

Saint Raphael Academy Alumni Newsletter Winter 2017

We are so excited to bring more news and updates to you about the events and alumni happenings of Saint Raphael Academy! The mission of Saint John Baptist de LaSalle is alive and thriving in the heart of campus as well as living on in the lives and hearts of our alumni. If you have not been back to Walcott Street recently, we would love to welcome you back to see all the new updates and improvements, as well as reminisce about days of old. Make sure to visit our website at www.saintrays.org and "like" our page on Facebook.

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Annual Appeal



Feature Event



"Save The Date" and mark your calendars now for this year's 5th Annual Saints Hoopfest, Saturday, March 25, 2017, at Alumni Hall. This is plenty of notice to start your running programs, limber up those hammy's, and start working on your cross over moves and draining the threes. We are always looking for ways to improve and grow the event, so I am looking for a few folks who might be interested in helping plan this year's edition. We have the gym all day and night on the 25th so starting early in the afternoon is being considered, getting more students and maybe the faculty involved, family type of events, etc. Please let me know if you are interested in helping out on the planning event committee, which will start meeting in January, by sending an email to Ron Dalton at dalt22@cox.net. We are always looking for more former Saints basketball players and I know that I am missing many contacts from our alumni list, so please share this with any of your former classmates and teammates who played varsity basketball at Saints.

Our version of Hoopfest has grown each year and now involves over 60 former Saints men and women basketball players who come home to Alumni Hall each March to compete against each other and our current boys and girls varsity teams. This event allows our alumni to re-connect with former teammates and friends while building a bridge to the future with our current players. Don't let the day go by and then say to yourself, "It looked like a great time; I should have signed up to play." Registration will be available online for you to reserve your roster spot and order your game shirt. Reservations are \$20 (non-refundable) and all proceeds from the event go toward our Alumni Scholarship Fund.

See you on the hardwood in Alumni Hall!

Night of Champions

April - Celebrating Saints State Champions - Contact Keri Kozlowski '01 at kkzolo05@gmail.com for information or to sign on to help.



Annual Saints Alumni Golf Tournament at Pawtucket Country Club, May 12, 2017.

Contact Steve Ormerod '75 at sormerod@naviantcu.org for more information.

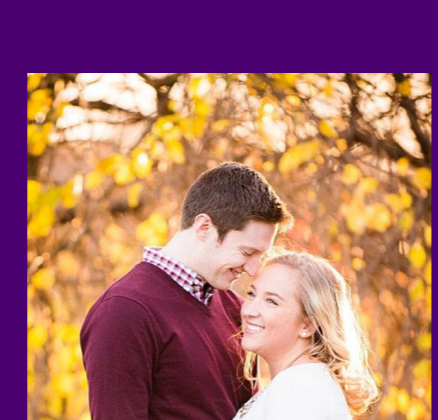
Alumni Wine Tasting

June - Location and Date to be determined - contact Kelly Kerwin '05 at kldalton22@gmail.com

Visit the Alumni events page for more information: <http://www.saintrays.org/alumni/events/>

Alumni Updates!

In the last Alumni Newsletter we requested Alumni to send updates about what has been going on in their lives. Below are the updates that we received in the office. Have an exciting event happen in your life? Recently get married or have a baby? Start a new job? Share your news with the Alumni Office. Send your updates to mferland@saintrays.org



Alumni Engagement Notice

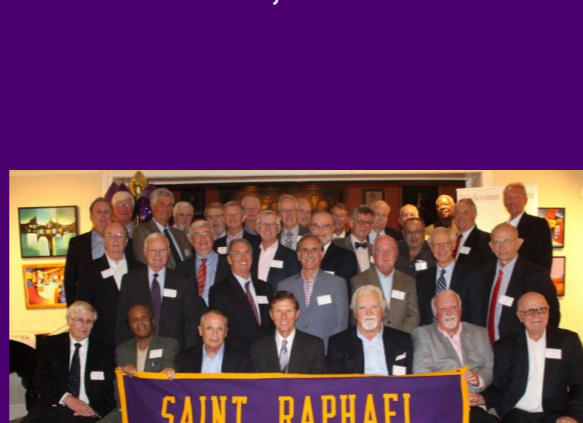
St. Raphael Academy had a starring role in the engagement of Lea Alexandre '10 and Patrick Gannon '09. One Saturday last fall, the day before her birthday, Patrick took Lea on a surprise Scavenger Hunt which would eventually end with a proposal and surprise party with friends and family. The very first stop was outside West building, where a balloon and a clue had been placed to guide her to the next location. All the stops were meaningful to them in some way - but the very first stop at Saints was a tribute to how they met. Lea and Patrick knew of each other in high school but didn't get together until the summer of 2013, through a mutual Saint Ray's friend.

