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All Year Long





# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

J.M.J.

Dear Members of the Saint Ignatius College Prep Community,

Fifty years ago last April, I pulled up in front of our school for an interview as a Latin and Greek teacher for the coming school year. While an imposing and somewhat intimidating edifice loomed in front of me, I could not help but see that the campus and the neighborhood might have seen better days. I interviewed with school legends of that era, Fr. John Reilly, S.J., Fr. Keith Esenthaler, S.J., Frank Raispis '45 and Patrick O'Mara '50 – quite a team and I must admit a somewhat daunting experience. The focus on the "Magis" was very clear. As I left, I thought that this dream opportunity was probably far from my grasp. As is the case in our lives, God had plans for my vocation and that was to be a teacher at Saint Ignatius College Prep.

Our cover story recounts the explosive growth in our summer programs. In my early years, the summer program consisted of remediation classes to enable students to receive that "boost" to stay at the school. How far we have come. To see eager young people around daily being taught by members of our excellent staff and interacting with our alumni and current students brings joy to the heart.

Times at Saint Ignatius have changed in many ways. In this issue, you will read about the many accomplishments of the Class of 2024 and achievements of students in the other class years. From the classroom to Formation and Ministry and into athletics and activities, our young women and men enter sometimes as timid freshmen, but leave ready to go out and set the world on fire. You have provided them with the resources to transform in soul, mind and heart. Our dedicated faculty and staff have embraced the Mission of the school, bringing their talents, wisdom and mentoring to each of our students. In a world that remains broken and sadly dark at times, they along with you, enable those in our care to grow in Faith and knowledge. Just as I saw in my early days, the focus on the Magis remains our anchor.

The leadership team and I will be welcoming a number of new teachers and staff in the coming weeks. Our new colleagues will continue to strengthen our Jesuit values and commitment to Catholic education on Roosevelt Road.

As we look forward to another school year, I wish to personally thank Greg Gleason, our Vice President of Finance, who has worked passionately through the years to make sure our financial future is secure. Greg will be "retiring" to Montana to experience a post-Ignatius life. He has been a valued mentor and unparalleled financial manager to five presidents and countless colleagues. Ad multos annos, Greg!

We will welcome 372 incoming freshmen this fall, which will place our enrollment at 1,500 students. Every seat is filled. In an era of declining enrollment, we are blessed to draw such strong interest and commitment from a diverse group of families from throughout the Chicago area. If all is in order with the U.S. State Department, we will welcome four Franciscan Sisters from Kenya into our school community. They will assist in teaching, spiritual direction and campus ministry initiatives. They will reside at the St. Precopius Convent in our neighborhood.

This June, I had the privilege of joining our Trustees on a pilgrimage to the Saint Ignatius sites in Spain, which was led by our Trustee, Fr. Lukas Laniauskas, S.J. While we are familiar with St. Ignatius' life and conversion, it was a powerful experience to actually walk in his footsteps and to understand how what we do 500 years later and a continent away remains for the Great Glory of God.

Should you find yourself in our neighborhood, please feel free to stop in. We are not just a building, a campus or a church. We are a community that continues to work to bring young men and women closer to Christ.

With humble gratitude  
for all that you do.

John J. Chandler  
President



In the classroom — 1974.

## MISSION STATEMENT

Saint Ignatius College Prep, a Jesuit Catholic school in the heart of Chicago, is a diverse community dedicated to educating young men and women for lives of faith, love, service and leadership. Through outstanding teaching and personal formation, the school challenges its talented student body to intellectual excellence, integrity, and life-long learning and growth. Inspired by the gospel of Jesus Christ, this community strives to use God's gifts to promote Catholic social justice for the greater glory of God.

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# 2,055

## Students & Campers

### SUMMER AT 1076 W. ROOSEVELT HAS NEVER BEEN BUSIER

#### A ROBUST PROGRAM OF OFFERINGS

Every May, when another school year comes to an end, a peaceful quiet falls over the campus at Saint Ignatius College Prep. This calm does not last for long. Before you know it, summer camps and classes kick into high gear in early June. This summer we've seen 2,055 students and campers come through our doors. The school's summer programming has grown tremendously over the past two decades. We have expanded our offerings for current students, all the way down to prospective students in 5th through 8th grade who we call our Junior Wolfpack. It is an important outreach to the young people of Chicago. Whether they are interested in global affairs, volleyball, film or beyond, there is a place for every camper with the Wolfpack each summer.

Camps and classes are broken down into a few different categories. One area of programming involves academic classes for current Saint Ignatius students who are on campus for the month of June. Another involves academic classes for junior high students. The rest of the programming consists of two, 3-week sessions—one in June and the other in July. There are also shorter 4-day athletic camps, running Monday to Thursday during the summer.





Saint Ignatius offers a number of academic opportunities, college application supports and leadership development workshops for our current Saint Ignatius students looking to advance their skills and prepare for the future. Students can choose from Algebra II and AP Biology as well as an ACT Preparation class and a College Application workshop. One of the newer offerings is Personal Finance Boot Camp. This class is intended to provide students entering their junior

or senior year with an understanding of key economic transactions. The course is hands-on and provides students with the fundamentals of budgeting, the use of credit, legal issues related to landlord-tenant relationships and succeeding in the workplace (including an understanding of taxes, benefits and workplace culture). The goal of the course is to provide students with tools for managing the next steps in their personal, academic and professional lives.

## CLASS CREDIT DURING THE SUMMER

We have a brand new senior elective credit summer course called Theology: On Holy Ground. This course and travel experience fulfills the senior Theology elective requirement and is a graded course that is included in the student's transcript and calculated into their GPA. This course also counts as the student's senior retreat requirement. On Holy Ground seeks to connect the traditional Catholic spiritual practices of prayer and contemplation with experiences of the beauty of God's creation. Students are prompted to consider the beauty of the natural world as reflections of God's own beauty and goodness. The course also emphasizes the experience of wonder and awe as an experiential gateway to Catholic spirituality and theology. The course culminates in a formative camping and hiking trip. This summer's inaugural trip took students to experience the beauty of California's natural wonders in the Redwoods, Yosemite National Park and Monterey Bay's ocean life.

## SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

Maureen Lonergan '04 is Saint Ignatius College Prep's Assistant Prefect of



Students visiting the Redwood National Park during the On Holy Ground summer course.

Academic Programs and Support. In that role, it is her responsibility to oversee the school's summer programs. She began the job as a co-director with Saint Ignatius counselor, Sean O'Connor, in the summer of 2020. She then took over the summer programs for the 2022 sessions and she's been at the helm ever since.

Lonergan '04 said, "I think one of the best things about our programs is how comprehensive they are. Lots of schools run summer camps but not many have the variety of sports, academic and extracurricular offerings we provide. When you also include our summer internship opportunities, there's really something for everyone. It's great to know that even before students enroll at Saint Ignatius, we offer opportunities for them to experience the intellectual excellence, openness to growth and loving community of the Wolfpack right in the heart of Chicago."

## NEW CLASSES KEEP CAMP FUN

Another exciting new offering is Wolfpack Media camp for students going into 7th and 8th grade. This program is in its second year and includes three, single week-long camp sessions. It's moderated by Saint Ignatius science teacher, Chris Marks, who helped create the school's TV and podcast studios. This summer saw a full roster of 20 students signed up for each of the three weeks.

Week one was all about news broadcasting. Students were able to create an entire TV-style newscast while learning about video cameras, microphones, lighting and teleprompters. The second week looked at sports media and the creation of highlight reels. Campers experienced sports commentary in action and even got to work with the sports practices and athletic camps taking place on



Maureen Lonergan '04 checks a student into camp.

## BY THE NUMBERS

**1,143**

5th to 8th grade students and campers (Junior Wolfpack.)

**2,055**

Total number of students and campers this summer.

**40**

Number of Saint Ignatius faculty & staff teaching or moderating a camp.

**20**

Number of young Saint Ignatius alumni on campus taking part in summer internships.



## CLASS OF 2028

Another big area of summer programs at Saint Ignatius is all the classes, camps and orientation days for incoming freshmen. Facilitated by school administration, faculty members and rising Saint Ignatius seniors, the “Wolfpack Welcome” is a 3-day orientation designed to help the newest members of the student body acclimate to life on campus. Students learn traditions, like the school fight song, meet new classmates and become acquainted with the WOLFPACK schedule, school buildings and their iPads. Incoming freshmen are also now allowed to take credit-earning classes like gym during the summer.



## YEAR-LONG LEARNING

Our school community is blessed to have such a vibrant and active campus all year long. Besides our amazing current students who take part in summer offerings, we are also incredibly fortunate to have so many 5th through 8th graders spend time at Saint Ignatius during the summer months. It is a blessing to have the opportunity to introduce these potential future members of the Wolfpack to our Grad at Grad values. Through outstanding teaching and personal formation, our school challenges its talented students and campers to intellectual excellence, integrity and life-long learning and growth. Our dedication to educating young men and women for lives of faith, love, service and leadership does not happen only during the school year. It is a year-long pursuit that keeps the halls of 1076 West Roosevelt Road full of life and energy.



Marks said, “The goal is to expose students to many different types of media outside the regular social media world of Instagram, TikTok and others. We aim to focus on what students want to work on so the camp becomes sort of a choose-your-own-adventure as the week progresses.”

Other long-standing camps continue to thrive. Enrollment in sports camps is robust and this summer’s Model UN camp had the largest student group ever for a single camp. Camps for chess, Harlequins (theater) and robotics were all filled to capacity just a short time after the registration portals went live.

campus. The third week focused on filmmaking. Students made a commercial for a pretend perfume, a horror film, ads for commercial breaks during news broadcasts and even PSA anti-bullying segments; an idea they came up with on their own.

Scan the QR code to  
see more photos

# 154th Annual Commencement

ON MAY 23, 2024 THE CLASS OF 2024 AND THEIR FAMILIES GATHERED  
INSIDE THE UIC CREDIT UNION 1 ARENA FOR THE 154TH GRADUATION  
COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY.

We congratulate all of the students for their hard work over the past four years. We wish you the best of luck in college and beyond as you go forth and set the world on fire!



Ignatian of the Year – Nana Agyeman '24. (2nd from left)



## END OF YEAR AWARDS

We can confidently say that members of the Class of 2024 have shown us how to live out the Grad at Grad on a daily basis. Please join us in congratulating the following students, including the freshman, sophomore and juniors of the year, for these incredible accomplishments.

