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# FROM THE CHAIR OF THE ADVISORY BOARD OF REGENTS MRS. KATHY LAVEZZO

Dear Alumni and Friends of Serra,

As Summer winds down, the Advisory Board of Regents is just gearing up. This year is our fourth in existence and we hope to continue to make significant contributions toward Serra's success. In August, we will begin the year with our second annual board retreat. We are also looking forward to working with Lars Lund in his new position as President and assisting him in the long term planning and advancement of Serra.

Over the past year, the Board of Regents has identified enrollment management as a key strategic challenge for Serra. Given the decline of students in the county and region-wide, this has been the topic of significant discussion. I am pleased to announce the Board of Regents has recently approved the formation of the Student Recruitment and Retention Ad Hoc Committee to advise JSHS administration with the design and implementation of a program to continue to achieve full enrollment at Serra. We are blessed to have Board of Regent, Larree Renda, as the Chairperson of this newly formed ad hoc committee. Larree will be working with key Serra staff and administrators in developing an enhanced enrollment and retention program.

I want to take a moment to thank and acknowledge two of our outgoing board members, Reverend Monsignor Robert McElroy and Brother Raymond Vercruysse. Their time, talent and years of service to our board is to be commended. We will miss each of you; however, we know that your commitment to, and support of, Serra remains strong.

We are also proud to announce a number of highly qualified and accomplished individuals joining our board in August: Michael Dillon '63 - Building Inspector, City of San Carlos; Larry Dugoni '86 - Attorney; Father Dave Ghiorso - Pastor, St. Charles Church; Father Mark Reburiano - Parochial Vicar, St. Matthew's Church; and John Schrup - President, American Bank. We are honored that each of these individuals has found time in their busy schedules to support Serra.

Lastly, I'd like to recognize a long-time Serra Madre (and Grand Madre) Lucy Finn. Lucy, at 86 years young, lost her life in a tragic accident in July, doing what she loved best, walking. Lucy is the mother of Tom Finn '63, Sandy Brown and Karen Ghidossi (Serra Counselor and Mothers' Auxiliary Moderator), and grandmother to Tom '88, Stephen '96, Brian '98, Rick '99 and Joey '06. While "Lou" will be dearly missed, with 13 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren, she leaves behind a legacy of Serra Padres and Notre Dame Tigers.

In closing, I just want to reiterate that Serra is truly blessed to have such an incredibly active and talented board. It is through their leadership and support, along with that of the administrators, faculty and staff at Serra, that our school continues to accomplish great things!

Sincerely,

Kathy Lavezzo

Chair, Advisory Board of Regents

# FROM THE PRESIDENT MR. LARS LUND



Dear Alumni and Friends of Serra,

I just returned from the remote East Texas town of Weches, where I spent a number of days enjoying the 100 degree weather. I was with my brother, Sam, and we spent our time driving a variety of all-terrain vehicles exploring forests, fields and swamps. We sawed into firewood the remains of a fallen oak tree, fixed a barbed-wire fence, barbecued every night, gazed out at the billions of stars in the clear night sky, and did our best to avoid water moccasins and scorpions. All of these are a far cry from our San Mateo climate, geography and wildlife.

Our road trip to Weches was a great opportunity for us to catch up on family, friends and our respective jobs. My brother is a captain in the Houston Fire Department and, after 18 years on the job, has a number of stories to tell.

In one of these conversations, Sam asked what it was like for me being Serra's principal. Never at a loss for words about Serra, I told him! First, I said that I had loved the job and that it was a great privilege. As I went on to tell him why, he was very impressed by the spirit of brotherhood that our students have created at Serra, the great skill and devotion that our teachers bring to their instructional duties and role modeling, the quality and commitment of our alumni and the support of our parent community.

Most importantly, he was impressed that the Serra community is relentless in its efforts to educate the "whole person." Serra not only provides an outstanding college-preparatory program but, more importantly, we help each student to grow as men of faith, wisdom, service, community and leadership.

As I begin my new role as President of Serra, I will now focus on the strategic challenges that we share with many Catholic schools — finances, facilities and enrollment management. Most importantly, my job will be to ensure that Serra continues to be the best possible Catholic high school for young men, now and well into the future.

Serra is in very strong shape spiritually, academically and financially. Our athletic, visual/performing arts and extracurricular programs are thriving and our enrollment continues to be at record high levels. With the able leadership of our new Principal, Mr. Barry Thornton, and the incredible support of our alumni and friends, Serra will continue to flourish!

Enjoy this edition of Traditions. In this issue we celebrate the accomplishments of our newest alumni (the Class of 2008), as well as the Episcopal ordination of the Most Reverend William Justice (Serra, 1960).

As Serra begins its 64th year, we continue to have a number of good stories to tell!

Sincerely,

Lars Lund President

# Serra begins Phase II of "Building for Our Future" Campaign

In the Spring of 2008, Serra conducted a Fund Raising Feasibility Study for Phase II of its "Building for Our Future" campaign. Phase I took place in 2001 and raised over \$5 million to upgrade many of our athletic facilities, build a three-level parking structure, and install underground utilities to support new facilities in that phase and beyond.

The Feasibility Study was designed to determine if Serra should undertake a campaign to address its most urgent capital needs. They include the following:

- » Creating a new Academic Resource Center (ARC);
- » Upgrading our Visual & Performing Arts facilities by establishing new Art classrooms and Music facilities;
- » Constructing new Science classrooms and laboratories;
- » Building a new swimming pool, a pool equipment enclosure storage room, and swim team lockers;
- » Building seven new classrooms (adding a net of five);
- » Remodeling our Training Room for our athletic teams;
- » Remodeling our facilities for our School Yearbook, Newspaper and Films Program thus enhancing students' access information communication technology;
- » Undertaking other technological and infrastructure enhancements throughout the campus; and
- » Building a new Maintenance facility.

The information needed to assess the ability to conduct a campaign was gathered via personal interviews and mail surveys. Fifty-six people, including alumni, parents of current and/or past Serra students, pastors from feeder schools, and others were interviewed, and two mail surveys were undertaken - one to the parents of current Serra students and the second to all Alumni (except those who graduated within the past ten years). Some of the primary findings were:

- » Serra has a unique legacy of pride, tradition and brotherhood.
- » The school's outreach to all of the boys with whom it is entrusted is greatly appreciated. It is believed that at Serra there is a place for each young man, and all are helped to find their niche.
- » The current state of the school is very strong, and it is moving in an excellent direction.
- » All the proposed projects are supported. It is felt their establishment will reinforce its standing as the foremost provider of Catholic secondary education for young men on the Peninsula.
- » There is considerable enthusiasm to undertake an appeal for the proposed projects.

As a result of the study participants' advice and insights, Serra has decided to proceed with a campaign for the proposed needs. The estimated cost of the projects is approximately \$23 million, with the funds coming from Serra's annual fundraising efforts, as well as the "Building for Our Future" fundraising campaign. We will also undertake Life Safety and seismic improvements to existing buildings and address some of our more visual infrastructure needs as part of Phase II. However, the money needed to address these items will be designated from our school's general fund and will not be raised in this appeal.

The appeal is beginning this Fall, and you'll see much more about it in future issues of Traditions. It is planned for construction to begin on the new facilities in the summer of 2009, with their expected completion approximately one year later.

#### AROUND THE HALLS

#### Daly City-Colma Chamber of Commerce Honors Andrew Comstock '10 as their youngest Ambassador

The Daly City-Colma Chamber of Commerce honored junior Andrew Comstock as their youngest ambassador. For the past two years, Andrew was an accredited delegate on two trade missions to the Philippines, where he took a particular interest in Philippine schools and the Philippine healthcare system. He made an extremely positive impression on the foreign delegates there.

"Andrew's demeanor, his graciousness and maturity, and his understanding of pertinent trade issues reflected beautifully

on all of us," said Georgette Sarles, President & CEO of the Daly City-Colma Chamber. "He is our Chamber's youngest ambassador, indeed our youngest-ever ambassador, and we're extremely proud of him."

In addition to all of this, Andrew has been extraordinarily active in his community. At age 12, he was the youngest volunteer in the history of Seton Medical Center.



Picture L to R: Chris Comstock, Andrew Comstock, Jim Comstock, Mary Henry, Pat Henry, Eileen Barsi

Through Serra, Andrew became aware of St. Louise de Marillac School in the tenderloin district where he learned that they had practically no books. Andrew, with the help of three friends and a teacher, took the initiative to start a book drive. Beginning with his personal book collection and recruiting his friends and their friends to donate books, Andrew's drive brought in 650 books to St. Louse de Marillac.

Through St. Peters Church, Andrew was active in a drive to provide farm workers in Pajaro with cooking oil, rice, beans and Christmas presents. Most recently, Andrew helped to orchestrate the gift of 200 teddy bears to the Daly

City Police Department to be used by officers mediating domestic violence disputes when small children are present. Andrew is also involved with the Daly City Police Athletic League, and he is a lector for Mass at St. Peter's, as well as a member of the Parish Board. He is a member of Amnesty International, the Leadership Club and the Creative Writing Club at Serra. If that's not enough, Andrew holds a red-black belt in kung fu AND continues to maintain straight A's!



#### PADRE MAKES NATIONAL BOWLING FINALS

The Cinderella story began just ten months ago when freshman Derek Warman picked up a bowling ball with some friends after school. From that day forward, Derek continued bowling AND continued to get better. He decided to join Serra's Tri-School Bowling League, as well as a local "Juniors" Bowling League.

Suddenly the

In a short period of time, things started moving forward quickly. When Bruce Anthony, Coordinator of the Serra Padres Bowling Club, witnessed Derek's talent, he put him in touch with Esther Gerson, Youth Coordinator at Bel-Mateo Bowl -- who then put Derek in touch with a local bowling coach by the name of Jim Montgomery. All three have volunteered their time, working with Derek to develop his bowling talent.

With his handicap/average score, Derek qualified for the Pepsi Regional Tournament in Livermore where he placed 8th in the Finals -- qualifying him for the Pepsi State Tournament. After placing 2nd in the State Championships, Derek earned the right to compete in the National Championships in July; he also earned a \$2,500 college scholarship.

Accompanied by his mom Sherri and Grandmother Gwen, Derek headed to Detroit, where the National Championships were being held. He was there along with 250 other bowlers from all 50 states, as well as Puerto Rico and Canada. During qualifying, Derek sat in third place after four games, moving up to first place, and remaining there after the eight-game qualifying series. This led him to the double elimination Series. Derek scored a record 2075 points, the highest ever in this competition.

With the pressure mounting, Derek won the first game in the double elimination, but lost the second. He then stepped up his focus and, from that point on, Derek won every game. During his seventh game matchoff against New York, he bowled nearly a perfect game with 10 strikes. Suddenly the gallery was silenced with all eyes focused on this young bowler from California. He was about to bowl a 300 game during a national competition! The crowd became really quiet, and it looked good ~ nine pins go down. The tenth pin wobbles, but remains standing. He picked up the spare for a 289 to win.

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The final challenge presented itself. Derek needed to win the last two games to become the National Champion. Looking good after the last game, he won the first game against a competitor from Ohio, then lost the second -- finishing in 2nd place and bringing home another college scholarship.

"This has been an incredible experience," says Derek. "It's been amazing meeting bowlers from all over the county and beyond. I'd like to thank everyone who has taken the time to help me."

#### Don't Miss This Year's

#### Alumni Father/Son & Grand Padre Mass













If you are an Alumni dad or "Grand Padre," you won't want to miss our 6th Annual Alumni Father-Son Mass and reception. In a relatively short period of time, this event has become a very special way to start the school year. For more information, please contact Robin Jensen in our Alumni Office at (650) 573-9935 ext. 182 or email: rjensen@serrahs.com.

