireland, Pam Lucey, Fionnuala Kenny, wife of the Prime Minister, and Dennis Lucey '58

1961

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1971

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1976

GREG HART retired as a police commander in the fall after serving the cities of South San Francisco, Colma and San Carlos. Greg is living in South San Francisco with his wife, Peggy.



1981

YOUR 30-YEAR REUNION will be held on October 15. Look for more news in upcoming mailings, or visit the Serra website at www.serrahs.com (*Click on Alumni*).

1982

CHRIS CONWAY married Tina Wang on September 18. Sixteen Padres were present at the wedding Photo below: (back row l-r): Steven Haag '67, Matt Conway '79, Dan Holland '80, Andrew J. Conway Jr. '49, Mike Dillon '63, Val Connolly '83, Kevin Holland '83, Pat Holland '82, Steven Holland '78, Mike Conway '71, Tim Conway '79; (front row l-r): Ken Constantino '82, Andrew J. Conway III, '77, Tom Curry '82, Christopher Conway '82 (groom) and Scott Kockos '82.



1986

YOUR 25-YEAR REUNION will be held on October 15. Look for more news in upcoming mailings, or visit the Serra website at www.serrahs.com (*Click on Alumni*).

DOMINIC CAMPODONICO is serving as a Partner in the S.F. office of Gordon & Rees, LLP. Dominic earned his J.D. from Santa Clara University. He specializes in medical and pharmaceutical litigation.

1988

BRIAN PERKINS and his wife, Sherri, are living in San Jose with their two children, Hazel (6), and Wyatt (3). They are parishioners at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church in San Jose, and currently are investigating ways to send Wyatt to Serra while still living in San Jose. “Bellarmine is *not* an option,” Brian joked.



KEVIN MULLIN was appointed mayor of South San Francisco on December 6. He was elected to the council in 2007 and served as vice mayor last year.



1991

YOUR 20-YEAR REUNION will be held on October 15. Look for more news in upcoming mailings, or visit the Serra website at www.serrahs.com (*Click on Alumni*).

HOOMAN KHALILI continues to co-host *The Sarah and Vinnie Morning Show* on Alice 97.3 and lives in San Francisco. Pictured below at Alumni Career Day (l-r): Mark Mauro '92, Hooman Khali '92 and Chris Houle '92.



Class Notes

1993

KEVIN CAREY and his wife, Kim, welcomed a new baby girl on January 30. Her name is Keelin Sandra Carey. Kevin is a faculty member and serves as chair of the Social Studies Department at Serra.



1994

MATT SCHAUKOWITCH married Michelle Graben on October 30 in San Francisco. Matt's brother, **MARK '97**, was his best man.

1995

TOM BRADY earned his second NFL MVP after throwing for 36 touchdowns and 3900 yards in 2010. He also set an NFL record with 339 consecutive pass attempts without an interception. Tom lives in Boston with his wife, Gisele. He has two sons, John and Benjamin.



1996

BRYAN BISHOP now serves as a co-host on *The Adam Carolla Show* after working on both *Loveline* and *Too late with Adam Carolla*. Bryan also co-hosts *The Film Vault*, which was named one of the Best New Podcasts of 2010 by Apple. Bryan lives in Los Angeles with his wife, Christie. His grandpa, Robert Lorenzini, stopped by to surprise his grandson during Bryan's presentation to students on Career Day.



Class Notes

ANDREW DELA RAMA earned a doctorate of dental surgery from Creighton University and is currently practicing dentistry in Daly City. He also serves on the faculty of the UCSF School of Dentistry.

2000

TIM KIRBY graduated from Princeton and Stanford Graduate School of Business. He held a position as an analyst at Morgan Stanley before moving to Apple last year.

2001

YOUR 10-YEAR REUNION will be held on October 15. Look for more news in upcoming mailings, or visit the Serra website at www.serrahs.com (Click on Alumni).

2002

BRIAN POGGETTI married Allison Galine (Mercy '02) on May 15 at Peninsula Golf & Country Club in San Mateo. Brian's brother, NICK '07, served as best man. Pictured below: Front row (l-r): SCOTT DREXEL '02, Bride Allison Galine (Mercy '02), Groom BRIAN POGGETTI '02, Mike Beaudreau, JOE PORTER '02. Back row (l-r): CHRIS PERT '02, behind him is PAUL COMORATO '02, CHRIS STAGNERO '02, NICK POGGETTI '07, Brett Galine, JON GRECO '02. Also present at the wedding were ERIC PETERSEN '02 and RON DI MAGGIO '97.