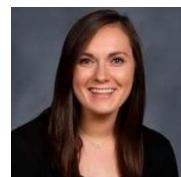
- Giuseppe Castiglione, S.J., Art Award/ Studio Art - **Leona Anne Bergin**
- Bernard A. Foote, S.J., Award for English Achievement - **Edan Joseph Czarobski**
- Daniel A. Lord, S.J., Formation and Ministry Award - **Michael John Marafino**
- Athanasius Kircher, S.J., Award for Computer Science Achievement - **John Miles Waldo**
- Ignatius H. Whitehead, S.J., Award for Latin Language Achievement - **Jack Edward Rankin**
- Matteo Ricci, S.J., Award for Achievement in French - **Sofia Pons Madden**
- Matteo Ricci, S.J., Award for Achievement in Spanish - **Emma Georgia Valencia**
- Matteo Ricci, S.J., Award for Achievement in Chinese - **Matthew Jeffrey Richert**
- Ernest A. Schmidt Award for Achievement in Math - **Gavin Michael Wince**
- Michael J. Sullivan Academic Excellence Award in Mathematics - **Brandon Alexander Mendoza**
- Award for School Culture: Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion - **Natalie So-Young Kim**
- Student Activities Award - **Grace Frances Billows and Anna Marie Kelley**
- Karl Rahner, S.J., Theology Award - **Anne Marie Martinez**
- John B. Esmaker, S.J. - Edward L. Fergus, S.J., Award for Achievement in Science - **Payton Elizabeth Goodwin**
- Hilaire Belloc Award for Achievement in Social Studies - **McKenzie Megan Tomasik**
- Freshman of the Year - **Madison Helen Moorehouse**
- Sophomore of the Year - **Pilar Curran**
- Junior of the Year - **Sally Elizabeth Kennedy**
- James and Genevieve McLaughlin Award for Performing Arts - **Owen Charles Brown**
- Athlete of the Year Awards - **Fiona Quinn Allen and Justin Juree-Lamarr Scott**
- Senior Scholar Award - **Brandon Alexander Mendoza**



Brandon Mendoza '24 gives the Senior Scholar address.

- Ignatian of the Year Award - **Nana Opuku Agyeman**
- Jesuit Schools Network Awards - **Edan Joseph Czarobski and Emma Woods Swanson**
- Raymond T. Grant, S.J. Educator of the Year Award - **Ms. Annie Hipple**

Congratulations to Ms. Hipple and all the student award winners! Congratulations to the Class of 2024! Ite Inflammate Omnia!



Ms. Annie Hipple – Educator of the Year.

The Class of 2024 was kind enough to stick around for a quick photo (wearing their college shirts) after this year's graduation practice in the Gentile '42 Gym.



# CLASS OF 2024

## FINAL COLLEGE REPORT

The number listed after the name of each school is the total number of Saint Ignatius College Prep graduates who enrolled in the Fall of 2024.



- Arizona State University (1)
- Arrupe College of Loyola (2)
- Ave Maria University (1)
- Boston College (15)
- Boston University (2)
- Case Western Reserve Uni (1)
- Chapman University (1)
- Clemson University (1)
- Colby College (1)
- College for Creative Studies (1)
- College of Charleston (1)
- College of the Holy Cross (7)
- Columbia Uni New York (2)
- Cornell University (3)
- Creighton University (1)
- Davidson College (1)
- Denison University (2)
- DePaul University (5)
- Dominican University (1)
- Elon University (1)
- Fairfield University (1)
- Florida State University (1)
- Fordham University (3)
- Georgetown University (4)
- Georgia Institute of Tech (1)
- Gonzaga University (1)
- Grinnell College (2)
- Harry S. Truman College (1)
- Harvard University (1)
- Haverford College (1)
- Illinois Wesleyan University (1)
- Indiana Uni-Bloomington (12)
- John Carroll University (3)
- Kenyon College (1)
- Knox College (1)
- Lewis University (1)
- Long Island University (1)
- Loyola University Chicago (7)
- Marquette University (16)
- Marymount Manhattan College (1)
- Massachusetts Institute of Tech (1)
- Miami University-Oxford (6)
- Michigan State University (4)
- New York University (2)
- North Central College (1)
- Northeastern University (2)
- Northwestern University (10)
- Pennsylvania State University (1)
- Pepperdine University (1)
- Pratt Institute (1)
- Purdue University (7)
- Rochester Institute of Tech (1)
- Rutgers University (1)
- Saint Mary's College (1)
- San Diego State University (1)
- Santa Clara University (2)
- Savannah College of Art & Design (1)
- Scripps College (1)
- Southern Methodist University (2)
- Spelman College (1)
- Syracuse University (1)
- Texas Christian University (9)
- The University of Alabama (1)
- The Ohio State University (1)
- The University of Tampa (3)
- Thomas Jefferson University (1)
- Tufts University (1)
- Tulane University of Louisiana (1)
- Union College - NY (1)
- University College Cork (1)
- University of Arizona (1)
- Uni of California-Berkeley (1)
- Uni of California-Los Angeles (1)
- Uni of California-Santa Barbara (1)
- University of Chicago (6)
- University of Colorado Boulder (1)
- University of Dayton (1)
- University of Denver (1)
- University of Georgia (3)
- Uni of IL at Urbana-Champaign (30)
- University of Illinois Chicago (5)
- University of Iowa (7)
- University of Kentucky (1)
- University of Mary (1)
- University of Maryland (1)
- University of Miami (11)
- University of Michigan (15)
- University of Mississippi (3)
- University of Nebraska (1)
- University of Nevada (1)
- University of New Hampshire (2)
- University of Notre Dame (12)
- University of Oregon (1)
- University of Pittsburgh (1)
- University of Portland (1)
- University of Richmond (2)
- University of San Diego (1)
- University of San Francisco (2)
- University of South Carolina (1)
- Uni of Southern California (4)
- University of Tennessee (1)
- University of Vermont (2)
- University of Virginia (2)
- University of Washington (1)
- University of Wisconsin (27)
- Wake Forest University (3)
- Washington and Lee University (1)
- Washington Uni in St Louis (2)
- Yale University (2)
- Gap Year (1)
- Undecided (2)

## SAINT IGNATIUS MATRICULATION, CLASS OF 2024



**341**  
Students

### STATISTICS FOR THE CLASS OF 2024

Pursued a Gap Year: >1%

Undecided as of 06/13/24: >1%

99% Attended 4 Year School in US

21%

79%

Attended College In-State

Attended College Out-of-State



Attended  
Jesuit  
Colleges



Attended  
Catholic  
Colleges



Attended  
Public  
Colleges



Attended  
Private  
Colleges

## National Merit Finalists

We recently received word that Saint Ignatius College Prep students Niklas Swanson, Brandon Mendoza, Carlo Hague, Maya Kappe and Gabrielle Williams - all from the Class of 2024 - met the requirements to advance to finalist standing in the National Merit Scholarship competition. Congratulations on achieving this incredible accomplishment! The students can be seen here with Director of College Counseling, Kurt Schmidt.



## Years of Service Milestones

Please join us in congratulating the following faculty and staff for reaching the following milestones of service to Saint Ignatius College Prep.

**5 years:** Kristin Kalal, Ray Lewis '13, Antonio Mota, Jules Peak, Mike Sprehe and Mark Tilkes.



**10 years:** Jen Boka, Bohdan Datsko, Rene Gomez, Will Jones, Megan Kennedy '91, Bogdan Koziol, Jerry Lopez, Wendy McCarthy '84, Michael McKeon and Rachel Turkowski.



**15 years:** Beth Carney '01, Peter Corrigan, Miriam Leung and Maureen Lonergan '04.



**25 years:** Steve Lord, Hilda Sandoval, Mary Ellen Schneider and Frank Soto.

**40 years:** Tony Rosinia '84.

**55 Years:** Jim Luzzi '65.

# Greg Gleason Announces Retirement

**R**ecently, at an Executive Committee meeting of the Board of Trustees of Saint Ignatius College Prep, Greg Gleason, CFO and Vice President of Finance for the school announced he would be retiring this coming October. For many of us who have worked alongside Greg, this will be a bittersweet moment. He has served our Mission as a consummate professional. He has guided us through three major economic upheavals and created systems to ensure our future financial stability. Words on paper cannot begin to capture my gratitude and how Saint Ignatius has benefitted from his good work -- work that began when he promised Fr. Rowe, S.J., that he'd stay for at least three years. His more than 30 years here are a testament to the fact he more than kept his word.

Greg's retirement is well-earned. He came to Saint Ignatius as a 26-year-old with an MBA, already having worked in the aerospace industry on the F-16 project, and with a high profile video duplication company. Greg has been a steady, unflappable presence through multiple administrations. In a climate where many schools have failed, Saint Ignatius has succeeded, in large part because of Greg's knowledge, tenacity and leadership.

If you've ever had a conversation with him, you know Greg loves flying his plane to Montana, the primary focus of his free time. When he talks about the wide open spaces, the mountains and the wildlife there, his face lights up. So you can understand why he and the lovely Karen, along with their two dogs, Bullet the hound and Mocha the chocolate lab, will be making Montana their primary home. Greg will also be spending some time in Central Illinois running a farm with his brother, Chris. Life will be as full as it's been, just in a different way.



Greg says his time with the Wolfpack has been the most fulfilling experience of his life "because of the people, the kids and how we've moved this institution forward..." Greg's going to miss this place, but thanks to technology, no one's ever really far. You can email him at [gleason.greg@gmail.com](mailto:gleason.greg@gmail.com).

Let us all join in thanking Greg for his servant leadership, and his focus on the *cura personalis* of all of us. Montana will be a beautiful next chapter.

In humble thanksgiving,

John J. Chandler  
President

## Borg Wins Master Teacher Award

The Board of the Mathematics Teachers' Association (MTA) of Chicago and Vicinity wish to thank those who supported the nomination of Saint Ignatius math teacher, Kathryn Borg, in the selection process for the Brother George Wagner Master Teacher Award.

Teacher. The nomination committee was most impressed with the heartfelt and enthusiastic praise that was expressed in the nomination letter and form that was received.

The members of the Board of the MTA were grateful to Ignatius Math Department chair, Sheila Walsh '10, who gave them the opportunity to read about some of the wonderful things that Mrs. Borg does at our school. She is truly deserving of the Brother George Wagner Master Teacher Award!



## WORLDS!

Saint Ignatius College Prep's Robotics Team, WolfByte, competed in the 2024 FRC World Championship on April 17-20. They showcased their talents in the Galileo Division for the world to see. Go Wolfpack!



## New Director Hired for School Counseling

Saint Ignatius College Prep is thrilled to welcome Ms. Megan Honeycutt as our new Director of School Counseling. Ms. Honeycutt's career as an educator and school social worker has taken her across the midwest and around the world. She completed her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio and her Masters of Social Work from The Ohio State University. She has served as a School Counselor at various K-12 institutions in Illinois and Ohio. Ms. Honeycutt is returning to Chicago after two years as an Adjunct Professor of Social Work at the University of Maryland Global Campus in Kaiserslautern, Germany.

Ms. Honeycutt will lead our team of school counselors and our school therapist. School counselors support students by serving as a resource through their academic career and attending to their mental health and well-being. "Our doors are open," Ms. Honeycutt said, "to meet the students where they are and support their emotional and mental health development."

Ms. Honeycutt and the team of counselors fulfill a crucial part of Ignatian spirituality - care for the whole person. "We all believe in *cura personalis*," Ms. Honeycutt shared, "That means meeting the needs of every part of a student's life, from their academic workload to their emotional well-being." Ms. Honeycutt looks forward to supporting Ignatius' students in mind, soul and spirit starting this school year.



# Dr. John Igwebuike

## Tapped For TEDx Talk

**I**t all began with a request – one that made Dr. John G. Igwebuike chuckle.

He said, “Note the irony in the question, ‘Would you like to do a TEDx Talk on listening?’”

The Saint Ignatius College Prep Director of School Culture - Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and founder of Guanacaste: The Transformational Listening Conference, was “all in.” His presentation this spring followed much preparation that commenced when Dr. Juana Mendenhall, a professor of physical sciences at Morehouse College, invited him to speak. She heard Dr. John, as he is affectionately known on the Ignatius campus, give a talk at a “Soft Skills for STEM” workshop about the importance of soft skills and listening. Mendenhall, who holds a license at Morehouse to host TEDx Talks, invited Dr. John to join their conversation which featured multiple speakers. His gift to the discussion: the idea that active listening takes T-I-M-E. You have to **T**une in, **I**nteract to increase understanding, **M**ake a deeper human connection and **E**nhance the relationship.

