Message from the President

Dear Friends,

Earlier this summer I attended an event to support the Mother Cabrini Shrine located in Lincoln Park. The evening consisted of Mass at the shrine and was followed by a reception and dinner at the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum. I didn’t know or recognize many people at the event, but then I was pleasantly surprised to see several of our students there. These students had volunteered to assist the project by selling raffle tickets and other duties as assigned.

I found it very edifying that these young men had carved out a beautiful summer evening to assist this important event. I then found myself citing their participation to everyone I met: “Those are our students volunteering!” This is exactly the kind of generosity that we cultivate at the school while building on the good foundation set by our parents. I know that this kind of volunteering!” This is exactly the kind of generosity that we cultivate at the school found myself citing their participation to everyone I met: “Those are our students volunteering!” This is exactly the kind of generosity that we cultivate at the school while building on the good foundation set by our parents. I know that this kind of volunteering.”

I want to draw your attention to the update on our Strategic Plan along with its Key Performance Indicators (pages 4 – 7). As you will see, we have accomplished a great deal of the vision of this plan, and it is time to begin to plan for the next five years or so. Developing an effective strategic plan takes a great deal of time, conversations, and honesty; it demands the best of our entire Saint Ignatius College Prep Community. The mission of the school will call upon us to be generous with our time, expertise, and support.

“Thirty years from now, what will people be glad that we did today?” That is a question I often like to pose to the board and other groups around the school. It frames decisions in different ways. Strategic planning helps us make the best decisions not only for today, but for the future. Of course, there will be many constants, such as forming generous men and women for others, like those students and graduates who volunteered for the Mother Cabrini event. I know that I am very grateful for all that you do to support our mission of educating these students.

God Bless You,

Fr. Michael P. Caruso, S.J., President

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

In this issue you will see the many ways in which students continue traditions of excellence, with strategies for the future. While the old adage states that a picture is worth a thousand words, the pictures within do not convey the passion, commitment, enthusiasm and the fervor of our students. We invite you to visit our website www.ignatius.org to read firsthand the many daily accomplishments of our students, our faculty and our alumni. When school reconvenes each August, it is always heartening to hear the stories of how students and faculty have spent their summers. It is no surprise to anyone that so many have undertaken meaningful summer service exercises, in the city, throughout the country and around the world. They continue the long tradition of being of service to others.

This fall we will begin a semi-monthly series on the website entitled “Ignatians in Action”. We look forward to profiling the generous support that all members of our community are incorporating into their lives. An Ignatian education does not end when the diploma is awarded, rather that diploma is an invitation to go out “and set the world on fire.” If you would like us to share your story or if you hear of the admirable actions of a community member, please let me (john.chandler@ignatius.org) or Ryan Bergin (ryan.bergin@ignatius.org) our editor know. Change is a constant at Saint Ignatius. If you have not been down to the school in a while, we welcome you – especially when school is in session. For a visit please contact Wendy Guido McCarthy ‘84 at wendy.mccarthy@ignatius.org. May you and your family continue to receive all God’s blessings and may the remainder of the summer be a time of rejuvenation.

With prayerful gratitude,

John J. Chandler, Vice President

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Every mission oriented organization needs to look to the future and make strong strategic plans. It is in this process that a clear understanding of successes, achievements, opportunities and challenges can be found. In early March of 2012, educational consultant, John Littleford, visited Saint Ignatius College Prep and worked with the school community on the topic of strategic planning. This group included the administration, faculty, parents, students, alumni, benefactors, community leaders and members of the Board. Everyone involved made a passionate commitment to the strategic planning undertaking.

Following four days of interviews with members of the above constituent groups (over 160 individuals in focus groups) the consultant conducted a workshop for representatives of those groups for the purpose of coming to a consensus about key strategic initiatives. From an extensive list of strategic challenges that the interviewees articulated during the focus groups, the workshop participants agreed on the strategic initiatives listed below.

As the school community prepares to embark on a new school year, we wanted to take this opportunity to pause and reflect on what we’ve accomplished towards the strategic plan and what’s on the horizon.

**Engaged a new investment team to manage the endowment.**

**Restricted the endowment draw to allow growth and protect against inflation.**

**Made new endowment gifting a priority of the school’s fundraising initiatives.**

**Sought out and reviewed competitive interest rates for all school debt.**

**Solicited unrestricted funds to pay down the debt.**

**In service of the Mission and to sustain the long term stability of the School, accelerate the expansion of the endowment and the reduction of debt.**

- Created a new mission driven evaluation process related to compensation, replacing the usual model of degrees held and years of service.

- The New Faculty Evaluation is based on the Jesuit Secondary Educational Association’s Profile of an Ignatian Educator that includes modeling Ignatian pedagogy, building community, fostering collaboration, and animating the Ignatian vision, and is guided by the Charlotte Danielson Framework for Teaching.

- Developed three lanes of expertise: Novice, Experienced, and Leader. As skills and expertise develop, so too will movement in the teacher’s career that will give our faculty the chance to manage their professional development and growth in excellence, and connect it to compensation. Recognition as an innovator is also being developed for exemplary work.

- Feedback evaluation is given by the principal, assistant principals, Dean of Faculty, Department Chairs, peers, faculty and students.

- Each faculty member will have six observations over the course of each year that will enrich the education of our students and support excellence among the faculty.

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- Experienced
- Leader

**Feedback evaluation:**

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- Department Chairs
- Peers
- Faculty
- Students

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**In service of the Mission and to sustain the long term stability of the School:***

- Accelerate the expansion of the endowment
- Reduce the debt
Beside the 5 Strategic Plan initiatives, many other successes have been achieved within the school community...

- Developed a list of the top 10 misconceptions about the school. Continue to update and re-publish this list to the school community.
- Held strategic town hall meetings on school finances with parents.
- Explored best financial aid practices amongst independent schools.
- Joined the National Association of Independent Schools.
- Developed a finance plan that projects tuition for 5 years.
- Undertook a space allocation survey for the entire campus.
- Improved areas for athletics including a newly rebuilt outdoor field facility.
- Drafted and funded a more reasonable appreciation schedule.

- Launched the Board of Regents, Young Alumni Society, and Young President’s Club.
- Successful adoption of the iPad One to One program.
- Board approved motion to mandate 3 years of Science which will begin with all Freshmen.
- Saint Ignatius joined the National Association of Independent Schools.
- Completed accreditation by AdvancEd and Catholic Identity Review by the province; both with flying colors.
- Welcome the Dominican Sisters of Mary Mother of the Eucharist to Ignatius as they opened their first mission in Chicago.
- Dr. Maria Lin Pacold, RSM, ’97 was our first alumna to enter religious life.
- Enrollment numbers remain strong as does the interest in our educational programs.
- Our endowment stands at approximately $50 million with the majority of it committed to financial aid.
- Numerous improvements to the plant including the Ground Floor halls, the Cunes Chapel of the North American Martyrs, and the Blessed Sacrament Chapel and the Fr. Donal Rowe, SJ Architectural Gallery.
- We have seen the ACT scores go up each year. Our current average score is 28.1.
- A yearly delegation has been sent to the March for life in Washington, D.C.
- Created the Fornell ’51 Alumni Lounge at the 1019 S. May St. building.

ENDOWMENT: One of the key characteristics of a strong Catholic school is having a substantial enough endowment so that the mission doesn’t have to be compromised or sacrificed because of economic conditions. In a recent survey of a broad range of school constituents, more than 90% stated that endowment support and growth was the most compelling reason to give to Saint Ignatius. The majority of our endowment is used to support financial aid. The 145 year tradition of the school accepting students without regards to ability to pay, not only continues now, but will continue in the future. Saint Ignatius has worked hard through the years with cooperation with our benefactors to begin funding an endowment. The long term sustainability of the school and its mission is dependent upon even more robust growth.

THE FUTURE: Interest from the endowment will be needed to cover future financial aid projections. A growing endowment will mitigate extreme tuition increases. Endowment will buffer the school for times of economic challenge.

