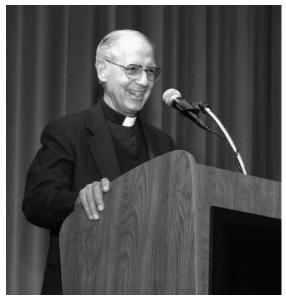
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UBLICATION FOR THE ALUMNI, PARENTS AND FRIENDS OF FORDHAM

"Nothing which is done without joy can last."

Very Rev. Father Adolfo Nicolás, S.J., Superior General of the Society of Jesus



Jesuit Father General Adolfo Nicolás speaks to the New York Province Jesuits in the Leonard Theatre







On October 3, 2013, Father Adolfo Nicolás, S.J. visited Fordham Prep as part of a two-week tour of the United States. On campus, he met with his brother Jesuits, spoke with lay and clerical leaders of various Ignatian works, and celebrated Mass in the University Church.

Father Nicolás' visit was notable for a number of reasons. First, it's not every day that the "Black Pope" visits the Bronx. Especially if he's the old boss of the gentleman that now serves as the "White Pope."

But much more importantly, he used his presence and his words to inspire the living mission that is Fordham Prep. Father Nicolás is fluent in six languages and his message in English could not have been any clearer: it is an honor to serve others, a responsibility we should assume with joy. Whether as students performing Christian service or as alumni creating financial aid, we engage these works with excitement. It is in this work, this service, that we can find lasting happiness.

In Evangelii Gaudium, Pope Francis writes that "an authentic faith... always involves a deep desire to change the world, to transmit values, to leave this earth somehow better than we found it." As we read in this Ramview of the collective service of the Fordham Prep family, we consider - how have we engaged our own work? What can we make better? To reflect the words above from Father Nicolás' sermon at Fordham, how have we enjoyed our own engagement in this continuous process?

This June, I will complete nine years of service on the Fordham Prep Board of Trustees. It has truly been an honor. I would encourage anyone who has interest in engaging Fordham Prep from a Board perspective, or from any other perspective described in these pages - the arts, the Endowment, basketball, service, ice hockey, whatever to simply start. Just begin. And don't stop. You will find some of what Father General described.

A.M.D.G.

John F. Neary '87 Chairman, Board of Trustees

Liam Neeson





Speaks to Students on the 20th Anniversary of Schindler's List

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Fordham Prep Partners with Mark Messier and the Kingsbridge National Ice Center



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Daniel Neeson '15, Liam Neeson, English Department member Lynette Scallion, Father Devron, Bob Gomprecht '65

By Lynette Scallion

The first time I saw Schindler's List was days after it opened in December 1993. I knew I had not just seen another movie about the Holocaust. This was an important film with a poignant message, one that I would share with my high school students in Maryland, one that I wanted to share with all of my students for the next twenty years. This was not just an event to watch the film. I wanted to ask Liam Neeson how he prepared for such a demanding role.

In early September 2013, I saw an article on the Internet about commemorating the twentieth anniversary of Schindler's List. I drafted a proposal for Mr. Gomprecht requesting that we dedicate one instructional day to watching the three hour and sixteen minute film and then invite Mr. Neeson for a Question and Answer Forum. I contacted Mr. Neeson's personal assistant and received a response within a few days. Imagine my reaction when I read "Mr. Neeson accepts your invitation to participate in a Forum." The mere idea from 1993 was becoming a reality in 2013!

This event took over two months of planning with many emails, phone conversations, and one meeting with Mr. Neeson's assistant. The greatest obstacle was his backto-back filming schedule. Once the dates were confirmed, the juniors watched the movie on Monday December 16. I wasn't sure how our boys would respond to a twentyyear-old black and white film; however, the attentiveness and focus in the theatre was palpable. For the next three days, the boys commented on how they had a better understanding of the brutality of the actions committed against Jews in the concentration camps.

On December 19, the juniors gathered in the theatre first to hear long-time Chairperson of the Fordham Prep Fine Arts Department Marilyn Honigman's story of how her parents survived the Holocaust. She discussed her paintings about teaching the Holocaust through her art, as well as showed her son's short film where he interviewed his mother for her memories of her parents. It was during her presentation that I felt a shift in the boys' perspectives. Suddenly, we weren't watching a film about the Holocaust. We were hearing a daughter's poignant story of her parents' survival in a concentration camp in Poland close to the one depicted in the movie.

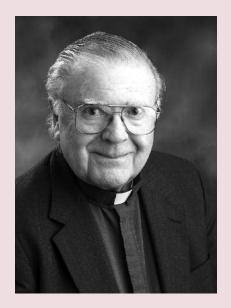
When Mr. Neeson came on stage to answer my questions, I expected him to be much like his characters: aggressive, serious, and committed to justice. Instead, I was having a quiet conversation with a humble, thoughtful, sometimes humorous man about the characters he plays in his movies. As he addressed my questions and those of the boys, I think everyone noted how he never quickly answered any question. He reflected and responded with purpose and thought. He shared with us how the first scene that was filmed outside Auschwitz was when

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Around the Prep

Chaplain's Corner Made in the Image of God

By Rev. Donald Devine, S.J., Chaplain



Fordham Prep Faculty Chaplain, Fr. Donald G. Devine, S.J., passed away on December 26, 2013 after celebrating his 80th birthday with his fellow Jesuits. His Chaplain's Corner columns have been a wellreceived part of Ramview. We can think of no better way to pay tribute to Father Devine than by printing this column, which he submitted in early December.

Requiescas in Pace, Father Devine.

I would like to begin by sharing with you a lovely observation/reflection on Genesis 2:18-24: "Woman was not taken from man's head to be ruled by him, nor from his feet to be trampled upon by him. Rather, she was taken from his side to walk beside him, from under his arm to be protected by him and from his heart to be loved by him." (Gordon

God saw from the very beginning that Adam needed 'another being like himself,' someone with whom to communicate and share himself fully - emotionally, intellectually, spiritually and physically. He needed another person he could really get to know and be known by at the very deepest level of his being through mutual selfdisclosure.

Today, as we walk the streets and ride on buses, we see people constantly checking their cell phones to see if anyone called or texted them in the past ten minutes and looking visibly depressed and lonely if no one has. With email, we have direct, instantaneous communication with people almost anywhere in our world. But chatter and data sharing are not enough to give us real, lasting satisfaction. We want, need more than that.

Jesus views marriage as husband and wife living in unity and interdependence, a symbol of restored creation, an image of God's original plan for Adam and Eve, man and woman in union as a mirror of the mystery of God.

Mark's gospel has a story about Jesus holding a child. For Jesus, the child is a symbol of both non-domination and the need for care that should characterize married and all human relationships. Jesus, the unmarried prophet, holds children in His arms and blesses them, an enduring image of God's delight in the fruitful gift of marriage.

When I am privileged to witness and bless a marriage as representative of the Church, I always tell two stories. The first is that every couple needs three bones in their bodies: a backbone, a wishbone and a funny bone. I elaborate on the importance of each depending upon what I know of the

The second story goes like this. In the next to last line in Eric Segal's Love Story, the author writes: "Love is never having to say you're sorry." NONSENSE! What love really means is that I have the faith and trust in my beloved that when the times come to say "I'm sorry," (as they will in every human and married life), I know that I shall be forgiven. That's what true love is all about.

A third story that I may add in the future would go like this. In Beauty and the Beast, the girl didn't love the beast because he was beautiful. Instead, she restores his humanity and makes him beautiful because she loves him. Jesus does the same thing in becoming truly human, one of us in all things but sin. He restored our humanity, made us beautiful by loving us. As St. John tells us: "This is love – not that we loved God but God first loved us," 1 John 4:10.

The purpose of any relationship is for us to help others become the-best-version-of-themselves and for others to help us become the-best-version-of-ourselves. This is the glue of intimacy that it intended to bind together all relationships, especially those of husband and wife.

If I have rambled a bit, that's alright – love is not always logical, it doesn't always write in straight lines with wellreasoned thoughts. In fact, love is intended to be creative, to mystify, to be a source of wonder. THANKS BE TO GOD!





From the President's Office

The President's Report

Dear friends of Fordham Prep,

You may be surprised to see the second edition of *Ramview* arrive so early in your mailbox. This is intentional: we sped up our publication deadline so we could send this issue to the several hundred students (and their families) who have been accepted into the Class of 2018, beginning as freshmen in the fall of 2014.

To those young men and their parents: Congratulations! We hope this issue of *Ramview* will give you a greater sense of why, for generations, young men have found a sense of belonging and purpose here at Fordham Prep.

Since arriving on campus in August, I have been truly inspired by the commitment of our faculty and staff to the mission of Jesuit education—a mission to "set the world aflame" for God's greater glory and the help of souls (St. Ignatius Loyola). In fact, this mission has had a lasting impact on our alumni, who continue to set the world on fire.

God's greater glory and the help of souls are reflected in the lives of men recognized at this year's Hall of Honor Dinner—men like Col. Robert Gould Shaw Ex 1854 and Matthew O. Fitzsimons '76 (see p. 12).

Col. Gould commanded the only all-Black regiment during the Civil War. Shaw's courage and commitment to equality were portrayed on the big screen by Matthew Broderick in the Oscar-winning 1989 film *Glory*.

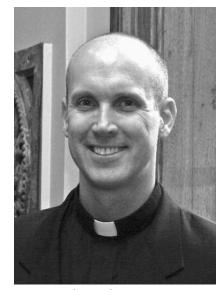
Matthew Fitzsimons' contributions, though more unheralded are arguably as impressive. Matt is the founding principal of Grace Academy, a middle school for girls from low-income backgrounds who reside in inner-city Hartford. Through Matt's efforts at Grace Academy, students—many who may have otherwise been neglected by a failed educational system—have achieved, succeeded and realized their human potential, all to God's greater glory.

God's greater glory and the help of souls also shine through Donnie Walsh '58, who currently serves as consultant to the Indiana Pacers. During his career as an NBA coach and team executive, Donnie has exemplified quiet integrity and dedication to social justice. This is the inside story that explains why, this past fall, our basketball alumni decided we should name our new floor in the Higgins Gymnasium the "Donnie Walsh Court" (see p. 8). It is also the reason why Fordham Prep received tribute messages for Donnie from the likes of NBA hall of famers Larry Bird and Reggie Miller, and NBA president and CEO David Stern.

God's greater glory and the help of souls are found when alumni like the late Joe Trimarco '31 and Joe Bastianich '85 and members of the Classes of '64, '87, and '88 credit their Fordham Prep Jesuit education with giving them the skills to think critically, question the status quo and become leaders in their respective fields. Recognizing God's gifts to them, they have invested in the Prep's endowment, and, therefore, in the future of young men from families of modest means who need financial assistance to make a Jesuit education affordable (see pp. 4-7).

It is also at work on a day like today, when I can call on an alumnus to help a freshman student—earning all A's and B's—because his single mother needs additional financial assistance to make her tuition payments. While separated by 50 years, both freshman student and alumnus are from just a couple miles apart, in the Bronx.

Speaking of the Bronx, God's glory and the help of souls even operate in the private sector, as Fordham Prep joins forces with NHL hall of famer Mark Messier in support of turning the Kingsbridge Armory, a 100-year-old abandoned edifice, into the world's largest ice center (see p. 9). Fordham Prep is proud to stand with its Bronx neighbors in supporting this initiative which will bring jobs and economic development to a community that, for too long, has been left out of New York City's renaissance.



