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The winter instrumental concert showcased the talents of SI's jazz band and orchestra under the direction of Gillian Clements. Above left: The Concert Choir and Chamber Singers, led by Chad Zullinger, performed *A Winter's Journey* at St. Ignatius Church in December. Above right: Ted Curry '82 directed *Noises Off* in Bannan Theatre in December with three separate casts of talented Ignatians.



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First Words

In the midst of the river of rain that drenched the Bay Area in late fall 2012, the clouds parted exactly twice, at least by my count. The first time was on Nov. 30, when the crowds and players at San Jose City College stayed dry as the Wildcats beat the Bells to take home SI's first-ever Open Division CCS football title.

The next day, the driving rain paused again as Kelcey Harrison '06 crossed the Golden Gate Bridge at the end of a very personal 3,345-mile journey of hope; this moment marked the culmination of Harrison's Great Lung Run, which saw her crisscross the U.S. raising money and awareness in the fight against lung cancer, the disease that ended the life of her close friend and classmate, Jill Costello '06.

In both instances, social media played a large role in telling these stories and in nurturing and growing the SI community.

SI has had a Facebook presence since November 2008, and since then, about 4,200 people have "liked" us in countries as far flung as Indonesia, the United Kingdom, Spain, Australia, Italy and the Philippines.

Facebook also sends us a report on how many unique visitors see our page each week, and that number typically ranges between 6,000 and 12,000. However, during one week in September, more than 47,300 people checked out our posts. The reasons behind this spike reveal something essential about the SI community.

That week, Sean Lawhon '87, who manages our Twitter and Facebook presence, added two appeals. The first was for Ben Aguilar '11, who was diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia after his first year at the University of Arizona. He desperately needed a bone marrow donor to help save his life. Thanks to a successful campaign (spearheaded at SI by Sherman Yee of the Fathers' Club and Magis Director Abram Jackson), Ben found a donor. We continue to keep him and his family in our prayers as treatment progresses.

The second appeal was for the "Your Next Step is the Cure" run, sponsored by the Bonnie J. Addario Lung Cancer Foundation. Since 2010, the SI community has come out for this "Jog for Jill," and they did so once again on Sept. 16. Thanks to the efforts of Kelcey Harrison and Team AMDG (All Moms, Dads and Grads) from SI, hundreds of thousands of dollars have been raised over the years to help Jill finish the job she started (a job continued by a group calling themselves Jill's Legacy): to find a cure for lung cancer, which kills more people annually than colon, breast and prostate cancers combined.

SI grads aren't unique in finding ways to harness social media to do good. Even SI's AP Government classes used Twitter to help students better experience Campaign 2012. (See the story on page 40 for more on this.) Harrison

herself kept followers informed about her run using her online blog, one that we advertised on our own Twitter and Facebook pages.

Social media can also be a source of fun, certainly, and Sean Lawhon helps us celebrate the good times as well, especially in his role as producer of SI Sports Radio, now in its third year with professional on-air sports coverage by K.C. Murphy '77, Bob Sarlatte '68, Chuck Nan '79, Lorelei Suarez '93 and many others. Students also help, including Ryan Curry '13 and Patrick Tooker '13; they follow in the footsteps of Kerry Crowley '12, now studying broadcasting at Arizona State University's Walter Cronkite School of Journalism.

That radio crew took a day off for the CCS championship game, as it was televised by Comcast, but Lawhon reported on the game from the sidelines using Twitter. The pre-game Internet buzz grew so intense that ESPN decided to carry the Comcast feed and aired the game nationally. Among the thousands who watched SI beat Bellarmine for the title was a crowd of Ignatians at Finnerty's in New York's East Village. After the game, they tweeted their joy as junior Elijah Dale leapt in for the final overtime TD.

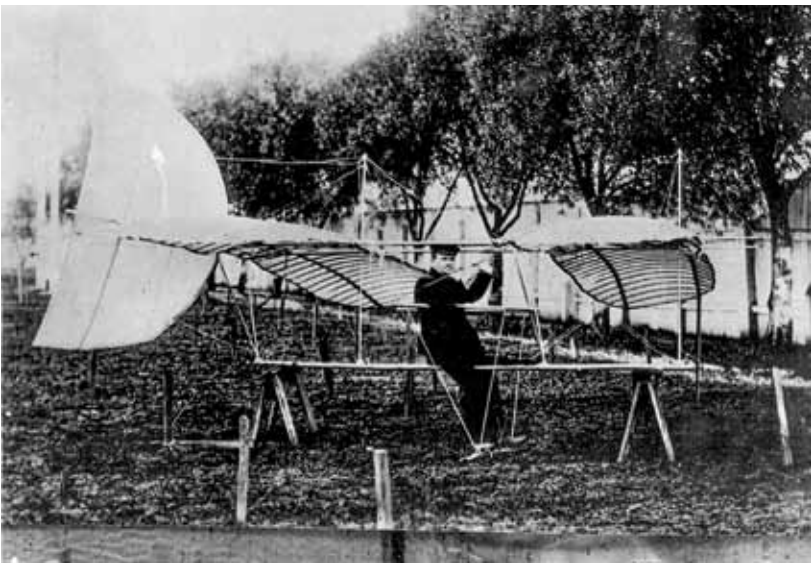
Facebook also helped SI grads pay tribute to Rev. Warren Wright, S.J., who had worked at SI since the 1990s teaching English and serving in the Deans' Office and who died Nov. 19. Grads posted memorials to this great priest, and **the Class of 2002 (pictured above) was inspired to honor Fr. Wright at their 10-year reunion.** Organizers Christine Abalos, Andres Orphanopoulos and Julene Veach hung a banner on the wall at the reunion that read, "Fr. Wright, we will always remember you in our thoughts and prayers and will honor you through our actions. Thank you for making us the men and women we are today." Below that poster was a table holding pre-printed forms that read, "In the fall of 2012, the SI class of '02 celebrated its 10-year reunion. In gratitude for their high school experience and in solidarity with their continued connection to the SI tradition, the class would like to offer you these words of wisdom in support of your journey. AMDG." Those attending the reunion then wrote personal notes of encouragement on these forms for current SI seniors.

This was a very different kind of social media, one decidedly low-tech. But that poster also pointed to the unique spirit that binds SI grads, a spirit that connects us and reminds us that at the core of who we are is the Word made flesh. The Word is echoed in the words that make up the Gospel stories, ones retold in the lives of our students, teachers and graduates. And in the end, it truly doesn't matter if those words and those stories are told on glowing computer screens or on posters hung at a class reunion. All that matters is that we communicate our best selves and read God in the faces around us. — Paul Totah '75

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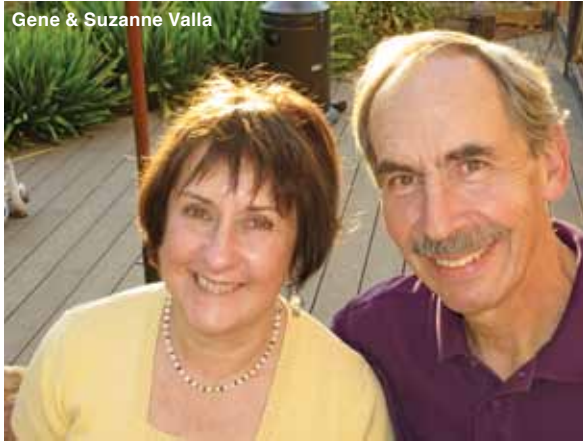
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On the Cover: Kelcey Harrison '06 (right) alongside her traveling companion Sydney Ford '06, finishes her cross-country journey. Photo by Paul Totah.
Inset: QB Jack Stinn and RB/DB Albert Waters led the team celebration after SI beat Bellarmine for the CCS Open Division crown. Photo by Paul Ghiglieri.

Above left: John Montgomery aboard one of his gliders. Montgomery, who graduated from SI College in 1879, was the first aviator on the Western Hemisphere. Below left: John Cunnane '75 created a partnership between the National Park Service and SI over the summer, bringing Dan Vollert '85 (back of the boat) and SI's Magis students to the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park once each week to experience SF maritime history.

Valla Family hopes matching gift will inspire generosity

Gene & Suzanne Valla



Gene Valla, father of Damon Valla '89 and President of the Lurie Company, has gone on many business trips in his 40 years with the company. The most important one to him, however, was one that he missed.

As a board member of the Louis R. Lurie Foundation, he wasn't able to visit a Chicago school that was requesting a grant. "I was used to making site visits, and I regretted not going. So I went online to see if I could find a similar school in the Bay Area."

Gene then learned of De Marillac Academy, a school co-sponsored by the Daughters of Charity and the De La Salle Christian Brothers through the NativityMiguel Network of Schools. The NativityMiguel mission is service to inner-city students and communities, and De Marillac opened its doors in San Francisco's Tenderloin District in 2001.

Gene visited De Marillac days after it opened along with his wife, Suzanne (a marriage and family therapist), and the two were so moved that they have volunteered there ever since. Gene serves on the school's

development council and Suzanne works with the graduate support program, helping students transition to college preparatory schools.

Now Suzanne and Gene will be providing assistance to the De Marillac students who are and who will be going to SI. They created a \$25,000 challenge grant that will be part of SI's Arrupe Fund to help students with costs beyond tuition, such as athletic uniforms or immersion trips.

"The value of the Arrupe Fund is that it provides students with the same opportunities as their classmates," said Valla.

Gene also likes the idea of a challenge grant and calls it "a great way to leverage a gift and double its impact, especially when you know that there are others who feel the same as my wife and I do."

Gene knows the value of an SI education and how it helped his son. "I also have many friends who are SI alumni. They have a real affinity for the school and practice what Rev. Pedro Arrupe, S.J., preached when he called on Jesuit high school grads to be 'men and women for and with others.' I see that reality all the time among my SI friends."

He and his wife also see the need to work with students at schools such as De Marillac to offer those youth "greater opportunities in education. It has been so rewarding to provide an opportunity for these youngsters to get ahead academically in order to make better lives for themselves and their families. For me, this is perfect vertical integration, helping grammar school kids go to college prep high schools and then to college."

If you are interested in meeting the challenge and helping SI students, contact Vice President for Development Joe Vollert '84 at (415) 731-7500, ext. 319, or email him at jvollert@siprep.org.

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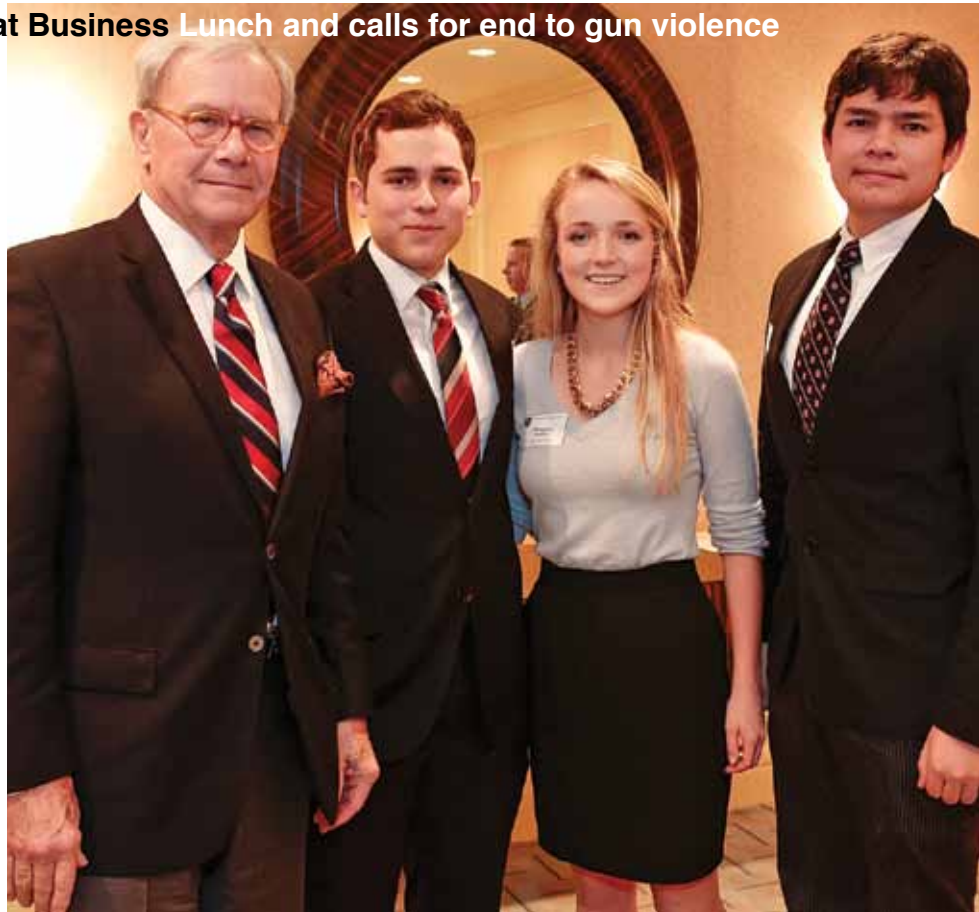
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Tom Brokaw speaks at Business Lunch and calls for end to gun violence

Former NBC News Anchor Tom Brokaw spoke before a sold-out audience at the Four Seasons Hotel Dec. 17, with proceeds fully funding the Tim Russert Scholarship Fund at SI. At the event, he noted that Mr. Russert "was more than family to me" in their long professional association with NBC News. In the wake of the shootings in Newtown, Conn., much of his talk centered on the need for a national referendum to curb gun violence. He also noted that "when there is a great challenge, this immigrant nation is always up to the task." He asked, "Forty years from now, what will historians say about us?" He urged everyone in the room to continue the American Dream by "getting rid of the small ideas that divide us as Americans." Before he spoke, Mr. Brokaw met with the editors of *Inside SI*. Pictured from left with Brokaw are *Inside SI* editors Robert Palazzolo and Margaret Meagher with section editor Berkeley Vogelheim.





Alumni & Heritage Events

Above: The SI Alumni Association held its second annual **Wine Classic** in September at the home of Paul Boschetto at his Kenwood estate. Right: California Historian **Kevin Starr** (center) spoke Nov. 5 about the history of philanthropic education in San Francisco to members and friends of SI's Carlin Heritage Society.



Left: The Alumni Association inaugurated the **SI Law Society** at a Nov. 9 luncheon at the City Club, bringing together more than 150 SI lawyers, judges and law students to hear Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of California Ming William Chin (left), a graduate of Bellarmine College Preparatory. Tom Brandt '63 (right), who encouraged the formation of the Society, served as master of ceremonies at the event, which also paid tribute to Hon. Eugene F. Lynch (ret.) '49. Proceeds from the event went to the Judge Raymond D. Williamson Scholarship Fund.

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The following individuals were listed under the President's Cabinet in the Annual Report rather than the Bronze Circle. Our apologies for the error.

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Fiscal Cliff bill restores tax-free IRA distributions

If you are 70½ or older and care about the work of SI, we have good news for you. The fiscal-cliff bill, known as the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 (ATRA), restores your ability to make tax-free transfers of IRA distributions up to \$100,000 to SI and other groups in 2013 and retroactively in 2012.

Here are four types of IRA donors affected positively by ATRA:

1: Those who in 2012 made Qualified Charitable Distributions directly from their IRA to charities with the hope that the law would make their distribution tax-free retroactively. If you did so, you guessed correctly. Your 2012 qualified charitable distribution from your IRA is tax-free retroactive to January 1, 2012.

2: Those who did not make a qualified tax-free IRA distribution to a charity in 2012 can do so during January of 2013. As long as you complete the distribution before February 1, 2013, your IRA transfer to SI will be considered a tax-free event in 2012.

3: Those who received their IRA required minimum distribution in December, 2012, may make the December distribution partially or completely tax-free by making a cash gift to SI during January of 2013, or using a December 2012 cash gift made after they received their required minimum IRA distribution, to lower or eliminate the tax on the December Required Minimum Distribution. The cash gift must be made before February 1, 2013.

4: In 2013, ATRA allows tax-free distributions up to \$100,000 from IRAs to charity until December 31, 2013. The same rules in force since 2006 to qualify your IRA transfer as tax-free apply: You must be at least 70½ at the time of the transfer, the transfer must be made directly by your IRA custodian, the tax-free transfer cannot exceed \$100,000.

If you fall into any of these four categories, we encourage you talk with your tax adviser soon and consider making a gift to SI. ∞

Fashion Show dedicated to grads who 'Set the World On Fire'

The title of the Ignatian Guild Fashion Show said it all. Wildcat Nation: Setting the World on Fire.

For event chairs Dawn Hahn, Jill Stinn, Tina McGovern and Liz Wilkes, along with Ignatian Guild President Mary Casey, the two-part theme represented where, and how, our alumni are living and working to carry forward all that they learned at SI.

Each of these women knew that thousands of SI grads are living out the call of St. Ignatius to "go forth and set the world on fire" in imitation of Christ. Therefore, the Nov. 10 and 11 fashion shows showcased the work of SI grads and students as much as it featured senior class models wearing chic clothing.

Banners hung from the rafters of the Orradre Courtyard with photos of graduates and students who have been or soon will appear in *Genesis* for their generous service to others. During the show, a video created by Sean Kurtela '05 featured those same grads and many more, from Kelcey Harrison '06 and her Great Lung Run to Ira Shaughnessy '00, who served in the Peace Corps in Ghana. Other grads featured in the video included San Francisco Police Chief Greg Suhr '76 and Darren Criss '05, star of *Glee*.

The theme worked so well "that members of the audience who had nothing to do with the school were moved by what they saw," said Hahn. "This event turned into more than a fund-raiser. It became a way to build and strengthen the community."

The chairs praised Casey for suggesting the theme and tying the idea of service to the show. "Some of us had done the Spiritual Exercises and were familiar with the theme of 'setting the world on fire,'" added Wilkes. "It gave us a chance to incorporate the core values of the school into the show."

For McGovern, the theme also echoed the fashion show goal of raising money for tuition assistance. "It helped current families and seniors get to know the depth and breadth of the alumni, who do so much good throughout the world."

The two sold-out shows raised more than \$210,000 for the scholarship fund, thanks in large measure to the generosity of the underwriters and to two auction items, one donated by Douglas and Jennifer Biederbeck – two dinners, each for a party of 40 at MarketBar – and



another by Chris Columbus and Monica Devereux for a limo ride to and backstage pass for a Bruce Springsteen concert for 15 people along with a meet-and-greet with Steve Van Zandt of the E Street Band.

Others contributing to the success of the auction included SI parents Tom and Kate Kelly Klein (Rodney Strong Vineyards) and Ted and Angela Koros (Fotinos Vineyard), who donated wine for the event. In addition, Tim '72 and Suzanne Leonoudakis donated all the flowers. Adriene Roche was also key in working with and obtaining many of the clothing stores.

The event chairs expressed gratitude for the 192 seniors who served as runway models. "I enjoyed seeing them bond and get excited about the show," said Stinn. "Their energy and enthusiasm put the two shows over the top."

The event chairs also praised the 200 volunteers who put the show together, especially Mo Summa and Lori Matthews (set up/clean up committee), Janet Ostler and Lisa Monetta (rentals), Josey Duffy and DeeDee Kim (decorations), Noah Haydon (choreography), Mary Badillo and Sue Turley (production) and SI chef Brian McGovern '82.

"I am so proud of Jill, Tina, Dawn and Liz for the amazing job they did to put on such an incredible event," said Casey. "They truly were a 'dream team.' They worked so well together and with others to echo the values at the heart of the show's theme. Because of their hard work and vision, the fashions show both entertained and inspired." ∞



Above: Chris Columbus (left) and Doug Biederbeck led the auction part of the fashion show, raising an additional \$45,000 for SI's Scholarship Fund.

Left: From left, fashion show chairs Dawn Hahn, Liz Wilkes, Jill Stinn and Tina McGovern.



Clockwise from top left: From left, Al Waters, Maya Sommer, Danny Casey, Ali Silvestri and Jack Kline dance Gangnam style; Brenden Hahn and Natalie Onken; Ignatian Guild President Mary Casey; from left, Eden Cotter, Charlie Ford, Keyara Milliner, David Fleming, Christina Wilkes and Jack McGovern; the fashion show ended with a grand finale.

Welcome New Regents



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Tina Butler
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SI press box dedication honors legendary coaches



From left, Pat Malley's
widow Carmel Malley, and
Gil Haskell's daughter Paula
and her daughter Isabella.

In October, shortly before the Bellarmine football game, SI honored three former football coaches at the dedication of the new press box. Rooms were named for coaches Pat Malley '49, the Hon. Eugene Lynch '49 (both of whom coached at SI in the 1950s) and Gil Haskell '61 (who led SI's football team in the 1970s).

Rev. Anthony P. Sauer, S.J., blessed and dedicated a new plaque naming those whose donations helped build the press box and stands and those who honored their former coaches.

Malley played football at SI and Santa Clara University, including on the 1950 Orange Bowl championship squad. He returned to SI in 1956 after a stint in the Army, bringing along with him his SI and SCU classmate and close friend Gene Lynch, who would later have a distinguished career as a prominent attorney and judge.

In their first year as coaches, Malley and Lynch led their team to the city championship by beating Poly and then Balboa for the Turkey Bowl game before a crowd of 30,000. Coach Malley's squad scored an early touchdown and had to rely on the defense the rest of the way. With three minutes to go in the game, Balboa had the ball first and goal. With their backs to the wall, SI's defense tightened up and the Bucs were unable to cross the goal line. SI won 7 to 6.

Malley returned to SCU in 1959 where he served as athletic director and football coach, amassing a 141-100-4 record with only five losing seasons. Malley died of cancer on May 18, 1985, and posthumously received the highest honor SI bestows upon an alumnus, the Christ the King Award. (Judge Lynch received the same honor in 1982.)

Haskell had a remarkable career as a student athlete at SI making all-city in his senior year. At San Francisco State College, his team won three championships, and he played briefly in 1966 with the 49ers. In 1969, he joined the coaching staff at SI, where he used techniques he learned from Malley and from 49ers' coaches Frankie Albert and Dick Nolan. He served as SI's head football coach between 1973 and 1977. "Anybody who played for him would tell you that his enthusiasm was infectious," said former SI Athletic Director Robert Vergara '76. "He had the kind of personality that made you want to play hard for him."

After leaving SI, Haskell coached for USC, the LA Rams, the Green Bay Packers, the Carolina Panthers and the Seattle Seahawks. He helped the Packers win a Super Bowl, and in his first year with the Seahawks, Haskell coordinated the AFC's top-ranked red zone offense, which gained 292.5 yards per game. He currently serves as a senior advisor to the president of the Cleveland Browns.

Coach Malley's widow, Carmel, was on hand for the ceremony, as were Gene Lynch and his wife. Haskell was unable to attend, but his daughter, Paula, and granddaughter, Isabella, came in his stead.

Vice President for Development Joe Vollert '84, also a former head football coach at SI, read a letter by Haskell written for the event:

I would like to thank one of the strongest and fairest men I have ever met, Rev. Harry V. Carlin, S.J. '36, for giving me the opportunity to teach and coach at St. Ignatius. I would also like to thank "the owner," Rev. Edward J. McFadden, S.J. '41, for his patience and guidance to a young coach who thought he had all the answers. Lastly, I would also like to acknowledge and thank Dr. Robert Jeffery for his dedication to all SI athletes.

Over the course of my career since leaving SI, I've had the privilege of winning two Rose Bowls and one Super Bowl, but what I remember the most are the special young men I taught and coached at St. Ignatius. No matter where I've gone or what I've accomplished, there are special things that I carry from my time here at SI that are priceless. Running through the tunnel at Kezar Stadium to play Sacred Heart or Riordan are two things that none of us will ever forget. I remember the freshmen running around this track every day, and I'll never forget both the 1970 Frosh/Soph Track Championship at the Woodland Relays or the 1977 football victory at Santa Clara against Bellarmine, whom we are playing today.

What makes this day even more special for me is that my SI head coach, Pat Malley '49, is being honored here today as well. Coach Malley is someone I admired and respected a great deal. He was a very personable man who made each player he coached feel as if he were the most important player on that team. I will always be grateful for his kindness, and he will always be one of my earliest inspirations.

This is a true honor, and I wish I were able to be here today to thank everyone who made this dedication possible. Thank you. ∞



BSU/AAAS Alumni Gathering

Timothy Alan Simon '73 (left), an attorney who recently ended six years of service as a commissioner for the California Public Utilities Commission, and Jerome Williams '75 (seated at right), a corporate leadership trainer, are spearheading a series of new projects to be undertaken by alumni members of the SI's Black Students Union and Association of African American Students. They began their efforts with an October gathering of 30 alumni at Two Jacks on Haight Street, owned by Erica "Nikki" Perry Cooper '94. They invite all African American and other interested alumni to come to SI for an upcoming social (date TBA) to discuss mentorship programs, scholarship endeavors and new communication and outreach efforts. Send an email to ptotah@siprep.org if you haven't received any news from Timothy or Jerome and would like to be part of this effort. Look for a story on the work of this group in an upcoming edition of *Genesis*.



John Knight
SI President



The Loyola Guild held its **Christmas Tea and Boutique** Dec. 2, in the Carlin Commons, with proceeds benefiting scholarship funds at SI and USF. The event featured holiday gifts and followed on the heels of a Nov. 29 house tour, along with gourmet wines and cheeses at one of

the Pacific Heights' painted lady homes, courtesy of George Horsfall '74. Pictured above are, from left, Debbie Ghiglieri, Loyola Guild President Connie Mack, Caroline Smith, SI President John Knight, Betty Castagnola, Diane Meiswinkel and Ruth Beering.



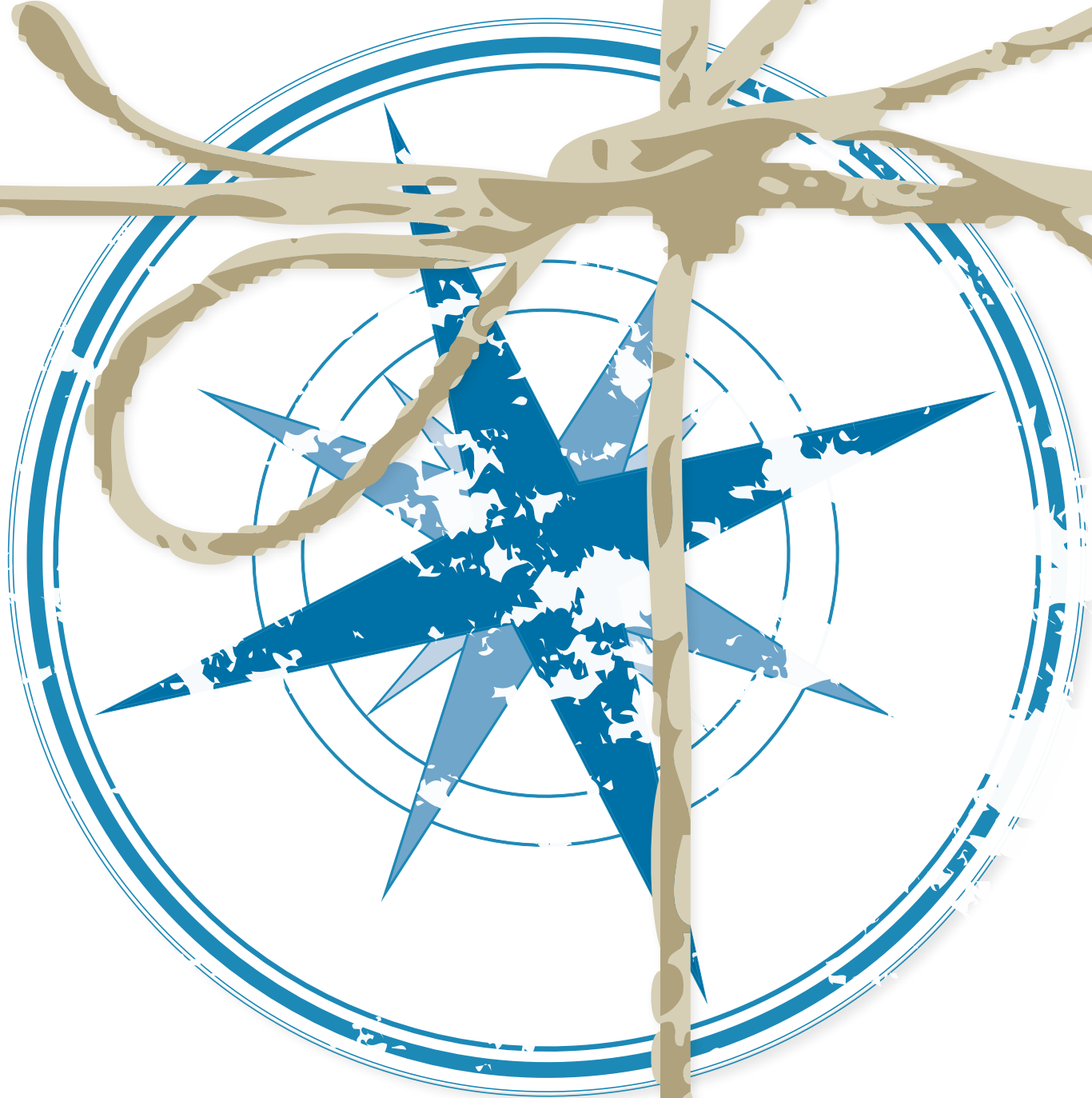
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Political Consultant
& President of SI Fathers' Club
Katie '04, Claire '07, Meagan '10,
John '13



Michele Meany
Retail/Restaurant broker, Wilson
Meany Sullivan
John '12



SI hosted a **Loyalty Mass** Dec. 8, celebrated by Rev. Michael Weiler, S.J., head of the California Province of the Society of Jesus. Members of SI's Carlin Heritage Society attended along with the school's current and former trustees and regents as well as class representatives and members of the alumni board. Pictured at left are Fr. Weiler, Joe Diffley '64, Tom Fitzpatrick '64, Dave Mezzera '64, Terry De Voto '64 and John Knight, president of SI.