SCIENCE: Saint Ignatius needs to offer programs and classes that colleges require students to have. Remaining innovative means refining the curriculum and providing such activities as dry labs. 20 years ago when we introduced integrated science offerings it was a pioneering curricular move. Science today requires a different focus and outlook. Therefore we’re in the process of revising the curriculum. Current Graduation Requirement for Science is 2 years. More years of science would allow all students to start lab-based science as freshmen. With existing lab spaces and the limitations they present, how we do labs in the future will have to change.

THE FUTURE: Redesign of current labs into lab/classroom combinations. This design is the only plan the National Science Teacher Association recommends which allows for a better ability to time labs within a unit, have fluidity within the learning environment, and increased opportunity for extended inquiry. Additional staffing and training for teachers will also be needed.

ATHLETICS: Over last 25 years athletic offerings have grown exponentially at Saint Ignatius. We now have over 30 sports for boys and girls, including hockey, field hockey, lacrosse, and football. We need to continue to provide space for practices, conditioning, and support space (locker rooms, etc.) The school had previously acquired more than 12 acres of land over the past 25 years so that the school does not find itself landlocked the way many peer schools are and will allow Saint Ignatius to provide these needs.

THE FUTURE: Additional field space for outdoor sports. We also need a remapped baseball field, new tennis courts, an expanded area for track and field, and refurbishment of the weight and training rooms.

Stay tuned for future updates on those developments. All of these initiatives are the result of generous benefactors, a very active Board, an engaged Board of Regents, committed alumni, parents and outstanding administrators, teachers, and staff.
Graduation and Dei Gloriam Award

Saint Ignatius College Prep said farewell to the 336 members of the Class of 2015 at the 145th Commencement Ceremony on May 28. This class was offered over $20 million in guaranteed college scholarships and awards over the next four years. Our students will be attending 108 different colleges and universities in 30 states and the District of Columbia.

Dante Joseph Domenella was named “Senior Scholar” (or valedictorian) and the “Ignatian of the Year” was Donald Francis Flynn. Jesuit Secondary Education Awards were presented to Donald Francis Flynn and Claire Marie Reardon. Athletes of the Year were Patrick Edward Mulkerin and Jill Marie Porretta. Science teacher Timothy L. Malecek was selected as the Raymond T. Grant, S.J. Educator of the Year.

Betty DeCarlo was awarded the 2015 Dei Gloriam Award during the ceremony. The Dei Gloriam Award is the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by Saint Ignatius College Prep. St. Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus, lived his life with a strong conviction that all he did should be based on the principle: Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam (for the greater glory of God). The stress on greater implies that we avoid complacency or simply accepting the status quo; rather, we should always be stretching to find ways to better use our gifts and talents to serve God here on earth and thus give God greater honor and glory.

Each year, Saint Ignatius College Prep presents the Dei Gloriam Award to an individual who is a living expression of this Jesuit ideal. Betty DeCarlo’s beloved husband, Vito, graduated from Saint Ignatius College Prep in 1950. Both Vito and Betty are true examples of individuals who have endeavored to live their lives in the image of St. Ignatius of Loyola. In recognition of her extraordinary commitment to the church and Catholic education in all aspects of her life, it was the school’s honor to present Betty DeCarlo with the 2015 Saint Ignatius College Prep Dei Gloriam Award.

2015 National Achievement Scholarship Program

Junior Jack Skalitzky received his Second Team All-State certificate and medal and his All-Sectional certificate back in May 2015. Jack was the leader of the Varsity Scholastic Bowl team this year that posted a 41-18 record and won its 6th consecutive Metro North League championship. Jack was named the league’s Outstanding Player and a member of the All-League team. He made all-star teams in every tournament in which the Varsity Scholastic Bowl team competed this year. His season was capped by being named All-Sectional for the Oak Park-River Forest Scholastic Bowl sectional and being chosen Second Team All-State. That award means Jack has been recognized as one of the top 20 Scholastic Bowl players in Illinois.

Please join us in congratulating Delia West ’15 on being named Finalists in the 2015 National Achievement Scholarship Program. More than 1,600 Black American high school seniors who have been designated Semifinalists had an opportunity to continue in the competition for approximately 800 scholarship awards worth about $2.5 million.
2015 National Hispanic Scholar Contest

Congratulations to David McGarr ’15 on being named a 2015 National Hispanic Scholarship Contest Finalist. The College Board’s National Hispanic Recognition Program (NHRP) identifies academically outstanding Hispanic/Latino high school students. Each year, the NHRP honors about 5,000 of the highest-scoring students from over 250,000 Hispanic/Latino juniors who take the PSAT/NMSQT. These students are from the United States, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, the Marianas Islands, and the Marshall Islands, as well as U.S. citizens attending schools abroad.

Porretta ’15 Named to IHSA All-State Academic Team

Please join us in congratulating Jill Porretta ’15 on being named to the 2015 IHSA Honorable Mention All-State Academic Team. Out of nearly 500 applicants considered, Jill was one of only fifty selected to receive this recognition.

Sr. Mary Kay Brooks, SSND, Wins Distinguished Life Service Award

Please join us in congratulating Saint Ignatius math teacher, Sr. Mary Kay Brooks, SSND, for receiving the Distinguished Life Service Award from the Math Teachers Association. The award was presented at DeLaSalle High School this past school year during an award ceremony and dinner. We thank those who supported the nomination of Sr. Mary Kay Brooks.

Rauch ’17 and Team Wins Robotics State Championship

Greta Rauch ’17 and her FIRST Lego League Robotics team won the Illinois State championship and qualified to represent the state at the world competition in St. Louis back in April. There were approximately 100 teams from around the United States and the world competing at this event.

Elizabeth Lam ’17 Takes 2nd at Chicago Regional Bridge Building Contest

Three Ignatius students participated in the Chicago Regional Bridge Building Contest at the Illinois Institute of Technology earlier this year. Sophomore Elizabeth Lam placed 2nd. Her bridge held over 100 pounds and over 1500 times its own mass. Elizabeth qualified to rebuild her bridge and participate in the International Bridge Building Contest held in Portland, Oregon. Senior Kallin Khan placed 15th. His bridge held almost 18 pounds and 360 times its own mass. Sophomore Isabelle Brookover placed 19th. Her bridge held about 4 pounds and about 100 times its own mass. Please join us in congratulating our bridge builders.

Elizabeth Lam ’17

Students Take 2nd in State Economics Competition

Please join us congratulating Ian Klatzco ’15, Isaac Wink ’15, Henry Rigsbee ’15 and Spencer Hooper ’16 who participated in the Illinois Economics Challenge this past spring. The team came in 2nd overall in the state. They won a trophy and a $600 prize ($150 for each member).

Elizabeth Lam ’17

Wolfpack Mock Trial Team Wins 2015 Howlett Cup

The Saint Ignatius Mock Trial Team competed against Loyola Academy, Cristo Rey Jesuit High School, Christ the King Jesuit College Preparatory School and Cristo Rey St. Martin College Prep on April 24 and 25, 2015 in the Howlett Cup II Mock Trial Competition at the Richard J. Daley Center in Chicago. The Wolfpack Mock Trial Team is the 2015 Howlett Cup Champions. What makes this victory even more remarkable is that this is the first year that the team has been organized and was the first time the team competed in its history. Congratulations to the Champs and the teams that competed.

The Team consists of Student Attorneys: Joyce D’Aprile ’16, Defense Counsel; Mackenzie Krage ’16, Defense Counsel; Nat Marrinson ’16, Prosecution; John Mager ’17, Prosecution; Witness: Devin Laux; Coach: Sonia Antolec ’01; Pre-Law Society Moderator and Assistant Coach: Geoff Hammond ’90.

Isabelle Brookover ’17

Kallin Khan ’15

Isaac Wink ’15

Henry Rigsbee ’15

Ian Klatzco ’15

Spencer Hooper ’16

Elizabeth Lam ’17

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By Chuck Thompson — Ignatius Religion Teacher

So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs. —Mark 16:18-20

It was like any other Easter Sunday Mass. People gathered beforehand, chatting softly or praying silently in the pews. The sanctuary was prepared by diligent altar servers. Candles were lit on side altars as the organ filled the large nave with wonderful music.

