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Message from the President

The end of the school year is always a time marked by transition. In May, we bid a fond farewell to the class of 2022, and are so grateful to have been able to spend the past year with them on campus, enjoying so many of those experiences and moments that make Bellarmine such a special place to be! I am grateful for this class, and for all that they have contributed to us as a school.

This year, we also are saying a fond farewell to some incredible faculty and administrators, as you will see in the pages to follow. Dave Ianovich is retiring from Bellarmine after a career that spanned four decades. Dave really is the one who brought the visual arts to Bellarmine, and we have seen the arts blossom over the arc of Dave's career! Students now have so many opportunities to cultivate their talents in both the visual and performing arts, and we are grateful to Dave for how much he has brought to this vital aspect of Ignatian education.

Anne Maloney has made an incredible impact at Bellarmine during her time in Christian Service and in the classroom. She brought yoga to our Physical Education curriculum and partnered with Steve Pinkston and Shawn Descourouez for many years to build a remarkable service program. Anne helped usher in our urban and rural plunges, two critical immersion programs that are incredibly impactful and underscore to our students that they don't need to get on a plane to encounter those on the margins. She has helped facilitate conversations around justice and advocacy, championed fair trade initiatives, our safe park program, and more. Her focus has always been to create opportunities for students to encounter and walk with the marginalized, develop a passion for justice, and grow in solidarity. I'm so grateful for all she has contributed to our mission!

This year also marks the end of Kristina Luscher's tenure at Bellarmine, after 21 incredibly impactful years. Kristina and I first crossed paths when we both were in high school, and I worked behind the scenes in the theatre program while she was a performer onstage. After starting her career in public schools, Kristina came to Bellarmine just before starting her family, and she, her husband, and their two daughters have been fully immersed in Bellarmine ever since. Kristina has taught English, dance, and our new cura course for freshmen. She has choreographed our musicals and helped lead many retreats and immersion trips. She has been a department chair, a dean of faculty, was assistant principal when I was principal, and then has served as our principal for the past seven years.

What has always impressed me so much about Kristina is her consistent focus on our students and what is best for them. She has cared for our students deeply and well, whatever hat she has been wearing. This was never more evident than during the COVID pandemic, as Kristina worked creatively and diligently to provide our students with as many opportunities as was possible to have them in class and on campus. At the same time, she worked tirelessly with colleagues and families, modeling incredibly well cura personalis — the Jesuit principle of caring for the needs of each individual person. I'll be personally and professionally sad to see her go, but I know that Kristina will be an incredible blessing to Presentation High School as their principal, and I look forward to continuing to be her colleague in this new capacity.

I'm grateful to the members of the class of '22, and to all of my colleagues who are moving on after this year. We are blessed to have worked with you and wish you nothing but the best in the future!

Go Bells!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chris Meyercord".

Chris Meyercord '88
President

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Editor's Note

I have found myself recently making a greater effort to embrace the goodness that is in abundance in life. Given the state of the world as I write this, such an attempt is often difficult.

The Ignatian challenge for us to “find God in all things” encourages us to also find the good in all things. In a more secular way of thinking, such optimistic adages as “look for the silver lining” and “the sun shines brightest after a storm” may seem trite, but when one reflects a bit on one’s own trials and tribulations, there is truth in such sayings.

As the academic year has come to a close, we embrace the good that has occurred even while recognizing that many obstacles had to be navigated along the way. Watching our Class of 2022 graduates receive their diplomas during Commencement filled me with a great sense of hope and of gratitude. Knowing that these young men, now Bellarmine’s newest alumni, will “go forth and set the world on fire” gives me hope for the future – ours and theirs. And the very fact that these graduates succeeded in their academic endeavors filled me with gratitude for all who walked with them on their respective journey – teachers, mentors, coaches, moderators, family, and friends.

So, as we look forward to the academic year ahead and take some much-needed time for renewal this summer, I encourage you to embrace the goodness that surrounds us. We will see it most clearly when we look for it with our heart.

Warm regards,



Brian Adams
Vice President
Office of Advancement

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Our newest alumni from the Class of 2022
(photo by Terry Yu)



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From the Principal's Office

EDITOR'S NOTE: After serving the Bellarmine community for 21 years, the past seven as principal, Kristina Luscher has accepted the position of principal at Presentation High School in San Jose, effective July 1. We are grateful to Mrs. Luscher for her dedication, care, and compassion for Bellarmine, our students, faculty and staff, and our mission; we wish her many blessings as her journey in Catholic secondary-education continues. We are also appreciative to Dr. Sonya Arriola for sharing her gifts of leadership as interim principal for the academic year 2022-2023 while the search for a new principal is underway. Below is Mrs. Luscher's final From the Principal's Office message for this publication.

A vibrant fuchsia bougainvillea plant grows outside my office window, and this year its blossoms were so bright that my office would take on a rosy glow each afternoon as the sun streamed through the window. While this plant has grown outside my window since the Lokey Academic Center opened in 2011, its blossoms have never been so colorful and full. Although the pandemic cast a shadow over so much of our lives, it also helped me to look for small moments of joy and gratitude.

Seeing our students return to campus last August was just one of the many moments this academic year that filled me with joy. Energetic ping-pong games, competitive intramurals, and spontaneous spike ball games out in the quad were a few things that served as reminders that our students needed to connect and have fun with one another this year.

Our students also gave it their all when they returned to competition. We are proud to be the 2022 State Champions in Speech and Debate, with over 30 students competing in Nationals in June where we won the national championship! Team 254, our robotics team, celebrated their 5th World Championship, and our VEX team, Team 254F, celebrated their 1st World Championship this year. Our student-athletes were thrilled to return to regular seasons this year, and parents, alums and friends loved returning to the stands to cheer on the Bells.

This year's Environmental Justice Teach-In served as an important reminder that we must each do our part to slow climate change. Our Green Initiatives Coordinator and veteran faculty member, Patrick Adams, designed a day of conversation and education that left us imagining creative solutions for the issues we face.

We also celebrated our return to Kairos retreats and immersion trips. When I had the opportunity to serve as a leader on our August Kairos retreat, I was struck by the honesty and vulnerability of our students. They openly shared and took great joy in their connection with one another. Memories like these are ones that we will carry with us beyond Bellarmine.

Bellarmino students, parents, faculty, staff, and alums never cease to amaze me. The generosity and kindness of this community inspires me to go forth and set the world on fire. It has truly been an honor to serve the Bellarmine community, and I am grateful for all that I have learned here.

*Kristina Luscher
Principal*



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46th Golden Bell Auction

a Resounding Success

The Bellarmine community celebrated the evening of March 12 as 420 guests attended the 46th Golden Bell Auction, with proceeds benefiting the school's Direct Tuition Assistance Fund. This was the first time since 2019 that the event was able to be held live and on campus, due to the pandemic.

The dinner and live auction took place in the Patrick Wayne Valley Memorial Gymnasium, with the meal prepared by Bellarmine chef Jeremy Soulia and his Liccardo Kitchen team. Great jazz music was performed by The Speakeasies throughout the evening.

Prior to the program and dinner, Mass was held in Leontyne Chapel with Fr. Mario Prietto, S.J., superior of the Bellarmine Jesuit community, as celebrant. Guests also enjoyed a reception on the Leo J. and Mary G. Lucas Quad before moving into the gym. The pre-meal invocation was delivered by Bellarmine chancellor, Fr. Jerry Wade, S.J. '55.

Bidding on unique silent auction items occurred throughout the event, and auctioneer Mark Alman, parent of Bell alumnus Austin '17, presided over the exciting live auction. Leading into the Last Bell Standing segment of the auction, remarks were delivered by student Ryan Milligan '22 and Bellarmine president Chris Meyercord '88, both of whom emphasized the importance of supporting the Direct Tuition Assistance Fund. The school is budgeted to distribute \$6 million in tuition assistance this year, some of which comes from Bellarmine's endowment but much of which is the result of individual fundraising and events, including the Golden Bell Auction and the Mothers' Guild Fashion Show for Tuition Assistance (*which will take place October 8, 2022*).

The event, presented by the Office of Advancement, was managed by Leslie Goodykoontz, who was assisted by Tracy Del Carlo and numerous staff, as well as Melanie Thomson and Savannah Leone and dozens of student and adult volunteers.

We are grateful to all the participants, underwriters, and sponsors for their tremendous support. Net proceeds from the 46th Golden Bell Auction exceeded \$400,000 which will go a long way in helping many young men and their families with tuition assistance.







Baccalaureate & Graduation



Class of 2022 Major Award Recipients

Cardinal Bellarmine Award

Named for the patron of our school, St. Robert Bellarmine, our most prestigious award is presented to that student who has personally incorporated the school's values of faith, service, and leadership, as well as a passion for justice, in every area of contribution to the school's life.

Benjamin Noah Ebalobo

Valedictory Award

The Valedictory Award is presented to that student who has achieved academic success, demonstrated leadership qualities, and has the ability to speak for both his class and school at commencement.

John Xu

Salutatory Award

Presented to that student whose contribution to Bellarmine's graduating class has been visible and manifold. He has represented the life and spirit of the class through his Christian values and personal integrity.

Ryan Milligan

Jesuit Secondary Education Award

Presented to that student who is well-rounded, intellectually competent, open to growth, religious, loving and committed to doing justice in generous service to the people of God.

Maximilian Amend



Ignatius Loyola Award

Named for the 16th century founder of the Society of Jesus and presented to that student who has internalized his Christian faith significantly and given overwhelming evidence of his relationship with God.

Charles DeKlotz

Pedro Arrupe Service Award

Presented to that student who has worked generously and effectively to translate into action our school's commitment to the creation of a society more Godly and just, both locally and globally.

Charles Fox

Rob Suarez Memorial Award

Honoring that student who raised our spirits when we have needed it most, bringing hope in the midst of daily struggles. This student represents the often unnoticed acts of compassion in our community.

Robert Yang

Bellarmino Spirit Award

The Bellarmine Spirit Award is presented to that student who embraces our school's philosophy of vision, leadership and service within the broad spectrum of Bellarmine's co-curricular activities.

Henry Laurencio

Matteo Ricci Awards

Matteo Ricci was a 16th century Jesuit missionary who epitomized the Jesuit ideal of finding God in all things. Student honorees have contributed significantly to life in and out of the classroom.