Rev. Christopher J. Devron, S.J.
President

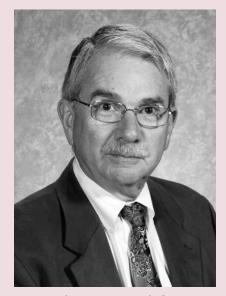
Sometimes, God's glory surprises us. In March 2013, this was the case when the College of Cardinals elected a Jesuit pope, Cardinal Bergoglio of Argentina, to lead the Church. Very Reverend Adolfo Nicolás, SJ, Superior General of the Society of Jesus, spoke about Pope Francis during his October 2013 visit to Fordham Prep (see p. 1). Father General Nicolas reminded us that Pope Francis invites us to embrace a paradox at the heart of our Christian faith: we are called to be both a Church of the poor, and a community of joy. Because Pope Francis has captured the attention of the world, Fordham Prep and its Leonard Theatre is proud to host Anderson Cooper of CNN who will moderate a special Town Hall Forum marking the first anniversary of this papacy, sometime this school year. The forum will feature Cardinal Timothy Dolan and an outstanding panel of Catholic thought leaders. All members of the Fordham Prep community will be invited, so please consult Fordham Prep's website as the date and details for this extraordinary event emerge.

So whether you are an 8th grade student who has been accepted to Fordham Prep, a parent of a current student, an alumnus or a faculty member—whatever the nature of your relationship to Fordham Prep—consider yourself truly blessed to be part of a community where God's glory and the help of souls so readily abound. I certainly do!

Best regards always,

Fr. Christopher J. Devron, S.J.





Robert J. Gomprecht '65 Principal

The Principal's Report

This is the time of year when we focus on recruitment and the admission of the incoming class. In a sense, of course, everything we do at the Prep affects admissions. Many activities are publicized, and students, parents, faculty, and friends talk about their experiences at the Prep to others. This plays a large role in creating the public persona of the Prep. You as members of the Prep community do this as well. The pride you express in Fordham Prep is crucial. Keep up the great work! But, there is also a need to have formal ongoing efforts to bring that public image into sharp focus and to be sure it reaches students and their families who might be interested in attending the Prep. The yeoman's portion of this work is the responsibility of the Admissions Office. Mr. Christopher Lauber '79, Director of Admissions, teaches Classics

and works year-round on Admissions, ably assisted by Mrs. Tina Porco of the Prep's Administrative staff. They devote summers to planning and to updating and revising admission publications, especially the Prep's attractive Admissions brochure. From the time school starts in September, Mr. Lauber and Mrs. Porco oversee the Day at the Prep program, in which 8th grade students spend a day with a Prep freshman, accompanying him to classes, lunch and any other scheduled activities. It is a credit to the faculty that most boys who go through the day end up with an enthusiastic interest in returning as Prep students.

In addition, Mr. Lauber and Religious Studies teacher Mr. Randy Pedro attend high school fairs, visit individual grammar schools and open houses, and speak to individual families who are interested in the Prep. Other faculty volunteer to make contact with a particular elementary school to establish an ongoing communication with school personnel.

The Admissions Office orchestrates the Prep's annual Open House on a Sunday in late October or early November. All faculty and many staff are on hand as anywhere from 1,500 – 1,700 individuals visit during the three-hour program. Families are welcomed, and then proceed in groups to rooms where teams of teachers talk about various aspects of Prep life and answer questions. They then move to the Computer Center for a brief presentation of technology, and through the Library to the Higgins Gym where teachers from every department are assembled to talk individually about classes and curriculum. The groups then move into the Intramural Gym where students, coaches and moderators with various artifacts are arranged by activity and speak with the families about extracurriculars.

The day ends with the groups in the Commons. There, *Day at the Prep* procedures are explained and Financial Aid and transportation information is available. In addition, the Mothers' and Fathers' Clubs answer questions, and Prep faculty, staff, and parents mingle to speak with our guests while they are enjoying refreshments.

Fr. Christopher Devron and I also hosted a Pastors' Dinner in October and a grammar school Principals' and Eighth Grade Teachers' Dinner in December to improve communication with these key constituencies and to give them the opportunity to learn more about the Prep.

Just before Christmas, the results of the Test of Admission to Catholic Schools (TACHs) exams (formerly the COOP, for us older alumni) arrive at the Prep. Mr. Lauber adds that data to other information he has accumulated on each applicant. In the week we return from Christmas break, we discuss each applicant individually to make a decision. We look primarily at TACHs scores, 7th and 8th grade marks, and other useful information that may be available. We are particularly interested in recommendations from alumni and therefore solicit it. This year, 162 candidates were so recommended and we are grateful.

On a date determined by the New York Archdiocese, all schools mail their admission results to each candidate. The Prep follows up with a congratulatory and welcoming phone call to every accepted student. Ninety of our parents volunteer to complete these calls.

Along with acceptance material, we invite the top performers on the entrance exam and their parents to the Prep on an afternoon and evening for a scholarship competition. The boys take a written test, provide a writing sample, and are interviewed by a faculty member. There is a separate concurrent program for parents to learn more about the school. At the end of the competition, the boys – along with Prep students – have dinner in the gym, get a chance to talk with each other, and then enjoy some recreation. The parents, along with current Prep parents and faculty, have a buffet dinner in the Commons.

We also offer two Open House evenings, one for Bronx families and one for all other families. Separating the Bronx constituents is done to show our special commitment to our home borough.

Finally, some of our parents host evening receptions in their homes for families in their neighborhoods who have sons who have been accepted to the Prep. Mr. Lauber, Mrs. Napoli, the Prep's Assistant Principal, and I attend these. We have a chance to speak to the parents and answer questions.

March 5, a date also set by the Archdiocese, is Registration Day for all Catholic schools. It is on that day the families make a firm commitment to the school their sons (and daughters) will attend.

This admissions process is extensive and labor intensive. However, this is how we, as a community, work together to perpetuate the unique ethnic, racial, geographic, and economic blend of good students who are open to Ignatian Spirituality that is Fordham Prep.

Robert Gomprecht '65





"It was important to me to participate on multiple levels. First, to honor Patrick Joyce and his family by keeping his memory alive at the Prep and in his community. Second, to bond together and be a part of something great with my fellow classmates. Through the communications and gatherings on this endowment/scholarship, I feel I have become closer with my fellow alumni and I have rekindled many friendships." **Ed Kneafsey**

"When I was at the Prep I received a small scholarship, and the Patrick Joyce Scholarship was a unique opportunity to pay forward that generosity I received from others. It was also a good way to join my classmates in showing our ongoing commitment to the school that meant so much to us and the friendships we formed there." JJ Gilmartin

"I'm proud that our class pulled together to honor our fallen friend. This scholarship will not only help deserving students. It will serve as a living testament to Pat's service and sacrifice." Brendan O'Connor

"I was out of the Prep loop for a while, and the Endowment was a perfect opportunity for me to not only give back to the Fordham family, but to reconnect with so many old friends. God bless." Richard Naclerio

"Although my wife and I do not presently have children, we made a multi-year contribution to the Class of '88 Endowment because I benefited from a similar fund. Without that financial assistance, I would have missed out on many important life experiences and friendships that endure to this day." Stephen Savva



Charles '15 and William '88 Fenwick

Over \$1.3 Million Raised

for the Patrick S. Joyce, Jr. '88 Scholarships

As you may know, the Patrick S. Joyce, Jr. '88 Scholarships were founded by the Class of 1987 (thanks in very large part to the tireless efforts of John Neary, '87 and Donn McNamee, '87), for the sole purpose of providing financial assistance to students who were academically qualified to attend the Prep, but whose families absolutely needed financial assistance in order to send their sons to the Prep. The scholarships are named after Patrick Joyce, '88, who died in 2009 while serving in the line of duty as a City of Yonkers Fireman.

The Class of 1987 completed the most successful class endowment campaign in the Prep's history by raising over \$800,000 which was entirely directed to support the scholarships. The Class of 1987 also set a then-record for class participation by counting 57% of their class as contributors. The Class of 1988 followed the Class of 1987 by raising over \$500,000 and setting a new record for class participation by counting almost two-thirds of their class, about 64%, as contributors to their Class Endowment which was also entirely directed to support the Patrick S. Joyce, Jr. '88 Scholarships. Thanks to the efforts of the Classes of 1987 and 1988, over \$1.3 million has been raised for the Patrick S. Joyce, Jr. '88 Scholarships. To date, this is the largest amount of money ever raised to support an endowed scholarship at

There may have been an element of competition with the Class of 1987 that contributed to the Class of 1988's record level of participation. However, when you listen to the contributors, you discover that their reasons for giving had a lot to do with the sacrifice made by Patrick Joyce, their appreciation for the Prep and for the friendships developed with their classmates, their desire to give other students the opportunity to attend the Prep, and the chance to be part of something historic at

And, as Rey Hollingsworth-Falu so aptly pointed out, "the Prep is family now. For more reasons than one." Rey, William Fenwick, and Kevin Rooney, all members of the Class of 1988, have sons currently enrolled at the Prep. Please note, however, that none of their sons received any funds from the Patrick S. Joyce, Jr. '88 Scholarships /Class of 1988 Endowment.

Thank you to all who pledged and contributed to the Class of 1988 Endowment. We are very grateful for your support. And a special thanks to the Class of 1988 Fundraising Committee for their tireless efforts to ensure such a successful campaign.

The Class of 1989 is in the process of planning their 25th Reunion and beginning to lay the groundwork for a successful endowment campaign. Despite his competitive nature, Kevin Rooney, '88 wishes them well. "I know that my friends and former football teammates from the Class of 1989 may not believe this, but I truly hope that they break our record for participation and the Class of 1987's record for total dollars raised. If they succeed, we all win because more kids will have the opportunity to attend the Prep and receive an outstanding education."

"We're inspired by the efforts of the classes of '87 and '88 to grow the Prep's Endowment. They've established themselves as true 'Men for Others' in undertaking and delivering this significant gift for Prep students of today and the future. The Class of 1989 looks to continue this great work to honor our years at the Prep, to remember the classmates we've lost, and to continue the ideals of the Prep for the future."

Al D'Onofrio, '89 and Brendan Neary, '89



Rey Hollingsworth-Falu '88 and his son, Aaron Hollingsworth-Harris '15

"The Patrick Joyce Scholarship Fund pays tribute to a wonderful father, husband, and a man who truly put the needs of others before his own. Those are the kind of values that are instilled in the young men who attend the Prep. Joining my classmates and creating an endowment that will touch the lives of many families for years to come is the greatest tribute we can pay Pat and other selfless classmates who left us all too soon." Anthony Malara

"I really felt I had to give back something for all that was given to me...The Prep changed me forever, during some of the most important years of my life, and the experience was priceless."

"When I learned about the Class of 1988 Endowment / Patrick S. Joyce, Jr. '88 Scholarship efforts, I felt compelled to contribute in a more meaningful way. Having specific students who benefit from these scholarships will help form a strong connection between our Class and those students. The permanent nature of the Endowment results in a long-term investment in the students (and the Prep itself) that will continue to yield benefits year after year."

Kyle Huebner

"I gave because Pat gave everything, and it feels good to support anything that celebrates his life and honors his memory."

