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FATHER BOLLER

By John Neary ’87
Chairman of the Board of Trustees

A Message from Father Christopher Devon, S.J.

My name is Father Christopher Devon, S.J. and I am the next president of Fordham Prep—a difficult job. It’s not a difficult job because our alumni are difficult; nor because our students or parents are difficult. And it’s not even difficult because our staff or faculty are difficult (except when giving homework and exams, of course). My job will be difficult because I am following a terrific leader, Rev. Kenneth J. Boller, S.J. the 34th President of Fordham Prep.

In the mid-90’s, when I was a young scholastic, I had the privilege of living and working with Father Boller at Saint Aloysius Church in Harlem. I admired his insight into people—what makes them tick, and how to communicate with them. And I saw a leader who serves others with humility and joy—whether through cooking a great meal that brings people together, or doing the quiet, behind-the-scenes work that makes a parish and school run smoothly, but that nobody notices, or necessarily calls attention to.

The way Ken understands the needs of others, combined with his prayerful readiness to serve them and be a messenger of the Good News, is at the heart of what Saint Ignatius Loyola meant when he urged Jesus to be “available.” It is also what we mean when we invite our students to become “men for others.”

In the nine years Ken has served the Fordham Prep community, he has brought the school to new heights in almost every area that measures the success of a Jesuit secondary school. But perhaps more than the results, it’s the way Ken has achieved them that inspires me and, at the same time, makes him such a hard act to follow. So if that’s the difficult part, let me share with you the part that seems exciting. About the time I became acquainted with Ken, I was introduced to a few Fordham Prep alumni. Over the years, that number has grown steadily—especially in light of my work at the REACH Program where we successfully placed several outstanding rising freshmen at Fordham Prep. These young men from the REACH Program received generous financial aid, making a Jesuit education possible for their families, most of whom live in the Bronx. When people ask me what I know about Fordham Prep, I tell them that one best knows a school through the alumnus it produces.

The Fordham Prep men I know—whether from the Class of 1964 or 2008—are deeply invested in the school’s mission, and they are making a positive difference—in Ignatius’ words, “setting the world on fire”—through loving service and a commitment to justice. In using the gifts that God gave them, they help to transform the world so it looks and feels more and more like God’s Kingdom. I am consoled to know that they will be at my side helping me and us as we continue to make Fordham Prep the premier Jesuit high school in the country, expand the opportunity of Jesuit education to more deserving young men, and together commit our lives to God’s greater glory.
In the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy, the Prep reached out in several ways to assist in the relief efforts. The first place we looked was to our Jesuit brothers at Xavier in Manhattan and St. Peter’s Prep in Jersey City. At Xavier, almost 100 students either lost homes or were displaced from their homes for a significant period of time. At St. Peter's, the school itself sustained significant damage due to the flooding of the lower levels. The Prep, along with Jesuit schools throughout the country, were advised by the Jesuit Secondary Education Association (JSEA) that in the short term the best way to help was through financial assistance. Campus Ministry began the fundraising effort by sponsoring a $5 dress-down day that quickly led to a 50/50 raffle and donation cans at the concessions stands. In the end, the Prep raised $25,000 to donate to Xavier and St. Peter’s Prep.

Many at the Prep were also eager to assist in the cleanup efforts taking place throughout the city. Ms. Steve Distinti of the Classics department (and a Xavier Alumna) spearheaded the effort to help in one of the areas most devastated in the storm – Belle Harbor in the Rockaways. On Saturday, November 17th, Prep faculty, students and parents loaded a bus with donated cleaning supplies and various other items most needed by families affected by the storm and headed to Belle Harbor. The group met at St. Frances De Sales Roman Catholic Church, which had become a central meeting spot for volunteers in the weeks following the storm. Upon arrival at the church, the group was quickly dispatched to various homes. The main task at the time was the removal of sand that had been washed into basements, garages, and backyards during the storm surge. Using just shovels, buckets, and wheelbarrows, the team from the Prep was successful in removing sand from several garages and basements. Witnessing the devastation first hand, they all realized that the road to recovery would be a long slow process for the many of families in the Rockaways and throughout the city. Eager to continue to help, the Prep returned to Belle Harbor the Friday after Thanksgiving and helped once again with the removal of sand. The Rugby team also led two trips to Breezy Point to aid in the efforts as did the Prep’s Habitat for Humanity club. The club’s president, Patrick Anderson offered these thoughts on the experience:

“When the weeks following Hurricane Sandy, me, and several other students, involved in the Habitat for Humanity Club traveled down to Breezy Point on two occasions to help out with the relief effort. Since it was immediately after the devastating super-storm, we, for the most part, aided in demolition work – tearing out insulation, removing furniture, and cleaning out flooded basements. While we were working on one flooded house, the owner seemed unfazed by her immense losses; instead, she was relentlessly expressing her gratitude, even to the point of offering to pay us for our volunteer work. At another home, an elderly man with a broken arm insisted on helping us remove bulk furniture before he molded, even joking about the inconvenience of getting injured just prior to the storm. All of the participants felt truly impacted by the experience, discussing on the ride home the need for us to continue assisting the enormous relief effort.”

The generosity of the Prep community serves as a living example of the Ignatian vision of forming “men and women” for others. The Prep plans to continue to be active in helping in the recovery efforts in the coming months.
The President’s Report

Happy New Year! It may seem strange to see this greeting when you are reading the Ramview in March. If you are like me, I am usually good at writing the new year on correspondence until March when I revert to the year past and have to catch myself. Somehow each new year takes a while to get used to.

When you are involved in a school which is 172 years young, you always have a foot in the past even as we live in the moment. This issue of Ramview illustrates that very well: celebrating one hundred years of Prep Theater as well as the outreach of our campus ministry program to the relief of the victims of super storm Sandy. We record happy moments at reunions while we await the registration of the Class of 2017.

I am delighted to celebrate the election of Fr. Christopher Devron, S.J. as our next president. I have known Chris, a member of the New York Province, for many years and I know that he brings great enthusiasm and a wealth of experiences with him as he becomes the 35th president of the Prep.

I know that my father, Vincent ’36 and my godfather, Raymond ’34 have been looking over my shoulder and guiding me through these years.

Thanks for all of your support.

Sincerely,

President

The Principal’s Report

There are so many interesting articles in this edition of Ramview. One that especially catches my attention is the one that talks about two of our most respected veteran teachers, Dennis Ahern and Jack Foley, both Prep graduates from the class of 1963. I have had the privilege of watching them working at their vocations for almost 40 years. As I think about them in my role of Principal, it reminds me that it is so difficult to describe great teaching, yet we all know it when we experience it.