#### RECENT PADRE GRADS TIM MARYMEE & ADAM ZOUCHA RECEIVE SEQUOIA AWARD



2008 Grad Tim Marymee

Two of Serra's newest alums Tim Marymee and Adam Zoucha received Community Service Scholarships from the Redwood City Sequoia Awards.

Established in 1990, the Sequoia Award was established for the purpose of recognizing outstanding volunteerism in the community among students, individuals and businesses.

Marymee impressed the Sequoia Award Committee with his commitment to helping those less fortunate attain the basic necessities in life. Tim has been an active volunteer, helping with humanitarian projects ranging from working at Second Harvest Food bank to setting up tents for homeless people. He has also participated in mission trips to Mexico, where he has been involved with constructing homes for needy families. Locally, Tim has been a repeat volunteer with Rebuilding Together, an organization that provides crucial home repairs to low income individuals.



2008 Grad Adam Zoucha

Like Marymee, Zoucha also stood out as a conscientious and dedicated volunteer. Through his work with the Special Olympics, mission trips with St. Pius Church to Mexico, leading Serra's College'n Site Club and coaching basketball, Adam has touched the lives of many of the people with whom he has volunteered.

"Two of the most influential aspects of my life are my family and friends," writes Zoucha. "Volunteer service has affected both of these elements. It strengthened my previous relationships with family and friends while creating great new relationships."

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#### Jonathan Eiseman '09 Receives 2008 Michele Micheletti Award

Jonathan Eiseman '09 was presented with the 2008 Michele Micheletti Music Award in recognition of his achievements as a trumpet player in the Tri-School Symphonic Band. A quiet leader, Jonathan served as trumpet section leader, lead trumpet in the Jazz Band, and as Secretary of Serra's chapter of the Tri-M Music Honor Society. He is totally dedicated to playing trumpet, studying privately with Brian Switzer, who also taught illustrious trumpet playing graduate Ryan Svendsen '06.

The Micheletti Award was established by Elmer and Shirley Micheletti in memory of their daughter, Michele, who was killed in a tragic automobile accident while a sophomore at MIT. Michele was a 1996 graduate of Notre Dame High School, a 4-yr member of the Serra Symphonic Band and the first Tri-school student to win the John Phillip Sousa Band Award. She



Pictured from L to R: Elmer Micheletti, Jay Jordan (Visual & Performing Arts Director), Jonathan Eiseman '09 and Shirley Micheletti

distinguished herself in academics, co-curricular activities, Visual and Performing Arts, and community service. The recipient of the award must be a student who is a junior member of the Tri-School Symphonic Band, demonstrates excellence in instrumental music, possesses exceptional leadership skills, and has a grade point average of at least 3.0. The award can be given to any student at Serra, Mercy or Notre Dame High School.

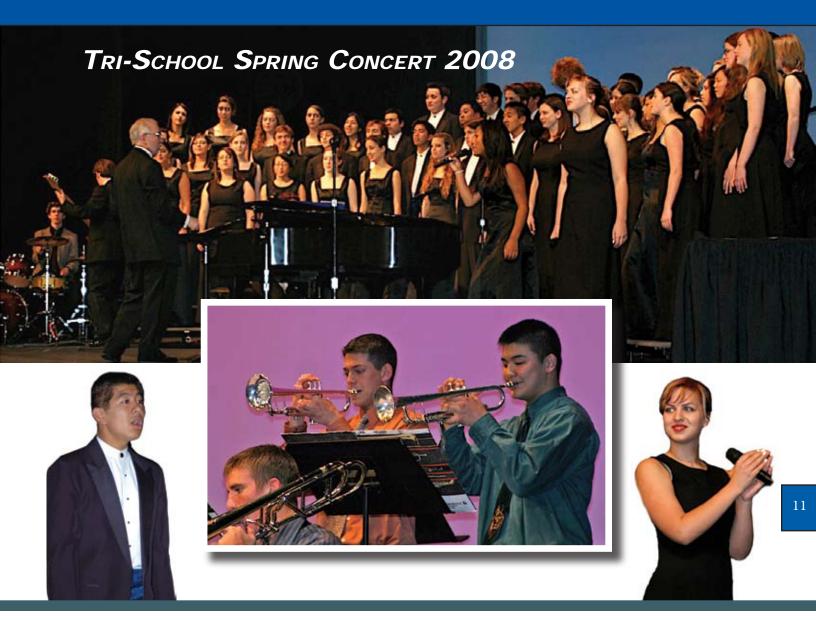
Other music performance award winners this past year include pianist Ali Khostovan '08 who received the Louis Armstrong Jazz Award, vocalist and multi-instrumentalist Alex Jordan '08 who was awarded the National School Choral Award, and bassoonist Brian Mckee '08 who was awarded the prestigious John Philip Sousa Band Award. Alex Jordan, who will be a vocal performance major at Cal State Long Beach, and Brian McKee, who will be a bassoon performance major at the University of Oregon, were also corecipients of the Senior Music Medal.

# Dead Man Walking

#### DON'T MISS THIS YEAR'S FALL PLAY

"Dead Man Walking" is a play by Tim Robbins based on Sister Helen Prejean's book about her eyewitness account of the death penalty. Sister Helen's book was number one on the New York Times Best Seller List for 31 weeks, an international best seller, and was nominated for a 1993 Pulitizer Prize. In January 1996, the book was developed into a major motion picture starring Susan Sarandon as Sister Helen and Sean Penn as a death row inmate. The movie received four Oscar nominations including Tim Robbins for Best Director, Sean Penn for Best Actor, Susan Sarandon for Best Actress, and Bruce Springsteen's "Dead Man Walking" for Best Song. Susan Sarandon won the award for Best Actress.

**Performances October 30 (Preview)** October 31, November 1, 7, 8 @ 7:30 pm



# Serra Men's Chorus Performs for Pope Benedict at World Youth Day 2008 ~ Syndey, Australia

The World Youth Day '08 theme proclaimed by Pope Benedict ~ "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses" based on Acts 1:8.



The Serra High School Men's Chorus experienced the time of their lives as they performed on the main stage of the famous Sydney Operate House during World Youth Day 2008!

Originated by Pope Paul II, World Youth Day is the largest youth event in the world. It brings together young people from around the globe to celebrate and deepen their faith.

The full story (complete with pictures) coming in our next issue of Traditions!

#### Summer 2008 ~ Life Changing Experience for Serra Students

#### Junipero Serra Immersion Program ~ Inaugural trip to New Orleans' Lower Ninth Ward

by Patrick Cody Summer Immersion Coordinator

The new Junípero Serra Immersion Program exists to further the work of the gospel in our students' lives and in the world. Summer 2008 marked our inaugural trip. We traveled to post-Katrina New Orleans to spend two weeks living out our encounter in faith and service according to the Four Tenets, or guiding values ~ Spirituality, Justice, Solidarity, Community.

An average day brought each one of our participants face-to-face with very real experiences of the tenets. Consider the following:

The setting: We lived and worked in the Lower Ninth

Ward. This is truly a neighborhood on the brink. All around there are signs of destruction and poverty: abandoned homes, condemned buildings, a bare foundation where a house once stood, overgrown vegetation as the swamp reclaims its former domain. We were accommodated in St. Maurice's parish rectory, no longer a functioning parish; it is one of more than forty to be closed in the wake of the Katrina disaster. From our porch we could see and hear the barges up and down Industrial Canal no more than two hundred yards away, and eerily above us.



This cross-street in New Orleans speaks volumes in its simplicity.

ur work: We joined with local parishes and labored in heat and humidity to do what needed to be done. We cleared overgrown vegetation for those unable to return to their homes (the city has begun to levy fines for unkempt yards)> We put ourselves to the bittersweet work of gutting Mrs. Flemming's home which had not yet been touched in the three vears since the storm and flood. We volunteered at the Harry Thompson Center, which provides the many homeless with shower, laundry, meals, health and legal services. We helped a non-profit to get off the ground through our demolition and clean up of its once flooded home.

The close of the day: We would return home each afternoon physically spent but would go to bed spiritually charged.

All of our meals were shopped for, prepared, and cleaned up by student participants. Every day after our simple meals—prayed over and taken together—we would have time for student-led reflection in which we reviewed our day's activities, examined the day's emotion, tried to better understand what we had seen and done, wrote in journals, and closed with a reading from scripture.

It is not too much to say that each one of us had a life-changing experience, a graced experience. In the midst of great suffering, we came to know that there is even greater hope. The people of New Orleans remain in our hearts!





Padres Erik Gordon and Adam Amaral help ferry the contents of a house they were gutting to a pile out on the street.

# "My Immersion Trip"

a Student's Perspective



Participants in Serra's 1st Summer Immersion Trip ~ Pictured L to R: James Sherry, Erik Gordon, Patrick Cody (Summer Immersion Coordinator), Adam Amaral, Mrs. Flemming (woman whose house they gutted), Ian Keane, Brian McAtee and Josh Montoya. (Not pictured are Max Kindl and Director of Campus Ministry Kyle Lierk)

#### by Ian Keane '09

y immersion trip was one of the best experiences of my life. On the very last day, everyone in the group sat down and spoke Labout why we went in the first place. Many of us shared that our initial reasons for going didn't have to do with immersing ourselves. By the end of the trip, however, we were all grateful that we had gone.

I remember feeling unsure and concerned that I wasn't going to get the full immersion experience. Thankfully, before long, that concern was completely wiped out of my head. Our leaders did a great job helping us become completely adsorbed into a very unfamiliar lifestyle. Not only did we focus on the Catholic aspect, but also on the sense of community throughout the entire trip. It was unlike anything I have ever felt. We needed to depend on one another to get things done, and learn how to get along with everyone. We didn't have very much trouble with this, but it was great to see people making sacrifices for each other for the betterment of the community.

There was a wide range of things we did to help. We worked on houses, churches, cutting peoples' lawns, homeless shelters and even installed CFL light bulbs. Everyday was hard work, whether it was mental or physical. During the last week of the trip, we took on the challenge of working on a woman's house. Mrs. Flemming was in her seventies and her mother was 100. Her house had not been gutted since Katrina, and

"Everyone was so enthusiastic and excited about serving God, and I absorbed that energy and could not help but love every minute of it." Ian Keane '09

we spent two days in her yard and two days in her home doing as much work as we could. This experience was a turning point in the trip for many of us. We were beginning to see the real importance of spirituality, and our nightly reflections were becoming more indepth and personal. By interacting with Mrs. Flemming and getting to see the progress we were making, we felt like we were doing some justice for the people of New Orleans. We, as volunteers, were actually making a difference in the lives of individuals.

The environment around us was very different from that in which we are used to living. We stayed in a rectory located in the Lower Ninth Ward. The very first day, we went to a grocery store and were told that we must budget \$210 dollars, for eight people, for seven days. This was our very first sense of what it felt like to be a resident in the Ninth Ward.

We attended the African American Mass on Sundays. This was especially great because we were connecting with the people of the Ninth Ward in a spiritual sense. At first, we did not feel like we fit into Mass; but, we soon realized that people were extremely thankful for us attending. Many of us commented that although Mass lasted two hours, it somehow felt shorter than the Masses we all

attend at our local parishes. Everyone was so enthusiastic and excited about serving God, and I absorbed that energy and could not help but love every minute of it.

As I previously mentioned, we spent every night reflecting about the day. This was awesome because our leaders were very good at helping us think not only about the good we were doing, but to get in touch with our spiritual sides. Because of the constant spiritual community we were immersed in, we were able to get in touch with ourselves and our spirituality in a completely different way. I strongly encourage any Serra Padre to go on this immersion trip. There is absolutely no way you'll fail to learn something about yourself, while having a good time. Many people talk about immersion trips as life changing experiences, and it is true. Today, I am extremely grateful that I got an opportunity to change my life in a way in which many people don't have the chance.