Matt McGowan



John '15 and Kevin Rooney '88

LIAM NEESON (Continued from page 1)

Schindler demanded to get the children back and saved them from death. He said he and his fellow actors Ralph Fiennes and Ben Kingsley would wait at a local pub on the days the actors playing Jews were filming. They knew how emotionally exhausting the concentration camp scenes were for those actors and wanted to provide some levity to their otherwise gruesome days. He told us how difficult it was to film the last scene in the movie when Oskar Schindler received the ring with the inscription "Whoever saves one life saves the world." To end the movie, director Stephen Spielberg decided to fly to Israel forty-five of Schindler's survivors and have them place pebbles on Schindler's grave for the last scene. While most people thought this would be a depressing event Mr. Neeson said it was a late night celebration of survival, a reunion of people who had survived one of the greatest atrocities committed against mankind.

By the end of the interview Mr. Neeson had shared with the boys how he was inspired to become an actor when he was their age and stressed the importance of following one's passion in life. He left us with a lasting impression of a personable man, an actor committed to his craft, and a loving father dedicated to his sons. For me, I had fulfilled one of my dreams: our juniors watched one of the most important films ever made and then had the privilege of listening to the actor who played Oskar Schindler offer his insight into a character who eventually found purpose and meaning in his life. Schindler had selflessly given to others with no expectation of a return. The character Oskar Schindler and the actor Liam Neeson demonstrated many Jesuit ideals we hope to leave with our graduates - reflection, introspection, commitment to justice, purpose,

CLASS OF 1968

Launching an Endowed Scholarship Fund

In honor of the Class of 1968's 45th Anniversary, and planning ahead toward its 50th Anniversary, the class's goal is to create an Endowed Scholarship Fund at Fordham Preparatory School, which will provide financial assistance for deserving students at the Prep who would otherwise be unable to afford the cost of tuition.

The campaign committee includes: co-chairs Frank Petrilli and George Zambetti; and committee members Mike Alvino, Rich Ferrara, Carmine Lucia, Gerry Moss, Bill Reilly and Tony Williamson.

The class's five-year goal, which is presently being determined, will culminate with the class's 50th anniversary celebration in 2018. The program will be launched in early 2014.

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Bastianich and Friends Endowment being Created

Launching at Del Posto in Manhattan a Great Success



Joe '85 and Lidia Bastianich

On January 14, 2014 Fordham Prep alumni, parents and friends enjoyed a very special evening with Joe Bastianich '85 and his mother Lidia at their restaurant, Del Posto. This group of 94 people had an unforgettable evening of fabulous food and wine, all in support of financial assistance for deserving students at Fordham Prep.

Joe and Lidia oversaw the menu and pairings at Del Posto and shared the table with the Prep's special guests. They also kicked-off an initiative to raise \$440,000 for the Bastianich and Friends Endowed Scholarship Fund at Fordham Preparatory School. Through the generosity of Joe and our dinner companions, Fordham Prep raised \$200,000, more than 45% of this scholarship fund.

Joe is a judge on the highly popular MasterChef and MasterChef Junior nationally-televised shows. He, along with partners Lidia and chef Mario Batali, co-own and operate 25 restaurants worldwide as well as Eataly New York, the world's largest Italian artisanal marketplace. Lidia is a world-class culinary talent, well-known through her beloved television appearances and as co-owner of B&B Hospitality Group.

Del Posto is the first Italian restaurant in almost 40 years to receive a coveted 4 star rating from The New York Times, and one of only six establishments in New York City to receive this recognition. Del Posto is proud to hold the coveted Relais and Chateaux distinction, a 5 Diamond Award from AAA, and the Grand Award from the Wine Spectator. Joe and Lidia are two of America's most successful restaurateurs.

The outstanding menu prepared by Lidia and Joe included: Antipasto - Cool Lobster Salad with Burrata, Fermented Broccolini and Lemon Pane Grattato; Primo - Gigli Verdi al Ragu Bolognese; Secondi - Tilefish with Caponatina and Arugula or Neapolitan Lamb Rack with Smoked Neck, Salsa Madre and Wilted Water Spinach; Dolce - Tartufo al Caffe, Dark Chocolate, Saint'Eustachio Coffee and Candied Bread; and Biscotti Assortiti with a selection of cookies and drip coffee.

At the dinner, Father Devron spoke about two prospective students who would benefit by the Bastianich and Friends

Scholarship Endowment – an 8th grade applicant and a freshman student from Crestwood and the Bronx, respectively. In both cases the scholarship recipients are hard working students with good grades, and very interested in becoming involved in the extracurricular activities of the school. And most important, both would receive sizeable financial aid awards and otherwise would not be able to attend Fordham Prep without a considerable amount of support from the school. Father thanked everyone in attendance for contributing to the Bastianich and Friends Scholarship Fund.

Father Devron also thanked Gina and Glenn Giordano '15, current parents at the Prep and dinner Chair Couple, for helping to plan and execute this event from the very beginning. Their hard work contributed a great deal to the success of the evening. They noted that "the dinner at Del Posto was outstanding. The generosity of Lidia, Joe, and the entire Prep community in supporting scholarship to maintain the diversity of the school was heartwarming".

Joe spoke movingly about what Fordham Prep meant to his development

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as a young man, how it has formed and shaped him, and why he is so motivated to send his son to the Rose Hill campus this fall. He spoke about the many friends he made at the Prep which took him beyond his Queens neighborhood, about favorite teachers, and the impact the Prep made on his life which has carried over to the success he has achieved in life.

Joe's motivation is highly personal: "In 1981, I began my four years at Fordham Prep. Donors to the Prep made a Jesuit high school education affordable for my family, which prepared me for success at Boston College and beyond. I benefited from studying with young men from all backgrounds, communities and walks of life. This is why my mother and I are thrilled to be in a position to give back to the Prep by sponsoring a scholarship dinner at Del Posto. This event will allow Fordham Prep to extend the gift of Jesuit education to deserving students who need

The goal for the evening was set at \$150,000 for the endowment, and \$172,000 had been raised prior to the dinner. Joe made a spontaneous invitation to the guests to raise even more in support of the Bastianich and Friends Scholarship Fund and, by a show of hands, \$200,000 was raised. Through this generosity, the evening's goal was far exceeded which means that more deserving students from families of modest means will have the opportunity to receive a quality Jesuit education at Fordham Prep.

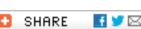
A highlight of the evening was a raffle drawing for the next Bastianich initiative scheduled to take place in the late fall or early 2014. The winners, Ellen and Chuck Bryceland, won two complimentary invitations to the next event.

The guests at the event included Fordham Prep Board members Ellen Fahey-Smith P '14, Rev. Charles Frederico, S.J., Rod Murray '78, and Cary Stier P '16; Mario Gabelli '61, Jack Geraghty '60, Paul Brusco '82, Chris Santomero '87, and Craig Overlander '78; and current parents Sheila and Mike Sohr P'15; Kathleen and Rob Coughlin P'15, and Maggie and John Trimble P'16.

We are grateful to Joe and Lidia for their kindness and generosity in underwriting this event. All of the funds committed by guests went directly toward endowment support.

Class of 1976 Modernizing the Prep's Religious Studies Center

in Memory of Classmate Rev. Peter K. Arabia, S.J.





Over five years ago Rev. Peter K. Arabia, S.J. '76 suddenly passed away. As a priest, and throughout his life, Peter truly exemplified the Jesuit ideal of faithful

To honor his memory, a Class of 1976 Committee — Tom Bell, Ed Bonanno, Mike Considine, Rich Duke, Matt Fitzsimons, Dieter Freer, Guy Lester, Jim Howard, Bill Korchak, Bill McCabe, Joe Molloy, and Bill Whelan, and also Ken Singleton and Brian Arabia – is creating a fund at Fordham Prep that will be used to modernize the technology in the Prep's Religious Studies Center. It will also be used to create an area for prayer in the Center with a stained glass window of Peter's patron saint, Saint Peter.

The committee is hoping to raise \$25,000 for the fund in this fiscal year, so that the work can begin before the 2014-2015 school year. The committee has already raised funds totaling over \$15,000.

Please contact John Kahl if any classmates or friends of Peter would be interested in supporting this effort (telephone: 718-367-7500, ext: 210; email: kahlj@fordhamprep.org).

We apologize for the following mistakes that appeared in the 2013 Annual Report:

In the list of the members of the Board of Trustees that appeared on page 4, Roderick Murray's '78 employer's name was spelled incorrectly. Rod is the Managing Director, Mortgage/ABS Trading at Jefferies LLC.

On page 24, in the Alumni Giving By Class, we did not include the statistics for the Class of 1960 in the 1960's decade list. The statistics were: 157 Members, 49 Donors, 31.2% Participation, \$34,202.60 Total

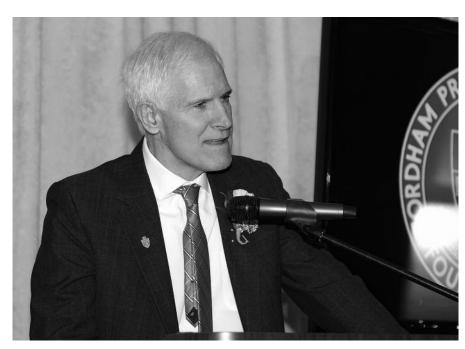
A [BIG] Drop in the Bucket





Endowment is the next phase in the Prep's advancement and future security. The Chair of the Board of Trustees, John Neary '87, has a critical message: "The Prep is 174 years old from its founding, but a mere 44 years old in terms of its financial self-sufficiency. There is much important work to be done in terms of increasing the Prep's endowment." One effort towards that end is highlighted here.

The following is an interview with "The Friends of John," seven members of the Class of 1964. In 2010, they proposed the establishment of a scholarship at the Prep in honor of classmate, John J. Vrionis. Three plus years later, the fund is on its way to providing a full tuition scholarship to a deserving young Prep scholar. The Friends are Andy Paterno, Brian Heller, Jim DiMarzo, Jerry O'Gorman, Lee Higdon, John Malone and Bill Perry.



John Vrionis '64 at 2013 Hall of Honor Induction Dinner [photo: Tom Baffer]

ep: First of all, thank you for what you've accomplished on behalf of the Prep.

Friend 1: We are delighted that it is turning out successfully. People can still contribute to the fund—it will always be open to new donations. I don't want to give the impression that all our work is finished.

Friend 6: There were a number of times that we weren't very sure at all about the outcome.

Friend 2: We always believed in what we were doing. Jerry used to remind us, 'Our cause is just...'

Prep: What prompted you to undertake this project?

Friend 4: John Vrionis is an extraordinary person. He was a superb athlete who is a Hall of Famer at Holy Cross in two sports. But, more significantly, he is an inspiring model of the kind of person the Prep has always aimed to produce.

Friend 5: As you know, last November he was inducted into the Prep's Hall of Honor.

Prep: Did you find it hard to generate interest in supporting this scholarship?

Friend 7: (laughs) It depends upon whom you were dealing with. Most classmates were exceedingly generous.

Friend 1: Some were tougher to convince.

Friend 3: This, I think, is interesting. A number of people didn't give once—but repeatedly. We have those numbers somewhere...

Friend 7: Yes, so far, 160 donors have made 233 donations.

Friend 2: That tells you something. Several classmates with limited resources wanted to help and did.

Friend 4: We asked two fellows for a token contribution to have them participate. They each gave much more.

Friend 6: It showed us the depth of people's feelings about the Prep.

Prep: What surprised you about trying to raise funds?

Friend 7: Each of us had individual surprises. My mistake was in thinking because a person was well-off, he would be well disposed towards giving.

Friend 5: I thought that you could eventually convince anyone to help in one form or another. But that didn't prove true.

Prep: How did you organize the work?

Friend 1: We were pretty unscientific, actually. But we were tenacious.