Ryan Alappatt

Saket Budhia

Michael Lutz

Jonathan McSweeney

Majid Shabbeer

Miles Bryson

Erick Gonzalez

Atij Mahesh

Brody Pearson

Owen Thompson



The evening trembles,
The day was long,
The years of sleepless nights and struggle
have faded into the setting sun
As it bears down on the men for others
A day to rejoice, the success of our brothers
Shall we pray they pave the way towards a better world
The feathers fall from the birds as they fly high in the sky
the clouds in the so distant future
the environment is restless, waiting for the
next patch of fruit to spring among the
ever growing trees of gentle, yet strong and
determined blooming flowers.

-Nashon Blash '22



Class of '42 Alumnus Receives Diploma

In Spring 2022, Bellarmine administration was contacted by Ms. Sherryl Fawx, daughter of William Fawx '42, with a request to affirm for him that her father is, indeed, a Bellarmine alumnus. You see, circumstances were such for Mr. Fawx, who transferred from Loyola High to Bellarmine in 1941 for his junior and senior years, that he was unable to complete his senior year due to illness. He then went on to UCLA and the Naval ROTC program during World War II. "He was assured by Bellarmine at the time that his graduation still counted, though," wrote Ms. Fawx, who noted that her father, now age 97, would appreciate receiving a letter certifying his graduation from Bellarmine.

With the support of Bellarmine's Office of Alumni Relations and Office of Admissions, Mr. Fawx is now the recipient of a copy of his diploma, as well as a St. Ignatius medallion that is given to our graduates at Baccalaureate, and a letter from president Chris Meyercord '88 that reads, in part, "It is with great pleasure that I affirm your status as a graduate of Bellarmine College Preparatory and, as such, that you are a Class of 1942 alumnus in good standing." During her visit to Bellarmine to

receive her father's diploma before seeing him the next day at his home in the Sierra foothills, Ms. Fawx was also given a cap and gown by our Campus Store staff.

"My dad was thrilled to bits when I arrived on Saturday with the diploma, and posed for a few pictures," wrote Ms. Fawx in a follow-up email sent in May, just days prior to the Class of 2022 graduation and 80 years after that of her father's class.

As noted in Mr. Meyercord's letter to Mr. Fawx, "We are proud of your many accomplishments in life, William, including your service to our country as a Naval Officer during World War II and the Korean War, achieving the rank of Lieutenant Commander and going on to serve in the Naval Reserves for 20 additional years. As a member of what is often referred to as The Greatest Generation, we are honored that you have fond recollections of your time as a student at Bellarmine."

Thank you indeed, Mr. Fawx, for the exemplary ways in which you have lived the Jesuit motto of being a man for and with others.

CLASS ACT

Congratulations to the following members of the Bellarmine faculty and staff for achieving their respective milestone anniversaries during this academic year:

10 Years

Wendy Crockett
Virginia Fox
Bernardo Morales-Reyes
Cindy Saglimbeni
Michelle Toy
Ted Turkington

15 Years

Brian Adams
Laurel Galli
Ivan Hernandez
Mark Moreno
Joseph Romano
Michael Serrania
Scott Swenson
Bernadette Troyan

20 Years

Edmundo Gonzalez
Alison Pagura

25 Years
Peter Canavese
Michael Henry

30 Years

Kathy Eder
Patrick McCrystle
Chris Meyercord

40 Years

David Ianovich

In addition to retirees Patrick Adams, Suzanne Hoinski, Dave Ianovich, Mike Janda (*please see his reflection in the Summer 2021 issue of this publication*), Maria "Sandy" Melo, and Tana Perotin, we are also grateful to the members of the faculty and staff whose service to Bellarmine concluded during academic year 2021-2022, including: Peter Berger, S.J., Justin Christensen, Angie Davidson, Kevin Leary '14, Savannah Leone, Kristina Luscher, Anne Maloney, David Melena, Chanh Nguyen, S.J., Martin Rivera, Michael Serrania '97, Joe Wagstaffe '01; and alumni volunteers Bryan Heng '15, Jesus Sanchez y Sanchez '15, and Zen Yasukawa '15.

Retiree Reflections

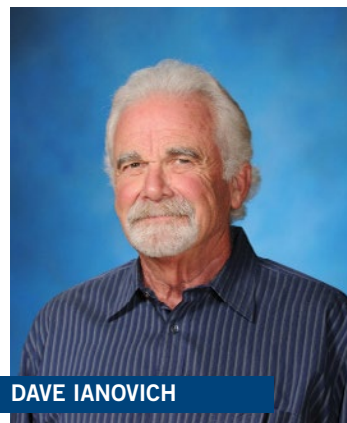
The end of academic year 2021/2022 brings with it the conclusion of service to Bellarmine by several faculty and staff members who have decided that the time is right for their respective well-deserved retirement. We are grateful for the dedication of Patrick Adams, Suzanne Hoinski, Dave Ianovich, Maria "Sandy" Melo, and Tana Perotin, who have tallied 145 years of combined service to Bellarmine. The following are reflections shared by three of those faculty members about their time at the school and what the future holds for each of them. We are grateful for the positive impact they have had on our students and on the entire Bellarmine community.



PATRICK ADAMS



SUZANNE HOINSKI



DAVE IANOVICH



MARIA "SANDY" MELO



TANA PEROTIN

What is your fondest memory of your years at Bellarmine?

PATRICK ADAMS: It would be hard to think of a single fondest memory, I have so many wonderful memories of my 29 years at Bellarmine. One that stands out for me was the Volleyball program which I founded, winning their first league championship in 1997 in an epic 5 set match against Los Gatos High School. The championship victory was sweet, but it was the next day when I received a kind and thoughtful, handwritten note from Fr. Jerry Wade, S.J., that I really absorbed what that win had meant to so many other people in our community. I keep the note in my desk to this day, just to remind me.

SUZANNE HOINSKI: I feel so blessed by my years in Jesuit education, as the Director of Campus Ministry and teacher of Religious Studies. Whether on retreats, in Scripture Class, the Sacrament of Confirmation, or directing St. Ignatius' Spiritual Exercises in the Prayer and Meditation Class, I have cherished giving students time and quiet in which to discover God. Watching students grow in this awareness has brought me great joy!

TANA PEROTIN: Being a small part of the greater Jesuit mission has meant the world to me; I had no idea in the fall of 2009 how much I would grow spiritually, emotionally, and intellectually through my association with our amazing school. I'm honored to be able to share a few of my fondest memories. For three years I was the moderator of the Bellarmine Ice Hockey Teams during which time we joined the Anaheim Ducks High School Hockey League, in addition to playing locally. I loved how the players gathered around my desk in the library every day and of course it was always an adventure when we traveled to southern California. Many folks we met at tournaments found it unique and humorous that the ice hockey moderator was also the Librarian! I also cherish my memories from the many Kairos retreats I attended. I was always struck by the depth of sharing and personal growth that transpired during those four days. In the library there are two things that stand out as my fondest memories. It was my dream to start a student book club even though popular sentiment was that "boys don't read for fun" and "Bells don't have time to read extra books" and "even if they do read, they aren't going to discuss the books with each other!" In

2017 I decided to just give it a try by recruiting the four or five boys who were always checking out fiction for fun and BellBooks was born! We have had a small and active group every year since. The students select the books they want to read, and we purchase a copy for each. It turns out free books are a big draw for these guys! Three of our favorite selections were Scythe, Dracula, and Pride & Prejudice. I'm very happy that BellBooks will continue with Mr. Paul Ballesteros as moderator. Another high point was collaborating on the creation of The Pinkston Collection in the library. The idea came from a Black Student Union parent, Mrs. Angie Cole, in 2019. Mrs. Cole hoped we could dedicate a bookshelf of important African American works to honor the 40 years of service Mr. Steve Pinkston had given to Bellarmine. I thought we could do better than just a shelf and was thrilled to work with Mrs. Cole, and David Dutton and Roberto Davila '21 from our Maker Lab, to create a beautiful space at the front of the library with over 300 titles celebrating all aspects of African American experience and achievement. I am deeply inspired by Steve's dedication to service and social justice, and it was truly an honor to curate this collection that will continue to grow in years to come.

What will you miss most about Bellarmine?

PATRICK ADAMS: This is a community built on comradery. I will miss the sense of shared mission and the wonderful feeling of being in a crowd of Bells, all of us cheering each other on to be the very best we can be. The sense that we are all in this together and that nothing is impossible when we work as a team.

SUZANNE HOINSKI: I will miss the Jesuits who have inspired my life and the lives of my family in so many ways. I will miss the Adult Spirituality programs that have helped nourish my soul. I will miss the students, their desire to learn, their energy, their kindness, their courage in pursuing the God who calls them. I will miss the laughter. I will miss generous, adaptable, inspiring colleagues who love Bellarmine into life. I will miss the Leontyne Chapel, St. Robert's Chapel, this beautiful campus, and my peace-filled classroom.

TANA PEROTIN: Teenagers are fascinating creatures, and I will surely miss our students the most next year. On any given day I am inspired, challenged, exasperated, and delighted with our Bells. About a year ago at the end of the 2021 school year several students stopped in the library to personally thank Mrs. Anberg and me for keeping the library open during that very difficult year; they were each so earnest that Kathy and I were deeply moved. I will cherish this experience and hundreds of other small moments with these young men and be forever grateful that I could be even a tiny part of their life's journey.

What do you most look forward to in your retirement?

PATRICK ADAMS: I have always dreamed of having my own land where I could grow plants and animals and live close to nature. I am looking forward to pursuing that dream and spending more time foraging, fishing, and finding my connection to the wild.

SUZANNE HOINSKI: My husband, Richard, and I will be moving back home to Fairlawn, Ohio. We look forward to spending more time together. We will live a couple minutes from our former parish, close to friends and family. I hope to continue to serve as a spiritual director. I am excited to have more time for my art and writing. I want to become an excellent vegan cook.

TANA PEROTIN: I'm looking forward to spending more time on my many creative pursuits, going to Disneyland midweek, hiking, gardening and of course working on my "to-be-read" stack of books!

Do you have a personal philosophy by which you live your life and/or by which you have served the Bellarmine community?

PATRICK ADAMS: While teaching in Japan, I was taught the Zen proverb "Nana korobi, ya oki", which means "Fall down seven times, stand up eight." This always reminds me to never give up and always strive to improve.