This was Dr. John’s first TEDx Talk, and, like the art, skill, and practice of becoming a great listener – it was an educational journey. The objective of a TEDx Talk is to bring in an individual who is an expert in their field, and have them boil down their expertise, thought leadership and key ideas into a 12-to-18-minute speech.

“It was an interesting experience,” said Dr. John, “It was a presentation like none I’d ever given. I had a speaking coach, and I formed a wonderful rapport with Coach Carmen.”

The buildup to the talk included 10 Zoom coaching sessions to prepare and practice. Most speeches don’t typically come with camera coverage – this one did. It was a three-camera shoot with an audience of about 150 people.

Dr. John said, “I was nervous in the sense I’d never done a TEDx Talk.”



He represented each letter in his T-I-M-E initialism, with a personal vignette that illustrated how he became a better listener by taking the time to learn from communication misperceptions, missteps and mistakes.

It was his goal to convey that listening is one of the greatest skills rarely taught, but that with discipline, effort and practice over time, you can develop your listening capacity.

“My speech was about facilitating the process of becoming a better listener to ourselves, our loved ones and our fellow human beings,” said Dr. John, “It takes grace, compassion, and the precious gift of our time.”

If you’d like to listen to Dr. John’s TEDx Talk, it’s coming soon. We will post the information on our Saint Ignatius social platforms when we get it.

# Our Students, The Muralists!

For weeks, a group of Saint Ignatius College Prep students took a walk after school down Taylor Street to a garden in the city. Their goal was simple: to use their talent to leave something beautiful in the community we all call home.

Their project, which bloomed this spring, began with Fine Arts teacher Emily Steffen. She is a volunteer with Taylor Street Farms, an urban garden and collaborative community. Its mission includes growing produce for families who are food insecure -- good work for others, that was about to come back to them.

Turns out, the garden has a tool shed that needed a makeover. The Saint Ignatius Art Club made the small structure their canvas, drawing a garden-themed picture including bees because Taylor Street Farms is also a bee sanctuary. Leona Bergin '24, who started the Art Club on campus, was excited to found the group and be a part of the project.

"Starting the Art Club was really exciting. It showed me that I can genuinely make a difference within my school if I have an idea and others to help," said Bergin, "My club mates and I created a piece of art that we hope will bring joy to the Chicago community even after we have graduated. That has been a great honor!"

It seems like it was great fun, too. Brush stroke, by brush stroke, the mural came to life. We watched as students painted in the sketched picture on one sunny May day. Elsie Fernandez '26 said, "I honestly love the peace of painting, the feeling it brings and just being able to work on the mural with the whole entire club."

Fine Arts teacher Teegan Ness loved how the mural introduced something students can't get in a classroom.

"They're learning a new skill. Painting on a giant wall is a difficult thing. Following a pattern we've traced makes it hard to put the puzzle pieces together sometimes. They are learning how to do something we couldn't achieve in the classroom setting, where we couldn't work at this large of a scale," said Ness.



Ms. Steffen working on the Taylor Street Farms mural.



Leona '24 and Delia '27 Bergin pose in front of the mural.



Ms. Ness instructs a student.

She and Ms. Steffen watched the students work with pride - especially because the project helped them live Saint Ignatius College Prep's values.

"I love that there is an imprint of Ignatius here at the Farm, and I think the Farm exemplifies being a Person for Others," said Steffen, "A lot of the plots you see on the Farm have vegetables that are grown for families in need and are donated. It's just a nice place to show our Jesuit values and also contribute to a community that we feel exemplifies those values as well."

If you'd like to check out the students' finished mural, just go to Taylor Street Farms at Taylor and Ada (it's right behind a Chicago Public Library branch). You're in for a treat!

# We Salute Our French Scholars!

Mr. Jouhet's French 1 Honors and Madame Guzik's French 3 Honors participated in the Grand Concours (National French Contest) this past spring. The Grand Concours is one of the toughest exams one can take in French, and getting recognized is a tremendous achievement. We are very proud of them. Here are our results.

## FROM MR. JOUHET'S FRENCH 1 HONORS CLASS:

- 1 Gold Medal- (95-100th Percentile)- Katherine Gillespie '24
- 1 Bronze Medal- (84th-75th Percentile)- Suhayla Patel '27
- 3 Honorable Mentions (74th-50th Percentile)- Brendan Houlihan '27, Lucy Lippert '27, and Lyla Murphy '27

## FROM MADAME GUZIK'S FRENCH 3 HONORS CLASSES:

- 2 Silver Medals (94th-85th Percentile)-Julia Kipp '26 and Sally Novy '25
- 5 Bronze Medals (84th-75th Percentile)-Merrill Barton '25, Maeve Griffin '25, Marty Junkins '25, Yulia Krylov '26, and Rohin Patel '26
- 14 Mention Honorable (74th-50th Percentile)-Jack Anderson '26, Will Atwood '26, Clothilde Boyle '26, Kristian Cybul '25, Reagan Dobell '25, Teddy Flynn '26, Ilde Pons Grau '26, Emma Hurley '25, Violette Marquiis '24, Melson Ngassa '26, Andres Sanchez '25, Cate Schmiedeler '25, Olivia Skizas '25, and Samantha Steinhofer '25



# Collaborative and Competitive

Saint Ignatius College Prep hosted more than 100 students from four states at the second annual Saint Ignatius Ethics Bowl Conference this past spring. Teacher and moderator, Nate McPherson wrote, "Students shared in collaborative dialogue on some of the most pressing social topics of our era. Teams competed in matches judged by Saint Ignatius parents, students and alums. In the end, Pleasant Valley, Iowa won the conference and the Wolfpack team finished a close second."



# Grateful To Be In The Spotlight

Many thanks to Cambridge Associates for shining a light on Saint Ignatius College Prep's 150 year commitment to changing lives...and how Emerging Managers are part of the effort. We hope you'll take a few moments to read the article about the alignment of our financial portfolio with our Mission, our growth targets and how we're elevating our Mission for the students of the future.

## CAMBRIDGE ASSOCIATES CLIENT SPOTLIGHT

By Cambridge Associates

### MEET SAINT IGNATIUS

Meet Saint Ignatius College Prep, a coed Jesuit Catholic school in the heart of Chicago that strives to provide a diverse student body with a high-quality—and financially accessible—education. The goal of school administration, faculty, and staff members is to produce well-rounded, service-oriented leaders of tomorrow. And they are on a mission to make their education affordable to anyone who qualifies. In the 2022–2023 school year, Saint Ignatius provided more than \$6 million dollars in tuition assistance to students who would not otherwise be able to afford tuition. In doing so, Saint Ignatius College Prep continues to build on a more than 150-year tradition of changing lives.

As Saint Ignatius embarked on planning for the next 150 years, the Endowment Committee, with strong support from the Board and executive staff, decided they had a real opportunity—and an obligation—to elevate their performance and impact by investing with top-tier diverse managers. Their thesis was that expanding opportunities for up-and-coming managers could unlock outperformance through increased competition and the agility often exhibited by smaller firms pioneering innovative investment strategies. Performance has always been the endowment's foremost objective, enabling the school to maximize the financial aid available to students, keep tuition costs low, and attract and retain high-quality teachers. However, the Endowment



Committee believed broadening emerging manager participation would augment long-term returns.

The Endowment Committee's experience led them to conclude that there were managers who were being overlooked but possessed the grit and determination to outperform. They often witnessed the same unmatched work ethic and drive to succeed among many of their own students, a third of whom came from diverse backgrounds. Their approach aligned both with the mission of the school and with its philosophy of preparing students for lives of faith, love, service, and leadership.

The Endowment Committee worked to create a policy specific to Emerging Managers to add to the Investment Policy Statement. This important step provided guidelines for how to increase opportunities for top-performing diverse managers by making their process more equitable, while still maintaining the same rigorous performance standards. The policy focused on allocating capital to firms that are at least 51% owned by women or people of color (POC). Once complete, Saint Ignatius became the first Catholic institution in the country to implement an Emerging Manager Policy for their endowment.

In 2022, Saint Ignatius partnered closely with Cambridge Associates (CA), their lead advisor since 2021, to increase their

exposure to top rated diverse managers, particularly in private investments. They leaned on CA's diverse manager research capabilities and together, the Endowment Committee and their CA investment team worked together to re-assess most of the portfolio across each asset class. This process included changing the asset allocation policy to accommodate a greater allocation to private investments with an emphasis on performance and inclusivity.

In March 2023, one year into making significant changes to their manager lineup, CA led what is now the annual emerging manager diversity review process for Saint Ignatius. They reported that 31% of the Long-Term Investment Portfolio (LTIP) was allocated to emerging managers (defined as 51% or more ownership by women and/or POC). An additional 11% was allocated to majority diverse-led firms and strategies (defined as 50% or more leadership by women or POC), and 29% was allocated to significantly diverse firms and strategies (defined as 33% or more ownership or leadership by women or POC)—and as a result, a total of 71% of the LTIP was allocated to diverse managers. And most importantly, the portfolio generated competitive returns that outperformed their benchmark, allowing Saint Ignatius to expand educational access to students who might not otherwise be able to afford it.

### LESSONS LEARNED

Here are five things Saint Ignatius has learned from implementing an emerging manager policy:

### GAIN SUPPORT

The Endowment Committee knew it was imperative to earn support from all corners of the organization before implementing a diverse manager strategy—this included the President, executive staff, and the Board. The Endowment Committee built a strong case, with performance as the cornerstone, to highlight the benefits of investing with diverse managers, both from a mission-alignment perspective and as a way to generate outperformance. Once the

*“Diversity at Saint Ignatius College Prep is a core principle that dates back to our founding with Fr. Arnold J. Damen, S.J. We have always reflected the various ethnic, economic and neighborhood groups within the city of Chicago. It’s very important for our young men and women to see people like themselves achieving, succeeding, and coming closer to Christ.”*

John Chandler, President

Board, Committee, and Staff were aligned, they could move forward in developing a strategy.

### AGREE ON STRATEGY

The Endowment Committee and Board decided they needed to create a dedicated Emerging Manager Policy to add to the Investment Policy Statement. This became the road map that guided their investment decisions and outlined exactly how they should engage with diverse managers. The Endowment Committee and Board also agreed to define an emerging manager as 51% ownership by women or people of color—higher than the 33% threshold used by many. These specific guidelines helped to ensure that they were allocating their capital in a way that reflected their goals.

### DON'T JUST "CHECK THE BOX"

In partnership with CA, Saint Ignatius made the decision to measure diversity across additional dimensions, beyond firm ownership, to promote greater diversity throughout the entire investment management industry. When they evaluate managers, they now assess the diversity of firm and strategy leadership to incentivize large firms to attract, promote, and retain diverse investment talent. In addition to majority diverse firms, they also measure significant diversity (33%+ diverse firms/strategies), which allows diverse founders to monetize wealth, transition ownership to the next generation, and/or support firm growth by seeking outside investors.

### EVALUATE AND ADJUST

Saint Ignatius, in partnership with CA, measures and regularly assesses whether

they are meeting the objectives of their Emerging Manager Policy, which includes a comprehensive annual review of their progress. While early results support their thesis that investing with diverse managers can lead to outperformance, they have set ambitious growth targets and the Endowment Committee remains highly engaged in the oversight of the portfolio, ensuring its success when measured against benchmarks.