Friend 2: I'd try this guy. He'd try that guy. Then, if that didn't work, he'd try his guy...

Friend 7: You have to have someone in your group who has a connection with the person you're contacting.

Friend 5: A number, though, were shots in the dark. All someone could say was, 'No.'

Friend 6: It was grunt work, in the end, but we tried to keep it light and keep each other 'up.'

Prep: So you found fundraising could be fun?

Friend 2: We tried a few people who were not 'normal' prospects.

Friend 3: George Bush and John Mara.

Friend 4: Donald Trump and Bill Gates. Folks like that.

Prep: Did you have any luck?

Friend 1: Not with those. Roger Staubach donated. John played with him on the Pensacola Goshawks when he was in flight school.

Friend 2: The President of Holy Cross gave and the head of the New York Province of Jesuits also contributed.

Friend 5: Don't forget John Dockery. He was an All-City football player from Brooklyn Prep who played against Big John in football and basketball. Dockery was a member of the 1968 Jets Super Bowl championship team.

Friend 3: We also experienced the appearance of 'angels.'

Friend 6: He's talking about unexpected donors—almost from heaven.

Friend 2: We believed that our work was guided by the Holy Spirit—leading us as we needed it. Donors pitched in beyond what we'd hoped for.

Friend 5: We'd contacted them and made our appeal, but we could not have anticipated what developed.

Prep: Can you provide names?

Friend 3: In May of 2011, the pace of giving had slowed. Then John's son, John, Jr., made a donation that energized our efforts.

Friend 2: Another boost came from Joe Moglia '67, who was a freshman when Big John was a senior. Joe was terrific. Again, the timing (June, 2012) and the nature of his gift provided a huge lift.

Friend 4: It's hard not to get discouraged at times when you're doing this kind of work. Who likes to be asked for money—really? As Lee has said, we did find 160 donors. But we'd asked over 350 people for help. So, you hear a lot more 'no's' than 'yesses' in the course of things.

Prep: You indicated there was a third major donor.

Friend 4: Jim Buckman, Class of '62. He's a prince of a man.

Friend 5: His younger brother, Tommy, was a member of our class. Sadly, he passed away in his 40's of a heart attack.

Friend 2: Jim offered us a \$100,000 Challenge Match.

Friend 7: This was totally his idea. He'd already given to the scholarship fund a year earlier.

Friend 3: The match was a way to honor Tom and to acknowledge John's selection to the

Friend 3: The match was a way to honor Tom and to acknowledge John's selection to the Hall of Honor...

Friend 4: ...and, to quote his letter, 'to help the school we all love.'

Friend 3: You can understand how we saw the work of the Holy Spirit in our campaign. You can't attribute what happened in these cases to 'good luck.'

Prep: Were there any strictures to the challenge?

Friend 7: We had sixty days to raise \$100,000 in gifts and pledges. Jim would match all donations and pledges as they were received by the Prep up to \$100,000.

Friend 3: Our classmates really answered the call.

Friend 5: It was exhilarating to watch.

Friend 1: Our class reached the \$100,000 figure within twenty-six days.

Friend 6: They were amazing. Every Prep class is 'the best.'

Friend 4: But we have hard evidence about ours. (He laughs.)

Friend 2: What were the stats on that?

Friend 1: Ninety-four donors gave or pledged a total of \$131,724 within the match period.

Friend 5: This solidified the scholarship fund beyond our expectations. When we began in late 2010 we had targeted \$300,000.

Friend 2: By the time all pledges are fulfilled and the match is completely gifted—and with a modest yearly increase due to investment—the Vrionis Scholarship Fund will exceed \$400,000. That should underwrite a full tuition scholarship.

There are smiles all around.

Prep: You must be pleased.

Friend 5: We're happy for John and his family and very pleased for the Prep. We're extremely proud of all the donors and grateful for their generosity.

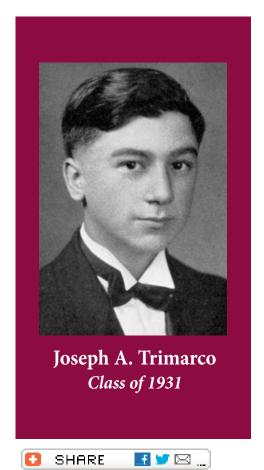
Friend 6: Joan Wollman and John Kahl in the Development Office kept us on track in terms of advice, contacts and gifts, etc. We would have been lost without their guidance and support.

All: Yes. Many thanks are due Joan and John.

Prep: Any final thoughts?

Friend 7: The end result was well worth the work. A wonderful friend has been appropriately honored. This project rejuvenated friendships formed fifty years ago at this special place. We had great fun.

Friend 3: Several deserving young men will now have the opportunity to experience a Jesuit education. We're all grateful to have been of service.



From Graduate - To Teacher - To Major Benefactor

Oftentimes blessings drop in quite unexpectedly. Such was the case when a visitor arrived at Shea Hall in the spring of 2013 to make a donation that had a major impact on the Prep's endowment. Without any fanfare, the school was unobtrusively presented with a check for more than \$420,000 from the estate of Joseph A. Trimarco, 1931 Prep graduate and former teacher. To categorize this as a "surprise" would be an understatement. There is an important story behind this gift—one involving life-long loyalty, sacrifice, loss, sustaining faith and wonderful generosity.

Born in lower Manhattan of Italian immigrant parents, Joe Trimarco was raised in farmland in the North Bronx. In 1928 he entered Fordham Prep where he excelled in classical languages. Upon graduation he remained at Rose Hill, graduating from the University with honors in English. Eight years of exposure to the Jesuits molded his Catholic character and provided the foundation for his choice of teaching as a profession. His career began at the Prep, where he taught Latin and English from 1938-1947. His colleagues included some of the early giants of the Prep lay faculty: Rudy Hanish, Pat Shea, Al Kirchner and John Lyttle. One of his students was Vin Scully—whose "golden voice" is still going strong after more than sixty years for the Los Angeles Dodgers.

With great reluctance Joe left, in his words, "this very special place" to teach in the New York City public school

system. He capped fifty years of teaching with twenty-five years of distinguished service at the Bronx High School of Science. But Joe never forgot what Fordham Prep had meant to himand what it might mean for others.

Through his encouragement, his sons, Joseph, '70 and Gerard, attended the Prep as well as nephew, Thomas H. Trimarco, '56. Tragically both Joe's children predeceased him in separate accidents at early ages. The lives of Joe and Tess, his wife of seventy years, were never the same. Their deep faith sustained them, however, as they bore their losses with great dignity. Out of their grief came a commitment: the memories of their sons would live forever through an endowed scholarship at Fordham Prep. Joe and Tess established an Irrevocable Trust naming the Prep as sole beneficiary—with the avowed purpose of funding an endowed scholarship in memory of their sons. In addition, the vast majority of Joe's estate was also bequeathed to the Prep for this perpetual memorial. As a result, each year a deserving student who would otherwise not be able to afford to attend the Prep will be awarded a full scholarship in memory of Joseph and Gerard Trimarco.

Who can predict from where true generosity will spring? Despite painful personal tragedy, Joe and Tess Trimarco continued to demonstrate their great capacity to believe and to love. We pause to express our profound gratitude to Joe and Tess Trimarco—a true son and daughter of a thankful Fordham Prep.

The President's Dinner The Water Club, NYC

Friday, September 27, 2013



Patty and Bob Fink '80, Michael and Suzanne Valentino



Jack Geraghty '60, Carl Liggio '61, Father Devron



John '87 and Jaime Neary, Belkis and Ronald '83 deCastro

Fordham Preparatory School Scholarships

BACKGROUND

Due to rising economic costs, the need for scholarship endowment is more important than ever for Fordham Prep.

By increasing financial aid and scholarship endowment, we can further reward academic excellence and provide greater financial assistance to deserving students as well as opportunity and access for higher education to students of diverse cultures.

Fordham Prep is committed to keeping the tuition affordable and accessible to students who desire quality education. Despite the Prep's efforts to keep the tuition affordable, it remains a hardship for many families to pay the tuition.

During the 2013-2014 fiscal year, approximately 45% of our students received

We must rely on gifts from alumni, parents and friends, as well as corporate and foundation contributions, to provide the academic and financial aid enhancements needed. Currently the Prep's endowment designated for financial aid and scholarship is \$24.3 million which provides a modest income for Prep sponsored student support.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

A gift to Fordham Preparatory School can be designated for either (1) an expendable scholarship or (2) an endowed scholarship fund.

An Expendable Scholarship is awarded to a student on an ongoing basis by the Office of Financial Aid in the name of an individual or organization.

An *Endowed Scholarship Fund* is a permanent scholarship fund which can be established in an individual's or organization's name. A portion of the earnings from a scholarship endowment fund provides revenue for scholarship support.

An endowment (Endowed Scholarship Fund) can be created as follows:

- Full Endowment \$440,000 (provides the cost of tuition for one year)
- Three-Quarter Endowment \$330,000
- Half Endowment \$220,000
- One Quarter Endowment \$110,000

In establishing scholarship endowments, we suggest that scholarship recipients be students who are academically qualified and/or in need of financial assistance.

Fordham Prep ensures sound stewardship of every named endowment through a "Memorandum of Agreement" that expresses the donor's and the Prep's intent. Unless stated otherwise in your Memorandum of Agreement when the gift is established, your fund can be left "open" to future gifts from you or other individuals who choose to support your fund.

Stories about recently created endowments are included in this issue of Ramview.

Please contact John Kahl, Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations (telephone: 718-367-7500, email: kahlj@fordhamprep.org) if you would like further information about contributing to scholarships at Fordham Prep.

Volunteers are needed for March's Alumni Phonothon which will be held March 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 18, 19 & 25.

Contact Director of Annual Giving Joan Wollman at wollmanj@fordhamprep.org or 718-367-7500 ext. 209









Around the Prep



Donnie Walsh and the basketball alumni who attended the Dedication Dinner

Donnie Walsh Court Dedication

By Kevin Pigott

On Tuesday, November 19, 2013, Prep students, alumni, friends, faculty and staff, representatives of the National Basketball Association, and the Indiana Pacers gathered in the newly renovated Higgins Gymnasium to witness the new basketball court being named to honor to Prep basketball legend Donnie Walsh '58. Donnie was joined by his family for this event, including his brother and fellow Prep alumnus, Jim '71.

Donnie, a member of the New York City Catholic High School Athletic Association (CHSAA) Hall of Fame, was an outstanding basketball player during his three years on the Prep varsity team. He scored 1,260 points, second highest in the school's history. He also set the highest single season average during the 1957 - 1958 season, when he averaged 25.2 points per game. After his Prep graduation, he played basketball at the University of North Carolina, where he graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in political science. At UNC, Donnie played for two legendary coaches, Xavier's Frank McGuire and Dean Smith. He then attended the University of North Carolina Law School. Donnie coached at the college level before being hired by Larry Brown in 1977 as an assistant coach with the Denver Nuggets. Donnie became the head coach of the Nuggets in 1979. In 1984, he joined the Indiana Pacers as an assistant coach. He has also held the positions of general manager, franchise president, and chief executive officer with the Pacers. Donnie now serves as a basketball consultant with the Pacers. From 2008 through 2012, he served as president of basketball operations and general manager of the New York Knicks.

The November 19th event started with Donnie taking the opportunity to renew ties and share stories with his classmates. He talked to the current Prep players and coaches as well as their scrimmage opponents, the coaches and players from Archbishop Stepinac High School.

