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If you've been to campus recently, you've seen the progress on our new, state-of-the-art Upper School. The project is on track to open in the fall of 2020, and its creative, forward-looking design will enhance the St. Paul's experience for our future alumni.



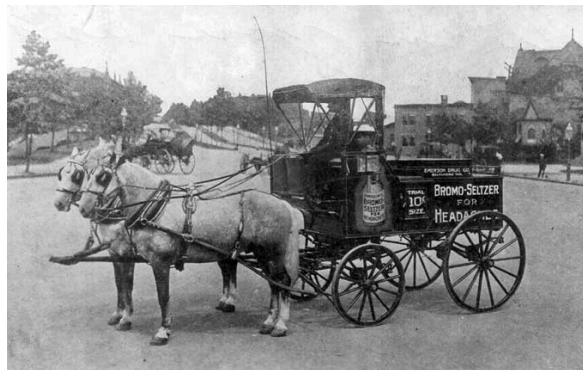
While looking to our future, we are also reflecting on the many traditions held dear by Crusader alumni and many others. I hope you'll enjoy the stories below that honor our past, along with news about recent alumni gatherings and some exciting events on the horizon.

Letter from Brooklandwood

"Hello, boys, how are you?" asked the rider of two young chaps playing on a large Baltimore County estate in 1929. He flipped them each a ten-cent piece and rode off. One of the boys was five-year-old John Laslett, son of a native Englishman of the same name. The rider was Captain Isaac Emerson, owner of Brooklandwood, the 550-acre estate he had purchased in 1916 from Alexander W. Brown. Young

John's father was one of two chauffeurs for Emerson, the wealthy inventor of the pain remedy Bromo-Seltzer and owner of the stately Emerson Hotel in Baltimore City and the Maryland Glass Co. Laslett's mother was a maid and laundress for Mrs. Emerson at Brooklandwood.

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Voices from the Hill: Kermit Billups '79

Kermit Billups '79 is Co-Founder and Executive Vice President of Greenline Ventures, a financial services company that specializes in delivering capital for economic development activities in underserved communities nationwide. Greenline's mission is to motivate market rate capital to invest in community priorities.

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Remembrance of Things Past

- Susan Asenath Harwood, "among the ardent church workers and benefactors" in the early 20th century, in 1911 leaves provisions in her will that make her the largest benefactor of the St. Paul's School and St. Paul's Parish. *Francis F. Beirne, "St. Paul's Parish: A Chronicle of the Mother Church (1967), 146.*
- **Trustee Minutes, January 31, 1933:** "The sixty-three pupils of the School range in ages from eight to eighteen and in grades from the fourth to the fourth year high school. The school is able to prepare students for admission to any college...the boys have recently started a school paper called the "Monitor," and the spirit of the school is excellent."
- A St. Paul's basketball schedule from the 1939-40 season, from the scrapbook of Howard Smedley '41, reveals that the team lost only one game, with 24 or 25 wins. At the season's start, Sun sports editor Paul Menton's "Viewpoint" column described the Crusaders thus: "Rangy, well-balanced, good shots inside and out, confident, St. Paul's has everything needed to make a championship team in its own class."

- **1949:** The St. Paul's Centennial Campaign kicks off, with a goal to raise \$300,000—a major priority being to enlarge the Lower School and add first and second grades.
 - **Trustee Minutes, May 2, 1955:** "Regarding the enrollment of girls, progress is slow but it usually takes time to establish a new venture. The problem of keeping girls is because from the 4th grade they must be transferred to another school for the 5th. However, Mr. Middleton said that he is working on a better understanding with the other schools."
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On the Road



New York City

More than 70 graduates of St. Paul's and St. Paul's School for Girls gathered at the Gramercy Park Hotel on October 24 to greet President of the St. Paul's Schools Jeff Huang, SPSG Head of School Ereni Malfa SPSG '89 and SP Headmaster David Faus. There was much talk of networking and upcoming class reunions next spring.



Boston

Sixteen Crusader alumni and guests were hosted by Dorota and Ken Keverian '75 on October 19 at their home in Manchester-by-the-Sea. As guests gazed wistfully at the spectacular ocean view, Headmaster David Faus brought them up to date on unification and construction of our new Upper School.

Alumni Association News & Events

- **NEW!** St. Paul's Schools Podcast, now available wherever you get your podcasts—subscribe now to "St. Paul's Stories" for alumni interviews, student-generated content, and more!
- **Wednesday, November 27, 2019**
Young Alumni Bowling Night, Mustang Alleys, 6:30 p.m. (with SPSG Alumnae Association) [Click here to get your tickets!](#)

- **Tuesday, February 4, 2020**
ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out) luncheon, noon, Valley Inn
- **Thursday, December 19, 2019**
Alumni Hockey Game, 5:30-6:45 p.m., Patterson Park Ice Rink
- **Saturday, April 4, 2020**
49th Annual Brooklandwood Bash (formerly the Bull Roast), 6:30 p.m., Middleton Athletic Center
- **April 27-May 5, 2020**
Laker-Crusader Challenge
- **Thursday, April 30, 2020**
Crusader Cup Golf Tournament, TBD
- **Friday/Saturday, May 1-2, 2020**
Blue-Gold Reunion Weekend
- **Saturday, May 2, 2020**
Athletic Hall of Fame Induction, on campus

Get Involved!

Contact the Alumni Office...

- to get involved in Alumni Association activities and events, or to discuss hosting an event in your area—we have the budget; we need hosts and venues!
- with nominations for the Alumni Association Board of Directors and our Athletic Hall of Fame (next class to be inducted Spring 2020)
- with your professional/personal news, for Class Notes

In Memoriam

Richard C. Burt '51
June 2019

John N. Stack '70
June 2019

David J. Glenn '75
September 2019

Bryan F. Read '02
August 2019

Kinloch N. Yellott '69
August 2019

Read Madary '54
October 2019

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