### THINK BIG

This is just the beginning for Saint Ignatius. They are not only focused on aligning their portfolio with their mission, but they have developed a long-term strategic plan to create enough tuition support so every student in Greater Chicago, regardless of economic background, can access the high-quality, Jesuit values-based education they provide. They are committed to boldly pursuing all opportunities to elevate their mission for future generations. And they hope that being the first Catholic institution in the country to successfully implement an Emerging Manager Policy will inspire other similar organizations to follow suit. It's a lofty goal, but one they're working towards from multiple angles.



# Eastman Inducted Into Hall of Fame

Assistant Athletic Director and Assistant Girls & Boys Volleyball Coach, Erik Eastman, was inducted into the Girls Catholic Athletic Conference Hall of Fame Hall this past spring. Coach Eastman has been part of the varsity girls volleyball program for 18 years, acting as head coach for 16 seasons. He helped lead the Wolfpack to a 2012 GCAC Red Championship, 11 IHSA Regional Championships, 4 IHSA Sweet 16 appearances, an IHSA Sectional Championship, an IHSA Super Sectional Championship and a 3rd Place finish at the IHSA State Finals.

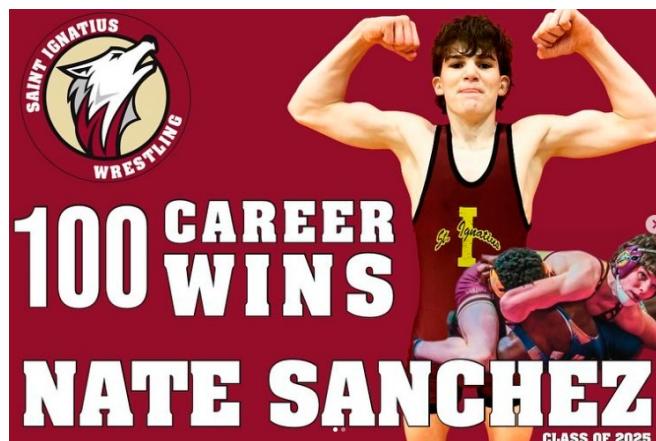
Coach Eastman has also been part of the Saint Ignatius Boys volleyball program for 16 years. He helped the Wolfpack win four Chicago Catholic League titles, 10 IHSA Regional titles, four IHSA Sweet 16 appearances, an IHSA Sectional title and an Elite Eight appearance at the 2022 IHSA State Finals. His 126 wins as head coach of the boys program make him the winningest coach in program history.

Reflecting on his time as a coach at Saint Ignatius, Eastman said "I would like to thank all of the assistant and head coaches I have worked with along with all of the athletic department colleagues who have supported me over the years but I would mostly like to thank my family, especially my wife Donna, son Michael and daughter Sydney. They sacrificed for me to pursue my love of volleyball. They got the highs of the wins and the agony of the defeats! I was trying to make them proud of me!"



## Mat Skills!

The Saint Ignatius College Prep Wrestling Team is celebrating 100 career wins for Nate Sanchez '25. He's only the third wrestler in school history to hit that bar!! Congratulations, Nate!



## WOLFPACK TAKE HOME TEAM ACADEMIC AWARDS

Each of the following Spring programs has won the IHSA Team Academic Award for the 2023 season for maintaining a cumulative GPA of over 3.0. Congratulations to the following programs for their success in the classroom, as well as on the fields, on the courts and in the water.

- Boys Volleyball – 3.69
- Girls Water Polo – 3.72
- Boys Water Polo – 3.76
- Girls Track & Field – 3.80
- Boys Track & Field – 3.71
- Boys Tennis – 3.70
- Girls Soccer – 3.73
- Softball – 3.86
- Girls Lacrosse – 3.82
- Boys Lacrosse – 3.56
- Baseball – 3.59

# An Incredible Day For One Wolfpack Athlete

**H**ave you ever felt as if you lived multiple days in one? Connor Gunderson '27 likely would tell you "YES!"

Consider how February 2nd played out for the student-athlete.

He started the day at school before he got on a bus and traveled more than 100 miles to Bloomington, Illinois.

When he got there, the freshman with the deep gymnastics background competed with the Saint Ignatius College Prep Cheer Team which was there for State.

Flipping and twisting, Gunderson left his best on the floor, then hit the road again with his folks, traveling another 100 plus miles back to the Chicago area to bring more of his best to an altogether different competition. That's right, Gunderson was set to represent the Wolfpack at the Metro Catholic Aquatic Conference competition in diving.

And here's the really impressive outcome: After literally going the distance to be at both events, and being part of the 23rd place finish at State with the cheer team, Gunderson won the diving contest.

Saint Ignatius College Prep Athletic Director Mike Hurley '07 called it a "really special story that highlights an extraordinary work ethic, dedication and commitment" to compete at a high level across multiple sports.

"Competing at the IHSA State Finals on Friday afternoon with his teammates in Bloomington, then returning to join his swimming and diving team...and winning the diving championship, is just an incredible feat that we have not seen," said Hurley.

Juggling the demands of two sports, in addition to the rigorous academics at Saint Ignatius, prepared the freshman for that challenging day - one he didn't imagine was possible when he was working to get on the teams.

"I wasn't expecting to make it on the varsity team for cheer because I'd never done it. It was a shock that I got on varsity...and with diving, I wasn't expecting to win as many competitions as I did," said Gunderson.

Coaches in both sports chalk up his success to his dedication.

"He takes his role very seriously, and comes to practice looking to improve everyday," said 2023-2024 Head Diving Coach Mike Sprehe, "Connor is one of the most naturally talented kids I've had a chance to coach. He's a very strong competitor."

Proof is in what he's accomplished. He's heading to State in diving as a freshman.



Cheer Team Head Coach Francine Dilay is not surprised.

"His grit, tenacity and determination have truly shown through this season leading to a successful outcome for both sports," said Dilay, "What is extremely impressive, is that he is the only student-athlete at Saint Ignatius College Prep to do two sports within one season and qualify for State for both as a freshman. All of his hard work has paid off, and we are immensely proud of Connor."

Gunderson says the dual-sport, same-season experience has taught him a lot. He shared a couple of the big lessons.

"Don't give up, even if you have a rough day," said Gunderson. He added, "It's good to push yourself because you never know what you're capable of - It's good to see how far you can go and what you can do."



# Sports Briefs

We once again had another successful and memorable year that brought great joy and success to so many at Saint Ignatius. While these facts and figures are a brief glimpse into our accomplishments this year, the true testament to our great work was the education-based Mission we strive to incorporate into each of our teams and programs. With the important life lessons of hard work and teamwork, we strive to educate all of our student-athletes. We help promote an incredible extension of our school mission and we create lifelong memories and experiences for our student-athletes to hold and cherish. Other important highlights from the season include (but are certainly not limited to):

## TEAM

- Boys Cross Country - IHSA State 6th Place
- Girls Cross Country - IHSA State Finalist (3rd Place)
- Football - IHSA 8A State Quarterfinals (top-8)
- Girls Swimming & Diving - IHSA State 9th Place
- Girls Volleyball - IHSA State Finalist (3rd Place)
- Hockey - AHAI Final Four
- Boys Swimming & Diving - IHSA State 4th Place
- Boys Lacrosse - IHSA State Finalist (3rd Place)
- Boys Rowing - SRAA National Champions
- Sailing - MISSA Illinois State Champions
- Girls Water Polo - IHSA State Quarterfinals (top-8)

## INDIVIDUAL

- Clara Chough '26 (Girls Golf) - IHSA State Qualifier
- Jimmy Snyder '26 (Boys Golf) - IHSA State Qualifier
- Giancarla Garduno '27 (Girls Wrestling) - IHSA State Qualifier
- Marko Nikolic '24 (Boys Tennis) - IHSA State Qualifier
- Matthew Conroy '24, Henry Fink '24, Ethan Petrillo '26 (Boys Track) - IHSA State Qualifiers
- Meghan Semmer '24, Courtney Beatty '26, Emma Valencia '24, Ella Hwang '24, Lizeth Montes '25, Tori Scott '26, Maliyah Miller '24, Annika Swan '26, Chika Ezike '27, Maeve Griffin '25, Gabriella Duque '26, Sophia Mendoza '25 (Girls Track & Field) - IHSA State Qualifiers

## ATHLETICS YEAR IN REVIEW 2023 - 2024

**1,139 STUDENT-ATHLETES**

**371 MULTI-SPORT STUDENT-ATHLETES**

**42 FOUR-YEAR VARSITY STUDENT-ATHLETES**

**28 IHSA TEAM ACADEMIC AWARDS**

**108 ALL-CONFERENCE SELECTIONS**

**353 ALL-CONFERENCE ACADEMIC SELECTIONS**

**8 CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**7 IHSA REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**7 IHSA SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**2 IHSA SUPER-SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**9 IHSA TOP-10 STATE FINISHES**

**24 IHSA INDIVIDUAL STATE QUALIFIERS**

**SAILING STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**

**BOYS ROWING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

**#PACKPRIDE**

# National Letter of Intent Signings

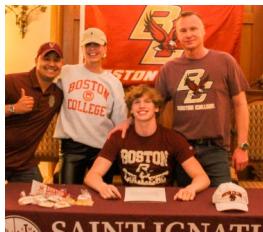
Please join us in congratulating the following students who have signed on to continue their academic and athletic careers in college this fall.



**Tom Anderson '24**  
signed his letter of intent for football at Georgetown University.



**Aaron Grgurovic '24** will be swimming at Cornell University.



**Peter Nolan '24** will be swimming at Boston College.



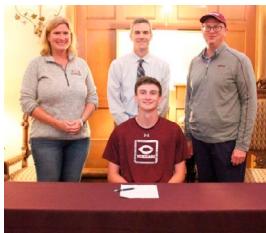
**Stephen Grud '24** will be swimming at the University of Pittsburgh.



**Izzy Joves '24** is headed to the University of Michigan and will be joining their dance team.



**Danny Johnson '24**  
is headed to Illinois Wesleyan University for baseball.



**Matt Richert '24** will be playing baseball for the University of Chicago.



**Declan Boyle '24** signed his letter of intent to play football at Case Western Reserve University.



**Matthew Conroy '24,**  
Boys Track & Field,  
University of Illinois.



**Charlie Krasnewich '24,**  
Boys Golf, Washington & Lee University.



**Miles Mann '24,** Boys Lacrosse, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



**Richard Moran '24,** Boys Lacrosse, John Carroll University.



**Reggie Ray '24,** Boys Basketball, North Central College.



**Frankie Urtis '24,** Girls Lacrosse, Rutgers University.



**Leona Bergin '24,** Girls Cross Country & Track and Field, Pratt Institute.



# *A Celebration of Vision*

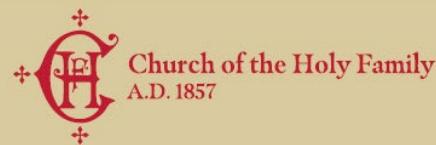
*We invite you to complete  
a Journey with us!*

Please join us as we honor  
the Solemnity of St. Ignatius.