SUZANNE HOINSKI: My personal philosophy is simple yet challenging. I will continue to let Jesus' Golden Rule be my guide. "Do to others whatever you would have them do to you." (Matthew 7:12)

TANA PEROTIN: Authenticity and honesty are two core values that have guided me at Bellarmine. Teens have well-tuned malarky meters and will see right through you if you aren't genuine. I also try to be a good listener, offering a kind word of encouragement and joining in congratulations for achievements and milestones. I also like using humor with the students. Unfortunately, this style doesn't work for all students and my sarcastic humor has been known to scare a freshman or two.

What are your hopes for Bellarmine in the years ahead?

PATRICK ADAMS: I hope that Bellarmine will continue to stand for excellence and always work to help others be their best. Our work to be truly sustainable and inclusive are only just beginning; keep up the great work and Go Bells!

SUZANNE HOINSKI: I hope that Bellarmine will continue to be faithful to Jesus' Gospel message, that it will allow opportunities for students to grow in their understanding that God is inviting each of them into a personal, loving relationship, and that it is in that relationship that they can flourish (Ps 92: 13 – 14). I pray that Bellarmine will continue to honor St. Ignatius by helping students to become more aware of God in all persons and all things.

TANA PEROTIN: The past two years have been tough, and we can see the toll this time of chaos has taken on ourselves and our students. Through all the change and upheaval Bellarmine has seen in 171 years, we remain grounded in Jesuit principles, and I have no doubt that Bellarmine will continue to grow and thrive. I will miss all my friends here and wish you happiness and peace as you continue to nurture young men for and with others and please take care of one another.

Message from the Chairs of the Boards of Trustees & Regents

As chairs of Bellarmine's Boards of Trustees and Regents, we wish to convey our gratitude to all members of the Bellarmine community for their continued dedication to the important work and mission of the school.

As we reflect on the academic and fiscal years recently concluded, we are particularly grateful for the leadership of administrators Chris Meyercord '88, president; and Kristina Luscher, principal; and we want to wish Kristina much success as she begins her journey as the principal of Presentation High School in San Jose. Bellarmine has benefited greatly from the many years of service provided by Kristina. We are a better school because of her care, compassion, knowledge, and leadership.

We look forward to working with Sonya Arriola, Ed.D., in her interim role as principal for the coming year while the search for this critical position at Bellarmine is underway. We are grateful to Sonya for taking on this responsibility. We continue to have great admiration for the entire faculty and staff and the many ways they continually demonstrate unequivocal care and compassion for our students and their families as we journey through — and hopefully soon past — the pandemic. Additionally, the support and prayers of the Bellarmine Jesuit Community, led by Fr. Mario Prietto, S.J., superior, have been essential and appreciated.

We are also grateful for our fellow Board members and our respective vice-chairs Andy Schatzman (Trustees) and Tom McGannon (Regents) — who have demonstrated their commitment to Bellarmine through their work on the boards and as engaged members of various committees, including the following:

Budget Committee: Chaired by Joe Gentzkow '01, this committee's work helps ensure that the school continues responsibly to steward its financial resources generated through revenue and contributions. Working with Bellarmine's CFO, Ron Miller, priorities are set, including our mission that any qualified student at Bellarmine continues his education regardless of the financial circumstances of his family. This past year, nearly 25% of our students received some level of tuition assistance. We are grateful to our generous benefactors, and for the work of our parent groups, the Mothers' Guild and Dads' Club; and Development Department staff, led by Director of Development Pat Arnold '84, for their fundraising efforts on behalf of our students. Ensuring that Bellarmine's salaries and benefits remain competitive, while tuition increases are kept to a minimum, are of great importance to the Budget Committee.

Investment Committee: Chaired by Prabhu Palani, this committee makes important decisions and recommendations related to the school's endowment, the percentage of draw from the endowment each year, and market trends from which the school may benefit. The overall endowment, with portfolios managed by outside capital investment managers, exceeded \$121 million as of December 31, 2021, and consists of specific endowment funds: tuition assistance, academic and co-curricular programs, faculty/staff professional enhancement, and information technology.

Audit Committee: Chaired by Larry McGovern, members of this committee perform a critical function related to the oversight of business practices ranging from revenue accountability to retirement funds. This committee works closely with Bellarmine's Business Office and its managers, Ron Miller, CFO; and Cathy Vivian, controller; and makes decisions related to policies and procedures following government rules and regulations and as audited each year by an outside, independent auditing firm.

Physical Resources Committee: Chaired by Jonathan Harvey, this committee is responsible for the strategic planning of the campus. The latest phase of the renovation of the James A. Carney Science Center occurred last summer, and the current focus is on the construction of the parking structure at Stockton and Emory streets, scheduled to begin in June 2022 with completion at the end of the 2022-23 academic year. This project is key to moving forward with other elements of the Master Plan, including construction of a new Jesuit residence and a new academic building, which are part of the school's Capital Campaign, information about which will be communicated to the wider Bellarmine community soon.

Faculty Student Parent Life (FSPL) Committee: Chaired by Robbyn Denzel, this committee helps determine what needs are to be addressed and to make recommendations to the Boards accordingly. The results of these efforts — often benchmarked against other schools — benefit Bellarmine in numerous ways with an eye toward the enhancement of the Bellarmine experience for all. Recent efforts include a focus on Bellarmine admissions and matters related to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI).

As we look forward to another strong year ahead, we congratulate our recent graduates, who are now our newest alumni, and extend a warm welcome to members of the Class of 2026 and their families.

Thank you and, Go Bells!

Matthew Medeiros,
Chair, Board of Trustees

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Chair, Board of Regents

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Justice Summit Explores Care for Our Common Home

With the theme, Care for Our Common Home, one of the four Universal Apostolic Preferences (UAP) of The Society of Jesus, the Bellarmine community took time on March 23 to hold its annual Justice Summit, an examination of the issue of climate change and environmental sustainability as a justice issue.

The day began with an assembly on the Leo J. and Mary G. Lucas Quad with words of welcome and setting the context for the Summit delivered by Patrick Adams, faculty member and Bellarmine's Green Initiatives Coordinator; a land acknowledgment read by Peter Ferrari, Campus Ministry staff member; and a prayer by Missy Scott-Florez, director of Campus Ministry. The song, *Beautiful Things*, was sung by the Bells Choir, directed by Gina Adams, which nicely set the tone for the day.

Chris Meyercord '88, Bellarmine president, introduced morning keynote speaker Michael Downs, former Bellarmine faculty member who is now the director of Justice and Kinship at Bishop O'Dowd High School in Oakland. Mr. Downs was joined by two Bishop O'Dowd students, Frances and Namixtulu, who are members of their school's ecological leadership team and who shared their respective stories on why they are involved in efforts to make a positive difference environmentally.

Mr. Downs mentioned that his passion and his work are at the intersection of ecology, spirituality, and justice. He asked the community to close their eyes and visualize "your particular place

... where you feel the caress of God." He went on to say that those places are at risk due to climate change, and that "when we restore the land, we restore those places, we restore ourselves." Mr. Downs encouraged students to consider three things throughout the day: where is my place, why should I care, and how can I show that I care? He also conveyed that climate destruction disproportionately impacts those on the margins in our society.

Throughout the day, students attended breakout sessions covering a variety of topics involving environmental sustainability and climate change.

Kristina Luscher, Bellarmine principal, introduced the closing presenter of the Justice Summit, Rhonda Berry, CEO and founder of Our City Forest. Ms. Berry expressed her gratitude to Bellarmine students for the thousands of hours of volunteer service they have provided to Our City Forest over the years, and she referred to Bells as "dependable, reliable, and enthusiastic" volunteers. She also shared that her passion for the environment goes back to the age of 10, and that during her time in high school and at U.C. Berkeley she became more interested in racial justice and the environment.

An appropriate conclusion to the day was a tree planting ceremony near the Bellarmine flagpole and a blessing by Fr. Mario Prietto, S.J., superior of the Bellarmine Jesuit community. Fr. Prietto shared the prayer, *Canticle of the Creatures*, by St. Francis of Assisi.



Bellarmino Hosts Another Successful Safe Park Program

Since the winter season of 2018, Bellarmine has been a participant in a special program known as Silicon Valley Safe Park (SVSP), a network of faith-based communities that provides a safe place for guests to park their vehicle and sleep overnight. Bellarmine again this winter hosted Safe Park from January 10 to February 28 in a designated parking lot on campus.

All houseless participants with the SVSP program are pre-screened by Amigos de Guadalupe Center for Justice and Empowerment, an organization that provides ongoing case management to help guests stabilize their lives and move forward to better life situations. Under the supervision of the school's Christian Service Program (CSP), Bellarmine provides its guests with breakfast burritos and coffee on weekday mornings, and students and faculty serve and join guests for dinner each Thursday evening.

This year, Bellarmine hosted five consistent guests in the program, and the school was able to host a few additional people for brief stays. "All went smoothly and each of our guests was an inspiration," noted Ms. Anne Maloney, director of CSP. "We were so honored that they allowed us to be part of their lives during their stay." The maximum number of vehicles allowed is 15, which has not been reached. Last year, eight guests and eight vehicles were involved in the program. The previous year there were nine guests and eight vehicles. Bellarmine's Safe Park program continued to follow the most up to date Santa Clara County pandemic-related health guidelines and safety protocols.

According to Ms. Maloney, Bellarmine has had zero negative incidents with its Safe Park guests, which is attributed to the fact that all guests have adhered to requests to respect themselves, to respect other guests, and to respect the Bellarmine community and grounds. "We feel so blessed to be part of a community that generously opens its arms to our brothers and sisters living on the margins."



Meeting the Challenge of Leading Bellarmine Through the Pandemic

“It’s the hardest two years of my professional career.”

For many, the more than two years of the COVID-19 pandemic has been somewhat of a blur. For Mark Moreno, this time has necessarily been one of focus.

As a key member of Bellarmine’s COVID-19 Task Force and as the school’s COVID designee for Santa Clara County, Moreno, associate athletic director/director of sports medicine, has been instrumental in the careful oversight of the Bellarmine community, ensuring that the school is compliant with all health and safety regulations and protocols. Early during the pandemic, this also resulted in exponential support by many faculty, staff, and students who became involved in such actions as the manufacturing of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) in the school’s Maker Lab for local healthcare workers and becoming aligned with other local nonprofit organizations that were assisting in COVID-19 relief efforts.

Through it all, Moreno has kept the well-being — both physical and mental — of every student and faculty and staff member the priority, and his efforts, and those of the administration, allowed the return of many students to campus just a few months following the shutdown, as permitted by Santa Clara County Health guidelines, providing them a sense of normalcy during an abnormal time. “Little did I know what the job was going to entail ... but I knew

that the school needed me, and that my job was to make sure that the school was going to be safe, so I embraced it.”