But for our visiting group of fourteen from Saint Ignatius, led by Ms. Leung for eight days over the Easter break this April, this was a little different.

On this Sunday, we were over six thousand miles from home, waiting for Mass to begin in Beijing’s oldest Catholic Church, known as the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. I was amazed to learn that this church had been built, destroyed, and rebuilt several times over the centuries since its founding in 1605 by Jesuit missionary, Matteo Ricci SJ. Emperors and dynasties had come and gone during that time, with the church falling in and out of favor with each ruling class. On this day, the church was once again filled with Chinese music, prayer and song.

At the sign of peace, a local man turned to me and said “Peace be with you” in his non-native English. I was moved by his simple gesture. His words, a sign of Christ’s love, welcomed me into his beautiful church, this community of love. After all, we were the strangers who should be welcomed. We were the sojourners, pausing here on our faith journey. I wondered if Ricci could have imagined this corporal work of mercy as he lay awake all those centuries ago, staring up at the Asian night sky, praying to God for guidance in this foreign land.

I looked up at the Mandarin Chinese words on the large video screens throughout the church, guiding the congregation in prayer, leading us to God. The same ritual, the same faith, the same loving God that Ricci encountered was here as well.

And yet, what would become of this sacred space in the next four hundred years? Where would China, the Catholic Church, and even America be politically, socially, geographically?

In the moment, we were called forward from our pew, for now it was our turn to receive the Eucharist, the same Body and Blood of Christ that Ricci had received, that all Christians had received, on all continents, throughout the centuries, going back thousands of years. Europe, South America, Africa, and Australia. The same celebration, in that same spirit of hope and gratitude, the same sign of peace.

We were united. Again. As Christians. As it was, and is, and ever shall be. Now and forever.

As I approached the altar, I was reminded of the quote by Martin Luther King Jr. on the power and the glory of God’s presence in the world.

“Love is the most durable power in the world. This creative force, so beautifully exemplified in the life of our Christ, is the most potent instrument available in mankind’s quest for peace and security. Napoleon Bonaparte, the great military genius, looking back over his years of conquest, is reported to have said: ’Alexander, Caesar, Charlemagne and I have built great empires. But upon what did they depend? They depended on force. But centuries ago Jesus started an empire that was built on love, and even to this day millions will die for him.’ Who can doubt the veracity of these words? The great military leaders of the past have gone, and their empires have crumbled and burned to ashes. But the empire of Jesus, built solely and majestically on the foundation of love, is still growing. It started with a small group of dedicated men, who, through the inspiration of their Lord, were able to shake the hinges from the gates of the Roman Empire, and carry the gospel into the entire world.

Returning to my pew, I found myself wishing I could have thanked Matteo Ricci SJ, the first Westerner inside the gates of the Forbidden Palace, for all his efforts and his perseverance in the name of our Church.

And, specifically on this glorious Easter morning, just how grateful we all were for his courage, his prayers, and his fortitude. All for the Kingdom of God.

All for this Easter Sunday.
The Saint Ignatius Model United Nations team led by SIMUN Director Diane Haleas Hines, enjoyed another successful year of diplomacy and travel to exciting cities.

June 2014: SIMUN travels to Germany, Belgium and France and wins Best Delegation at the Oldenburg, Germany conference.

October 2014: SIMUN wins Best Delegation at the Washington University in St. Louis conference for the sixth straight year.

November 2014: SIMUN hosts 800 delegates at SIMUN XIII and welcomes the Consul general of China as the keynote speaker. SIMUN also competes in the College of William and Mary conference winning many individual awards while visiting historic Revolutionary War sites.

Winter 2014-15: SIMUN travels to New York City to compete in the Columbia University Conference followed by a trip to Duke University in North Carolina. A trip to the Florida International Model UN Conference in Miami was a great relief from the Chicago winter. SIMUN had a very successful winter winning:

- Best Delegation at the Lyons Township Conference
- Outstanding Delegation at the Florida International Conference
- Best Delegation at the University of Illinois Conference
- Outstanding Delegation at the EAGLEUNC conference at Boston College

In June SIMUN traveled to Ireland and then to Netherlands to compete at the IMUNA (International Model UN Association) conference.

Special recognition goes to seniors and Executive Board Members Rebecca Cunningham (Secretary General of SIMUN XIII), Isaac Wink, Paul Witry, Thomas Duff, Henry Riggsbee, Brian Forcier, and Ian Klatzco for their exceptional leadership as well as to seniors Christopher Kreid, Claire Reardon, Kylie Ruscheinski, Joshua Skoromski, Russell Snook-Whitfield, Connor Sterling, Zach Svabek, Nerya Viettare, Jacob Yeskis and stage management by Calahan Merten and Nate Cotley.

Graduation from high school is not the end of Model UN, however. Model UN is a highly respected activity at the collegiate level. Many SIMUN alumni are continuing to participate in Model UN at universities including:

- Kent Hutchison at the University of Pennsylvania
- Braeden Lord, Billy Fitzsimmons, and Anne-Marie Downey at Boston College
- Colin Downey, Max Rosner, and Brigitt Goebelbecker at Georgetown University
- Michael Parilla and Breanna Miller at the University of Illinois
- Jack Durkin at New York University
- 2008 Alumni Greg Young and Katie Duthaler have been directors of the Chicago International Model UN Conference for several years.
- Charlie Heding (University of Oxford) will be working for the United Nations on the Syrian Crisis Unit in Amman Jordan.

The Saint Ignatius Harlequins presented Jane Austen’s Pride and Prejudice from March 20 through 29, 2015 in the McLaughlin Theatre. All of the wit and romance of Jane Austen’s classic 1813 novel came to life in this refreshingly fast-paced and engaging new adaptation. The well-attended production featured Liam Bower, Caroline Burke, Kaila Casalino, Agnes Connolly, Mikey DeFillips, Kelly Doyle, Connor Fieweger, Rossin Goebelbecker, Kelly Harris, Joe Kata, Maya Khoury, Eddie McCarthy, Gaetano Montalbano, Jacqueline Novy, Jane Patti, Natalie Pyls, Anna Podkowski, Billy Scannell, Margaret Sheils, Robbie Skoromski, Russell Snook-Whitfield, Connor Sterling, Zach Svabek, Nerya Viettare, Jacob Yeskis and stage management by Calahan Merten and Naif Cotley.

This past school year, the Harlequins also played to two full houses at U of I’s Foellinger Auditorium. The production of Shrek the Musical received the distinction of best 2015 Full Length production of the Illinois High School Theatre Festival. For 40 years, the Illinois High School Theatre Festival has been igniting the flame of passion for the arts. Over 4,000 students (from 150 schools), teachers, university representatives, exhibitors and volunteers come together to put on over 25 different high school productions and over 150 workshops. Plays were selected from throughout the state to be performed at the annual three day festival. Saint Ignatius College Prep’s production included 27 actors and 21 crew members.
Quinn Denvir '16

When he was four years old, Quinn Denvir’s mom noticed how focused he was when he worked on his art. “I wasn’t the calmest kid on the block, however, whenever I was drawing it seemed as though I was in some kind of zone.” Realizing his interest, Denvir’s Mom signed him up for a weekly art class at Unicoi Studios, where he practiced for the next seven years.

Flash forward a few years, and Quinn is a rising senior and a committed art student in the Ignatius Fine Arts Program. During the last three years he has taken Art Studio, Sculpture, Advanced Art Studio, and Self-Study. Next year he will take Advanced Placement Studio Art.

Denvir’s artistic focus and interests are broad, as seen in his pieces displayed here. His inspiration that leads him to create these great pieces comes not from a specific source, but from the very act of creating. “To me the act is a labor of love. I enjoy doing it and I am always seeking to improve. Whenever I draw, I am brought into a relaxing state of mind where the senses are keen. Next thing I know, choice of colors and positioning of lines and curves seem natural.” Quinn has dabbled in many forms, from abstract painting to animation. He describes that taking classes with Ms. Lee at Saint Ignatius has helped him not just to dabble in various genres, but to develop his own style. “When I came to St. Ignatius, with the help of Ms. Lee, I was able to break away from my more cartoonish style and really develop my realistic perspective.”