Wednesday, July 31, 2024

5:30 p.m.	Mass at Church of the Holy Family
6:30 p.m.	Dedication of Saint Ignatius of Loyola Statue in the Saint Ignatius College Prep Quad
7:00 p.m.	Reception in Saint Ignatius College Prep's Tully Hall

For questions, please contact Andrea Lamacki at  
312-432-8344 or [andrea.lamacki@ignatius.org](mailto:andrea.lamacki@ignatius.org)



*We Have Much to Celebrate on this Special Day!*

## Celebration of the Solemnity

Fr. Damen, S.J. founded Church of the Holy Family in 1857 and Saint Ignatius College Prep in 1869. We invite you to join us for the celebration of the Feast of Saint Ignatius of Loyola at Church of the Holy Family, Chicago's first Jesuit Mission.

## Ignatius 500 – An Ignatian Year

From May 20, 2021 to July 31, 2022, the Society of Jesus and the entire Ignatian family around the world celebrated an Ignatian Year. During this time we remembered the wounding of the founder of the Jesuits, Ignatius of Loyola, at a battle in Pamplona in 1521. That event changed the course of his life and led to the foundation of the Society of Jesus. In honor of these events, we will be unveiling a new statue of Saint Ignatius of Loyola in the quad at Saint Ignatius College Prep.

**Scan here  
to register:**





## A Mass with Extra Special Meaning

Fr. Pierce Gibson, S.J., who taught Latin and Greek and coached girls golf at Saint Ignatius College Prep, was ordained into the priesthood this past July and said his first official Mass at the Church of the Holy Family. "I was grateful to be surrounded by students, parents and colleagues who taught me how to be a Jesuit high school teacher. It is why I want to work in a Jesuit high school."



## IVC Gives Back to the Community

Members of the Saint Ignatius College Prep Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) spent another great evening on Chicago's west side with the children from Off the Street Club. Our students and faculty members head to OTSC on as many "Third Thursdays" as possible during the school year. The goal is to connect with children through projects, athletics, etc. in a safe space they love, where they can be kids.



## First-Class Relic

This spring, our students had the opportunity to learn about and be in the presence of a first-class relic. Fr. Eric Immel, S.J., brought the skull relic of North American martyr, Saint Jean de Brébeuf, S.J., to Church of the Holy Family. Saint Jean de Brébeuf was a 17th-century French missionary among the Huron peoples of what is today Canada. He was known for his ability with languages, his physical strength, his courage and his unwavering faith. He died in 1649, martyred doing his work for the Church.



## Celebrating the Final Vows of Fr. Mark Luedtke, S.J. '86

May 3, 2024 was a special prayerful moment at the Church of the Holy Family. On this First Friday with our Mass of Mission and Thanksgiving, Fr. Mark Luedtke, S.J., '86 professed his final vows in the Society of Jesus. Saint Ignatius College Prep Students, faculty, staff and Fr. Luedtke's family and friends filled the Church for the occasion.

## Men and Women For Others

Alumni from the San Ignacio Society worked with Club ALAS students on their 4th Annual Coat Drive! The goal: To collect and wrap more than 200 winter coats to distribute to children who need them to stay warm. Mission accomplished! Serving others with love.



## Mass for Life

This past winter, a group of 11 Saint Ignatius College Prep students joined other Jesuit schools in prayer at the Ignatian Family Mass for Life in Washington, D.C. Mr. George Doyle wrote, "They affirmed the dignity of all people at the National March for Life. They also learned about building a 'culture of life' at the Cardinal O'Connor Conference, the nation's largest student-run, pro-life conference. They returned to campus energized to share the love of God for all people, especially the most vulnerable."

## Caring For Our Common Home

Cardinal Blase Cupich led the Archdiocese's 3rd Annual Catholic Youth Climate Summit at Mass at the Church of the Holy Family. The Cardinal also joined students from around Chicago at Saint Ignatius College Prep as they gathered for panels and discussions about what actions we can take in our schools and parishes to address the global climate crisis. In a formal conversation following Mass, Cupich said young people hold credibility that older generations lack because of how they have treated the planet, and that can help youth be effective leaders on this issue. Mary Konstorum, one of 15 students representing 12 schools on the summit leadership team, said that type of accountability for harm done to the Earth by older generations was nice to hear. The senior from Saint Ignatius College Prep said it added to feelings of empowerment for the difference her own generation can make in the future. Her peers on the leadership team agreed.



## Superior General Visits Midwest

Arturo Sosa, S.J. is a Venezuelan Catholic priest who serves as the 31st and present Superior General of the Society of Jesus. He was elected by the Society's 36th General Congregation on 14 October 2016, succeeding Adolfo Nicolás. He is the first person born in Latin America to lead the Jesuits.

He recently traveled to Chicago where he met with the directors of the various Jesuit works located in the area. Saint Ignatius College Prep President, John Chandler, and Board Chair, Martin Cabrera, were among those who had the chance to speak with the Superior General. Mr. Chandler said, "It was a privilege for myself and all the directors of the Jesuit works in Chicago to meet with Fr. Sosa, S.J. during his trip to the Midwest. His support of the educational ministries of the UMI Province was evident to everyone in attendance."



# Golden Joins Development Department

We are pleased to announce that Kevin Golden assumed the position of Chief Development Officer on July 22. He will be a key member of our Leadership Team, working to insure best practices are in place that effectively and efficiently advance the Mission of our school. The CDO plays a critical role in stewarding the extraordinary philanthropic support that we have been blessed to receive over the years. Working in partnership with school President, John Chandler, Kevin will implement a multi-level advancement plan that will include parent, alumni, corporate, foundation, endowment, special events and direct engagement efforts.



Kevin has deep ties to Catholic Education, as a graduate of College of the Holy Cross. He also holds advanced degrees in business and theology from Loyola University. His Father was an alum from the class of 1971. He understands the development needs of a Catholic mission-oriented organization having most recently served at Chicago's Saint Patrick High School as the Executive Vice-President focusing on development, admissions and finance. Prior to his return to the not-for-profit world, he spent more than a decade as director of major accounts at UNUM US and USI Insurance Services. Kevin is also actively involved in the Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House in Barrington.

School President, John Chandler, said, "I believe that with Kevin's leadership, we will continue to strengthen and grow our development efforts to support the Mission of Saint Ignatius, especially as we plan for Sodality Hall and Endowment growth goals. He brings to us, not only his professional skills, but most importantly a deep understanding and commitment to our Catholic and Jesuit values, spirituality and identity. He will look forward to meeting you."

## Transitus: Connecting Our School and Church

The word "transitus" comes from the Latin, meaning passage or crossing. This summer, we are excited to provide an update on our very own transitus being constructed here on campus. There is a symbolic importance to this new passageway, both spiritually and physically, as we re-connect Church of the Holy Family and the Saint Ignatius College Prep school building. The new structure is located in the Rice Family Meditation Garden and will reaffirm Fr. Damen's vision of connecting faith and education. Besides allowing students, faculty and other visitors to walk between the school and church without having to go outside, it'll also be a gathering place to pray and meditate. Once completed, the space will also include historical artifacts on display that will help tell the story of the church and school. This project is being worked on in partnership with Fr. Lukas Laniauskas, S.J. who is the President of the church and a Board Member at Saint Ignatius, and through the generosity of Marsh Collin's '59.



# Plans Underway for New Tennis Courts



We are excited to continue with visionary plans to support athletics at Saint Ignatius College Prep with the construction of new tennis courts at 1201 West Maxwell Street.

We are grateful that several benefactors have committed to more than half of the total funds that will be needed to complete this project. Please see our current options for naming rights at the new tennis facility.

#### Naming Opportunities

- Eight Tennis Courts—\$100,000.00 each
- Lighting—\$300,000.00
- Fencing—\$100,000.00
- Entryway—\$150,000.00

For more information, please contact John Chandler at 312-432-8350 or [john.chandler@ignatius.org](mailto:john.chandler@ignatius.org).

Our athletics footprint is evolving and expanding. We are excited to begin construction of these new tennis court facilities on purchased property in our neighborhood. We hope you will join us in this effort!

*"We are very excited about the plans to add tennis courts back on the Saint Ignatius Campus. Currently, the student-athletes and coaching staff have to commute an hour-plus for daily practices and home matches. These new courts will support the expansion and success of the Ignatius Tennis Program by giving our tennis athletes a chance to experience all that Ignatius Athletics has to offer: increased court space allowing more hitting time per athlete, access to our new athletic training facilities and staff for a holistic approach to improve fitness, the ability to host tournaments on weekends, and the addition of tennis summer camps."*

—Daniel Lee, Boys & Girls Varsity Tennis Coach

*"I look forward to accepting more members to our team and increasing our team spirit on our home turf!"*

—Nadia M. '25



# Join Us for Fall Events

We look forward to welcoming you to campus this fall. The Development Department has several events on the calendar already. We hope you can join with our school community soon. Please visit [www.ignatius.org/giving/upcoming-events](http://www.ignatius.org/giving/upcoming-events) for more information and to register.

## 7.27.24: TOLTON SOCIETY SUMMER COOKOUT

Please join us on Saturday, July 27 for the semi-annual Tolton Society Summer Cookout. This event brings together Tolton Society members, alumni and families for a day of fellowship and fun. Come hungry! There will be plenty of delicious food for everyone.



## 9.5.24: PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION

The President's reception is one of the ways Saint Ignatius thanks our donors who have given between \$2,500 - \$4,999 in order to be members of the President's Club giving level. We are extremely grateful for your generosity and look forward to seeing you on September 5 in Tully Hall.



## 9.18.24: WOMEN'S SOCIETY OPEN HOUSE

The Women's Society is comprised of a diverse community of parents, alumni and friends. We engage, reflect and support the school's mission through philanthropic efforts, service and events for the Ignatius family to connect together in a meaningful way. Please plan on joining us for a fun night to kick off the school year. We'll have sign-up sheets for volunteer committees that support our events during the year. Light refreshments will also be available.

## 9.26.24: 38TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

We look forward to hosting our alumni, parents and friends at the 38th Annual Golf Classic for Tuition Assistance. Last year we had nearly 500 registered golfers and netted more than \$250,000 for the Tuition Assistance Program! With your help, we can make this year's event even more successful. Each year, our community comes together for an enjoyable day of golf among friends to support the students of Saint Ignatius College Prep. The dedication and generosity of our event committee, sponsors, golfers and volunteers never ceases to amaze us. Thank you once again for your partnership. You enable us to carry through on our mission of providing a high-quality education rooted in the Jesuit Catholic faith.



## 10.10.24: CHAIRMAN'S DINNER

This year's Chairman's Dinner will take place in Tully Hall on October 10. This special thank you dinner is just one of the ways our school community shows its deep gratitude for the many generous donors who have given \$5,000 or more to the school during the previous fiscal year.





## 10.19.24 FALL REUNIONS FOR THE CLASSES OF '94, '89, '84, '79, '74

We invite you to come celebrate with all the familiar faces you have missed over the years. Renew friendships, reminisce about days gone by and share in life experiences both past and present. Registration will open in July.

## ALUMNI & FRIENDS GATHERINGS

**WASHINGTON DC -  
10.23.24**



**NEW YORK CITY -  
10.24.24 &**



Stay tuned for details. We hope you can join us for some Wolfpack camaraderie as we bring a little bit of 1076 W. Roosevelt to the Big Apple and DC. Registration is open.

## 11.7.24: WOMEN'S SOCIETY SHOPPING EVENT

Every November, more than 40 vendors gather in Tully Hall for the annual Women's Society Shopping Event. The evening includes clothing, food, crafts, jewelry, art and more. This festive evening of shopping brings together many from our school community and all proceeds go to support the Women's Society Tuition Assistance Endowment.