ACROSS TWO WORLDS

On a July day, I made the drive from SI to Fisherman's Wharf to have lunch with my grammar school and SI classmate John Cunnane '75 to interview him for a *Genesis* story. John has what I think is a great job. He works on Hyde Street Pier as interim chief of interpretation and visitor services for the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park. And he gets to wear a Smokey the Bear hat. Very cool.

He toured me through the *Balclutha*, the iconic three-master docked near his office, and then through the renovated Visitor's Center in the Cannery. Each made great use of modern multimedia displays to showcase a history that many San Franciscans either never learned or have long forgotten.

Walking back to my car, it occurred to me that John lives in two worlds: a past, when boats large and small sailed the waters of the San Francisco Bay carrying lumber, fish and dry goods, and a present made up of tourists and high tech companies.

Later, back in my office, I realized that the same could be said of most of those featured in this issue. They also spanned two worlds, starting with **John Montgomery**, an 1879 graduate of SI College who was the first person in the Western Hemisphere to fly a glider and who became one of the major pioneers in aviation. He crossed two worlds – the earth and the air – with every flight he took on each of his several gliders.

James McKenzie '79 also spans the past and the present of the construction industry. When he first worked on jobs as a project manager, he dealt with foremen who kept subcontractors at arm's length and shared information on a need-to-know basis. These days, an iPad is the most important item in his toolkit. His work at Autodesk, Stanford University and Swinerton, Inc., has made him the perfect person to guide builders as they apply transparent and collaborative cutting-edge technologies to their work.

Dan Flanagan '59 helped to coin the term "public-private partnership." Since the 1970s, he has brought together those two worlds to advance key legislation to deregulate industries and repair our nation's sagging infrastructure.

Marc Collopy '88 transcends the worlds of work and play as owner of Rockin' Jump in Dublin and San Carlos. Each of his locations offers

four giant areas for kids to jump, play dodge ball, slam dunk basketballs and dive into pits of foam balls. Thanks to his successful business model, he has plans to expand throughout the U.S. and Canada.

Matt Werner '02 deals in both high tech online publishing at Google, where he counts his audience in the millions, and the low-tech publishing of his own hand-bound books, where he is happy to sell 1,000 editions.

Emile Lacampagne '58, a talented singer, performs in the glamorous world of the Vegas strip and at residence facilities for senior citizens, two decidedly different realms.

Nick Weber, a former SI teacher and director, spans perhaps the largest divide of all those featured. While still a Jesuit, he entertained thousands through his Royal Lichtenstein Quarter Ring Circus, serving as both clown and priest as he preached the Gospel.

Finally, **Kelcey Harrisson '06** didn't quite cross two worlds, but she did span two coasts, running more than 3,300 miles across the U.S. in her Great Lung Run to raise money and awareness in the fight against lung cancer, the disease that killed her classmate and close friend Jill Costello '06.

Most of you reading this introduction can probably identify with these people. You, I suspect, can't be easily pigeonholed. You span multiple worlds, finding connection among them, feeling enriched by both the multiplicity and the intersections. Ultimately, that's the goal of education here at SI – to show the connections among classes, so that lessons learned in junior English resonate in American history, government, physics, chemistry, language, and religion. Those connections empower and excite our students. I hope the stories here have the same effect on you.

– Paul Totah '75

FOUR AUTHORS RALLY TO DEFEND JOHN MONTGOMERY'S PLACE IN HISTORY



A & B: Authors Gary Fogel and Craig Harwood published *Quest for Flight* to set the record straight regarding John Montgomery's place in the pantheon of aviation pioneers.

C & D: Cousins Bernard and John Burdick are also working on their own book, soon to be published. John Burdick, a teacher at Watsonville High School, led his students in the construction of a replica of Montgomery's Santa Clara glider in 1987.

Ask any child in school who invented the airplane, and you'll hear a chorus of Wright answers.

According to the authors of two upcoming books, that answer, and the question prompting it, are both deeply flawed.

These authors credit the airplane's invention to the combined efforts of dozens of early aviators and inventors who toiled for decades on several continents.

The better question, they argue, is this: Who made heavier-than-air controlled flight possible? And they have no doubt that John J. Montgomery, a graduate of St. Ignatius College (BA 1879, MS 1880) and a professor at Santa Clara College from 1898 to 1911, flies higher than any other aviator in this regard.

Montgomery is all the more significant, the two books argue, as his efforts helped make the early Silicon Valley the epicenter of aviation development in the Western U.S.

Despite the historical facts, only a minority of history books make mention of Montgomery, the result of a concerted effort by Orville Wright and the many advocates of the Wright Brothers, according to the authors.

In short, the friendly skies haven't been that friendly to Montgomery's legacy.

To set the record straight, Craig Harwood (a descendent of Montgomery's brother, James) and co-author Gary Fogel wrote *Quest for Flight: John J. Montgomery and the Dawn of Aviation in the West*, published in October by the University of Oklahoma Press.

When their book was released, California State Historian and USC University Professor Kevin Starr ('58) praised the book as being both "informed and vividly written. *Quest for Flight* revises the chronology of aviation in America decades prior to 1903 and, in terms of geography, locates its emergence on a far, far shore from Kitty Hawk."

Fogel and Harwood aren't the first to write Montgomery's biography. The late Rev. Arthur Dunning Spearman, S.J., a former SCU archivist, wrote the seminal biography, *John Joseph Montgomery: Father of Basic Aviation*, in 1967.

In addition, two cousins, John Burdick (SCU '65) and Bernard Burdick (SCU '63) are nearly finished with their book, which has the working title *The First American Pilot*.

What makes these two recent books all the more significant is the scholarship and scrupulous research done by all four authors, three of

whom are trained scientists. Harwood is a geologist, and Fogel is a skilled model glider pilot who holds a BA and Ph.D. in biology. Bernard Burdick holds BS, MS and Ph.D. degrees in physics. John Burdick, the only person not rooted in hard science (he was a political science major at SCU), is skilled at rooting out answers, as he worked as an intelligence agent in Vietnam. (He is now pitching his book, *A Sphinx: The Memoirs of a Reluctant Spy in Vietnam*, to Hollywood producers.)

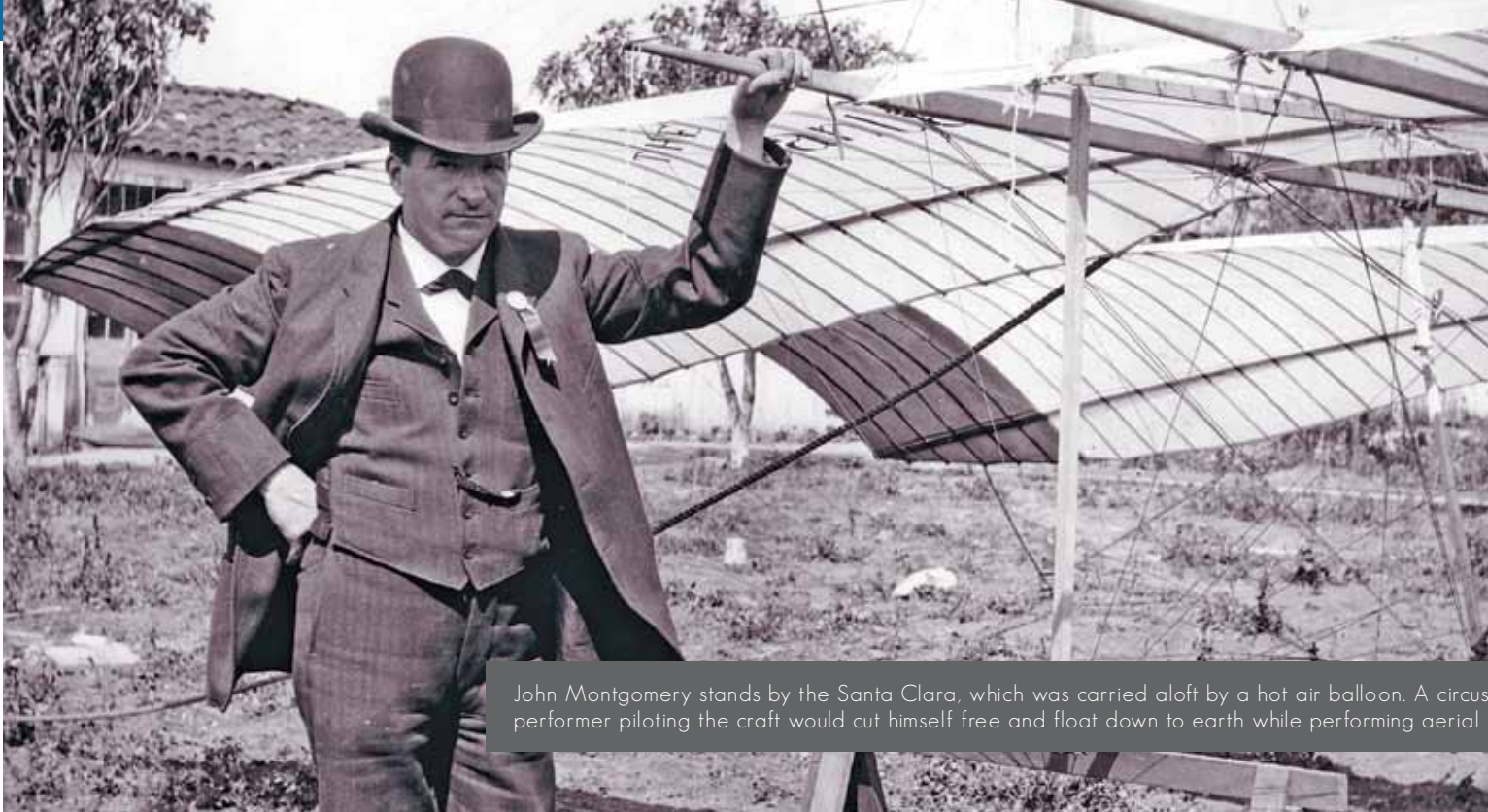
"Montgomery was the only designer of 'aeroplanes' at the time who was well-educated and who had done fundamental research in the nascent field of aeronautics," said Bernard Burdick. "All his [gliders] were based on a sound understanding of the physics of fluids. Montgomery was most concerned with stability and control prior to adding a motor. All the other builders were just guessing. Today, all modern airplanes possess many of the features of Montgomery's early aeroplanes, such as cambered and tapered wings, tandem wings or canards on some, advanced flight controls, ailerons [flaps] on the wings, and control surfaces at the rear."

In July, Harwood was interviewed at the Hiller Aviation Museum and Institute in San Carlos, which houses several replicas of Montgomery's gliders. While sitting in a lounge of a 747 on display at the museum (only one of the ironies involving Harwood's book; the other is that he is a self-proclaimed nervous flier), Harwood told the story of how Montgomery became fascinated by flight.

"After moving from Yuba City to Oakland with his family, Montgomery's life changed forever when he saw a demonstration flight of an airship, *The Avitor*, in Millbrae on July 4, 1869," said Harwood. "At home, he built a model, complete with undercarriage and wheels, and he tried to lift a hatchet with it, but it lacked sufficient buoyancy."

At 16, Montgomery attended the preparatory division (high school) at Santa Clara College (1874-76) to prepare him for St. Ignatius College, where he studied under Fathers Joseph Bayma, S.J., and Joseph Neri, S.J., two gifted and influential educators.

As a student in San Francisco, Montgomery must have mentioned his desire to build a flying machine, according to Fogel and Harwood. They include an observation in their book, made by Montgomery's contemporary, Rev. Fred Morrison, S.J.: "In those days anyone who even mentioned 'man being able to fly' was considered a little bit off. So, when John was in the vicinity, there was a general tapping of heads, which in our present day would be the sign that the party was crazy."



John Montgomery stands by the Santa Clara, which was carried aloft by a hot air balloon. A circus performer piloting the craft would cut himself free and float down to earth while performing aerial tricks.

After leaving SI, Montgomery worked as a foreman on his family's farm in the Otay Valley near San Diego, where his fascination with flight led him to study the flights of birds as well as insect wings under a solar microscope. "He would encourage his sisters to chase his grandmother's geese across the property," said Harwood.

"John would lie down by a fence and watch the geese take off so that he could study the shape and movement of their wings. John's grandmother, Bridget Evoy, who knew nothing about this, always remarked that her geese could fly farther and faster than her neighbors' geese. John would grin slyly whenever repeating that story."

Those experiences led Montgomery to perform years of comprehensive experiments and mathematically formulate theories of how the curved surface of a bird's wing gave it the lift needed for flight.

Given the nearly universal suspicion at the time that anyone building a flying machine must be crazy, Montgomery pursued his glider construction in secret while working on his family's ranch. He built his own wind tunnel to test the lift of various airfoil shapes, he experimented with "the ratio of wing surface area to lifted weight, and he studied how birds' wings interacted with air currents," according to Fogel and Harwood.

Some controversy still remains as to the date of Montgomery's first glider flight. Both Spearman and the Burdicks hold with evidence that points to 1883, while Fogel's and Harwood's research has led them to an 1884 date. A dam break in 1916 caused the Lower Otay Reservoir to flood the Otay Valley and wash away important documents that could have resolved the dispute.

Both James and John Montgomery often recounted those first flights. The two men went to the Otay Mesa at the edge of the farm, taking along in a hay wagon their disassembled 38-pound wood and fabric glider. Still fearful of ridicule, the two brothers brought rifles so they could pretend to be hunting in case anyone stumbled upon them.

The Montgomery brothers pushed their wagon to the edge of the mesa, assembled their gull-winged glider (later named *The Gull*) and waited for the wind to pick up. When it did, they were ready. James positioned himself a dozen feet below the glider, holding onto a rope attached to its front, and John, at all of 130 pounds, sat inside the glider. When John cried, "Now!" James ran, and John rose 15 feet high and flew for 600 feet. John landed on his feet, holding the 38-pound craft in his arms. All of this happened 20 years before the Wright Brothers flew their plane at Kitty Hawk.

This wasn't the first glider flight in human history. That occurred in 1853 when Sir George Cayley's coachman took to the skies above England. "The coachman was so frightened by the experience and lack of control that he refused to do it anymore," said Harwood. Another early pioneer, Louis Mouillard, flew a glider in 1856 that didn't approach Montgomery's in terms of stability. That same year, the first controlled flight occurred when Jean Marie Le Bris flew more than 600 feet in France in his glider.

Montgomery's flight reached new heights of control and stability. In a speech to the Aeronautical Society of New York, Montgomery noted that after "a little run and a jump ... I found myself launched in the air. I proceeded against the wind, gliding downhill for a distance of six hundred feet. In this experience I was able to direct my course at will. A peculiar sensation came over me. The first feeling in placing myself at the mercy of the wind was that of fear. Immediately after came a feeling of security when I realized the solid support given by the wing surface. And the support was of a very peculiar nature. There was a cushiony softness about it, yet it was firm. When I found the machine would follow my movements in the seat for balancing, I felt I was self-buoyant ..."

In the 1880s, Montgomery built two more working gliders. In 1893, he spoke at a convention in Chicago organized by the aviation pioneer Octave Chanute. There, for the first time, Montgomery's ideas about flight did not lead to a tapping of heads. He lectured on his first flights and his experiments with wing design and controls, and he met other aviators, including Samuel Langley. Montgomery felt buoyed by their support and by their joint efforts. Years later, Montgomery would write, "I was working purely as a scientist, with no intention of making money, and I proposed publishing my discoveries for all investigators, and giving it to the world as I did, I did not think it necessary to take out patents in those circumstances."

Montgomery put aside his study of controlled flight for a time to work on other inventions (more on those later), to teach at a Jesuit college in Humboldt County and, starting in 1898, at Santa Clara College. He returned to his gliding experiments in 1903 when a former circus performer, Thomas Baldwin, suggested to Montgomery that a hot air balloon could lift a glider, which upon release would perform aerial acrobatics and then land in front of a crowd. Montgomery began again his experiments with small gliders, just months before the Wright Brothers flew 120 feet in 12 seconds at Kitty Hawk. (That first powered airplane of 1903, Harwood argued, lacked the stability and controllability of Montgomery's gliders.)



Montgomery is pictured here seated in *The Evergreen*. He died after a whirlwind led to a crash landing in 1911 in a field in the eastern part of San Jose.

Montgomery also perfected propeller designs to help Baldwin's efforts to build a working airship. He first began with six screw blades, similar to those found on boats, but rejected them for a two-bladed propeller designed with a parabolic curve. He also built two more gliders, each with one set of wings behind the other – the scale model *Pink Maiden* and the full-scale *Santa Clara*, the latter piloted by circus performer Daniel John Maloney. Montgomery took up Baldwin's suggestion and, in 1905, had a hot air balloon lift Maloney in a glider to 4,000 feet before sailing to earth before 1,000 gathered below. (An obelisk near the Ricard Observatory marks the spot of those flights.)

The same year as Maloney's first aerial demonstration, Montgomery filed for a patent, issued the following year, for "Aeroplane," which would become the basis of lawsuits stretching for years after his death.

Among those who praised Maloney's flight and Montgomery's glider were Alexander Graham Bell, who claimed that, "all subsequent attempts in aviation must begin with the Montgomery machine," and Victor Lougheed (half-brother to the founder of Lockheed Aircraft), who called the flight "the greatest single advance" in aviation. The press also praised Montgomery's achievement and used Montgomery's term "aeroplane" to refer to the entire craft — the first time the word was widely used to mean more than a part of the machine.

For the next three months, Montgomery's aeronaut flew the *Santa Clara* in front of large crowds. Tragically, when Maloney repeated the stunt three months later, he failed to see a tangled cable that broke a strut and led to a fatal crash. As he fell, Maloney waved, according to Spearman's book, "in a kind of farewell" to the crowd below just before the impact.

Montgomery continued experimenting with models in wind tunnels, trying to perfect wing design and controls. His final flight came in 1911. Despite his physician's advice to stay on the ground, Montgomery took a new glider, a monoplane called *The Evergreen*, named after the region south of San Jose where he and Joseph Vierra made 55 successful flights. He launched it from a rail to gain enough lift to take off. He hoped, at the end of his experiments, to install an engine to give it powered flight. On October 31, 1911, *The Evergreen* got caught in a whirlwind and crashed, and a stove-bolt in the fuselage frame entered Montgomery's head behind the ear. He died before help could arrive; he now lies buried in Holy Cross Cemetery in Colma.

More than a century of controversy and attempts to discredit Montgomery followed his death. Some attempts to honor Montgomery succeeded (see sidebar) though his widow, Regina, failed in her lawsuits to seek compensation for her late husband's 1905 patent. A 1912 lawsuit was dismissed and two 1917 lawsuits, one against the Wright-Martin

Aircraft Corporation and another against the U.S. government (which had pooled patents to expedite plane production during World War I), both proved unsuccessful.

Compounding matters, Orville Wright, in an attempt to secure his legacy, described Montgomery's accomplishments as "mere aeroplane hobbies" and spread misinformation about the glider designs, according to *Quest for Flight*. Advocates for the Wright Brothers published that misinformation in the press whenever attempts were made to honor Montgomery. Even as recently as 2005, author Herbert Lockwood published *The Montgomery Myth: The Flight That Never Was*, citing Orville's writings.

As a boy growing up in Soquel, Harwood often heard stories told by his grandmother and mother, who were "obsessed about how unfairly John had been treated. As a teenager, I perceived the injustice in this, which gave me a desire to see that John was given the credit due to him."

The scope of the task seemed daunting. Then, when documentary filmmakers from the PBS series *California Gold* approached Harwood and Fogel in 2003 to be interviewed for a piece on Montgomery (a piece that has yet to air), the two men met, discovered their shared passion and formed a friendship.

An expert glider enthusiast, Fogel grew up "fascinated with aviation and its history. At an early age, I learned about model gliders and also heard stories of Montgomery's many accomplishments." He also wrote about Montgomery for a book called *Winds and Wings: The History of Soaring in San Diego*, but he felt the section on Montgomery was lacking.

Fogel later convinced Harwood to undertake *Quest for Flight*, and, knowing that their book would come under attack from those who believed Orville Wright's account, they sought primary sources from court records, the SCU archives, the Library of Congress and newspapers from the 1800s and 1900s recently made available online. Harwood admitted that "attempting to be objective was hard given my bloodline. Thankfully, I have a co-author who let nothing slide and who was good at excluding anything indefensible, including stories I had heard from my mother that had been passed down through the years."

Harwood and Fogel finished their book in 2010 and found a publisher, the University of Oklahoma Press, with a reputation for producing noteworthy histories of California.

Their book, Harwood added, "is also a history of technology and aviation in the American West, one that happened primarily in the Bay Area. Montgomery and his fellow aviation pioneers started their work before most people believed that heavier-than-air flight was possible. Montgomery inspired others and connected all the main players."

Fogel also hopes that their book and the one written by the Burdicks

will help others recognize Montgomery “as the first American to fly and as the passionate scientist and naturalist that he was.”

Montgomery, who designed an electric telegraphic typewriter, also played a part in the establishment of California’s first state park at Big Basin. “He was a polymath, involved in such diverse fields as electricity, wireless telegraphy, astronomy, recycling and gold recovery,” said Bernard Burdick. “His patent on ‘rectifying electric currents’ was a highly efficient means for recharging storage batteries and was sold to the San Francisco Gas and Electric Company for \$500,000. He also provided technical assistance to [SCU professor] Rev. Richard Bell, S.J., in his improvements to Marconi’s wireless invention and helped Rev. Jerome Ricard, S.J., in setting up and calibrating his telescopes.”

John Burdick first became interested in Montgomery while exploring the Mission Gardens as a student in 1962. There he discovered the obelisk in front of the Ricard Observatory. He sought out Fr. Spearman for more information on Montgomery and discovered that the priest was in the midst of writing his book. “I was stunned that I had never heard of Montgomery,” said John. “These meetings left me with a desire to learn more about him and why he was unknown. But life intervened, and I ended up serving in Vietnam.”

“John never lost his infatuation with Montgomery, and he eventually sought me out as a co-author,” added Bernard. “He knew he would need someone with a science background. I’ve invested thousands of hours in this project, but for John, this book culminates a 50-year quest.”

That fascination with Montgomery also inspired John to lead his students at Watsonville High School in 1987 to build a replica of the *Santa Clara*. “Insurance concerns prevented us from flying it manned, but we did fly it tethered and unmanned in a stiff breeze twice,” said John. “That

research led to many more questions about Montgomery, but I was forced to stop exploring them after the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake. I was left with a lot of unanswered questions.”

In the intervening years, he found many answers to those questions, which he shared with an audience at SCU in February 2012 as part of the School of Engineering’s centennial celebration.

For the past year, he has been building and testing replicas of the *Pink Maiden* model. “I went through five versions before I began to be successful. Every failure brought me closer to the answer. Learning how to fly it also brought me closer to Montgomery and the story we were writing. My first successful flights filled me with a feeling I’m sure Montgomery must have experienced when he was successful.”

Nearing the end of their book, Bernard says he is “mystified by the attitude of many who disregard or disparage Montgomery’s achievements. One gets the impression that giving Montgomery any credit will somehow diminish the achievements of the revered Wright Brothers.”

Montgomery’s accomplishments are all the more real and significant for Fogel whenever he takes to the air with his model gliders. “Gliding is the purest form of flying itself. Many people feel that flying has to involve a motor, but glider pilots are always looking to do more with less. This engineering principle provides a challenge and a unique gratification when you are able to stay aloft for hours with no motor simply because of skilled design and piloting.”

It’s that feeling, one of freedom and exhilaration, the stuff of legend and flights of fancy, for which Fogel, and all of us, can thank Montgomery.

John Montgomery: A Legacy

Despite the efforts to discredit Montgomery, his many supporters managed to secure a variety of honors including the following (all documented in *Quest for Flight*):

1920: San Francisco renames the Marina Flying Field the Montgomery Field.

1924: SCU establishes the Montgomery Laboratories on the site of the present-day Mayer Theatre.

1934: SCU holds a celebration to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Montgomery’s first flight.

1943: Disney features Montgomery in an animated movie called *History of Aviation*.

1940s: A number of San Diego organizations undertake efforts to form a memorial committee, establish the Montgomery Trophy for a soaring contest, construct a Montgomery Memorial at Otay Mesa and rename the Gibbs Flying Field to Montgomery Field.

1946: Columbia Pictures releases *Gallant Journey*, a movie about Montgomery, starring Glenn Ford.

1946: The John J. Montgomery Elementary School opens in Chula Vista; SCU constructs the memorial obelisk to commemorate the 1905 Maloney flight.

1960s: A group of aeronautical engineers from Lockheed construct a replica of *The Evergreen*; Santa Clara County establishes a monument on the Evergreen site; the National Society of Aerospace Professionals creates the John J. Montgomery Award; Montgomery inducted into National Aviation Hall of Fame; Spearman book published.

1970s: The first Montgomery Meet, a hang gliding competition, is held outside San Diego; John J. Montgomery Elementary School is completed and dedicated in San Jose’s Evergreen district; the U.S. Air Force Auxiliary Civil Air Patrol Squadron 36, based in San Jose, is named the John J. Montgomery Memorial Cadet Squadron; the Experimental Aircraft Association establishes the John J. Montgomery Chapter.

1990s to date: Santa Clara makes the Montgomery home an historical landmark; Montgomery’s first glider is recognized as an International Historic Mechanical Engineering Landmark by the ASME; Norman Mineta reads into the Congressional Record an address commemorating the 70th anniversary of Maloney’s 1905 flight; Montgomery is inducted into the U.S. Soaring Hall of Fame; Montgomery is honored at the Centennial Celebration of Soaring Flight in 2005 in Aptos; a 30-foot-tall steel sculpture is dedicated in 2008 in the Evergreen district; that same year, the Hiller Aviation Museum in San Carlos celebrated the 125th anniversary of Montgomery’s first flight; in 2011, SCU’s School of Engineering and ASME establish a \$40,000 endowment fund for the John Joseph Montgomery Gold Medal.

Montgomery’s legacy remains at SI, too, as many of his descendants attended St. Ignatius High School and College Preparatory. Montgomery married Regina (Gene) Cleary, the sister of Frank Cleary (Class of 1882) and Alfred J. Cleary (Class of 1900). Both men sent their children and grandchildren to SI, including Mark Cleary ’64, who served as chairman of SI’s Board of Regents and Board of Trustees. Cleary also served as an altar boy at his aunt Regina’s funeral and recalled that even as an adult she would love driving around the city with her brother, Al, who served as San Francisco’s first chief administrative officer. “She loved riding with the siren blaring,” said Cleary. “After her brother’s death, she had no sirens to play with. She tended to ‘faint’ in public just to ride in ambulances and hear the sirens. In the movie version of Montgomery’s flight, *Gallant Journey*, the actress who played my aunt fainted, and my father commented how true to form it was.” ∞

To learn more about efforts to make a movie about Montgomery, go to tinyurl.com/jjmf1ight.

You can purchase *Quest for Flight* online or at local booksellers; you can also buy an ebook version for \$9.99.

JAMES MCKENZIE '79 LIVES IN A WORLD OF HARD HATS AND iPADS

“This creates a climate where people can collaborate. Instead of one guy holding all the blueprints, everyone has tablet computers to see the plans and communicate changes.” – James McKenzie

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Tour through the company's futuristic showroom and you'll see a motorcycle made from a 3D printer and a prototype Mercedes whose frame is grown organically into the shape of a complex human skeletal system.

You'll find a LEGO dinosaur designed on the company's famous CAD/CAM software and a tablet computer used to navigate your way through a computer-generated world projected on a large wall-mounted screen.

Thanks to his diverse background, McKenzie found himself perfectly prepared for the future of design and construction, work he does right now as Director of the Center for Excellence at San Francisco-based Swinerton, Inc.

McKenzie knows that construction today is a far cry from the first jobs he held after graduating with his bachelor's degree in construction management from Chico and his master's in architecture from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo. He worked for bosses who told workers and subcontractors only what they needed to know and who bullied those in their employ. They fit the stereotypical role of the loud hard-hat wearing foreman.

McKenzie resented this top-down approach to most construction jobs, an approach founded on adversarial relationships among owners, architects and builders.

Now McKenzie envisions a world that is already taking shape, one where everyone involved in a construction project knows what everyone else is doing. “This creates a climate where people can collaborate. Instead of one guy holding all the blueprints, everyone has tablet computers to see the plans and communicate changes.”

When he first began working in what he calls the “dirty boots era” of his career, McKenzie was amazed by the amount of wasted material – all the cut-off pieces of metal, wood and drywall that would litter a job site. The innovations he saw at Autodesk and now at Swinerton allow a wide range of building components to be pre-fabricated off site by robotic devices, such as 3D printers and laser cutters, to reduce wasted material.

Those building components are then shipped to job sites and quickly installed, making for faster, less expensive and cleaner projects.

McKenzie found his start in multi-media, construction and design at his home on 35th Avenue in the Sunset District, where as a second grader he picked up his father's 8mm movie camera and began filming stop-motion animation. Later, he and his father built a plywood version of PT-109, President Kennedy's famous WWII ship, on the family's front lawn. He used the ship as the primary set for his first “feature film” based on the historical event.

After college and his first few jobs, McKenzie worked for Luster Construction Management before a two-year stint with AECOM, a large, global engineering firm managing an international office rollout of a new dot-com company in the midst of explosive growth. He spent another six years with Phoenix-based Kitchell on institutional projects. Those large-scale, complex jobs used software developed by Autodesk, which later hired McKenzie to serve as a Solutions Executive to help owners, architectural firms and builders make better use of the company's products and improve their business processes.

“At Autodesk, everything came together,” said McKenzie. “I was able to use my background in filmmaking, design, high tech, construction and project management.”