# VARSITY BASEBALL COACH PETE JENSEN INDUCTED INTO SAN MATEO COUNTY SPORTS HALL OF FAME

Tarsity baseball coach Pete Jensen was inducted into the 2008 San Mateo County Sports Hall of Fame at the county's 20th Annual Induction Banquet held on June 19th at the Elks Lodge.

Presented by the San Mateo County Times and sponsored by the First National Bank of Northern California, the banquet has acknowledged and honored over 200 individuals who have had a significant impact on the local sports scene and, in some cases, beyond.

This year's event brought record numbers of guests from all over the Bay Area, including family members, friends, Serra faculty and staff members and many of Pete's former players. Jensen is the twenty-first coach and/or athlete from Serra

inducted into the San Mateo County Hall of Fame. Other inductees include John Robinson '54 (1989), Lynn Swann '70 (1989), Jim Fregosi '59 (1990), Barry Bonds '82 (1992), Phil Monahan '50 (1993), Tom Scott '69 (1995), Ed Berry – staff member (1996), Jesse Freitas, Jr. '69 (1996), Jesse Freitas, Sr. (1996), Gregg Jefferies '85 (1997), Tim Cullen '60 (1998), Danny Frisella '63

(1999), John Caselli '75 (2002), Tom McBreen '70 (2002), Andy Banachowski '63 (2003), and Tom Brady '95 (2003).

As Serra's head coach, Jensen's teams have won more than 500 games, 13 WCAL titles, and his program has produced major league players including Gregg Jefferies '85, Scott Chiamparino '84, Joe Kmak '81, and Dan Serafini '92. He was around when Barry Bonds '82 began his Padre career, although he never got to write his name on a lineup card. Bonds skipped the junior varsity level and went to the varsity. There were countless others who made it at professional ball at lower levels, or starred in college. Scott Delucchi '85, for example, was a member of Stanford University's College World Series team in the late 1980s. Tim McKercher '84, who works with the Golden State Warriors, played at UC Santa Barbara and Jeff Healy '84 played at Santa Clara University. Terry Greene '79 played at UC Berkeley, while Greg Funk '79 played at Fresno State University. Pete is also proud of former players such as Mike Roza '84, who won 30 games as a high school pitcher and continues to mentor potential pitchers today, and Pete Colombo '86, who later coached baseball at Palo Alto High School.

During Pete's acceptance speech, he emotionally thanked his wife Robin of 35 years whom he met at Hillsdale, his son Ty (who played at Serra, CSM and later at Louisiana State University), and his twin daughters Keely and Courtney (graduates of Aragon High School where they played softball) for their unconditional love and support during the past 24 years that he has dedicated to Serra's baseball team. He made a special tribute to Homer Zugelder and Noce, who Pete says were the two most influential men in his life.

Jensen could name hundreds of players, his memories of them still fresh and vibrant. Try to ask about the three CCS titles and 13 WCAL titles, though, and he'll say it all starts at the freshman level, where Tom Monaghan and Rhod Wallace have been mainstay coaches for years.

"If anything has been huge in our success, it's because of the guys I've had over the years," Jensen said.

Family & Friends Celebrate Pete Jensen's Induction into the San Mateo County Hall of Fame at the 20th Annual Induction Banquet held at the Elks Lodge on June 19th





Mike Peterson, Jeff Perry '93, Carl Peterson '93, Tim O'Hara, William Perry



Todd Wolger '85, Jeff Healy '84, Mike Roza '84, Terry Condon'84, Tim McKercher '84



Chris Houle '92, Joe Kmak '81, Mike Fadelli '88, Rick Forman '91



Pat McGlennon '68, Tim Kennedy '95, Joe Kmak '81

#### . . . More about Pete Jensen!

As a senior at Hillsdale High School, in the 1967 football season, Jensen set a Mid-Peninsula Athletic League single-game passing record as the Knights' quarterback. He owned that mark for all of one week, at which point one of his best friends, Capuchino High School's Mike Costanza, surpassed it. As a three-sport high school athlete, Jensen's true passion remained baseball.

"I wanted to play professionally," Jensen said. "I learned at an early age that probably wasn't going to happen. The next best thing was to coach. Coaching youth teams developed my sense of passion for the game and passing it along to others."

Jensen, who lost his father at an early age, turned to sports and coaches such as Homer Zugelder at Hillsdale and later John Noce at College of San Mateo for personal and professional guidance. The seeds of success were planted in those days.

"We've always won at Serra," Pete said. "My memories are based on the kids. I couldn't tell you who we beat to win a league title, or any of the CCS games. I cherish the kids, the competition, the league and the connection I've made with players and coaches throughout the Bay Area. I'm proud of the success kids had after they left high school. I still enjoy it. It's a thrill and still a lot of fun."

The "twins" . . . and NOT the Minnesota Twins.

The birth of Pete and Robin's twins, Keely and Courtney, came about a month early.

"We thought it was only going to be one," Pete said. "We played a CCS game on Wednesday, they were born on Thursday, we won the semifinal game on Friday and the title on Saturday."

Over the course of the week, Jensen was either at the hospital or at the ballpark. He missed practices, turning them over to veterans Bob Roselli and John Caselli He celebrated the title at the hospital with his wife, Robin.



## PADRE LACROSSE

Coach Judd Taube's Padre varsity lacrosse team entered their second season with high hopes after surprising everyone during their first season and making the playoffs.

Serra opened the season on a high note defeating Leland 21–3. After close losses to Bishop O'Dowd and Burlingame, the Padres came back with wins over Sacred Heart Prep and Leland and their season was back on track. The highlight of the season came during an upset victory over the Menlo Atherton Bears. The game came down to a final goal by Ryan Donato in overtime to give the Padres the hard fought victory.

The Padre defense led the team to great play throughout the year. Standout players included Harrison Morgan, David Bakhtiari and John Dutto with contributing help from Seamus Ward and Trevor Scott. The Padre offense was a force which made other teams' defenses crumble. The offense was lead by veterans Zack Moore and Colin Morgan along with sophomore David Henry and freshmen left handers Mike Bertoldi and



Dean Garibaldi. The Padre team relied strongly on their middle fielders to carry them to victory. With veteran seniors Walter Daly, Danny Kidwell and Donato along with junior Kevin Johnson leading the charge the other teams had a lot to worry about. The team would never have been as successful without their goalie Nick "The Cat" Sfarzo. Sfarzo had a career high during the Menlo Atherton game when he recorded twenty saves.

In the end, after some hard losses to Bellermine and Menlo, the Padres finished the season in the PAL with a 7-7 record. Following the season, many players were honored with 2008 PAL All League honors. Harrison Morgan (Defense) and Daly (Midfield) were selected to First Team All League. Kidwell (Midfield) was selected to Second Team All League and Donato (Midfield) and Sfarzo (Goalie) received Honorable Mention.

The Padre team looks forward to next season. With returning juniors Harrison Morgan, Bahktiari, Johnson, Sfarzo, Moore, Joe Bertoldi, and twins Max and Mike Rulon-Miller, sophomores Spencer Marshall, Jack Butler, David Henry, Ward, and Kyle Williams and freshmen Mike Bertoldi, Steven Lucido, Garibaldi and Scott the team should have a bright future.



2007-08 Blanket AWARD Winners

Cross Country
Football
Water Polo
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Oran Arms Tiuke Tuipulotu Travis Greco Stephen Lumpkins Oliver McElhone Hanna Malak Billy Scherba BASEBALL Ryan Allgrove & Ryan Palermo GOLF Dennis Carson LACROSSE Nick Sfarzo

SWIMMING Chris Yarranton
Tennis Spencer Talmadge, Nick Ferdon

& Ryan Obedin
Track Oran Arms
VOLLEYBALL Tommy McEnery

#### PADRE BENCH



The 2008 baseball season proved to be another successful campaign for the Padres, who won the WCAL championship for the third consecutive year. With sixteen returning players and the addition of a junior class that had won the JV title the year before, no one was really surprised at their success this year. Coach Pete Jensen's Padres went 27-7 (11-3 in league play) and, for a time, were ranked first in the bay area towards the end of the season.

This year's team featured incredible hitting as well as brilliant pitching. Key players included seniors Ryan Palermo, Ryan Allgrove, and Logan Scott, and juniors Tony Renda and Zack Turner. Consistent offensive punch was provided by Palermo, Allgrove, Renda, and Turner. Palermo, who will play for UC Santa Barbara next year, finished his final season as a Padre with an overall average of .450 and established new school records with 14 home runs 53 RBIs. On the mound, Logan Scott dominated, going 10-0 with an earned run average of just 0.83 and, as a team, the Padre pitching staff had an incredible ERA of 1.70.

The Padres were well represented on the WCAL All-League teams with Palermo, Renda, who led the team in hitting at .486, Turner, and Allgrove gaining first team honors, Scott and junior Justin Maffei on the second team, and senior Tony Cooper named as an honorable mention. Allgrove was also named as the Co-MVP of the league as he had a .440 average throughout the season and a 5-2 record on the mound.

Notable wins included a 16-1 crushing of eventual CCS champ Valley Christian, who was ranked third in the country at that time, and a thrilling, one run, extra-inning victory over Bellarmine in the WCAL championship game, Serra's fifth win of the year over the Bells. In CCS competition, the Padres beat Milpitas and Homestead to advance to the semifinals before losing to Valley Christian 5-1.

As a team, the Padres set or tied numerous school season records including most hits (357), most shutouts (9) and most consecutive scoreless innings (32). Padre pitchers also combined to fashion three no-hitters with wins over Mills 20-0, Terra Nova 12-0 and Burlingame 8-0.

Next year, the Padres expect to once again contend in the WCAL as new additions from Coach Chris Houle's '92 WCAL championship junior varsity squad are blended with this year's excellent junior class. Also, with Coach Tom Monaghan's freshman team finishing with a quality record of 9-5, the Padre baseball program looks to continue its success for at least the next few years.







#### PADRE BENCH









# Padre Track

A record-breaking performance highlighted this year's track season. The Varsity 4x100 track team of Don Andre Clark, Nate Harvey, Marquise Jones and DeLeon Eskridge broke the school record with a time of 42.42 and took the gold in the WCAL Track and Field Championships. Junior Patrick Bowler won the Varsity Triple Jump with a jump of 43'6.25." Other top three finishers at the league meet included Jonathan Worthge (long jump), Oran Arms (mile and 800) and Don Andre Clark (200 and 100 meter races). Arms, Worthge, Bowler and Chris Bet all qualified for CCS competition with Worthge's third place mark of 22"1' at CSS earning him a trip to the CIF State Track & Field Championships. Sophomore Don André Clark also set a new frosh-soph school record for the 100 meters at 11.19 seconds, breaking the school record set earlier in the season by Nate Harvey at 11.35.



Incertainty. That was the word on the pool deck this year for swimming. After the graduation of five key seniors last year, this year's swim team was not expected to do too much.

Expectations were turned around, however, by senior Chris Yarranton, juniors Zach Chierici and Steven Arms, sophomores Masa Oto and Niko Velasquez, and freshman Derek Koo, all forming the core of the team.

With successful swims at the WCAL finals, Serra was a definite force. Yarranton, Oto, and Velasquez made finals in the 100 fly; Arms made consuls in the 100 back; Koo made consuls in the 100 breast. The 400 free relay team (Oto, Yarranton, Chierici and Koo) finished the meet off in third place.

A week later, six swimmers arrived at CCS proving that they were not far away from last year's seven qualifiers. Both Yarranton and Oto earned personal second swims, making consuls in the 100 fly. The 200 free relay team (Oto, Yarranton, Chierici and Velasquez) and 400 free relay team (Oto, Yarranton, Chierici and Koo) also made consuls.