Whatever his interests, Denvir clearly has a knack for the craft, receiving several accolades for his work, including one from the Illinois Art Education Association. At the IAEA annual art show of approximately 500 art pieces by young people of Illinois, he won the 8th grade award during the 2011-2012 school year.

In the future, Quinn has plans to maintain a focus on his art in his academic life. He is looking at art schools for colleges as well as the art programs at other colleges he is considering. Regardless, Quinn is hopeful that “art in one form or another will remain a very important part of my life.”

Jim Luzzi ’65 Retires From Coaching

After more than 45 years, Mr. Jim Luzzi has announced his retirement from coaching soccer. Coach Luzzi was the founding head coach of the Saint Ignatius Boys Soccer Program and also assisted new Head Coach, Ryan Kearns, this past season. Coach Luzzi has numerous accomplishments in his coaching career, in particular, a 2nd place finish in the IHSA State Finals in 2013. Coach Luzzi said, “Coaching has been a big part of my life at Saint Ignatius. Not only was there the regular high school fall season, but also summer leagues, camps, some indoor leagues in the winter. It is not until I am away from it now that I realize fully how much it has meant to me - the time with the players on the field and around school. Among the fondest memories (there are a lot) would have to be the 2013 team and their run to the State Championship game, the 2012 team as the only 20 win boys’ soccer team, the 1998 team for its State Tournament appearance, the first team of 1970. What will I miss? The time with the players - getting to know them not only as students, but as young men.”

On behalf of the entire Ignatius Community, we want to thank Coach Luzzi for his commitment and dedication to Wolfpack athletics for over 45 years!
Once again, all of our IHSA winter and spring sport offerings (boys and girls basketball, boys and girls bowling, co-ed cheerleading, competitive dance, boys swimming and diving, wrestling, Girls Soccer, Boys Volleyball, Softball, Boys Water Polo, Girls Track & Field, Girls Water Polo, Boys Track & Field, Boys Tennis, and Baseball) have been awarded the IHSA All-Academic Award for achieving, as a team, a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher. Last school year, every IHSA team competing at Saint Ignatius captured the All-Academic Award.

This winter, our Co-Ed Cheerleading program and Boys Swimming and Diving qualified for the IHSA State Finals. Swimming was undefeated in the regular season for the first time in school history. This team also captured their 13th consecutive IHSA Sectional Championship and shattered numerous school and meet records this season.

In the Team Dance Illinois Sectional Competition, the team finished in 2nd place in the 2A hip-hop competition, qualifying for the state competition at Northern Illinois University and finishing in 4th place in the 2A hip-hop competition.

Senior hockey player Ryan Willock was the Chicago Catholic League Hockey Player of the Month back in November. Senior wrestlers Sal Curran and Pat Mulkerin were individual IHSA Regional Champions. Next, one student-athlete was named to the ‘first five’ team as one of the top five basketball players in the entire Chicago Catholic League. His amazing half-court shot as time expired against DePaul Prep to gain a share of the Chicago Catholic League North Division Title at Ignatius on Tuesday, February 10th will be remembered always... congratulations to senior Riley Doody.

In swimming and diving, IHSA Sectional champions include junior Reilly Shields in the 200 yard freestyle; freshman Jacob Furlong in the 500 yard freestyle; the 200 yard freestyle relay team of senior Billy Barth, juniors Reilly Shields and Shane Hughes, and freshman Ezra Mizgala; Shane Hughes in the 100 yard breaststroke; and the 400 yard freestyle relay team of Billy Barth, Shane Hughes, Reilly Shields, and Jacob Furlong. And at state for swimming and diving: Receiving All-State recognition for his 11th place finish at the IHSA State Finals in the 50 yard freestyle- senior Billy Barth!

Billy Barth ’15 was one of twenty-six student-athletes out of 800 nominees from around the state to be named to the IHSA All-Academic Team. Billy will be attending the University of Notre Dame and will continue his swimming career for the Fighting Irish.

On the national scene, the following Ignatius swimmers have received All-American recognition:
- Billy Barth - 50 Freestyle / 100 Freestyle
- 200 Free Relay - Reilly Shields, Shane Hughes, Ezra Mizgala, Billy Barth
- 400 Free Relay - Billy Barth, Jacob Furlong, Shane Hughes, Reilly Shields

Boys Basketball

Congratulations to Head Coach Rich Kehoe for being named the Tony Lawless Coach of the Year for the Catholic League North Division. Riley Doody ’15 was named one of only five players in the entire league named to the All-Catholic League Team, while Daniel Ogele ’16 was named to the Catholic League All-Conference Team.

Coaching Awards

Congrats to Head Coach David Stephens - IHSA Sectional Boys Swimming and Diving Coach of the Year and to Head Hockey Coach Joe Gofryd - Coaching Staff for the USA Hockey Deaf National Team and the Billy Ray Coaches Award for the Illinois High School Coach of the Year presented by the Chicago Blackhawks Alumni.
Boys Crew Varsity 2-Bboat
Wins Midwest Championship!

The Wolfpack traveled to Dillon Lake in Nashport, OH to compete against the scholastic teams in the Midwest region for berths to the Scholastic National Championships and the Youth National Championships. Competing in 6 events (Varsity Lightweight 4+, Varsity 4+, Second Varsity 4+, Junior 4+, Varsity 2-, and the Junior 4+) the Pack made the grand finals in 5 out of 6 races! In the finals, the racing was fast and the field was tight. The Varsity Lightweight 4+ of sophomores Zachary Verghees, Thomas Rowland, and Ethan Young, junior Harrison DeWitt, and senior Patrick Metcalfe (coxswain) kicked the day of finals with a blistering fast sprint to win bronze and will be representing Saint Ignatius College Prep at the Scholastic National Championships in Camden, NJ. The Varsity 4+ of seniors Aidan Skelding, Ryan Gallagher, Grant Swanson, Brooks Becker and Sean Kulinski (coxswain) raced in the tightest race of the day to just miss out on qualifying for the Scholastic National Championship by one place. Finally, seniors Aidan Skelding and Ryan Gallagher, racing in the Varsity 2+, took command from the start and never looked back. Winning by open water, they are the Midwest Champions and earned a bid to the Youth National Championships, the elite championship regatta for juniors.

Boys Water Polo

Congrats to the team for their 4th place finish at the IHSA State Finals and to Shane Hughes ’16 (1st Team), Billy Barth ’15 (1st Team), and Gunnar Glaab ’15 (4th Team) all invited to the All-State Team. Hughes and Glaab were previously named to the 1st and 2nd Team All-MCAC respectively, and Hughes (1st Team), Barth (1st Team), and Glaab (2nd Team) were also named to the All-Sectional Team.

Girls Track and Field

Hannah Cohn ‘16 finished 19th in state in the 200 m dash and finished the 400 m dash with an 8th place All-State performance. This was Cohn’s third All-State award in three years. In the 4 x 400 M relay, the team of Busy Brumfield ’18, Abigail Gaughan ’18, Bridget Bendig ’17, and Olivia Meyer ’15 finished 30th in the state.

Boys Tennis Wins Sectional

Congrats to boys tennis for their IHSA Sectional Championship at Brother Rice and to IHSA State Finals qualifiers Crofton Kelly ’15 and David Fox ’16 who won the doubles draw defeating Whitney Young in the finals 6-0,7-5. Bobby Solberg ’17 lost to Lane Tech and came in second place. Kevin Dingens and Eddie Campbell lost to Lane Tech and came in second place. Nick Wilko lost in the quarter finals to Whitney Young. Crofton Kelly ’15, David Fox ’16, Bobby Solberg ’17, Kevin Dingens ’15 and Eddie Campbell ’17 all qualified for the State Tournament.