Autodesk's software allows architects, engineers and builders to use building information modeling (known as BIM) to collaborate on creating a virtual building by using photo-realistic images, animations and computer-generated walkthroughs long before the start of construction. “This isn't just a pretty picture,” said McKenzie. “It shows what types of wires would be behind walls and offers a three-dimensional database to speed construction.”

Swinerton, which also uses Autodesk technologies, hired McKenzie after his stint at Stanford managing their housing projects. They asked him to join soon after building the NASA Ames Research Center Sustainability Base in Mountain View, the greenest facility owned by the U.S. government and one that has earned LEED Platinum certification.

That facility captures and reuses rainwater for its native plants. It uses a unique steel exoskeleton that is cooled with a heat exchange system involving 96 geothermal wells and an elaborate shading system on the windows. Solar panels provide hot water, and solid oxide hydrogen fuel cells help power the building, half of which is made from recycled materials.



At Autodesk, McKenzie sits by an array of digital cameras that can map a 3D image of a subject's head. This 3D and virtual reality technology is reshaping the way construction companies and architects collaborate on new buildings.



James McKenzie at San Francisco's Autodesk, where he used to work, standing next to a motorcycle built by a 3D printer. The Director for the Center for Excellence at Swinerton, Inc., he has also been a member of SI's Heritage Society for more than five years. Now in his 50s, he still considers himself as one of the younger members of the Society. "I have been greatly impressed by the loyalty, generosity and commitment the Society members show to SI," he noted. "It is important to give back to an institution that has been such an important part of my life and was instrumental in my formation. My dream is to help future students that may not be in a financial situation to attend SI. It's all about sharing."

McKenzie's strategy is to use "lean processes" that will save more than materials. "We try to build something in two steps rather than three to avoid wasted human energy. We do this by involving the entire team from the early design through to the end. Cloud computing helps us collaborate so that we can use nearly unlimited processing power. Now we can have thousands of servers working on computations instead of one guy with one laptop. The whole process is now quicker and cheaper and available to everyone. Just ask kids on Facebook how effective this is. You can put up a drawing and gets lots of comments right away from everyone involved on the same job."

McKenzie calls himself an evangelist of this new type of collaborative project delivery and construction management. "Sustainability excites me almost like a spiritual mission. We just can't support the old, wasteful models of construction, especially now with the recession. The old business model no longer works. Look at the strides made by both the aerospace and high tech industries in the past 30 years. The construction industry hasn't had the same kind of growth. We're now coming out of the Dark Ages into a new era of collaboration."

McKenzie sees the debate about climate change as pointless. "The industry isn't debating this issue; it's dealing with it by eliminating

waste, by creating low-energy facilities and by building solar power plants for customers. One of our customers has a 15-megawatt facility in the Central Valley that Swinerton has designed, engineered and installed and now maintains. It's a turnkey solution."

While high tech solutions are helping people save money and energy, McKenzie still believes in low-tech, tried and true solutions. "If you live in a home with a 12-foot ceiling, you're spending a lot of money to heat the five feet above your head. Homes in Europe are far smaller and more energy efficient than a 5,000 square foot home in the U.S. Why do homes need to be 5,000 square feet?"

McKenzie is heartened by the students he spoke with at Stanford while collaborating with them on their student housing renovations. "These young people are thinking both locally and globally. They are happy that we extended the lifespan of their buildings and made them energy efficient, and they are also focused on what's going on in Africa, India and China. They are on a mission to save the world." So, too, is McKenzie, one building at a time. ∞

Emile Lacampagne's career as a crooner has spanned such diverse venues as Catholic churches and Vegas night clubs. At 73, he continues to sing at charity events throughout the Bay Area.

EMILE LACAMPAGNE '58 HAS A SIMPLE MESSAGE: YOU'RE NEVER TOO OLD



For Emile Lacampagne '58, retirement, he hoped, would never involve long conversations about leisure sports. As a financial adviser, he heard too many people discuss all the golf they planned to play in their sunset years.

"They would also talk about their talents in the past tense, mentioning the things they used to be able to do."

A gifted singer, Lacampagne has some simple advice for people heading into retirement: "It's never too late. You can tap into your talent at any time."

He knows this first-hand, having revived his singing career, one that has taken him from the altar of St. Dominic's Church and the stage at St. Ignatius High School to a Las Vegas nightclub.

Since 2007, Lacampagne has performed numerous times, including appearances at The Bootlegger, a famous supper club on the Las Vegas strip, performing under the stage name Emile Rey. "People have a hard time pronouncing Lacampagne," he explained. He has entertained audiences as large as 1,200 at parties for various charitable events at hotels and cultural centers.

Over the years, he recorded songs in Hollywood, had several successful careers and organized a legendary San Francisco bike event.

Lacampagne credits his time at St. Dominic's School as nurturing his talent as a singer. For eight years, he performed as lead soprano with the Dominican Choristers, a renowned boys choir, singing Gregorian chants on television and before audiences at St. Dominic's Church.

At 12, he starred in the first live performance of *Amahl and the Night Visitors*, the first opera written for TV. "To this day, I treasure that experience and the timeless story of the crippled shepherd boy, his destitute mother and the visit from the star-guided Wise Men."

Singing, he added, "always takes me to a different level of being. For me, it's a spiritual experience, and I get pretty emotional when I sing."

At SI, Lacampagne continued singing, both with school productions (*Of Thee I Sing*, *HMS Pinafore* and *The Mikado*) and by imitating Elvis Presley at a rare evening rally in the gym. His opening act was a local high school kid, then unknown, named Johnny Mathis. When Lacampagne sang, hundreds of high school girls screamed their appreciation, including Janet Dowd, sister of SI football star Gil Dowd '57. (Years later, Lacampagne

and Janet would marry and have three children, including Jean Paul, who attended SI for three years in the 1980s.)

One person in the audience didn't think much of Lacampagne's Elvis impersonation. "I was summoned off stage and punched in the mouth by an infuriated faculty priest for my 'vulgar and sinful performance. I had to keep my classmate Bob McLean from punching him back."

When he turned 18, Lacampagne went to Hollywood to record with Rendezvous Records. He returned north, hoping his original songs would make the charts, but they were never released. He attended San Francisco State College, where he performed in *Kampus Kapers*, the school's annual musical production that launched the careers of many entertainers.

After graduating with his degree in business, he went to New York after receiving a job offer in advertising. He also entered the Army Reserves, serving for six years. In 1968, he returned to San Francisco to work in advertising and sales promotion before launching new careers in banking and financial planning.

In 1980, Lacampagne created Le Tour de SanFRANCEcisco, a 50-kilometer bike ride on a scenic city route starting from Crissy Field. The Tour kicked off every Bastille Day for 14 years. "I wanted it to be a celebration of French culture, but it grew too large and too commercial, with 50,000 people showing up and with Pepsi and Budweiser wanting to act as sponsors. I got out when the event took on a whole new tenor."

That's when Lacampagne returned to his roots of spiritual music, beginning a second stint with the adult choir at Notre Dame des Victoires Church, singing with them for 22 years in all.

In 2007, while in the audience at The Bootlegger in Vegas, he responded to an invitation to take the microphone and sing a song or two. The audiences responded so positively that the club's entertainment director invited him back for more performances. He avoids pigeonholing himself as a Rat Pack crooner by singing from a repertoire ranging from songbooks from the 1940s to the 1970s.

At 72, Lacampagne's voice has only improved with age, and he's ready to sing at a moment's notice. "If I played a violin, I'd have to carry around a case to perform. But my instrument is always with me, and it gives me a great way to tap into my God-given talent to connect with people through the emotions that all songs convey." ∞



The *Balclutha*, a 256-foot-long square-rigged ship, was first used to bring British coal to San Francisco and California wheat to England.

JOHN CUNNANE '75 HELPS THE CITY'S MARITIME HISTORY SAIL INTO MODERN TIMES

John Cunnane '75 lives in two worlds, using modern high-tech multimedia displays to showcase the glory days of San Francisco's maritime history.

Since 2009, Cunnane has served as interim chief of interpretation and visitor services for the award-winning San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park – what most San Franciscans know as the Hyde Street Pier and parts of Fisherman Wharf, including the Maritime Museum, the Visitor's Center in the Cannery, Aquatic Park and the J. Porter Shaw Library at Ft. Mason.

Cunnane supervises a staff of nearly 20 and an annual budget upwards of \$2 million to help reveal a time when San Francisco's strategic importance depended upon its world-class harbor and the goods that came and went from its busy docks.

One of the most prominent features under Cunnane's care is the *Balclutha*, which in itself is an icon of both the past and present.

Most people looking at 256-foot-long square-rigged ship and its three tall wooden masts would be surprised to learn that its painted hull is made not of wood but of steel or that it sailed commercially until 1930, first bringing British coal (along with Scotch, pottery and cutlery) to San Francisco and returning to England laden with California wheat.

Its wind-laden sails also powered the ship along the West Coast, Hawaii and Australia plying the lumber trade and later carrying cannery workers and supplies from California to Alaska. Even after it was retired in 1930, Hollywood put it to use in several movies, including *Mutiny on the Bounty* in 1933.

Today, the old ship shows its own movies on LCD screens below deck, with a video loop telling tourists the story of how sailors took the boat

around the tip of South America 17 times, spending as much as 44 days making the treacherous passage between the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. "The pay was low, the food was poor and the work was dangerous," said Cunnane. "Sailors worked in freezing conditions, but that was what you had to do if you weren't a skilled laborer or had family connections."

Nearby are five other large historic ships, including the *C.A. Thayer* (a three-masted schooner), the *Eppleton Hall* (a steel tug boat), the *Eureka* (a side-wheel ferry), the *Hercules* (a steam-powered tug-boat) and the *Alma* (a scow schooner).

"I can see why this was Mayor Joe Alioto's favorite place in the city," said Cunnane. "My office is right on the pier, and I overhear people all the time raving about the view. I can see their eyes light up when they see the exhibits. There's no better exhibit like this in the nation, and Hyde Street Pier is among the best of its kind in the world."

Cunnane is not alone in his praise. The *Balclutha* received the John Wesley Powell Award in 2010, and its "Cargo is King" exhibit was honored in 2008.

Cunnane is also justifiably proud of the Visitors Center, which opened *The Waterfront* exhibit last February after four years of planning and construction. A panoramic screen and many interactive displays tell the story of San Francisco's waterfront, starting with the Yelamu men and women who fished and harvested oysters for more than 10,000 years before the first settlers came from Europe and Mexico.

Cunnane hopes the exhibit draws Bay Area residents as well as tourists. "Many people who have lived here all their lives don't know about this history or what life was like along the waterfront.

This exhibit is a game-changer and shows one more reason why San Francisco is unique.”

Even though Cunnane grew up close to the Ocean in San Francisco’s Sunset District, his appreciation of the waterfront and the importance of national parks grew slowly.

When he turned 6, he traveled with his family to his mother’s native home in Iowa, visiting national parks along the way. “I still remember the ranger’s talk at Yellowstone and seeing bison there. We camped the entire time as we travelled in the largest station wagon ever made – a 1959 Mercury Park Lane.”

Later, while driving with friends to the Marin Headlands, he was surprised to discover that another national park lay just 10 minutes from the Golden Gate Bridge.

At SI, his passion for history grew in Bob Drucker’s class, and he majored in recreation and leisure studies at SFSU. “I saw recreation as a real and legitimate field, as important as preventative medicine for our mental well being.”

In 1979, he landed an internship at Ft. Mason as an interpretive ranger, working on the *U.S.S. Jeremiah O’Brien*, before being hired as a seasonal park ranger. He took a year off to lead adventure travel tours around the U.S. and then returned in 1981 as a permanent interpretive park ranger at Alcatraz back when tourists could not wander alone on self-guided tours. After another year doing overseas adventure travel, he wound up at the Grand Canyon’s north rim, speaking to tourists about geology, archeology, botany and human history. “The subjects were new to me, but I dug in, studying until 2 a.m. some nights.”


Cunnane returned in 1988 to San Francisco, where he worked as a supervisory park ranger at the newly established San Francisco Maritime National History Park, which is part of the Golden Gate National Recreational Area.

“The first thing I did was look to hire interpretive rangers who had maritime stuff in their veins. Over the next few years, we brought in the best rangers from all over the country, from ports in Connecticut, Maine and Lake Ontario.”

The idea for the city’s maritime park first began in the 1800s when Frederick Law Olmstead, the creator of New York’s Central Park, visited San Francisco and suggested that the area around Aquatic Park be set aside not just for the wealthy but for all. “This meeting place between city and water should also be, he thought, a place where all San Franciscans could meet by sitting outside surrounded by monuments and gardens.”

Work didn’t begin on Olmstead’s vision until the 1930s with construction on the Maritime Museum, but the Depression and WWII delayed its opening until 1951. A dozen years later, Hyde Street Pier opened as a state park though it didn’t gain the *Balclutha* until 1988, when it moved from its berth on Pier 41.

Today, the area hosts more than 4 million visitors each year, including bike riders and swimmers from the South End Rowing Club and Dolphin Club. The park also partnered last fall with an acting troupe, the We Players, which staged *Twelfth Night* on Hyde Street Pier, taking audiences between the *Eureka* and the *Balclutha*, which served as twin stages.



John Cunnane, the interim chief of interpretation and visitor services for the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park, stands on the bridge of the *Balclutha*, a steel-clad sailing ship that sailed commercially until 1930.

Over the summer, park visitors also included 14 students in SI’s Magis Program. They made the cross-city journey each Monday and Wednesday for six weeks, led by club moderator Dan Vollert ’85, who also teaches English at SI during the school year. The grammar-school children sailed on the Bay twice, visited the large ships and learned about the city’s remarkable history.

“It was an amazing activity to add to the Magis Middle School Enrichment Program,” said Magis Director Abram Jackson. “It granted access to a new world and an unfamiliar history of San Francisco. The students came back each Monday and Wednesday inspired and excited by their time on the pier.”

The summer program is part of “A Call to Action: Preparing for a Second Century of Stewardship and Engagement,” a new venture launched in August 2011 by the National Park Service.

“We hope to represent more fully our nation’s diversity, both ethnically and culturally,” said Cunnane. “We hope to deliver activities and programs and services that honor America’s complex heritage. For example, most people don’t know that an African American artist, Sgt. Claude Johnson, did the tile work that appears on the Art Deco walls and speaker towers. We hope to find more compelling but overlooked stories and showcase them in our exhibits.” ∞

DAN FLANAGAN '59 FINDS THE POLITICAL CENTER AS HE WORKS TO REBUILD AMERICA



Dan Flanagan helped to coin the phrase “public-private partnership” and worked for decades to make that partnership come alive through his consulting, lobbying and collaboration with five presidential administrations and various House committees to pursue both deregulation and the rebuilding of our nation’s infrastructure.

You won’t find too many people in Washington, D.C., like Dan Flanagan ’59. A seasoned political insider, he is a centrist who believes in compromise in order to achieve the greater good. Just how much of an insider and centrist is he? In 1984, when Walter Mondale phoned Geraldine Ferraro in her Hyatt Regency Hotel suite to ask her to be his running mate, Flanagan was in the same room along with Ferraro’s staff.

As for his right flank, Republican House Majority Leader Eric Cantor once worked for him as a summer intern.

Ever since the 1970s, Flanagan has helped members of Congress, five Presidential administrations, client CEOs, coalitions and trade associations advance innovative public policy, including public-private partnerships.

That’s a topic he knows well, having helped coin that phrase as chairman of the U.S. Infrastructure Investment Commission in 1993.

Flanagan learned the art of politics while helping his father, Dan Flanagan Sr., San Francisco’s regional director of the AFL-CIO. As a child, the younger Flanagan (along with his brother Fergus ’62) worked on political campaigns for Jack Shelley, stuffing San Francisco mailboxes with brochures. (Their younger brother, Patrick ’71, also attended SI.)

Led by coach Rene Herrerias ’44, Flanagan played basketball at the Stanyan Street campus. He and his teammates often watched USF’s Bill Russell and K.C. Jones practice in the SI High School gym, as the college didn’t have one of its own. Flanagan also boxed along with Tim Reardon ’59 (now a judge and a recipient of SI’s Christ the King Award) below the church at St. Agnes, as their fathers were both boxing enthusiasts.

After graduating from the Naval Academy, Flanagan sailed on the *USS Coral Sea* for two tours off the coast of North Vietnam and on the *USS John Paul Jones*. Later, he earned a Bronze Star serving in Vietnam under Adm. Bud Zumwalt, who rose to become Chief of Naval Operations. “I respected him as he was very progressive,” said Flanagan. “He broke the good-old-boy culture and made some enemies along the way. His efforts, in part, led to women attending the Naval Academy.”

When Zumwalt retired from the Navy and ran for the Senate in Virginia, Flanagan followed to lend his support.

When Zumwalt lost his bid, Flanagan worked in the pension investment and consulting fields, first in New York and then in San Francisco, where he also led the Orphans Airlift effort at the Presidio in 1975.

Later, while working for Walter Shorenstein, the two volunteered (along with Nancy Pelosi) to help Jimmy Carter on the West Coast. After defeating Gerald Ford, Carter asked Flanagan to serve in his administration. While contemplating the offer, Flanagan found himself at a the Madison Hotel in Washington, D.C., chatting with the chairman of Southern Pacific, who offered him a job running the company's office there.

Flanagan took the job and moved to Washington in 1977 with his wife, Mary Fontaine "Fonny" McNamara, a Convent of the Sacred Heart graduate. Before they left, Rep. Pelosi hosted a going-away dinner for them. "I had played basketball at Saint Vincent de Paul with Paul Pelosi more than 20 years earlier, so it was special night for me."

The Flanagans sent their sons, Matthew and Clay, to Gonzaga College High School in D.C., which "had a spirit just like the SI that I had attended."

Working for Southern Pacific, Flanagan fought successfully for the deregulation of the railroad industry, despite the threat of a filibuster by 21 southern Senators. "We had representatives from the five major railroads together in the same room for testimony before a Senate committee. Those Senators saw that we had our act together and that deregulation would work." He left Southern Pacific in 1981 to start Flanagan Consulting Group, working with Bechtel, Lockheed Martin and other major U.S. companies. Flanagan also represented Sprint, then headquartered in Burlingame and owned by Southern Pacific, in its successful fight to break apart AT&T.

Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, Flanagan's close friend, asked him in 1990 to find a way to bring private capital to repair the nation's infrastructure. "He told me that government can't do it all."

Flanagan's firm, representing 30 electric utilities, fought for approval for the 1992 Energy Policy Act, which brought both deregulation and an opening of the wholesale power markets. "The just-say-no guys fought it by bringing out CEOs, so we assembled our own CEOs and won. Most of the independent power plants built today, including those powered by gas, wind and solar, happened as a result."

In appreciation of his efforts, President George H.W. Bush asked Flanagan to witness the signing of the Energy Policy Act.

Later, in 1993, the Mexican government hired Flanagan during NAFTA negotiations to evaluate that country's infrastructure and work for environmental regulations affecting both the U.S. and Mexico. In gratitude for Flanagan's efforts, the Speaker of the House invited him to witness the vote to approve NAFTA.

Flanagan then chaired the 1993 U.S. Infrastructure Investment Commission, after an appointment by House Speaker Tom Foley. That commission's work culminated with the 1998 passage of the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) and provided, for the first time, government loans and lines of credit to finance transportation projects around the nation. The commission also recommended programs such as Build America Bonds and the National Infrastructure Bank.

Flanagan has fought for this latter proposal for more than a decade, as he believes such a bank would help rebuild the country's aging infrastructure – all the roads, hospitals, airports, ports,

pipelines and telecommunications lines that require billions to repair, retrofit or replace.

"The private sector needs to play a more emphatic role in fast-tracking innovative infrastructure projects. In the past, we let the government handle these projects, and now we're behind Europe. We need public-private partnerships to get the job done. Government is good at setting fees and tolls, but the private sector is far better at building large projects. On top of this, pension funds are looking for safe, long-term returns that these investments would provide."

In all his years working on the East Coast, Flanagan never forgot his San Francisco roots. He helped Mayor Feinstein in 1984 free Southern Pacific's Mission Bay property for future development, and he helped Rep. Pelosi on the 1996 Presidio Trust legislation. He continues to support Northern California causes on a pro-bono basis.

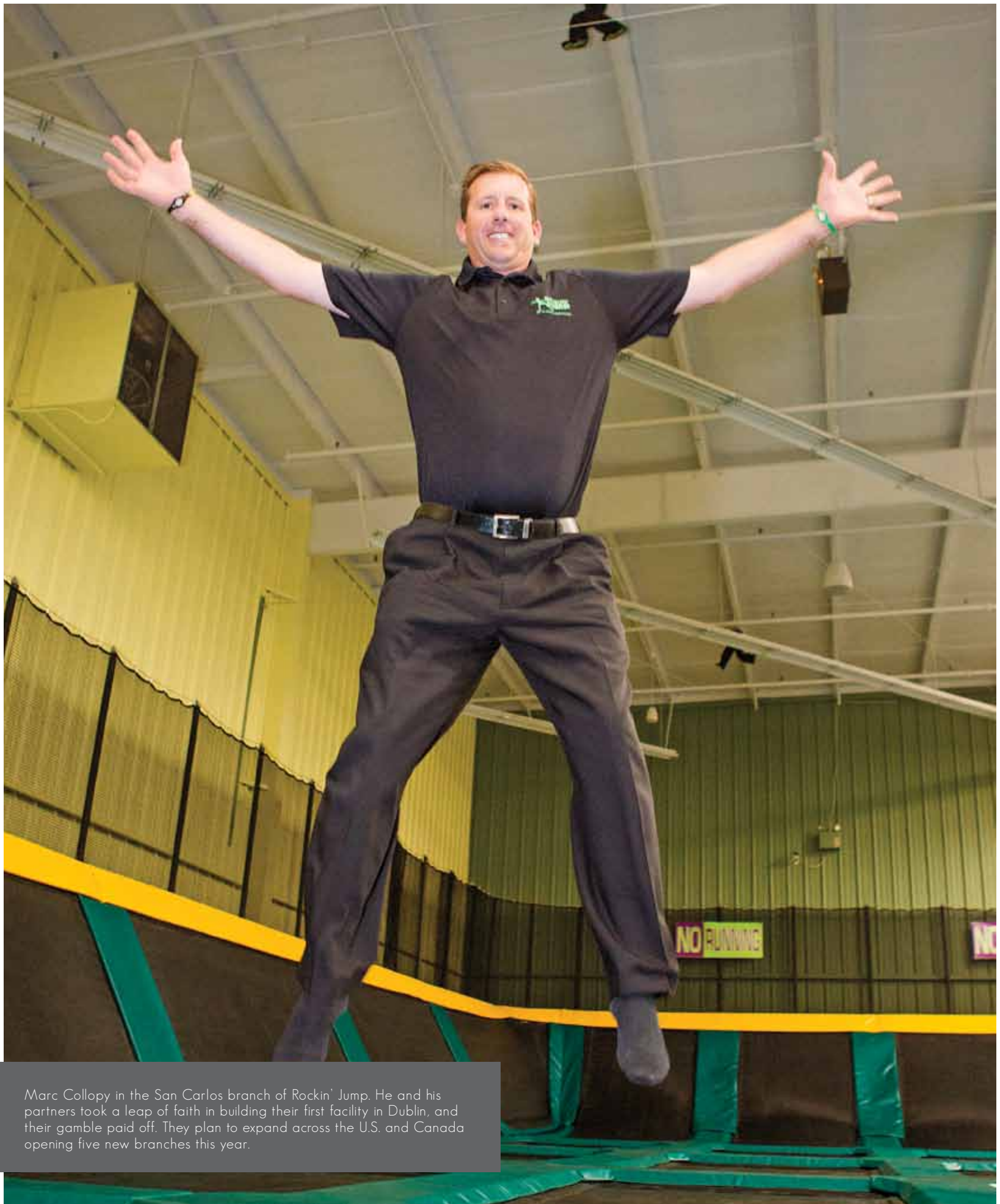
In his many years involved in government public policy, Flanagan has seen a polarization and lack of compromise that worries him. He blames this on a host of people involved in running political campaigns, and he faults the media. "TV journalists are more interested in market share than with the good of the country. Everyone wants his 5 percent of the Tower of Babel. As a result, we've lost our ability to communicate on matters of importance."

The problem also lies with the money that feeds campaigns. "If you want to reform the system, don't worry so much about where campaign contributions come from; instead, worry about where that money goes. Too many campaign managers buy media time and earn commissions that make them wealthy men. The press never talks about the commissions made by media ad buyers."

People today, he added, "are not happy with the status quo. The more we work together in the spirit of compromise on common-sense solutions, the better off our country will be. I prefer members of Congress who say, 'I will support this if,' rather than, 'I will oppose this bill unless.' We need a more positive approach to public policy." ∞

DAN FLANAGAN'S TOP 10 WAYS TO REFORM GOVERNMENT

1. Return to a high standard of journalism.
2. Teach students to write not only essays but also historical research and reasoned discussion.
3. Restore high school civics classes across the U.S.
4. Reinforce the political importance of the separation of church and state.
5. Return to a fair CEO/worker compensation ratio as a moral issue and societal integrity imperative.
6. Respect governmental process in all three branches. Don't campaign against government; rather reform it. Return to part-time, citizen legislature in California.
7. Recognize the importance of facts and figures, not empty rhetoric.
8. Emphasize presidential leadership over political leadership.
9. Reform campaign financing by reporting how and by whom campaign funds were spent and who benefited from this spending.
10. Actively support compromise to get legislation passed instead of opposing any legislation that doesn't meet all conditions.



Marc Collopy in the San Carlos branch of Rockin' Jump. He and his partners took a leap of faith in building their first facility in Dublin, and their gamble paid off. They plan to expand across the U.S. and Canada opening five new branches this year.

THE OWNER OF ROCKIN' JUMP, MARC COLLOPY '88 IS BUILDING A BUSINESS BASED ON PLAY

Marc Collopy '88 knows how to dodge disappointment and bounce back from being laid off.

After he lost his job as director of sales for a wine and spirits company, he launched his own company, one that has made his four children celebrities at their schools.

"They don't mind it at all when they have to come to work with me," said Collopy, who opened his second Rockin' Jump last August in San Carlos to add to his first East Bay location in Dublin.

Each 20,000-square-foot facility offers four separate areas, one a giant trampoline where people can bounce off the walls as well as the floor, a basketball dunking arena, a foam splash pit and a dodge ball trampoline area featuring foam balls. The new business allows Collopy and his wife, Michelle, and their two partners, Drew and Sue Wilson, to provide healthy entertainment to customers of all ages ("anyone from 3 to 93," said Collopy), who burn 1,000 calories for each hour of play.

They also give back to their communities. Last year alone, the owners donated \$100,000 to local charities and organizations, helping in a variety of causes. "The lesson to give back is one I learned at SI," said Collopy. "It's a part of my Jesuit roots."

He tells the story of 16-year-old Kaitlyn, who came to him when she was in remission from leukemia and asked if she could sponsor a fundraiser for Special Spaces, which does bedroom makeovers for children with life-threatening illnesses. "We raised \$8,000 to help remodel three rooms, including one for a great soccer player who had lost a leg due to cancer. Kaitlyn now works for us our Dublin location."

That gift meant much to Collopy, himself a veteran soccer player at SI. (He still coaches his sons' soccer teams.) After graduating from SI and St. Mary's College, Collopy spent 19 years selling wine and spirits throughout California and Arizona. "The company decided they could get someone at half my salary, so they gave me a severance package."

The freedom gave him a chance to spend time with his own children, who asked to go to a local indoor trampoline park. "I saw how much fun the kids were having, and then I saw how little there was for parents to do," said Collopy. "With four children, I've been to every place imaginable for birthday parties, and I learned what works and what mistakes to avoid."

He and his partners fashioned their company with parents in mind. "I wanted them to have as much fun as their children." His two locations feature comfortable seating, big-screen TVs where parents can see their children on closed-circuit feeds, all-natural food and free Internet.

They also address parental concerns about safety. "This is an active sport, just like skiing or soccer," said Collopy. "It's not without risk, but this is as safe as it gets. We have a full-time maintenance person looking for and repairing any defects, and each staff person goes through two days of training to serve just like life guards, making sure kids and adults don't do dangerous flips.

Collopy also features nights for teens and tweens, with DJs playing family-friendly music, and he hosts events for autistic children with quiet classical music.

He has even hosted sleepover parties for each of his children (Hailey, 14; Tyler, 11; Connor, 8; and Ryan, 6). "They think of me as the perfect dad. For their classmates, this is the coolest place to be."

His two trampoline parks have been popular with locals, including one boy who came 10 times in 20 days. "His parents love the exercise he gets, and I love seeing kids laughing and smiling as they leave. They are having so much fun, they don't realize how much of a workout they are getting."

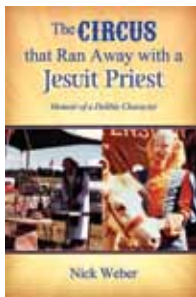
Collopy and his partners employ six people full time and 84 on a part-time basis. They plan to expand to build as many as five more facilities in 2013 throughout the U.S. and Canada.

"We have spent thousands of hours perfecting our first location, and now we have it down."

One signature element to each location, he added, will be mannequin legs sticking down from the ceiling. "We like to joke with kids that this will happen to them if they jump too high."

An advantage to the new San Carlos location is that Collopy, who lives in the East Bay, sees more of his SI classmates who live on the Peninsula. "A number of them came to my grand-opening, including Derek Schulze '88, Jim Keenan '88, Mike McKeon '88 and John Mulkerrins '89. Now I'm able to bring my business to the SI community, which is awesome." ∞

NICK WEBER, FORMER CLOWN PRIEST, GETS SERIOUS IN HIS NEW BOOK



Weber's book, *The Circus that Ran Away with a Jesuit Priest*, tells the story of his years on the road with the circus, touring with young performers, including Steve Aveson '72, now a TV morning co-host with New England Cable News in Massachusetts.