When Moreno joined the Task Force, it was comprised of Kristina Luscher, principal; Chris Meyercord, president; Ron Miller, CFO; Justin Christensen, assistant principal for instruction; Bridgit McGarry, assistant principal for academics, and Kevin Miller, dean of students. “I was doing the research on what COVID was, what the mitigation strategies were that needed to happen, and then get some medical advice from a physician that can say, ‘Here’s what we’re doing in our hospitals; this is high level here, maybe you can implement some of those at your school.’”

Moreno said that the Task Force members early on acknowledged that, “This is a major issue we have on our hands. Everything from safety, mental health, engagement, giving kids the best opportunity to be as ‘normal’ as possible, still giving them interaction with their peers; how can we do that? How can we give them that interaction virtually?”

“Throughout the pandemic, Mark has worked countless hours to ensure that we did all that we could to care for our community,” noted Mrs. Luscher when asked to comment on Moreno’s important role on the Task Force. “He worked closely with Santa Clara County’s Public Health Department so that we remained up to date on trends

or approaches that would keep our school open for students. Because of Mark's compassion and professionalism, students, faculty, and parents trusted his guidance and care. I learned so much from working with Mark throughout the pandemic; he was a true partner in the work."

Of working closely with Santa Clara County Health officials, Moreno said, "I felt super confident in following their science, and to this day, everything we've done has been based on what {Dr. Sara Cody, Santa Clara County Health officer} provided and landscaped for us to follow, and we were very clear that that was going to be our guidance in everything we spoke to the families about, and I don't think it let us down."

Quick to give credit to others, including the school's I-T team and innovative faculty members, Moreno recalls that getting Microsoft Teams up and running was essential. "We were prepared for the shut-down. We just didn't know when it was going to come, and we didn't know how long it was going to be. We knew that we needed some infrastructure for the students, and we had I-T already moving in that direction ... We went as far as making sure that our Magis kids {students receiving 90% and above tuition assistance} had proper internet at home ... and Safeway cards so they could get their meal plans while they were at home. We looked at everything. It was incredible."

Moreno attributes the school's successful handling of the pandemic to the fact that the students were always at the forefront of decision

making; from remote instruction in the initial weeks to the pilot program that allowed limited numbers of cohorts to be on campus. "A lot of people that I was in communication with at the County level were extremely appreciative of us running that pilot program," said Moreno. "They were like, 'You showed us that schools are safe.'" This all led to the eventual reopening of the school and being one of the first to have testing on campus. "I was on meetings weekly with the County ... and they were the first ones to say testing is really important."

Eventually, Moreno and his staff became trained in testing, a testing center was opened on campus, and accurate antigen rapid test results were known within 15 minutes. "That was a game changer for us because we were able to mitigate immediately," he said. Test kits were also provided to students and faculty and staff. "Over Christmas break, making sure students and faculty and staff had tested before they returned, we intervened about 110 positives that were not allowed on campus because of that testing at home; that was huge."

Although preferring to remain behind the scenes, Moreno's important and selfless work has not gone unnoticed. At a virtual ceremony held December 14, 2020, the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors and its president, Cindy Chavez, recognized several individuals and organizations who have performed outstanding service to the community during the pandemic. Among them was Moreno, who received the District 2 Supervisor's Medal for Outstanding Service During the COVID-19 Pandemic. "They could



have chosen anyone on that Task Force and they could all have been recognized,” he said recently while including words of praise for Mrs. Luscher. “I think Kristina deserves a lot more credit than she gets. I was just advising her on what to do, and she had to make those tough decisions.” He added that she was “instrumental in a lot more ways than we can actually articulate for the community.”

As a husband and as the father of two young children, Moreno was challenged to find balance between keeping the Bellarmine community safe and tending to the needs of his own family. “It was an interesting dichotomy of what am I supposed to do at Bellarmine, but also how am I supposed to take care of my family, too? It took me awhile to figure that out.”

Asked to reflect on the challenges faced along the way, Moreno said, “The biggest challenge for me was, as simple as it sounds, making sure everybody felt safe — students, faculty, staff, parents. That I was looking at everybody and not just one group of people. And if I felt everybody was safe, then I moved forward with that decision. And looking at the whole picture was really hard ... and as the pandemic progressed, keeping up with it. Keeping up with the changes and how fluid it was and how we had to be super transparent with our families, to some dislike.”

Bellarmine’s journey through the pandemic and its demonstration of cura personalis was perhaps summarized best by Moreno himself: “Looking back on it, we did a heck of a job.”

BELLARMINE PANDEMIC TIMELINE



March 11, 2020 Campus shuts down. Remote instruction occurs through remainder of the school year.

July 2020 Student athlete cohorts of 12 allowed on campus; outdoors only with health screening, etc.

October 2020 Pilot program for in-class instruction on an opt-in basis by faculty and students.

January 2021 Majority of faculty return to campus.

March 2021 All staff return to campus. Students in Loyola and Ignatius cohort groups return to in-class instruction.

June, July, August, September 2021 BCP partners with Santa Clara County Health Department to host on-campus vaccination clinics.

August 2021 Antigen rapid COVID testing begins at BCP.

August 23, 2021 All students return to campus for in-class instruction, co-curriculars, etc.

December 2021 BCP participates in the CDHP iHealth Return from Vacation Testing Program; all faculty, staff, and students are asked to take two covid tests prior to returning to school in January 2022. Test kits are distributed to all faculty, staff, and students.

BASKETBALL

Our Bells earned a CCS Open Division #7 seed and was considered one of the top 8 teams in the section! The Bells went 1-2 in the round robin format with a victory over league rival St. Francis and advanced to the CIF NorCal Tournament. The Bells hosted Bishop O'Dowd and lost a close one in a back-and-forth game, 48-46. That game marked the last game as Bellarmine's head coach for Patrick Schneider who ended his 30-year basketball coaching career as the winningest coach in WCAL and Bellarmine history (see adjacent story). Coach Schneider has left a legacy on Bellarmine and Bellarmine basketball.

SOCCER

The season ended with another CCS Open Division berth and a trip to the CIF NorCal tournament. Our soccer Bells had one of the hardest schedules in NorCal and competed in the Varsity Soccer College Showcase in Southern California going 1-0-2 against top 10 teams in the state. The Bells finished second in a tough WCAL and were one of the top teams in the section this year.

WRESTLING

The winter season for our wrestlers was one full of flexibility and change. Dual meets had to be cancelled and rescheduled, tournaments were cancelled, but our Bells persevered and had a great showing in WCAL and CCS. Our Bells finished 15th out of 90 teams at the CCS Tournament with Jaden Felipe '22 finishing 2nd in the 126 lb. division and advancing to the CIF State Tournament.

BASEBALL

The Bells finished the regular season in 2nd place in the WCAL with an overall record of 19-6-1 earning the #2 seed in the WCAL Tournament. Our Bells took this momentum into the CCS DI Championships earning a #4 seed and advancing to the semi-finals with a win over league mate Sacred Heart Cathedral. The inaugural CIF NorCal Baseball Championships took place this spring with our Bells earning the #1 seed in the DI bracket with our Bells defeating Vanden and advancing to the semi-finals.

GOLF

Our golfers traveled and played in some prestigious tournaments this season in Nevada and Palm Springs which culminated in their WCAL and CCS success. Our Bells qualified for the CCS Regional Tournament and finished 4th which advanced them to the CCS Finals at Laguna Seca. Our golfers Michael Bourke '23, Eddie Zhang '23, Henry Laurencio '22, Matthew Filice '23, Hendrix Jay-Torrez '25, Christian Moran '23, and Saxon McLane '25 shot a combined 395 to finish 4th in the CCS finals!

LACROSSE

This marked the first year under new head coach Chad Tyler, and our Lacrosse Bells finished 3rd in the very competitive WCAL finishing with a record of 11-5; their only losses coming to nationally ranked high school programs. They earned a first-round bye in the CCS Championship and lost in the semi-finals against state ranked Sacred Heart Preparatory. The biggest win of the year came as Patrick Tran '22 organized our lacrosse Bells to volunteer with Second Harvest and feed over 780 families during their spring season.



SWIM AND DIVE

This year was another successful season for the Bells with a WCAL Championship and CCS 2nd place finish! In addition, our swimmers took home 1st place at the Clovis Invitational and qualified for the CIF State Championships. Congrats to Chris Winalski '25, Tyler Roller '24, Chase Barman '23, Josh Wong '22, Sharan Puchakatla Sairamesh '23, Brandon Lam '22, Thomas Walker '22, and Grant Lindblom '22 as they represented the Bells at the CIF state championships!



TENNIS

Our tennis Bells had another spectacular season finishing undefeated in WCAL play and being named WCAL Champions! In addition, our team traveled to Newport to play in the prestigious All-American National Invitational where our Bells were named the Stan Smith Sportsmanship Award winners for their sportsmanship on the court. Our Bells advanced to the CCS quarter finals as a team with Jono Moore '22 and Jacob Callahan '22 set to compete in the CCS Doubles Championship.

TRACK AND FIELD



Another historic year for our track and field Bells as they brought home the Bells' 13th straight WCAL Championship! Additionally, our Bells competed in the nationally prestigious Arcadia Invitational and finished 1st in the 3200 relay and ran the 2nd fastest time in the U.S. this year in the 4x800. Our Bells advanced to the CCS Finals and finished in 2nd place with Justin Vigna finishing 2nd in the pole vault with a jump of 13-06, our 4x100 relay finished 3rd, Will Rainey finished 3rd in the 300M hurdles, Tanish Chettiar finished 4th in the 1600 and Ben Pinkel finished 2nd in the 800. Our Bells Will Rainey, John Ham, Edgar Perez-Lopez, Ben Pinkel and Justin Vigna represented at the CIF State Championships and congratulations to Ben Pinkel who finished 8th in the state in the 800M with a time of 1:55.67.

VOLLEYBALL

Our volleyball Bells were consistently ranked in the top 3 in the section and finished in 2nd place in the WCAL. They were named the #3 seed in the CCS Open division and considered the #3 team in the section. Our Bells were semi-finalists in the CCS Championships and qualified for the CIF NorCal Championships. Best of luck to seniors Moses Wagner '22 and Theoren Brouillette '22 who will be teammates again at Stanford next year!