Girls Track and Field

2015 Girls Water Polo

Led by the Metro Catholic Aquatic Conference Player of the year - Karen Juarez ’15, the girls’ water polo team finished the 2015 season with 25 wins and 2 losses assembling the best regular season record in the program’s history. The Wolfpack also captured their 2nd Metro Catholic Aquatic Conference title in the past five years as well as their 11th IHSA sectional title. The team advanced to the IHSA state tournament for the seventh consecutive year and lost to Stevenson High School in the IHSA state quarter-final game. The loss snapped the Wolfpack’s two year consecutive run of playing in the IHSA State Championship game. Stevenson, the eventual undefeated 2015 state champion is credited with giving the Pack their only two losses this year.

Six members of the wolfpack received accolades for their efforts during the 2015 campaign. Karen Juarez ’15, Jenny Steilnicks ’16, Diana Fernandez ’16, and Stephanie Lopez ’17 received All-Conference, All-Sectional, and All-State team recognition while Tara White ’16 and Nina Mantich ’16 were both named to the All-Sectional team. Brianna Gust ’17 and Emma Dolan ’17 had break out seasons for the Pack and will be looked upon to make major contributions in 2016. Juarez’ 15 joins Nora Kennelly ’07, Katie Steilnicks ’11, and Becky Insalaco ’13 as the fourth player in the program to receive the prestigious Tony Lawless Conference Player of the Year award. Head Coach Mike Cashman was awarded the Metro Catholic Aquatic Conference Coach of the Year award for the third time in five years and received his 11th IHSA sectional coach of the year award by his peers as well.
Football Players Sign Letters of Intent for College

Please join us in congratulating the following students as they sign their letters of intent to play football in college. Nick Gargano/San Diego, Frank Di Leo/Fordham, Lewis Burik/Stanford (walk on), Jim Irwin/Case Western Reserve, Lukas Bobak/Case Western Reserve, John Tucci/John Carroll. Not pictured: Mack Spohnholtz Naval Academy (walk on). Sr. Thomas Aquinas, OP (team chaplain) and Head Coach John O’Connor are also pictured.

Weber ’15 Signs with George Washington University

Andrew Weber has signed a grant-in-aid athletic scholarship agreement to run track and cross country at George Washington University. Attracted to George Washington for its broadcast journalism program, Weber will run for head coach Terry Weir. Weber is a two-time qualifier for the IHSA Illinois State Cross Country championships with his teams in 2013 and 2014, and he was captain of the 2014 team. His best race was his 2014 3A state meet on the historic Detweiller Park course in Peoria where he ran 15 minutes and 02 seconds for three miles to finish 41st and lead the Wolfpack to a 14th place team finish. Weber was a four-year varsity member of the cross country team, and three times he finished all-conference for the Chicago Catholic League, including a third-place individual finish in 2014. In track, Weber finished second in 2014 in the CCL 3200-meter-run, and he was an IHSA state meet qualifier in 2014 in the 3200, running a personal best of 9:31.36 to place second at the Saint Ignatius Sectional. “Andy is a hard worker who leads his teammates by example,” said Ed Ernst, Saint Ignatius cross country and track coach. “He is an athlete who gets everything possible out of his abilities.”

Jennings ’15 Signs with Spring Hill College

Congratulations to John Jennings for signing his letter of intent to play rugby at Spring Hill College in Mobile, AL. John can be seen here with his parents, siblings and grandmother.

Reifert ’15 to Play at Lawrence University

Taylor Reifert is attending and playing soccer for Lawrence University in Appleton, WI. Lawrence University competes in the Midwest Conference and NCAA Div III. He can be seen here with his parents, coach Kearns, Luzzi and Chandler, Fr. Caruso, SJ, and AD Paul Ickes.

Other NCAA announcements

Emma Brennan ’15 will be attending Johns Hopkins University to play basketball next year. Patrick Mulkerin ’15 has signed with the University of Chicago. Mullerin is one of the best wrestlers in the history of Saint Ignatius. He has 95 career wins (5th highest), was the Catholic League champion as a junior, was a four time sectional qualifier, a three time regional champion, and an IHSA State Finals qualifier.
Saint Ignatius College Prep Hosts Immigration Summit

On March 9, 2015, Saint Ignatius College Prep hosted the Illinois Business Immigration Coalition’s “Moving Forward” immigration summit. The event included Archbishop Cupich, Governor Bruce Rauner, Senator Mark Kirk, Congressmen Adam Kinzinger, Bob Dold, and others. This group was joined by the CEOs of Fortune 500 companies and hundreds of Latino and Asian business leaders to discuss sensible immigration reform and to call on Congress to pass immigration reform legislation in 2015.

School President, Fr. Michael Caruso, SJ, said, “It is fitting that the Illinois Business Immigration Coalition met at Saint Ignatius College Prep. In the decade of the Civil War, our school was founded by an immigrant from Holland, Jesuit Father Arnold Damen, SJ, to help immigrants find their way as Americans. The disagreements around immigration in Chicago are not new. Perhaps the greatest challenge is whether we can convince ourselves that, with God’s grace, we do indeed have the intelligence, compassion, and fortitude to see our current situation as an opportunity for growth and strength.”

The immigration summit came on the heels of Saint Ignatius College Prep’s Ash Wednesday Ignatian Values Day. This was a day when both students and adults participated in an interdisciplinary day of study and conversation about this issue that continues to garner major national attention. While there has been considerable debate on both sides of the political aisle as to how to solve the complex question of immigration, the Catholic Church has a long history—rooted in Scripture and developed through the teaching of Popes and Bishops’ conferences—of supporting immigration policies that uphold the inherent dignity of all. Both the Jesuit Conference and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops have supported the recent executive action in support of immigrant families, and have called for further action in support of comprehensive immigration reform.

Students Take Part in March for Life

Many Saint Ignatius students and faculty took part in the March for Life in Washington. January 22, 1973 is ingrained in the minds of pro-life advocates because on that day the Supreme Court made abortion legal throughout the United States through the decisions in Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton. The March for Life began as a small demonstration and rapidly grew to be the largest pro-life event in the world. The peaceful demonstrations that have followed on this somber anniversary every year since 1973 is a witness to the truth concerning the human rights violation of legalized abortion. The Ignatius contingent can be seen at right.
Men and Women for Others - Jesuit Day of Service

Students from the Archdiocese of Chicago’s four Jesuit high schools - Christ the King Jesuit College Prep, Cristo Rey Jesuit High School, Loyola Academy, and Saint Ignatius College Prep - visited 16 service sites during the third annual Jesuit Day of Service in March. This is a day when students from Chicago’s four Jesuit High Schools collaborate on various service projects throughout the city of Chicago. The day began with Mass and student ministers from all four schools represented. The day ended in prayer and reflection over the experience of encountering Christ in service with and for others.

Students Receive Sacraments of Initiation

This past spring, four members of our student body received some or all of the Sacraments of Initiation at Holy Family Parish’s Easter Vigil. Maria Jimenez ’16 and Karina (Kay) Alicea ’15 received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Michael Adeogun ’15 was initiated into full communion with the Catholic Church and received the Sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation. Eleanor (Eli) Boyle ’16 was Baptized into the Catholic Church as well as receiving her First Eucharist and Confirmation.

These students were part of the school’s first efforts to partner with Holy Family Church in providing formation and an opportunity for students to receive the Sacraments. The students had regularly meeting as a group this past school year in preparation. We are grateful for Holy Family’s partnership in this project as these students continue on their faith journey.

Ignatius Teacher, Chuck Thompson, Writes New Book

Give parents a spiritual resource they can use today!

Chuck Thompson, a dynamic speaker and author of Busy and Blessed: 10 Simple Steps for Parents Seeking Peace, is now available to lead an evening or day of reflection at your parish in 2015.

Chuck’s engaging presentation offers practical help on how to live a spiritual life as a busy parent, as well as offering successful tips on sharing your faith with your children. Don’t miss out on this wonderful opportunity for your parish community!

If you are interested, please contact Deacon Chuck directly at (312) 342-3512 or visit www.deaconchuck.com and leave a message. Blessings!