## 11.14.24: 13TH ANNUAL BUSINESS SOCIETY LUNCHEON

Please be sure to join us for the luncheon on November 14, 2024. The Award for Excellence in the Field of Business will be presented to an alum and non-alum along with the Presidential Award for Distinguished Neighborhood Business Partner. This year's luncheon will again take place at the Union League Club of Chicago with an 11:00 a.m. check-in, cashless bar and networking lunch and an award presentation will follow at noon.



# We Are Grateful for Our Donors of \$5,000 or More

Donors who contributed \$5,000 or more between January 1, 2024 and June 30, 2024. If you made a donation of stock worth \$5,000 or more, please email [david.stephens@ignatius.org](mailto:david.stephens@ignatius.org).

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# Births, Weddings & Engagements

The listing below includes births, weddings and engagement news from 07.15.23 to 06.30.24. Please email [wolvesden@ignatius.org](mailto:wolvesden@ignatius.org) to share your birth, adoption, wedding or engagement announcements.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to...

Sarah Brennan O'Halloran '09 and Ryan O'Halloran welcomed Mac Brennan O'Halloran at 8 lbs and 3 oz on 11/4/23  
Emily Fisher Brey '03 and her husband, Bill, on the birth of their twins, Ann Meredith Brey and William Fisher Brey on Christmas Day.

Current Saint Ignatius Prefect of Studies, Dr. Sterling J. Brown, EdD, and his wife Amy on the birth of their second child, Langston Paul Brown on 5/15/24

Kathleen Davis Crowder and Kevin Crowder on the baptism of their son, Harrison Dashiell, at Church of the Holy Family on 6/15/2024

Current Saint Ignatius staff member Michael P. Hurley '07 and wife, Erin Hurley, on the birth of their daughter, Mary Grace Hurley, on 3/26/2024

Anna-Maria Bagan Ilchyshyn '13 and Vasyl Ilchyshyn '12 welcomed their second child, Luka Peter Ilchyshyn on 1/20/24

Current Saint Ignatius coach, Audra Kielbowicz, and her husband, Dan, on the birth of their first child, Emmitt Hayes Kielbowicz

Meghan Martin MacDonald '08 and her husband, Mark, on the birth of their son, Rory Jack MacDonald, on 3/5/24

Patrick McCue '11 and wife, Katie, on the birth of their daughter, Madelyn Maria McCue, on 2/13/24

## WEDDINGS & ENGAGEMENTS

Congratulations to...

Gabriella E. Accardi '16 and Joseph R. Connelly on their engagement.

Jennifer A. Broome '05 and Nicholas Carter on their wedding at Meyer's Castle in Dyer, IN. on 6.1.2024

Rafael L. Curran '17 and Mariana Grandmont on their wedding

Michelle R. DeMeo '13 and Samuel Cleary on their engagement

Michael T. Donnelly '05 and German Parisi on their wedding at Church of the Holy Family on 6.22.2024

Patrick D. Dorneker '11 and Katie Immen on their wedding on 2.17.24

Current Saint Ignatius staff member Mia G. Gindlesperger and Stone C. Sirpilla on their engagement

Daniel Gonzalez '03 and Gina Nunez on their engagement

Rebecca E. Hans '14 and Nicholas Patrick Patkunas on their engagement

Marysa V. Leya '07 and Matthew A. Olson '06 on their engagement

Colleen A. Middleton '08 and Tyler Diers on their engagement

Allison L. Montemar '15 and David W. McGarr '15 on their engagement

Bernard W. O'Brien '10 and Nora Sweeney O'Brien on their wedding on 6.15.2024

Beatrice M. Pacyga '11 and Michael Lacenere on their engagement



Justin Hauad '08 and Mollie Knapp '09 were married on July 15, 2023.

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 **Instagram** – We have more than 7.9K followers with photos of school life. [@saintignatiuschicago](https://www.instagram.com/saintignatiuschicago).

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 **LinkedIn** – A network of alumni interested in career networking. There are more than 4.9K alums in this group.

 **YouTube** – Event footage and special messages with more than 100,000 channel views.

## NYBERG '13 ORDAINED TO PRIESTHOOD

Martin Nyberg '13 was ordained to the Priesthood for the Archdiocese of Chicago back in May. Saint Ignatius College Prep is grateful to have been part of his early formation, and we offer prayers and congratulations to him as he takes this blessed step. A.M.D.G.



## HEALY '01 WINS PULITZER

Bill Healy '01 was recently awarded a 2024 Pulitzer Prize in Audio Reporting. Healy '01 joins Jack Miles '60, Jack Higgins '72 and Marcia Chatelain '97 as Saint Ignatius College Prep Pulitzer winners. [www.pulitzer.org](http://www.pulitzer.org).



## SEVANDAL COHEN '98 APPOINTED TO CIRCUIT COURT

Ignatius alumni gathered last month for a reception hosted by the Filipino Lawyers Association to celebrate the appointment of Circuit Court Judge Mary Sevandal Cohen '98 to the Circuit Court of Cook County. In the front row are Judge Cohen '98 and the Honorable Geraldine D'Souza '85. In the back row are Ravi Nemivant '90, Honorable (Ret.) Israel Desierto '80 and Atty. Robert Oleszkiewicz '78.



## KISTNER '68 MEETS POPE FRANCIS

During a pilgrimage to the places that shaped the life and spirituality of St. Ignatius of Loyola, a delegation from Loyola University of Chicago had an audience with Pope Francis. Two in the group included Bill Kistner '68 and his wife, Joan.





## PAPROCKI '77 RECEIVES CHRISTO GLORIA AWARD

University of St. Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary marked its 31st year of hosting the Celebration of Mundelein - An Evening of Tribute, with more than 300 guests in attendance, including Saint Ignatius President, John Chandler. This year's recipient of the Christo Gloria Award — given to an outstanding lay Catholic whose life exemplifies the teachings of the gospel of Jesus Christ, went to Joe Paprocki, DMin '77. He has served in pastoral ministry for more than 40 years and is the National Consultant for Faith Formation at Loyola Press and the author of more than 20 books.

## MARTINOVSKY '87 CLIMBS ANOTHER MOUNTAIN

Charles Martinovsky '87 travels the world on climbing expeditions. He recently returned from a successful trip to Aconcagua. At 7,000 meters it's the highest mountain in the world outside of Asia. The temp at the top was -45 degrees. His next trip takes him to Bolivia to climb Illimani and then to Kyrgyzstan in July to climb Mt. Lenin.



## D'ARCO '87 NAMED MANAGING PARTNER

Beermann is thrilled to announce a significant milestone in the growth and leadership of the firm. It is with great pleasure that they share the news of Equity Partner John D'Arco '87 being appointed as the new Managing Partner of the law firm.

## TUFANO '18 STARS ON BROADWAY

Andrew Tufano '18 was in the cast of The Who's Tommy revival production on Broadway this past spring.





## HOVERSEN '06 CONTINUES COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The ARK Initiative was founded by Mark Hoversen '06 in 2022. It is a monthly mobile soup kitchen. The ARK sets up under the Wilson Red Line station one Saturday each month and volunteers sign up to donate their time for just one day.



## GEORGE HONORED BY MARYVILLE ACADEMY

Jack George is the father of John '98, Meg '99 and Michael '01. He is also the husband of long-time Saint Ignatius Circle of Friends club moderator, Mary Jo George. He was honored at Maryville Academy's anniversary dinner back in April for the work he has done opening three new schools for Maryville as well as a school that will benefit all of the children at Maryville.



## ALLEN '14 DEBUTS WOMENSWEAR COLLECTION

Colleen Allen '14, who was inspired by Harlequins (costumes) and her Ignatius teachers, was recently featured in New York Fashion Week, receiving many rave reviews. She is starting her own line and also recently held a fashion show in Paris.



## THREE ALUMNI COMPLETE RANGER SCHOOL

Mark Kirby '19, Chris Bramen '19 and Jack Galante '19 recently graduated together from the U.S. Army Ranger School. This is the Army's premier small unit tactics and leadership course. The Rangers trained to exhaustion, pushing the limits of their minds and bodies for 90 days in order to complete the course. Congratulations!



## SCHUTZ '00 JOINS FOX NEWS CHICAGO

Paris Schutz '00 recently had his first day on the air at FOX News Chicago as a political reporter. He moved to Fox after 19 years at WTTW Chicago, most recently as investigative reporter and anchor of the nightly "Chicago Tonight" program and moderator of "The Week in Review."



## MOY '74 PUBLISHES PHOTOGRAPHY BOOK

Daniel Moy '74 recently published *Beautiful Driftless*. The book includes photos taken between Chicago and the Twin Cities.



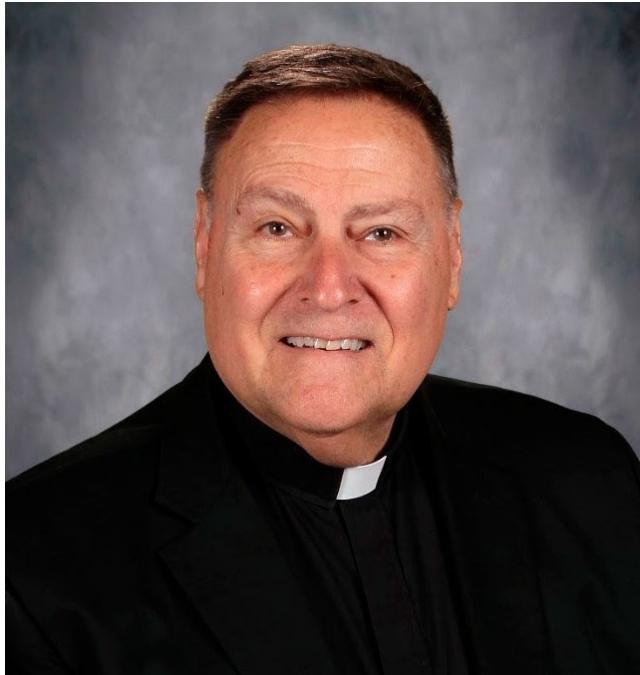
## ZIMMERMANN '88 CREATES NEW MURAL

Jeff Zimmermann '88 recently finished another work of art that has people talking here and across the Atlantic. In April, Zimmermann '88 traveled to Lucerne, Switzerland to work on a mural on the Sentisteg Pedestrian Bridge at Kasernenplatz. He painted one side of the bridge, and a local artist painted the other side -- their work bridging geographically distant places. See more at [jeffzimmermann.com](http://jeffzimmermann.com) and [instagram.com/jeffzimmermann](https://instagram.com/jeffzimmermann).



## FORMER SAINT IGNATIUS PRESIDENT NAMED DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

The Most Reverend Michael McGovern, Bishop of Belleville, IL, has named former Saint Ignatius President, Fr. Michael Caruso, S.J., Director of Education for the Diocese of Belleville.



## REYNOLDS '78 WRITES NEW MOVIE

Dave Reynolds '78 has written another movie and is executive producer of the new Garfield Movie that came out back on May 24th. It stars Chris Pratt as Garfield and Samuel L Jackson as his father.