Since the 1960s, students at SI have witnessed several iterations of Nick Weber, from inspiring mentor and rebellious director to clown priest and creator and star of the Royal Lichtenstein Quarter Ring Circus.

Now they have a chance to read his story in his recently published memoir, *The Circus that Ran Away with a Jesuit Priest: a Delible Character*. (The title is partly an in-joke for Catholics old enough to recall *The Baltimore Catechism*, which holds that the sacraments imprint an indelible spiritual character on the soul.)

For 22 years, Weber toured the U.S. with his circus until 1993, when he left both his company and the priesthood to join Roberts Brothers Circus as a clown.

Since then, he has given one-man shows on Jesus, Shakespeare and the Jesuit poet Gerard Manley Hopkins. At 73, he now lives and works in Milwaukee, offering lectures on Shakespeare to residents of Catholic retirement homes.

In his long career, he entertained and inspired tens of thousands, including Rev. Bill Cain, S.J., author of the highly-praised play, *Equivocation*. "When I first saw Nick Weber's Royal Lichtenstein Circus perform, it changed my life forever," said Fr. Cain.

Born in Yuba City in 1939, Weber watched his family be torn apart when his mother left while her husband was away with the Navy. When he returned, he worked in the lumber trade and eventually remarried, but he traveled so much that Weber lived with a succession of relatives and family friends. "I didn't stay under the same roof for more than three years at a time," he recalled.

His life changed forever in 1944 when the Cole Brothers Circus came to Marysville. "My mother took me to see it and then told me that this immense tent city wouldn't be here the next day. That floored me. Soon after, I started playing circus in my grandmother's backyard, balancing objects on my chin and performing magic tricks I had learned from a priest."

Weber also played at priest, enlisting neighborhood kids as altar boys, as he was also fascinated with the rituals and wardrobe of the Church. Years later, Weber came to realize that "circus, theatre and sanctuary intersect each other because of their preoccupation with

ritual. They all ritualize the same set of needs, wants and capacities for the human soul. It's just that they get us together in different places and in different degrees of focus, each with its own smells and bells, all trying to connect us to each other and to the divine."

His parents then sent him to study and live at Bellarmine High School in San Jose, where he headed straight for the stage to act in plays and perform magic for his classmates.

Weber entered the Society of Jesus in 1957, and he spent his scholastic years at SI directing plays such as *Oklahoma!* and *Margo and Me* in the mid-1960s, working with Peter Devine '66 and Katie Wolf, both of whom carried Weber's legacy in their years working in SI's theatre department. (Devine would go on to direct 100 plays in 25 years, with Wolf designing the sets for many of those shows. Wolf's mother, Jean, also did costumes for years for Weber and Devine.)

"Nick was a great director," said Devine. "He had us do improvisations and imagine the backstory of our characters. How would Curly know that the corn was as high as an elephant's eye? Where would he have seen an elephant?"

Coming from St. Rose High School to take part in SI's theatre program, Wolf loved Weber's way of "creating a collaborative community between students and adults. He also empowered students by having them serve as managers and designers. We all felt as if we were in this adventure together. He never treated us as if we were just high school kids."

That quality, Devine added, "carried over into how we now teach in the classroom. Both Katie and I put students in charge. Nick modeled that for us."

Weber worked late into the night with students, rehearsing and performing in Marines Memorial Theatre.

"We would drive Nick back to the Jesuit residence long past the time scholastics were allowed to be out," said Devine. "He would climb a fire escape and then crawl in through a kitchen window."

Weber developed a reputation as a bit of a rebel even then. "I raised a couple of hackles and thumped a few seniors who weren't doing their work, including the nephew of the provincial. But I was in heaven. My students taught me what a musical was."



Veteran SI teachers Katie Wolf and Pete Devine '66 flank Nick Weber, who directed them in plays and musicals at SI when they were in high school. Weber left SI in the 1970s to start the Royal Lichtenstein Quarter Ring Circus, preaching the Gospel through juggling, storytelling and magic acts.

After his ordination in 1970, Weber returned to SI where he found new battle lines drawn between supporters and opponents of Vatican II's call to modernization. Weber didn't shy from this struggle and chose a controversial play, *Celebration*, for the spring of 1971. He worked with Principal Ed McFadden, S.J. '41, to alter some of the language, shocking for its day. "One character says, 'I haven't had an erection in 25 years.' Ed changed that to, 'I haven't had sex in 25 years.'" But even that change didn't satisfy SI's president, who asked for deeper cuts.

Weber responded by canceling the show. "I met with the parents of the boys who had worked so hard on the production. They accused me of pulling the rug out from under them. I was too arrogant perhaps, but I was impressed by the show of support given me by the boys who also refused to go on."

Weber left SI in 1971 and spent time at the Graduate Theological Seminary in Berkeley to reflect on his future. There he recalled the work he had done with The Council Players of San Jose, an interfaith theatre group that had toured Santa Clara Valley in the 1960s performing *A Canticle for the Eighth Day*.

He wanted to do something similar, and a friend suggested that Weber develop a small circus act. That friend also suggested the title of The Royal Lichtenstein Quarter Ring Sidewalk Circus and Traveling Taxidermy Show. "I cut the last part, as it sounded too much like a rock group. But I liked the name, and I wanted to work with live animals. For me, a circus has to smell right."

The rector at Santa Clara University allowed Weber to live there and use the campus as his home base. Weber first toured California on his own and then invited Steve Aveson '72, just finishing his junior year at SI, to join his act. Aveson brought along his girlfriend, who also performed, as did a contact from the Council Players.

The show proved a hit with high school and university audiences, as it blended comedy, circus acts and storytelling, using parables that were at once secular and subtly religious.

"We had one act where a homeless man and a rich man both tried to win the affections of a girl. She eventually dances with the homeless man after he is spurned by the rich man. We tried to be Jesuit in this way, going in the doors of our audiences and leading them out of our door. This had as much to do with Teilhard de Chardin and Gerard Manley Hopkins as anyone. They knew the world was charged with the grandeur of God and that we could find God in all things, not just in a church. We came to realize that our circus was both holy ceremony and religious ritual. We were calling people into a circle to form community and figure out what it means to be human."

Weber brought his show to SI during the 1980s, where he would see his former students Devine and Wolf and introduce new generations of Ignatians to his unique evangelization.

His circus grew over the years to comprise five performers, a 53-pipe Wurlitzer Caliola organ, horses, monkeys, macaws and dogs. He even brought a brown bear on tour for eight months.

In 1993, he left both the priesthood and his circus, and he gave his animals to a friend in Florida who owned a zoo. He spent the next four years performing as a clown with large commercial circuses, including Kelly Miller and Carson and Barnes.

He then toured between 1998 and 2001 performing three solo shows. While visiting his former stage manager, Michael Bartel '71, in Milwaukee, Weber was offered a job to direct the theatre program at a high school where Bartel's wife served as an administrator. For the next seven years, Weber trained a new generation of students.

"I burnt myself out almost living in that theater," said Weber, who left the world of adolescents to lecture Milwaukee senior citizens on Shakespeare. "In 2009, someone suggested that I write my life story just when I felt ready to put pen to paper. Now my book is helping me continue my conversation with different types of people, and that, I've found, is the vital tonic that keeps me going." ∞

CROSSING THE COUNTRY TO HONOR SI CLASSMATE JILL COSTELLO



Kelcey Harrison '06 can't count the number of times people have compared her to Forrest Gump.

It's a natural comparison. Like Gump, she had moments of epiphany on her 3,345-run across the U.S., one that raised money for lung cancer research and awareness about the disease that killed her childhood friend and classmate Jill Costello '06 in 2010.

One epiphany came while Harrison was running in Indiana, pushing a stroller that carried her clothing and gear. A woman pulled up in a car and rolled down the window.

"I thought she was going to tell me not to run on a dangerous stretch of road with a baby," said Harrison. "Instead, she told me that she had heard my story and wanted to thank and to help me, as her father was a survivor of lung cancer. She put my stroller in her car and accompanied me the rest of the day and the next. I later ran by her parents' home and met her father. That's when I realized that this journey was touching people whom I otherwise never would have known."

Harrison's second epiphany came on the final day of her four-month journey, one that began July 29 when she dipped her foot into New York's Breezy Point in Queens. The next day, she set off from Times Square with a handful of supporters cheering her on.

On Dec. 1, on what would have been Jill's 25th birthday, Harrison crossed the Golden Gate Bridge on her way to Crissy Field, accompanied by hundreds of runners. There, by the chilly waters of San Francisco Bay, even more supporters greeted her to watch her take a symbolic step into the surf to mark the end of her trek.

Before stepping into the water, she took off a brand-new pair of sneakers, her 13th set, having worn through a dozen others during her trip.

Along the way, she raised \$176,000 and gained local and national media attention. She appeared on an episode of *The Doctors* and was featured on the website of Katie Couric's TV show, the latter thanks to public relations efforts by one of the show's producers, Gianna Toboni '06, another friend and classmate of Jill Costello and Harrison.

Harrison first had the idea for the run early in 2012, two years after graduating from Harvard. Right after graduation, she returned to the Bay Area where she spent time with Jill shortly before her death. "We had been friends from day one at St. Brendan's, and her death hit me hard. She was so confident she would pull through that I believed she would. Her death unsettled me. It was a tough loss."

After Jill died, Harrison headed back East to work in New York City's District Attorney's office as a program coordinator for the trial division, but she felt disconnected from all those who had rallied around Jill in her last days. "I wasn't able to contribute as much as I wanted to Jill's Legacy [an advisory board for the Bonnie J. Addario Lung Cancer Foundation], and I felt the pull to do something else. I was ready for a change from my job, and I wanted to do something big to honor Jill."

Harrison was an experienced long-distance runner and had several marathons under her belt, but even she felt her new her goal "was a little crazy. Then I started doing research, and the run seemed more feasible."

Harrison also celebrated the end of her adventure Dec. 6 at SI, where her many SI classmates converged along with representatives from the Bonnie J. Addario Lung Cancer Foundation, Jill's Legacy, Harvard (where Harrison had received her degree in psychology) and Cal (where Jill Costello had served as coxswain on the women's crew).

That event featured the premiere of a film on Harrison's run, the work of Misha Sundukovskiy '06, who attended NYU's Tisch School



On Dec. 1, Kelcey Harrison '06 ended her run across America to honor Jill Costello '06. Greeting her, left, was Jill's mother, Mary. Above, Kelcey and the SI girls' crew. Opposite page: SI alumni and faculty were on hand to meet Kelcey at Crissy Field.

along with Toboni. He filmed during the final part of Harrison's journey and used footage taken by others along the way. He worked with professional editors and sound designers to produce an impressive documentary that you can find at vimeo.com/55146285.

Another SI classmate and Jill's Legacy member who contributed to Harrison's run was Sydney Ford '06, who rowed crew at SI and Cal in the same boat Jill served as coxswain.

During the run, while Ford looked over the route with event organizer Darby Anderson, director of Jill's Legacy and Jill's sorority sister at Cal, the two realized that Harrison would face stretches on her journey where she wouldn't be able to find a hotel or a host house.

A project manager for United Way, Ford was looking for something new to do, so she volunteered herself for the job. Thanks to the family of Kate Bergstrom '07, who donated a car to Jill's Legacy, Ford signed on and met Harrison in Missouri on Sept. 6.

"We had been friendly at SI but not part of the same friend group," said Harrison. "She is detail oriented, and I'm a more big-picture person, but we clicked perfectly. We knew when to be quiet and when to be goofy."

Harrison and Ford began their days between 5 and 6 a.m. when they would drive from their hotel to the stopping place on Harrison's run from the previous day. Harrison would then jog or walk 30 miles over the next six or seven hours, eating little and drinking only water. At the end of that day's leg, the women would go back to a new hotel or host home, clean up, write emails and blogs, then go for an early dinner and return for an early bed time.

Harrison kept healthy thanks to Jeannie Varney, a nutritional consultant and the mother of one of her Harvard roommates. "I ate

healthy food, but I didn't stretch much during the four months. I probably should have. Now I go to Yoga classes, and my hamstrings are screaming."

At one point in New Mexico, their car broke down. The girls found an auto parts store where they met Henry Lackey, who offered them his Chrysler 300 for the rest of the trip. He flew back to pick it up and joined Harrison for the Dec. 6 reception at SI.

New Mexico was hard both on their car and on Harrison. She braved nine days of rain, cold, headwinds and rough roads running through the desert. "One day, the wind was unbearable, and I had to walk most of the 30 miles," said Harrison. "At the end, I got into the car with Sydney and started crying."

Still, most of the journey went flawlessly, so much so that Harrison felt that Jill was watching out for her. "She made sure luck was on my side. I kept in close touch with her mother, Mary, and she reminded me of Jill's determination. Jill would always urge herself and others never to quit and always to finish what they started."

Harrison found support wherever she went, from waitresses in diners along the way, who contributed money to her cause, to a shoe salesman who donated sneakers for the journey.

In December, Harrison went to Mexico with her family for Christmas. When interviewed for the story, she had no concrete plans other than to keep raising funds to fight lung cancer. "Jill hoped to beat lung cancer not just for herself but for all people. This run was in honor of her. We need to erase the stigma that marks the disease and fund new research to beat lung cancer." ∞

MEET MATT WERNER '02, WRITER 2.0



Matt Werner combines old world printing techniques with 21st century internet publishing at Google.

Matt Werner '02 lives between two worlds of small-press publications, where he is lucky to sell 1,000 copies of one of his books, and the high tech publishing world of Google, where his audience runs into the millions.

The odd thing about this dual existence is that one informs the other. For instance, Werner gave a lecture to an audience at Google on his 2011 short story collection, *Papers for the Suppression of Reality* (based on a Jorge Luis Borges book review). In attendance was an artist who draws the Google doodles – the renditions of Google's logo that the company changes from time to time to mark an anniversary. The artist was so inspired by Werner's account of Borges' life and work that she pitched the idea of a Borges Google doodle.

"She wanted to portray the labyrinths and infinite libraries that Borges wrote about," said Werner. "And Google is bringing to life Borges' vision of an infinite library, scanning and digitizing millions of books and making them accessible online."

When the Borges Google doodle appeared on Aug. 24, 2011, the anniversary of Borge's 1899 birth, those who clicked on it found Werner's blog post on the life and works of Borges, giving Werner a vast audience for one of his favorite authors.

A consummate writer himself, Werner spends 10 hours a day working at Google and then returns home to write for three more hours to keep to his regimen of writing each night in order to publish a book a year. "I'd like to publish two a year, but that may be too ambitious."

His discipline has paid off. In addition to his first book, his second, *Oakland in Popular Memory*, came out in May 2012, and *Bay Area Underground: Photos of Protests and Social Movements, 2008-2012* (with photographs by Werner and classmate Joe Sciarillo '02) hit the bookstores in December 2012, documenting the many social movements in San Francisco, from Occupy to immigration rights.

"Joe works at the African Advocacy Network, a part of Dolores Street Community Services, and attends immigrant rights rallies where he takes photos, many of which are spectacular. He's on the ground when events are happening, and I wanted to showcase another positive side of the city."

Werner has another book slated for release in 2013 based on interviews with recent college graduates facing a tough job market.

For his day job at Google, Werner serves as a tech writer on Google Apps, Android and Chrome OS, Publish on Google's Help Center, blogs and YouTube channels. He also serves on the Talks at Google Team, hosting authors to speak at Google's headquarters.

At 28 and with nearly three years employment at Google, Werner is both older and more veteran than half of his colleagues. "But I still work with some amazing Silicon Valley veterans, including one woman who was a tech writer for Steve Jobs."

Werner first honed his craft as a writer for *Inside SI*, and he credits English teachers Elizabeth Purcell and Bobby Gavin and the Nature/Nexus class with nurturing his talents.

He also befriended Kevin Feeney '04, who published *Thought Magazine*, a literary journal that featured professional writers. Feeney invited Werner to be part of a new venture, the Writing Center at 826 Valencia, started by Dave Eggers. "The first day I showed up in 2001, I helped to paint bookshelves and met the man who wrote *A Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius*. Later I attended writing workshops led by both Eggers and Berkeley author Michael Chabon. These top-notch writers were approachable and encouraged me to write my own fiction."

While Werner pursued a degree in English literature at Cal (taking classes from authors Robert Hass and Ishmael Reed), he also worked in San Francisco, this time as an intern with McSweeney's, a publishing house started by Eggers. Werner edited pieces for *McSweeney's Quarterly* and *Believer Magazine*, wrote essays and published interviews with artists, writers and musicians. He found himself in the heart of the Bay Area writing community and even helped Amy Tan with other McSweeney's interns when she moved out of her home.

"I saw how writers lived, with most just scraping by and others living in Pacific Heights with homes filled with museum-quality furniture."

After graduating from Cal, Werner worked for a local educational publisher before deciding to pursue a master's degree from the University of Edinburgh, where he wrote his thesis on McSweeney's Voice of Witness series, which publishes oral histories of people living through human rights crises around the world.

He also did some oral history work of his own. "People in Scotland are fascinated by America's hip-hop scene," said Werner, who satisfied their curiosity by interviewing Oakland musicians for the university's radio station and then playing their music. (Werner would later use those interviews for his second book, *Oakland in Popular Memory*, which has sold several hundred copies and earned a mention on *The Huffington Post*, which ran an excerpt of Werner's book last June.)

"People are shocked to learn that Oakland has an amazing art and music scene," said Werner. "When I tell them I was born there, they ask how many drive-by shootings I have witnessed."

Werner publishes his books under the Thought Publishing imprint. "After Kevin Feeney stopped publishing *Thought Magazine*, I asked him if I could take over the name and publish my own titles with it."

Werner also uses the help of a cousin who works as a printer and an uncle who is a bookbinder. He uses archival-quality paper so that his work will last. "In a digital world of increasing speed and mechanization, I still like to print books that are hand-bound." ∞



Eight students, accompanied by Spanish teacher Carlos Gazulla and Community Service Director Windi Wahlert, went to Arlington, VA, between Nov. 15 and 18 for the **Ignatian Family Teach In for Justice**. Students listened to talks on immigration, death penalty, rights for workers, sustainability and stewardship. They also reflected and prayed together with more than 1,000 people representing Jesuit universities, high schools and parishes from around the country. Photo by Carlos Gazulla.



Team AMDG (All Moms, Dads and Grads) came out in force for the **Your Next Step is the Cure** walk in honor of Jill Costello '06. More than 240 members of the SI community came and raised \$10,000 for the Bonnie J. Addario Lung Cancer Foundation.



The SI Parents of the Asian Students Coalition (SIPAC) held its annual **PASKO Christmas party** Dec. 8 in the Carlin Commons. This Filipino-themed dinner celebration featured a student fashion show, singers and dancers as well as sumptuous food, raffle prizes and dancing. Towards the end of the evening, SIPAC parents staged a surprise Gangnam-style dance number.



Two inspiring teachers honored for service and excellence

Above: Shannon Vanderpol (in green) with her students.

Below: Top row, from right, is Shannon Vanderpol; third from right is Anna Kegulski '09, who nominated Vanderpol for the award. The photo was taken in a Katrina-damaged home in New Orleans that the SI immersion group renovated.

Two teachers received honors this fall, one for her inspiring service and the other for academic excellence.

The California League of High Schools named SI Latin teacher Grace Curcio Educator of the Year for District 4 on Nov. 8. She is one of the finalists for state Educator of the Year, which will be awarded this March.

In addition, Shannon Vanderpol, who teaches religious studies and works in campus ministry, was named a Symetra Hero in the Classroom (presented by Wells Fargo and the San Francisco 49ers), and received

a surprise visit Aug. 30 when Tyson Lamp, a sales executive for the team, presented her with a series of gifts and the school with a \$1,000 check. (She plans to donate the money to the financial aid fund for SI's Immersion Program.)

Vanderpol was also honored, along with one other teacher, during the halftime show of the 49ers-Lions game on Sept.

16, when she received a jersey and ball signed by the team. She also received a \$250 gift card for Office Max and two VIP field passes for the game.

Also on hand to honor Vanderpol was Linda Low, store manager at the Wells Fargo branch at 32nd and Noriega, one of the sponsoring businesses.

Vanderpol received the award based on a nomination by Anna Kegulski '09, who took part in the New Orleans Immersion in 2008 that Vanderpol led. The strength of Kegulski's letter convinced the judges at

Symetra and Wells Fargo to name her as one of 32 recipients from a field of 250 nominees.

On the New Orleans immersion trip, Vanderpol and nine SI students rebuilt homes and helped with Katrina clean-up efforts. That experience left a lasting impact on Kegulski. In her nomination form, she wrote that she "was taught and finally practiced the idea of accompaniment, which redefines the idea of help and fully embraces the Jesuit motto by urging others to live alongside those in need."

Vanderpol, Kegulski added, "was the first person ever to exemplify this vague notion of accompaniment. She embodies the notion of a woman for others. Whether you are her colleague, friend or a stranger looking for guidance, you will be able to find unconditional care and respect from Shannon."

Current SI students also sang Vanderpol's praises, including Carly Priest '14. A soccer player at SI coached by Vanderpol, she noted that "Coach V. took what it meant to be a coach and a teacher to a whole new level."

Candace Hagey '14, one of Vanderpol's students, added that "Ms. V. is always there for us, both inside and outside the classroom."

Her "poise and strength opens up a whole new world [for us in the classroom], added Ella Presher '14.

Vanderpol praised her colleagues, adding that "SI has countless heroes in the classroom, and I am blessed to be surrounded by colleagues who inspire and shape me as a teacher with their example of love and dedication. Our students are open and inquisitive. They deeply desire to connect with ideas and with people. Teaching is relational, and I value the mutual respect and care shown among teachers and students."

Curcio received her award (as well as a plaque, a gift basket and an iPad mini) after a nomination by SI Principal Patrick Ruff, who called Curcio "simply one of the brightest, most creative and dedicated teachers



I have been blessed to work with. Grace's excellence not only brings great benefit upon her students, but her contributions to her colleagues and the school continued to make all of us better."

In his letter of nomination, he cited Curcio's "infectious, inspiring and enthusiastic passion for Latin. Not surprisingly, Grace's students absolutely love coming to her class."

Ruff also praised her work as a department chair, a job where she "created and sustained a department culture that respects all viewpoints; she consistently models effective interpersonal skills with her colleagues, always communicating in a gentle yet direct manner."

In her speech to the judges at the event, Curcio noted that she feels "truly blessed to be a teacher. Fortune smiled and led me to SI, where I'm surrounded by a top-notch community of excellent educators who are also excellent people. My students are charismatic, spirited learners who believe me when I tell them that grammar is fun. I love Latin, and I get paid to convince teenagers that they love it, too. And my desire to grow as a teacher, within and beyond our walls, is met by school administrators with support, enthusiasm and the resources to pursue my goals."

Curcio combines her love for Latin with innovative teaching tools. After one student asked for help reviewing lessons, Curcio began posting 5-minute demonstrations using the ShowMe app. "The iPad is the latest super tool to come to our classrooms, and Eric Castro '92, SI's educational technologist, provides numerous tutorials, both virtual and actual. My students' desire to hear correct pronunciation more than just in class led me to use iMovie (and now StudyBlue) to present images of flashcards together with a recording of myself saying the words. Who wouldn't want to hear Latin vocabulary in her teacher's dulcet tones?"

She and fellow Latin teacher Mary McCarty also stage a popular Roman banquet each year, as well as a fashion

show, where students hand-make their own *vestimenta Romana*. "The classroom becomes a catwalk, complete with photo backdrop and pumping soundtrack."

Curcio also works with state's Junior Classical League, acting as chair of the state Certamen, a quiz bowl tournament with questions on grammar, vocabulary, derivatives, daily life, history, mythology and mottoes, all rooted in the classical world. She collaborates with Latin teachers and students throughout the state regarding rules and expectations and editing or adding questions. "It's a wonderful opportunity to promote Latin throughout the state and to prepare students to represent California at the National tournament," said Curcio.

One reason Curcio is so popular among her students is that they sense how much she loves to learn. "I'll try anything I learn from workshops, from colleagues or from my students. I read their evaluations of me closely and solicit advice every year from them. Each year, I find one or two ideas that I try to implement. I'm amazed what I have learned from my students."

A retinue of SI supporters attended the awards ceremony, including Castro, SI dance instructor Meredith Galvin '97, SI math instructor Naj Abrao, Patrick Ruff and Assistant Principal for Academics Carole Nickolai. Her family also came to lend support, including her husband, Sal Curcio, who teaches religious studies at Sacred Heart Cathedral College Preparatory, and her parents, Diony and Rose Gamoso. "I knew they would make me laugh and keep me calm, as I was nervous speaking before the judges."

Curcio also admitted to being "a little embarrassed to receive this award. Really, any SI teacher could have been the nominee. I still feel a little bit of 'why me and not one of my colleagues?' But I'm getting over feeling uncomfortable, terrified and nervous and starting to feel grateful and honored." ∞

Kate Whittingham '14 contributed to this piece.

Grace Curcio (center, in red) with one of her Latin classes at SI.



John Ottersberg, left, with SI students on the Salinas immersion trip along with children at Camphora labor camp outside Soledad.



Students immerse themselves in the lives of farmers and migrant workers in Salinas

After three hours working the fields of Salinas harvesting lettuce, eight members of SI's class of 2013 had had enough. They were exhausted.

Then they looked to their right and left, at the migrant farm workers who work the fields 14 hours each day, sometimes with no days off.

"Any thought that migrant workers aren't hard working was immediately dispelled," said John Ottersberg, a member of the SI campus ministry team.

"Nor could they believe how much food they were able to harvest by gleaning the field after the farm workers had been through once."

The SI students eventually sent that food to the Second Harvest Food Bank

and other agencies as part of their summer immersion experience.

Ottersberg accompanied Rebecca Ash, Nicole Vincelette, Danny O'Malley, Natalia Keohane, Lauren Liebes, Ronald Patrick Lynch, Dennis MacInnis and Lisa Lie for two weeks in Salinas in June. They also led a summer camp for children of migrant workers in Soledad, worked at and visited farms and helped at Dorothy's Kitchen, which feeds the hungry in Salinas.

At Dorothy's Kitchen, the group met some of Salinas' homeless community, including a man who goes by Matrix. "He was so open to all of us and told us how people often unfairly judge him," said Liebes. "They assume, because he is homeless, that he

spends all his money on alcohol or drugs. He reminded us that not all homeless people are helpless and told us that he was actively looking for a good job."

Keohane admitted she was reluctant, at first, to venture to Salinas. "I had heard nothing but bad news about the area, but I set a goal of looking past stereotypes and opening myself to new experiences, ideas and relationships."

Students also visited Alba Farms, which trains farm workers to make the transition to owning their own organic farms. "Alba helps migrant workers by showing them everything they need to know, from putting seeds in the ground to marketing their crop and financing future planting," said Ottersberg.

Alba also partners with Whole Foods so that farmers who become part of Alba's co-op have a market for their produce.

Students then worked at Tanimura and Antle, a Salinas farm known for its exemplary employment practices. "That company offers better pay and working conditions than some of the other farms in the valley," said Ottersberg. "They also are the first to use new, labor-saving technologies that allow workers to load more cases per hour and, ultimately, make more money."

That farm received a loan from the United Farm Workers years ago, a loan that saved the farm from bankruptcy. "The company's policies derive from that history."

For the second week, students set up a summer camp at Camphora labor camp in Soledad for children, ages 5 to 15, of migrant workers. "They live in bare-bones concrete-block buildings with cement floor, electricity and water and little else," said Ottersberg. "Children who live there have no resources, so we brought in sporting equipment and books."

Each day, the SI students taught reading, played sports and led arts and crafts projects. For the last day, the immersion group set up a carnival and an obstacle course for the children. "Some of the older children felt 'too cool' for it at first," said Liebes. "But then they saw just how fun it was. As we left, the reality sunk in that we weren't returning the next day. It was devastating seeing their sad faces."

Ottersberg was impressed seeing the students reading to kindergarteners and also felt saddened watching students "walking

back to their homes with nothing to do for the rest of the summer."

They also returned to lives where exposure to pesticides and long work hours are the norm. "We didn't need health experts to tell us about the dangers of long-term exposure to pesticides. We saw enough evidence to know this first-hand."

The trip taught the SI students an important lesson, Ottersberg added. "They now know the connection between the food on their plate and the people who are working hard to put it there every day."

For O'Malley, the trip "brought me closer to who I am and to who I want to become. I will never forget the faces of the people we served."

SALINAS REFLECTION BY NICOLE VINCELETTE '13

On the Salinas Immersion trip I learned about the many injustices that affect this diverse community, and I experienced life through a new set of eyes. I picked strawberries with Enrique at Alba Farms, I helped Stella make beef stew for the clients at Dorothy's Place, and I played with the children of migrant workers at Camphora. The amazing people I met on the trip face social injustices on a daily basis, but not one person let these obstacles become setbacks or determine who they were. Instead, they moved past stereotypes and never lost sight of what is truly important in life. Living in solidarity with those around us, we found joy and love in the unexpected. Materialistic possessions are not what bring us together.

Support from our community is what unites us and encourages us to become human beings fully alive. ∞



Wilfred Okuli, who was forced to serve as a child soldier in Africa, came to speak with students at SI on Oct. 2. Pictured with him are seniors Christine Fraher (left) and Mackenzie Schuller of SI's **Invisible Children Club**, which works to end the abduction of children to serve as soldiers and sex slaves around the world.



Shirley LaMarr, third from left, spoke to students at SI about her experiences being incarcerated, helping prisoners and assisting ex-convicts succeed outside of prison. She was featured in the spring 2012 edition of *Genesis* along with a story about her written by Jim Dekker '68, who organized her SI talk.



Today's Youth Matter creates partnership with SI to help children in dire need



Top: Members of the Today's Youth Matter Club, including moderator (right) Anne Stricherz and club presidents (front row, from left) Janie Kaprosch '14, Molly McFadden '14 and Nicole Fite '14.
Above: Marilyn Siden and Tucker Farrar of TYM.