Overall, any swimmer would say that this season was a sure success.





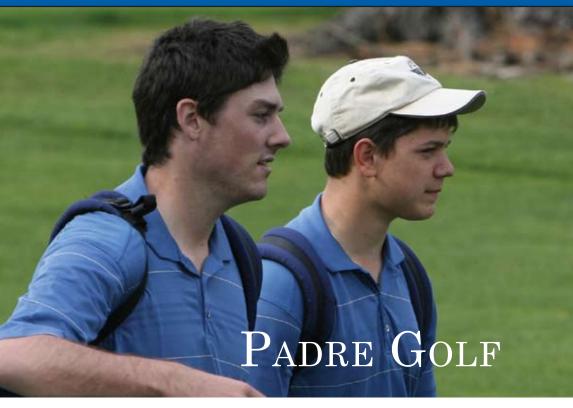


#### **★** Spring Sports ★

Congratulations to the following spring sports teams for qualifying as:

#### CCS Scholastic Achievement Teams!

Baseball ★ Golf ★ Swimming ★ Tennis ★ Track ★ Volleyball



The Padre golf team had another solid season this spring. The team may not have had as much talent as in recent years, but they found a way to win enough matches to tie them for second place in the competitive WCAL finishing the season with an 11-3 record.

The team started off winning their first match, but then dropping the next one to the Mitty Monarchs, another title contender. Serra finished second at a tournament in Salinas and returned to league play winning their next eight matches. The Padres then ran into St. Francis and Bellarmine, the other two major WCAL powerhouses. The Serra team won both matches at home, but dropped the two on the road.

The Padres did have one shining star throughout the season. Senior Dennis Carson lit up the

links during the 2008 season. He had a scoring average of 34 during league play and won the WCAL individual tournament title with a 73 at Silver Creek. Carson will join the Aggie men's golf team at UC Davis in the fall.

Carson had some good support from other Padres including sophomores Tim Byrne and Brendan Young who were strong for the Padres at the start of the season. Seniors Mike Domanico and Johnny O'Leary provided some much needed depth down the stretch. Sophomore Allan Nousiainen provided some solid support throughout, including a one under par score at Burlingame Country Club. Senior Dominic De Martini played well towards the end of the season, helping the Padres defeat St. Francis and Bellarmine at home. He also added a one under-35 at Shoreline Golf Links. Carson and De Martini earned first team all league honors.



# PADRE TENNIS

Junior standout Spencer Talmadge completed a spectacular tennis season by capturing the Central Coast Section singles championship, the first in the school's history. On his march to the title, Talmadge defeated top-rated players from Aptos, Homestead and Sacred Heart Prep to finish his season with a 29-1 overall record.

The Padre tennis program also enjoyed an outstanding year. For the first time in eight years, the Padres made it to the Central Coast Section playoffs. Led by Coach Stone's "dynamic duo" of Talmadge and Ray Worley, the Padres finished with an overall record of 13-9. Talmadge and Worley both were named First Team All League, while Talmadge was also named WCAL Player of the Year.

Talmadge had an amazing run at the WCAL individual tournament. Beating the first seed from Bellarmine in the final 3-6, 6-3, 6-4. Talmadge finished the league season 19-1, while Worley finished at 18-2. Other notable performances came from senior JR Ferrer, who came through by beating St. Francis 4-6, 6-3, 7-6 (3). The senior doubles team of Ryan Obedin and Nick Ferdon won a 6-3, 3-6, 7-5 marathon against St. Francis. Obedin and Ferdon finished the year 14-8. Serra looks forward to another prosperous season with Talmadge, Worley, Jordan Domanico and Roger Tran leading the group of returning varsity players.



The Serra volleyball team had yet another triumphant season, finishing third in the section's toughest league, the WCAL. Led by a veteran group of six seniors, the Padre volleyball team capped off an undefeated run in the Leigh tournament with an exciting win over Saratoga in the finals, continuing its streak of years with tournament wins. Senior Tommy McEnery was consistently effective at the outside hitter position, earning first team All-WCAL honors for his efforts. Seniors Andrew Cullins (second team All-WCAL) and Dylan Carey (honorable mention All-WCAL) proved to be the most dominant duo at the Middle Blocker position in the WCAL all season long. Senior Elliott Lanam and junior Brandon Matlock added to the host of offensive weapons at junior setter Brett McCollum's (honorable mention All-WCAL) disposal throughout the year.

# Sorta Grou

The Serra crew program had another successful year. Traveling up and down the West Coast, and even as far as Boston, they made a name for themselves. In October, the Varsity 8 traveled to the prestigious Head of the Charles Regatta and showed their presence early in the season by placing eleventh. The team wrapped up a successful fall season and had their eyes set on the spring 2k season to come. Serra Oarsman, Patrick Williams, had the chance to travel to Boston for C.R.A.S.H.-B indoor sprints after qualifying in the local competition. Patrick's tenth place finish at C.R.A.S.H.-B's put him among some of the top rowers in the world for his age. In April, the team traveled to Long Beach Invitational where they took



home three silvers and one gold. In the spring at the Southwest Junior Regional Championships, the crew team had an incredible weekend. After a full school year of training, the Men's 3rd Varsity 8 boat of Robbie Ferreia, Cameron Woods, Marshall Callies, Calvan Sellwood, Matthew Morris, John Bruno, Loren Andersen, Alex Jurado and Dominic Rodiack placed second earning a silver medal. The Men's Light Weight 8 team of Joey Petrick, Beau Ramsey, Billy Scherba, Aaron Gonzeles, Cameron Zokaei, Morgan Petiti, Dominic Rodiack, Jordan Littell and James Sherry finished 3rd earning the bronze medal and earned the right to move on to the National Championships held outside of Cincinnati during the summer.

Thanks to Joe Bertoldi '09, Mike Bertoldi '11, Marshall Callies '10, Vinnie Ciardi '08, Dominic DeMartini '08, Brett McCollum 09, Sam Schneider '09, Ian Tolle '09, Chris Yarranton '08 and Ray Worley '09 for contributing to our Padre bench spring sports articles.



It is with a tremendous sense of pride and joy that our Serra community celebrates the ordination of Padre alum Fr. William J. Justice '60 as Titular Bishop of Matara de Proconsolare and Auxilary Bishop of San Francisco.

Nearly two dozen bishops, more than 300 priests and deacons, and a standing-room only

cathedral, including faculty and staff members from Serra and several young Padres (who were asked to play a role in the ceremony) attended Bishop Justice's ordination held on May 28th at St. Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco. Bishop Justice is San Francisco's 16th auxiliary bishop and was challenged to "respond in loving service to his sisters and brothers in Christ" and model himself after the Apostle St. Peter.

Bishop Justice has served as a priest in the San Francisco Archdiocese since his ordination in 1968. He was assigned as Parochial Vicar in St. John the Evangelist, All Souls and St. Paul Parishes. In 1979, he was appointed Director of the Office for the Permanent Diaconate, and in 1981 began to serve as Secretary of Pastoral Ministry at the Chancery. Bishop Justice was Pastor of St. Peter Parish from 1985-1991, All Souls Parish from 1991-2003, and Mission Dolores Parish from 2003-2007. In March

2007, he was appointed Vicar for Clergy for the Archdiocese, to succeed Bishop John Wester, whom Pope Benedict XVI appointed as Bishop of Salt Lake City.

Bishop Justice was born on May 8, 1942 in Lawrence, Massachusetts, and moved with his family to San Mateo in 1946. He attended grammar school at both St. Matthew and St. Gregory Parish. Upon graduating from Serra in 1960, he entered the seminary, first at St. Joseph College in Mountain View, and later St. Patrick Seminary in Menlo Park. Bishop Justice has a Master of Divinity degree from St. Patrick Seminary and a Master's degree in Applied Spirituality from the University of San Francsco.

In his address to the congregation, Bishop Justice spoke about his strong roots in the San Francisco Bay Area.

"This is my home; this is your home," Bishop Justice repeated numerous times, reflecting on having lived in the Archdiocese 62 of his 66 years. He pledged to "have a heart ever open to Jesus" so that he can "share them with us."

At the reception following his ordination, Bishop Justice spent a few moments celebrating with Padres and posing for the camera in a semi "Padre Whisper."

# BISHOP WILLIAM J. JUSTICE

#### An Interview with a Special Padre Alum

**Tell us about your family.** My father was Dr. William Justice, a professor in Business Administration at College of San Mateo for 30 years. My mother's name was Ann Vallely Justice. My father was born in Lawrence, Massachusetts, and my mother in Boston. My mom's parents had come from County Armaugh, and my dad's grandparents had come from County Cork. I was born in Lawrence, Massachusetts and I am an only child. My family moved to San Mateo in 1946, when I was four years of age.

What are some of your earliest childhood memories? I remember going to San Mateo Central Park. I remember playing cowboys and Indians next to my father's office with my Roy Roger's hat and boots in what is now the parking space of the Mills Peninsula Arts Building. I remember going to the movies in the San Mateo Theater. I remember taking the bus to the airport to watch the airplanes. I remember going to Baldwin Street and seeing the #40 streetcar (that went to San Francisco) that had a huge cowcatcher. I remember walking to kindergarten up to Peninsula School where we took a nap and had chocolate milk.

**Did you have a special pet?** I had a wonderful little dachshund-fox terrier named Pepper. I also had a little pet fish.

What activities were you involved in at Serra? I was manager of the Track Team, which got me into the Block Club. I was on the Debating Team. I was part of the model U.N., representing Ireland at UC Berkeley. I was a member of the Young Christian Students and part of the Youth Assembly at Asilomar. I was on the Inner-Catholic High School Leadership group, planning events for the Catholic high school students. During my high school years, though not on any team, I liked to play tennis and swim.

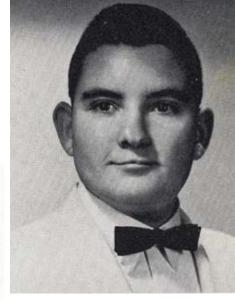
What were the rallies at Serra like? Grand and glorious. I especially remember the "Squash the Prune" rally when we were facing Bellarmine. The Bellarmine nickname was "the prunes" because of the many orchards in Santa Clara County at that time. Bellarmine continued to win during most of those years!

What was the dress code when you attended Serra? It was 1950's normal: chinos and button-down shirts. After a while, a rule was announced that we could not have buckles-on-the-back pants. Of course, our hair was kept pretty short. These were pre-Beattle days. I wore my hair in a "flat-top" – Once in a while I'd get sunburned on top!

What were your favorite subjects? History and English. I had read a lot of Hardy Boys mysteries. I have always been interested in history.

What where some of your favorite places to hang out? When we were on campus, the place to be was the

WILLIAM J. JUSTICE
San Mateo
Life Member C.S.F.; C.S.F.
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3, 4; Sanctuary Society 4;
Federation 4; St. Thomas
More 3, 4; Rally Committee
2, 3, 4; Camera Club 1;
Treasurer 1C, 2C, 3C; Vice
President 4C.



staircase next to the faculty residence. The football players had the area in front, and we were the next "in" group. We didn't go to the Foster's Cream on El Camino – the rough gang hung out there. We would go to Hillsdale Shopping Mall.

**Who was your favorite teacher?** My favorite teacher was Father Pete Sammon, who taught religion. Father John Zoph taught English and was very good. There was a history professor I really liked named Dr. Gezi. He went on to Chico State, became a professor and a published author.

**Is there a special event you remember?** Our junior prom and senior ball were a lot of fun. It was great to get dressed up and, in those days, the Junior Prom was in the cafeteria, where we took a lot of time on the decorations. The class before us turned the cafeteria into a forest. As I remember, several days after that prom, a few of the students were taken in for questioning because a number of trees seemed to be missing in Hillsborough!