## BARRON '17 SELECTED ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE QUEEN

Mary Kate Barron '17 was chosen out of 14 candidates to serve as the 2024 South Side Irish St. Patrick's Day Parade Queen. She was raised in the Beverly neighborhood and is the oldest child of Maura and Kevin Barron and has three younger brothers, Sean '19, Ronan '23 and Emmett '26. "I have had an opportunity to grow up in Beverly on Chicago's Southwest side and also live in County Kerry, County Clare and County Mayo Ireland. My Irish heritage has shaped me to be the woman I am today and I am honored to represent the South Side St. Patrick's Day Parade as the 2024 Queen," Barron said.



## LENNIX '11 WINS RESEARCH EXCELLENCE AWARD

Crystal Lennix '11 was recently awarded the Research Excellence Award from Loyola University Chicago. The award recognizes doctoral candidates whose original research shows promise to make a significant contribution to the field. Her research focused on the impact of racial matching on identity development for Black students in Chicago Public Schools.



## MILLER-MAY '86 NAMED CIO OF IL RETIREMENT FUND

Angela Miller-May '86, a member of the Saint Ignatius College Prep Board of Trustees, was recently named the Chief Investment Officer of the \$52 billion Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, the best-performing pension fund in the state.

## ALVARADO '89 NAMED CHIEF BRANDS OFFICER

Beam Suntory, a world leader in premium spirits, recently announced that John Alvarado '89 has been named the company's US Chief Brands Officer.



# 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.



## CLASS OF 2023 YEARBOOK SIGNING 1.3.24

Tully Hall was filled with laughter, smiles and friends gathering back on campus as the new alumni of 2023 picked up their yearbooks. Friends shared college stories, wrote notes and signed photos in their yearbooks.



## ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTION 1.26.24

Congratulations to our 2024 Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees! Friends, family and alumni gathered to share the excitement of the ceremony. We welcomed Coaches, a team and individual athletes this year

- Coach Rich Kehoe, Coach Mike Cashman, The 1965 Cross Country Team and Mark Alvarado '11, Grace Bonoma McNamara '10, Meghan Harte '86, Jack Keelen '13 and Garrett Mulchrone '09.



## ALUMNI & FRIENDS GATHERING IN NAPLES, FL - 2.2.24 & WEST PALM BEACH, FL - 2.3.24

Thank you to everyone who came to the gatherings in Florida last month. President John Chandler and Saint Ignatius Board Member, Rev. Lukas Laniauskas, S.J., were in attendance and gave an update about things happening at Saint Ignatius and the Church. Many thanks to the Thomas Lynch '60 Family in Naples and the Sean O'Scannlain Family in West Palm Beach for hosting gatherings after Mass in both locations.



## ANNUAL LAW LUNCHEON - 2.8.24

The 42nd Annual Saint Ignatius Law Luncheon was held at the Union League Club on February 8th. Thomas E. Brabec '73 accepted the Alumni Award for Excellence in the Field of Law and William J. Quinlan accepted the Award of Excellence in the Field of Law. Thank you to the Law Society Members and friends of the community who continue to support the growing event each year.



## WOMEN'S SOCIETY POKER & GAME NIGHT - 2.21.24

Thank you to everyone who came out for the Women's Society Game Night! Our beginner players learned the rules and the more experienced players brushed up on their blinds, calls, and, unfortunately, their folds... all in good fun and fellowship with other women from our school community.



## GLORIAM 2024!!!

When Dr. Dointé Wiggins '07 took the stage at Gloriam 2024, the ER physician talked about how Saint Ignatius College Prep gave him the faith-filled and academic background to pursue his dreams.

What makes his purpose-driven trajectory even more special: The fact that the generosity of others was a fundamental part of it. In sharing his story, Wiggins said tuition assistance helped make his time with the Wolfpack possible, and his words inspired yet another cycle of giving. Right after the doctor's presentation, so many of the 1000 people who attended Gloriam answered a call to give in a way that would impact current and future students.

With incredible enthusiasm they donated tens of thousands of dollars (bringing the fundraising total to more than \$3.6 million) to honor a belief inspired by our founder, Fr. Arnold Damen S.J. -- that no student should be turned away because of an inability to pay. The commitment to that idea endures to this day, in part, because the men and women at Gloriam, and all the people who work on the evening, have made it so.

"A humble and heartfelt thank you to all who devoted their passion and energy to make Gloriam 2024 a transformational success for our student tuition assistance recipients," said Saint Ignatius College Prep President John Chandler, "These funds will directly assist our students on financial aid."

The gratitude extends to everyone who chose to invest in Ignatius, and to the parents who co-chaired the 2024 version of this annual, much-anticipated event. They are Elizabeth and Michael Cole, Shawna and Jay Owen and Valerie Barker Waller '83 and Steve Waller. Events Director Libby Lucas had high praise for them and for the spirit of Gloriam. She said, "What a wonderful community we have at Saint Ignatius College Prep. The generosity and overwhelming support we have for our students is what makes our event so successful!"

Because of that success, we will continue to send out into the world young men and women from diverse backgrounds who pursue lives of Faith, Love, Service and Leadership -- just like Dr. Wiggins.



The chair couples pose with Gloriam Director, Libby Lucas (3rd from left).



Dr. Dointé Wiggins '07 (2nd from left).

## BUSINESS SOCIETY AI PANEL DISCUSSION - 4.11.24

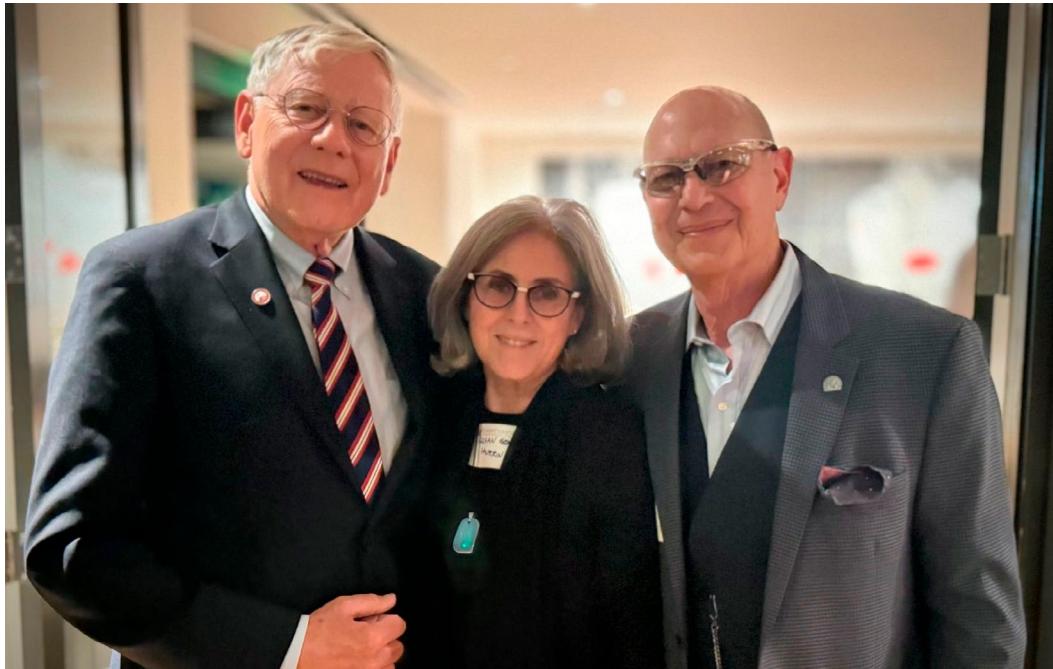
"Unlocking Tomorrow: Navigating the Business Landscape with Artificial Intelligence" The AI Panel Discussion had great conversations with a highly engaged group. The networking afterward was very productive. Many thanks to our Moderator, Chunka Mui '80, and panelists Ashwin Devnani, Colleen McFarland, Don Rescigno '88 and Larry Weithers '80.

### CALIFORNIA ALUMNI & FRIENDS GATHERINGS – 4.24-25.24

Thank you to everyone who joined us on April 24 and 25 at The Infinity San Francisco and The Manhattan Country Club in Manhattan Beach. A great time was had by all and the attendees spanned many decades.

Thank you Steve '67 and Anne Gallagher and Rebecca Wible Foster '91

and John Foster for being such gracious hosts.



### SPRING REUNIONS ('94, '04, '09, '14, '19)

On Saturday, April 27 we welcomed more than 500 alumni back to campus. The evening included tours of the school campus, a wonderful celebration of Mass at Church of the Holy Family and class receptions. The rooms were filled with laughter, storytelling, and reminiscing about times past and present. Thank you to all who came and celebrated with us To those who were unable to join us: We hope you won't wait for the next reunion. Please visit us anytime. We love to welcome back alumni.



## WOMEN'S SOCIETY SIGNATURE DINNER - 5.2.24

We were very honored to host this annual event where we brought together more than 300 women in the spirit of community and friendship, all while helping our students. All proceeds from the dinner went towards supporting our school's Tuition Assistance program. Each year, we recognize the Golden Rose Award recipient at the dinner. Our 2024 honoree was Margaret Brabec Skalski, whose support for and impact on the Saint Ignatius community took many forms over many years. Thank you, Margaret, for being a woman for others!



## JUBILEE REUNION - 5.3.24

We invited our alumni who graduated 50 or more years ago to celebrate with us at our last all-school Mass at Church of the Holy Family. We enjoyed stories and an update about the school from our President, John Chandler.

The Centennial Alumni Award, our highest honor, was bestowed upon former students who graduated from Saint Ignatius Academy one hundred years ago. This award recognized alumni who had made significant contributions to society, whose accomplishments and careers have brought honor and distinction to Saint Ignatius College Prep, and who have shown commitment to their community and profession. They were truly "men for others." Please join us in congratulating the 2024 Centennial Alumni Medal Recipients from the Class of 1924: James Aloysius Cassidy '24, John James Waldron '24 and William Joseph Colohan, Jr. '24



# In Memoriam

We mourn the loss of the dearly departed whom we learned about between 01.01.24 and 06.30.24. If any of the deceased or their relationships are listed in error, or if you would like to submit a notice, please email [wendymccarthy@holyfamilychicago.org](mailto:wendymccarthy@holyfamilychicago.org)

## ALUMNI

**Kenneth G. Adamitis '70,** brother of Donald M. Adamitis '62 and James R. Adamitis '75

**Casimir "Cas" Baczinskas '68,** brother of Dan E. Bacin '65

**Matthew J. Botica '68**

**Richard J. "Dick" Brennan '54,** uncle of Dr. Eileen Harmon Junkins '91

**Dr. Jerome J. 'Jerry' Brosnan, M.D. '55 (Dec'd. 2/1/22),** brother of Thomas E. Brosnan '58

**Dr. James L. Brown '52**

**Joan Brown,** mother of Robert M. Brown, Jr. '69

**Honorable James A. Callahan '60,** brother of the late Michael P. Callahan '65

**Raymond C. Cavanagh '60,** brother of Dr. Robert Cavanagh '64 and Timothy J. Cavanagh '71

**Thomas E. Coyne '51**

**William A. Cunnea '63**

**Dr. John C. Dares, PhD '66**

**Martin J. Doherty '60,** brother of Edward B. Doherty '61, John M. Doherty '63 and uncle of Lisa Spanuello Freese '86, Catherine Spanuello Rahman '89 and Maggie V. Spanuello '03