The profession of teaching has evolved over the years. Today, we have a better understanding of brain development and how it impacts the way adolescents learn. There are best practices which can guide the choices a teacher makes in most classroom situations. Teachers collaborate and work in teams rather than alone. They understand the variety of methods that can enhance student learning and they know when each of these methods is most effective. And schools certainly have better tools at their disposal. The power of technology, utilized properly and appropriately, can personalize and enrich the learning process.

There are, of course, greater challenges these days. The expertise required to understand technology and how it can best be used in education is daunting. The well-documented global nature of the world today requires teachers to understand the knowledge, skills and values that are needed to function in today’s interconnected world and how curriculum can be strengthened to promote international knowledge and skills. It also necessitates that teachers find ways to make their students more proficient in world languages, to use technology to extend the international experiences of students and teachers, and to understand how international exchange can be organized.

Then throw in the other learnings which Prep teachers are expected to impact, perhaps best summed up in the description of Fordham Prep as “a community of faith, scholarship, and service, animated by the magis and cura personalis.” Teaching looks so easy from outside the profession, yet it is such an intricate, sophisticated, and elegant calling. Much like the practice of good medicine, it is both an art and a science.

So what makes for a great teacher? While there are new challenges today, the Prep’s history is brimming with the names of such individuals who taught long before anyone viewed the world as linked and when the technology tools of the day were pens, pencils and typewriters. Perhaps a sense of the answer can be found in Dennis Ahern and Jack Foley. They certainly keep up with current technology and perform their daily tasks in a professional manner. More than that, they understand the challenges that fill the worlds of the young men at the Prep. They bring a caring, principled, and joyful demeanor to all their interactions with the students. They are models of the phrase men for others.

Robert J. Gomprecht ’65
Principal

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I am a senior at Fordham Prep. I commute from West Farms in the Bronx and live alone with my mother. Due to my mom’s struggle with cancer and Wilson’s Disease, she is disabled and cannot work. Thankfully, with your help, I was able to attend the most awesome school in the Bronx.

My favorite class this year is engineering. I feel so accomplished in class when I complete a correct circuit board. I know that I am lucky to be able to experience such complex circuits, when in other schools I know, I might not have been as lucky to learn what I’m learning now.

I am part of the Spanish club and was part of the cross country team. I’m getting almost all As this year and am proud of my accomplishments. Thanks again for your generosity. It means so much to me and students like myself.

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Class of 1987 Achieves $750,000 Endowment Campaign Goal at Thanksgiving

The Class of 1987, in honor of its 25 year anniversary, created an endowment in memory of its deceased classmates and Patrick Joyce ’88. The goals of the Class of 1987 were: to raise permanent capital for need-based financial aid to enable students from families of modest means to attend Fordham Prep; to ensure funds to preserve the Prep’s socioeconomic diversity; and to memorialize deceased classmates and honor a Class of 1988 hero.

The Endowment campaign concluded at Thanksgiving with $750,000 in 3-year pledges, meeting the Class’s stretch goal. 321 classmates participated, a 57% class participation rate, and 117 classmates made pledges, 55% of the class. These are historic levels of fundraising and participation in a class effort. This Endowment effort has now been passed on to the Class of 1988 prior to its 25th Reunion in 2013. Now that the Class of 1987’s formal solicitation efforts are complete, the Class should be congratulated for an outstanding achievement.

Class of 1988 – 25th Reunion

On April 20, 2013, the Fordham Prep Class of 1988 will celebrate its 25th Reunion in the Imperial Ballroom of Riverside Church (420 Riverside Drive) in Manhattan.

The 25-member Reunion Committee has been meeting in-person and on conference calls since December 2012. The Committee includes Kevin Rooney, Thomas Andrusa, Marc Burton, Michael Curtin, Patrick Deane, Louis DiGiglio, Mark DiPaolo, William Fenwick, Mark FitzPatrick, Anthony Fletcher, Mark Goldschmidt, Jonathan Horgan, John Joyce, Peter Maddocks, James Mangan, Matthew McGowan, Manuel Mercader, Ruben Rivera, Thomas Ryan, Paul Saunders, Stephen Savva, James Smith, Valentino Vasi, John Yoon, and Marlo Young. Also, William Sweeney is serving on the Committee in an honorary capacity. Bill was our classmate and teammate for three years before his family moved to Connecticut and he transferred to Greenwich High School. Bill recently returned from Brazil after living there for several years and is looking forward to reconnecting with our class.

The Committee has been working to contact our classmates to personally invite them to attend the reunion. As of March 1, 2013, a large contingent of the class has already responded and will be attending this event. We still have one month until the Reunion, so we expect to have a record number of classmates in attendance. Registration is simple – just click here. If you have any questions about the reunion, please contact a member of the Reunion Committee. Members of the Class of 1988, thanks in large part to Louis DiGiglio, are also invited to check for updates on the reunion (as well as some good-natured ribbing) click here. Classmates may post messages and photos on the Board.

The Class of 1988 Endowment will also be in memory of classmates Joel Harris and George Coleman and it will honor classmates who have served or are still serving in the United States Armed Forces.

While the Reunion Committee’s hard work has resulted in obtaining the email addresses of almost 93% of the class, they still need some help from the Fordham Prep Community. If you have any contact information for the following Class of 1988 members, please contact Kevin Rooney at krooney@cerberuscapital.com: Brian FitzMaurice, Christopher Benedict, David Finnerty, Horacio Requena, Kevin Cunningham, Marc Sarubbi, Michael O’Halloran, Michael Carroll, Michael Pugliese and Stephen Decker.

The Class of 1988, following the tremendous accomplishments of the Class of 1987 – and in what we hope will become a new tradition for Prep classes celebrating their 25th Reunions – has already begun its own fundraising efforts for an endowment that will continue to fund need-based financial aid for future Prep students as “Patrick S. Joyce Jr. ’88 Scholarships.” Patrick Joyce, a member of the Class of 1988, was a Yonkers firefighter who gave his life in the line of duty in 2009. The Class of 1988 Endowment will also be in memory of classmates Joel Harris and George Coleman and, it will honor classmates who have served, or are still serving, in the United States Armed Forces. As Kevin Rooney ’88 mentioned, “members of our generation have served a significant role in the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq. In fact, our classmates have been at the point of attack at crucial stages throughout these wars, and we want to honor the commitment and sacrifice made by these classmates and their families.”

As of January 31, 2013, members of the Class of 1988 launched their effort with a total of $115,000 in commitments, placing them ahead of the Class of 1987 at the equivalent stage last year. The five individuals behind these anchor pledges represent both first-time donors to the Prep as well as donors with long giving histories. Tom Ryan, the first of the donors for the Class of 1988 Endowment, attended St. Margaret’s Grammar School with Patrick Joyce. Tom mentioned, “my and my wife Janice’s decision to support the Endowment was based on my love for the Prep, our admiration for someone like Patrick Joyce who made the ultimate sacrifice while serving his community, and the knowledge that we would be assisting families who are struggling financially and would not otherwise be able to send their sons to the Prep. I was very grateful to the Prep for the financial aid that I received as a student, so the decision to give was an easy one.”