**Do you remember who the Dean of Men was?** Yes, it was Father Keaveney. I only met him in the corridor. He was well liked by the students and was a priest of the Diocese of Oakland when that diocese was established.

**What is your favorite food?** Now, it is pasta and lamb. When I was younger, I ate everything - except rhubarb! I loved to eat hamburgers and French fries.

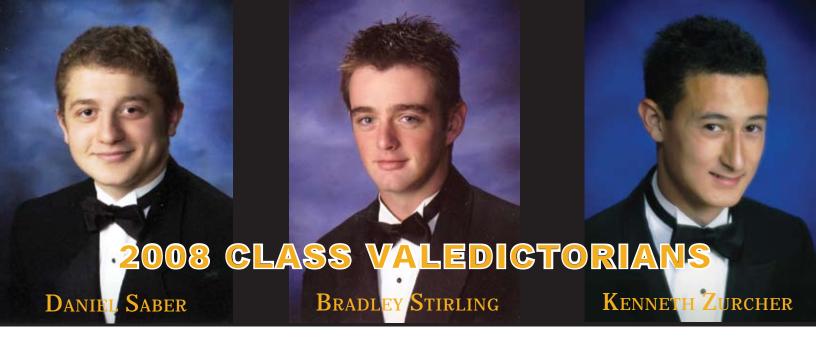
**Dessert?** My favorite was my Mom's homemade pumpkin pie. I also loved her apple pie, made with the apples in our backyard.

#### Who were the most influential people in your life?

The strongest influence of all was probably my parents along with the sisters who taught at Saint Gregory – Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. People at Serra like Father Pete Sammon, Father John Murphy and Father John Kelly influenced me toward the priesthood. From my parish, Saint Gregory, Father Jim O'Malley had a strong influence on me.

Do you know of any other ordinations from Serra at that time? Monsignor Michael Harriman, now Pastor of Saint Cecilia in San Francisco, was in my class, as was Monsignor Larry McGovern (a priest of the Diocese of Stockton).

**How would you like to be remembered?** I'd like to be remembered as a person of faith who cared for other people and made a difference in people's lives.



Junípero Serra High School's Class of 2008 graduated during the schools' 62nd annual commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 31, 2008 at St. Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco. Presiding over the ceremony was Rev. Msgr. Robert W. McElroy. Graduation diplomas were awarded by Assistant Principals Keith Strange and Marybeth Ortiz, and conferred by Principal Lars Lund.

This year's class recognized three valedictorians: Daniel Saber, Bradley Stirling, and Kenneth Zurcher.

Daniel Saber was chosen to deliver the valedictory address in which he spoke about the difficult task of summing up "four of the most life-changing years of his life into five minutes."

"The Serra Experience is just too big, too monumental, Saber said. "The memories we've gained and the ways we've all changed can't be bound within the confines of one person's words."

Saber did, however, sum up what it means to be a Padre.

When we were freshman, Mr. Taylor presented us with a speech that I will always remember. In it, he spoke about what we would need to do to 'become Padres.' Enrolling in Serra wasn't enough -- no, not by a long shot, Mr. Taylor said. That only got you the title of 'student,' and that's something any school could give you. A 'Padre' is a much more

I have no doubt that this class, our class, the Padres of 2008, will do incredible things, and that we'll never forget our past as we carve our own stories into the Padre Legacy.

Daniel Saber '08

meaningful title. But, unlike 'student,' it isn't given; it's earned. How could we earn it, though? That was the question Mr. Taylor was answering. I remember thinking that his answer was just a tiny bit funny, even counter intuitive. 'To be a Padre, he said, 'you could do anything, as long as it was something.'

Well then, being a Padre can't be that special, right? I mean, if you could do *anything*. The beauty of the statement, however, lies in its inclusiveness. Whether you're an athlete, an artist, a musician, or a performer, you're enriching Serra. You're turning it into more than a school; you're being a Padre. And, when you have a class filled with Padres all pursuing a unique but meaningful definition of the term, then you get a class like ours -- a class whose accomplishments are varied, but unified in that they grow and escalate the school and all the Padres -- past, present, and future -- who call or will call Serra their home.

That's what we've done in our four years here. We've left our collective imprint on Serra by never settling for "student," by always pursuing the Padre ideal. When the portraits of our class take their place in the Serra hallways, we can be proud knowing that we've all, in our own way, contributed to the meaning of what it is to be a Padre.



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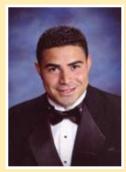




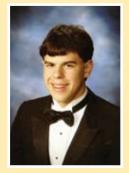
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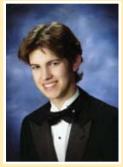
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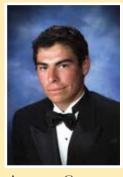




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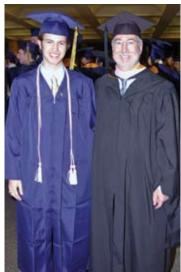
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For several years now, we have provided our senior parents with the option of placing a personal in the Padre yearbook. The two "senior ads" below were inadvertently left out, so we've decided to feature them is this graduation issue of Traditions!



#### **TONY COOPER '08**

#### It Seems Like Yesterday

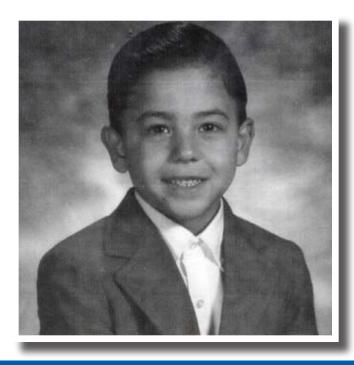
It's a boy Our bundle of joy! Turn around and you're a toddler making your way, New discoveries everyday. Time flies and you're in school The light of our life, Our family jewel. Blink of an eye and you're a teen High School Graduation, What growth we have seen. Now it's off to college and your journey begins Independence, adventure, The list never ends. But through it all, always know this is true, We love you so very much and will always be here for you.



Mom & Dad

Do not go where the path may lead . . . go instead where there is no path and leave a trail.

Ralph Waldo Emerson



#### **DANIEL MARTINEZ '08**

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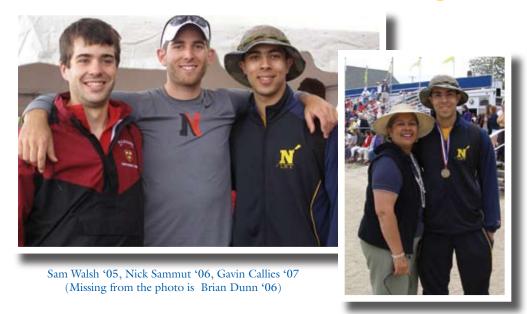
We want you to know we love you so much and want only the best for you.

Continue to stay focused, make good decisions and work hard.

Que Dios Te Bendiga

Mom, Dad, Brandy, Rigo, Evita

#### Padre Crew Alums Reunite at 2008 Eastern Sprints Regatta



Proud Mom Loretta Callies & son Gavin '07

Former Serra rowers reunited this past spring in Worcester, Massachusetts for the 2008 Eastern Sprints Regatta. Alums Sam Walsh '05, Nick Sammut '06, Gavin Callies '07, and Brian Dunn '06, all members of their college crew teams, competed in a variety of competitions.

CHECK OUT THIS BOAT LOAD OF PADRE "BRAWN AND BRAIN" . . . Sam is currently a senior at Harvard, Nick is a junior at Northeastern, Gavin is a sophomore at the U.S. Naval Academy, and Brian is a junior at Columbia!

Following the competition, the group enjoyed a nice dinner together with Crew Coach Cassandra Cunningham and proud mom Loretta Callies. All were thrilled to have some "real food," Loretta recalls them saying.



# Introducing New Hires in Serra's Alumni & Development Office

#### New Advancement Director: Kathy Scollin

Kathy Scollin will now lead the development office as Serra's Director of Institutional Advancement. In this capacity, Kathy will be overseeing all of Serra's annual, capital and endowment fundraising efforts, special events, alumni relations and public relations. Last January, Kathy was introduced to the Serra community when she served as a consultant to Lars Lund during a time of transition in the development office. She has an extensive background in fundraising in Catholic and private schools (Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory, Castilleja School and San Domenico School in San Anselmo). Kathy has also worked as a consultant in the non-profit sector with organizations such as Catholic Charities, the Oakland Zoo and the Yosemite Fund. She will be working in close collaboration with Campaign Consultant Rod Linhares, Lars Lund and the Board of Regents.

#### New Alumni Director: Bob Greene '85

Serra alum and varsity water polo and swimming coach Bob Greene '85 has accepted the position of Serra's Alumni Director. Bob has extensive alumni contacts and significant experience working with boards, as well as event planning and management — all of which will assist him in his efforts to enhance our Alumni Board and increase alumni involvement at Serra.

Born and raised in San Mateo, Bob attended Serra where he participated in both water polo and swimming. He is a graduate of Chico State University and currently lives in San Mateo with his wife Jade and their two children, Jordan and Reggie.

We are very grateful to Alumni Board President, Greg Hart '76, and his alumni board members for assisting us with the search and interview process.

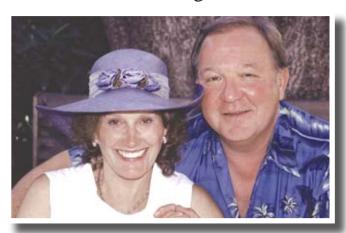
### David Finigan '68 Re-Elected to 4th Term as a Del Norte County Supervisor



David Finigan '68 was re-elected on June 3rd to his fourth term as a Del Norte County Supervisor. David is also currently serving as the Chair of the Board of Supervisors and selected in January to Chair the Regional Council of Rural Counties (31 California counties) in Sacramento.

"There are several additional regional, state and national committees keep me busy and out of the real estate office," David wrote in an alumni update.

### Robert "Bob" Yonts '59 Retires after 38-Year Legal Career



Hon. Robert "Bob" Yonts, Jr. J.D. recently retired after a 38-year legal career, serving the last thirteen years on the bench of the Santa Clara County Superior Court. He and his wife, Bjorg currently live in Soquel (near Santa Cruz). Bob continues to work part-time as a private mediator and arbitrator.

### Dan Darcy '96 . . . continuing to find ways to give back



Dan Darcy '96 is continuing to give back to the community in true Padre spirit! He is currently the President of the Board of Directors for BayKids, a non-profit in San Francisco which empowers children facing medical challenges.

BayKids began as a community outreach program for the San Francisco Giants. The program, which ran from 1994 to 1997, was built around a character, Giantasaurus Rex (a member of the Giants baseball team), who visited elementary schools with a message of Respect, Responsibility and Teamwork.

Today, BayKids (in partnership with Children's Hospital Oakland, UCSF Children's Hospital, and the Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford Medical Center) provides children a creative outlet through the art of filmmaking. Their programs provide a vehicle for creative self-expression, a means to learn new skills and a venue through which children faced with serious medical challenges can tell their personal stories.

Dan joined BayKids in September of 2006. Prior to BayKids, he has been involved in fundraising for many non-profit organizations. His past work experience includes being the Director of Institutional Advancement for the Catholic Community of Stanford and running annual capital campaigns for many of the Catholic parishes in the Diocese of San Jose. In his spare time, Dan hosts fundraising events and loves to be active in the community. He also enjoys running (completed three marathons, triathlon, and multiple half marathons) and spending time with his family and friends.

#### Jonathan Green '80 Director at Verizon Wireless

Verizon Wireless, the most profitable wireless company in the United States, announced recently that Padre alum Jonathan Green '80 has been named Director of Customer Care at the company's Rochester, New York center.

