



St. Raphael Academy Summer Newsletter 2021



Saints,

The last school year at Saint Raphael Academy was certainly one most of us will never forget. We started the school year with all desks in the classroom six feet apart and all of us wearing masks daily. The entire school community had trepidation on how long we would be able to offer in-class academic instruction to our students. The answer ended up being the full school year!

Throughout the 2020 – 2021 school year we never lost a minute of instruction due to community spread of the virus. I would go a step further, and say the challenging situation brought us all closer as a school community. Our students excelled in many areas. Most notably our student-athletes stepped up and won five Rhode Island State Championships this year!! Our students, teachers and staff persevered throughout the pandemic and lived the motto of "Saints Strong!"

Saints Hall of Fame: **Due to the pandemic, we have delayed the Hall of Fame ceremony for the Class of 2020 until April 2, 2022.** We are also looking for worthy HOF candidates for the Class of 2022. If you would like to nominate a Saints alum please send their names and supporting documents to atortolano@saintrays.org by August 15, 2021. Both the Classes of 2020 and 2022 will be acknowledged and celebrated on April 2, 2022.

Big and exciting news will be announced at the end of September; more information to follow!!

In Peace,

Dan

That's a wrap! The 2021 school year has come to close and there is so much good news to share... A Class of Champions!

Congratulations to Class of 2021

On June 13, we welcomed the newest members of our alumni community: 130 graduates and their invited guests filled the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul. A year that began with so much uncertainty and chaos ended with a beautiful celebration of hope, strength, and friendship. These graduates are going off into the world to do amazing things, and have a long list of distinguished universities and colleges on their lists. They will always be welcomed home to Saints and welcome to visit and tell us all about where their hard work has led them in life! Cheers to you class of 2021 !!!



Class of 2021 Salutatorian Isabella Calise giving her speech to fellow classmates. Isabella will be attending Boston College in the fall.



Class of 2021 Valedictorian Cooper Arnold addresses the class during graduation. Cooper will be attending University of Virginia.



Congratulations cheerleaders! They are the 2021 Division IV RUIL game day champions



A great big congratulations to our Lady Saints! They brought home the 2021 Division 1 State Champions



It has been since 2009 but alumni and head coach Scott Corain did it! The boys tennis team is the 2021 Div. 4 State Champions with an undefeated season!



The boys track and field took the Class C Championship

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Once a SAINT,
Always a SAINT

Reunions are back!!

Restrictions are lifting, and people are more comfortable with being with groups. No better time than now to start planning your reunion. It is about time we all get back together and celebrate life! If you would like information how to get started with planning a reunion or a class get together please contact: Aimee Tortolano: atortolano@saintrays.org or 401-723-8100 ext. 155.



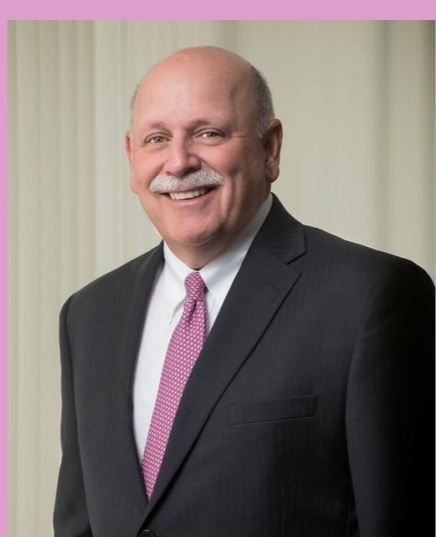
Hall of Fame News

We are excited that we will be celebrating the 2020 Hall of Fame with the 2022 class of Hall of Fame recipients.

**SAVE THE DATE : April 2, 2022
Alpine Country Club**

For more information about the event, ticket sales and sponsorship opportunities please contact: Aimee Tortolano or Mary Alexandre: (401) 723-8100 ext. 155 or ext. 120

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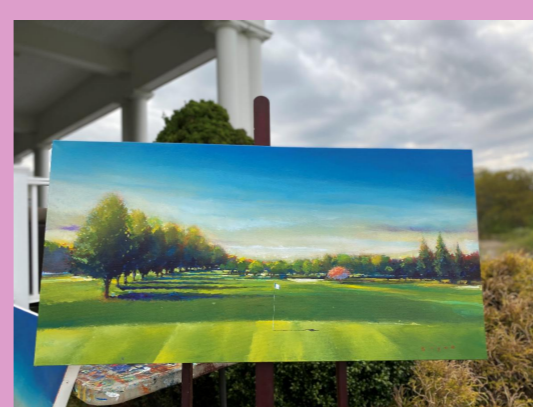


The 30th Annual Friends of SRA Golf Tournament was a huge success - another sold out event! A morning rain gave way just in time for 180 golfers to take to the course throughout the day at Pawtucket Country Club. This year's Honoree was Gary Furtado, President & CEO of Navigant Credit Union.

For a look at photos from the day's events, take a look [here](#).



Keep your eyes out for news of our 2022 Tournament!



This year's Tournament featured a unique live auction item.

Artist Mike Bryce '85 joined the festivities while painting a one of a kind piece that was auctioned off at dinner (photo above). Throughout the day, Mike painted a beautiful piece of the first fairway of Pawtucket Country Club.

The winning bid came from John Giglio '92, who came up from Florida to enjoy the Tournament with his uncles Jim Lund '70 and Jack Lund.

In Memory of our forever Saints....

The following Saints have passed over the past year. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

Mr. Michael Beech '93
Br. Thomas Carney, F.S.C
Mr. William Castro '55
Mr. Raymond Corrigan '48
Mr. Brian Dyl '71
Br. William Farias, F.S.C.
Mr. Jeffrey Ferland '87
Mr. Roger Ferland '87
Mr. Edmund Fuller '52
Mr. John Harrington '60
Mr. Lawrence Hey '79
Mr. Kenneth Howe '76



Rev. Canon Anthony Iwuc '45
Mr. Stanley Kumiega '56
Mr. Michael Lavallee '82
Mr. John McDevitt, Jr. '56
Mr. Laurence Miniati '59
Mr. Thomas Mitchell '64
Mr. Robert Nolan '50
Mr. Xavier Ramos '01
Mr. Earl Small '57
Mr. Joseph Souza '01
Mr. Carl Tetzner '64

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