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Retired? Semi-retired? The Ignatian Volunteer Corps May Be For You

The Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) is a national organization of men and women using their skills, talents, and life experiences to touch the lives of the poor and underserved, offering hope and affirming human dignity.

Founded in 1995 by two Jesuit priests, the IVC provides its volunteer members—retired men and women ages 50 and older—the opportunity to engage in direct, hands-on service with the materially poor and to grow in their Christian faith through personal and shared reflection. In 2001, the Chicago IVC Chapter was co-founded by Bill Creed, SJ '56.

IVC Chicago members commit to volunteering in underserved communities 2 days per week (September-June) and participate in a spiritual formation program in the Jesuit tradition including monthly community meetings, individual spiritual reflection, and retreat experiences.

Currently, there are over 50 Chicago members serving at 40 agencies and schools throughout Cook, Lake and DuPage counties. Volunteers serve as tutors and mentors, at food pantries/shelters, in ESL/immigrant ministry, employment programs, hospital and prison ministry, elderly services, with the disabled, and beyond.

The IVC Chicago Chapter includes several Ignatius alumni and parents who continue to seek ways to embody the Jesuit tradition of men and women for others.

Jim Sweany ’66 served for 7 years at Christ the King College Prep and is currently Chairperson of the IVC Regional Council. Jim is also proud parent of Ignatius alums Sean ’03 and Jack ’08.

Chuck Malatta ’63 works with H.O.M.E. (Housing Opportunities and Maintenance for the Elderly).

Lou LaRocco ’63 and Joe Walsh ’62 serve as spiritual reflectors for our volunteers.

Ellen Goldrick, aunt of two current Ignatius students

Alum parents Joan Dixey (Nate ’03) teaches ESL at The Julia Center; John Conniff (Laura ’90) tutors at Catalyst Charter School; Keiren O’Kelly (Hamilton family: Julia ’00, Claire ’97, Nate ’03, Elizabeth Seton ’94) serves at Holy Trinity High School; Don Gimbels (Elizabeth ’97 and Joan ’90) has been companionsing patients with mental illness at Faith and Fellowship for over 10 years; Peter Goschy (Beth ’86) is a longtime (13 years) tutor at San Miguel School; Back of the Yards, Domenica Moroney (Gabriela ’90, Francesca ’98) tutors at Catalyst Charter School and Ellen Goldrick, (aunt to current Goldrick students) works with preschoolers at Vocel.

As we know, the need is great. Consider using your talents to experience making a difference with the Ignatian Volunteer Corps. Please visit www.ivcusa.org/chicago for more information and to register for the next information session. You may also contact IVC Program Associate jfitzgerald@ivcusa.org or 312-961-6206.

St. Peter Claver Society Caps Off Year of Events

Last August kicked off the inaugural “Summer Soiree” to benefit the Peter Claver, SJ Endowment at Saint Ignatius. The endowment was set up in 2001 and all proceeds go to scholarships for African American students at Ignatius. With the generous help of Sheila Harris, Tracey Scrugeos-Yearwood ’83, Gerald McCarthy ’80, Cartrice White Scott ’90, Erin Toole Williams ’87, Valerie Waller ’83, Art Reliford ’72, Alvin Bell Family, Kevin Conway ’64, and Darrell W. Hill ’87 and his wife, Anisha M. McFarland-Hill, the event was a huge success with over $50,000 donated toward the endowment. Will Evans ’73 was honored at the event.

Then on December 30, 2014, supporters of the Claver Society gathered for a holiday event at a restaurant in the south loop. The year’s events concluded on April 30 when Marcia Chatelain ’97, Assistant Professor of History at Georgetown University, visited Ignatius as part of her book tour for her newly released publication, South Side Girls: Growing Up during the Great Migration. She can be seen here with students after her talk in the school library. The St. Peter Claver Society then held an evening reception where Chatelain ’97 spoke about her book.

Finally, the Claver Family Picnic saw over 150 come back to school on August 2.
Dear Generous Benefactors,

For generations, Saint Ignatius College Prep has been committed to the undertaking of educating all students that are qualified to attend. Even families that cannot pay some or all of the tuition are afforded the same opportunities as all other students through the generosity of our donors and the tuition assistance program. It is only through the success of this program that the school can continue its rich tradition of excellence amidst such a diverse, dedicated and deserving student body. We have remained steadfast in this commitment and have provided even more financial aid than ever before.

As we look forward to the 2015-2016 school year, we take this time to reflect on your generosity. Thank you for making it possible to transform the lives of young men and women. Many of you have made gifts of $2,500* or more this past academic year and we would like to continue to acknowledge you by inviting you into the President’s Club. Some of you have made gifts over $5,000* for the 2014-15 year. We would like to acknowledge those individuals with the introduction of the Chairman’s Club at Saint Ignatius.

As members of the Chairman’s and President’s Clubs, beneficiaries will receive the President’s newsletter four times a year in addition to a special recognition in our annual report. With your commitment to the Chairman’s Club, you will be invited to join Father Caruso for Mass and dinner in the spring and for the President’s reception in the fall. With your commitment to the President’s Club, we will invite you to join Father Caruso for the President’s reception in the fall.

We know that without the support of so many wonderful parents, alumni and friends we would not be able to provide the education received by the students of Saint Ignatius every day. The need this year is in excess of $3.5 Million and we cannot thank you enough for your continued support and generosity.

On behalf of all our students, faculty and the administration, thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam,
John J. Chandler, Vice President

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Introducing the Spiritual Exercisers
In an homage to the Spiritual Exercises that St. Ignatius of Loyola composed from 1522-1524, we are excited to announce the creation of the Spiritual Exercisers racing group.

Another Way to Join the Fr. Arnold Damen, S.J. Society

“Hail Ignatius!” Treasure your Saint Ignatius College Prep education? Be a partner in advancing the mission of Saint Ignatius College Prep and create a legacy by joining the Fr. Arnold Damen, S.J. Society.

What is the Fr. Arnold Damen, S.J. Society?
Named after the school’s founder and first president, the Fr. Arnold Damen, S.J. Society honors those who have provided for Saint Ignatius College Prep through a planned gift including life insurance.

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Kull Family Gives in Support of Catholic Education

Saint Ignatius College Prep is blessed to have many generous benefactors who support the mission of the school. One way donors can give to the school is through the creation of scholarship endowments.

Endowments ensure secure, perpetual income for Saint Ignatius College Prep. Money donated to an endowment is invested, and the interest generated is used for the purpose designated by the benefactor, whether it is tuition assistance support for students, programmatic support for faculty, or maintenance support for the school. Many endowments are created in memory or honor of a friend, mentor or loved one, however, they are also established by alumni in the form of class gifts.

We recently reached out to Mr. Corbett Kull to inquire about his scholarship gift to Saint Ignatius.

Q: What is your connection to Saint Ignatius College Prep?
A: Our son just finished his freshman year at the school this year.

Q: Why did you want to donate to the school?
A: We wanted to give back to the school because it has been such a great experience for our son and family.

Q: What will your donation establish?
A: We are establishing the Mary Carolyn Kull Scholarship. Mary Carolyn is my mother who passed away over 20 years ago. She was a strong supporter of Catholic education.

Q: What do you hope will come out of this new scholarship?
A: We would like to help assist other families in being able to send their children to Saint Ignatius.

Kull, seen on left, helped create the technology company, 640 Labs. Its product: a $500 drive that picks up data from farm equipment and beams the info to a smartphone or tablet, geo-tagged by an onboard GPS receiver. Farmers can view the data in real time or download the numbers from the cloud later, to learn, for instance, which locations are getting too much or too little fertilizer. 640 Labs was acquired by the Climate Corporation in December 2014.