In Green's new position, he will be responsible for overseeing and managing all aspects of the center's operations and processes, including day-to-day service levels and quality performance, first-call resolution, hiring, training, and budget planning in the 1,100-person center.

Green has been with Verizon for three years. He is a graduate of California State University at Sacramento.



# WILLIAM AHERN '71 RETIRES AFTER 33 YEARS NOW . . . A "ROOKIE COP" WITH THE SFPD



San Francisco Police Chief Heather Fong welcomes Padre Alum William Ahern '71 to the SFPD

After 33 years in public service, Padre alum William Ahern '71 is starting over as a "rookie cop" with the SFPD.

"This goes to show that Serra Men never quit," Ahern writes in an alumni update.

Ahern's career began after a tour in Vietnam (1972) and attending St. Mary's College in Moraga. In 1977, he was hired by the Pacifica Police Department, and transferred three years later to the San Mateo County Sheriff's Department where he worked patrol, SWAT, Narcotics and Vice. During that period, Ahern spent some time with the Naval Reserve Special Warfare Community. He went to work for the California Department of Justice in 1998, where he spent two years working undercover narcotics. Ahern was promoted to the rank of Special Agent Supervisor and started the San Mateo County Sexual Assault Felony Enforcement Task Force. He was later re-assigned to Major Crimes, where he worked cold homicide cases (Ingleside and Park Station Bombings, Shane Worchester Homicide, and the Zodiac Homicides.)

Upon retiring in March, Ahern decided he wasn't ready to "quit" and accepted a position with the SFPD. He received the "Issac Espinoza" Award as the outstanding recruit.

Ahern continues to coach High School football at Terra Nova and Semi-Pro Football (Pacifica Islanders) in his spare time!

#### CHAUSSARD '01 & Cox '06 COMPETE ON GOLF'S GREATEST STAGE

By Randy Vogel

For several days in June, two Padre alums found themselves performing on what is considered one of the elite stages in American sports, the U.S. Open Golf Championship. Garrett Chaussard '01 and Jordan Cox '06 each qualified for spots in the 2008 U.S. Open at Torrey Pines Golf Course in San Diego.



The Open is considered the toughest test in golf. Chaussard and Cox both shot rounds of 80 on the first day. On the second day, Garrett carded an 82; Cox shot 77. Although missing the cut was disappointing for both competitors, each took away memories of a lifetime. No golf fan will soon forget the dramatic finish at the Open as Tiger Woods edged Rocco Mediate on the first extra hole, after battling to a tie on the eighteen hole playoff. They were the only two golfers to finish regulation under par.

A series of qualifying matches took place in May and June with Chaussard and Cox each carding 36 hole totals of three under par 141 in the finals at Lake Merced Country Club. Their success earned them two of the final seven spots in the field and they headed for San Diego.

This propelled the pair into the national golf spotlight side-by-side with the world's greatest golfers. Cox, one of only ten amateurs in the tourney, had "a really awesome experience" when he was matched with Tiger Woods and Bubba Watson for a pair of practice rounds early in the week.

"I met Tiger once before at a team dinner earlier in the year," the Stanford junior said. "Both he and Watson treated me just like one of the guys." And, about the huge galleries that followed him both in his practice rounds and during the tourney, Jordan

added, "All those people made it even more fun

for me."

Early in the first round, Cox was playing particularly well and found his name on the leader board.

"I thought it was cool," he said. "It was pretty sweet to be on the leader board. The whole experience was surreal."

Cox commented that the Serra connection was forever present, as well.

"Several times during the tournament I could hear people in the crowd yelling 'Go Padres' or

'Go Serra'," Cox said.

Summing up his Open experience Jordan enthused, "Hands down, it was the most fun I've ever had in a golf tournament."

As Garrett looked ahead to his upcoming Open experience following his successful qualifying, he pondered.

"I could not have even pictured all of this going on leading up to next week," Garret said. "I'm really excited to test my game with



those that I respect. I'm looking forward to the challenge of the course, the people, the atmosphere, and I want to remember to stop and smell the roses along the way."

Chaussard played a practice round with veteran PGA golfer Jim Furyk saying, "It was very cool. It was unexpected. He was very cordial, definitely made me feel comfortable out there."

As the tournament approached, Garrett set up an internet blog where he shared his Open experiences with daily postings. Any nerves Chaussard might have had quickly disappeared after his

"I was really pumped up after hitting my opening shot of the tournament off the first tee and watching it go right down the middle of the fairway."

A highlight for Garrett was holing out a chip shot on the ninth hole for birdie, which was also picked up by the national television coverage on ESPN.

Garrett called his participation "An incredible experience all the way around," concluding "I had a great time and was sad when it was over. I will take away so much from this experience which will help me in the future."

At Serra, Chaussard was a four- year varsity golfer (1998-2001), while Cox entered Serra in his sophomore year and participated at the varsity level each of his three years (2004-2006).

As two of the greatest golfers in Serra history, the names of

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both Cox and Chaussard can be found embroidered multiple times on the blankets hanging in the Serra gym. Cox won the prestigious Blanket Award (Team MVP) in 2004, 2005 and 2006 and Chaussard in 1999 and 2001.

Their Serra resumes are extensive and sparkle with success. Between 1998 when Garrett started at Serra and 2006 when Jordan graduated, Serra's golf teams won four WCAL titles and four CCS championships. During that time, the Padres finished second twice and third once in the NorCal championships, and earned third place finishes in the state tournament at Poppy Hills in 2005 and Santa Maria in 2006.

Individually, each golfer etched his name in the school and league record books. In 2006 Cox shot a 29 at Poplar Creek, a WCAL record for the lowest nine hole score and set the school record for the lowest 18 hole score with a 65 in 2005 at the Diablo Country Club. Chaussard won the WCAL championship in 2000 with a 72 at Eagle Ridge and also captured the 2000 and 2001 De La Salle Tourney titles and the 2001 Monterey County

Tournament championship. Cox won the 2004 Monterey Invitational, the 2004 CCS Sectional Regional and the 2005 De La Salle Tournament titles. Prior to his junior year at Serra, Jordan won the 2004 British Junior Open championship at Kilmarnock Golf Club in Scotland.

Chaussard, a University of Illinois alum, is a member of the Gateway Tour

after playing on the Canadian Professional Tour in 2006. At Illinois, he played in 49 consecutive events and made four appearances at the NCAA regionals and two at the NCAA finals. He captured the title at the 2004 Northern Intercollegiate, one of many top ten finishes during his Illini career.

At Stanford, Cox was a member of the NCAA Championship team his freshman year and, this past spring, helped Stanford to a second place team finish, one stroke behind UCLA, in the NCAA tournament. During their short careers, both golfers have now shared the unique distinction of competing in the US Junior Amateur Tournament, the US Amateur Tournament and the US Open Championship.

Serra golf coach Joe Hession reflected with pride on the years Chaussard and Cox were part of his program.

"Garrett made the varsity golf team as a freshman in 1998 and immediately established a level of golf excellence that continues today," said Hession. "Garrett's demeanor rubbed off on all his teammates. He was not only an outstanding player, but a great ambassador for Serra in that he went out of his way to greet opposing players and coaches, tournament officials and golf course employees. He made everyone around him feel comfortable."

In remembering Cox's contributions to the program Hession declared, "I have been watching Jordan play since he was about 11 years old. He is one of the most gifted golfers I have ever seen. I imagine if you were a musician, it would be like watching Mozart at work. He has all the physical and mental tools to be a success, which he has already proven at Stanford, and which he could do on the pro tour."

The Open had added Serra flavor as two former Padre golfers served as caddies for the two competitors. Garrett's long time friend Tony Sciandri '97 carried Garrett's bag and assisted him along the way, while Jordan's teammate Michael Minto '06 served as his caddie.

US Open competition is not unfamiliar to Padre alums. Patrick Nagle '02 participated in the 2006 Open at Winged Foot Golf Club in Mamaroneck, New York and Jim Kane '77 competed in the Open held at Pebble Beach in 1992.

For both Garrett and Jordan, that magical week in June was most assuredly a step toward fulfilling their ultimate dreams. It is safe to say it won't be long before we see these two young men in a major PGA event again.





#### 2005 Junípero Serra Award Winner Dennis Lucey '58 Visits Bay Area on Route to China



L to R: Dennis Lucey '58, Mike Traynor '58, Jim Oakes '58, Brian Desler '83 and Mike Peterson



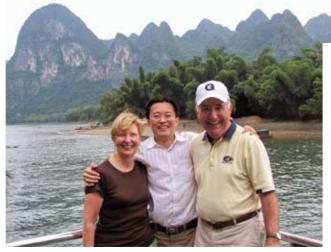
L to R: Brian Desler '83, Brian's sister Nancy Desler Carroll and their parents Anne & Dudley Desler (Anne is a cousin of Dennis Lucey).

(The Deslers sent five boys to Serra ~ Kevin '76, Stephen '78,

Michael '79, Jim '81 and Brian '83.)

Serra Alum and 2005 Junípero Serra Award Winner Dennis Lucey '58 and his wife, Pam, returned to the Bay Area this summer on their way to China. Dennis and Pam spent the afternoon in Hillsborough at the home of Dennis' cousin Brian Desler '83. Family and friends, including fellow '58 classmates Mike Traynor and Jim Oakes, as well as Serra staff members Michael Peterson, Pam Robbins and Michelle Wilkinson enjoyed a sunny afternoon visiting.

This was the Lucey's second visit to China. Starting in Shanghai, they went on a four-day Yangtze River Cruise, visited Chongqing, saw the Stone Forest in Kunming, took the Li River Valley Cruise in Guilin, and spent one night in Canton and then three days and nights in Hong Kong. Dennis and Pam will be returning to the Bay Area once again in September to celebrate the Class of 1958's 50th Reunion!



Li River Valley Cruise in Guilin Pictured L to R: Pam Lucey, Travel Guide Eddie Gu and Dennis Lucey '58 ~ With its breathtaking scenery and taste of a life far removed from the concrete metropolis, the scenery along the Li River is one of China's top tourist destinations.



#### **Coming**

**Soon...** 

# Homecoming & Reunion Gala 2008

Serra's 2008 Annual Homecoming celebration begins on Wednesday, September 10th with the annual Junípero Serra Award Mass and Reception.

On Saturday, September 13, 2008, activities will kickoff with the annual Alumni Association barbecue prior to the 1:00 pm football game against the powerhouse De La Salle Spartans on Serra's Freitas Field.

The classes of '47, '48, '58, '68, '73, '78, '83, '88 and '98 will celebrate their anniversary reunions the same evening at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Foster City.

More information on these events can be found on Serra's website. Log on to: www.serrahs.com and CLICK ON ALUMNI.

# SAVE THE DATES! HOMECOMING 2008

Wednesday, September 10, 2008

Junípero Serra Award Mass & Reception

Friday September 12, 2008

Hall of Fame Induction Dinner Crowne Plaza, Foster City 6:00pm - No Host Cocktails 7:00pm - Dinner ~ \$75.00 per person

Saturday, September 13, 2008

Homecoming Football Game vs. De La Salle 1:00pm - Freitas Field Alumni Association Barbecue

#### Reunion Gala

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2008

Classes of

'47, '48, '58, '68, '73, '78, '83, '88, '98

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm: No Host Cocktails 8:00 pm - Midnight: Dinner & Dancing Crowne Plaza, Foster City ~ \$75.00 per person

For more information, log on to: www.serrahs.com and click on Alumni OR contact Robin Jensen at (650) 573-9935 / Email: rjensen@serrahs.com



Members from the Class of '48 & '49 at their Sophomore Picnic Back Row from L to R: Bob Dummel, Albert Graham, Father Ryan, Ned Power, Eugene McIver '48, Unknown, Front: James O'Brien '49, Ron Mutti '48



Padre Brotherhood "Back in the Day" Clarence Kavanaugh '48 & Dermot Healy '48



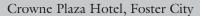
Members from the Class of 88 show their style at the 1988 Spring Ball.