For the past 10 years, more than 500 SI students have worked one-on-one with the children who need help the most. Some of the children have drug-addicted parents. Others come from foster homes, shelters or low-performing schools. Still others are battered or abused.

Today's Youth Matter, a Christian-based organization, pairs SI students with TYM campers for summer experiences and other year-round activities.

Even though SI requires 100 hours of community service, most Ignatians eagerly return each summer to spend time with at-risk kids, and they have even formed a TYM Club led by moderator Anne Stricherz.

Other students have even gone the extra mile to fund-raise for the organization, founded in 1990 by Executive Director Marilyn Siden.

"I've never met a group of young people so dedicated, caring and willing to serve as SI students," said Siden. "They are remarkable. They come with joy and energy, and the experience knocks them flat on their backs emotionally. At first, they are like deer caught in headlights, but they always rise to the challenge as they have depth of character."

Siden cites a fund-raising walk began several years ago by Becca Bedford '11, a TYM volunteer. The first year, she helped the group raise \$40,000, and participants have grown from 40 to 140 over the past three years.

"I had a call from one mother who had sent her seven kids to our camp. She asked if she could bring her brother's two children, as their mother had committed suicide two weeks prior and the father had been arrested

on drug charges. One of her guardian children was 8-year-old Terrance, who was born with fetal alcohol syndrome. He's so short, that most people believe he's 4 years old. When he arrived at the start of the benefit walk, he saw 100 SI students forming an arch to greet him and the other kids. He saw hula hoops and bubbles and began darting from one activity to another."

Siden paired him with August Peters '12, a captain on SI's football team. "I asked August to hang with Terrance, and they were inseparable for the 3-mile walk. By the end, Terrance was on August's shoulders. The two walked to a table filled with desserts donated by a fancy restaurant. I watched as Terrance tried to choose what one dessert to eat. August saw this, grabbed a plate, and filled it with one of each dessert. Terrance's face just lit up. Later that summer, Terrance was on August's team at summer camp."

Terrance was also among 20 TYM kids from Richmond and Pittsburg who came to watch SI's football team beat Riordan Oct. 20. SI's team included eight TYM counselors, including Matt Emery '13. His mother, Dana Emery, organized the event and provided Wildcat t-shirts, hot dogs and drinks for the TYM children during the game and a pizza party afterwards where they told stories of their favorite camp memories.

Students were escorted to the Riordan game by Tucker Farrar, TYM's program director, who was the first to inspire SI students to be involved with his organization thanks to his friendship with Hunter Fairman '05, a family friend. "She loved it so much that she thought other kids from SI would enjoy it too," said Farrar.

The next summer, in 2005, SI sent 10 students to TYM. This last summer, 106 SI students took part in the program over eight 5-day sessions at a Boy Scout Camp in Livermore. Students also help during other sessions during the rest of the year, taking TYM kids snowboarding, skiing, rafting and rock climbing.

The one-to-one ratio allows SI students and 200 TYM participants each year to develop close, healing relationships. The evangelization that happens is indirect, added Siden. "Our goal is to love kids the way Jesus loves us. We don't preach too much, but when kids ask why we are helping them, we share our faith and remind them that God loves us with no strings attached and that we can't ever turn off that love."

The group uses Bible stories and campfire skits to teach values such as integrity and courage. They also spend time teaching SI students about the places where TYM campers come from. "There are food deserts in West Oakland where you won't find a grocery store for miles," added Siden. "If a mother who is using drugs forgets to make dinner and throws a few dollars on the table for her kids to buy food, all they will eat will be chips and soda bought at a liquor store."

Nicole Fite '14, who heads SI's TYM Club along with Janie Kaposch '14 and Molly McFadden '14, calls her summer camp experience "the most unexpected life-changing roller coaster ride I have ever experienced. I went to help to make a difference, but I didn't expect



to meet a little girl would make a difference for me. She taught me to own up to more responsibility, to love unconditionally and to appreciate all the blessings I have in my life."

Julia Murphy '14 agrees. "I struggled for a bit during the first few days of camp. I felt as if I were putting in so much work and love for the girls and getting little respect back. By the last day, I had made close friends whom I now see as family. I realized I needed to be there to love them with all of my heart. I never realized how much I could change a life."

For more information on the TYM, go to www.tymkids.org.

A dozen TYM campers from the Richmond and Pittsburg areas cheered the Wildcats as they took on Riordan Oct 20. Eight of the football players had served as summer camp team leaders for TYM. Dana Emery, mother of receiver Matt Emery '13, helped organize the outing and bought the TYM boys SI t-shirts, hot dogs and drinks. After the game, the SI students and youngsters met for pizza and stories. Pictured with them, front row right, is Tucker Farrar, program director for TYM.



Students in AP Chemistry worked together to figure out their own procedures and equipment to collect data to solve for various solutions. "They loved the lab," said instructor Michelle Wynn. "They had a great time solving the mystery. Each group succeeded in determining the identity of the solutions and then explained how the lab connected to the unit we were working on. They also discussed sources of error and possible roadblocks with their procedures." Wynn also had her students develop a game of "Proton Volleyball" to explain the mechanisms of Bronsted Lowry Acids and Bases. When they finished developing the game, they went to the gym to try it out.



More than two dozen students and teachers donated hair to **Beautiful Lengths: Hair That Brings Hope**. The Nov. 19 event brought stylists to SI who helped students donate their hair to make wigs for people undergoing treatment for cancer. SI's Cancer Awareness and Support Club, moderated by Donna Murphy and Brice Campoverdi, organized the event.



Students experience Campaign 2012 with tweets, blogs and town hall debates

Joe Sheehy '99 (front row, right) visited students in Justin Christensen's AP Government class in December after live tweeting from the Democratic National Convention for all the AP Government students. He serves as legislative director for Rep. Grace Napolitano, D-Calif.

From the floor of the Democratic National Convention in Charlotte, NC, last September, Joe Sheehy '99 tweeted a photo of former Florida Governor Charlie Crist.

Across the continent, AP government students at SI saw the photo along with Sheehy's question: "Why is he here, and why is it important?"

The legislative director for Rep. Grace Napolitano of California's 38th District, Sheehy tweeted throughout the convention to help students better understand the political process.

The answer to the question, by the way, is that prominent Republicans generally don't come to Democratic National Conventions to support Democratic presidential candidates, as Crist did in praising Obama.

Sheehy's connection with SI's AP government classes go beyond his being an alumnus. He and Justin Christensen, one of two AP Government teachers at SI, grew up a few blocks apart and carpoled to Stuart Hall for years before going their separate ways to high school.

"Justin always wanted me to speak to his classes, but we could never work it out," said Sheehy. "Then I learned he was using social media in his class, and we came up with the idea of creating hashtags for each of the SI government classes, so they could follow my tweets and reply."

Sheehy tweeted his observations and questions from behind-the-scenes at the Democratic National Convention. He also tweeted a photo of LA Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa. "Given how much he was being highlighted, I asked students if they thought he would be the next California governor. That question generated a great discussion among SI students."

The other two government teachers, John Stiegeler '74 and Danielle Devencenzi '97 (who teaches the College Prep Government class and who chairs the Social Science Department), loved the interaction on Twitter. Devencenzi praised the way students tweeted during the conventions and the debates. "Students were at their own homes, but we were still together as a class, linked by Twitter as we watched on television or listened on radio."

Students reacted in real time to what they heard. They checked facts in analyzing the points made by both President Obama and Mitt Romney. They then tweeted their findings.

Fiona Blumenthal '13 enjoyed the process. "I had never done anything like that before, and it was informative hearing from so many students at once."

Courtney Carter '13 enjoyed watching what topics were trending across Twitter. "When Romney mentioned 'binders full of women,' that exploded across Twitter. More importantly, the whole process helped inform my opinions." Students also shared

tweets as they watched the Republican National Convention. "If I missed something or didn't hear a comment, I'd read a tweet about it and be able to respond," added Ellenor Harkin '13.

Some students even tweeted photos of themselves watching the debates with their parents. "Social media helped engage students in both the conventions and debates," said Devencenzi, who also praised the blogs written by students, which included research, photographs, videos and hyperlinks.

"We also hoped to teach appropriate use of technology and social media," said Stiegeler. "That's most important for high school students, who need to know just how to have a positive online presence while maintaining appropriate privacy."

Students learned first hand about the power and immediacy of social media sites. "If someone tweets about Obama or Romney, rest assured that someone will tweet back," added Devencenzi. "That person will be heard, and it will be quick. For example, students learned about the hate speech on Twitter about Obama that followed his re-election and were surprised when they saw a chart showing that it was coming from all of the U.S., not just from the South, which they had assumed."

In addition to using social media, 56 seniors role-played Barack Obama, Mitt Romney, Joe Biden, and Paul Ryan in 20 town-hall-style debates on the day of the election. They had to answer questions submitted by freshmen and sophomores.

To challenge students to leave their comfort zones, teachers first had students identify themselves as leaning toward either Republican or Democratic positions. Then students were assigned to represent the side opposite from theirs.

"One senior, a staunch Republican, was first annoyed when I asked him to role play President Obama," said Devencenzi. "He wanted to represent his views to the underclassmen. At the end of the debate, he told me that he was glad for the experience as he grew in his understanding of the other side and was thus better able to argue his own side."

The three teachers designed the debates to help students go beyond deciding whom to support. "The class asks students to analyze what helps a candidate win," said Christensen, "We looked deeper at the campaigns, polling and media coverage. We didn't get bogged down with arguing about whose side we were on."

The government classes represent a culminating course in the Social Science Department. Students must answer essential questions such as, "How do the American people, linkage institutions and policymaking institutions interact in the creation and implementation of public policy? What are the strengths and weaknesses of the American political system? How will I participate in the American political system on issues that call me to action?"

Students also used social media before the election. In September, they heard Tim Arango, *New York Times* Baghdad bureau chief, on NPR's *Fresh Air* discuss the documentary *Page One: Inside the New York Times*. "On a whim, I sent him a tweet asking if he would be willing to answer questions from our students," said Christensen. "He tweeted me back from Baghdad, agreeing to this."

Both Stiegeler and Christensen then had their students collaborate on five questions for him. "Students were quite moved by his replies," said Stiegeler. "They developed a real appreciation for what it means to be a war correspondent." (To read Arango's responses, go to www.siprep.org/news.)

Sheehy hopes that Christensen, Devencenzi and Stiegeler continue using social media as a teaching tool. "Government teachers need to train a new generation to become an informed electorate. Social media helps engage students in new and powerful ways. Certainly politicians know this. Every member of the Senate and House has a Facebook page and most use Twitter. They are great tools for interacting with constituents and educating them on the issues as current events are playing out." ∞

Below, from left, seniors Marcus Holzberg, Patrick Tooker, Jack McGovern (standing) and Lucy Lotz took part in a town hall debate along with fellow seniors taking AP Government. The audience of freshmen and sophomore World History students posed questions to the debaters, who represented both Republicans and Democrats running for president and vice president.

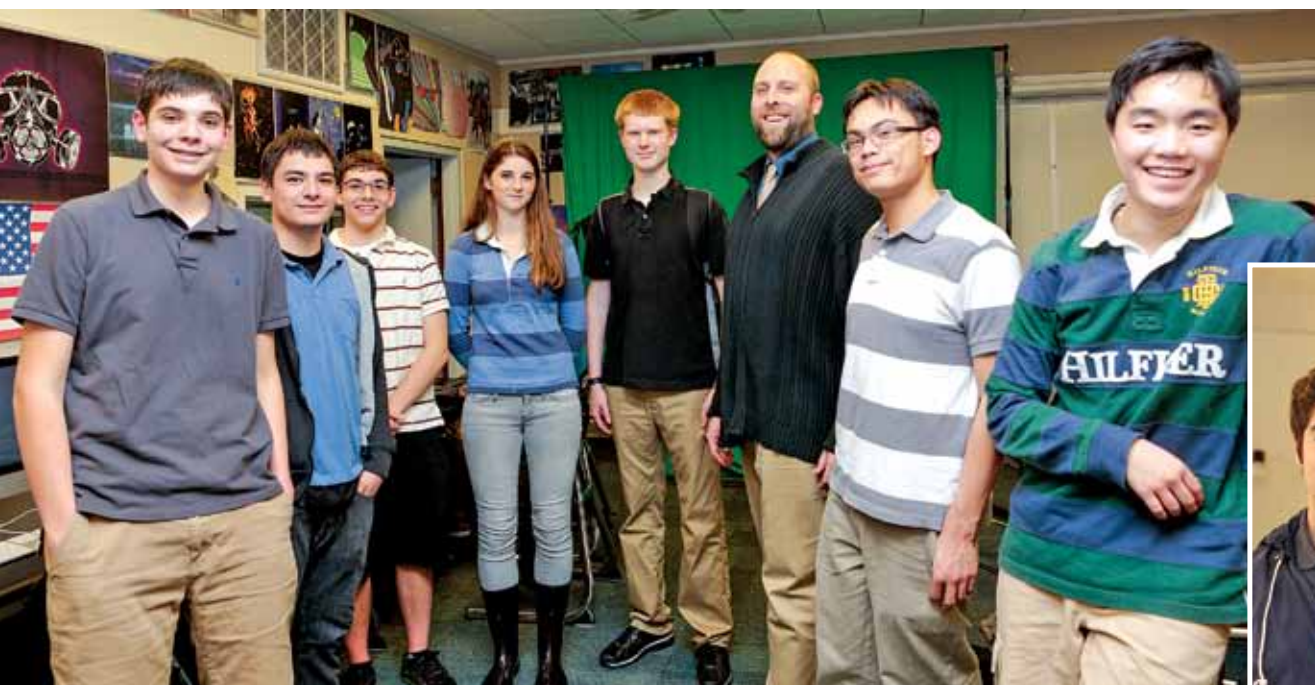


FRAMING GOD IN ALL THINGS

SI students won most of the prizes issued by *The Jesuit Post's* national photo/video contest: "Framing God in All Things." Grand Prize photo winner was senior Phoebe Boosalis with her photo taken at Venice Beach (right); other winners included Jaqueline Monetta '14 (honorable mention, video); Deedee Anderson '15 (video winner week 2) and Keefe Tiu '16, who was the weekly photo winner all four weeks and the video winner in weeks 3 and 4. The contest was sponsored by the California Province of the Society of Jesus to promote Jesuit hallmarks such as A.M.D.G. and Men and Women with and for Others.



Left: Members of SI's Media X Club with moderator Don Gamble, including filmmakers Matt Ignao (2nd from right) and Will Kim (right). Below, from left, Shant Kilijian and Nate Reutiman were part of the team that made the winning video. Go to tinyurl.com/antibullyvideo to see their work.



Students win citywide anti-bullying video contest

Four students in SI's Media X Club won first place in the Bye Bye Bullying video contest sponsored by the office of the District Attorney for San Francisco.

Matt Ignao '13, Will Kim '15, Nate Reutiman '15 and Shant Kilijian '16 borrowed the structure of Direct TV's ads that begin, "When you pay too much for cable..."

Their video, entitled "Stop the Cycle of Violence," begins with the words "When you get bullied as a child, you feel miserable and unwanted." Subsequent scenes show a student learning to defend himself by turning to an ancient warrior for training, gaining mystical powers and becoming a bully himself.

The humorous video ends on a serious note, citing statistics about the extent of

bullying across the country. "We thought we could be both light-hearted at first and serious at the end," said Ignao. "We hoped our balanced approach would make the film more approachable."

The four boys won in one of three categories and earned more points for their work than any other video submitted.

The boys attended a Dec. 3 awards ceremony where San Francisco District Attorney George Gascón honored their efforts. Their winning film was also shown in part on local news stations that night.

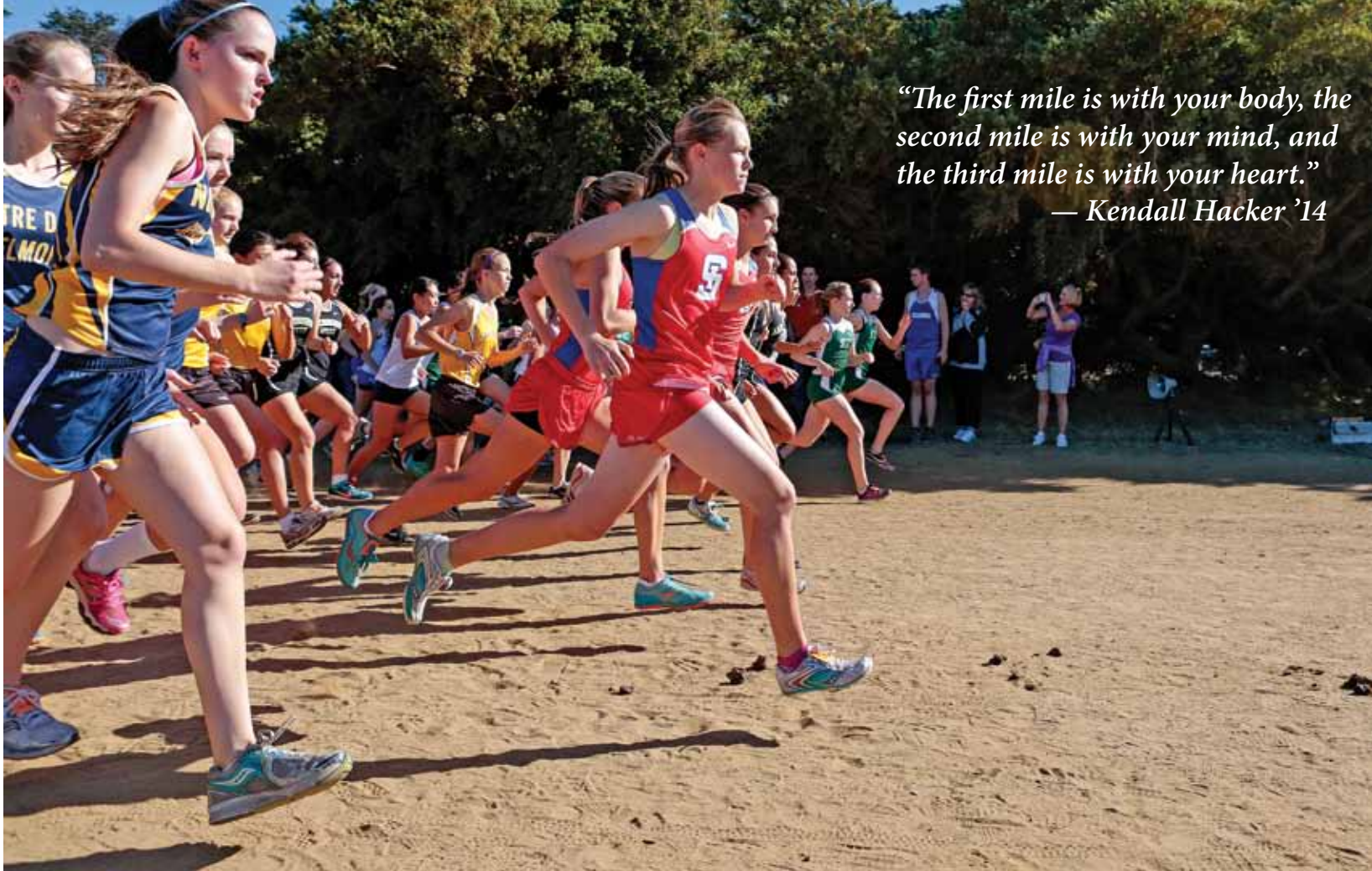
The four collaborated on the script, using elements of anime, a passion of Ignao's, and plot lines from *The Karate Kid*, Reutiman's contribution.

Kilijian spent hours using Adobe After Effects to design and render animated elements in the film, and each of the boys researched facts about bullying.

The boys first heard about the contest from club moderator Don Gamble, and the three approached club president Ignao to enter the contest. Gamble suggested improvements along the way, such as the addition of multiple camera angles. "He helped us when we started going off track," said Kim. "He also told us not to be afraid to do retakes and to fine tune as we went along."

Gamble also drove students to film locations, such as the Palace of Fine Arts and Fort Point.

They hope those who see their video will take it seriously and question their own actions. ∞



“The first mile is with your body, the second mile is with your mind, and the third mile is with your heart.”

— Kendall Hacker '14

Junior Kendall Hacker takes four first-place finishes in cross-country

BY GEORGE RAINE

Here's what you need to know about cross country running, courtesy of Kendall Hacker '14, the WCAL and CCS league champion:

“The first mile is with your body, the second mile is with your mind, and the third mile is with your heart.”

That's deceptively simple, but so true, and it's the same blend of physical fitness, mental toughness and the will of a tenacious competitor that powered Hacker to three consecutive first-place wins this year, by considerable margins, en route to a championship season.

“She just didn't win them,” said Jerilynn Kenny, the SI girls' cross country head coach. “She really ran away with them.” Indeed, Hacker dominated in her three WCAL races in October: Oct. 3, 18:48 minutes, which was 83 seconds faster than second place; Oct. 17, 18:19 minutes, 37 seconds ahead of second place, and Oct. 31, 18:03, 13 seconds better than second place.

On Nov. 10, in the 2012 CCS cross country running championship, she won individually with a time of 18:29 minutes. The SI girls

cross country team came in second with 74 points and the boy's team won their race for the second year in a row, with 64 points.

The Pacifica resident ran in her first track meet as a second grader and started running regularly in the sixth grade. She qualified for CCS as a freshman and sophomore and was a key contributor to the team's success.

These are punishing races, won by athletes who push themselves no matter the pain or the difficulty, said Hacker. That takes her back to the runner's triptych of body, mind and heart, and she walks us through how to get to a runner's high:

“The first mile you have it good, you are running. The second you start to get tired. You tell yourself to push, to start focusing and thinking. And the third you are tired, you are hurting, you're thinking this is so hard, this is so hard, and you have to have that desire to keep going and pushing. You have to find your motivation.”

There is a payoff. “I can't say it is the most enjoyable thing to do, but it is very gratifying,” said Hacker, “especially afterward. It is like, ‘Wow, I did this and it's great.’”

At 16, Hacker's concept of competition is nuanced and sophisticated. And, noted Kenny, Hacker is humble.

“I like to compete to improve myself,” said Hacker. “Everyone runs her own race, and the only person you can improve is yourself. I like to think of competitors as people who can push me to do better for myself. However, it's good if you beat them because it helps the team's goals.”

To succeed in 3-mile cross country races, Kenny coaches her athletes in the fundamentals of distance running, having them run many miles in a nearly year-round cycle. She praised Hacker for her diligence in training and for “believing in herself as a runner. She comes out every day and puts in the work. She is focused.”

One of the best things about cross country, added Hacker, is the team camaraderie. “We are always there for each other.” ∞

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The varsity football team celebrated after its Nov. 30 overtime victory against Bellarmine at San Jose City College. Below, junior Elijah Dale proved a powerhouse on the field, rushing for two TDs to give SI the victory.



Wildcats repeat as section champions, earn berth in Nor-Cal Bowl

BY CHUCK NAN '79

A year ago, SI's varsity football team finished the 2011 season with a CCS Division III championship, one that proved a triumphant crescendo following an energy-charged playoff run.

For an encore, the 'Cats went even farther – perhaps the farthest any SI team has ever gone – finishing first in the CCS Open Division by beating Bellarmine in overtime and taking second in Northern California, one game shy of a trip down south to the state championship.

Only the 1962 and 1963 football teams could claim more success, with 19 straight wins and a national ranking (along with one other high school) as best in the country. (Those seasons preceded the formation of the CCS, which offered its first football championship in 1972, and the NorCal Bowl, which began this year.)

In addition, the junior varsity team earned the WCAL title with a perfect 7-0 mark and an overall record of 9-1, promising great things for next year's varsity.

After an opening game loss at Marin Catholic in September, SI's varsity had a strong season, finishing

third in the WCAL with a well-rounded squad blessed with more athletic weapons than in years past.

Captain Comeback Jack Stinn '13 returned as the quarterback and exemplified both SI's success and growth over the years. His 24 touchdown passes and 2,400-plus yards passing solidified him as one of the best at his position in school history.

SI proved to be road warriors as they played just three games at J.B. Murphy Field all season. That never impacted their success as they systematically took to the road and handled opponents as they came.

Mid-season, the 'Cats had a bit of a dip as it faced tough league foes Bellarmine and Serra. The Bellarmine game was a hard-fought, seesaw battle that saw SI fall by a touchdown. The next week at Serra, SI ran into an offensive buzz saw and dropped another game.

After ending the season with a solid victory over Mitty, SI's record stood at 5-2 in the WCAL and 7-3 overall, vaulting it to the highest rung of the CCS post-season ladder, the Open Division. The last time SI had competed on this level was 2004 when it lost in the first round.

For the 2011 playoffs, Stinn led his team twice to victory in gallant post-season fourth-quarter drives. He





did the same this year in the semifinals against Mitty, beating the Monarchs 25–22. This came on the heels of a dominant quarterfinal win at Palma (Salinas), 49–14.

In the Nov. 30 CCS championship game at San Jose City College – Bellarmine’s home turf – SI came back from a slow start and a bevy of penalties to tie the game in the middle of the fourth quarter 7–7. SI’s most pivotal play of the season may have been their resilient and unyielding goal-line stand on a fourth-down play at the 1-yard line. With just over one minute remaining, they repelled the Bells’ threat and sent the game into overtime.

After the Bells tallied a field goal, SI took possession, and on their first play of overtime, Elijah Dale took a handoff, swept 10 yards left and powered for a touchdown. The 13–10 upset victory resulted in elation on and off the field and catapulted SI into the CIF Division I Nor-Cal Regional Bowl.

“We were able to execute at the right time,” said Coach John Regalia ’93. “Our second-half focus was to stay in the game and successfully take advantage of the few opportunities we would get and to limit Bellarmine’s ability to make big plays. The team had confidence in that approach.”

On Dec. 7, SI faced Granite Bay at Sacramento State University for the right to travel to Carson the following weekend to play for a state title. Despite a valiant effort by the team, the Grizzlies proved too formidable, thumping the ’Cats 45–17 before winning the state D1 crown the following week. That game did have several bright spots, including one for Stinn who surpassed the 5,000-yard mark for career passes.

Even with that defeat, SI won 11 of its last 14 away games in the past two seasons thanks to the masterful game planning of the coaching staff who proved to other coaches around the league that SI had turned the corner and was now a resident on the block. Each week, Regalia’s staff shifted the focus of the offense among a myriad of capable athletes at key positions to perplex and slow opposing coaches and their defensive schemes. The staff was able to capitalize on its running or passing games or blend the two.

“I cannot be more proud of our coaching staff at all levels,” said Regalia. “The amount of time and commitment by them, dating as far back as January, is extraordinary. Their level of preparation and mentoring these young men is huge.”

Receiver Andrew Vollert ’13 had a monster season, leading the league in every meaningful statistical category. The 6-foot, 5-inch senior hauled in 62 receptions for 1,059 yards and 15 touchdowns.

Senior tri-captains Noah Bull and Albert Waters III (along with Stinn) were experienced leaders in their third-year with the varsity. Bull once again was the cornerstone on defense, leading the league in tackles. Waters snagged six interceptions and scored touchdowns in every possible fashion on the gridiron.

Bull was named the CCS Defensive Player of the Year by Cal-Hi Sports Bay Area, and Dan Harris, an executive producer with Cal-Hi Sports, praised Bull for his “extraordinary contributions on the field.”

Juniors Dale and Joe Lang showed they are building blocks for next year’s team with their consistent play. Dale amassed more than 1,500 yards rushing along with 17 touchdowns. His season included two games where he rushed 225 yards or more. In one contest, he scored a remarkable five touchdowns. Lang emerged as a reliable receiver and made his biggest contributions in the post-season run. In those four games, he collected 17 receptions for 360 yards and two scores.

“Our program’s structure has been in place for a while,” said Regalia. “We strive for high levels of leadership, ownership and competition from all our players. This was a mature group who believed in their commitment to the program and to each other.”

Regalia praised the players for their continued focus on preparation, facing opponents in the tough WCAL each week. “They found ways to challenge each other while still challenging themselves. This created the competitive spirit that allowed us to stay on track. After a couple of losses, we were able to work through the adversity.” ∞

BOYS’ FOOTBALL

Coaches: John Regalia, assisted by Gino Benedetti, Curt Hagfeldt, Gustavo Manzanares, Reggie Redmond, Marcel Thompson, Rob Unruh; student managers Molly McFadden, Shae McGuinness, Lauren Tetrev; student trainer Jessica Nasrah; JV Head Coach Brian Kelly, assisted by Erik Cota, Tim Caraher, Danny Zarkin; Freshman Head Coach Owen Maguire assisted by Brian Keaney, Mark Ilarina and Chris Dunn.

Records: 5–2 league, 10–4 overall.

Highlights: Pre-season wins over Terra Nova 46–26 and Menlo Atherton 31–7. WCAL victories over Valley Christian 42–28, Sacred Heart Cathedral 35–21, Saint Francis 22–7, Archbishop Riordan 31–0 and Archbishop Mitty 21–7. CCS Open Division Tournament: SI defeated Palma 49–14 and Archbishop Mitty 25–22. In the CCS Open Division Championship Game at San Jose City College, the Wildcats defeated Jesuit school rival Bellarmine 13–10 in overtime. Playing for a spot in the state championship game, the Wildcats fell to Granite Bay 45–17 in the NorCal Division I final.

Awards: WCAL 1st Team All-League: Jack Stinn, Noah Bull, Albert Waters III, Elijah Dale, Andrew Vollert, Jack McGovern; 2nd Team All-League: Matt Emery, Thomas Murphy-Piro, August Peters; Honorable Mention: Kevin Blohm, Joe Lang, Connor Hagan; WCAL Most Valuable Quarterback: Jack Stinn; WCAL Most Valuable Wide Receiver: Andrew Vollert; WCAL Most Valuable Linebacker: Noah Bull. **Team Awards:** J.B. Murphy: Noah Bull; Outstanding Backs: Jack Stinn, Albert Waters; Outstanding Linemen: Thomas Murphy-Piro, August Peters; Journeyman: Jack McGovern ∞

SPORTS WRAP

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GIRLS' GOLF

Coaches: Julius Yap, assisted by Bill Olinger.