Lea is a graduate of RIC and is a second grade teacher at Blackstone Valley Prep Mayoral Academy in Cumberland. Patrick is a URI graduate and an office supervisor with Shred-It. They will marry at St. Mary's Church in Bristol on November 18, 2017, followed by a reception at Crowne Plaza.



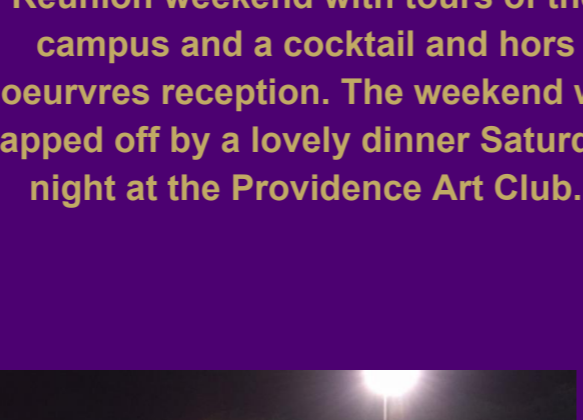
Class Reunion 1986

Members of the Class of 1986 met at the Grand Rose Ballroom on November 26, 2016.



Class of 1966 50th Reunion

Members of the Class of 1966 visited campus on Sept. 23, 2016 for their 50th Reunion weekend with tours of the campus and a cocktail and hors d'oeuvres reception. The weekend was capped off by a lovely dinner Saturday night at the Providence Art Club.



Saints vs. Tolman Old School Rivalry Game

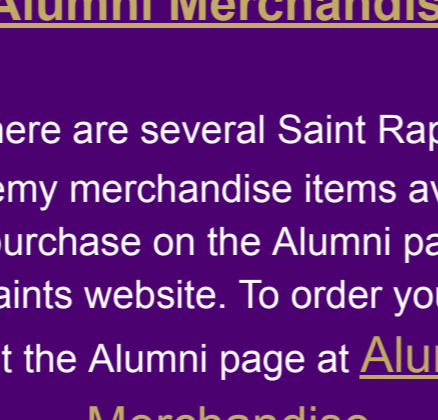
On Sept. 9, 2016 the Saints football team, led by our own Mike Sassi '86, beat our old school competitor the Tolman Tigers 26-6. It was the 77th game played between the two legendary rivals.

Sports Notes

The Saint Michael's College women's swimming & diving team had a 144-point lead after day one of the North Country Invitational at the State University of New York at Potsdam's Maxey Hall Pool. Among the five Purple Knights finishing among the top nine during a tightly-grouped 50 free is Saints Alumni junior Coral Santos '14 (Pawtucket, R.I./Saint Raphael Academy) combining during the 200 free, swimming the 400 medley.

Alumni Merchandise

There are several Saint Raphael Academy merchandise items available for purchase on the Alumni page of the Saints website. To order your gear visit the Alumni page at [Alumni Merchandise](http://www.saintrays.org)



The Tradition Continues Commemorative Long Sleeve T-shirt

Alumni Board

- Ron Dalton '79- Chairman
- Kelly Kerwin '05
- Shannon Bracken '95
- Mark McMahon '99
- Shawn Tremblay '07
- Josean Vega '01
- AJ Kizekai '05
- Ken Cartwright '85
- Steve Ormerod '75
- John Thomson '75
- Keri Kozlowski '01

Reunion by Decades We're planning your reunion!