Can you name everyone in the picture?

Email: mwilkinson@serrahs.com with your best guess!

#### 2008 ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME DINNER

Friday, September 12, 2008



6:00 pm: No Host Cocktails / 7:00 pm: Dinner

Cost: \$75.00/per person

For more information and reservations, please contact: Robin Jensen

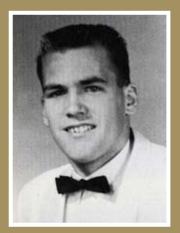
at (650) 573-9935 ext. 182 or email rjensen@serrahs.com

The Athletic Hall of Fame, initiated in 1990, is a joint venture of the Junípero Serra High School Athletic Department and the Serra Alumni Association. The Hall of Fame exists to honor graduates who, during their years at Serra, exhibited outstanding athletic achievement or who attained outstanding success at the collegiate or professional levels.

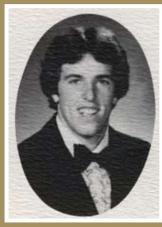
The Hall of Fame also recognizes the contributions of others (coaches, teachers, parents) who, through their tireless efforts, have contributed to the excellence of the Serra athletic program. The Hall of Fame induction dinner is held every other year during Homecoming Week.



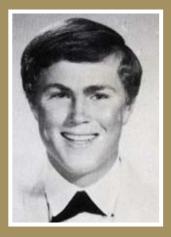
Gabe Esposto '95
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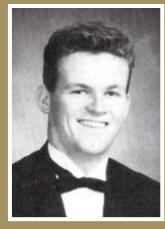
Bob Kane '60 Baseball & Football



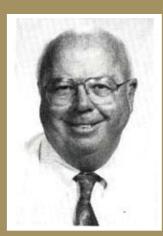
Rob Leary '82 Baseball & Football



Ian Loveseth '70 Swimming, Water Polo, Special Category (Rugby)



Sean McGee '91 Basketball



Jim Monahan
Special Category
(Coaching)

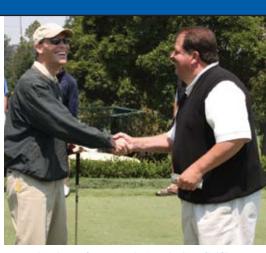


**Jim Walsh '75** Baseball, Basketball, Football, Track & Field









Mitch Juricich (right), co-creator and co-host of Bay Area's "Hooked on Golf" congratulates Joe Olla (left) ~ Winner of the Putting Green Contest

Padre alums and Serra supporters hit the links at the Peninsula Golf & Country Club on June 23rd for Alumni Association's 21st Annual Serra Golf Classic. Once again, competition for the championship trophy was fierce as several teams fired low scores. The foursome of Mark Hartley, Chris Pedersen '89, Brian Ronan, and Pat Shaughnessey captured the "A Flight" championship for the second year in a row. The "B Flight" title went to Todd Berryhill, Jim Cole, Joe Olla and Jim Pray. The McLaughlin clan (Mark, Mike, Shaun, and Steve) took home the "Senior Flight" trophy. Other winners included Long Drive Winner Dennis Carmassi '74, Closest to the Pin #4 Matt Buzzell '95, and Closest to the Pin #7 Jamie Short.

Special thanks go to Brian Morton '83 and staff member Robin Jensen for all of their hard work organizing the event, as well as MVP Sponsors ~ Handlery Union Square Hotel, Nibbi Brothers Construction, and The Plastering Industry Bureau. Thanks also goes to all the generous tee sponsors who helped make this 21st tournament a success.



"A Flight" Championship Group L to R: Mark Hartley, Chris Pedersen '89, Brian Ronan, Pat Shaughnessey



"B Flight" Championship Group L to R: Todd Berryhill, Jim Pray, Jim Cole, Joe Olla



"Senior Flight" Championship Group L to R: The McLaughlin Clan (Mark, Mike, Shaun, Steve)



**'58** 

SAVE THE DATE
September 13, 2008!
Look for more news on your 50-year
reunion in upcoming mailings!

#### **'60**

John Dillon is currently living in Bend, Oregon. He is a one of our newest Padres to join Serra Online Alumni Community.

Rev. William Justice was appointed by Pope Benedict XVI as the new Auxiliary Bishop of San Francisco. His ordination was held on May 28 at St. Mary's Cathedral.

#### **'64**

Jeff Hanner lives in the Del Webb Community of Lincoln Hills "with most the retires from the Bay Area," he writes. Jeff has worked in Banking, Finance, Electronics, Aviation Telecom, Voice Processing, Video Production and Accounting. "It's been a great ride and it started with a good base at Serra" he adds.

#### **'**68

SAVE THE DATE
September 13, 2008!
Look for more news on your 40-year
reunion in upcoming mailings!

David Finigan was recently re-elected to his fourth term as a Del Norte County Supervisor. David is currently serving as the Chair of the Board of Supervisors. He was also selected to Chair the Regional Council of Rural Counties (31 California Counties) in Sacramento.

#### '71

William Ahern retired in March after 33 years as a police officer . . . only to start again as a "rookie cop" for the San Francisco Police Department.

**'72** 

Gary Habeeb is currently the Director of Technology for Dry Creek Elementary School District in Roseville, CA

**'**78

SAVE THE DATE
September 13, 2008!
Look for more news on your 30-year
reunion in upcoming mailings!

**'80** 

Jonathan Green has been named Director of Customer Care for Verizon Wireless' Rochester contact center.

**'83** 

SAVE THE DATE September 13, 2008! Look for more news on your 25-year reunion in upcoming mailings!

**'84** 

Tim McKercher ~ In our Spring '08 issue of Traditions, we announced Tim's recent wedding; however, we didn't get the name of his new bride correct. It's Hillary.

Joe Spillane, son of the late James Spillane '59, was married on February 9. Padre alums at the wedding included Tony Gay '82, Kris Mengel '84 and Tom Mellott '86. The new couple resides in Kelso, CA and are both employed by the National Park Service as Rangers in the Mojave National Preserve.

**'85** 

Scott Delucchi and his wife Jay announce the birth of their first child, Audrey Claire, born on May 24. **'86** 

David LaRosa and his wife Aida are the proud new parents of their first child, Aaron Mario, born on June 4.

**'87** 

Patrick Leland was recognized recently by Allstate Insurance for his outstanding record, finishing among the top 10% of all agencies country-wide. Patrick's agency specializes in commercial insurance and financial services.

**'88** 

SAVE THE DATE
September 13, 2008!
Look for more news on your 20-year
reunion in upcoming mailings!

Jonathan Kong married Maxine Au in Portola Valley on June 7.

Adrian Simoes married Angela Costa on January 5. "Took me that long to find someone who'd put up with me," Adrian writes.

**'89** 

John Aguilar joined a San Franciscobased company called "The Conversation Group," a social media start-up. John is the Senior Director of Integrated Media Campaigns and Operations.

**'98** 

Your 10-year reunion is just around the corner! Look for more news in upcoming mailings.

#### **'92**

August Thorn moved back to Dallas as Manager Concierge Key for American Airlines. He is responsible for American's entire Global VIP operation, as well as their celebrity meet and greet program.

#### **'93**

Chris Scofield and his wife Rachel welcomed a son, Nolan Timothy, on June 12.

#### **'94**

Josh Bertetta was awarded a Ph.D. from Pacifica Graduate Institute in the area of Mythological Studies. Josh is currently an associate professor in the Religious Studies Department at St. Edwards College in Austin, Texas.

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Bryan Mc Kay is currently in the U.S. Army serving as a Commanding Officer's Arabic Interpreter and Radio Telephone Operator. Bryan is an Infantryman with the 5th Brigade/2nd Infantry Division, 2nd Battalion/1st InfantryRegiment (Charlie Company) headquarted in Fort Lewis, Washington. He has a son, Kaiden James, born last November. In a recent e-mail to Serra, Bryan writes, "I have always looked at my three years at Serra (my junior year spent abroad in France) with fond memories, as these years were such a formative time. The many experiences and personalities along the way gave me direction and instilled within me a sense of achievement and longing for a greater sense of meaning in my life.

Chris Ramirez married Sarah Komanoff (NDB) on June 29 in Santa Clara.

#### **'04**

Andrew Parker recently graduated from Santa Cruz. He earned his BA degree with a major in Legal Studies and a minor in Sociology. He plans to work for a couple of years, take the LSAT, and then attend law school.

#### **'06**

Troy Talmadge was part of the George Gershwin/Ensemble for Broadway by the Bay's production of "Thoroughly Modern Millie" at the San Mateo Performing Arts Center.

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#### In Memoriam



Stephen Beland '76 passed away in January 2006.

William Dugoni, father to Dr. William, Jr. '76, Robert '79, Dr. Thomas '82, Laurence '86, and Sean '89 passed away on June 15, 2008 (See special tribute on next page.)

Joe Fernekes '68 brother to Robert '65 passed away on August 6th. Joe was known in the Bay Area as "Mr. South San Francisco" for his community service efforts.

Mrs. Lucy Finn passed away on July 26, 2008. Mrs. Finn was the mother to Tom '63, Sandy Brown (Mercy '64), Karen Ghidossi (Serra Counselor), grandmother to Tom Finn '88, Stephen Finn '96, Brian Finn '98, Rick Ghidossi '99, Joey Ghidossi '06, Katie Finn Camilleri (NDB '89), Colleen Finn (NDB '93), Michelle Finn Kuka (NDB '94), Kristen Ghidossi (NDB '00), Rebecca Finn (NDB '02), and Joanne Finn (Hillsdale '05), Jenny Brown Peters and Debbie Brown Smith. She was the mother-in-law to Nancy Finn (Notre Dame High School Admission's Office), Rich Ghidossi and David Brown. She is also survived by 11 great grandchildren.

Phillis Gary, sister of Serra's Assistant Dean of Students and Football/Track Coach Ed Berry passed away on May 18, 2008.

Anthony Giraudo, son of Serra cafeteria employee Sherri, passed away on May 10, 2008.

Joseph Michael Hernandez, father to faculty member Liz Hernandez, passed away on May 4, 2008.

Leonard "Lee" LaRosa, father to David '86 passed away on June 25, 2008.

Stephen McGuire '89 passed away.

Charles E. "Kiwi" Meredith, Jr., father to Anthony '80 and Michael '82, and former Serra Rugby coach passed away in March.

Gordon O'Keefe, father to Kevin '74 passed away on September 14, 2007.

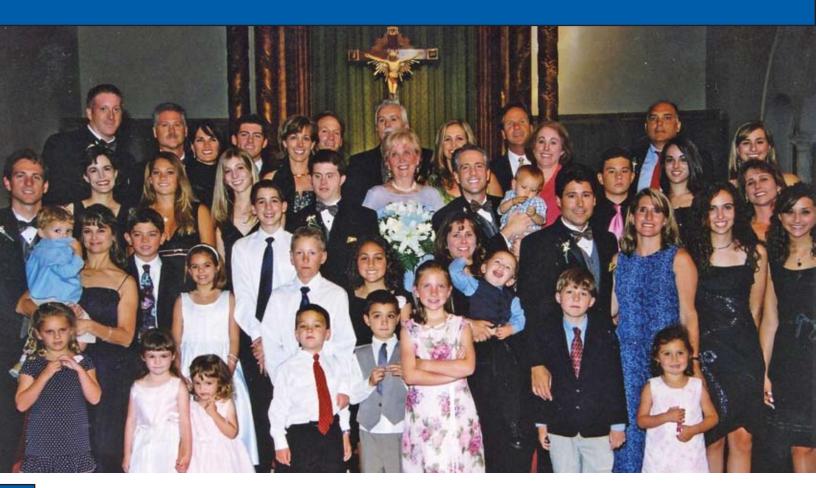
Elizabeth E. Pasco, wife to Richard Pasco '56 passed away in Walnut Creek on April 23, 2008.