2005

RICO ROQUE graduated from Stanford with a major in computer engineering. Rico recently founded Loki Studios in Palo Alto which develops applications for the iPhone, iPod and iPad. Rico is the son of Serra Principal's Assistant Kathy Roque.



DAN WILSON was awarded a master's degree from the London School of Economics and Political Science with merit in December. He will start law school at the University of Pennsylvania next fall.



2006

DAN MAVRAIDES led the Princeton Tigers to the NCAA Tournament this year. Starting at point guard, he averaged 13 points and five rebounds per game. Dan is on the second-team All-Ivy for the second straight year. He recently became the 28th member of the Princeton 1,000- point club and ranks 13th in the Ivy League in scoring.



2007

RICHIE MIROWSKI is a starting pitcher for Oklahoma Baptist and was named SAC Pitcher of the Week for the third week of February. Through his first four games, Richie has a record of 4-0 and has a 1.32 ERA.

2008

MATTHEW HORN spent the fall of 2010 studying abroad in Bonn, Germany. During that time, he also traveled to Rome and met up with former classmate Billy Scherba. Photo below: Matt and Billy on top of Saint Peter's in Vatican City.



ALEX MORAROS was installed as President of Sigma Chi Consul for the Theta Sigma Chapter at Cal Poly Pomona. Alex is a junior, who is majoring in business management with a minor in criminal justice.



BILLY SCHERBA is studying economics and accounting at UCSD. Last fall, he spent a semester in Rome, Italy. During his four-month stay, he studied literature, history and Italian culture. According to Billy, "The experience was an incredible eye-opener, as well as an excellent opportunity to see how the rest of the world lives." He traveled to Ireland, Budapest, Norway, Greece, Spain, the Czech Republic, the Netherlands and England.



2010

M.H. TAUSKEY is completing his first year at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland. He is one of five alumni Padres currently attending the prestigious military school. Padre senior Lumière Hayes will join them next year.



In Memoriam

RICHARD ALLEN '76 passed away in June. He was the cousin of Chris Pedersen '89.

NICK ARMANANINO '71 passed away on March 15 after a courageous battle with MS and diabetes. He lived with his wife, Darlene, in San Mateo and is survived by his three children, Joey, Nicole and Michael. Nick was proud to be a Serra Padre.

ELsie BORBA, the loving mother of WILLIAM BORBA, JR. '58, passed away on February 2 at the age of 92.

RICH HALL, the father of SPENCER HALL '11, Amy (NDB '07) and Sarah (NDB '09) passed away on December 26 from complications with pneumonia and ALS. Rich was a graduate of UC Davis and a longtime employee of PG&E. He is survived by his wife, Karen, and his three children.

WALLACE PHILIP LEACH, the father of former Serra teacher Joe Leach, passed away on December 27. Wallace was a graduate of USF and a WWII veteran.

ROBERT MARTIN WATKINS '51 passed away on December 10.

DON PERSHING, a beloved former faculty member, passed away in December after a struggle with Alzheimer's Disease. He taught physics at Serra from 1968 to 1989. Don is remembered at Serra as a kind, dedicated man with a brilliant mind. Don was a true gentleman.

HENRY A. GOGARTY, the father of JIM GOGARTY '73, SEAN GOGARTY '76 and DONALD GOGARTY '78, passed away on April 11.

DAVE STEVENS, a Serra teacher, coach and mentor from 1967 to 1990, passed away on January 21 in Chandler, Arizona.

SCOTT UCCELLI '79 passed away on January 26 due to heart failure. Scott was a resident of Redwood City who enjoyed golf and cooking. .

JOE VINAL, father of DAN '71, TOM '73, and BOB VINAL '78, and grandfather of MIKE '98, JOE '00, DAVID '01, and MATT VINAL '10, passed away in July. He is also survived by his loving wife, Lidia, of 58 years. Joe was a good friend, husband and father, and was loved by everyone who knew him.

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APRIL 2011

23RD Alumni Volleyball & Baseball Games

MAY 2011

1ST Annual Mothers' Auxiliary Fashion Show
28TH Sixty-Fifth Annual Commencement

JUNE 2011

20TH Annual Serra Golf Classic

AUGUST 2011

20TH Grand Opening Ceremony ~ Center for the
Arts & Sciences and Aquatics Center

SEPTEMBER 2011

2ND Alumni Father & Son Mass

OCTOBER 2011

TBD Alumni Award of Merit

14TH Homecoming Football Game vs. Mitty

15TH Alumni Reunions
(Classes of '51, '61, '71, '81, '86, '91, '01)

NOVEMBER 2011

12TH Annual Benefit Auction

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