Traditionally, Saints alumni have conducted class reunions every five years, often with the assistance of our Alumni office. They are held at various times throughout the year at different locations, including our campus. We're happy to announce that starting in the spring of 2017, Saint Raphael Academy will host REUNIONS BY DECADE. Class from 1970- 1979 will celebrate their years at Saints together. This will give alum the chance to see friends from grades before and after theirs that they could have shared classes, sports or clubs as well as memories. Stay tuned for details - if you have questions, contact Mary Jane Ferland '85, our Alumni Director, at 723-8100, Ext. 155, or mferland@saintrays.org



Annual Fund Appeal

You are where you are today because someone, somewhere along the way, believed in you. Consider donating to the Annual Fund Appeal to help a student gain the same great experience that you had as a student at Saints! Click here for more information and to donate today! Thank you in advance for supporting Saint Raphael Academy!

Greetings from Our Principal

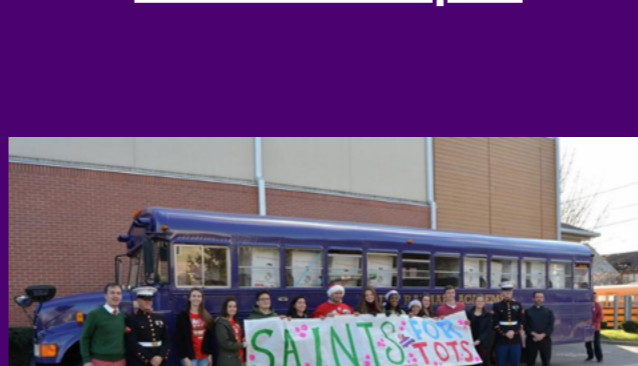
As I read through our Saints Alumni Newsletter I have to thank MJ Ferland for doing such a wonderful job keeping our alumni updated on what is occurring on Walcott Street. During the last few months there is a lot happening! I am sure a lot of our alum are excited to hear we played Tolman HS in football this year (and Saints won!). We are hoping to keep the rivalry going in the upcoming years. The sports program had an amazing campaign this Fall and the Drama Club was equally impressive. Sister Act hit the stage in December and it generated rave reviews from our audiences (see article below). Finally, this year the Saints community donated over 1200 Christmas toys to the "Toys for Tots" program. I hope all of our Saints alumni have a great 2017 and please come by and visit; you would be our welcomed guests!!

Dan Richard



Congratulations to our own Principal Dan Richard on the birth of his granddaughter, Clara!! She was born to his son, Tim and his wife Clarice on November 28, 2016 in New Mexico. Clara weighed in at 7 lbs, 6 oz, and both mom and baby are doing fine!!

Around Campus



We were overwhelmed with the response to our Toys for Tots drive! SAINTS brought in more than 1,200 toys that will be distributed to local children and help make their Christmas a little brighter!



Congratulations to Mr. Terrance Murray, Moira Costigan-Carragher and the SRA Drama club for an outstanding performance in Sister Act that ran last month. Saints rocked the house to rave reviews!!

Faculty Corner



Scott Corain '08

Scott Corain, Saint Raphael Academy Class of 2008, came back home last year to join our family of Alumni teachers. Scott has been teaching History to juniors and seniors. During his years at Saints, he was involved in Student Council freshmen, junior, and senior year. He was involved with Peer Ministry all four years, National Honor Society and RI Honor Society. Scott played for the tennis team all four years, captain junior and senior year. After Saints, Scott attended Assumption College where he majored in history and secondary education. After Assumption, he went to Worcester State University to pursue his M asters in secondary education. This is his second year at Saints. As well as teaching, Scott also coach boys tennis (4 years) and girls tennis (2 years).

Sister's Spotlight

Sister Regina will be hosting an ECHO (Encountering Christ In Others) Retreat at the end of January, please join us in prayer as these young men and women embark on a journey of self discovery and their faith.

Also, Sister is looking for alumni to participate in her Explorer Program. Alumni come to Saints and speak to the students about their career path and share their experiences.