Richard "Dick" Rafferty, brother to Serra staff member Kathy Scollin, passed away on August 1st.

Norma Walsh, mother to Dr. John Walsh '56, Dr. Hugh Walsh '60, and Dr. Victor Walsh '64 passed away at the age of 98 on August 3.

Rest in Peace

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#### Remembering William Ernest Dugoni

(Above photo: 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration for William & Patricia Dugoni in 2004)

William Ernest Dugoni, Sr. passed peacefully in his bed on Father's Day, June 15, surrounded in love by his wife, Patty, and ten children.

An extraordinary and inspirational man, Bill brought the gift of humor and laughter to many from the moment of his birth, Christmas Day, 1931 in San Francisco to Lina and Arthur Dugoni. Lina called him her "Christmas Angel." Raised in North Beach and the Potrero district with his brother, Arthur, and sister, Evelyn, Bill graduated from St. James High School in 1949. At 17 he met the love of his life and true soul mate, Patricia Joan Branick. Theirs was a courtship and love blessed by God. Bill graduated from the University of San Francisco in 1953 and he and Patty married July 3, 1954 in Greenbrae. Bill served in the United States Army, a first lieutenant. While on active duty in England, Patty gave birth to their first child, a daughter, Aileen. She would be the first of many. Returning to San Francisco, the couple welcomed three more children, Susan, William Jr. '76 and Bernadette. Bill and Patty moved to Pocatello, ID, where he attended and graduated from the Idaho State University School of Pharmacy. While in Pocatello, Patty and Bill had two more children, a son, Robert 79, and daughter, JoAnn. The couple moved to Burlingame upon Bill's graduation in 1963. He opened Lock Rexall Drug Pharmacy in the Port-o-Call shopping Center in Foster City. Over the next 33 years, "Big Bill," as he was known to his loyal customers, was a fixture in Foster City and loved and respected as a dedicated pharmacist. Bill and Patty would give birth to four more children, all sons, Thomas '82, Laurence '86, Sean '89 and Michael. Bill and Patty celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary in a gala celebration July 3, 2004. Patty survives him, along with his children and their spouses: Dental hygienist Aileen and Gary Gomes, Drs. Ramsey and Susan Araj, Dr. William and Arlene Dugoni, Drs. Scott and Bonnie Kramer, the novelist Robert and Cristina Dugoni, the CPA Joann and Tom Cox, Dr. Thomas and Karen Dugoni, attorney Laurence and Linda Dugoni, Serra High School teacher Sean and Linda Dugoni, and his special son, Michael. None of us were surprised Dad died on Father's Day. He gave his life to each of us, first, foremost, and always. We affectionately called him "Pops" and blessed him with 28 grandchildren. Truly a great man, larger than life with movie star good looks, Dad will be missed, never forgotten. We were blessed to have been your family, blessed to have been loved by you. If a man's wealth is measured by the love of the family he gathers around him, you were the wealthiest man in the world. We love you Dad.



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Name	Troop #	Location
Scott Alstad '80	275	San Bruno
Brian Anderson '89	7	San Mateo
John Arnold '55	10	Burlingame
Glenn Arvin '80	27 & 377	San Mateo
Danny Baciocco '08	74	Pacifica
Gregory Baciocco '70		Millbrae
Victor Baglio '91	175	Foster City
Damon Bailey '04	27	San Mateo
Joseph Baldanzi '80	47	Foster City
Christopher Bankovitch '85	101	Burlingame
John Bankovitch '89	101	Burlingame
Walter Bankovitch '82	101	Burlingame
Chuck Beering '80	42	San Mateo
James Beering '81	42	San Mateo
Walter Bell '08	149	Redwood City
Alex Bodisco '87	101	Burlingame/SSF
Matthew Breite '91	183	SSF
Tony Bruno '95	321	San Carlos
James Burke '56	153	San Carlos
LTC Jack Burke '52	153	San Carlos
Hans Bus '69	90	Cortre Madera
Andrew Campbell '89	44	San Mateo
Maj. William Campbell III '87	44	San Mateo
William Campbell, Jr. '50	100	San Mateo
Sandeep Chatterjee '91	175	San Mateo
John Cole '07	27	San Mateo
Michael Condon '65	10	Burlingame
David D'Amico '86	175	Foster City
Doug D'Amico ;87	175	Foster City
Lt. Col Mark DeLuna '83	42	San Mateo
Shawn DeLuna '86	42	San Mateo
Christopher DeLuna '93	42	San Mateo
Jonathan DeLuna '97	42	San Mateo
Richard DeLuna '01	42	San Mateo
Tad DeWree '78	153	San Carlos
Brian Dilts '73	17	Burlingame
Stephen Dolim '73	17	Burlingame
Michael Dougherty '07	264	Pacifica
Dermot Fallon '86	101	Burlingame
Mark Fehrn '98	101	Burlingame
Michael Franzoia '80	369	Daly City
Thomas Fuglestad '86	301	Belmont
Jordan Ginsberg '11	321	San Carlos
Eric Girod '91	175	Foster City
Elliot Gluck '05	175	Foster City
Kurt Grathwohl '83	27	San Mateo
Gary Habeeb '72	141	Millbrae
Michael Halualani '83	7	San Mateo

Roger Halualani '85	7	San Mateo	
Michael Hannon '90	27	San Mateo	
Daniel Harkin '06	44	San Mateo	
Michael Harkin '04	44	San Mateo	
John Wayne Haynes '08	74	Pacifica	
Jerry Horstmeyer '86	67	Redwood City	
Andrew Hutchison '04	27	San Mateo	
Brian Inouye '05	149	Redwood City	
Walter Kelly '62	141	Millbrae	
George Kiesel '87	101	Burlingame	
Kevin Kinsella '87	101	Burlingame	
John Kretschmann '83	27	San Mateo	
Audel Lashgari '99	149	Redwood City	
Fred Liebich '50		Cheyenne	
Bryan MacKay "01	321	San Carlos	
Phillip Matthew '03	175	Foster City	
Sean McMahon '96	27	San Mateo	
Patrick McMorrow '01	1478	San Bruno	
Tim McMorrow '98	1478	San Bruno	
Andrew Miller '86	27	San Mateo	
Joseph Miller '05	149	Redwood City	
Brett Mills '87	1		
Adam Montgomery '01	10	Burlingame	
Matthew Morris '08	175	Foster City	
Vince Munich '06	178	San Bruno	
Robert O'Brien '82	27	San Mateo	
Alvaro Orozco '93			
Christo (Mike) Pallas '08	183	San Bruno	
Jimmy Riordan '99	256	Pacifica	
Matt Ryan '00	321	San Carlos	
Thomas Sanford '74	31	San Mateo	
Timothy Sanford '79	31	San Mateo	
Steven Schmitz '65	10	Burlingame	
Nariman Shariat '00	991	Redwood City	
Salman Shariat '04	991	Redwood City	
Daniel Showalter '00	29	Pacifica	
Eric Snyder '03	156	Burlingame	
Andy Solari '01	149	Redwood City	
Paul Stelter '03	79	SSF	
Richard Still '03	44	San Mateo	
Bryan Stitt '07	142	Foster City	
Ryan Swets '00	156	Burlingame	
Michael Henry Tauskey '10	42	Temple Bethel	
Peter Wargo '60	Ship 46	San Mateo	
Stephan Washington '88	149	Redwood City	
Patrick Weston '92	127	Redwood City	
John Wise '04	149	Redwood City	
Michael Wise '07	149	Redwood City	
Jonathan Worthge '08	42	Temple Bethel	
Shane Worthge '09	41	Temple Bethel	

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# ALUMNI CALENDAR 2008-2009

DATE	Event
September 2008 5 10 12 13	Alumni Father Son Mass (Serra Chapel) Junípero Serra Award Mass & Reception Hall of Fame Dinner @ Crowne Plaza, Foster City Alumni Homecoming Football Game vs. DeLaSalle 2008 Reunion Gala @ Crown Plaza (Classes of '47, '48, '58, '68, '73, '78, '83, '88, '98) Reno Area Alumni Tailgate Party
November 2008 26 27 28	Alumni Basketball Game Alumni Water Polo Game Alumni Soccer Game
December 2008 1, 2, 3 TBA	Alumni Phon-A-Thon 50-Year Club Luncheon (Induction for classes of '57 & '58)
March 2009 6	Alumni Career Day
June 2009 22	Alumni Golf Tournament @ Peninsula Golf & Country Club
For Information on any of the above events, please contact the: Alumni & Development office  (650) 573-9935 or log on to serra's website at  WWW.SERRAHS.COM	



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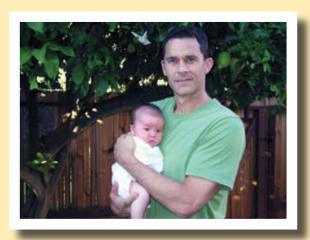
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Bronzini Dental Group Smiles for the Camera! Bronzini brothers all in practice with Alumni Padre dad Joseph Bronzini (Pictured from L to R: Rey '89, Joseph, Nick '97 and Christopher '86)



Joe '84 & Anne Spillane Wedding Married February 9, 2008 at St. Mark's Church in Belmont



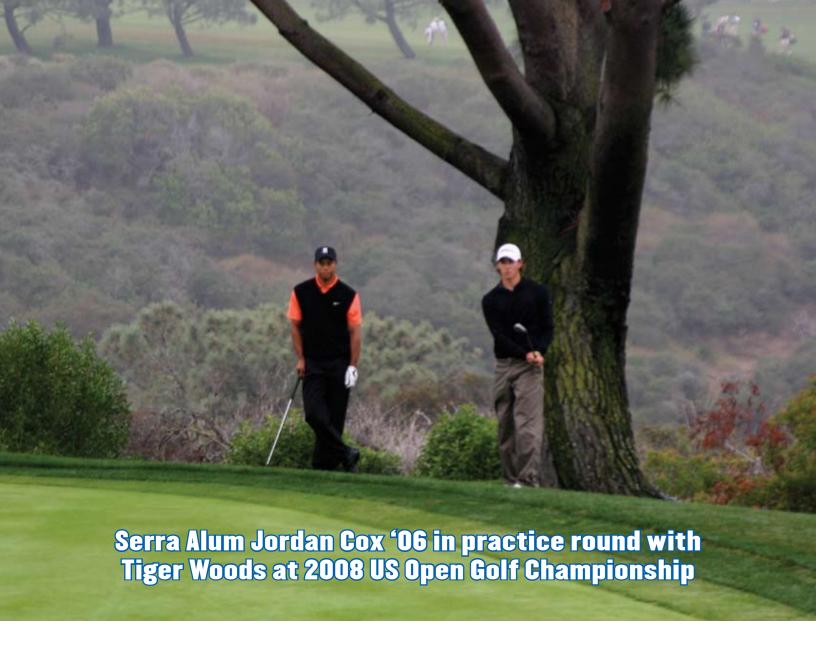
Scott Delucchi '85 with baby daughter Audrey Claire born May 24, 2008



Aaron Mario LaRosa (David '86 & Aida)



Fr. John Kavanaugh enjoys a dinner celebration with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson '58 and their son Jim, Jr. who recently received his Ph.D. in International Relations from the University of Notre Dame.





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