Jim Mangan ’88, added, “For so many of us from the Class of 1988, Fordham Prep set us on a course for life. The Jesuits challenged us, not just to do our best, but to be our best and to serve others. The Class of 1988 Endowment, building on the work of the Class of 1987, is aimed at helping ensure that boys who otherwise might find a Fordham Prep education out of reach, will have the opportunities that we were fortunate enough to have. It is our hope that it will help another generation of young men go out into the world and be their best.”

The Class of 1988 hopes to build on the momentum of giving started by its anchor donors and conclude a very successful fundraising effort on Thanksgiving Day when it turns the mantle over to the Class of 1989.

2012 ANNUAL REPORT CORRECTIONS

We wish to apologize to alumni Colin J. McCarthy ’01 and Jeffrey P. Linoncelli ’12 and Parent Ms. Amy Felker ’12 for not including their names in the list of contributors in the 2012 Annual Report. We apologize to Paul P. Rega ’66 for listing his class year incorrectly in the 2012 Annual Report.

We apologize for the following mistakes that were made on page 18 in the Alumni Giving By Class by Decade: The Class of 1958 percentage was incorrectly shown as 1.4%. The percentage was 31.4%. The number of donors for the Class of 1969 was reported as 5 out of 202. The number of donors should have been 45.
WHO PUT THE RAM IN DRAMATIS PERSONAE:
A Brief History of the Fordham Ram & the Prep Stage, Or What You Will

by Lou DiGiorno ’88, School Historian

Act I: “They shouted thrice: what was the last cry for?”

—Julius Caesar, Liu. ii.318

As all loyal sons of Fordham Prep should know, the Fordham Ram was born of a rally cry at an 1893 Army-Fordham game: not a single ewe in sight. During the game — or so the stories go — the Fordham boys came up with a clever little cheer: “One DAM, Two DAM, Three DAM, For DHAM!” While many of the details of that late nineteenth-century afternoon are lost to us, there are three things of which we can be certain:

1) Prep boys were present — in those days, big College games were a major form of entertainment for the entire Student Body, College and Prep alike.

2) In all their adolescent exuberance, the Fordham lads must have been particularly pleased with themselves. In any century, boys will be boys.

3) The Administration was not particularly pleased with the lads, or their adolescent exuberance. After all, in any century, Administrations will be Administrations.

Despite the students’ earnest protestations that the DAM part of the cheer was in no way intended to invoke the expletive damn [wink], yes, winkies meant winkies even in the 1890s, the Administration would have none of it, and shortly thereafter gently suggested [ahem] [ahem meant show, too] that the cheer be slightly changed lest the ever-gentlemanly Fordhamites might be somehow, you know, misunderstood, and their sterling reputations tarnished. In the end, of course, we must thank the good Fathers for their prudence. Had they not stepped in, our beloved mascot might just have wound up a beaver, or even more awkwardly, the Hoover or the Grand Coulee.

So DAM became RAM, and the Ram became immortal a few years later when the famous University and Prep fight song was penned by John Ignatius Coveney, College Class of 1906, a football, poet, debater, self-taught musician, playwright and major figure in Fordham dramas during his Rose Hill days. Young Coveney’s 1905 composition — written in his dorm room in Dealy Hall — would also prove his legacy. Sadly, he would die of a fever just a few years after graduation.

With the fight song in place, the first major push for a live mascot would be initiated a few years later by Charles Murray, University Class of 1926. A year after Murray’s graduation, the first official Ovis fordhamensis would be acquired by the staff of the Ram, the University’s weekly student newspaper. A dynamic line of live Rose Hill mascots would follow, all named Rameses. Their lives and times are excellently chronicled in a 1990 Ram article by former Prep Assistant Dean of Students, Mr. Marc Antoncicchia ’88. [For a copy of the article, log onto the Prep’s Alumni Community. Quite the amusing read. Especially the part about the “ram” who actually gives birth. Ah, the good ol’ days, when men and sheep were … just read Marc’s article.]

There can be no doubt that the succession of twenty-or-so quadrupeds (spanning from the ’20s to the ’70s) was as much the symbolic inheritance of the Prep as the University. Alums from the 1950s and ’60s still tell of how only the “luckiest” of Prep freshmen would be entrusted with the most venerable of all duties at Alma Mater — raking out the Ramhouse. As at least one of those shoveller-alums of yesteryear is a member of the Prep’s Administration today, perhaps it is best that they be left unnamed. [After all, in any century …]

One oft-forgotten footnote to all this probatological probing, however, is that for a brief time, the Prep actually had its own ram, Rameses’ little brother, as it were. Granite was his name, first mentioned in a 1945 Rampart. To be sure, his stint as the Prep’s mascot was anything but uneventful. In fact, our beloved ungulate was actually kidnapped and smuggled to Washington D.C. by a marauding band of Georgetowners assuming the Prep’s ram was the College’s. In the end, there were more than a few red-faced and very apologetic Hoyas that weekend. Their Administration must not have been pleased. The press would pick up on the incident, and so, Granite actually made the national papers. So did his keeper.

As the Prep has only had one ram of its own, Keeper of the Ram remains a unique faculty appointment to this day, a position that just happened to have been held by a then-young scholar, a certain Mr. John “Jack” Leonard, S.J. — a name bound to ring familiar with almost anyone even remotely connected with the Prep.

ACT II: “All the world’s a stage”

—As You Like It, Il.viii.1037

With an astounding 60 years of service to the Prep, Fr. Leonard’s name has become synonymous with Fordham stagecraft — and quite literally, at that: The Leonard Theatre, the Prep’s thousand-seat auditorium, was named to honor “The Patriarch of Fordham Theater” when it was dedicated back in 1993. Now retired since 2011, Father’s association with the Rose Hill stage began early in his career, back in his ramkeeping days as a scholastic, when he was not only charged to oversee the Prep’s Dramatic Society, but also to revive the University’s theater program which had all but fallen away during the War. In the words of alum and former Prep actor Nick Leahi ’88: “There would be no theater at Fordham Prep (or arguably at Fordham University)
More than a decade into the 20th century, the Prep would finally come to have its own theater group, and the Fordham Prep Dramatic Society was born. Performances were now being held in Collins Hall (originally College Hall, completed in 1905), the home of all Prep theater for the next 80 years. The Prep’s first independent production was held on the evening of April 9, 1913, a three-act comedy entitled *M. Balmer.* Produced and directed by a scholastic, Mr. Michael Clark, S.J., the show was cast with Prep seniors including James O’Donohoe, Neil O’Brien and Albert Casey, who was the son of a vaudevillian actor, would go on after his Rose Hill days to have a celebrated stage career of his own. He is recognized as “The Father of Fordham Dramatics” and considered the founder of the Miners & Mumpers, the University theater company.