Fr. Joseph E. Bowen, SJ ’63 Plaque Dedication

As semester one came to a close this past school year, a large group of family, friends and classmates of Fr. Joseph E. Bowen, SJ gathered at school to dedicate a new plaque in his honor. Fr. Bowen graduated from Saint Ignatius in 1963 and was the school’s 26th President serving from 1975-1981. He received the school’s highest honor, the Dei Gloriam Award in 1981. A special thank you is extended to the following members of the Class of 1963 for their work in establishing the Fr. Joseph E. Bowen, SJ ’63 Memorial Endowment: Michael Berkery, Dr. Joseph Burke, Joseph Hosteny, III, Louis LaRocco, Dr. James McCarthy, Dr. Dean Milos, Thomas Molyneaux, Gerald Noonan, Lawrence O’Brien, Vincent Rangel, Philip Schmidt, Edward Sharna, George Storta, Fr. James Weiss, David Williams and Thomas Zimmermann. If you are interested in donating to Fr. Joseph E. Bowen, SJ ’63 Memorial Endowment, please contact Geoff Hammond ’90 at 312-432-8406 or email geoffrey.hammond@ignatius.org.

Please Join us

Fr. Caruso, SJ and Arij Hlabse.

Tuesday, September 15th
5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Erie Café
536 W. Erie Street (outdoor patio)
We welcome all who are involved in the fields of law, government and/or public interest. This is an opportunity to broaden your legal professional network while enjoying food and drinks with the Saint Ignatius law community!

Pricing (includes soft drinks, beer, wine, call cocktails & heavy hors d’oeuvres)
$50 - Regular Rate
$35 - Public Interest/Government/New Lawyer
$25 - Current Law Society Member
$15 - Alumni Law Student

Law Society Annual Membership Rates
(100% tax deductible donation, does not include ticket to event)
$250 - Annual Membership
$150 - Young Alumni Annual Membership (under the age of 30)
The Saint Ignatius Business Society was reimagined in 2011 to help foster camaraderie for members of the school community who work in the fields of business and finance. The society is open to any alumnus, parent, or friend of Saint Ignatius College Prep that is involved professionally in those fields.

The annual membership fee of $250 is entirely tax deductible and goes toward supporting the school’s Tuition Assistance program. The annual luncheon and other professional development and networking opportunities are also available for members of the Society.

This year’s luncheon will be Friday, November 13, 2015 at the Union League Club of Chicago with an 11:00 a.m. check in, Cash Bar and Networking and 12:00 p.m. Meal and Awards. Registration opens 8.24.15. Visit www.qnatiusalumni.org/BusinessSociety.

This year’s Alumni Award for Excellence in the Field of Business will go to Ms. Marilyn Kelly Gardner ’84. The Award for Excellence in the Field of Business – ChicagoLand will go to Phil and Karen Stefani. The Presidential Award for Distinguished Business Partner will go The UPS Store

Contact christine.cesta@ignatius.org to volunteer on your reunion committee.

Business Luncheon Set for 11/13/15

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Young President’s Club

Xavier Circle ($10,000 to $24,999.99)

- Christine (Topera) Bisler ’99 and her husband Paul Bisler on the birth of their daughter, Erica Lucille on 4.22.15.
- Beth (Cumming) Carney ’01 and Roy Carney ’02 on the birth of their daughter, Margaret Brigid Carney on 3.19.15.
- Jenny Wiley Collins ’93 and her husband Seamus on the birth of their daughter, Grace Anne on 3.6.15.
- Amanda Collins and her husband Rob Merril on the birth of their son, Blaise Merril on 3.19.15.
- Nora (Cumming) Daly ’06 and her husband John on the birth of their daughter, Evelyn on 3.30.15.
- Johnny Duda ’95 and his wife Lindsey on the birth of their daughter, Evelyn, late last year.
- Katie (Cumming) Folkrod ’04 and her husband John on the birth of their daughter, Nora Ann Folkrod on 2.16.15.
- Joe Goldberg ’03 and his wife Erin on the birth of their daughter, Nora Catherine on 12.9.15.
- Robert Kuenzi ’96 and his wife Emily on the birth of their daughter, Eleanor (Nora) Rose Kuenzi on 12.6.14.
- Kelly Wallin ’99 and his wife on the birth of their son, Owen Wallin, on 6.20.14.
- Jeffessa Pascente ’99 and her husband Alexander on the birth of their son, Jeffery Jr. on 5.9.15.

Marquette Circle ($5,000 to $9,999.99)

- Ms. Alexis P. Fasseas ’99 and her husband, Paul Goldrick ’00.
- Ms. Sarah Gonzales Ryan ’15 and Mr. Patrick Ryan.

Campus Circle ($2,500 to $4,999.99)

- Ms. Monique S. Bell ’96 and her husband, Mr. Chris McAllister ’96.
- Dr. Lauren McArdle ’03 and Sergio Lund on their engagement.
- Margaret Miller ’02 and John McKenna ’02 on the birth of their daughter, Margaret McKenna ’02.
- Tim McCarthy ’94 and his wife Julie on the birth of their daughter, Ava Marie on 3.17.15.
- Suzanne (Hogan) McCollum ’03 and her husband Dax on the birth of their son, John “Jack” Patrick on 6.8.15.
- Sean O’Connor and his wife Alison on the birth of their daughter, Nora Margaret on 6.15.15.
- Meghan (Byrne) O’Shea ’03 and her husband Sean on the birth of their son, Reid O’Shea Byrne on 1.21.15.
- Yvonne Pecora ’99 and her husband Adam Burkhardt on the birth of their first child, Hannah Marie.
- Adrienne Bedford Johnson ’98 and her husband Garrett on the birth of their daughter, Charlotte Anne.
- Maria Lettow Sorensen ’95 and her husband Erik on the birth of their twins, Brandon and Sydney, on 11.24.14.
- Kevin Wei “Kevin” and his wife Amanda on their birth of their second son, Owen William, on 6.20.14.
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Carnival Circle ($1,500 to $2,999.99)

- Claire Aronson ’07 and Michael Jakubob on their engagement.
- Cate Berger ’07 and Christopher Daozi ’05 on their engagement.
- Stacy McIngvale ’94 and David Night on their engagement.
- Karen Fratto ’04 and Michael Lacy on their engagement.
- Caitlin Langhan ’07 and Greg Forkins on their marriage on 6.12.15.
- Carolyn Liotta ’08 and Thomas Dammrich II on their engagement.
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Halko ’11 Raising Money for Cancer Research

Sarah Halko is a recent graduate from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She is a young alumna who is living out the Jesuit values she learned at Saint Ignatius. Sarah has chosen to give back by cycling 4000 miles coast-to-coast along with 30 other University of Illinois students in an effort to raise money for cancer research. The team will also interview and document the story of Cancer in America. Below are excerpts from a letter she wrote about her involvement:

As I entered my senior year, I knew I wanted to do something special in closing my college experience and knew I needed to participate in a project that would allow me to give back, and to live out the Jesuit values of “men and women for others”.

I wanted to do something that would allow me to follow those Ignatian values that were instilled in my mind and heart while I was a student at St. Ignatius. Then I discovered Illini 4000. Illini 4000 is a nonprofit, student run organization comprised of about 30 students who make a 70-day bike trek across the united States with the goal of raising money to beat cancer.

The strain I will feel from pedaling all day is nothing compared to the pain of draining chemotherapy courses. The fatigue I will endure getting up at 5:00 am every morning will be nothing compared to the exhaustion of a mother watching as her child endures an unbeatable cancer. The heartache I feel hearing these stories cannot compare to the awful experience of the bad news coming directly from a doctor, who tells you that you are yet another victim who has been stricken with cancer. Although others will receive the material benefits of this ride, I know I also will grow from this journey and the people I encounter along the way and it will change me for the better.

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Congratulations to Bridget Coyne ’05 for being named as one of Forbes “30 Under 30” in the Media category based on her influence with government agencies and their social media use. Coyne currently serves as Manager, Government & Elections at Twitter in Washington, D.C.

A Look Back…

Here’s a recap of some of the events from the second half of the school year. Thank you for coming out to celebrate as a community and for all your support of Saint Ignatius.

Law Society Luncheon – February 27, 2015

On Friday, February 27th, Saint Ignatius College Prep welcomed over 375 alumni, current/former parents and friends of the school who are involved in the field of law to the 34th Annual Law Luncheon at the Union League Club of Chicago. The event began with an hour of networking followed by the luncheon program where the school honored Mr. Michael D. Monico ’65 and Mr. Thomas Chomicz with awards for Excellence in Law.

Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

On February 6, 2015, hundreds turned out to Saint Ignatius for the 2015 Hall of Fame induction. The evening took place in Tully Hall with a catered dinner and reception. Speeches were high as the guests reminisced about the glory days and their athletic achievements. The 2015 inductees included: Mr. Nicholas A. Gallo ’51 (football), Mr. William J. Groble ’84 (soccer/baseball), Ms. Maureen C. McManaman Rooney ’97 (volleyball/basketball), Mrs. Brittany Smith Gottschall ’96 (tennis), and Mr. Timothy C. Smith (deceased) ’74 (track/cross country). If you’d like to nominate someone for the Hall of Fame, please contact Wendy McCarthy ’84 at wendy.mccarthy@ignatius.org or call 312-432-8403.

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Gloriam 2015 – March 21, 2015

Over 750 members of the Saint Ignatius College Prep family gathered at school to raise funds for the Tuition Assistance Program. The generous contributions from those in attendance helped gross over $1 million to support the Tuition Assistance Program at Saint Ignatius. We are grateful for your support!

Fr. Caruso with Redrick Taylor ’06 and his mother, Antoinette.


On Saturday, April 18th, Saint Ignatius welcomed over 500 members and their guests from the Classes of 1990, 1995, 2000 and 2005 back to campus for their 25th, 20th, 15th and 10th reunions. The reunion began with school tours provided by National Honor Society students and Development staff members. At 5pm, the reunion Mass was celebrated by school President, Fr. Michael Canuso, S.J. at Holy Family Church.

After Mass, an awards ceremony was held. The following were presented with an Alumni Medal: Dr. Kathryn Baal ’90, Matt Basil ’90, Amanda Pustay Basil ’90, William Daley ’90, Geoffrey Hammond ’90, Ronny Mark ’90, Richard Moran ’90, Mark Ptacek ’90, Patricia Gilroy Ptacek ’90, Sean Walsh ’90, Patrick Abraham ’95, Catherine Cassidy ’95, Donald Courtight ’95, Kelly Muldoon Graham ’95, Maria Lefkow Sorensen ’95, Dr. Michael Pacold ’95, Martha Pacold ’95, Sarah Gonzales Ryan ’95, Sarah Noonan ’00, Bridget Coyne ’05, Luke Haller ’05, Samuel Jackson, III ’05, Caitlyn Jones ’05, Parker Pearson ’05 and Thomas Tully ’05.

Class of 1945 Gathered for 70th Reunion – April 22, 2015

13 members of the Class of 1945 returned to school last month for their 70th reunion! The day started with Mass, celebrated by Alumni Chaplain, Fr. James Armond, S.J. The alumni were then joined by their family and spouses for a luncheon in the Brunswick Room. The alumni can be seen here before the lunch.
Prom and Post-Prom – May 16-17, 2015

Both events were a huge success this year—highlighted by the great partnership between the school and the parents. Post-prom took place from midnight until 4:00 a.m. back at school and allowed students the chance to play games with classmates, eat pizza, and continue dancing with their friends. Thanks to the teachers and staff who chaperoned the post-prom event and to all the parent committee members. A special thank you is also extended to the parents and friends who donated the many raffle items.

Jubilee Reunion – May 22, 2015

Over 60 alumni turned out for this year’s Jubilee Reunion. The day began with the School’s final Mass of the year, the Mass of Mission and thanksgiving inside Holy Family Church. The group then came to school and enjoyed a luncheon in the Grand Gallery and Brunswick Room. During the luncheon, Joseph Shannon ’39 was presented with the school’s Alumni Award for Excellence in Business.

Alumni Outreach

Coast to Coast

The Development Office also held a number of out-of-town gatherings for alumni and friends: Phoenix in January, Naples, FL in February, Los Angeles (special thanks to Chris Moore ’89 for hosting) and San Francisco (special thanks to John ’55 and Terese Terry for hosting) in March, and finally New York in May.

Women’s Society Dinner

– May 7, 2015

Each year the Women’s Society hosts an annual dinner to celebrate the women of Saint Ignatius College Prep, including alumni, current and past mothers, and friends of the school. The evening included raffles and a wonderful dinner along with the Golden Rose Award presentation to Dorothy Jiganti. Dorothy is the mother of an Ignatius alum and has been a long-time volunteer and supporter of Saint Ignatius. Dorothy is also a founding member of the school’s Board of Regents and played a central role in helping to get this group off the ground. Dorothy is well-known for her charitable works and volunteerism around Chicago, including with Manilac: St. Vincent Family Services. Dorothy’s husband, Jack ’58, is an Ignatius alum and a Life Trustee of the school.

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Golf Outing – June 24, 2015

On Wednesday, June 24th, 2015, over 350 members of the Saint Ignatius community gathered at Cog Hill Golf and Country Club in Lemont for the 29th Annual Golf Classic for tuition assistance. For the third consecutive year, the event brought in over $100,000 for the school’s tuition Assistance Program. We are so grateful to all of the alumni, parents and friends of the school who helped make this event a great success. Please save the date for the 30th Annual Golf Classic on Wednesday, June 22nd, 2016!
Rusians, Shanghai and Saint Ignatius College Prep

Fads in education are nothing new. At the height of the Cold War in the early ‘60s, educational experts, encouraged by the federal government, proposed that more students should be studying Russian. Saint Ignatius, ever on the cutting edge of education, immediately introduced Russian as a language option. A teacher was even available: Fr. Maurice Meyers, S.J.

Fr. Meyers began his life as a Jesuit in the 1930s as most other Jesuits of the Chicago Province. One of his classmates described him as “the joyful, boat-building, trail-blazing, adventure-loving, romantic-realistic-idealistic dreamer and worker.” The then Mr. Meyers also harbored a strong interest in all things Russian. It is no wonder, then, that after the completion of his philosophical studies, Mr. Meyers volunteered for the Russian mission, a special assignment given to the Society of Jesus by Pope Pius XI to prepare priests to win back for Christ that officially atheistic nation.

Off he was to Rome in the fall of 1937 to study Russian, theology and the Byzantine liturgy at the Russian College. After he completed two years of study and was ordained to the diocese, World War II broke out in Europe. Italy was no place for an American, and it appeared that Rev. Mr. Meyers would be returning to the States. He managed, however, to wrangle an assignment to serve as deacon for a Russian Catholic parish in Shanghai, China. Even more propitious was the presence of a Jesuit theologate in Shanghai where he could complete his studies for the priesthood.

Travel to China during the War was perilous, but Mr. Meyers had the personality and gumption to make the arduous journey. He traveled by train and boat, lodging in Jesuit houses. He went from Rome to Belgrade, Serbia, then Sofia, Bulgaria, to Istanbul and Ankara in Turkey and Aleppo, Syria.

He toured the cities of Mosul, Kirkuk and Baghdad in Iraq. In Baghdad, Fr. Meyers received hospitality from the New England Jesuits of the famed Baghdad College. He was also briefly detained by authorities in Baghdad on suspicion of being a German spy! From Baghdad it was on to the port city of Basra to catch a boat to Mumbai, Patna, Calcutta and Madras in India. A typhoon kept the ship tossing at sea for over a day. From Hong Kong, Fr. Meyers traveled five more days to reach Shanghai, where Fr. Meyers tells us in his own words, “…I was home…with the people.”

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18-19  Class of 1965 50th reunion
25  President’s Reception

OCTOBER

NOVEMBER
2  All Souls Day
TBA  Law Society Continuing Legal Education Course
25  Class of 2015 Yearbook Signing Party
25  Class of 2010 Five Year Reunion

Save the Date

President’s Reception
Friday, September 25, 2015

Donors who have given $2,500 or more to Saint Ignatius in annual gifting are members of the President’s Club. This reception is one of the ways the school says thank you for the generous support of these benefactors.

Please see page 30 for more details.

Gloriam 2016
Saturday, March 19, 2016

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