Alumni Notes



Paul McGoran '59

Paul McGoran, class of '59, has had two novels and a volume of short fiction published by New Pulp Press. MADE FOR MURDER, his first novel, came out in August 2015, followed in November by PAYING FOR PAIN, a collection of short noir fiction. His current novel, published July 2016, is a mystery/thriller and the start of a series featuring a small-time P.I. working out of Newport. In THE BREASTPLATE OF FAITH AND LOVE, Stafford Boyle pokes through the embers of an old scandal whose nasty secrets threaten the rich and powerful in Newport and San Francisco. You can read a review of the novel and an interview with Paul in THE BIG THRILL magazine at <http://www.thebigthrill.org/2016/08/the-breastplate-of-faith-and-love-by-paul-mcgoran/>

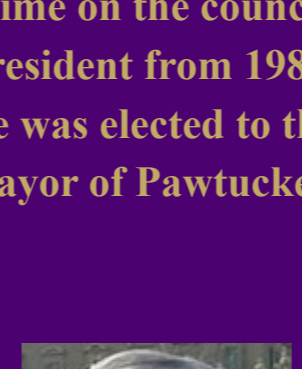
You can find Paul's website here: <http://www.paulmcgoran.com>

In Memoriam



James E. Doyle '56

Honorable James E. Doyle, 78, former Mayor of the City of Pawtucket (1998-2011), passed away peacefully at home with family by his side on Friday, August 26th, 2016. He was the beloved husband of Joan C. (Richer) Doyle for 52 years. A lifelong resident of Pawtucket, he was a son of the late Vincent J., Sr. and Loretta C. (Tessier) Doyle. James devoted his life to his family and the City of Pawtucket. He was a 1956 graduate of Saint Raphael Academy and a 1960 graduate of Providence College, and began his service to the city as a teacher at Pawtucket West High School, now Charles E. Shea High School from 1960 until 1962. James also proudly served in the Rhode Island Army National Guard. He was employed as a sales representative for the Massachusetts Envelope Company, Inc. as well as several pharmaceutical companies. In 1970, he was elected to the Pawtucket City Council, where he served for twenty-seven years. During his time on the council, Mr. Doyle served as President from 1982 until 1987. In 1997 he was elected to the office of Mayor of Pawtucket.



Edward Creamer '46

Edward J. Creamer of Atria Bay Spring, formerly of Oswald Street, Pawtucket, passed away peacefully on December 22, 2016 surrounded by his loving family. Ed graduated from St. Raphael Academy Class of 1946. He received a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree from Bryant University and Master's Degrees in Library Science and Public Administration from the University of Rhode Island. Mr. Creamer was the Business Administrator for the Pawtucket School Department for over 30 years, with the school administration building named in his honor after his retirement. Upon his retirement from the Pawtucket School Department he became Business Administrator in the Catholic School Office of the Diocese of Providence assisting Catholic schools in financial matters. Mr. Creamer was a sergeant in the U.S. Army serving in Germany during the Korean War period.

Joseph R. Falvey '53

On Sunday, June 12, Joseph Robert (Joe) Falvey passed away peacefully in the company of his son, Patrick, and daughter-in-law, Carmel. Joe attended Saint Raphael Academy where he excelled in baseball and basketball. He later attended Providence College, where he was a member of the ROTC and played basketball. After graduation, Joe served 2 years in the U.S. Army, Missile Master Corp. Following his tour in the Army, Joe began a career in the technology industry. He worked for IBM, Honeywell, and their subsidiaries, focusing on data processing and later the development of bar code scanning equipment. In 1978, Joe moved to Southern California to become the president of MSI, at the time a leader in the bar code scanning industry.

Please join all of the Saints community in mourning the loss of our own family members that have gone on to be with the Lord.

- James E. Doyle '56
- Michael S. Chmura '67
- John P. Lynch '52
- Joseph R. Falvey '53
- Arturo N. Medina '86
- Lynette M. (Noury) Kelly '83
- Paul E. Campbell '50
- Roger N. Bergeron '51
- Henry J. Shelton '48
- Thomas E. Tetreault '72
- Larry E. Tedeschi '72
- Joseph E. Fogarty '38
- John T. McDonald '56
- Joseph M. McCabe '52
- Francis R. Partridge '64
- Augustus R. Drywa '49
- Edward J. Creamer '46