While Prepsters would be involved in the College’s Dramatic Society’s shows for the next 60 years, it seems there were also a few minor Prep-only productions along the way under the auspices of the Second Division Glee Club, starting with *Barney the Baron* in March 1883 and ending with *Rip Van Winkle* in March 1900. There was also some sort of dramatic performance in 1895 in which Prep senior Albert Casey broke his arm swinging from a trapeze. Now that must have been quite the show!

So began the tradition of independent Prep dramatics that would live on through the decades. Just as with the Prep Gridiron, with which the Prep Stage shares this milestone year—the stories are myriad: from the spirited performances of seniors Ed Berry and Elliot Binzen as the Marxland Boys in the 1914 production of *The New Tutor,* to the Prep’s first Broadway-style musical, *South Pacific,* performed on May 24 & 25, 1974 with Joe Fiorentino ’74 as Emile and Vito Tironi ’74 as Luther Billis, to Chidi Okoro-Anyata’s rendition of the Elvis-esque *Conrad Birdie* in 2012’s *Bye Bye Birdie.* Along the way, Mr. T. J. Coffey, S.J., Tom Peredine ’28, Robert Malang ’29 and Ben Santopietro ’29 would give us productions like *A Millionaire Janitor* and *Sailors True* ensuring that independent Prep dramatics would endure, we encounter the first Prep name associated with lighting: George Grainger, Class of 1934; a future legendary sportscaster would make his way onto the Prep stage: Vin Scully, Class of 1944; and in the 1960s, for the first time, we find real-life leading ladies in Prep productions. The literal prima donna of the Prep stage: Susan McCarthy, Mount St. Ursula, Class of 1965, in the role of Lady Alice More. She was accompanied by classmate Barbara Linton and Deirdre Abbot from St. Catherine’s in the November 1964 production of *A Man for All Seasons.*

As the story goes, Fr. Leonard had travelled all the way to the Rome to ask Father General’s permission to allow girls in the performances. Before 1964, of course, all female parts were played by Prep boys in wigs. (Ah, the good old days, when men were men and… oh, never mind)

We approach the end of this piece leaving out hundreds of performances and thousands upon thousands of names, from producers and directors (Deering, Mehmel, Flood, O’Malley, Groepler ’87) to performers (Dileo ’31, Ahern ’63, Cloherty ’94) to crewmen (Broska ’55, McMorrow ’88, Limoncelli ’12 [2012, that is]) to special guest appearances (yes, that was Mrs. Wanda Pitero, current Chair of Modern Languages, who danced her way across the Prep stage in the late ’80s). As the Prep continues to compile its digital collection of dramatics memorabilia, we look forward to the near future when all of these names will once again share spotlight, or at least a web page. [Send in any photos or footage!]

This past February, under the direction of faculty members, Mr. T. J. O’Sullivan, Class of 1998, an alum of the Prep stage himself, and under the musical direction of Mr. Douglas Otis who has worked on 30 Prep productions dating back to that very first musical in 1974, the members of the Dramatic Society gave a “remarkable” performance of Oklahoma! with which they marked the centenary of M. Balmer and of distinct Prep theater: a production truly worthy of a legacy 100 years (and then some!) in the making. Whether or not you were able to make the show, of three things you can be certain:

1) Prep boys were present – on the stage and in the seats. And not just current students — a good number of the old Prep boys turned out for the commemoration as well.

2) In all their adolescent exuberance, the Fordham lads and the lasses from their sister schools were particularly pleased with themselves. In any century, boys and girls will be boys and girls.

3) The Administration could not have been more pleased with the lads and lasses or their adolescent exuberance. After all, in any century,
Faculty News

Congratulations to Dr. David Gelpi of the Religious Studies Department on receiving his Bene Merenti for his twenty years of meritorious service to the Prep.

Dr. David Gelpi
Religious Studies Department

Daryn Johnson ’99
Science Department

Dr. Patricia Lee
English Department

Congratulations to Daryn Johnson ’99 of the Science Department and Dr. Patricia Lee of the English Department on being awarded tenure.

A Trip To Jakarta, Indonesia

Michael Griffin ’13

As my classmates and I boarded the plane that was to take us to Indonesia, I distinctly remember for the first time thinking, “Wow. I’m actually going halfway around the world, to a country that I know very little about and to meet people who speak an entirely different language.” It took me a second, but the next thought in my head was, “Let’s give it a try.” For the next 12 days, myself, 4 other students, Fr. Boller and Mr. Otis gave it a try in the incredible city that is Jakarta, Indonesia.

When we arrived, we were greeted by a large group of high school students from Colese Gonzaga, the Jesuit high school that was hosting the event. It was their 25th anniversary, and for 5 hours a day, we would be practicing for the celebration with their orchestra, a combination of boys from the school, seminary and various other schools from around the country. The first night, despite crushing jetlag, we were given a welcome dinner and were paired up with families whose children attended the school. A few of us were even given rooms from a school in Hong Kong that had also arrived that day. I was a little worried about the language barrier, but my whole host family spoke English and I even ended up learning a little Indonesian. As we adjusted to the time zone, the people and the city, my friends and I began to fall in love with Jakarta.

The kids in the orchestra were very friendly, and were fantastic at the instruments that they played. In between practices, we were shown the sights by our guides, who were Gonzaga students, visited the national museums, and got to know the people, especially the kids with whom we were staying and the ones we were playing music with. I ended up spending a lot of time with my roommate Toby, from Hong Kong, talking about our hometowns and the NBA, and he even made a bona fide traditional Chinese dinner for our host family and me! With all the things to see and do, the week or so of rehearsal seemed to go by in a second.

The concert took place in the SME Tower, Jakarta’s version of the Javit’s Center. It went off without a hitch, all the musicians and actors were wonderful, and we closed to a standing ovation. As I packed up on the last night, preparing to go back home, I realized that all the souvenirs and gifts that I had collected over the course of the trip made my suitcase hard to close. Both my baggage, and my mind, were full of memories of people I will never forget, and an experience I will always remember.
has gone from literally nothing to a regionally competitive level in three short years. Also, in the last nine years, Fordham Prep interscholastic teams have won 23 C.H.S.A.A. City Championships, 3 State Championships, and numerous Diocesan Championships. This legacy includes Fordham Prep’s first C.H.S.F.L. “AA” City Championship in football and City Championships in the following sports: baseball, bowling, golf, hockey, lacrosse, swimming, tennis, track and field, and wrestling. Truly mente sana in corpore sano.

As part of the capital campaign, Father Boller focused on the school’s endowment. He inherited a $10 million pool of capital from Father Parkes, and he put his B.A. and his M.S. in Mathematics to work, multiplying the endowment two-fold through the economic crisis to its current $20 million level. Father’s ability to listen to donors, and to intersect their specific interests with the strategic direction of the school, has served Fordham Prep very well. He also led programs to connect the school’s supporters to the beneficiaries of that support—such as, correspondence from the recipients of need-based financial aid to their sponsors—to help foster a culture of “giving back,” so crucial to the school’s mission.