Longtime Bellarmine Varsity Basketball Coach Retires from Hoops

losses, and the quality of young men he coached is further evidence of his excellence as a coach of a Jesuit high school.”

The numerous highlights of Coach Schneider’s impressive career with the Bells include 21 CCS Title Game appearances, winning six WCAL Championships, and qualifying for 21 NorCal tournaments. He has twice been honored by the San Jose Mercury News as Coach of the Year, in 1998 and 2017.

“No coach has done more to promote the essential elements of character-building and ethics than Patrick Schneider,” noted Steve Filios, former head basketball coach at St. Francis High School and former CCS assistant commissioner. “In his three decades serving as basketball coach at Bellarmine College Prep, Patrick has modelled and instilled the core principles: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and good citizenship in coaching his student-athletes. A true man of integrity, and admired colleague, Patrick has also provided leadership and promoted camaraderie with his fellow coaches in the WCAL, the CCS, and the CIF. I cannot thank him enough for the contributions he has provided to our sport, our student-athletes, and to me personally.”

“As a coach and educator, Patrick is always prepared,” noted Kristina Luscher, Bellarmine principal. “Over the course of his coaching career, he has spent countless hours planning to ensure that time is not wasted at practices and to ensure that they are prepared for the teams they face on the court.”

Coach Schneider also credits his wife, Kathleen, and their three children, acknowledging that the family has built their lives around Bellarmine basketball. “They gave up a lot for me and the program and our players, and I am so grateful for their love and support.”

Although stepping off the basketball court, Coach Schneider will continue his full-time position as a Bellarmine faculty member in the Religious Studies department. “BCP is so special as a Jesuit Catholic school committed to Gospel values and educating the whole person,” he said. “The Jesuits and my faculty colleagues have always been supportive of me and the entire program.”

“I have enjoyed watching our Bellarmine Bells’ basketball teams over the 30 years that Patrick Schneider has coached the Varsity,” said Bellarmine Chancellor Fr. Jerry Wade, S.J. ’55. “A special memory for me was Bellarmine’s first-ever CCS Basketball Championship, the night when the Bells beat St. Ignatius College Prep at the San Jose State Event Center in 1993, with Patrick Schneider in his second year at the helm. My gratitude to Coach Schneider, and I am pleased that he will continue as an important faculty member of our Religious Studies Department.”

Bellarmino is grateful to Coach Schneider and this year’s coaching staff of Alex Sarrett, Alfred Duncan, Vince Charlton, Anthony Saso, Jerome Facione, and Dave Frandsen for their dedication to student-athletes and to the program.

Following a storied career that spans 30 years, Patrick Schneider this spring announced his retirement as head varsity basketball coach at Bellarmine College Preparatory. Coach Schneider informed his players of his decision during a team meeting the afternoon of April 6.

With a record of 534-312 and finishing his career as the winningest basketball coach in Bellarmine College Prep and WCAL history, Coach Schneider built a program based on the values of defensive intensity, crisp execution, and team unity expressed in the guiding principle of “Team Together.”

“I will always be grateful for the opportunity to coach at Bellarmine,” said Coach Schneider. “It was an honor to represent the school for all these years. Competing in the WCAL has been a privilege, one that has required my best effort day in and day out. And now, after 30 seasons, I’ve emptied the tank. Our players, basketball program, and school deserve someone with the energy to drive the program forward.”

“Patrick Schneider truly put Bellarmine basketball on the map,” stated Chris Meyercord ’88, Bellarmine College Prep president. “He made us into a perennial contender in what most would concede is the most competitive league in Northern California. Under his guidance, we captured 14 CCS Championships and reached the CCS Open Title game five out of the last seven years. More importantly, Patrick cared even more deeply about character than about wins and

ALEX SARRETT NAMED NEW HEAD VARSITY BASKETBALL COACH



Following an extensive search, Alex Sarrett has been named Bellarmine College Prep's new head varsity basketball coach. The move comes after Patrick Schneider's retirement from his 30-year coaching career, announced in April.

"We are very excited to announce Alex Sarrett as the next Basketball Head of Program here at Bellarmine College Preparatory," said Kevin Saldivar '04, Bellarmine Director of Athletics. "He has proven himself in his 9 years to be a great leader and teacher of the game and someone who is well respected by his players and those around him. We are confident Coach Sarrett will build upon the tradition of Bellarmine basketball and take the program to new heights.

Sarrett, who has served as a Bellarmine assistant varsity basketball coach since 2013 and whose coaching experience includes being with the Top Flight Elite AAU (Amateur Athletic Union) Basketball program since 2012, is excited to take on this role. "I am thrilled to have been given the opportunity to lead the next chapter of Bellarmine basketball," said Sarrett. "Being named head coach of this incredible program is a tremendous honor. Thank you to the Bellarmine administration and hiring committee for trusting me to carry on the school's rich traditions and culture."

In addition to coaching, Sarrett will continue serving as a full-time Bellarmine staff member.



NCAA Signees: We have 14 athletes continuing their academic and athletic careers in college. Good luck Bells!

Austin Turkington Baseball, *UC Berkeley*

Moses Wagner Volleyball, *Stanford University*

Theoren Brouillette Volleyball, *Stanford University*

Tanish Chettiar Cross Country, *Yale University*

Rick Yanashita Cross Country, *Williams College*

Connor Crawford Volleyball, *California Lutheran University*

Nicholas Elliott Swimming, *Cal Poly San Luis Obispo*

Alex Festa Soccer, *Chapman University*

Chris Jaeb Football, *Carnegie Mellon University*

Sawyer Kennedy Lacrosse, *Drew University*

Vibhu Krishnan Cross Country/Track & Field, *Harvey Mudd*

Ben Pinkel Cross Country/Track & Field, *UC Santa Barbara*

Dominic Rolla Baseball, *Claremont McKenna*

Thomas Walker Water Polo, *Claremont McKenna*



Chris Meyercord '88, Fr. Dick Cobb, S.J., and David Le '23 at the President's Award Dinner

2022 President's Award Recipient FR. RICHARD COBB, S.J.

Bellarmino College Preparatory held its 42nd President's Award Dinner the evening of May 11 on the Leo J. and Mary G. Lucas Quad. More than 200 guests attended the donor recognition event, hosted in gratitude for those contributing to the school at the President's Club level and above. Due to the pandemic, this is the first time the event had been held since 2019.

The highlight of the evening was the presentation of the President's Award to Fr. Richard Cobb, S.J., who is marking his 73rd year as a Jesuit and who has served the Bellarmine community for numerous years. His assignment to Bellarmine began in 1957 and, in addition to early positions in the English classroom and as an athletic coach, more recently he has provided service in the offices of Admissions and Adult Spirituality. In 2021, Fr. Cobb, who is now 90 years old, was missioned by the Jesuits West Province to Sacred Heart Jesuit Center in Los Gatos, although he remains engaged with the Bellarmine community, continuing as a director of its 19th Annotation Retreats.

During his remarks at the event, Bellarmine president Chris Meyercord '88, who had been a student in Fr. Cobb's freshman English class, noted that Fr. Cobb's "gift of Ignatian Spirituality, of helping people to know and love God better ...", is his true legacy.

Mr. Meyercord also acknowledged that the unique award presented to Fr. Cobb that evening had been designed and created by Bellarmine student David Le '23 who, supervised by faculty member David Dutton, produced the award in the school's Maker Lab facility.

As one would expect from Fr. Cobb, his acceptance speech reflected humility and he turned the tables to thank those in attendance, and all those with whom he has journeyed, for enriching his life, saying "As I look back on my Bellarmine 35 years, I realize how much God has blessed me. Repeat: How God has blessed me. And so have all of you."



ROBOTICS TEAM REPEATS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

alliance selection we partnered with the number one seed Team 1619 (Colorado), and Teams 3175 (Michigan) and 6672 (Texas). We won our division and then won our way through the division winners round robin to qualify for the finals."

Bellarmine students again displayed their being for and with others, as the young men volunteered to help other teams unload their trucks and set up their pits, assisted with robot inspections, helped teams to pass inspections, and assisted numerous teams with robot repairs and modifications throughout the tournament.

Another highlight of the FRC tournament was the appearance of Bellarmine alumnus Greg Shean '65 and his wife, Gloria, longtime and generous supporters of Bellarmine's Robotics program who attended the competition to cheer on the Bells.

Team 254 then took top honors at the VEX World Championship held May 4-8 in Dallas, Texas. "This was our first VEX Worlds appearance since 2016, although we did qualify in 2020 but the tournament was cancelled due to the pandemic," noted Ms. Johnson. "We went into the tournament determined to do our best, but with no expectations."

Approximately 830 teams participated in the VEX World Championship, separated into 10 Divisions, with Team 254 placed in the Arts Division. "Team 254F worked in total harmony during this tournament - scouting, strategy, drive team - all supporting each other," explained Ms. Johnson. "Each match was scouted, strategy developed, and the plan put in action by the drive team. At the end of the first day of qualification matches, we were ranked first! The battle for the top spot was tight, with the top teams separated by only 1-2 points. We held the number one ranking by a slim margin until our last qualification match when we lost and dropped to 2nd in our Division. During alliance selection, we partnered with the rank 1 team, PiBotics Team 38141B (Kentucky). Our alliance went on to win the Arts Division. The battle for that win was intense, plagued with field faults and replays."

After Division finals, all 10 Division winning alliances proceeded to the Championship elimination round. Team 254 progressed to the finals, a best 2 of 3 contest. After losing the first match, our alliance rallied to win the final two matches and claim the championship.

Congratulations to the Cheezy Poofs on these outstanding World Championship achievements, and to their mentors and moderator.



"It has been a remarkable year for Bellarmine Robotics Team 254, winning both the FRC and VEX World Championships!" noted Ann Johnson, team moderator and Bellarmine faculty member.

During competition April 21-23 in Houston, Texas, the Bellarmine Robotics team won an unprecedented 5th FRC Robotics World Championship. Ms. Johnson explained, "During

SPEECH & DEBATE TEAM CAPTURES CHAMPIONSHIPS

For the first time since 2014, the Bellarmine College Prep Speech and Debate team has earned the title State Champions, marking the school's 19th time doing so and again securing its solid reputation as a speech and debate powerhouse.

A team of 58 Bellarmine students competed in 48 entries during the California High School Speech Association State Championship held April 29 through May 1. Of those competing, 40 students in 34 entries broke to elimination rounds earning points towards the overall sweepstakes. "This state championship title was truly a team effort," noted head coach Aaron Langerman.