The players were thrilled not only to meet Donnie, but also had the opportunity to meet and chat with both Rod Thorn, current NBA President of Basketball Operations and Kiki Vandeweghe, current Vice President of Basketball Operations, who both attended the court dedication.

The ceremony started with the dedication and blessing of the court by Father Devron, S.J., President of the Prep. After Father's blessing, Donnie spoke to the audience. He emphasized how important Fordham Prep was to him. For Donnie, Fordham Prep affected him in three areas. First, he was grateful for the coaching expertise that he was exposed to. Secondly, he felt that Fordham Prep had prepared him academically. He noted his success in both his college studies and law school. Finally, he discussed the importance of the religious education he received from the Jesuits. According to Donnie, "The Jesuits provided me with the spiritual foundation to handle the 'ups-and-downs' of everyday life. And in the NBA, there are plenty of 'ups-and-downs' everyday." Donnie's appreciation of this honor by the

Prep community was felt by all in the audience. After the scrimmage, a dinner was held in the ballroom of Fordham University's McGinley Center where Donnie's long-time friend and fellow Prep hoop star, Frank McLaughlin '65, served as the Master of Ceremonies. A video featuring greetings to Donnie from Larry Bird, Reggie Miller, and NBA Commissioner David Stern was part of the evening's tribute.

When you get a chance, visit the Prep and go downstairs to the Higgins Gymnasium. There you will

Left: Father Devron blesses the Donnie Walsh Court



The Walsh family



Donnie Walsh and NBA Executives Rod Thorn and Kiki Vandeweghe and the Prep coaches and players

see the renovations that were done. New lights make t he gym brighter. There is a new scoreboard. A beautiful wooden floor has replaced the floor made from 'vulcanized rubber.' Now you can hear the squeaking of the players' sneakers as they move about on the floor. Inscribed at both ends of the floor you can see 'Donnie Walsh Court.' Not only is this an honor for Donnie, but it is also an honor for the Fordham Prep community to be able to publically recognize this 'Man for Others.'

To see more photos and video from the court dedication, you can go to http://www.fordhamprep.org/ uploaded/events/dedication.html

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Around the Prep

Fordham Prep's Historic Move

to Revitalize Hockey in the Bronx

Nelson G. Ritter '96, Assistant Varsity Hockey Coach and Program Moderator

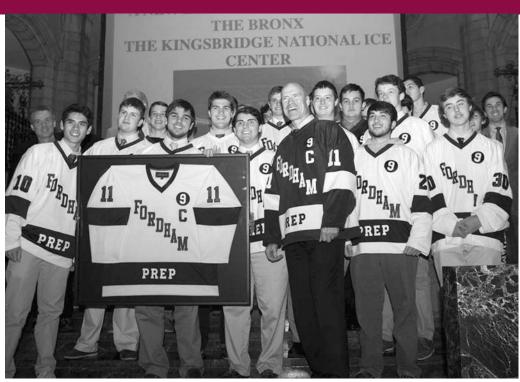
The nearly one hundred-year-old Kingsbridge Armory, "reputedly the largest armory in the world," almost completely vacant for two decades, has stood as a symbol of the decline of the Bronx since the 1980s. In recent years, several developers and potential investors have attempted to repurpose the Armory in an effort to revitalize this nationallyrecognized and historic structure. The Kingsbridge National Ice Center (KNIC) proposal, with former New York Rangers captain Mark Messier as the CEO of KNIC Partners was given final approval by The New York City Council in December of 2013. KNIC is a \$350 million proposal that endeavors to transform the Armory into the largest ice center in the world, complete with nine ice surfaces (including a 5,000 seat arena surrounding the central rink), community activity spaces, dining areas, shops and a wellness center. The KNIC design includes taking the current usable space, approximately 600,000 square feet, and transforming it into nearly 800,000 square feet of icerelated and community-related activity spaces, all by mid-2017.

Fordham Prep's Hockey Program and the KNIC plan are natural collaborators in the enterprise to revitalize the Armory, as our Hockey Program has always been deeply committed to hockey in the Bronx, but no rink has existed in the Bronx during the last three decades. In late 2013, however, one outdoor rink (not regulation-

sized) was opened in Van Cortland Park and Fordham Prep Hockey immediately seized on the opportunity to once again buy ice at a Bronx facility. Therefore, the plan to make the Bronx a destination for ice sports, as well as the economic and societal revival of a neighborhood located only one mile from Fordham Prep's campus are goals Fordham Prep Hockey are proud to promote. Fordham Prep's relationship with the KNIC, including a personal relationship with

Mark Messier has been mutually beneficial since its inception in mid-2013. Fordham Prep has distinguished itself in support of the project, as the first institution to sign a non-binding letter of intent, promising to participate in all opportunities offered by KNIC, including purchasing ice time, helping in service projects and community outreach efforts and keeping a dedicated locker room space for our Hockey teams.

All of our JV and Varsity hockey players and coaches have been able to meet with Mark Messier - at a KNIC rally at St. Nicholas of Tolentine church and also during Mr. Messier's visit to Fordham Prep in late November. The rally provided all present with a unique opportunity to understand the potential for the tremendous advantages KNIC hopes to create in the local area through its historic community benefits agreement. Among other promises, the developers have guaranteed all jobs at



KNIC will be living-wage jobs, preference will be shown to hiring local residents and substantial annual revenue percentages will be given back to the community. Clearly, the priorities of KNIC are aligned with the values of Fordham Prep in all of its

During the KNIC rally, Mr. Messier requested an opportunity to meet with all Fordham Prep Hockey players, which took place on 26 November in the Prep's Leonard Theatre; Mr. Messier spent an hour with both teams, sharing his reflections on leadership. As a six-time Stanley Cup winner and the only NHL player to captain two different championship teams (The Edmonton Oilers and The New York Rangers), Mr. Messier has a wealth of experience to share with others on that topic and certainly did not disappoint, having regaled all present with life lessons Mr. Messier has learned at each level of

play and since his retirement from the NHL. In addition, at the annual Fordham Prep Hockey Alumni Hall of Fame induction dinner on 29 November, our guests were given a special treat - a video tribute to the 2013 honorees (Geoffrey DeSoye '06, Frank Dunn '69, Joseph Namy '06, and JC Young), prepared by Mr. Messier especially for the occasion. Here is the link to the FP website for highlight photos and video clips from all of these exciting events: http://www.fordhamprep.org/ page.cfm?p=3184. Considering how much enthusiasm the planning phases of the Kingsbridge National Ice Center has created, everyone associated with Fordham Prep Hockey - players, parents, alumni, coaches, friends - cannot wait for the completion of this "game-changer" in the history of hockey in the Bronx! See https://www.facebook.com/KNICNYC





Connor M. Smith '14, Varsity Hockey Captain

Fordham Prep's 2013-2014 hockey season got off to a bang, even before the first game was played. We, along with the whole Fordham Prep community, were able to celebrate a crowning achievement for the Bronx, our school, and our newfound friend Mark Messier.

We, along with the entire Fordham Prep community, would like to acknowledge Mr. Messier's superb accomplishment and unheralded generosity to both our school community, and the community of the Northwest Bronx. He brought an

incredible buzz throughout the school upon his visit, and the entire hockey program was truly blessed to hear his words of advice about leadership, as well as the background information on his mission with the Kingsbridge National Ice Center. Mr. Messier instilled in all of us the sense of pride that comes with being a leader, and gave us all so many great tips that we will never forget, especially since they are coming from a man with so much experience on the matter. He provided us an opportunity that no other

school or hockey program may ever get and an opportunity that will last with us all for a lifetime.

As Herb Brooks once said, "Great moments are born from great opportunities," and that is what Mr. Messier provided all of the students and athletes of Fordham Prep, as well as the people of the Bronx. We wanted to express how much we truly appreciate what he is doing, and thank him for the great generosity that he has shown already in the early parts of the establishment of the Kingsbridge National Ice Center. Being able to see first hand the amazing work that he has done for all of us in the Bronx, and watch him take his opportunity, and make something great o f it, is just a testament to his amazing character and generosity that he has blatantly displayed throughout his interactions with all of us.

Words cannot do justice how truly grateful and thankful we are for all that he has done, and, assure Mr. Messier that we are behind him fully in his efforts to make KNIC a reality.



Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

Lou DiGiorno '88, School Historian

As sort of a meditation in finding God both everywhere and everywhen, we've decided to look at Prep history through the lens of the Book of Qoheleth, which, as any of Mr. Beck's 5,127 past or present students could tell you, is the Hebrew name for the Book of Ecclesiastes.

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

a time to be born,



It's official: Prep people have now been born in 4 centuries: the 18th, 19th, 20th & 21st.

Our Founder, Archbishop John Hughes — born 1797 Freshman, Enmanuel Frias first Prep student born in the new millennium



and a time to die:

Fordham Prep would remain a boarding school from 1841 through the early 1920s. In March of 1901, senior Andrew Heide died of pneumonia here at Rose Hill.

From the diary of the Prefect of Discipline:

March 21st:

Heide died last night. All went to Communion.

The boys all liked "Dutch" Heide.

He was one of those jolly, good-natured fellows, very noisy, but good as gold.

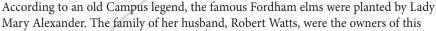
He received the last sacraments with the best disposition.

He told Fr. O'Hara that he did not care to live but wished to die.

At 5:45 he passed away without a struggle as though falling asleep.

One never appreciates the consolation and help of our Catholic religion as at death.

a time to plant,





land before it was purchased by Bishop Hughes. Mary's father, Lord William Alexander, a Scotsman, was a trusted general in the army of George Washington (who, by the way, according to another old Campus legend, actually did sleep here).

As the story goes, Lord Alexander presented his daughter with slips from the elm trees near Holyrood Palace in Scotland as a wedding gift.

and a time to pluck up what is planted;

In 1995, Fr. Nick Lombardi, S.J., Class of 1961 — a member of the Prep Classics Department at the time was tapped by the Provincial to head up the fledgling Faculty Technology Resource Center at the University. Leaving the Prep Faculty, Lombardi would take up residence in Spellman Hall, the community of Rose Hill Jesuits working on the University level. During his years at Spellman Hall, Father would cultivate a rooftop "farm," harvesting tomatoes, peppers, eggplants, parsley, basil, oregano, and even a once small cantaloupe, a brutto ma buono varietal to be precise



a time to kill.

From the time of Fordham's founding up until the First World War, the site where the Prep stands today was part of the Rose Hill Farm. In addition to fruit and vegetables — the Campus orchards extended through what is today Murphy Field and the Hawthorn-Rooney Tennis Courts — cows and pigs were also raised on the farm. The livestock were butchered on the spot providing food for the faculty and staff in residence as well as the boarding students.

As recalled by Joseph A. McCreery, Class of 1869, in a letter to the Fordham Monthly: "Periodically we had fresh pork for dinner, and I remember seeing carcasses of oxen dressed there for the kitchen."

and a time to heal:

Sr. Mary Basilia McCann, SC was the first school nurse on Campus. She arrived at Fordham on September 7, 1841. She would be joined shortly by other members of the Sisters of Charity who would staff the Infirmary until the Jesuits arrived in 1846.



a time to break down,

Ceremonial groundbreaking for the "New Prep Building" took place on November 30, 1969. It rained.



and a time to build up;

Keating Hall, the centerpiece of the Rose Hill Campus, stands majestically overlooking Edward's Parade. It was built in the 1930s and was opened to students in 1936. For decades before the construction of Shea Hall, the dining facilities in the basement of Keating Hall would be used by Prep students daily as their lunchroom.