Father Boller also helped re-connect Fordham Prep to its rich history and traditions dating back to its founding in 1841. He made a commitment to the school’s Hall of Honor, by renovating the Hall’s entranceway and by establishing a biennial dinner for new Hall of Honor inductees at the New York Botanical Garden. He worked to connect alumni to the ongoing progress at the school in the metropolitan area and through regional gatherings in California, Chicago, Boston, New York, Washington, D.C., and Florida. Father Boller also led the program to enhance Alumni Hall, and the school’s history, with portraits of the school’s alumni going back to its earliest years, and to celebrate the service and the accomplishments embedded in the school’s graduates over the last 172 years.

It is likely that Father Boller’s contributions to school governance will impact the school in perpetuity. He sought the Board of Trustees as a strategic partner with the Administration, leveraging the diverse talents of the Trustees to apply their expertise to the school, and engage Fordham Prep in ways far beyond simple financial support. Father Boller worked with the Trustees to institutionalize the school’s financial management. He hired a CFO, established an Investment Committee with formal investment policies for the endowment, and created a five-year projection model for all upcoming capital expenses. He formalized the “Board of Trustees Handbook” to guide these interactions on an ongoing basis.

Father Boller led Fordham Prep to participate in the first Sponsorship Agreement Review in the history of our Jesuit Province, allowing the school to serve as a prototype for others as its Ignatian mission is transformed into action. Father Boller’s insightful expertise in the mechanics of school management has created a lasting platform for seeking scholastic excellence. This is an important part of his legacy that Father Devon and future Boards will leverage in the years to come.

In addition to all his accomplishments, Father Boller has also served Fordham Prep as an exceptional Jesuit priest. His ministry touched countless individuals on a one-on-one basis. From marriages to baptisms to wakes, or by walking around the Commons or leaving his office door open, Father Boller engaged the Fordham Prep community in a way that will be remembered forever by this institution. Father Devon will have large shoes to fill, and he looks forward, with excitement, to begin his service this summer. We will celebrate Father Boller’s tenure during the final months of the school year as we prepare for the Presidential transition. We are most grateful to Father Boller for his dedication to Fordham Prep as he prepares for his next assignment as President of Saint Peter’s Preparatory School in Jersey City, New Jersey.
Class Notes is the most popular and well-read section of Ramview. It provides a forum for classmates to share news of their personal and professional lives, including accolades, personal accomplishments, announcements and anything else fellow alumni might find interesting. We thank you, the alumni community, for sharing your news and photos with your classmates.

Throughout the year, our Class Representatives, whose names and emails are listed under each class, play leadership roles in helping classmates to maintain lifelong affiliation with the Prep.

So when you receive an email calling for class notes, please send your notes to your Class Representative(s) and/or to Larry Curran, Director of Alumni Relations, current@fordhamprep.org. If your class does not have a Class Representative, please email your notes to Larry Curran, Alumni Update Form is in this issue of Ramview. Please complete the form and return it to us in the enclosed envelope, and perhaps you may want to make your Annual Fund gift at this time, if you have not done so already.

BE A CONNECTOR
Don’t be the class without notes! If your class does not have a Class Representative, and you would like to fill that role, please contact John Kahl, Vice President of Development and Alumni Relations at (718) 367-7500, extension 210.

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John J. Foley ’63

Although now a resident of Shirley on Long Island, Jack was a “city kid” who was born in Manhattan, and grew up in the Bronx. He often recalls that the Jesuits had him at the start. He was baptized in St. Ignatius Loyola Church in Manhattan and he’s sure it had some influence on his arriving at Fordham Prep in the fall of 1959. It was quite a reach for a kid from the south Bronx to go to the Prep. His friends thought he was crazy for going so far from where he was comfortable.

Jack was indeed comfortable at the Prep, but not without some freshman angst. As the years wore on Jack was happiest in his Latin and Greek classes where he developed a knack for both languages. Al Kirschner, Gerry Ettlinger, S.J and especially Chuck DaPurma were influential in forming Jack’s love of the classical languages.

When college beckoned, Fordham College seemed a logical choice since it had a great Classical Languages Department. Jack then faced a challenge – what to do after college? Since he had enjoyed teaching CCD classes while in college, he thought that teaching might be the answer. Fortunately, there was a sublicable fill-in position available at the Prep, and he was hired for the academic year 1967-68. And as they say: “the rest is history!”

Jack has worn many hats in his forty-five years at the Prep. He was Dean of Students, Assistant Headmaster, football moderator and assistant coach and assistant varsity baseball coach. Jack has been Chair of the Classics Department for many years and has represented faculty interests to the Administration as part of Teachers Representative Body. But his greatest love has been interacting with students in the classroom for most of these years. He derives great pleasure in seeing his students grow in love of Latin and Greek just as he did more than fifty years ago.

Jack was happily married to his first love Frances for twenty-two years before she succumbed to a heart attack in 2009. In May of 2011, Jack was presented with the Fordham University President’s award for devotion to the cause of Jesuit education at the Prep’s graduation ceremonies.

As Jack looks back at the fifty years since graduation from the Prep, he is grateful for the opportunity to be part of the continued growth of Jesuit education in collaboration with so many past and present colleagues. He is looking forward to the upcoming fifty year reunion of the Class of 1963 with great anticipation and enthusiasm.

Dennis Ahern ’63

Dennis Ahern grew up in the Inwood section of Manhattan. He started his grammar school education at Good Shepherd but graduated from the Elizabeth Seton Academy in Yonkers, NY. He commuted from Inwood taking the number 19 bus across Fordham Road to the Prep. While at the Prep, he was an active member of the Dramatic Society who appeared in productions in his sophomore, junior and senior years. After graduating from the Prep, Dennis moved on to Fordham University where he majored in English and joined the Mimes and Munmasters and became the class treasurer for the Student Government. He graduated with a B.A. degree in English in 1967. He attended Fordham Law School for one year before moving into education.

In September of 1967, Dennis became the eighth grade teacher at Transfiguration School where he also served as the Vice Principal. In 1974, there was an opening in the Prep’s English Department. Dennis applied for the job but was not chosen for the position. He reports with a smile that his fellow Federation of Catholic Teachers member and now friend Don Fratta got the job. However, Dennis was hired that year and started in September 1974 as an English/Religious Studies teacher. Dennis became the third member of the Class of 1963 on the faculty as he joined Jack Foley and Joe Geraghty. In September of 1975, Dennis moved full-time to the English Department. Over his Prep career, Dennis has taught English 1, English 1 Honors, English 2, Cinema and Short Story. He is very proud of the fact that he founded the Asian Club and the Skateboarding Club. He keeps mementos of both in his office.