"Special kudos to our seniors, who were able to keep the momentum of this team going despite all the challenges that Covid has posed over the past two years, especially with tournaments continuing to be virtual," said Langerman. "With their leadership and example, our team was finally able to do what seemed impossible a few years ago and regain the State Championship title."

The State Championship came on the heels of the Bellarmine team's success at the Tournament of Champions held two weekends prior. In that tournament, students who have acquired two or more bids at national invitational tournaments were invited to compete against the top speech and debaters in the country. "Even qualifying for this tournament is a huge culminating achievement, let alone reaching elimination rounds," noted Langerman, who had special acknowledgment to the extemp participants and his coaching colleagues, "... for having the largest number of entries of any school at the tournament and for getting so many guys into the elimination rounds - that's a testament to the behemoth of a team that DeeDee Sullivan's coaching has produced."

In June, the team returned as National Champions from competition at the Nationals in Louisville, Kentucky, which was considered the most competitive tournament of the season. The win means this is the second consecutive year that the Bells are the #1 team in the nation!

In addition to Mr. Langerman and Dr. Sullivan, the Speech and Debate coaching team includes Matt DeLateur '12, Vern Cleary, Xavier Liu '17, Tyler Vergho '19, Adarsh Hiremath '21, and Surya Midha '21.



CLASS NOTES

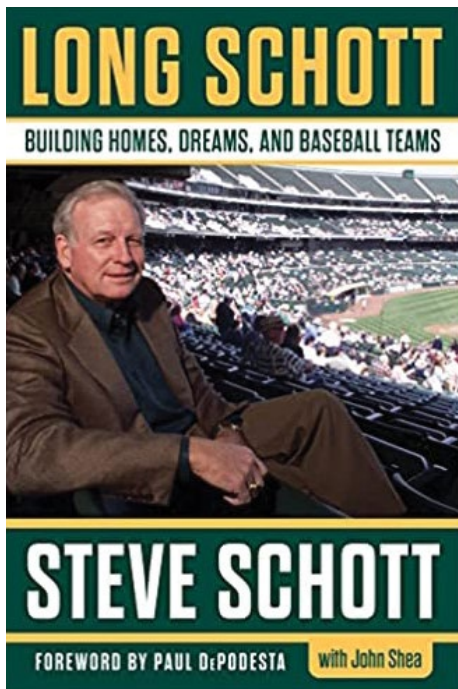
1950s

Michael King '52 and his wife, Janet, offer their prayers to all Bellarmine students, alumni, and their families following this challenging year. Their nine children and 18 grandchildren send prayers and greetings to the Bellarmine community, as well.

George Andreini '52 and his wife, Bobbie, celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary last fall. "We have two sons and six grandchildren, and we still live in Portola Valley with our two horses. I'm still riding horses, just a little slower. I love Bellarmine!"

Michael King '52 lives in Washington and informs us that he does his best to keep up with his nine kids and 18 grandchildren. He traveled down to the Bay Area most recently in November for the burial of his brother, Malcolm, who passed away in October. "Love and prayers to all – especially the Class of 1952!"

Ariel Morales '54 shares that he has nostalgia for those four "wonderful, educated years" at Bellarmine. He lives in Southern California and is still in touch with his close friends from high school.



⚡ **Stephen C. Schott '56** is the author of the book, *Long Schott: Building Homes, Dreams, and Baseball Teams*. Co-authored by San Francisco Chronicle baseball writer John Shea, the book is described as a "fascinating business story encompassing humble beginnings, unprecedented success, and the many lessons learned along the way."



⚡ **Jack Donald, S.J. '57** is celebrating his 50th anniversary as a member of the Society of Jesus this year. Fr. Donald serves the Jesuits as a missionary priest in Honduras.

1960s

Anthony Detweiler '63 and his wife, Fabbian, retired and moved from California to Reno, Nevada, in 2020. They look forward to enjoying the beauty of Lake Tahoe and outdoor activities with three children and seven grandchildren.

Walter Briggs '66 retired in 2013, and since then has been able to spend more time helping his rancher cousins with cattle work in eastern California and western Nevada, which all started with a summer job in 1966 working for the family of Dave Minister '65 and Dennis Minister '66. Walter and his wife, Linda, have a daughter, a son, and five grandchildren ranging in age from one to eight years old. "We live in Olalla, Washington, on the west side of Puget Sound. I serve on two boards, while Linda plays in the local symphony and sings in the chorale. She also teaches piano and violin. We usually make three trips a year to our summer cabin near Bridgeport, California."

1970s

⚡ **Dr. Brett O'Connor '78** has served as the principal of Claremont High School for the last 15 years. Last fall, the school named its new student center after him. Dr. O'Connor is pictured with **Detective Robert Nishimura '84** following a chance meeting between the two that occurred when Det. Nishimura was investigating a case and noticed Dr. O'Connor's Bellarmine diploma in his office.



1980s

Chris Ferez '83 is the new athletic director at Walla Walla High School (WWHS) in Walla Walla, Washington. Chris played basketball at Bellarmine and U.C. Davis, where he earned his degree in physical education with an emphasis on biomechanics. After college, he played basketball professionally for two years in Australia before returning to the United States to coach. He has spent 21 years as a volunteer assistant coach at Whitman college women's basketball, the assistant head coach for WWHS boys for several seasons, and took the girls basketball team to state in 2015, when his two daughters were on the team.



⚡ **Peter Van den Dool '84** (far left) and his son, Luke, (age 7), and **Dan McSweeney '84** (far right) and his son, **Jonathan '22**, and their families caught-up in Incline Village last summer. Dan and Peter have remained close friends since being introduced by Tom Finsterbach, S.J., who taught English at Bellarmine. While at Bellarmine they helped found the bike club with Steve Pinkston as moderator. Peter and his wife, Amanda, work in International Development for the U.S. Government, and are currently posted in Bangkok. They also have a daughter, Helena, 3. Dan is an Integration Engineer at Adobe Inc. His wife, Sandra, is the 2021-22 Bellarmine Mothers' Guild President. Their daughter, Sophia, is a sophomore at Presentation High School.

⚡ **Matthew Schechter '87** and **Khoa Nguyen '14**, who are both attorneys, attended the event "Brave New Worlds" in March at New Museum Los Gatos (NUMU), which was sponsored by their law firm, McManis Faulkner of San Jose. The exhibit features artwork from high school students throughout Santa Clara County. This year, students explored a diversity of topics and perspectives, including the impact of technology on daily life,



environmentalism, space exploration, freedom of gender expression, body image, mental health, political activism, and human relationships. (Khoa and Matthew are pictured in front of a piece of artwork by Bellarmine student Jeffrey Mu '24.)

≈ **David Marasco '89** had the privilege in March of flying on NASA's SOFIA aircraft, a 747 with a large infrared telescope mounted in the back. David is very active in the American Association of Physics Teachers and is currently co-chairing their DEI task force. After a two-year pandemic hiatus, he has resumed working on live performances of "The Physics Show" at Foothill College, which has hosted over 150,000 kids and families since its debut in 2007.



1990s

David Crawford '90, following many years with Walt Disney Imagineering, began a new role with Virgin Galactic as VP, Functional Strategy and Integration, Engineering.

≈ **Fr. Robert Ballecer, S.J. '92**, affectionately known as the Digital Jesuit, serves at the Vatican as assistant for new evangelization. He is responsible for digital media for the Jesuit Curia, including strategy, content creation, and implementation. He runs the popular account @PadreSJ on Twitter, Instagram and YouTube.



≈ **Derick Villanueva '96** recently finished his second tour in Afghanistan where he served as a military advisor to the Afghan National Defense and Security Forces. He is currently a Lieutenant Commander with the U.S. Navy Reserve.

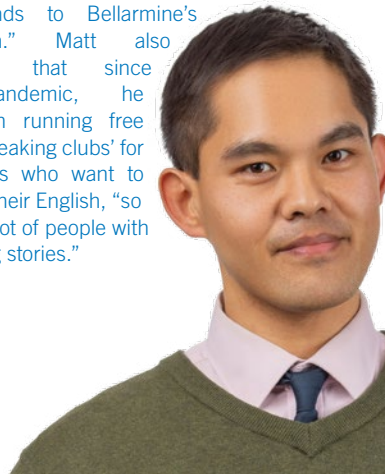
Michael Serrania '97 is the new principal at Sacred Heart Nativity Schools in San Jose. During Michael's 15 years as a Spanish teacher at Bellarmine, he coordinated the Tijuana Immersion Trip, supervised Club Sports, and served as a Kairos leader multiple times. During the height of the pandemic, Michael trained to become an EMT to serve more individuals, and he continues to do that work today.

2000s

≈ **JB Long '01** called his second Super Bowl in February as the lead radio announcer for the Los Angeles Rams. Long has served as the voice of LA Rams radio since 2016, and he also works for the Pac12 Network as a play-by-play announcer for a variety of sports.



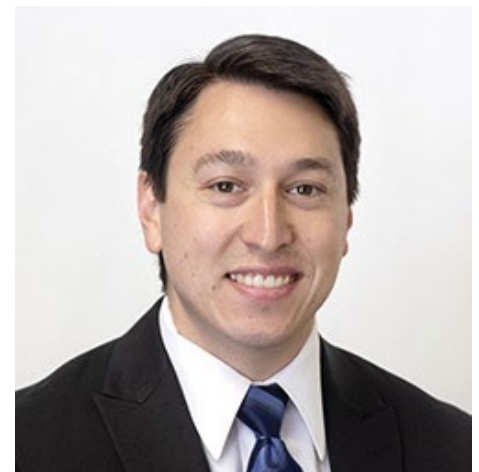
≈ **Matthew Valin '04** is a teacher in Ukraine, working with Zoloch International School. "My students are all scattered throughout Europe nowadays," reported Matt, who added that "Our oldest class is 'Year 8' which corresponds to Bellarmine's Freshmen." Matt also indicated that since the pandemic, he has been running free online 'speaking clubs' for Ukrainians who want to practice their English, "so I know a lot of people with harrowing stories."



≈ **Jeff Alves '07** and his wife, Alycia, welcomed their second child, Scarlett Renee Alves, on April 21, 2022. Her older brother, Logan, already loves her very much and is ready to show her the ropes. After six grandsons, she is the first granddaughter for Malinda and **Jim Alves '68**. It's only a matter of time before the most powerful avenger is running the show!