Records: 10–2 in league.

Highlights: WCAL Round Robin Co-Champions. At the WCAL Tournament at Poplar Creek Golf Course in San Mateo, the team finished third.

Top Individual finishers included Samantha Gong (71), Joy West (83), Amy Abad (83), Lizzy Detert (86) and Pascale Schoshinski (87). At the CCS Championship at Rancho Canada Golf Course in Carmel, SI finished 4th. Individual Scores: 13th place Samantha Gong (77), 27th place Pascale Schoshinski (81), 30th place Jamie West (82), 52nd place Haley Friesch (89), 58th place Lizzy Detert (90).

Graduating Seniors: Pascale Schoshinski, Clara Murphy, Gigi Ruane, Lizzy Detert.

League Awards: First Team All-League: Pascale Schoshinski, Samantha Gong.

Team Awards: Wildcat Award: Pascale Schoshinski; Medalist Awards: Samantha Gong; Coaches Award: Lizzy Detert.

GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL

Coaches: Adriana LeBaron, assisted by Amy LeBrun.

Records: 1–5 league, 9–20 overall.

Highlights: WCAL Tournament: defeated by Presentation 29–27, 25–22, 24–26, 25–8.

League Awards: Honorable Mention: Katrina Samonte.

Graduating Seniors: Katherine Lynch, Rachel



Garrison, Mary Shepherd, Megan Baron, Cat Keane, Tatiana Ranis.

Team Awards: Fighting Spirit Award: Tatiana Ranis; Coaches' Awards: Meagan Baron; Competitor Award: Cat Keane.

BOYS' WATER POLO

Coaches: Daniel Figoni, assisted by Dan McDonnell.

Records: 1–5 league, 17–13 overall.

Highlights: In the Padre Tournament, SI defeated Soquel 16–14, Homestead 18–12 and Gunn High School 13–3. In the WCAL playoffs, the Wildcats defeated Archbishop Mitty 18–13 in the opening round and qualified for the CCS Championships. Seeded seventh, the Wildcats defeated Santa Cruz 13–8 and second-seeded Menlo 8–7 before losing to Los Altos 15–8 in the semifinals.

Graduating Seniors: Patrick Lynch, Michael Mason, Nicholas McSweeney, Michael Vukasin, Henry Holscher, Jonathan Krabbenschmidt, Jeffrey Moon.



League Awards: WCAL 1st Team All-League: Reilley May; WCAL 2nd Team All-League: Patrick Lynch, Max Schaum.

Team Awards: Wildcat Award: Tony Baxter; Coaches' Award: Reilley May; Hustle Award: Nick McSweeney.

GIRLS' WATER POLO

Coaches: Paul Felton, assisted by Annie Green.

Records: 3–3 league, 11–15 overall.

Highlights: In WCAL Tournament, SI defeated Presentation 12–3, lost to St. Francis 11–5 in the semifinals and then defeated Archbishop Mitty in the third-place game 12–11 qualifying for the CCS Championship Tournament. CCS Runners-up: SI defeated San Lorenzo Valley 16–4, and Presentation 9–4, before losing in the championship game to top-seed Sacred Heart Prep 7–5.

Graduating Seniors: Francesca Puccinelli, Maddie Goldstein, Caroline Slevin, Grace Matthews, Susan Providenza, Carla Tocchini, Olivia Sanders, Kathleen Robbins, Samantha Kaplan

League Awards: WCAL 1st Team All-League: Carla Tocchini; 2nd Team: Francesca Puccinelli,



Susan Providenza. Carla Tocchini was named CCS DII player of the year; Francesca Puccinelli was named 1st Team CCS DII, and Susan Providenza named to CCS DII Second Team. All three made the CCS All-Star Team, and Francesca was named MVP of the CCS DI vs. DII game; all three contributed in their win over the NCS all-stars 15-10.

Team Awards: Wildcat Award: Carla Tocchini; Coach's Award: Francesca Puccinelli; Most Inspirational: Caoimhe Slevin.



BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY

Coaches: Nick Alvarado, assisted by Chad Evans, Tom Mannion and Bobby Chen.

Highlights: SI finished second, third and second in the three league meets; at the CCS Championship Meet, SI took first place with 4th Ciaran Murphy 16:14, 5th Patrick Cummins 16:16, 9th Ben Osipow 16:25, 10th Kevin Lehr 16:26 and 36th Eugene Kwan 17:28. At the CIF State Championship Meet, Division III, SI finished 9th: Top Individual Finishers were 9th place Ciaran

Murphy 15:40, 46th Patrick Cummins 16:25, 47th Ben Osipow 16:26, 51st Kevin Lehr 16:28.

League Awards: WCAL 1st Team All-League: Ciaran Murphy.

Team Awards: Riley Suttoff Award: Eugene Kwan; Most Outstanding: Ciaran Murphy; Wildcat Award: Patrick Cummins; Wildcat Award: Andrew Latham.



GIRLS' TENNIS

Coaches: Craig Law assisted by Naj Abrao.

Records: 8-4 league, 12-6 overall.

Highlights: WCAL Round Robin: 3rd place.

Graduating Seniors: Courtney Klender, Briana Megid, Arielle Sacks, Hanna Turley.

League Awards: 1st Team All-League: Jackie Tsodikova; Honorable Mention: Julia Arnette, Kelly Martin, Claudia Fong, Nina Pappas, Hannah Turley.

Team Awards: Brother Artie Lee, S.J. Award: Hanna Turley; Magis Award: Christie Chan; Wildcat Award: Nina Pappas.

GIRLS' FIELD HOCKEY

Coach: Maisa Badawy

Records: 5-8-1 league, 8-11-1 overall.

Highlights: Non-League victories: University 4-0, Marin Catholic 9-0; league victories: Presentation 1-0, Del Mar 2-0, Leigh 1-0, Prospect 2-1, Del Mar 2-1.

Graduating seniors: Lauren Liebes, Megan Wallace, Hailey Carter, Laura Soter, Nicole Vincelette, Courtney Carter, Kay DeGraw, Fiona Blumenthal, Jayne Pizza, MaryClaire Gray.

Team Awards: Wildcat Award: Courtney Carter; Most Improved: Lauren Liebes; Most Improved Defense: MaryClaire Gray.



GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY

Coaches: Jerilyn Caskey, assisted by Tricia Kennedy, Anne Stricherz and Patrick Lannan

Highlights: SI finished second, second and third in the three league meets; at the CCS DII meet SI once again took second. Top finishers: 1st place Kendall Hacker 18:29, 15th Ana Duffy 19:58, 16th Jackie Martinez 19:52, 19th Andrea Vlahos 20:18, 23rd Sophia Avila 20:39. At the CIF DII State Championship Meet, SI took 18th; top individual finishers: 31st Kendall Hacker 19:32, 106th Ana Duffy 20:08, 114th Jackie Martinez 20:16, 122nd Erin Smith 20:34, 128th Andrea Vlahos 26:39.

League Awards: WCAL 1st team All-League: Kendall Hacker.

Team Awards: Julius Yap Award: Melia Yee; Most Outstanding Performance: Kendall Hacker;



Coaches' Award: Ana Duffy. ☺



Alumni Reunions

Photos on these two pages represent only a handful of the reunions and Christmas lunches from this past fall. Be sure to email high-resolution photos of your gatherings to ptotah@siprep.org for inclusion in upcoming issues (space allowing). Pictured on this page, from top, are from recent gatherings of the **Class of '75**, the **Class of '87**, the **Class of '92**, the **Class of '48** and the **Class of '69**.



From top: the **Class of '52** celebrated its 60th reunion at SI; alumni athletes gathered in November for the annual **Alumni Basketball Games** the day before Thanksgiving and the **Alumni Soccer Games** the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Pictured directly above are Lorelei Suarez '93 (right) and her daughter, Tyler Brown '15, the first mother and daughter duo to take part in the alumni basketball games.

Dick Wall '52 receives SI's highest honor, the Christ the King Award



On Nov. 18, 2012, Richard J. Wall '52 (pictured above left with his family) received the Christ the King Award, the highest honor SI bestows upon a graduate of the school. Read the text of his citation below and go online to see a video tribute to this great Ignatian.

BY JOHN RING '86 ALUMNI DIRECTOR

Richard J. "Dick" Wall is a self-described political animal. The first election that drew his interest was held in the spring of 1951, when Dick ran for student body president of St. Ignatius High School, presumably on the Republican ticket. While Dick's tireless work on the SI dance and rally committees as a junior established him as a frontrunner for the post, Dick felt that a clever gimmick could help him secure a victory. Taking a page from the book of Charlie Meyers, Dick decided to give out sticks of gum to the entire student body. The gum wrapper, of course, had a slogan: "Stick with Dick." It was no contest.

Today we honor Richard J. Wall '52 as the recipient of St. Ignatius College Preparatory's highest alumni honor, the Christ the King Award. For more than 60 years, SI's Class of 1952 has stuck with Dick Wall, their principled leader and good friend. In the six decades since his graduation from SI, Dick has kept his guys very close, running hundreds of class lunches and numerous reunions, while helping establish the most

financial aid class scholarships in the history of the school. With the exception of the recent presidential election, Dick has been a winner his entire life, achieving great things in school, politics and the law, while always remaining a devoted husband, loving father, loyal friend and humble servant of God.

Dick Wall was born in San Francisco to Charles Allen Wall, D.D.S., and Albina Rossi Wall on April 8, 1934. He was the youngest of five boys who all went to SI, and he grew up in the Marina district with his brothers, C. Allen '46, Peter '47, John '49 and Robert '50. When Dick's father died at a very young age in 1945, Mrs. Wall was left to raise five boys between the ages of 10 and 16. Dick credits the Jesuits for helping his mother carry them through some very difficult years. "We have always been great followers of the Jesuits," says Dick, noting that his uncle, Rev. P. Carlo Rossi, S.J. was a Jesuit priest who was very influential in the lives of the Wall boys. "The Jesuits were our role models."

In 1948, Dick matriculated to St. Ignatius, where he competed on the football team, wrote for *The Quill* and *Inside SI*, and was a member of the Rally Committee and Block Club. Dick says that his uncle was always nearby, recalling that Fr. Rossi didn't have to do or say much to keep him in line. "I remember receiving JUG from time to time, and they would make us write 5,000-word essays on why tennis balls have fuzz or why

gold balls rest atop flagpoles. Somebody would report my actions back to Fr. Carlo and that would be the end of it. It was clear early on that the Jesuits ran the show." Having a very loving mother and a strong Jesuit influence proved to be an outstanding foundation, as three of the Wall boys grew up to become doctors, one a real estate professional, and one a lawyer.

After graduating from SI in 1952, Dick went to the University of San Francisco and then transferred to Stanford, earning his undergraduate degree and a law degree in just six years. Dick then served two years in the U.S. Army before returning to the City to practice law. He joined O'Donnell and Weiss in 1962, and today he is celebrating his 50th year with the same firm.

In the intervening years, Dick has served his country in a variety of ways: as a delegate in 1987 to the U.S./China Joint Session on Trade, Investment and Economic Law; on the West Point Board of Visitors in the early 1990s; on International Election Observation Missions in Cambodia in 1998 and in Mongolia in 2000; and on the United Nations Commission on Human Rights in 2002. Dick has also served on the California selection committee for White House Fellows and as a member of the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission. He was also a Member of the Governor's Advisory Selection Committee of the Regents of the University of California. Dick says that "service to others" – specifically God and country – is what has inspired him to work to make the world a better place.

These ideals motivated Dick to help establish the Admiral Daniel J. Callaghan Society at St. Ignatius in 2010, not only to honor the Admiral and so many other SI graduates who have given their lives for their country, but also to help inspire a new generation of Ignatians to embrace a life of service. Dick recalls feeling "disappointed by people who were takers rather than givers. Then I realized that SI was doing a great job of educating these kids who, thanks to their volunteer work and generosity, were helping countless institutions survive." Dick hopes that the Callaghan Society encourages current students to respond to God's call to serve their country in some way, to "give and never count the cost."

In addition to the long hours he has spent serving his clients and his country, Dick

has also served the San Francisco Catholic community faithfully as a parishioner in the parish of his youth, St. Vincent DePaul, and as a co-founder and past president of San Francisco's Hibernian-Newman Club, which is dedicated to the Newman apostolate in San Francisco and the promotion of Irish culture and friendship amongst its members.

And though he wears a suit and tie on most days, Dick is also an avid outdoorsman. Dick's classmate Bill Sullivan remarked that "Dick Wall has hiked and camped in all 15 of California's coastal counties, from Oregon to Mexico. For reasons known only to himself, this one man sleeps in a tent large enough to accommodate the entire defensive backfield of the San Francisco 49ers. The tent is legendary. Fellow campers call it the Taj Mahal."

Dick's friends are not at all surprised that he is being honored today, and they were all quick to comment on Dick's attributes. Dick's longtime friend Peter Flood wrote: "For years I have anticipated being called to offer some comments at his funeral. Today he is being honored while on the green side of the grass. How his life reflects on his experience at SI is unknown

to me, though the honor awarded today is certainly a testament to that time." Rev. Fred Tollini, S.J. '52, added his own praise: "To me, he is just an outstanding Ignatian. He is a man's man. He's at ease with all different types of people and he can still befriend you even if you disagree on many things. And what greater legacy can a man have than to have your children not only imitate and admire you, but also love you so much?"

Collectively, the Wall family has never forgotten what the Jesuits did for them, whether it is through the record number of scholarships established by Dick and his classmates at SI, Dr. Robert Wall's service as the team doctor for the USF Dons, Dr. C. Allen Wall's work on the SI Board of Regents and his gift of the Doris Duke Wall Choral Room at SI, or through the establishment of the P. Carlo Rossi, S.J., chair of the USF School of Business.

While working so hard and serving God and country so well, Dick always has had time for his family. Dick and his wife, Denise, have been happily married for 49 years and have had four wonderful children together

and five grandchildren. Dick and Denise continue to live in San Francisco's Marina District, only a few short blocks from Dick's childhood home.

And while the "Stick with Dick" slogan surely garnered some votes for Dick Wall in the spring of 1951, perhaps his other campaign slogan is most fitting. Tucked in the corner of the April 27, 1951, edition of *Inside SI* is another ad for Dick Wall that states: "For a good and dependable President, elect Dick Wall – who not only intends, but acts." It can be said here today that Dick Wall has spent a lifetime acting on his intentions. Dick, you have never asked anyone to do something that you didn't do yourself and for that, we are all grateful. You are a man of immense dedication and integrity, and we are proud to honor you today for your good work.

Dick, on behalf of the school, the Alumni Association, the Regents and Trustees, thank you for being a loyal and humble friend of SI and a role model for future Ignatians. You and your brother Robert now stand side by side as the only brother duo to receive the Christ the King Award in the 53-year history of this celebration. ∞



In October, graduates from the classes of '82 and '83 held the third annual **Dan Linehan "Tommy Bahama Classic" Golf Tournament** at Gleneagles Golf Course in McLaren Park, now run by Tom Hsieh '83. The event raised more than \$7,500 for the scholarship in Dan's name.

Inset: Jon Leonoudakis '76 (left) came to SI in September to screen ***Not Exactly Cooperstown***, his documentary on The Baseball Reliquary, located in Southern California, which bills itself as the People's Baseball Hall of Fame. Among those in the audience was Paul D'Augusta '69, a longtime family friend.



Veteran Peninsula coaches praised for their long run of service

When Terry Ward '63 starts singing the praises of two veteran coaches, it's time to take notice.

One of the most celebrated track and cross country coaches at SI and Bellarmine, Ward believes that two SI grads deserve even higher praise: Walt Van Zant '57 and Bill Daskarolis '56 who have coached for a combined 77 years.

"As Jesuit products, we all talk a good game, but these men have centered their lives around helping others," said Ward, who serves as Bellarmine's athletic director emeritus and track coach for Bellarmine, Presentation High School and Notre Dame (San Jose) in the weight events. "With all of the coaching changes that occur each year in public schools, it is good to see the two of them continue to work with young people, and I count them as two of my good friends."

Daskarolis has served at Aragon High School since 1963 coaching cross country and track and serving as athletic director. He is the meet director every other year for the Central Coast Section championships as well as a member of the timing/results crew for the state track and cross country championships.

The California Interscholastic Federation named him Coach of the Year in 1987 for his section, and he received the CCS Coaches' Honor Award for cross country in 1993 and was named CCS/CIF Coach of the Year in 1996. He also received the CIF Model Coach Award for the 2011-12 season in cross country last November. His other awards are too numerous to name and reveal the respect that coaches throughout the Bay Area have for him.

Daskarolis ran cross country and track at SI. He continued those sports at SFSU along with Van Zant and, after returning to school from a stint in the armed forces, with Ward as well, while majoring in physical and health education.

Even though he stepped down from the classroom at Aragon after 34 years and retired from athletic director duties after 24 years, he is still coaching track and cross country, something he has done for nearly a half century.

"I love seeing kids grow into fine athletes over four years. Many of the students I coached are still running thanks to the program at Aragon."

Runners, according to Daskarolis, "tend to do well in school as they have good work habits and motivation." He also praised his



From left, Walt Van Zant '57 and Bill Daskarolis '56.

assistants who have helped him over the years. "I'm proud to be associated with them."

Van Zant, now in his 29th year at Wilcox High School in Santa Clara, has had his own successful career, earning CCS Honor Coach recognition in cross country in 1996 and in track in 2008 and helping his students earn several league championships. He also serves as president of the West Valley Joggers and Striders in Saratoga and runs regularly with Ward, who is also a member.

He also ran at SI and SFSU, where he majored in business. He later became a certified public accountant and began a career with the IRS first as an Internal Revenue agent; he retired from the IRS 15 years ago as an associate chief in the Appeals Division but continues to coach at Wilcox.

He and Daskarolis meet regularly, as both attend meetings of the Central Coast Section representing their schools. They don't compete against each other, as their schools are in different leagues.

The CCS relies on Van Zant to name the all-CCS athletes for both cross country and track, and he relies on advice from Daskarolis in his selections. "Walt is amazing," added Daskarolis. "He supplies stats for all boys and girls who run in the CCS, and he keeps his web site current. He does a great job."

Van Zant, in turn, asks Daskarolis' advice whenever problems arise. "Bill is a former athletic director, and his experience and wisdom are invaluable."

Both also have a wonderful working relationship with Ward, said Van Zant. "Terry is honest, dedicated to everything he does and excels as a teacher and coach. He approaches sensitive matters in mature and delicate ways."

Daskarolis also praised Van Zant for resurrecting the cross country program at Wilcox. "When he took it over, it had been a dead duck. His team has gone from 10 to 100 athletes."

Van Zant loves the way Daskarolis "gets along with people. He's easy-going and not as strict as some coaches. It's hard to measure the intangibles that make a great coach, but Bill has them."

Both men, now in their 70s, have no plans to retire. "We're taking it year by year," said Daskarolis.

"The only downside is the administrative work," said Van Zant. "The paperwork gets worse each year. And the older I get, the more my memory slips. I would hate to embarrass myself by forgetting names of kids." ∞

Michael Cheng makes history as Navy's first Asian-American Blue Angel



As a fifth grader at SS. Peter and Paul School in North Beach, Michael Cheng '91, along with all his classmates, saw the Blue Angels do the impossible in the blue skies above the city.

"That was very cool," said Cheng. "That was the coolest thing in the world. I knew then that this was exactly what I wanted to do when I grew up."

His family, immigrants from Hong Kong, had other ideas. They hoped their son would be a doctor, lawyer or engineer.

Despite their hesitations, they now feel pride that their son is a Naval lieutenant commander and a member of the Blue Angels – the first Asian-American aviator in the team's history – after an arduous selection process. "They still don't quite know what a big deal it is," he added.

Cheng was one of 40 to apply for the coveted slot, a post he will hold for two years. He credits his selection to the unique perspective he brings to the team. "I hope to serve as a role model for Asians and other minorities. When I was a kid, I saw no one in the military I could relate to. I had no family in the Navy. I want to let kids know that they can be a Naval officer regardless of race or ethnicity."

The 39-year-old Cheng serves as Blue Angel number 8, the squadron's Naval Flight Officer and events coordinator, responsible for all the logistics for each of the 34 shows in the 2013 season. Blue Angels 1 through 6 fly the demonstration jets and Blue Angel number 7 serves as narrator and the advance/VIP pilot. During

the shows, Cheng watches and listens to the communications between the pilots so he can give the narrator his cue to begin the narration for each maneuver. Cheng flies in the number 7 jet during practice and as the team travels between shows.

His new job thus far has taken him to Fleet Week last October in San Francisco, where he made sure that the air show site had the required FAA waivers and that flight restrictions were in place "so that the aerobatic box is where it needs to be for the show to be conducted safely."

A married father of two, Cheng is looking forward to meeting children at the air shows "and doing for them what the Blue Angels did for me—make me ooh and ahh about flying in the military."

Despite their desire to see him pursue another profession, Cheng's parents sparked his interest in joining the Navy. "As immigrants, they taught me to have respect for my country and to be patriotic. Growing up, I watched documentaries on The History Channel that taught me what a great country I live in. At SI, I had Frank Corwin for World History, and I loved listening to him talk about his time in Egypt during World War II. His first-hand stories kept me awake in class."

Cheng graduated from UC Irvine with a degree in economics before working for Enterprise Rent-A-Car in management in Southern California and, later, for his parents' jewelry company.

Cheng has served in the Navy since 2000, when he entered Officer Candidate

School, and he now serves as a naval flight officer. He received his officer commission in March 2001 and earned his wings of gold the following year in June 2002. Since then, he has served in Operation Iraqi Freedom from Al Asad, Iraq, and Operation Enduring Freedom while flying from the *USS Dwight D. Eisenhower*. Cheng has accumulated more than 1,700 flight hours and 343 carrier arrested landings. His decorations include three Air Medals, a Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, three Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals and various personal and unit awards. He completed his MBA last June and has been station in Florida, Japan, Washington and California over the years.

When he is in a plane, he sits next to or behind his pilots and handles navigation, communications, weapons systems, radar and radar jamming. He also holds a license to fly small planes and enjoys the view from the pilot's seat as well.

He appreciates the work done by the Blue Angels as a recruiting tool for the Navy and Marines. "We train in order to show the world the professionalism and precision that all sailors and Marines represent." ∞

Two champion athletes bounce back from attack and accident

Two SI grads are proof that adversity makes us stronger.

John Dahlz '03 had a great shot at making the U.S. Olympic Triathlon team when a car slammed into him while he was training on his bike, taking him out of consideration. He bounced back with a new attitude, molded in part by his work with SI athletes.

Drew Beaurline '08 decided to recover from a brutal mugging by running a marathon to raise money for his family's scholarship fund at SI.

These two men believe in athletic achievement that goes beyond personal glory and that reflects core values having more to do with the spirit than the flesh.

JOHN DAHLZ '03



Dahlz has the kind of credentials most athletes envy. He raced with Cal's Triathlon team that took first in the nation in 2008. The next year, after he finished first in the USA Triathlon National Collegiate Championships, Cal hired him to serve as captain of the team. Since then, his men have never finished lower than third in the country.

Dahlz also finished first in the Vineman competition (Napa Valley's version of the Ironman), both in 2011 and 2012, and he won the Folsom International competition in '09, '10 and '12. He finished fifth in two separate international competitions, one in Canada and another in Honduras, racing against top athletes from around the world.

As a member of the USA's Elite Development Team, he was invited to live at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs and Chula Vista and seemed on his way to competing in London's Olympic games when a teenager driving a Suburban crashed into him while he was biking.

Dahlz suffered bruised ribs and a concussion, putting an end to his plan to compete in England. He recovered from that crash and from a more serious problem, one affecting his attitude.

"I realized I had been doing triathlons for the wrong reasons. I was going through the motions and not enjoying myself, racing only for results, caring only about my times and my placing. No matter how good a race went, if I didn't finish where I wanted, I felt like a failure."

He had a change in attitude thanks to his work at SI as an assistant swim coach and at Cal with the men he coaches there.

"At SI, I'm inspired when I see boys working their tails off and rallying around teammates no matter how far behind they are. They stand for something more than just placing first."

Now, when Dahlz trains, he doesn't worry about making it to the 2016 Olympic games. "The mistake I've made before is thinking too long-term. I'm trying to live by the motto that the Olympics are every day and not every four years. The students I coach teach me to live in the moment and to turn off my mind and just focus on what I'm doing rather than on the next part of a race. I'd love to give Rio a shot, but if it doesn't work out, I'll move on to the next phase of my life."

If he makes it to the Olympics, he'll find the course relatively easy compared to what he's used to. An Olympic triathlon consists of 1.5 km of swimming, 40 km of biking and 10 km of running. A typical Ironman course asks athletes to swim 2.4 miles, bike 112 miles and then run a 26.2-mile marathon. "That's a long day in the office, even on a good day," said Dahlz, who first got his taste of running on SI's cross country and track teams.

He ran for Kevin Grady, who coached cross country during Dahlz's four years at SI. "I was a nightmare to coach," he confessed. "Instead of running the full practice course, I'd go to Stern Grove and hang out with my friends. But I can't stress enough how Coach Grady's support has shaped me over the years. I owe him



John Dahlz has won the Vineman competition twice and now serves as coach of Cal's Triathlon team.

so much. He has played a crucial role in molding my character and work ethic. He and Elizabeth Regalia, who coached the girls at SI, were the ones who had to crack the whip when I would cut runs short."

Dahlz also praised Diane Davis, the coordinator of SI's Herbst Natatorium. In grammar school, Dahlz was a gifted swimmer but chose not to compete on an SI swim team. "Diane had faith in me and let me practice in the SI pool whenever I felt the need. She is an elite rower, and now we bounce ideas off each other regarding our training."

After graduating from SI, Dahlz attended Cal and joined the school's Triathlon club team. Midway through his academic career, he took 18 months off to travel and compete in races around the world. He returned to finish his degree in political science.

He earns his living from coaching 200 triathletes at Cal and from his sponsors, ones that pay out every time he does well in a race.

When asked about the oft-touted runner's high, Dahlz noted that "it goes out the window halfway through a marathon. Long races strip you down to your basics, and running becomes more mental than physical."

Despite the difficulty inherent in any triathlon, Dahlz counts himself as "having the best job in the world. I get to play every day swimming, biking and running."

DREW BEAURLINE '08



At 1:30 a.m. on Jan. 8, 2012, Drew Beaurline was leaving a bar on Union Street with some friends. He hadn't had much to drink that night, as he was planning to drive friends home, so he was quick to react when someone snatched his cell phone from his hand and ran down the street.

A gifted athlete – he was a former captain of the rugby team at Boston College – he readily caught up with the thief only to find five others waiting. They started beating him, and someone struck the back of his head with what may have been a wrench. Beaurline fell to the sidewalk and spent the next four days unconscious at California Pacific Medical Center.

Doctors kept him dehydrated to ease the swelling on his brain, and three weeks later Beaurline left the hospital still uncertain about any lasting effects of the injury. "As far as I can tell, I'm still myself," he said.

Then, over the summer, he decided to do something to live out the words of one of his favorite Latin phrases: *succisa virescit* – "When cut down, it flourishes."

"I began at an all-time low," he said. "My body and brain were ravaged." He began a regimen of weightlifting and running to train for the San Francisco Marathon, which he ran last July 29. He used the event to raise money for SI's Roland Amarico Biancalana Scholarship Fund, named in honor of Beaurline's grandfather.

He reached out to friends for sponsorship and raised \$2,288, both to help the school and "to show everyone that I was back and in good health thanks to the people around me. This was also a way for me to give back to the SI community that has given so much to me."

Beaurline finished the marathon in just under 4 hours, averaging 9 minutes a mile. "I hit the wall towards the end and wanted to make sure my legs didn't cramp."

The longest he had ever run before the marathon was 8 miles, and he found both the training and race, unlike rugby, to be "a spiritual and therapeutic way to be reflective and appreciative. I've never seen an Examen on the rugby pitch."

Beaurline also thrives on the aggressive competition inherent in rugby. (He also sees some irony in being injured on Union Street rather than on a rugby field.) That same spirit of competition has led him to join several start-up companies while still in college.

The first start-up, Per Diem Connect, included Joseph Peck '08 from the University of Oregon, and four others from three other colleges. They took part in the Boston College Venture Capital Competition, finishing third. Another SI grad, Bus Leonard '08 from MIT, also helped with the project along with parents of Gabriel Bruno '08 and Oisín Lewis '08.

Their product, a smart phone app, offered a new way to consolidate trade show information. "That way, attendees could maximize their time at events."

He continued to work on Per Diem Connect even after his attack. "I defied doctors orders and returned to Boston in early February to continue the project. That's who I am. I'm stubborn and wanted to show my friends that I was OK."

They started beating him and someone struck the back of his head with what may have been a wrench. Beaurline fell to the sidewalk and spent the next four days unconscious at California Pacific Medical Center.

He eventually returned to the Bay Area and took the semester off from BC. He received help from his immediate family and from two SI families – the Mattimores and the Osbornes – whose sons were friends of his at SI, and from his cousin Rick Biancalana. "The generosity of these families was what I needed during this tough time."

He later joined another team of college students from the University of Michigan to work on a new app called Fetchnotes, which promises users a new way of organizing notes across devices and programs with hashtags.

Beaurline's knowledge of apps and online tools also helped him to raise money for his family's scholarship as he used the Razoo website to solicit contributions.