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a time to weep,

From the yearbook quote of Thomas Murphy, Class of 1978: Smiles, tears, decembers, mays into a few Last Lines (capturing four years of days) trying to sing the song of a Life (every rise and Fall) All in a few short bars.

and a time to laugh;

On December 8, 1928, sophomore Daniel McAuliffe "caused many laughs as he played the part of Schmaltz, an old Swedish janitor," in the Dramatic Society's production of A Millionaire Janitor, a two-act comedy. "Dapper, dashing, Dan," as he was known by his classmates, was said to have "a hearty laugh and the singing voice of those popular crooners."

a time to mourn,

The Fordham Prep community joined with the members of the Devine family and the Jesuits of Rose Hill in the University Church on January 31, 2013 for the funeral Mass of Rev. Donald Devine, SJ, Faculty Chaplain from 2009-2013.

Father passed away on December 26, a day after his 80th birthday. Requiescat in pace.

and a time to dance;

This year's Senior Mother-Son Valentine's Day Dance (or "Mom Prom," as it is known in student circles) will take place on February 13, 2014.



a time to cast away stones,

As reported by the Prefect on September 19, 1893: "A racket in the dorm last evening about 9:45. The night is made burdensome, for a few stones were carried to dorm and dropped on the floor, thus disturbing those who wished to sleep."

and a time to gather stones together;

In addition to building a ship-in-a-bottle, constructing a nighttable, and lending their talents to the war effort by creating model aircraft that were actually used by the military for training purposes, the members of Industrial Arts Club picked up a new skill during the 1941-1942 school year: polishing semi-precious stones.

a time to embrace.

It has long been a Prep custom that an alumnus father or grandfather is permitted the honor of presenting his son's or grandson's diploma at graduation. That same honor is extended to Prep (and University) personnel as well. This made for an interesting and touching family photo opportunity in 2012 when Daniel Lee received his Prep diploma from both his father, Paul, Class of 1981 and his mother, Patricia, a member of the English Department.

and a time to refrain from embracing;

From a caveat that has posted at the entrance of school dances, the 21st-century version of "Leave some room for the Holy Ghost:"

Dancing must be appropriate to a Catholic high school setting. NO bump and grind dancing permitted.

a time to seek,

On a school-sponsored Little Italy/Chinatown scavenger hunt arranged by Ms. Arianne Dempsey of the Mathematics Department, Gavin Reidy, Class of 2010, was charged to find the hidden writing in front of Umberto's Clam House on Mulberry Street.

and a time to lose;

As a junior in the 1965-1966 Ramkin reminds us, no matter what happens at an away game, "you always sing 'The Ram' song as the bus turns into Bathgate." Incidentally, the #1 single on the Billboard Hot 100 chart for three weeks that school year was "Turn! Turn! Turn!" by an American folk rock band known as the Byrds.



Prep History

a time to keep,

Among the holdings of the Prep Archives: a century-old wooden chair from Hughes Hall, a lever from the original lightboard in Collins Auditorium, a pennant from Fordham Prep's 1991 sesquicentennial anniversary, a Greek typewriter from the early 1960s, and a yardstick that belonged to Mr. Harry McDonough, who taught math from 1928 to 1978.

For generations of Prepsters, the image of Mr. McDonough walking through the halls carrying his giant wooden compass and thick yardstick was an enduring image of their Fordham Prep years. The ruler housed in the Archives is inscribed "Mr. McDonough, thanks for a great year, Class 2E, 1967."

and a time to cast away;

To quote the 2001 *Ramkin*: "Under the leadership of Mr. Iorio and seniors Mike Viele and Max Ferguson, the Outdoors Club was formed in order to allow students to take advantage of the environment around them. The Outdoors Club has something for everyone —from fishing to rafting."

Viele would return to the Prep in 2010 as a member of the Social Studies Department, and soon enough, would have Prepsters casting their rods once again on a 2011 Metropolitan Day fishing trip. Forty boys joined Mr. Viele aboard the *Klondike IX* on that rainy, windy May morning. Best (and only) catch of the day: Chris Byrne, Class of 2014. It was not a keeper.

a time to rend,

In December 1888, the baseball team would complain of having to share their uniforms with the footballers. Baseball was by far the most popular pastime among students of the day.

From the "Second Division Notes" of the *Monthly*: "There has been some talk lately of getting genuine football suits for our eleven. The game is somewhat wearing on the baseball jerseys."

and a time to sew;

As part of a service project in 1943, students collected, cleaned and repaired used toys and distributed them to needy children for Christmas. Paint was retouched, wheels were replaced, and dolly dresses were resewn.



a time to keep silence,

In his letters home to his parents in Pennsylvania, James Walsh, Class of 1880, offers glimpses of Prep life, which in those days included meals taken in disciplined silence.

and a time to speak;

Under the moderatorship of Ms. Georgette Kagan, the chairman of the 1984-5 Model Congress was senior Christopher Michailoff. That year, the club would travel to meet with their counterparts at Fairfield Prep, North Haven High School and E. O. Smith High School.

a time to love,

On September 19, 1987, alumnus and longtime Faculty member "Captain" Jack Foley married Frances Kime in the University Church. They had known each other since their high school days

and a time to hate;

My heart and my memory are laid open before Thee, Who wast even then guiding me by the secret impulse of Thy providence and wast setting my shameful errors before my face so that I might see and hate them.

The Confessions of St. Augustine

—St. Augustine's Confessions, Book V, Chapter 11

The Confessions is one of the texts read by Prep seniors in Mr. Paul Homer's Religious Studies III classes, Mr. Michael Kravatz' Introduction to Philosophy classes, Mr. Nelson Ritter's Religious Studies IV Honors Seminar and the English Department's offering, the Quest Motif in Literature.

a time for war,

Robert Minnick, Class of 1937, had always been an adventurous soul — he was nearly expelled from the Prep when he was caught taking an unauthorized tour of Keating Hall while it was still under construction.

When he heard of the atrocities being committed overseas, Robert knew he had to do something. Before America's involvement in World War II was even decided, Minnick plotted his own course of action and headed north to join the Royal Canadian Air Force and take a stand. He could not abide such extraordinary injustice in the world.

and a time for peace.

Most every school day at 7:55, Prep sophomore Trung Nguyen can be found at morning Mass in the Prep chapel. In the ancient gesture of penitence, he strikes his chest three times at the *Agnus Dei*:

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Bene Merenti

Faculty Honored

Congratulations to these faculty and staff members who were honored on Saturday, October 18, 2013 at the Annual Faculty and Staff Convocation Dinner. Principal **Robert Gomprecht '65** received his Double Bene Merenti medal for his forty years of meritorious service to the Prep.



Brian Carney



Gregory Curran



Geraldine Downey



Robert Gomprecht '65



Edwin Gonzalez



Christopher Lauber '79



Douglas Otis

Tenured

Science Department Chairman and Director of Technology Gregory Curran, Director of Campus Ministry Brian Carney, Attendance Officer Geraldine Downey, Facilities staff member Edwin Gonzalez, Director of Admissions and Classics Department member Christopher Lauber '79 and Fine Arts Department member Douglas Otis received their Bene Merenti medals for their twenty years of meritorious service to the Prep.

English Department member **Rosanne English**, Modern Language and Technology Department member **Yi Han** and Mathematics Department members **Christopher Hemsley** and **John Verlezza '94** were awarded tenure.

Congratulations to these faculty members who received tenure.



Rosanne English



Yi Han



Christopher Hemsley



John Verlezza '94

Hall of Honor 2013

FORDHAM PREPARATORY SCHOOL

HALL OF HONOR Induction Dinner

Friday, November 22, 2013 • 6:00 p.m.

The Garden Terrace Room at The New York Botanical Garden

On Friday, November 22, 2013, more than 260 alumni, parents and friends of the Prep gathered in The Garden Terrace Room at The New York Botanical Garden to witness the induction of nineteen new members into the Hall of Honor. Paul A. Carielli, Sr., Michael J. Conway '59, Rev. Patrick F. Dealy, SJ '847, Matthew O. Fitzsimons '76, John J. Foley '63, Col. Robert Gould Shaw, ex. 1854, Rev. James Griffin, SJ, John T. Halligan '59, John LaFarge 1852, Rev. Peter McCall, OFM, Cap '54, John Cardinal McCloskey, Marie McGovern, William J. Moore '36, John J.F. Mulcahy, Sr. 1891, Thomas D. Rizzo '49, Paul A. Victor '50, John J. Vrionis '64, Charles Melton Walcot, Jr. 1857 and George J. Zambetti '68 were honored for their accomplishments.

WE WISH TO THANK THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WHOSE WORK MADE THE 2013 HALL OF HONOR DINNER A SUCCESSFUL EVENT:

2013 Hall of Honor Dinner Committee Mr. Bruce G. Bott '59 Mr. Michael G. Considine '76 Mr. Gerard F. Moss '68 Mr. Michael K. Stanton '79

2013 Hall of Honor Nominating Committee Mr. Louis J. DiGiorno '88 Mr. John M. Geraghty '60 - Chair Mr. Edward K. Lenci '81 Mr. Michael K. Stanton, Jr. '79 Mr. Martin J. Waters, Jr. '57

Video narrator, Kevin Pigott Hall of Honor Dinner Producer, Mary Desmond Pinkowish Fordham Prep archivist Louis DiGiorno '88, who also teaches Latin and Greek at the Prep Robert Moschetta '90 and Michael Hall, Entertainment and Sounds Unlimited

Rosemary Campion, Blackbird Creative Services, Bronxville Liana Colella and Bill Fedorchick, Larchmont Art,

Frank Soriano, House of Flowers, Mamaroneck Robert Corvino and Rose Press, Mount Vernon David Fernandez and Stephanie Hill and their staff at Abigail Kirsch at The New York Botanical Garden



The family of Paul Carielli, Sr.



Michael Conway '59 and his family



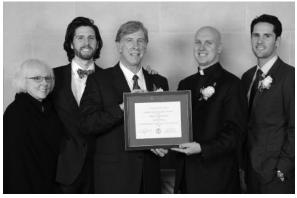
Matthew Fitzsimons '76 and Family



Jack Foley '63 and his friends



The family and friends of John Halligan '59



The family of Marie McGovern



The family of William Moore '36



The family and friends of John Mulcahy 1891



The family of Thomas Rizzo '49



Hon. Paul Victor '50 and his family



John Vrionis '64 and his family and friends



George Zambetti '68 and his family and friends

The Ram's Union & Phonathon Volunteer Cocktail Party

Yale Club, NYC - Tuesday, October 16, 2013



Prep parents Michael Sohr '15, Linda Costelloe '10, '11, '14, '16, Andrea and Christopher Pace '16, Joe Costelloe



Ralph '55 and Jane O'Connell, Father Devron, Joe DioGuardi



Max Pelisson '53, Patrick Swift '62, Ernest Harris, Frank D'Onofrio '60

C-O-N-N-E-C-T-E-D

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, curranL@fordhamprep.org. If your class does not have a Class Representative, please email your notes to Larry.

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.

1949

CLASS REP

Gus Stellwag - astellwag@juno.com

1950

CLASS REP

Ed Squire - squireec@comcast.net

Al Gabrielli retired after 41 years as fund raising counsel with CCS, New York.

1951

CLASS REP

Adolph Ehbrecht - aee@mags.net

Thomas Murphy has been a permanent deacon in the archdiocese of Detroit since 1985.