Dennis has the distinction of being awarded tenure, which is usually given for five years of teaching, after completing his fourth year. Two years later, he received the Distinguished Teacher Award. Dennis credits retired English teacher and department chairman S. Jerome Martin with helping shape his views of teaching. Dennis has played a part in shaping the views of teaching at the Prep as he has served as Chair of the English Department, Supervisor of Non-Tenured Teachers, Assistant Principal and Assistant Principal for Professional Development. He also serves as a resource for alumni in the field of education.

Dennis and his wife, Dolores, live in the Bronx. Dolores is a fourth grade teacher at Saint Gabriel School in Spuyten Duyvil. Their son Kevin, a senior digital project manager for PIMCO, is a member of the Class of 2001. Their daughter, Caitlin, is a second grade teacher at Convent of the Sacred Heart in Manhattan. Both are Fordham University graduates.

Dennis is looking forward to joining his classmates as they will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their Prep graduation on Friday, May 3rd and Saturday, May 4th.
Robert Murray ‘64 Honored

On 11/11/12, this sign was posted on the corner of Columbus and Dante Avenues in Tulsa in honor of Staff Sergeant Robert Murray ‘64. Sergeant Murray received the Congressional Medal of Honor for his bravery during the Vietnam War. He threw himself on bomb in Vietnam and in doing so saved the lives of his squad members. His brothers James ‘63 and the late Robert ‘56 are Prep graduates.

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David Lacey is the managing director, human resources services at the Hirshorn Company.

1963
50 Year Reunion
Friday, May 1, 2013  5th, Saturday, May 4, 2013

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Class Rep
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Class Rep
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Peter Lekar – plaker2@bny.com
Bill Musciano – wendy33@bny.com

1967
Class Reps
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James Sheehan’s new book was released January 8th. It’s called The Lawyer’s Lawyer and it is a legal thriller. The book is published by Center Street, a division of The Hachette Book Group. His two previous books are The Mayor of Lexington Avenue and The Law of Second Chance. Joseph Moglia was named the Coach of the Year in the Big South Conference. Joe is the varsity head football coach at Coastal Carolina University in South Carolina.

1968
45 Year Reunion
Saturday, April 27, 2013

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Bill Reily – wystigan@comcast.net
George Zamboni – gzm1207@yahoo.com

James DeRienzo followed up to 1980, as an undergraduate student in the School of Business at Georgetown University, I wrote a research paper on a network communications protocol being developed at Xerox Palo Alto Research Center (PARC) that was going to revolutionize the office environment – Ethernet. Even though I majored in Marketing, I always had a fondness for science. Maybe it’s because my Dad was a Professional Engineer and I had the opportunity to work as a summer intern at my office. In February 2013, I celebrated 20 years of technical contracting service to the Federal Civilian Government, 90% of which at the U.S. Department of Energy Headquarters. In the early 1990s, I designed the first generation Fiber-TE Hub and Switched Networks for all the DOE HQ Program Offices (i.e., Energy Research, Defense Programs, Human Resources, Fossil Energy, Nuclear Energy). One of the most interesting projects I worked on was a precursor to WiFi and Wireless Broadband, the implementation of Metromic Richochet Wireless LAN Modems and access points at DOE HQ. I have been associated with Cyber Security since 2001. I have been a CISSP since 2010 recently became a Tenable Certified Nexus Auditor (TCNA). I am a member of the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) Site Assistance Visit (SAV) Team, and I am in the process of becoming certified as a DISA OCNI Security Reviewer and Vulnerability Assessment Reviewer. I gain great satisfaction in creating original melodies for the electro-acoustic six-string guitar and staying physically fit. My wife Jeanne and I celebrated 30 years of marriage on November 18, 2012. We have a 22 year old son named Matt and a newly adopted kitten named Pandora. Erik Ehren, the head of Brown University’s playing department, had Soulgrip: Our Gracicide, a series of 17 plays presented in 17 days on Mississippi’s La Ma Theatre in November 2012.

1969
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1972
Class Rep
Howie Hopkins – howiehop@aol.com

1973
40 Year Reunion
Saturday, April 27, 2013

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Mike Musch – micmusch@hotmail.com
Jim Mudrick – jmdrick@hotmail.com

Douglas Broderick has been appointed as United Nations Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative for the Republic of Indonesia. He previously served in a similar position in Cambodia.

1974
Class Rep
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1975
Class Reps
Ray Dorado – raymond.dorado@bnymellon.com
John Hernandez – jyusta@bny.com

James DeRienzo’s greatest memories of the Prep are of his friends and some of the faculty members and coaches with whom he interacted – teachers like Mr. Ford Beck, coaches like Mr. Clarke, and even Mr. Bob Bailey, the Dean of Discipline — people who “shaped my life in ways I couldn’t understand until years later.” The friendships he developed during those years still play a major part in his life (even as he approaches his 25th Reunion). “The first person I met in my homeroom class was a kid by the name of John Joyce. As a result of our shared experience of being in a new environment, we quickly became friends. This friendship not only grew throughout my time at the Prep, but also as college roommates and beyond (John is the godfather to Bill’s first daughter, Olivia).”

Bill grew up in the Riverdale section of the Bronx. He is the son of Theressa, a nurse, and Glen, a New York City Police Officer. His brother, Michael Fenwick, followed Bill to the Prep and graduated in 1989. Bill is the father of 5 children, Billy (22), Andrew (19), Charlie (15), Olivia (9), and Frances (1). He and his wife, Jen, reside in Manhattan. Bill is also proud to be the parent of a current Prep student, his son Charlie, who transferred last year to the Prep as a sophomore. “I can see in him what I saw in myself during my days at the Prep. The visits to the school and the stories about the teachers and students take me right back to where I spent some of the best years of my life.”

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Lance Ogiste is the King’s County DA’s office recipient of the Dewey Medal for his outstanding service and leadership. The award was presented by the New York City Bar Association.
Joseph Schmidt ‘88

Schmidt credits his early days at the Prep for playing a major role in defining his career. “It was my love of math and the effective teaching styles of the Prep Faculty – especially the Jesuits – that captured me major in Accounting and Finance.” Combined with his deep appreciation of music, this placed Joe on a path that brought him to Universal Music Group, which is the market-share leader in the recorded music industry. Universal Music Group recently acquired EMI Music for $1.9 billion and is in the process of integrating EMI Music’s labels into the Universal Music Group family. The company consists of four major label groups – Island Def Jam, Republic Records, Capitol and Interscope. Joe is the Chief Financial Officer for Island Def Jam and Republic Records (collectively known as the “East Coast Labels”). He is responsible for assessing risk in all artist signings as well as overall financial planning, forecasting and analysis. He also oversees the marketing administration functions at the labels. According to Joe, “my biggest challenges are helping to ensure that both marketing and recording cost spending are consistent with sales expectations, and helping to assess risk when budgets are increased to help promote an artist.”