He graduated last December from BC, and he plans to involve himself in other startups on the East Coast and eventually return to home with degrees in finance and marketing and a history minor. The latter taught him how the ancient Greeks and Romans structured their societies to succeed. "It's important to listen and learn from the people who walked before you," he noted. He probably wouldn't disagree that those civilizations, the ones that launched the Olympics, the marathon and worldwide business ventures, provided models for his own success. ∞

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Helping the Giants win the World Series in Wildcat style

From left, Amanda Nichols, Brad Hansen, Margo Malone, Michael Dominguez, Scott Wickersham and Joe Totah celebrated with the Giants during their Market Street parade in October.

BY ANNE STRICHERZ
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After the Giants won the World Series last October, SI took part in the celebration by closing school for the Wednesday parade down Market Street. Thousands of SI students, parents, alumni and faculty lined the parade route. Many did not know that among those they cheered were five SI grads and one SI parent, all employees of the Giants' organization. Here are their stories.

SCOTT WICKERSHAM '91

Position: Asst. Store Manager, AT&T Park
Stats: 7 years with the Giants
Favorite Giant: Matt Cain

Scott Wickersham's favorite post-season moment was Buster Posey's grand slam against the Reds in Game 5 of NLDS in Cincinnati that solidified the victory. His favorite moment in the parade was walking with his fiancée.

"It's a tremendous honor to work for the team I grew up rooting for. I've met a number of former players working in the store, such as Jeffrey Leonard. When I told him I recalled his grand slam against Dave Stewart, he told me that he still gives Dave flak about that! It's wonderful seeing the team win now because in my youth, we weren't winning."

Wickersham says the Giants are a tight-knit community, just like SI. "So many of us are friends. In fact, we all traveled to Detroit and took so many photos of one another that we later shared."

BRAD HANSEN '97

Position: Senior Event Coordinator, Giants Enterprises Staff
Stats: 7 years with Giants
Favorite Giant: Buster Posey

Brad Hansen oversees all non-baseball and non-game day events at AT&T Park including small private events and large public gatherings, such as sporting events and concerts.

His favorite moment of the post season was during Game 1 of the World Series when Pablo Sandoval hit his second home run of three that night. "The ball landed one row in front of us in the left field bleachers, and fans were going crazy all around us. From that moment on, I knew the Giants were destined to win."

Another highlight was "walking in the parade with my fiancée who got to experience the atmosphere of participating in the parade for the first time. It was a once-in-a-lifetime moment that both of us will never forget."

Hansen's department helped to plan the parade. "We actually started quietly planning during the NLCS and into the World Series so that we were prepared regardless of the outcome. When we all returned from Detroit after the Giants clinched, we went into full planning mode, and it took efforts from the entire Giants' organization to pull everything off. It was amazing to see the celebration come together so quickly, and it felt great knowing that we had a part in planning such a special day for the city of San Francisco."

Hansen enjoys working for the Giants as the company "serves as an asset to the local community in the Bay Area and throughout Northern California. The principles that we practice in our organization carry over from my time at SI, when I was taught the importance of community outreach and serving others."

JOSEPH TOTAH '99

Position: Director, Client Relations
Stats: 11 years with the Giants
Favorite Giant: Will Clark

Joseph Totah, who is in charge of the retention of all season-ticket holders, is a lifelong Giants' fan.

"SI taught an ethic that guided me through college," noted Totah. "That helped me when I worked in the athletic department at Stanford, and it now serves me well with the Giants. SI was harder and more challenging than anything I've done, so it prepared me at a young age for all the hard work to come."

His favorite memory from the postseason was "when second baseman Marco Scutaro caught the last out of NLCS game 7. That brought us into the World Series."

Totah also enjoyed the 2012 parade "because this time employees were able to walk with our spouses. We work long hours in the summer, so to share this experience with our sources of support made it that much more memorable."

MICHAEL DOMINGUEZ '01

Position: Helpdesk Administrator, IT department

Stats: 12 years with the Giants: retail 2000–2008; IT 2008–2012

Favorite Giant: Will Clark

Michael Dominguez feels honored “to work for the team I grew up with. I wanted to be on the field, but I don’t have that kind of talent. But I love using my other talents to help the team grow.”

Dominguez calls the Giants “a great organization to work for. The IT department helps out every other department and nurtures a family community, much like SI does.”

Dominguez also loves to “get up with the crowd and dance Gangnam style. It was fun to dance with the fans.”

His favorite moment on the field came when “we got Prince Fielder out at the plate with that swipe tag made by Buster Posey. What an incredible play.”

AMANDA NICHOLS '02

Position: Premium Seating Account Manager, Client Relations

Stats: 5 years with the Giants

Favorite Giant: Javier Lopez

All three Jesuit institutions that Amanda Nichols attended have both indirectly and directly led her to AT&T Park. A 2006 graduate of Loyola Chicago, Nichols earned a master’s degree in sports management from USF.

Growing up in a family that knows and loves the history of the Giants (they have held season tickets since the days at Candlestick), she, like her colleagues, compared the family feel of the Giants to her time at SI.

Nichols’ favorite parade moment came when she saw the sea of people on Market Street and the rain of orange and black confetti. “That sight overwhelmed me.”

MARGO MALONE is the mother of Marley '13, who works in the Coca Cola Fan Lot, and Morgan '15, who traveled to Detroit and marched in the parade.

Position: Client Relations & Spring Training Account Manager

Stats: 13 years with the Giants, 7 with the Florida Marlins. She was the third person hired by the Marlins and now owns three World Series Rings.

Favorite Player: Sergio Romo

As a Client Relations manager, Margo Malone has gotten to know many of the season tickets holders. “It was a thrill not only to walk in the parade with my son and colleagues, but also to hear so many fans that I have gotten to know calling my name. That is something I will never forget. The connection we felt to this team was profound.” Like so many others, she also noted that “the sense of community in the front office and the way we work together to support one another reminds me of SI.” ∞

Senior Nate Miller had front row seats to the World Series as visiting team bat boy

BY ANNE STRICHERZ
GENESIS SPORTS WRITER

The manager of the visitor’s clubhouse at AT&T Park must have been impressed by the hustle of Nate Miller '13, the busboy at The Point restaurant in Pacifica.

Miller played club baseball by day and worked in his mother’s restaurant by night until one patron asked him if he would be willing to fill in for the batboy whose injuries prevented him from going to two games against the Milwaukee Brewers.

“At the conclusion of that home stand, he invited me to apply for the job,” said Miller. “When I interviewed, I didn’t even know we got paid.”

Miller’s wild ride took him all the way to the World Series with the Giants, one that culminated aboard a cable car for the Market Street parade.

Along the way, he saw classmates Elena Vierra, Rebecca Ash, Payne Cowley, Natalie Besser, Jason Lock, Christian Santos and a few others. “To see so many of my friends in the crowd of 1.3 million felt incredible,” said Miller.

When the parade ended, Miller sat in the VIP section, but his favorite seat was in the

dugout watching Matt Cain pitch a perfect game. “The Astros were not happy. No one wants to be on the wrong side of history. Seeing Gregor Blanco’s epic catch and the fans’ reactions from the field level is my greatest memory of the season.”

Miller’s favorite post-season memory came in Game 7 against the Cardinals. “The noise from Giants’ fans was so loud that I felt my helmet vibrate.”

Miller wore a Cardinals’ helmet for that game, as batboys in the visitor’s dugout always wear the uniform of the visiting team.

Of all the visiting teams’ uniforms he donned, his favorite was the Texas Rangers, as their colors are SI’s red and blue. “It was exciting to work with the 2010 Giants World Series opponents because, as an American League team, they only come to town every six years. They have great players who are also good guys, like Josh Hamilton.”

Miller enjoyed getting to know some of the players, but also found the work difficult at times. “We arrive at the ballpark more than three hours before the start of each home game. After the visiting team arrives, I help unpack their gear and uniforms. Along with a few others, I help lay out Gatorade, bubblegum, extra clothes and other on-deck items. We set



up batting practice, fill buckets and get gear in place. During batting practice, we are on the field shagging balls. Once the game starts, we can relax with the team in the dugout. It ends up being an 8-hour day.”

Miller has had to balance his work with completing homework, studying for tests and preparing college applications. “However, it’s been a great problem to have.” ∞

Larry Krueger '88: Living his dream on the radio



BY CHRIS KRUEGER '83

On countless late nights during my high school years, I would enter the bedroom that my little brother and I shared and find Larry '88 asleep on the bed, surrounded by baseball cards that had been positioned around the room like players on an imaginary diamond. Invariably, the radio would be tuned to KNBR 680, and either a Giants game or a post-game talk show would be playing.

Our dreams are often influenced by our last conscious thoughts before slumber arrives. So I can only guess that on many nights, Larry fell asleep dreaming about the Giants. Presumably, Larry dreamt not about the mediocre Giants teams of the late 1970s and early 1980s that we rooted for, but perchance about a contender, maybe even a World Series champion.

Memories of those nights almost 30 years ago came rushing back to me this past Halloween as I watched the parade celebrating the Giants' World Series Championship. A crowd estimated at 1 million fans, most clad in orange and black and many in costume, cheered wildly and waved signs as a parade of floats proceeded from the foot of Market Street to the Civic Center.

On the KNBR float stood my brother and his fellow radio personalities enjoying the joyous chaos while trying to describe it for their listeners. As I listened to Larry, I thought about all of the time he spent

“announcing” imaginary Giants games in our Sunset District bedroom. I remembered the frigid games at Candlestick and all those years we both spent longing for a Giants championship.

For a moment, I felt a bit envious. I had been nearly as big of a sports fan as Larry as we were growing up. While I was stealing a few moments away from work to watch streaming video of the parade on my computer and to listen to KNBR on my iPhone, Larry was actually in the parade. It occurred to me, briefly, that this arrangement was not exactly fair, at least not to me.

But then my perspective on the situation returned. Larry's radio career has been the product of his willingness to pursue his dreams relentlessly. Instead of choosing a more conventional career path (as I did), he has taken risks and made sacrifices to work in an industry where performance is measured by listener numbers and where job security can be fleeting.

I have always admired my brother's tenacity in seeking a job doing what he loves. To paraphrase Robert Frost, his career path has definitely been the “road less traveled.”

After graduating from SI, Larry started college hoping to pursue a career in sports or communications and majored in communications at Sacramento State. During college, he interned for Sacramento-area radio and television stations and served as a defensive quality control coach and player personnel assistant for the Sacramento Gold Miners, a now-defunct Canadian Football League team. He also did some scouting for the Arizona Cardinals.

In 1995, Larry began working for Sports Byline USA, a sports network based in San Francisco with affiliate stations throughout the country. At first, Larry recruited affiliates, but he later began filling in from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. on the weekends.

Eventually, a reference from a contact at the Oakland Raiders led to a tryout at KNBR, which hired him in 1997 as a weekend host. By year's end, he became host of Sportsphone 680, a nighttime call-in show. He remained at KNBR until 2005; he later worked as a sports reporter for KGO 810 and as a talk show host for Sports 1140 in Sacramento and the Mad Dog Radio channel on Sirius XM satellite radio before rejoining KNBR in the summer of 2011.

Today, Larry is the co-host of the *Gary and Larry Show* from 9 a.m. to noon each weekday with longtime Bay Area television

and radio personality Gary Radnich. He also hosts the call-in shows before and after every 49ers game and does pre-game shows for Stanford University's home football games.

Larry's return to KNBR has fortuitously coincided with successful times for the local teams. He feels particularly fortunate to have returned to Giants' flagship station just in time to follow the Giants' second World Series crown in three years.

“To be back at KNBR, to be on a show I like and to be on that float two years after I missed out on the experience in 2010 – I just felt so fortunate that it all came together.”

Participating in the Giants' parade was just “surreal and an experience that I will definitely never forget,” said Larry. “On the one hand, it felt weird being in someone else's parade when I didn't play baseball myself, but it was also just incredible to see the faces of the Giants' fans. It amazes me how big sports has become, that it touches so many people.”

Larry credits SI's athletic program for both stimulating his interest in sports and for inspiring in him the drive to succeed. Starting in grammar school, Larry went to nearly every SI basketball game, as we lived across the street from SI, and he would tag along with me as I served as the manager for Coach Bob Drucker '58 and Assistant Coach Shel Zatkun.

“As a little kid, going to watch guys like Paul McGoldrick '80 or Jeff Glosser '83 play with unbelievable intensity shaped my whole idea of what playing hard really meant,” Larry recalls. “It taught me about how hard you have to go after something when you really want it.”

When Larry isn't on the radio, he spends time with his wife, Amie, and their four children – Anna, Kevin, Benjamin and Christopher – at their home in Walnut Creek.

Chris Krueger is a judge on the Sacramento County Superior Court, as well as Larry's brother. He was featured in the Spring 2012 edition of Genesis. Below: Larry Krueger aboard the KNBR float at the Giants' parade. ∞



keeping in touch

✳ If you see an asterisk after a name, go to www.siprep.org/news to read even more.

1943 Tom O'Neill has a new book out, *Letters from Lank*, based on 100 days of combat in the European Theatre of Operations during WWII. If you are interested in reading the book, contact Tom at 704-814-7125.



1957 John Thomas (featured in the Summer 2012 *Genesis*, made it to the summit of Mt. Langley (14,042') over Labor Day weekend. The 11-hour climb featured high winds, occasional hail and class 2 rock. He hopes to inspire others his age to undertake similar challenges.



1960 Dean Moser completed the swim season in second place in Category 1 Open Water Pacific Masters events for the 2012 summer. Some additional swims included Alcatraz, Golden Gate, Tiburon and Donner Lake. This year he plans to hike the Inca trail to Machu Picchu.

1963 Thomas Brandi was named by *Best Lawyers'* 2013 San Francisco Personal Injury Litigation: Plaintiffs' Lawyer of the Year. Tom was also included by *Best Lawyers'* in its 19th edition of *Best Lawyers in the United States* in the practice areas of Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions: Plaintiffs and Personal Injury Litigation: Plaintiffs.

1964 Jim Lindland is a volunteer with the Pacifica School Volunteers tutoring pre-algebra at Ingrid B. Lacy School in Pacifica



1968 Dave Bisho is proud that his daughter, **Danielle Bisho Jones '01** and cross-country MVP at SI, finished the Chicago Marathon Oct. 7 124th out of 16,740 women, 39th out of 3,653 for women in her age group and 1,304th among 40,000 finishers. Her official time was 3:07.03. She is pictured with her husband, SFPD Officer Ryan Jones.

/ **Rich Combs** and his wife, Baerbel Steffestun, began hiking New Zealand's 3,000 km Te Araroa Trail in November and plan to finish this April. You can see their progress at postholer.com/Ciscocombs. They completed 1,400 miles on the Pacific Crest Trail in 2011. / **James Ryan** spent September and part of October as a guest English teacher and lecturer at Bolashak University in Karaganda, Kazakhstan. / **John Storm**, with joy, humility and thanksgiving, shares the news that he was ordained as a

permanent deacon for the Diocese of Santa Rosa on Aug. 18, 2012.

1971 Edward A. "Tony" Gilmore and his wife, Carole, live in Erie, Penn. His wife has retired after working 36 years as a registered nurse for the U.S. Army, and Tony, who taught for several years after retiring from the Army, serves as a facilitator at the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, helping to mold future doctors by grading their exams. / **Mike Lagomarsino** currently serves as a business agent and trustee for Teamsters Local Union 856 representing San Francisco hotel workers as well as an executive board member at the San Mateo County Central Labor Council.

1972 Larry Louie, after 10 years teaching at USF and 25 years in business, is now dean of the San Francisco Campus of Hult International Business School.



His two oldest children, Daniel and Lindsay, are graduates of USF (marketing and accounting/finance, respectively) and his youngest is a freshman at USF in education. He and his wife, Joceyln, still live in San Mateo.

1973 Dennis Murphy has been elected president of the Olympic Club for 2013. He follows **Al Clifford '73** (who served in 2005) and **David Bonelli '73** (who served in 2010) as OC presidents from his SI class.

1974 Tim Flaherty was elected in November to serve on the Pleasant Hill City Council.

1978 Al Dalupan is a business insurance broker at the Leavitt Group, where he specializes in the risk management of mid-to-large-market companies.

1981 Rev. Deacon Sami Jajeh, with glory and thanksgiving to Our Lord God, was ordained to the Holy diaconate by Bishop Nicholas Samra in St. John Chrysostom Melkite Catholic Church in Atlanta, Ga. on Nov 18.

1983 Matt Lonner oversees Chevron's global social investment program, leading the company's efforts to establish health, education and economic development projects in communities around the world. Matt and his wife are raising their two sons (ages 11 and 14) in Oakland.

1984 Mark Burke lives in the Sunset District with his wife, Molly, and his two daughters, Maggie, 14, and Maureen, 13. After more than 15 years in corporate finance roles, Mark moved

in 2008 to SAP, the large German software company. For three years at SAP, Mark traveled all over the U.S. and Canada, helping design and implement SAP solutions at key customers. Mark is now a product manager at SAP Labs in Palo Alto, helping conceive, build, and roll out software solutions in the Enterprise Performance Management space. / **Derek Lam,*** famed fashion designer, is creating a new fashion collection for Kohls.

1986 Joe Gaspardone recently launched the WineFinder app on the Android and iOS platforms that matches users with the best bottles of wine in a supermarket or warehouse store while you're standing in the aisle.

1987 Marcus Zehnder completed Ironman Wisconsin in September. To date, he has competed in multiple endurance events including marathons, Half Ironmans and Olympic distance triathlons and century distance bicycle races; however, this was his first Ironman. Marcus is an electronic medical records implementation consultant and lives in Kansas City.



1988 Garrett Wynne and his wife, Jill, live in San Francisco near the Park with their two boys (left), Luca, 3, and Thomas, 1. Garrett is a shareholder at the law firm Keesal, Young & Logan practicing securities and general civil litigation.



1992 Ben Chan was pianist for the Society of Young Freemen's Christmas Carol Service with the new Lord Mayor of London, held at the Mansion House. After the service, Ben raised money for the Lord Mayor's Appeal, which benefits the City Music Foundation. Ben also performed in the Spirit of Christmas recital, which raised over \$1,000 for Muscular Dystrophy. He also received a distinction from the Royal Schools of Music Piano Jazz Exam Certification. Prime Minister David Cameron visited Ben's daughter's Catholic primary school early in December. Ben has organized a team of dads from the school, and they have won three Pub Quiz titles this year. In October, Ben was invited by the Treasury Music Society to attend a recital at 10 Downing Street. / **Kathryn Winters** and her partner of more than two years, Bailey Valasek, were married Oct. 13 in Denton, Texas. They were married in a small garden ceremony



surrounded by family and close friends. **Shervyn VonHoerl '92** and Kathryn's brother, **Raymond Winters '91**, were in attendance. Kathryn recently moved to Denton where she is a vice president with JPMorgan Chase Bank.

1993 Sean Elsbernd completed his second four-year term as a member of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors in January 2013 having attended 502 of the last 505 meetings. ("I'm not quite Cal Ripken, but it's still a pretty decent attendance record.") He will work for U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein as her deputy state director based in San Francisco.



1995 Chris Tocchini wed Gina Felice Dec. 8 in SS Peter and Paul's Italian National Church. Proud brother, **Frederick '93**, was best man, and proud dad, **Fred '66**, presided at the reception across Washington Square at the Italian Athletic Club. The bride and family are from Gilroy.

1997 Adele Diffley married **James Regan '00** on June 30 at St. Dominic's Church. Attendants

included **Chelsea (Cannata) Cherin '97**, Amy De Martini, Maggie Berkshire, Jen Norrell, **Mike Abendroth '00**, **Kevin Allen '00**, John Regan and Will Bouzek. James is the son of **Jim '67** and Ana Regan; Adele is the daughter of **Joe '64** and Maggie Diffley. The happy couple lives in San Francisco.



1998 Jennifer McGalliard Scales was wed to John Geoffrey Lane Nov. 10 at St. Dominic's Church in San Francisco. Her brother, **Peter '95**, was in the wedding party as well as a number of her SI classmates. / **Ryan Wagner** married Sarah Arzt July 28 at St. Agnes Church in San Francisco. A gala celebration was also held August 11 in Portland, the bride's family's home town. Siblings in attendance included **Brendan '96**, **Matty '00** and **Molly '02**.

1999 Charlene Abalos married Kevin Gucco at St. Anne's of the Sunset Church, Sept. 28, 2012. Her sister **Christine '02** was maid of honor and **Catherine '05** was a bridesmaid. / **Caitlin Callaghan** has been working as the speechwriter for University of California President Mark Yudof since March 2011. Earlier this year, she and President Yudof co-wrote an article on the future of public higher education that was published in the book *Precipice or Crossroads?* / **Paul Ghiglieri** married Tara Radcliffe on Oct. 6 in Burlingame. His brother and Best Man, **Dan '03**, sister and Maid of

Honor **Kristina '01** and **Charles Suncin '99** were among the wedding party. They celebrated their wedding day were many family and friends including **Phil Downs '73**, **Phil Downs '99**, **John Willenborg '99** and **Kristel Nazzal '99**. Also in attendance were SI staff and faculty Marla Bottner, Rob Assadurian **Steve Bluford '84** and **Joe Vollert '84**. Paul and Tara live in Studio City, where he is currently teaching. / **Stephen Lynch** married Patricia Humphrey on Sept. 1 at the San Geronimo Golf Course



in Marin County. In attendance were his sister, **Kristen Williams '95**, and **Chris Holbrook '99**, **Paul Lawson '99**, **Joe McCormac '99**, **Alex Wilson '99**, **Matt Selig '99**, **Stephen Scarpulla '99**, **Chris Frank**

'99, **Misha Villa-Popescu '00** and **Peter Lynch '65**. Shortly after the wedding, Stephen and Patricia moved to New York City where Stephen accepted a position working for Standard & Poor's in their credit ratings group. The couple was greeted by Hurricane Sandy.

2000 Kevin Allen married Jamie Leigh Baker at St. Ignatius Church Sept. 1. Ignatians in the wedding party included Kevin's sister, **Courtney Allen Kilroy '97**, and her husband, **Doug '98**, as well as **Claire Sullivan '04** and her brother **Brent Sullivan '00**, who served as best man. Also attending were Kevin's uncles, **Adam McCarthy '83** and **Niall McCarthy '85**. / **Catherine Carr** was featured in the *Huffington Post* as a young Republican in the liberal heartland. / **Bridget Mulhern** married Matthew Lemos on July 6 at St. Vincent de Paul Church



in San Francisco. Maid of Honor was **Mimi Mulhern '98**, and the bridal party included **Sean Mulhern '06**, **Rose Costello '00**, **Leigh (Silver) McMonigle '00**, **Morgan Magilligan '00**, **Kelli Nevin '00** and **Annie Wright '00**. **2000 Katie Nejasnich** married Matthew Walsh in the Treasure Island Chapel July 7. Her The Nejasnich and Clifford families were very much in attendance, including Katie's brothers, **Matt '95** and **Dan '97**, her father **Larry '65** and her uncle **Steve '65**, former SI principal.

2001 Kevin Borella, grandson of **Harry Charles Ewing '33**, married Blair Dematteis



on July 14 in Palo Alto. Groomsmen included Best Man **Patrick Lawson '01** and brothers **Nick '03**, **Brian '05**, **Andrew '07** and **Sean '09**. Other alumni in attendance included cousins **Marc Borella '00**, sister **Lauren '03**, **Kristina Renda '06**, **Dave Martin '70** and **George Lawson '71**. Also from 2001 were **Henri Revel**, **Pete Maciejewski**, **Ryan Brittain**, **Kevin Donohoe**, **Gino Benedetti** and his wife **Kristen (Maciejewski) '00**. / **Kristina Ghiglieri** graduated with a double Masters in Marriage and Family Therapy and Art Therapy from Notre Dame de Namur University in May 2012. Kristina is currently interning at California Pacific Medical Center in San Francisco. / **Matt Wong** completed his doctorate in clinical psychology from the American School of Professional Psychology in August. He started his post-doctoral residency at Westcoast Children's Clinic, where he provides therapy and psychological testing for inner city foster kids in Oakland. He and his wife, **Tessa Fish '01**, will be celebrating 12 years together this coming February.

2002 Kevin Clifford and **Angela Passanisi** of the same class were married Dec. 22 at St. Ignatius Church by the groom's cousin, **Rev. Mic McCarthy, S.J. '82**. Kevin is son of **Jerry Clifford '69** and Angela is daughter of **Tony '75**. Generations of Cliffords and Passanis were among the many revelers at the Christmas tide gala.

2003 Dan Ghiglieri is the San Francisco/North Bay Market Manager for Speakeasy Ales and Lagers. / **Mairin Lee** made her Broadway debut in *The Heiress*. She is understudying most of the female roles including the lead played by Jessica Chastain.

2004 Jessica dela Merced,* a grad student at NYU's Tisch School, has a new movie coming out, *Hypebeasts*, starring 49er Aldon Smith. / **Mick Terrizzi*** was featured in the *Chronicle* for his inspiring work as a teacher and drumline coach at St. Anthony-ICA. / **Brian Wilhelm**, after graduating in 2009 from USC where he competed for the track and field team in the shot put and hammer, focused his athletic career on Olympic weightlifting. He is currently ranked in the top five in the nation in the super heavyweight class while working a full-time job



during the day. Recently, he won second at the 2012 American Open Championships.

2005 Susanna Peeples received her master's degree and Single Subject Credential in Music Education from the University of the Pacific. She is now the Director of Choral Activities at Ronald E. McNair High School in Stockton.

2007 Matt Summers-Gavin,* a lineman with Cal, was named as a semifinalist for the Campbell Trophy. / **Clancy McCartney** has launched a successful acting career.

2008 Keelin Woodell graduated from USC and appeared in Matthew Perry's new show *Go On* on Sept. 18. Her brother, **Colin '10**, is a junior at USC studying theatre.

2009 John Butler* has received several honors for his water polo prowess at UC San Diego. / **Elizabeth Watters*** set the all-time school record for digs for Holy Cross where she plays volleyball.

2010 Will Bello, Joanna Saribalis, Griffin Schreader and **Becca Bedford '11**, all



Wildcats studying at Clemson, were visited by **Olivia Schreader '08** and her family during the Clemson Family Weekend last September. / **Rachel Blomberg**, a junior at Cornell, was featured for her work helping members of the Lakota Tribe. / **Brett Cde Baca**, a linebacker at Trinity College, was named as a first team linebacker to NESCAC's all-conference team and to the New England Football Writers Select Division II/III All-Star Team. / **Rob Emery** was featured on the cover of *Inside Lacrosse Magazine*. / **Billy Knutsen*** was named Goalkeeper of the Year for the Patriot League and earned first team honors. / **Lucas Talavan**, Duke cross country walk-on as a freshman, qualified to run with his Duke team

at the NCAA Division I finals in Louisville, Kentucky, in November.

2011 Jackson Lindauer* was featured in the *New York Post* for his work at Fordham University's Gabelli School of Business.

2012 Greg Davis* is among the top 10 male rowers under 20 according to *Rowing News Magazine*. / **Elise Go*** made it to the top 18 of Taiwan's One Million Star competition. / **Will McKee**,* now playing lacrosse at Lehigh University, made a triumphant return to the city to compete at Kezar Stadium. / **Tommy Simpson**,* a veteran of SI's jazz band and orchestra, played on the main stage at Yoshis (Oakland) on Oct. 1.

2013 Noah Bull* was named CCS Defensive Player of the Year by Cal Hi Sports Bay Area. / **Adrian Diaz de Rivera** and **Megan Wallace** both were selected as semifinalists for the National Merit Scholarship Program. / **Shelby Miguel*** sang Christmas songs as part of Macy's 23rd Tree Lighting Ceremony on Nov. 23 at Union Square. / **Carla Tocchini*** was named WCAL player of the year in DII water polo; **Francesca Puccinelli** made the league's first team; **Kelly Moran '14** made the league's second team. / **Albert Waters III*** was praised by the *Chronicle* for his key interceptions throughout the football playoffs.

2014 Gabriella Beemsterboer appeared on *The Today Show* along with Madeline Levine, author of *Teach Your Children Well* and a regular speaker at SI. / **Alijah Rubin**, a gifted drummer, was named to the prestigious SFJAZZ High School All-Star Orchestra.

2016 Alison Davis* appears weekly as a co-host of the show *49ers Total Access for Kids*.

births

1987 Maher Salfiti and his wife, Maritsa, a daughter, Angelina Marie, born Nov. 16. She joins brother Elias (6) and sister Sophia (4).



1989 Brendan Lund and his wife, Amie, a daughter, Emilia Rose, Sept. 6, 2012. Emilia joins older siblings Conor and Madeleine. / **Sheldon Marsten** and his wife, Heather, a son, Gordon Lewis, born November 12, 2012.

1991 Tony Kozuch and his wife, Ana Maria, a son, Matthew Francis, born Oct. 1, 2012. He joins older brother, Anthony, and sister, Clara in Arlington, VA.

1993 Trevor Buck and his wife, Billie, a daughter, Blair Emerson, born May 21, 2012.

1996 Mary (Phillips) Dournaee and her

husband, Blake, a son, Patrick (right), born June 30, 2012.

The family, including grandpa **James Phillips '68**, celebrated Patrick's baptism on Oct. 28. / **Laura Pellegrini Nelson** and her husband, Jonathan, a daughter, Isabella May, born May 15, 2012, in Los Angeles.



1997 Brendan Fitzgibbon and his wife, Jaime, a daughter, Arianne Leigh, born Nov. 1, 2012. She joins older sister Elise Claire. The family currently lives in Stuttgart, Germany. / **Christina (Tsiagkas) Keesler** and her husband, Nathan, a daughter, Mariah Judith (right), born Aug. 8, 2012. / **Jason Labagh** and



his wife, Athena, a son, Weston Antonio (left), born June 1, 2012. He joins big sister Kayla, 3. / **Eileen (Vollert) O'Kane** and her husband, Paul, a daughter, Mairead Mary, born Oct. 12, 2012. She joins big brother James.