≈ **Lucas Ramirez '07** is currently serving as mayor of Mountain View after being voted in unanimously by the City Council in January. He was previously elected the Mountain View City Council in 2019 and served as Vice Mayor in 2021.



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2010S

⤴ **Lawrence Wang '10** was selected as a recipient of this year's Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans. Wang, who applied for the fellowship as the child of Taiwanese immigrants, recently completed his DPhil in Biomedical Sciences at Oxford University where he discovered a monoclonal antibody called L9 that potentially prevents malaria. He plans to use the fellowship grant to help support his final two years of medical school at U.C. San Diego.

Zachariah Zanger '12 recently moved to San Juan, Puerto Rico, and is working as a quantitative analyst in Credit Analytics at Banco Popular de Puerto Rico. He is enjoying the speed of "island time" in the Caribbean.

Shankar Iyer '13 reports that the nine years since graduation have been wonderful, and he hopes to reconnect more with his Bellarmine family. Shankar writes, "I last visited Bellarmine for the 5-year reunion in 2018, where I shared drinks and laughs with my classmates who I missed dearly. Since then, I've worked for NASA on a drone constraint system for federal airspace, and now I work in Cybersecurity on cutting-edge anti-malware software for a small but passionate startup."

Dr. Ryan Yakota '13 is a graduate of University of the Pacific's Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry. He currently serves as an assistant professor at Western University of Health Sciences College of Dental Medicine at WeCare Dental in Rancho Mirage, Calif. Dr. Yakota supervises Western University dental students and residents in the NYU Langone Dental Medicine Postdoctoral Residency program, and works in faculty practice.

Richard Burke '14 has been living and working in Dallas, Texas, for the last four years and would love to connect with other Bells in the area.

Kevin Leary '14, most recently an Office of Advancement associate at Bellarmine, in January began his new role as Archives specialist in the Archives & Special Collections Department at Santa Clara University.

Joseph Nguyen '14 was ordained to the Priesthood on May 28 by the Most Reverend Oscar Cantu', Bishop of the Diocese of San Jose, at the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Joseph.

⤴ **Brij Singh '15** works full-time for USA Hockey as manager, men's national team operations. In February, he served as team leader at the Olympic Games in Beijing, China. Singh is a graduate of the University of Michigan and was a recipient of USA Hockey's Brendan Burke Internship in 2016 and 2017.



⤴ On May 18, 2022, Princeton held an in-person ceremony for its Class of 2020 graduates, including **Logan MacDonell '16** (far left) pictured here with his father, **Greg MacDonell '76** (far right) and **Luis Nicolau '88**.



Maxwell Yun '17 used the skills he learned from Kevin McMahon '90 for some graphic design work on the side while studying electrical engineering at MIT. "I designed a pamphlet and flyer for MIT Spokes ... a group of seven MIT students (who) will be biking across the U.S. this summer, from D.C. to S.F. We'll be stopping at towns along the way to teach topics ranging from physics to philosophy to middle-school students, hoping to inspire them to pursue higher education and STEM."

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⤴ **Andrew Song '18** graduated from Yale in May with a B.A. in Global Affairs and a certificate in Energy Studies. He is now an officer in the U.S. Navy, and will report to Naval Nuclear Power School in Charleston, South Carolina, in October to begin training as a Submarine Officer. Andrew expressed gratitude in a recent email sent to administrators: "I'll never forget my time participating in the Tijuana Immersion trips, working with Bell in setting up the student newspaper (The Bell Online), and having taken Dr. Christensen's class on government. I owe you all personally and Bellarmine so much in instilling the idea of public service."

⤴ **Tyler Vergho '19**, a junior at Dartmouth College, captured his second consecutive National Debate Championship in April. It's the first time Dartmouth has claimed back-to-back national policy debate titles, and Tyler is first debater in the history of the tournament to win two straight championships competing with two different partners.



Raymond Wyant '19 was selected to compete at the Carl Nielsen Competition, described as the most well-known, prestigious, clarinet competition in the world. Raymond is among only 24 clarinet players from around the world — and the only clarinetist selected from the U.S. — who was accepted and invited to compete in the 2022 competition, which takes place every three years in Odense, Denmark. In 2019, there were no qualified competitors invited from the United States. Raymond represented the United States, USC, and — as a Bell alumnus — Bellarmine! This year's competition took place March 31-April 10.

2020S

Andrew Packard '20, University of Notre Dame), **Ryan Packard '21** (Cal Maritime Academy), **Ben Richards '20** (West Point Army), and **Ethan Santikul '20** (Fordham University) all qualified for and played in the National Collegiate Rugby championship tournament Memorial Day weekend in New Orleans.



Next Steps for your Estate Plan

by Bill Colucci, Esq. '82 Director of Planned Giving

Over the last couple of years, many of us created or updated our estate plans. Some of these efforts were comprehensive overhauls and others were done simply to ensure our post-death wishes were followed. In either event, a regular review of your estate plan is important to confirm your wishes are clearly established. After establishing a will or trust, advanced directive, and power of attorney, I would recommend you take a few other steps to ease the tasks your loved ones will need to complete after your passing.

First, let a trusted individual (or two) know the location of important documents and financial records. Knowing the location of documents (wills, trusts, powers of attorney, deeds, car titles) and providing a listing of your banking, brokerage, or retirement accounts and insurance policies will make the job of your executor or successor trustee in marshalling your assets so much easier. Letting someone know of the location of documents or the existence of accounts does not mean you need to let them know what is in the accounts, but just knowing where to find them will make for an easier transfer of assets.

Another aspect of our lives which we might want to close-out is our online presence. Friends and family may know what your digital life consists of, but it will help loved ones close out those

accounts if they know what you have and how to access them once you are gone. Here we are talking about your digital devices, e-mail and social media accounts, any payment or money management accounts, along with any video streaming or cloud storage accounts you may have. Leaving specific instructions for how you would like these items handled after your passing will ease the burden on your family.

One other step you might consider is to pre-plan your funeral. Yes, that seems to be a bit morose, but hear me out: Your loved ones will be very grateful that you provided them with how you wish to be remembered and spared them from having to make difficult decisions during a very emotionally fraught time. No arguments or second-guessing about what you wanted for your funeral because you would have already stated your intentions as to what kind of services you would like to have.

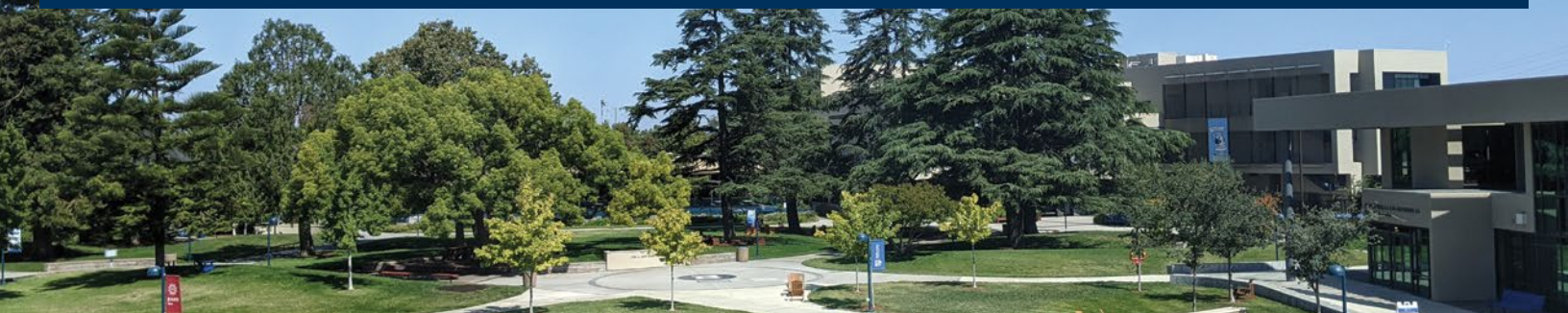
I would be remiss if I did not mention that you should also consider what charitable legacy you would like to continue or establish upon your passing. Setting up a planned gift now and letting folks know where charitable contributions can be made in your memory will ensure your philanthropic goals are achieved. If Bellarmine can be of assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Hardy Reyerson Legacy Continues

Hardy's more than 50-year tenure at Bellarmine would have been enough to secure his legacy as one of the most impactful teachers here at school. He taught and mentored countless students, coaches, and faculty members during his time here. His untimely passing in November 2019 made us all stop and think about the impact we are having in the lives of others on a daily basis. Hardy's thoughtfulness and commitment to Bellarmine also manifested itself in his establishing a legacy gift to Bellarmine. Several years ago, he set up the Hardy Reyerson Endowment Fund to help provide tuition assistance to students with demonstrated financial need who benefit from a Bellarmine education. To bolster that legacy, Hardy included Bellarmine as a beneficiary under his estate plan. The entire Bellarmine community remains grateful to Hardy for the work he did and the legacy he provided for future Bell students.

To learn more about Planned Giving opportunities to support Bellarmine, please contact Bill Colucci, Esq. '82, Director of Planned Giving, at **408.537.9279** or via email: **bcolucci@bcp.org**.

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In Memoriam Tributes

David C. Frandsen, Sr. (1952 - 2022). Longtime Bellarmine basketball coach Dave Frandsen passed away suddenly on June 11, 2022. Dave touched many lives during his years as an educator and coach, both at Bellarmine and in his career with the San Jose Unified School District. His goodness was also manifest through his work as executive director of the nonprofit 19 for Life Foundation, which was established in memory of his late son, David J. “DJ” Frandsen '97. As noted by Kevin Saldivar '04, Bellarmine athletic director, Dave “... dedicated close to 20 years to coaching basketball here at Bellarmine and in addition was also a proud Bellarmine dad. Not enough can be said about Dave as he was a great coach, a great dad, a great husband, a great grandpa and so much more to so many people.” Among the family members Dave leaves behind are his wife, Tracie, and son Kevin '00.