As CFO, Joe brings to the rare combination of financial acumen and a deep appreciation of music, and a comprehensive knowledge of the music industry learned as the result of over two decades in the industry. Joe entered the music industry directly out of college and spent the first fifteen years of his career at Sony Music. “Fordham Prep instilled in me the work ethic necessary to succeed in my career. Having been part of the Advanced Placement Program and its rigorous workload, I was fully prepared for the challenges I encountered in college and graduate school.” Joe received his B.S. in Accounting and Finance at Iona College in 1992 and later went on to Fordham University’s Graduate School of Business. At Sony, Joe held various positions within the financial community that enabled him to obtain a “bottom-up” understanding of the industry. Joe agrees that “in order to be an effective and substantive contributor to a company, you need to understand as many aspects of the business as possible. Your educational experience must be combined with years of hands-on experience as well.”

Joe has seen both the good and bad times within the music industry: “I’ve witnessed not only tremendous growth in the industry (during the 90s) but also the onset of illegal file sharing and a decade of double digit revenue declines.” However, Joe is optimistic regarding the future of the music industry: “Despite the decline of the physical CD and its impact, the future of the industry will be driven by the continued growth of ‘digital’ – through providers like Apple and Amazon as well as exciting new opportunities in companies such as Spotify and Pandora.”

Many of his classmates are not surprised by the fact that Joe works in the music industry. Joe was clearly one of the most die-hard music fans in the class. Although he is now affiliated with a company that handles all types of artists – including Rap and R&B, most of his classmates remember him as a true “metal” fan. In fact, according to one classmate, “I can recall taking the Metro North train with Joe and a couple of our other classmates to attend a Motley Crue concert at Madison Square Garden. It was a good concert, but I think we had more fun joking around on the train (much to the dismay of the conductors) than we did at the concert.”

Joe grew up in the Southeast portion of Yonkers, NY and is the son of Joseph and Eileen. Joe is married to Anne and is the proud father of 3 children, Caroline (7), Joseph (4 ½), and Christopher (3). They reside in South Orange, NJ. Joe hopes to see many of his classmates at the Reunion on April 20 – “Although I haven’t been back to the Prep for many years, I am very much looking forward to celebrating my 25th Reunion with my friends and classmates.”

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30 Year Reunion Saturday, April 27, 2013

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as I continue to have an active career in opera. This past season, I was honored and pleased to debut four roles in performance, including Ernesto in Don Pasquale and Le Bross in the American premiere of Destinetti’s opera, Cillo-v Pasquale. Just last week I completed a run of La Boheme as Rodolfo and the end of the season has me presenting Alfredo in, Le Turisti. All this information and more can be located on my website www.raycalderon.net. I would have never come so far had it not been for the wonderful musical instruction I received by Doug Otis at Fordham and the support of the faculty and staff. I wish you nothing but the best now and always!}

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Mark Porcaro was named the Chair of the College Counseling at Loyola Academy in Wilmette, IL. He lives with his wife and two daughters in Chicago.

2001

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10 Year Reunion
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5 Year Reunion
Friday, May 17, 2013

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1956 Reunion in Florida

January 22, 2013

On Tuesday, January 22, 2013 nine of the Prepsters from the class of 1956 got together for a mini-reunion in Florida. Bill Carr was kind enough to make arrangements for dinner at Rossie's Spoonbill Restaurant in Boca Raton, Florida. In attendance were left to right: Gene Gaudio, Bill Carr, Joe Realini, Tom Brennan, Jim O'Connell, Mike Tierney, Ed Mellett, Joe Pisani and Jim Stephens.
Milestones

Marriages

1978 Paul DeMarinis and Maggie Kane Lubrano
1992 John Hynes and Laura Roordan

Births/Adoptions

1995 Isabella Rose, to Gianluca and Adriana Santelli
1995 Caitlyn, to Corley and Lisa Schaller
2000 Alice Catherine, to Mark and Jane Porcaro

IN MEMORIAM

John S. Wilson ’33
Michael C. DiFabio ’34
John D. Clair ’35
Albert D. Jordan ’35
Herbert G. Dowd ’36
Frank T. Duffy ’37
Richard T. Burgi ’38
Henri J. Sila ’38
James B. Cass ’39
James F. Hanrahan ’39
Hans J. Stolten ’39
Joseph E. Tansull ’39
Charles E. Settembrini ’40
John J. Murray ’42
‘Thomas G. Marinak ’44
Thomas D. Portway ’44
Walter J. Klein ’45
Elvis S. Conte ’47
Arthur C. Kape ’47
Robert M. Blake ’48
William H. Gentzlinger ’48
John L. Brunner ’49
James R. Quisette ’49
John P. Smith ’50
James F. Fanning ’52
Zane Rodriguez ’52
Donald A. Sinton ’52
George A. Spohr ’52
John E. Hickey ’53
Rudolph F. Marran ’54
John D. Pender ’54
Edward A. Ariniello ’55
David J. McCarthy ’55
John F. Sheenan ’56, former Prep Trustee
Peter W. Certo ’57
Charles T. Delaney ’57
Harry C. Lodes ’58
Michael F. Takacs ’58
Kevin S. Keating ’60
Wayne E. Thompson ’62
Herbert M. Vierit ’65
Michael S. Mullaney ’66
William Pascocello ’66
Thomas G. O’Brien ’70
Paul J. Brunette ’75
Michael T. LaManna ’78, uncle of Christopher ’15
Gerald C. Harrington ’80
Mark S. Jordan ’80
Ronald Allen ’96
Franco Runco, father of Christian ’97
Christopher J. Regan ’94
Christopher P. Kingham ’96
Marian Cahill, wife of the late Vincent ’77, sister of the late
John Corcoran ’84, the late Richard Corcoran ’82, mother
of Vincent ’81, Lawrence ’83, Fulton ’77, Joseph ’79
Sadie Orbacz, mother of Thomas ’80, Paul ’87
Mary Heslin, mother of the late Michael ’70, Kevin ’82,
Donna ’83, grandmother of Brendan ’15

Joseph DeMarinis, father of Joseph ’72, grandfather of John ’88
Eleanor Hannigan, mother of Michael ’73, Stephen ’75, Robert ’78
Edward Coll, father of Edward ’74, the late Robert ’84, grandfather
of Edward ’06, Henry 10, Nicholas Valentino ’14
Cecil Gunter, father of Trent ’74
Andrew O’Reouke, father of Andrew ’74
James Murphy, father of John ’77, grandfather of John ’16
Jamil Haddad, father of the late Ralph ’78, James ’82
Michael DeSola, former Prep trustee and father of Michael ’86,
Damian ’92, Thomas ’94
Teresa Scanzillo, mother of James ’86
Robert Call, father of Christian ’87
John O’Toole, father of James ’89, grandson of Thomas Rosen ’13
Maryanne Eaton, mother of Robert ’90
William Deady, father of William ’91, Clifford ’94, John ’95
Meg Mackay, mother of Jonathan ’93, Julian ’98
Kenneth McKenna, father of Kenneth ’91
Mary Walsh, mother of Jack ’10
Andre Roodal, father of Christian ’13
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ALUMNI UPDATE – PLEASE HELP US KEEP OUR RECORDS CURRENT

Class Notes is the best-read section of each issue of Ramview, and we need your information!