1998 Carolyn (Lee) Lorber and her husband, Tony, a son, John "Jack" Joseph, born Oct. 1, 2012. He joins sister Emily.

2000 Carolyn Kolling and her husband, **Mike Selig '96**, a son, Henry Edward, born Sept. 30, 2012. Carolyn's dad is **Mark '70**, and her mother, Jane, is sister of **Matt McCabe '67**.



2002 Bently (Taylor) Guglielmi and her husband, **Tony '02**, a son, Jackson Siro (left), born July 25, 2012. He joins big sister Giuliana, 2. / **Karen (Tumaneng) Wilmes** and her husband, Jordan, a daughter,

Kaylin Eris (right), born May 21, 2012. She joins big sister Leighana Kadence.



2003 Julianne (Taylor) Webb and her husband, Philip, a daughter Millie Marie (below), born Feb. 29, 2012. She joins big brother Herman Wyatt, 2.



Marjan Brown '08 dies after suffering appendicitis



A burst appendix ended tragically for Marjan Brown '08 shortly after her 22nd birthday and just days before she was to have received her bachelor's degree in sociology from San Jose State University. She also minored in criminology and African American Studies.

A popular student at SI and a longtime participant in the Magis Program, Marjan was rushed to Seton Hospital in Daly City by her mother on May 19 after experiencing pain.

After four surgeries, she died June 24. A funeral service followed on July 2 at Allen Chapel Church in San Francisco.

At the service, she was celebrated for her talent as a liturgical praise dancer and for putting herself through college working as a teller at Bank of America.

A graduate of San Francisco Day School, Marjan played basketball at SI and was a member of the Association of African American Students.

Her mother, Paulette Russell, added that Marjan "was outgoing, happy and loved to joke with everyone."

Magis Director Abram Jackson added that "Marjan was a young woman with a vibrant spirit. From the first day that I met her, she seemed to exude an extraordinary confidence and light."

Jackson also took Marjan and fellow Magis students to Seattle for a summit of African American students who were attending Jesuit high schools. Later, Jackson brought Magis

students to SJSU where Marjan served as a tour guide. "She praised the way SI prepared her academically for college," said Jackson.

Matt Balano, SI's director of equity and inclusion also invited Marjan to be part of a panel discussion on the experiences of minorities at SI. He praised Marjan, calling her "a shining star who was wise beyond her years. With Marjan, you could always count on sharp, on-point analysis, truth and lots of laughter. She was so talented. In her short life, she left quite a mark."

Last spring, Marjan paid Jackson a surprise visit. "She came to deliver an invitation to her graduation ceremony. I was so proud of her and excited."

Marjan's classmate at SI and SJSU, Victoria Gomez '08, recalls Marjan as filled with "the sound of laughter. When I think of her, I see images of her dancing around the room. I met her on the first day of classes at SI, and I was fortunate to spend my last class with her in college. We shared a passion for social justice and spent hours talking about our goals. She wanted to pursue law school. Although she is no longer here to fulfill her dreams, I plan to honor her legacy through my own endeavors."

Chris Delaney, SI counselor and moderator of the Association of African American Students, praised Brown's role as club co-president. "She inspired, encouraged and promoted diversity within our community. Marjan showed her passion for her African American culture as she taught the greater SI community about our rich culture. Marjan was a pioneer at leading discussions, hosting and planning social events, encouraging members to do community service and assisting her African American peers to feel a part of the SI community. Her skill as a dancer was phenomenal as she blessed us all with her style and ability. When she invited me to her college graduation, I was so proud of her that I cried tears of joy at her accomplishment."

For Marjan's funeral, both Balano and Jackson served as pallbearers. Later, the Magis office created a Dia de los Muertos altar in memory of this remarkable young woman.

Marjan is survived by her mother, Paulette Russell; her father, Robert Brown; her brother, Robert Brown, Jr.; her sister, Andrea Brown-Torres; and her grandparents.

Donations may be made to the Ernest Ingold boys and Girls Club of San Francisco, where Marjan played basketball for several years. ☺

Allen Smoot, MD, former SI basketball team doctor

Allen F. Smoot, III, M.D. who served as team doctor for the SI basketball team in the 1970s and 1980s, died Dec. 7, surrounded by his family.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Joanne; sons Allen '77 (Jo Anne), Paul '78 (Lisa) and Kris '80; and grandchildren, Allen, Scott, Paul, Katherine, Kristin and Michael.

Dr. Smoot was a graduate of Bradley University and Marquette University School of Medicine. He served as an officer in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean Conflict. In 1959, he came to St. Mary's Hospital in San Francisco where he began his career in Internal Medicine. Dr. Smoot retired from private practice in 2011.

In addition to his work with the SI's basketball team, he also served as interim physician for the SI football team.

Donations in memory of Dr. Smoot may be made to Samaritan's Purse, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, St. Mary's Medical Center San Francisco or SI.

in memoriam

Go to www.siprep.org/memorial to read obituaries on many of those listed below.

- 1933 Howard Smith
- 1936 William "Bill" Britt
- 1940 Rev. Ralph Drendel, S.J.
- 1941 James E. Thomas
- 1942 Rev. James P. McCauley, S.J.
- 1943 Ignatius Trapani
- 1944 Albert E. Bond
- 1944 Santino A. Camicia
- 1945 Peter E. Osuna
- 1946 Francis P. "Frank" Finnegan
- 1947 Martin V. "Ben" Murphy
- 1949 Dante Ravetti
- 1950 Robert V. Bernicchi
- 1953 Ronald E. Ciraulo
- 1953 Daniel I. Collins
- 1955 Frank J. De Benedetti, Jr.
- 1955 Patrick McSweeney
- 1957 Allan J. Mootz
- 1958 Steven Giraudo
- 1958 Stewart D. Hamilton
- 1961 Daniel John Dempsey
- 1961 Michael Nevin
- 1961 Tim Tierney
- 1962 Charles Joseph ("Charlie," "Dude") Dowd
- 1968 Stephen Ferrebouef
- 1974 Philip Welsh
- 1977 Donald J. Markey
- 1981 Capt. John D. Stanard, USN (Ret.)
- 1983 Michael J. Blue
- 1986 Scott Ferroggiaro

Michael Nevin '61, longtime Peninsula politician



Michael Nevin '61, one of the most respected local politicians, passed away Dec. 1 at UCSF after losing a battle with esophageal cancer. He was 69.

Mr. Nevin made news in 2002 when he decided not to move his family after redistricting made him ineligible to run for the California State Assembly, a job he had been eyeing. "That was a tough time for him and his family," said longtime political ally and friend Ed McGovern '75.

"Some politicians are criticized for putting their careers ahead of their families. One of the things I admired most about Mike is that he was poised to take the seat with very little competition. He had worked towards that goal for the past 20 years of his life of public service. Then he chose his family over that seat because he knew how much they valued their lifelong home in Daly City. I truly admired him for making that personal sacrifice."

McGovern added that "we lost a true Ignatian in every sense of the word. Mike Nevin was a man for his family, friends, constituents, community and Church. He made history, changed lives and loved his family. It is a profound loss but a life so well lived."

"Mike truly was a great man of a happy, intelligent, giving, gracious and generous social-justice-oriented Catholic family," added former SI President Anthony. P. Sauer, S.J. "We all miss him terribly."

Educated at SI, City College of San Francisco and USF, Mr. Nevin joined the San Francisco Police Department, where he spent 27 years, rising to the rank of inspector.

He served as a member of the Daly City Planning Commission from 1979 to 1982, and also served as chair during a portion of that time.

He was elected to the Daly City Council in 1982 and served as mayor there in 1984 and 1989. During his tenure as mayor, Daly City was recognized as an outstanding city by the U.S. Conference of Mayors. Through that Conference, Mr. Nevin introduced Daly City to the Economic Development Program.

From 1989 to 1992, he served on the Criminal Justice Council of San Mateo County and the Narcotics Task Force, a subcommittee of the Criminal Justice Council. He was elected to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors on June 2, 1992, and served as Board President in 1997 and again in 2001.

Supervisor Nevin served on the Bay Area Air Quality Management District as secretary, vice chair and chair and was a board member and past-president of the SMC Health Center board of directors. He also served as a member of the Judicial Council of California Probation Services Task Force, the Summer Jobs for Youth 2001 Chair and the United Way of the Bay Area 1997 San Mateo County Campaign Chair. He was also former board liaison to the Commission on Aging, the Mental Health Advisory Board and the San Mateo County Fair Board.

After leaving the Board of Supervisors, he served as executive director of the Service League of San Mateo County.

He was also a member and past president of the board of directors of the Catholic Youth Organization and received the group's Service to Youth award. Since 1991, he served on the board of directors of the Janet Pomeroy Center. He received numerous commendations and awards, including the Papal Medal Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice and Citizen of the Year from the City of Daly City.

He is survived by his wife, Kathleen, and their children Michael '86, Michelle (Dean of Students at SI) and Tim '90. ∞

Ronald E. Ciraulo '53

Ronald E. Ciraulo '53, a longtime civil engineer for the state of California and supporter of SI, died Sept. 29. He was 77.

After graduating from SCU with his degree in engineering, he worked on projects at Hetch Hetchy for the state and kept in close contact with his Italian friends through the Fratellanza Club, one of the largest social clubs in the U.S. founded by Italian pioneers, including two of his relatives.

Upon retirement, Ron fished and volunteered for San Francisco Tyee Club.

He and his twin brother, Robert '53 (who died April 12, 2012), were both active in the SI and SCU Alumni Associations. Together, they founded a scholarship at SI in honor of their late grandfather, Salvatore Ciraulo.

Ron and Bob also supported fundraising efforts that raised \$55,000 for a statue of St. Clare at SCU, a project initiated by their classmate Jerry Clements.

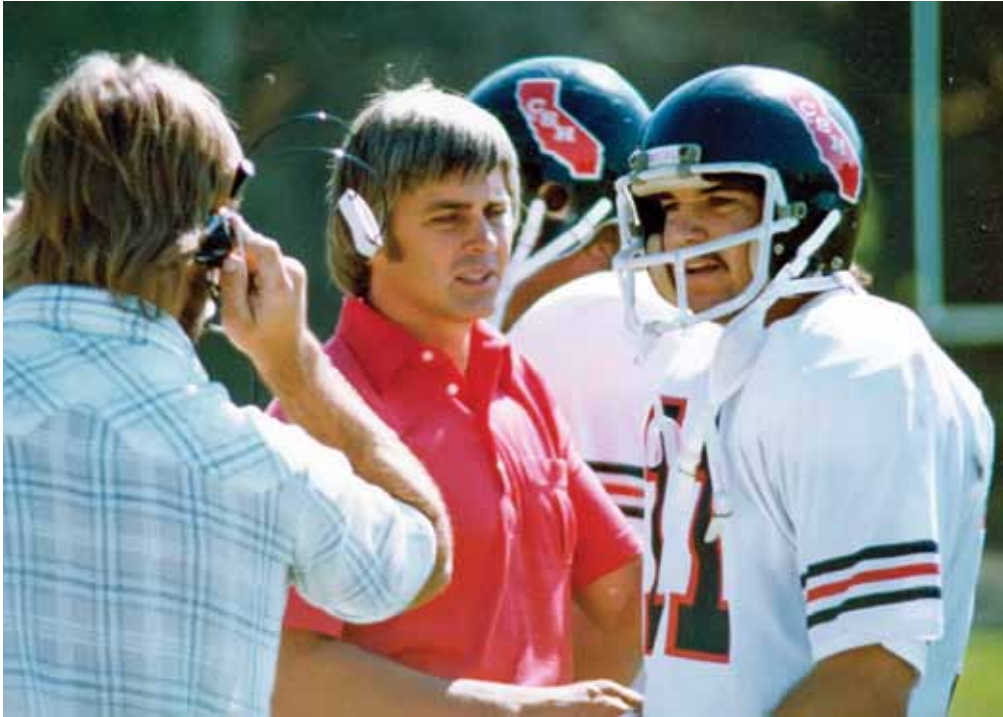
He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Marie Lucille (Audo) Ciraulo; his daughters Dana (Ciraulo) Young and Kara (Ciraulo) Broderick; twin sons James and John, and his bonus kid Michael Ciraulo; his daughter-in-law Jannine (Chun) Ciraulo, and two son-in-laws, James Broderick and Kaipolani Young; and numerous grandchildren and relatives.

Ron's life was celebrated at a memorial service Oct. 12 at St. Augustine's Catholic Church in Oakland, and he was interred at St. Joseph Cemetery in San Pablo.

Gifts may be made to either the Salvatore Ciraulo Memorial Scholarship at SI (Development Office, St. Ignatius College Preparatory, 2001 37th Avenue, San Francisco 94116) or to the San Francisco Tyee Foundation (San Francisco Tyee Club, P.O. Box 320565, San Francisco 94132). ∞



Tim Tierney '61, longtime CSU East Bay college football coach and mentor



BY PAT SULLIVAN '61

One spring day in 1961 at the SI on Stanyan Street, 257 seniors were assigned to write a caption to accompany their photographs in the *Ignatian* yearbook. The instructions asked us to state our plans after graduation.

This is Tim Tierney's caption: "Tim came to SI as a sophomore and immediately displayed his fine character. He was an excellent athlete, leading the varsity football team to two championships and sparking the track team. For his athletic endeavors, Tim was elected to the Block Club. After graduation, Tim plans to extend his education in the field of criminology."

All true except for the last part, but no harm, no crime. As with many of us, the yearbook plan didn't happen. Instead of criminology, Tim went on to a career that no then-SI senior could have foreseen – more than three decades as a college football coach, teacher and much-sought-after academic adviser. That career was briefly interrupted by a life-threatening brain tumor that turned Tim's dark hair white when he was only 37.

He bounced back from that health scare and persevered in his career in a way that inspired countless former SI and SFSU teammates and classmates, his students and colleagues at Cal State Hayward (now Cal State East Bay) and his family, including brothers Bob '71 and Jim '77. It was no

surprise that after Tim's death on Sept. 15 in Redwood City from complications during brain surgery, there came an outpouring of affection from many who met him at various stages of Tim's life.

Players on the 1968 SI football team encountered Tim as an assistant coach. One former player praised Tim as "the best coach that I had at SI." Another wrote this: "I learned more from Tim than any other coach at SI." A third mentioned that "Tim was the calming influence from the coaching staff, which could be very volatile at times."

His example led others to emulate him, including Dan Brown, captain of the 1985 Cal State Hayward team. "I'm a high-school football coach because of Tim Tierney," noted Brown.

Major League Baseball umpire Ted Barrett, who played football at Hayward State from 1985 to 1986 and who coached there for one season, said that he attributed his "success as a major-league umpire to Tim [because] he taught me the value of life both on and off the football field. He preached teamwork and how to overcome adversity."

Speaking by phone from Cleveland for this article, former SI football and NFL football coach Gil Haskell '61 noted that he and Tim "were both very competitive and very close. We spent many hours talking football with Doc Erskine."

Gil noted that he and Tim often water-skied at Lake Berryessa "We would work

out on the SF State field at night after our summer day-jobs to get ready for football. We were in each other's weddings. We played golf in Palm Springs with our wives. The worst part is I didn't get to see him often enough over the past 30 years."

Those who knew him best, of course, were his family. "The one accomplishment Tim was most proud of was being the father of three children," added his wife, Jeanette Stone Tierney. "He could not be prouder of them. He was their academic adviser and life coach. Kent and Bryan are graduates of San Francisco Law School with successful careers; Sadie is a graduate of Cal Poly embarking on a successful career. Tim was publicly and privately very affectionate toward his children."

Tim was born in Buffalo, NY, and grew up in San Francisco's Parkside and West Portal neighborhoods. He was known as the fastest kid at Herbert Hoover Junior High, according to his brother Bob.

After graduating from SI, Tim entered SFSU, where he played football, again, with Haskell, Mike Burke '61, Dennis Drucker '61 and Paul Richards '61. They impressed older teammate and quarterback Don McPhail, who noted that "Tim and his pals brought positive energy and a certain kind of sophistication to our team. We needed the grounding they brought."

As a defensive back and special teams player, Tim twice was named to the All-Far Western Conference (FWC) team. In 1963, in a game you can find on YouTube, he returned a punt 89 yards, untouched, for a touchdown, setting a record and igniting a 33-22 win over visiting Cal Poly. In 1985, Tim was inducted into the San Francisco State Athletic Hall of Fame.

In the immediate years after college, he gained experience with the Rhode Island Indians of the Continental Football League and in the camp of the Philadelphia Eagles. Then came two seasons at SI as an assistant to Vince Tringali and one season coaching at Homestead in San Jose with classmate Burke. In 1970, a year before earning a master's degree at Stanford, Tim moved on to Hayward State, beginning his 37-year career there.

In that first season as defensive coordinator, his team took on Southern University in a game billed as the Bay Area Football Classic – the first-ever college football game to be played at the Oakland Coliseum.

On a cold and rainy afternoon, a crowd of 24,092 showed up, many not so much for the X's and O's but for the tubas and batons, to see the famous Southern University Marching Band perform at halftime. Fine and dandy. The cymbal-clash to the day, however, was the Pioneers' 20-6 upset of the Jaguars as Coach T's defensive scheme blanketed 6-foot, 8-inch-tall receiver Harold Carmichael, who would later star for the NFL Philadelphia Eagles, limiting him to a lone touchdown catch.

In 1975, Tim was named head coach, a position he would hold until Hayward dropped football in 1993. Tim led the Pioneers to one FWC championship and four second-place finishes. The 1985 team allowed only 67.2 yards-a-game rushing, a school record. Tim was FWC Co-Coach of the Year in 1977 and 1981, the latter honor only months after his brain-tumor episode. Rivalry games, especially against UC Davis, were heated affairs.

Despite all his wins, Tim also could be philosophical in defeat. After a tough loss in 1984, he told the *San Francisco Chronicle*

that "it's like the fish that got away. Is it to the fish's credit or is it the fisherman's fault?" I included that quote in *Football's Greatest Quotes*, a 1990 book I edited with Bob Chieger. Tim's gem is in a chapter called "Win, Lose and Tie," along with quotes from Woody Hayes, John McKay, Lou Holtz, Bo Schembechler, Tom Landry, Al Davis, Randy Cross, Bobby Layne and John Madden.

After football ended at Hayward, Tim, in addition to being a sought-after adviser and teacher in the Kinesiology Department, developed a golf program and coached the men's and women's teams until 2005. Longtime friend Mike Moriarty '61, the 1969 San Francisco golf champion, was a behind-the-scenes consultant. After Tim's appointment as interim tennis coach for one season, he told a student: "I'm your new coach; I don't know anything about tennis."

Tim's Celebration of Life took place on Oct. 7, a clear, bright Sunday, the same day the Blue Angels flew over the city. At the United Irish Cultural Center, in the large upstairs hall filled with 200 people, three bagpipers roared their pipes as they strolled

through a gathering that included dozens of Tim's professional colleagues from CSU/East Bay, including Al Matthews, athletic director when Tim was coaching, who noted that "Tim never complained about the budget. All he cared about was recruiting the best athletes." Matthews also recalled visiting The Portals with Tim. "I could not believe how many people knew Tim, how many drinks were backed up in front of us and how we were ever going to get out of there."

For me, the quote by Xiong Sheng on the program at Tim's Celebration of Life said it all: "In the end, it's not going to matter how many breaths you took, but how many moments took your breath away."

Pat Sullivan worked as a sports reporter for the San Francisco Chronicle between 1977 and 2002. After Tim's retirement, the two men lived only 30 miles apart on California's Central Coast. They rekindled their friendship shortly before their Golden Diploma reunion. "It felt new and special. It is my privilege to have had the opportunity to contribute this article to Genesis." ∞

Rev. Warren Wright, S.J., English teacher and dean's office assistant



Rev. Warren Wright, S.J., longtime assistant dean of students and English teacher, died Nov. 19, 2012, at the Sacred Heart Jesuit Center in Los Gatos. He was 65.

His tenure at SI stretched from 1996 to 2011, and his wise mentorship touched the lives of countless students and teachers.

He had been a Jesuit for 39 years and an ordained priest for 30 years. His priestly ministry took him to schools and parishes throughout the California Province of the Society of Jesus

Warren was greatly esteemed by colleagues as a hardworking, conscientious and compassionate priest, who was clear-sighted and perceptive, with a self-deprecating sense of humor. He coped admirably with years of suffering from diabetes and renal failure.

Rev. Thomas O'Neill, S.J. '74, Superior of the SI Jesuit community, preached at Warren's Nov. 27 funeral, and noted in his homily that "the mayor himself knew less about the problems with Muni than did Warren, the guardian of the gate to Brother Draper's office. If you had a good story or could make him

laugh or somehow could explain yourself without setting off Warren's exquisitely attuned 'blarney-o-meter,' well, then, you might just make it by his window without the dreaded 'P' circled on the ATPX card."

On Nov. 28, SI held a memorial Mass for Fr. Wright in the Orradre Chapel, where he was eulogized by SI religious studies teacher Michael Shaughnessy '67 and Assistant Principal for Student Affairs Bobby Gavin.

"He committed his life and his ministry to making God's love real and perceptible to the people whom he served and with whom he worked," said Shaughnessy. "While he reached out to people of all ages, he had a particular gift of reaching out to alienated teenagers.... He didn't take himself too seriously and he shot holes through pretension whenever he encountered it."

Gavin praised Fr. Wright for being a man of "intelligence, quick-wit, hard rationality and well-earned experience."

Students also sang Fr. Wright's praises on SI's Facebook page in a heartfelt memorial to this great priest and loving mentor. ∞



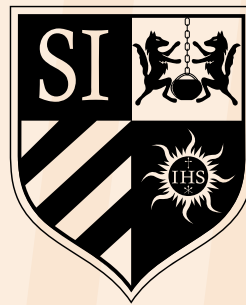
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JANUARY

19 Alumni Pedro Tournament	10a.m.-3:30pm
21 Martin Luther King Jr. Parade (CalTrain Station)	10:30am
22 Parent Intro Meeting for Spiritual Exercises	8:30am & 7pm
22-26 Dance Concert (Wiegand)	7pm
23 Freshman Parent Community of Concern (Commons)	7pm
26 Financial Aid / Cash for Colleges (Commons)	10am
27 Ignatian Guild Women's Retreat	9am
30-31 SI Live (Bannan)	7pm

FEBRUARY

1-2 Latino Summit (Commons)	
5 AAAS Applicant Evening (Commons)	7pm
8 Scholarship Dinner	6pm
8 Piano Recital	3pm
9 Loyola Guild Valentine's Brunch (Harding Park)	11am
10 Mother Student Communion Breakfast	9am
12 Ignatian Guild/Fathers' Club Board Meetings	7pm
12 ALAS Applicant Evening	6:30pm
18 President's Day (no classes)	
19 Faculty Inservice (no classes)	
20 Frosh Challenge Day	8:15am
20 Boards of Regents, Regents Emeriti & Trustees	4pm
21-23 Student Arts Showcase (Bannan)	7pm
22 Mother/Daughter Night (Commons)	7pm
23 Class of 1957 SI/SHC/Riordan Lunch, Double Play	noon
Contact bigstrains@sbcglobal.net or donmccann@sbcglobal.net	
23 SIPAC Lunar New Year Luncheon (Grand Palace Rest.)	11:30am
27 Parent Speaker Series #3 (Commons)	7pm

MARCH

2 Fathers' Club Auction (McCullough Gym)	6pm
8 Father/Daughter Night (Commons)	8:30pm
9 Spring Training Chapter Event, Scottsdale, Arizona	
12 Bruce-Mahoney Baseball Game (AT&T Park /Tentative)	TBA
12 Fathers' Club Board Meeting	7pm
13 Ignatian Guild Board Meeting	7pm
13-14 Midterms	
15 Quarter Break	
20 Board of Trustees Meeting	3pm
20 College Night (Counseling)	7pm
22 Mother/Son Dance (Commons)	7pm
23 Golden Diploma Dinner (Location TBD)	
24 Class of '63 Golden Diploma Mass & Reception	10am
20 Board of Trustees	4pm
27 Fathers' Club Lenten Reflection (Orradre)	6:30pm
28 Start of Easter Break	
30 Alumni Baseball	
31 Easter	

APRIL

4-6 Jerry Langkammerer Lax Tournament (subject to change)	
8 School Resumes	
9 Ignatian Guild/Fathers' Club Board Meetings	7pm
9 Financial Aid Night (Orradre Chapel)	
13 Junior Prom	
19 Alumni Night for Spring Musical (Bannan)	6pm
20 Grandparents' Day reception & Spring Musical Preview	11am/2pm
20 8th grade preview of Spring Musical	7pm
20 Class of 1973 Reunion	
21 Case Studies (Counseling)	2pm
21 AMDG Earth Day Event	

23 General Parent Meeting (Commons)	7pm
23-24 Class of 1953 Reunion, Embassy Suites, Napa	
24-27 Spring Musical: <i>How to Succeed in Business...</i>	7pm
27 International Food Faire	4pm

MAY

1-4 Spring Musical: <i>How to Succeed in Business...</i>	7pm
2 Father/Son Night (Commons)	6:30pm
7 Ignatian Guild Board Meeting	7pm
14 Fathers' Club Board Meeting	7pm
14 Transition to College (Orradre Chapel)	7pm
15 Board of Regents	4pm
15 Magis Senior Celebration	6:30pm
16 Ignatian Guild Installation Mass & Luncheon	11am
17 Faculty In Service (no classes)	
17 Fathers' Club BBQ (Commons)	5:30pm
18 Senior Prom	
20 Senior Class Holiday	
22 Father Carlin Heritage Society Luncheon	11:30am
23 Transition Liturgy	
24 Awards Assembly	9:30am
27 Memorial Day Holiday	
28-30 Final Exams	
29 Board of Trustees	3pm
30 Baccalaureate Mass (St. Mary's)	7:30pm

JUNE

1 Graduation (St. Ignatius Church)	10:30am
3 Fathers' Club Installation Lunch (Alioto's)	11:30am
7 All Class Reunion	
10 High School Summer School & camps begin	
11 Fathers' Club Board Meeting	7pm
17 Middle School Summer School begins	

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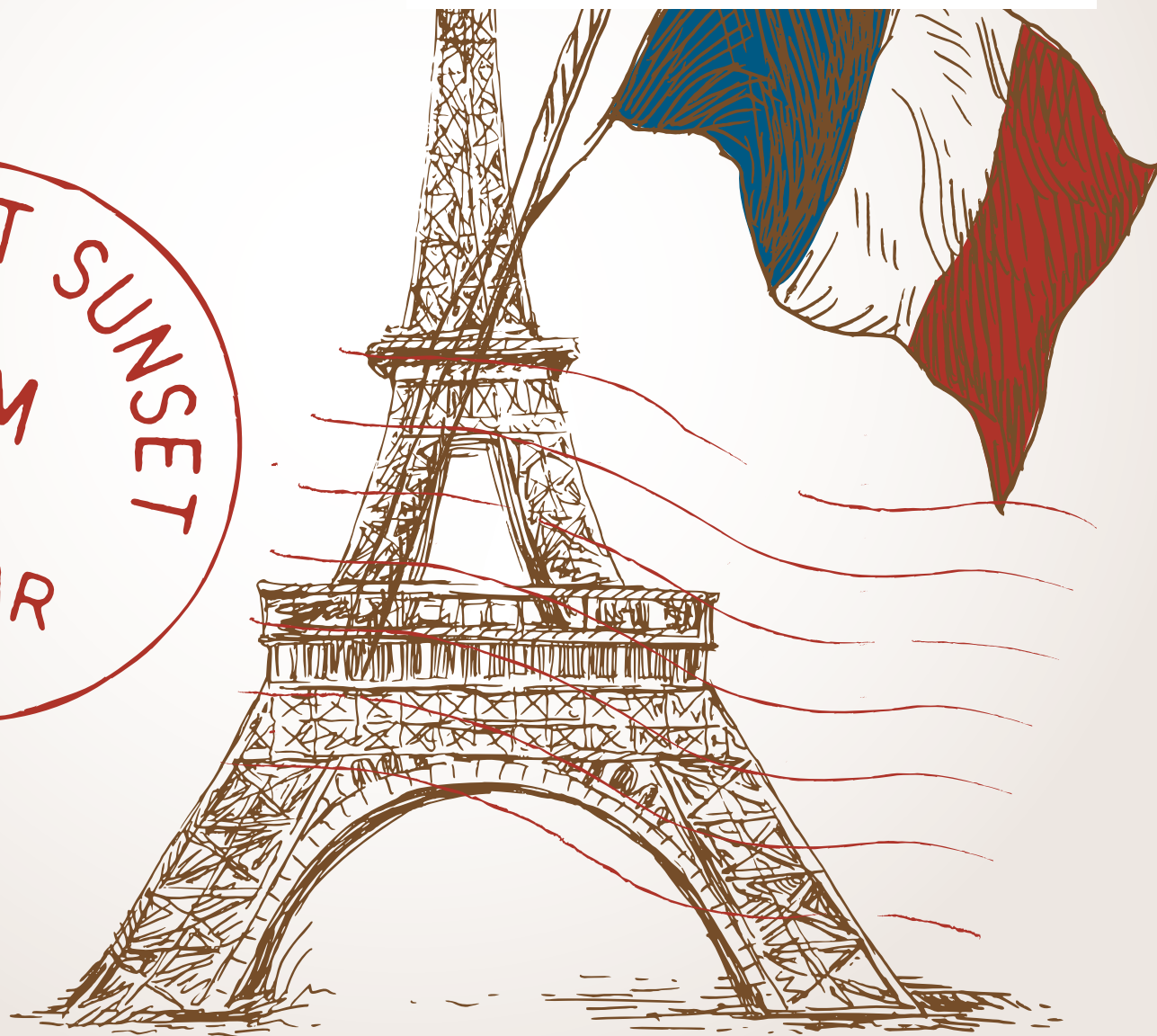
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