Charles N. “Chuck” Mathewson (1928-2021). Bellarmine benefactor Charles “Chuck” Norman Mathewson passed away after a brief illness on October 24, 2021, at his home in Reno, Nevada. A successful businessman, Mr. Mathewson’s philanthropy over the years benefited Bellarmine College Prep and organizations that included UNR, the Reno Discovery Museum, Lou Ruvo Center for Brain Health, and the Andre Agassi Foundation, among many others. As noted in his obituary, “There was a charismatic and personable aspect to Chuck Mathewson that is rare in people who achieve his level of accomplishment.” He is survived by his wife, Stacie Mathewson; five children: Gail Pauline Ladreyt, Robert Mathewson, Curtis Mathewson, Easter Sullivan, and Miles Mathewson; and seven grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his sister, Patricia Zonker, and his brother, Fr. Robert Mathewson, S.J., former Bellarmine president and longtime member of the Bellarmine Jesuit Community.

Richard A. “Rich” Saso ’79 (1961-2021). A Bellarmine alumnus whose legacy connections to the school include his son, Andrew '09, and his late father, Richard A. Saso '54, Rich passed away on November 18, 2021, after a courageous battle with Acute Myeloid Leukemia. Born and raised in San Jose, Rich became a successful businessman who lived the Jesuit motto of being a man for and with others. He touched countless lives, whether family, friends, colleagues, or through his philanthropic endeavors. As noted in his obituary, “Rich was a virtuous man, the greatest of which was his true connection with and respect for everyone he met.” In addition to his son, Andrew, Rich is survived by his wife, Kristi; daughter Shelby Saso Zamudio; son-in-law Grant Zamudio; two grandsons; and countless extended family members and friends.



Lee Wimberly (1946-2021). Former Bellarmine faculty member and varsity basketball coach (1975-1985) Lee Wimberly passed away on November 17, 2021, in Phoenix, Arizona. Lee was the former head men’s basketball coach at Swarthmore College in Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, from 1987-97 and 1998-2011, where he compiled a program-record 184 career wins. He was a 2015 inductee to the Philadelphia Area Small College Coaches Hall of Fame. Many Bellarmine faculty, staff, and alumni from that era were known to have thoroughly enjoyed Lee as a teacher and as a basketball coach while he gave so much of himself to Bellarmine during his years with the school.

In Memoriam

ALUMNI

Colin Casey Kerr '06 (June 13, 2022). *Brother of Brendan '04; son of former Bellarmine faculty members Maureen Casey and Tim Kerr.*

James C. Pfaff '54 (May 28, 2022). *Father of Michael '75; brother of Richard '52, Robert '55, and David '67.*

Michael Briare '82 (May 6, 2022).

William "Bill" Angelo Zappettini '49 (April 23, 2022). *Father of John '81.*

Scott Robinson '87 (March 2022). *Brother of Jeremy '92.*

Nicholas B. Galiotto '54 (March 12, 2022).

Paul Albert Perry '46 (March 28, 2022).

Fr. Leo J. Hombach, S.J. '48 (March 22, 2022).

Stephen Gale '70 (March 19, 2022).

Donald J. Bordenave '48 (March 8, 2022). *Father of Tom '76.*

Raymond M. McCarthy '61 (February 18, 2022).

Gerald Weston Biggs '54 (February 15, 2022). *Brother of Kenneth '58.*

Michael Philip Diepenbrock '59 (February 12, 2022).

Tharun Shiju '17 (February 6, 2022). *Brother of Nirmal '23.*

Richard A. "Rich" Arzino '61 (January 27, 2022).

Stephen A. McFeely '65 (January 25, 2022).

Albert William "Bill" Jordan '47 (January 24, 2022).

John "Jack" Costello '41 (January 21, 2022).

Denis Thomas O'Neill '67 (January 18, 2022). *Brother of Scott '69 and Frank '76.*

Leland Albert Petersen '60 (January 8, 2022).

Timothy E. Lippert '81 (December 27, 2021). *Brother of Paul '78; father of Will '10 and Henry '13.*

Henry Musto '58 (December 21, 2021).

Dr. Dion Campisi, Sr. '59 (December 20, 2021). *Father of Dion '94; brother of Jon '59 and of the late Richard '53; uncle of Christian '84.*

Peter Anthony Prinzivalli '89 (December 20, 2021).

John "Jack" Smrekar '44 (December 16, 2021). *Father of James '70.*

Donald Fennell Driscoll '58 (December 1, 2021).

Louis B. Lucas '49 (November 19, 2021). *Father of Robert '76; former Bellarmine faculty member and coach.*

Richard A. "Rich" Saso '79 (November 18, 2021). *Father of Andrew '09; son of the late Richard A. Saso '54.*

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David Eugene Meunier '77 (September 20, 2021).

Robert K. Hudson '66 (September 6, 2021). *Brother of James '72, John '68, and Michael '69.*

Marvin E. Schmidt '50 (February 23, 2021).

Peter DeCarlo '57 (September 15, 2020). *Brother of Anthony '62.*

William R. O'Brien '57 (April 15, 2019).

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

David Frandsen (June 11, 2022). *Father of Kevin '00 and of the late David "DJ" '97; longtime Bellarmine basketball coach.*

Roseann Vasquez (May 12, 2022). *Sister of Joseph Marvin '52.*

Amul Kirti Jobalia (May 4, 2022). *Father of Aaron '23 and Nathan '21.*

Marlene Agnoletti (May 1, 2022). *Wife of Robert '65; mother of Robert '92.*

Joseph Paul Quilici (April 25, 2022). *Former Bellarmine basketball coach; father of Jeb Ivey '99.*

Lucianna Barsanti (April 14, 2022). *Great-grandmother of Connor Tripp '24.*

Elise Gallucci (March 27, 2022). *Wife of Bob Gallucci '55.*

Joyce Mirassou (March 25, 2022). *Mother of John '76.*

Norma Ravizza (March 25, 2022). *Mother of David '74, Allen '78, and the late Kenneth '73.*

Maximina "Minnie" Aviles (March 19, 2022). *Mother of staff member Sally Lewis.*

Casey Eichler (March 19, 2022). *Father of Patrick '11.*

"Lord, welcome into your calm and peaceful kingdom those who have departed from this present life to be with you. Grant them rest and a place with the spirits of the just, and give them the life that knows no age, the reward that passes not away."

– St. Ignatius of Loyola

The Bellarmine Community joins in prayerful remembrance of alumni, family, and friends who have died.

Toni Watkins (March 16, 2022). *Mother of Bellarmine faculty member Diane Fellenz.*

Anna Waite (March 14, 2022). *Mother of David '85.*

Ann Lanette Panconi (March 13, 2022). *Mother of Ed '80.*

John Clark "Jack" Lewis (March 8, 2022). *Grandfather of William '14.*

Georgine Irma Drees Premo (March 7, 2022). *Mother of Patrick '85 and Richard '86; wife of the late Judge Eugene Premo '53; grandmother of Charlie '23 and Will '19.*

Eli Thomas, Sr. (March 2, 2022). *Father of Christopher '79, Eli '80, Gregory '81, James '77, and the late Francis '86; grandfather of John '18, and Myles '21.*

J. Allen Hayes (February 28, 2022). *Brother-in-law of Ray Triplett '73.*

Brendan Ward (February 24, 2022). *Brother of Terry Ward, former Bellarmine faculty member, coach, and athletic director.*

Amy Yoshihara (February 24, 2022). *Grandmother of John '01 and Brett '02.*

Helen Sheridan (February 23, 2022). *Mother of John '76, William '78, David '81, and Michael '82; grandmother of John '09, Benjamin '11, and Louis '17.*

George J. Lechner (February 14, 2022). *Father of Eric '87.*

Val S. Mazzurca (February 11, 2022). *Grandfather of Matthew Anderson '10 and Joseph Anderson '19.*

Helen Mae Sevely (January 26, 2022). *Wife of the late Vincent Sevely '47.*

Mark Steven Moriconi (January 25, 2022). *Father of Alex '07.*

Jane Iverson (January 24, 2022). *Mother of Brent '78 and Jon '76.*

Linda Roshon (January 6, 2022). *Wife of the late Jim Harville '63, former Bellarmine faculty member.*

Ann Burson (January 1, 2022). *Grandmother of David Bonaccorso '94.*

Pearl Sunseri (December 8, 2021). *Mother of Frank Sunseri '63.*

Timothy Joseph Donovan (December 1, 2021). *Father of Timothy '82.*

Virginia Rao (November 23, 2021). *Mother of David '73 and Mark '74.*

Marjorie Cobb (November 19, 2021). *Sister of Fr. Dick Cobb, S.J., longtime member of the Bellarmine Jesuit community and former faculty member.*

Lee Wimberly (November 17, 2021). *Former Bellarmine faculty member and varsity basketball coach.*

Harry Collins (November 11, 2021). *Father of Michael '86.*

John Stephen Gerhardt (November 10, 2021). *Father of Chuck '83 and Tim '86.*

G. David Genochio (November 6, 2021). *Father of Robert '11 and Joseph '11; brother of former Bellarmine staff member Beni Genochio.*

Charles N. Mathewson (October 24, 2021). *Brother of the late Fr. Robert B. Mathewson, S.J., former Bellarmine president and longtime member of the Bellarmine Jesuit community.*

Dolores "Johnnie" Jeannette Caldwell (October 21, 2021). *Wife of the late Donald Caldwell '58.*

Patricia Flynn Duran (October 7, 2021). *Mother of Francisco J. Duran '88.*

Martha Louise Murphy (October 5, 2021). *Mother of Jim, Jr. '87.*

John James Leavitt (September 13, 2021). *Father of Mark '26 and the late Andrew '77.*

Richard "Dick" Deeds (August 6, 2021). *Father of Ken '86.*

Rose Hausler (April 13, 2020). *Mother of John '86 and the late Michael '75; former Bellarmine staff member.*



NOTE: Listings are based on information known to us prior to publication deadlines.

Event Calendar

July 30

Fr. Joe Costa '41
Alumni Bocce Tournament
Campo di Bocce, Los Gatos

August 27

Alumni Hall of Fame
BCP Campus

September 16-17

Alumni Grand Reunion Weekend
BCP Campus

October 8

Mothers' Guild Fashion Show
for Tuition Assistance
BCP Campus

October 10

Bellarmino Golf Classic
Cinnabar Hills Golf Club, San Jose

October 30

Admissions Open House
BCP Campus

November 25

Young Alumni Social
Venue TBA

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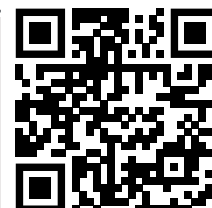
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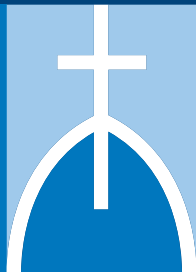


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