Alumni are encouraged to share news on career changes, promotions, awards/honors, marriages, births and adoptions. Information will be published in the earliest issue of Ramview as possible, as space allows. Information submitted more than one year following the event will not be published.

Information can be submitted in three ways:

1. Update your information in the online alumni community through the Prep’s website. The online alumni community link can be found under the Alumni tab at www.fordhamprep.org. Contact Director of Alumni, Larry Curran, at curranL@fordhamprep.org to obtain your login information.

2. Here is the link to the online alumni community.

3. Mail your news to the Alumni Office, Fordham Preparatory School, 441 East Fordham Road, Bronx, NY 10458.

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Name ___________________________ Graduation Year ______
Address ______________________________________________
City ______________________ State __________ Zip_________
Home Phone ___________________________ Cell __________________________
Primary Email ____________________________
Spouse’s Name (Including Maiden) ___________________________
Children’s Names and Dates of Birth __________________________

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Business Address ___________________________
Business Phone ___________________________

Undergraduate and Graduate School Information

College(s) Attended ___________________________ Year of Graduation ______
Major __________________________ Degree ___________________________
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18th Annual
Fordham Prep Golf Outing

Tuesday,
June 18, 2013

Quaker Ridge Golf Club
Scarsdale, New York

Wykagyl Country Club
New Rochelle, NY

Make plans now to be with us at our 18th Annual Fordham Prep Golf Outing on Tuesday, June 18, 2013, at Quaker Ridge Golf Club, Scarsdale, NY and Wykagyl Country Club, New Rochelle, NY.

Last year we sold out very early. Each course will be limited to 112 golfers.

Once the 224 spots are filled, registration will close, so don’t delay.

Registration: To reserve a spot, or if you would like additional information, please contact Darlene Milone (telephone: 718-367-7500, ext: 201; email: miloned@fordhamprep.org).

The Fordham Prep Golf Outing will begin with registration at the courses where the golfers will play, at 11:00 a.m. Lunch will follow starting at 11:30 a.m. A shotgun start will be at 1:00 p.m. at each course.

A cocktail reception/dinner buffet at Quaker Ridge, for all of the outing participants, will begin at 6:30 p.m. Silent and live auctions will feature golf four- some at prestigious clubs, dinners at top restaurants, and tickets to sporting events, among other fine offerings. Contributions of auction and raffle prizes are greatly appreciated.

A tennis round-robin is tentatively scheduled for the morning and the afternoon at Quaker Ridge which has nine superbly conditioned green Har-Tru clay tennis courts.

The Fordham Prep Golf Outing will benefit the school’s Annual Fund, which provides unrestricted support for the operation of the school and helps to ensure: financial assistance for deserving students, strength in the Prep’s curriculum, high standards for classroom instruction, and timely maintenance of the physical plant.

The cost for golf is $500 (at each course); the cost for tennis (at Quaker Ridge only) is $250. These rates include the day’s activities: lunch, golf, caddie/golf cart, tennis, tennis pro, cocktail reception and dinner buffet. The cost for the cocktail reception and dinner buffet only option is $125.

Participation and sponsorship options (including a tee or green sponsorship sign – $400; signs on the two courses – $500) are also available.

Your support of the Fordham Prep Golf Outing on June 18 would be deeply appreciated.

The Quaker Ridge golf course was designed by A.W. Tillinghast in 1916 and is one of the most highly regarded golf courses in the country. In 2012, Quaker Ridge was ranked 40 in the United States and 70 in the world by Golf Magazine. In Golf Digest’s 2013-2014 Ranking of America’s 70 Greatest Golf Courses, Quaker Ridge was ranked 69. Quaker Ridge Golf Club had the honor to host the 1997 Walker Cup and has hosted three Met Opens, three Met Amateurs, and three Met PGA Championships.

The Wykagyl golf course was initially designed by Lawrence Van Etten and completed in 1905. The course was redesigned in the 1920’s by Donald Ross and in the 1930’s by A.W. Tillinghast. In 2005 Bill Coore and Ben Crenshaw made structural renovations to preserve the course’s rugged character. Ranked 137 of the Top 200 Classic Golf Courses in the United States by Golfweek in 2011, Wykagyl has hosted prestigious golf tournaments including the LPGA JAL Big Apple Classic and Sybase Big Apple Classic, HSBC Women’s World Match Play Championship, and the Metropolitan Golf Association Open.
Save the Dates

14th Annual Fordham Prep Wall Street Forum

Wednesday, April 10, 2013
THE SALEM CLUB OF NEW YORK CITY

18th Annual Fordham Prep Golf Outing

Tuesday, June 18, 2013
QUAKER RIDGE GOLF CLUB & WYKAGYL COUNTRY CLUB

MISSION STATEMENT

As a Jesuit, college preparatory school, Fordham Prep’s mission is to inspire young men to reflect, to question, to learn, to pray, to love, to serve, to lead. We have based our challenging curriculum and pursuit of human and academic excellence on a foundation of Catholic faith and principles. We seek to be one community created from a broad spectrum of ethnic, racial, geographic, and socioeconomic backgrounds. We strive to include qualified students of limited financial resources by providing substantial financial assistance. Our faculty and staff dedicate themselves to a caring and dynamic interaction with students both inside and outside the classroom, a characteristic of Jesuit education for over 450 years. We educate our students to be men for others: spiritually motivated, intellectually accomplished, and committed to promoting justice.

upcoming events

Friday, April 5, 2013
CLASS OF 1999-2008 ALUMNI PUB NIGHT
The Public House

Saturday, April 20, 2013
CLASS OF 1968 – 25 YEAR REUNION
Riverside Church

Saturday, April 27, 2013
BIG REUNION AT THE PREP

Friday, May 3, 2013
at Pasquale’s Rigoletto

Saturday, May 4, 2013
at the Prep
CLASS OF 1963 – 50 YEAR REUNION

Friday, May 17, 2013
CLASS OF 1977 GOLF OUTING
Dunwoodie Golf Course

Friday, May 17, 2013
CLASS OF 2008 – 5 YEAR REUNION
at the Prep

Tuesday, June 4, 2013
CLASS OF 1953 ANNUAL REUNION
The Water Club, NYC

Click here for further information on these events.