**James 'Jim' M. Dusablon '53,** brother of Joseph J. Dusablon '63

**Francis "Marty" Farnan, Jr. '75**

**Peter J. Foote '77,** father of Peter D. Foote '21, son of the late Peter J. Foote '51, brother of John T. Foote '78, Mary Foote Fasano '80, Anne Foote Devane '82, Catherine M. Foote '85, Loretta Foote Casey '90, nephew of Bernard P. Foote '48, Gregory Foot

**Ron A. Gallo '59**

**Douglas A. Hargray, (Dec'd 7/22/2023) '83**

**John 'Jack' Higgins '72,** brother of Michael J. Higgins '65

**Lance D. Hopkins '82**

**Kevin E. Johnson '77,** brother of Richard Johnson '73, Brian S. Johnson '78, Gary M. Johnson '79 and Robert B. Johnson '80

**Edward F. Kelly '58,** brother of Bernard P. Kelly '61

**Patrick Kiely '71,** brother-in-law of John T. Suplitt '75

**Gregory M. Klabisch '65**

**Daniel J. Klest '89**

**James Allan Klier '48, (Dec'd. 11/20/2023)**

**Robert Albert Kunzler '57**

**Bruce R. Loconti '77,** brother of the late Michael Ronald Loconti '67 and uncle of Saint Ignatius College Prep staff member, Vincent Loconti

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**Robert W. Martin Sr. '53,** (Dec'd 4/9/2022), brother of the late Thomas F. Martin '43

**Thomas F. Martin Jr. '43,** brother of the late Robert W. Martin '53

**Daniel E. McClimont '82**

**Joseph P. McKeown '59,** father of Dr. Caroline McKeown Duthnall '90 and brother of the late William J. McKeown '49

**John J. Moloney '50,** father of John A. Moloney '72

**Kevin F. Morley '65,** brother of the late John F. Morley '58, the late James F. Morley '61, father of Margaret Morley Gorman '02 and uncle of Patrick J. Morley '87

**William J. Morrison '47**

**Thomas P. Muellerman '60,** brother of Clarence J. Muellerman '54

**James A. 'Jim' Mungovan '66,** brother of the late Joseph A. Mungovan '49, the late Daniel E. Mungovan '51, the late William T. Mungovan '54 and nephew of the late James W. Murray '37

**William D. O'Connor '52,** brother of the late Edward J. O'Connor '49 and Kevin J. O'Connor '51, and brother-in-law of Joseph J. Devereux, CPA '53

**Anthony M. Paterno '57**

**James "Jim" D. Pauly '50,** brother of the late John J. Pauly '40 and uncle of the late John J. Pauly, Jr. '67

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## FROM THE ARCHIVES

By Ellen Skerrett, historian

## Our Neighbors Over the Years

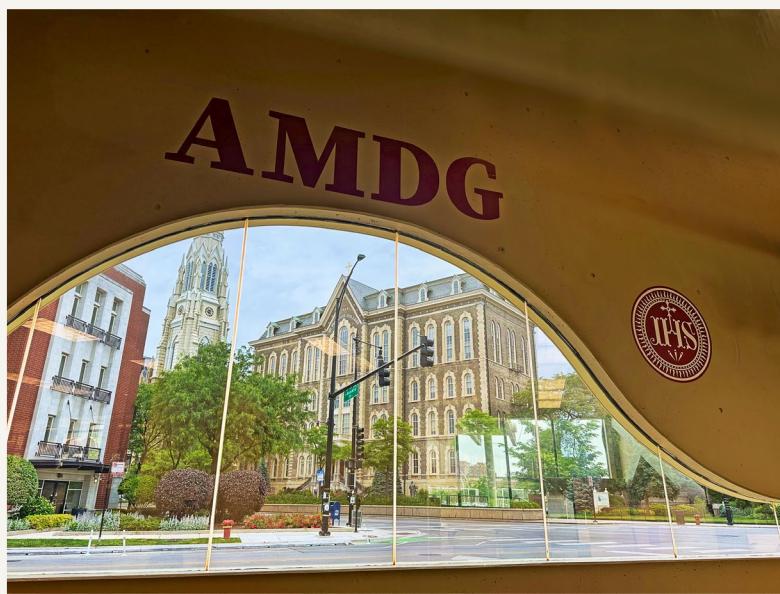
The old adage that “a picture is worth 1,000 words” has taken on new meaning since I found a rare photograph in a scrapbook in the Brunswick Room. Taken in 1896 by members of the St. Ignatius College Camera Club and saved by an anonymous Jesuit, it depicts priests on the balcony of the college building looking down on a large crowd of men, women and children. As I discovered through research, the student photographers were recording a powerful moment in time: the end of the Confirmation Day parade on May 31. This annual event drew thousands of spectators to the Gothic Church of the Holy Family and the daily papers were fulsome in their praise, recounting in detail the sight of children and bands and parish societies who marched in procession through the Near West Side.

Little could members of the Camera Club envision how significant their 1896 snapshot would become—they also had captured the future site of Saint Ignatius College Prep’s athletic building at 1055 W. Roosevelt Road! When photo-artist Paul Lane examined the faded image he said, “There’s a lot here I can work with.” Talk about an understatement. His enlargement revealed a stunning portrait of life in the densely populated urban neighborhood Rev. Arnold Damen, S.J. had helped to create from 1857 until his death in 1890.

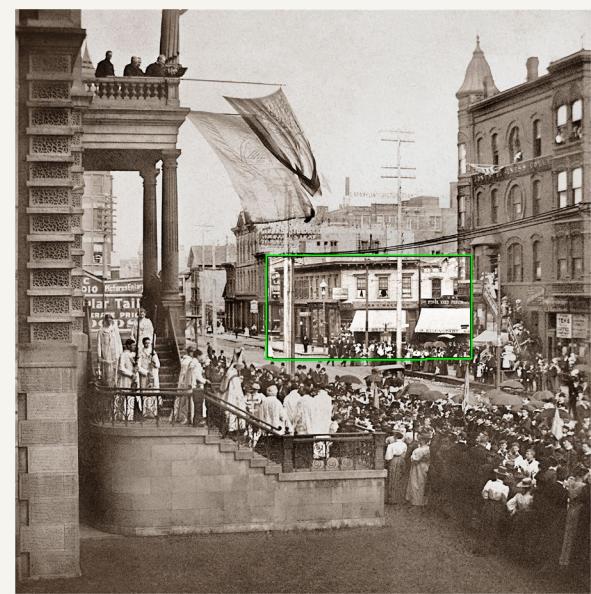
Anchoring the intersection of Blue Island Avenue and Twelfth Street (now Roosevelt Road) were John I. Maloney’s saloon and the Eisenstadt Brothers’ Meat Market. The son of Irish immigrants, Maloney fell in love with Mary Yore, baptized by Fr. Damen in 1862. The couple married

in Holy Family Church in 1888 and lived nearby at 1139 W. Taylor Street. It’s impossible to know how the Maloneys felt about the temperance efforts of Rev. James M. Hayes, S.J., founder of the American League of the Cross. But their family business may have suffered because members of the League pledged to “refrain from entering, without strict necessity, places where [liquor is] sold.”

The Eisenstadt Brothers—Gustave, Herman, and Louis—were butchers and owners of a popular market that provided Irish, Jewish and Italian families with special cuts of meat from the Union Stock Yards. Born in Germany, they emigrated to the United States before 1890 and quickly became citizens. After Herman Eisenstadt married Regina Westerfield, the couple lived above the store on Blue Island Avenue, where



Current view from inside 1055 W. Roosevelt Road [SICP photo]



1896 Camera Club photo showing future site of 1055 W. Roosevelt athletic building [SICP archives]

they welcomed their daughter, Eda, in 1887. Regina Eisenstadt challenged domestic stereotypes of her day by continuing the meat market business with her brothers-in-law after Herman died in 1894.

In an ambitious engineering effort, in 1916, Twelfth Street was widened to 108 feet between Ashland Avenue and Canal Street. While Church of the Holy Family and St. Ignatius College remained intact, every structure on the south side of the street was moved 42 feet. Thanks to a rare photo in a SICP scrapbook, we know that the busy intersection then featured a United Cigar Store with offices above for Max Goodman's real estate business and the photography studio of David Kaminsky. Rev. John Furay, S.J., college president, informed alums that the "vast improvement" along the newly renamed Roosevelt Road had resulted in increased enrollment, a "second-spring" for the school.

The frame structure at the corner of Blue Island and Roosevelt (later known as "Dutch's"), looms large in the memories of many Saint Ignatius alums of a certain

age—and for good reason. It was here that students from all parts of the city gathered after their early morning commute to drink coffee and eat donuts or have a quick cigarette before classes began. Members of the class of 1965 had a front-row seat to history, watching the new modern campus of the University of Illinois take shape between Morgan and Halsted streets.

Eighty years after members of the Camera Club documented life across the street from Saint Ignatius College Prep, another transformation was underway. On March 12, 1976 Mayor Richard J. Daley and architect Stanley Tigerman wielded shovels at the groundbreaking for the Illinois Regional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped at 1055 W. Roosevelt Road. Thanks to Special Collections archivists at Harold Washington Library who digitized negatives from Department of Urban Renewal Records I discovered rare close-up shots of the event. More surprises awaited: the Mayor and dignitaries wore Walsh Construction hardhats. Matt '64 and Dan '65 Walsh were in the crowd

at Blue Island Avenue and Roosevelt Road, never imagining that this project would one day become part of their alma mater's campus.

Although Mayor Daley did not live to see the Library for the Blind dedicated in 1978, its construction reflected his role as a city-builder. Like the "Picasso" statue downtown, the unusual design of the library and its bold colors took Chicagoans by surprise. However, local residents who lived in public housing high rises south of Roosevelt Road especially appreciated its branch of the Chicago Public Library.

In 2023, Saint Ignatius College Prep acquired the former library site occupied for many years by the Lakeside Bank. Adjoining the school's practice field, the V-shape building marks a new chapter in the school's history. It is my hope that the visual timeline of historic photos that now greets SICP students in the athletic building at 1055 W. Roosevelt Road will remind us all that Arnold Damen's belief in urban life remains alive and well in the Twenty-first Century.



1916 view of Blue Island Ave. and Roosevelt Road [Saint Ignatius archives]



March 12, 1976 groundbreaking for Illinois Regional Library for the Blind, left to right: Stanley Tigerman, architect; Louis A. Lerner, CPL board vice president; Ralph G. Newman, CPL board president; Mayor Richard J. Daley; and David L. Reich, Library Commissioner [Chicago Public Library, Special Collections, CPL Branch Photos, Box 18, Folder: 1, Photograph: 1]



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**AUGUST**

15 Alumni Soccer Game and Cookout  
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**SEPTEMBER**

5 President's Reception  
7 San Ignacio Welcome Picnic  
12 Parent Org Backyard BBQ  
13 Tolton Society Pre-Game Kickoff  
18 Women's Society Open House  
19 Business Society AI Security Speakers  
26 38th Annual Golf Classic  
28 Parent Org - Junior Parent Social

**OCTOBER**

4 Damen Society Reception  
9 Parent Org - Senior Parent Social  
10 Chairman's Dinner  
16 Women's Society Life Topics Speaker  
19 Fall Reunions ('94, '89, '84, '79, '74)  
23 Alumni & Friends Gathering: Washington DC  
24 Alumni & Friends Gathering: New York City

29 Parent Org - Freshman Parent Social

30 Parent Org - Freshman Parent Social

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1 Mass and Reception for Veterans  
7 Women's Society Shopping Event  
14 13th Annual Business Society Luncheon