1952

CLASS REPS

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CLASS REPS

John Murphy - jwfmurphy@aol.com Max Pelisson - cpelisson@optonline.net

1954

CLASS REP

Jack Donahue - jfdhoyasaxa@msn.com

1955

CLASS REPS

Paul Petrocelli - petro63@aol.com George Wade - gwade@shearman.com

Michael Campbell recently returned from Monopoly, Italy where he served as a member of the Global Volunteer Program teaching conversational English, Geography and United States History at the local high school. He also demonstrated ballroom dancing and instruction. Mike said of his trip: "It was a worthwhile and rewarding experience. I highly recommend it. If interested, contact Global Volunteers."

1956 Class Reps

Tom Brennan - tab1938@gmail.com Tony Fiorella - AFIORELL@courts.state.ny.us Paul Williams - PPPANDPW@aol.com

Carl Cutrone and his wife Carol celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary in September 2013. They have been dating since his junior year at The Prep.

1957

CLASS REPS

Al Apicelli - dramalfi@mac.com Ed McAnaney - jmcananey@gmail.com Al Preisser - ajpreiss@swbell.net Greg Rinn - gfrnfo@verizon.net Bill Skehan - lawprof1122@verizon.net

John Hoey sent in the following update: "As Chairman of Mundoro Capital, we just defeated a dissident Chinese shareholder group with 42% at www.mundoro.com at our 27 August 2012 AGM in Vancouver. Mundoro is actively acquiring concessions exploring and drilling to assay precious metals in México, Serbia and Bulgaria. Co-Founder and Director at www.tethysoil.com where production in Oman up to 22,000 bbls/day and acquisition in Lithuania in process of increasing production and as we just farmed out a shale gas play with Chevron for a carried interest. Recently sold all my founder shares in Tethys oil at the 2013 AGM and resigned from Company and Board. My investment company, Beneficial Capital Corp, owned since 1975 and founded in 1956 as a SBIC, now concentrates on short term bridge secured loans with equity kickers as evidenced by our www.bacterin.com; www.abtech.com; www.rymedtech.com and www.xi3.com; www.truedrinks.com/ and www.broadwalkfrozentreats.com.

CLASS REPS

Steve Amoretty - amoretty@verizon.net Joe DioGuardi - jjd@aacl.com Jim Melican - pelican9840@hotmail.com Ed Pardon - pardons@snet.net

Victoria Grav's latest book, Troublemaker: Troubling Words for Troubled Times, is available from Red Moon Publications at www.redmoonpublications.com. Former Congressman Joe DioGuardi and his wife, Shirley Cloyes, were instrumental in revealing the story of Albanian heroism and tolerance in saving Europe's Jews from the Nazis in Albania and Kosova, as reflected in an article in The New York Times on November 19, 2013. The article can be found by searching www.nytimes.com for "Casting Light on Little-Known Story of Albania Rescuing Jews from Nazis." On December 8, they co-chaired a unique program at the Museum of Jewish Heritage, bringing together Jews rescued from the Holocaust, descendants of Albanian rescuers from Albania and Kosova, genocide prevention experts, and Members of the U.S. Congress to expand awareness of the Albanian response to the Holocaust and how it applies to genocide prevention in our time. Joe and Shirley

run the Albanian American Civic League and Foundation (www.aacl.com) as volunteer corporate officers and political advisers. Joe is also the volunteer president of Truth in Government (www.truthingovernment.org), a watchdog group that monitors the federal budget process.

1959

CLASS REP

Bob Armbruster - armbrusterRbrt@aol.com

1960

CLASS REPS

Frank D'Onofrio - ftdjr2@aol.com Jack Geraghty - jacknavy@aol.com Paul Powers - ppowers@ssbb.com Norb Sander - nsander@armorytrack.com

Jack Kraus is retired and enjoying golf and the weather in the Villages, FL. Classmate Jim Collins also in residence here and "doing a great job keeping it in the fairway."

1961

CLASS REP

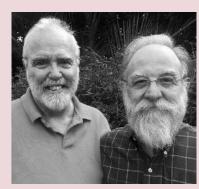
Carl Liggio - Cliggio@Mcandl.com

John Connolly is retiring this June from Smith College after 41 years. His book on the 14thcentury philosopher Meister Eckhart will be published by Oxford University Press this

1962 **CLASS REPS**

Jim Buckman - jamesebuckman@gmail.com Gerry Byrne - gerrybyrnemp@aol.com Peter Maher - PDM144@aol.com

For the past 10 years, **Donald Brisson** has been volunteering with a non-profit group called Bridge for Peace. They have been to many places around the globe preaching and praying for healings. They have mainly focused on praying for and with priests from third world countries who are studying in Rome. That has led them, among other places, to Uganda where they are working with locals to build an orphanage. Don invites any interested classmates to contact him at dpmab@juno.com. William Thomas, two of his daughters, two granddaughters and one of their boyfriends participated in the So Others Might Eat Turkey Trot in Washington, DC on Thanksgiving. SOME was started by Prep grad, Fr. Horace McKenna, SJ 1916. He would like all Prep grads in the DC area to form a team next year in his honor.



THE DOCTORS DENNIS Dennis Roggemann, MD '62 recently visited Dennis Marks, PhD '62 at his home in Valdosta, GA.

CLASS REPS

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Hank White - hfwhitejr@aol.com

50 Year Reunion - Events TBD Thursday, May, 29, 2014 Friday, May 30, 2014 Saturday, May 31, 2014 Sunday, June 1, 2014 **CLASS REPS**

Robert O'Donnell - rgodesq@aol.com Jerry O'Gorman - jeremiah31119@yahoo.com Bernhard Preisser – bfp19@msn.com John Roy - john.d.roy@att.net

Joseph Ciotti and his middle son Nainoa climbed Kilimanjaro in Tanzania this past September. Joe continues to serve as a NASA Space Ambassador through his Hawaii Teacherin-Space role at the University of Hawaii-Windward Community College. Kevin Bell is the senior vice president for the Woda Group, an Ohio-based company that builds and manages affordable housing. He was featured in an article titled North Avenue Gateway Apartments Build Hope in West Baltimore in the December 2, 2013 issue of The Baltimore Sun. Leo Higdon has retired from his position as President of Connecticut College.







Class Notes

1965

CLASS REP

John Secco - jcsinnh@earthlink.net

Bill Boylan sent in the following: "Michael Sulick has written two books recently. They are exciting, informative and well worth reading. Spying In America covers espionage in the US from before the Revolutionary War to the Cold War. American Spying starts at the Cold War to the almost present. Timely in view of recent NSA and Benghazi events. I found the books to be thrilling and a fun read, so much so that I'm attempting to develop them for a film or TV series and welcome others in that profession to join me: billboylan1@gmail.com.. Both books are available on Amazon in hard cover and Kindle, search Amazon for Michael Sulick in books. There are also some YouTube interviews with Michael."

1966

CLASS REPS

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1967

CLASS REPS

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Robert Schuster is living in Charlotte, NC and is a semi-retired real estate appraiser. Robert and his wife Catherine have been married for 42 years and have four children and seven grandchildren. Jack Doyle was featured in a recent New York Times article, The Real Mayors of New York City for his work in the Mount Eden section of the

1968

CLASS REPS

Mike Alvino - michael.alvino@chase.com Rich Ferrara - ferrara@fr.com Carmine Lucia - carminelucia77@yahoo.com Gerry Moss - gmoss616@aol.com Bill Reilly - wm.spencerreilly@gmail.com George Zambetti - gejmall@aol.com

1969

45 YEAR REUNION Saturday, April 5, 2014 **CLASS REP**

Jim Harrison - jharrison@amscan.com

J. Peter Byrne is Associate Dean and Professor of Law at the Georgetown University Law Center in Washington, DC, where he teaches and publishes in the areas of Property, Land Use, Historic Preservation, and Natural Resources Law. Peter and his wife, Karen, recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary and have three grown children.

1971

CLASS REPS

Michael Letterese - mletterese@aol.com Jim Parker - james.prker@redcross.org

1972

CLASS REP

Howie Hopkins - kerrybop@aol.com

In June 2012, Frank Pumillo was awarded a certification as an Expert Systems Engineering Professional by the International Council on Systems Engineering. "I am currently 1 of less than 150 recipients in the world for this certification. It was based on my ability to have verified by employment and peers that I demonstrated proficiency in the field of systems engineering."

CLASS REPS

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40 YEAR REUNION Saturday, April 5, 2014 **CLASS REP**

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1975

CLASS REPS

Ray Dorado - raymond.dorado@bnymellon.com John Renzulli - jrenzulli@renzullilaw.com

Billy Ayres has been working with Arts for Healing, "a non-profit organization dedicated to providing integrated music therapy, art therapy and dance/movement therapy to individuals with emotional, physical, developmental and social needs throughout their lives." He is producing a documentary on what people can learn from people with traumatic brain injuries. You can contact Billy at billymusic.com@gmail.com.

1976

CLASS REP

Ed Bonnano - bonanno.edward@yahoo.com Guy Lester - glester@segalco.com

James Fleming received the 2013 Citation Design Award from the Westchester Hudson Chapter of the American Institute of Architects for Historic Preservation regarding renovations to the Larchmont Yacht Club.

CLASS REPS

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1978

CLASS REP

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35 YEAR REUNION Saturday, April 5, 2014

CLASS REPS

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1981

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1982

CLASS REPS

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1983

CLASS REPS

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1984

30 YEAR REUNION

April 5, 2014

Nick Katsoris' latest book in the 6 book Loukoumi series, Loukoumi And The Schoolyard Bully, has won the Mom's Choice Award for Excellence. The book not only spreads the message of kindness and tolerance to children but also gives back with proceeds from the book benefiting St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

1985

CLASS REPS

Marc Flamino - mflamino@hotmail.com Michael Trovini - mtrovini@me.com

William Wollman is Executive Vice President, Member Regulation - Risk Oversight & Operational Regulation at FINRA. Martin Schneider married Kristen Everett on September 28, 2013 at St. Bartholomew's Church in Manhattan. They were joined by Prep classmates Fareed Kandalaft, Roniel Santos and Daniel Cuniberti. Marty and Kristen live in Ridgefield, Connecticut with their daughter Zoe. Marty is a grant writer and Kristen is a pediatric nurse.

1987

CLASS REPS

Kevin Fitzpatrick - fitzkevin@yahoo.com Eric Groepler - groeplee@fordhamprep.org Dario Martinez - dariomartinez@optonline.net Tim McGrath - tmcgrath@mcgrathandson.com Pat O'Brien - pjob11@verizon.net

Christian Call and Robert Gerola '86 opened a two story bar at 58 East 34th Street called Murray



THE WINNING BID

Members of the Brusco Family at the Notre Dame - USC Football game John Brusco '83 was joined by Brusco family members Savino '15, Daniel '08 and Charles '17 at the USC – Notre Dame Football game. John was the highest bidder for the USC - Notre Dame Football package at last Spring's Mother's Club Fashion Show. John won lodging, four 50 yard line tickets and pre-game stadium and locker room tour.

Bar. You can like Murray Bar on Facebook and other social networks. This bar is in addition to the other bars they separately own in NYC. Rob is the owner of American Trash and The Blue Room. Christian is the owner of Thunder Jackson's and Idle Hands. Francis Rizzo has joined SeaCrest Wealth Management in Purchase, NY.

1988

CLASS REPS

Tom Andruss - thomas.andruss@ey.com Pat Deane - deanep@fordhamprep.org Tony Fletcher - aqfletch@aol.com Nick Leshi - nickleshi@aol.com Kevin Rooney - krooney@cerberuscapital.com

Rey Hollingsworth Falu launched his own real estate brokerage named Hollingsworth Real Estate Group in January. His office is in White Plains, NY. He covers the lower Westchester residential market. Best wishes to Rey and his team!

25 YEAR REUNION Saturday, March 29, 2014 **CLASS REPS**

Jim Andruss - jandruss@optonline.net Vince Buccieri - vincetodayrealty@aol.com Brendan Neary - brendan.neary@morganstanley.com

Angelo A. Sedacca has recently been approved for Fellowship in the Royal Society of the Arts, a centuries-old learned society in the United Kingdom. In September of 2013, he was invested into the Royal Order of the Engabu (Shield), thus made an hereditary knight (war chief) and styled "The Most Honourable" by the King of the Bunyoro-Kitara Kingdom of Uganda. In December 2012, he was admitted as a member of the Noble Compania de Ballesteros Hijosdalgo de S. Felipe y Santiago, a noble corporation based in Rioja, Spain founded ca. 1350. Sean Salo is leading the rebrand of Military Channel to AHC: American Heroes Channel this March in his role as Strategic Marketing Director at Discovery Communications (owners of Discovery Channel, TLC, Animal Planet, OWN and ID.) AHC will expand on the Military Channel's promise to honor the great defenders of our freedom, while providing a rare glimpse into major events that shaped our world and the trailblazers and unexpected advocates who made a difference.

1990

CLASS REP

RJ Linehan - rjlinehan@gmail.com

1991

CLASS REPS

Charlie Andruss - charles.andruss@ubs.com Jake Dolce - jake.dolce@jumptap.com

John Sullivan started the Sully Clock Company in 2013 and his clock collection will go into production this spring. Go to his website, www.sullyclockcompany.com, to see the collection.

1992

CLASS REPS

Rich DioGuardi - richjdio@yahoo.com Dom Galimi - dgalimi@optonline.net Eric Goldschmidt - erikgoldschmidt@gmail.com Art O'Reilly - aoreiilly@honigman.com Luke Sweeney dcyonkers@gmail.com

CLASS REPS

Tim Fitzpatrick - timofitz@gmail.com Mickey Merrigan - mvmerrigan@gmail.com

Al Viafore proudly reports that Certus Capital LLC reached it's 10 year anniversary in November. He is the Owner and Managing Member of the company which arranges residential and commercial loans in the Tri-State area.

1994

20 YEAR REUNION Saturday, April 5, 2014 **CLASS REPS**

Sean Bowden - sbowden76@yahoo.com Ben Caiola - bcaiola61001@hotmail.com Charon Darris - charon_darris@yahoo.com Sean Gregory - sean_gregory@msn.com Albert Sackey - albert_sackey@greenwich.k12.ct.us

Albert Sackey has been named the 2014 Connecticut Middle School Assistant Principal of the Year by the Connecticut Association of Schools and the National Association of Secondary School Principals. He is the Assistant Principal at the Western Middle School in Greenwich, CT. Daniel Flores' book, The Best-Dressed Man in the Room: A Photographic History of the Sartorially Inclined Goniffs, Gamblers and Gangsters of the Inter-War Years, 1920-1945, is available through www.blurb.com and iTunes. Dean Sovolos is the recipient of the 2013 U.S. Attorney General's Award for Distinguished Service, the second highest honor given in the Department of Justice. Leveraging his bacl ground as an Oxford University trained attorney, trial experience as a NYC prosecutor, and investigative background as an FBI Special Agent, Dean received this award in recognition of crafting joint diplomatic and prosecution strategies with the government of the UK, notably enhancing the relationship between the US and the UK on National Security matters.

1995

CLASS REPS

Brian Duffy - bduffy@kbw.com Brad Serton - bserton@gmail.com

1996

CLASS REPS

Chris Celentano - christophercelentano@hotmail.com Paul DiSenso - pdisenso@hotmail.com Conan Dolce - dolce_co@willis.com Bill McNamara - wmcnamara@oppenheimerfunds.com

Nelson Ritter - rittern@fordhamprep.org Rob Weitzman - robert.weitzman@gmail.com



CHICAGO ALUMNI REUNION

Union League Club of Chicago - Thursday, October 30, 2013

Hosted by Dennis FitzSimons '67 and Henry White '63



CLASS REP

Anton Dengler - ajseaside@gmail.com

Philip John Basile is a Senior Software Engineer at BaubleBar. Mark Jennings recently left his post as deputy manager at investment firm LOM Group for a job with Morgan Stanley's wealthmanagement business in New York. At Bermudabased LOM, Jennings raised capital and managed accounts form LOM Securities, one of several units that run a combined \$750 million via hedge funds and other investments. He had joined LOM in 2009. Previously, he did stints at Blackstone, Blackstone subsidiary GSO Capital, J.P. Morgan's Highbridge Capital and Alliance Bernstein.

1998

CLASS REPS

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1999

15 YEAR REUNION Saturday, April 5, 2014

CLASS REPS

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Alexander Hyacinthe completed graduate studies in Communications at Boston University.

2000

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Joe Neckles - jneckles@lxp.com
Sean O'Keefe - sean.k.okeefe@hotmail.com
John Schwartz - j.schwartz@yahoo.com
Doug Serton - douglas.serton@gmail.com

Michael Fraterrigo will be marrying Jennifer Harte in June of 2014.

2001

CLASS REPS

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Kevin Howard exited his commercial production company, Canal Creatures, for a full-time staff position as Project Manager for the Ad Sales and On-Air Promos departments at AMC Networks.

2002

CLASS REPS

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Roger Nani graduated with a PhD in Chemistry from the California Institute of Technology in June 2013. He co-authored two papers published in the Journal of the American Chemical Society (JACS) while at Cal Tech. Adding to his busy year, Roger married Leah Mentch on September 7, 2013 in Larchmont, New York. Fellow Rams Richard Schwam, Patrick Frame, Sam Pond,

and **Fred Rivera**, all from the class of 2002, were among the groomsmen. Roger is currently pursuing a post-doctoral degree at the National Cancer Institute in Frederick, Maryland.

2003

CLASS REPS

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Charles V. O'Neill '48

2004

10 YEAR REUNION

Saturday, April 5, 2014

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2005

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Michael Duffy was appointed as an Assistant District Attorney for Bronx County.

2006

CLASS REPS

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2007

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Kenneth McKenna moved back to New York after two years in Boston, MA. He is a Retail Trade Spend Analyst for PepsiCo at their Somers, NY location.

2008

FRESHMAN CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Each year, as part of the Freshman service requirement, each mentor group makes Christmas Crafts that are given to the residents of Rose Hill Apartments

and the residents of Murray Weigel Hall. This year, one of the recipients at

Murray Weigel was longtime faculty member Father Jack Leonard, S.J.

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2009

5 YEAR REUNION Friday, May 16, 2014 CLASS REPS

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John Lyttle is the Chief Operating Officer of Ogee Group LLC.

2010

CLASS REPS

Eric Lynch - eric.lynch@student.fairfield.edu Gavin Reidy - gtreid14@g.holycross.edu Brendan Siebecker - btsieb14@g.holycross.edu

James Gallo and his work to organizing a concert at Boston College to help flood victims in the Philippines was featured in the November 19, 2013 issue of USA Today College.

2011

CLASS REPS

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Births/Adoptions

Sienna, to Jonathan and Nicole Giannettino
 Eva Ilaria, to John and Sarah Marinacci
 Samuela Rose, to Michael and Danielle Balestra

 Michael Agustin, to Pasquale and Andrea Antolino

 Pelham Emeline, to John and Cristina Lozito

Conor Sebastian, to Daniel and Danielle Cronin
 Brenna and Olivia, to Tim and Ruth Slakas
 Catherine Marjorie, to Christopher and Alyss Cavanagh

James Holden, to Michael and Allison Kavanagh

IN MEMORIAM

2003

Henry A. Schloemer '32
Edward D. Nolin '38
Thomas A. McNamara '41
Daniel B. Meade '41
Rev. Robert E. O'Brien, S.J. '41
James A. Mitchell '42
Robert A. Maffei '43, father of Robert '85
Maurice J. Casey '44
Vincent Ciletti '44
Thomas M. Gill '44
Thomas J. Mulligan '44
Howard J. Tarpey '47
Ross R. Fulco '48
Thomas C. Kent '48

Robert T. Marchand '50 Richard T. Stringfellow '54 Kevin M. Reilly '56 William J. Knoesel '62 Brendan G. Lennon '66 Francis J. Ficarra '75 Gary Loughran '77 Joseph Rio '82 Victor G. Boissiere '89 Walter X. "Ted" Stanton, Jr., brother of the late Michael '50 Mary Webber, wife of Thomas '62 Constance Lucia, mother of Thomas '65 Regina McCormack, wife of former Director of Admissions Arthur McCormack, mother of Sean '69, Kevin '71, Kerry '72, Artie '83
Gloria Neale, mother of Tim '69, past Mothers' Club President
Marianne Filizzola, wife of Frank '70
Marie G. Bellone, mother of Thomas '71, Lawrence '73, Robert '77
Ann Fitzpatrick McNierney, father of Edward '76, Patrick '79
Luis Henshaw Nottage, mother of Warren '77
Eugene Sullivan, father of Eugene '78, Christopher '83, grandfather of Christopher '10, John '12
Gerard Carty, brother of Patrick '83, Paul '83
Patricia Sheehy, mother of Mark '83
Michael Lee, father of Christopher '86, Robert '94
Rev. Donald Devine, S.J., Prep Chaplain
Rev. Joseph S. Rooney, S.J., former faculty member

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Make plans now to be with us at our

19th Annual

Fordham Prep Golf Outing

Tuesday, June 17, 2014 QUAKER RIDGE GOLF CLUB & WYKAGYL COUNTRY CLUB







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 foursomes at prestigious clubs, dinners at top restaurants, tickets to sporting events, among other fine offerings.

The Fordham Prep Golf Outing will benefit the school's Annual Fund, which provides unrestricted support for the operation of the school. The outing also benefits the Prep's Annual Scholarship Fund which provides financial assistance for 45% of our students.

The cost for golf is \$525 (at each course) and \$2,000 for a foursome (\$100 savings). These rates include the day's activities: lunch, golf, caddie/golf cart, 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.

There is also a special corporate sponsorship option costing \$15,000 which includes three foursomes, four tee signs, clubhouse signage, and name on other promotional material.



To reserve a spot, or if you would like additional information, please contact John Kahl (telephone: 718-367-7500, ext: 210; email: kahlj@fordhamprep.org).



Saturday, March 22, 2014 Track Alumni Dinner

Saturday, March 29, 2014 Class of 1989 b 25 Year Reunion

Saturday, April 5, 2014 BIG Reunion (1969, 1974, 1979, 1984, 1994, 1999, 2004)

Wednesday, April 30, 2013 Alumni b Senior Breakfast

May 12, 2014 Wall Street Forum The Yale Club, NYC

Friday, May 16, 2014 Class of 2009 b 5 Year Reunion

Saturday, May 17, 2014 Young Alumni Golf Outing Split Rock Golf Course, Bronx, NY

Thursday, May 29, 2014 Friday, May 30, 2014 **Saturday, May 31, 2014** Sunday, June 1, 2014 The Class of 1964 b 50 Year Reunion

Tuesday, June 17, 2014 19th Annual Golf Outing Quaker Ridge & Wygakyl Golf Courses



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