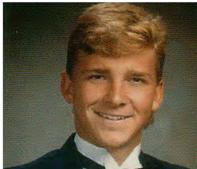
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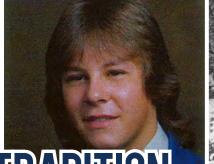




































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The Board of Trustees at Christian Brothers High School is comprised of 11 volunteers dedicated to safeguarding and advancing the school's Lasallian Catholic college preparatory mission. Before joining the Board of Trustees, candidates undergo training on the Lasallian charism (history, spirituality and philosophy of education) and Policy Governance- a model used by Lasallian schools throughout the District of San Francisco New Orleans. In January, the board bid farewell to Heather Ruple Gilson. This summer the board bids a grateful farewell to Marianne Evashenk, Bill Schaedler '68 and Carrie Vellutini, who will complete their second year terms. The Nominating Committee has been working hard to identify strong trustees to take their place. John Nunan will serve as chair in 2016-17. David Walrath has agreed to serve as vice chair.

The Policy Governance model comprises an inclusive, written set of goals for the school, called Ends Policies, which guide the board in monitoring the performance of the school and its CEO. Ends Policies help ensure that Christian Brothers High School adheres to the vision of the Brothers of the Christian Schools and the District of San Francisco New Orleans.

"I am grateful to the Trustees for their time and commitment to Lasallian education," says Lorcan Barnes. "Their hard work and dedication to the mission of St. John Baptist de La Salle ensures the continued legacy of Christian Brothers High School."



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## Message From the President



April 2016

Dear Alumni, Families and Friends:

"Pray that God will always preserve his Holy Spirit in your Community."- St. John Baptist de La Salle

When looking back on the 140-year history of Christian Brothers High School in Sacramento, the word community stands out as central and ever-present. The Catholic community rallied together to convince the De La Salle Christian Brothers to educate the students of Sacramento. The community as a whole, Catholics and non-Catholics, donated money to help finance construction of the school in 1876, again in the 1920s and yet again in the 1950s. The friendly, supportive and caring nature of our students, faculty and staff is undeniably evident to all who set foot onto the CB campus and is a direct reflection of the Christian Brothers and their steadfast dedication to faith and community.

As a result of CB's rich history, it is the high school of choice for many generations of families in the area. Alumni send their children and grandchildren to their alma mater knowing their student will graduate with an outstanding Lasallian Catholic college preparatory education. This year, more than 100 of CB's 1,106 students are children of alumni (see cover story on page 5).

It amazes me when I hear stories of three, four and five generations of families who have graduated from Christian Brothers, each with a unique school experience yet bonded by the traditions and principles of St. John Baptist de La Salle. This past fall, Frank Silvey '54 was honored as the 2015 Ambassador of the Year for his generous support of CB's tuition assistance program. Frank is a third-generation Brothers' boy, preceded by his father and grandfather, graduating in 1919 and 1890 respectively. Recently, Father Martin Brusato '76, a fourth generation Falcon, celebrated Mass for our faculty and staff. In my group of five students on a recent Kairos retreat, three were grandchildren of graduates of St. Patrick's School and former residents of its now shuttered orphanage. These are great examples of family legacies and there are countless more examples.



It makes me proud to see Christian Brothers so deeply embedded into the Sacramento community. I love that young alumni often tell me their new-born child will be in the graduating class of 2028 and beyond. It thrills me knowing our graduates are already thinking of their future Falcon and are excited to be bonded by "brotherhood" with their child. Our job today is to make sure we are taking the steps necessary to be a great school and remarkable community for the future generations of Falcons.

Live Jesus in our Hearts!

Lorcan P. Barnes President

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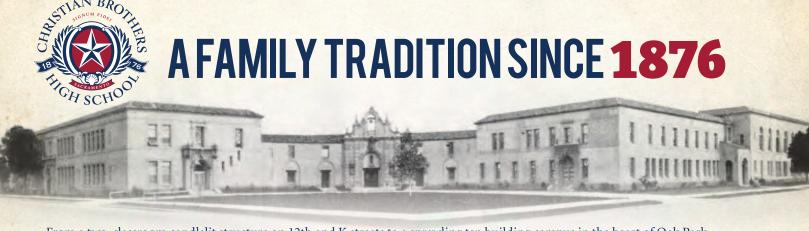
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From a two-classroom candlelit structure on 12th and K streets to a sprawling ten building campus in the heart of Oak Park, Christian Brothers High School has lived many chapters in its 140-year history. Throughout changing times, families continue to send their children to CB to receive a holistic, enriching, Lasallian Catholic education, carrying on family legacies at the school. More than 100 alumni have children attending CB in the 2015-16 school year. Many of those alumni were sent to CB by their alumni parents, sat next to cousins in class, or attended school with siblings, making CB feel even more like home.

Countless families have attended Christian Brothers for three or more generations and currently have at least one student at the school. Each family member has unique personal memories of their high school days, yet the traditions of Saint John Baptist de La Salle remain deeply rooted in each student's high school experience. Grandfathers, fathers, sons, and daughters are not just bonded by blood, but further connected by their "brotherly" love and shared pride in having attended Christian Brothers High School.











### THE HARRIS FAMILY

When Ken Harris '54 attended CB, the all-boys school was located at 21st and Broadway. His wife, Marilyn '57, was a member of the first class of young women to attend Bishop Armstrong's co-institutional school at CB's current campus. The Harris family, with four generations of CB students, has deep roots at the school.

Luke Harris '16, an involved and outgoing senior, has participated in numerous extra-curricular activities during high school, including student council, rugby and choir. Luke's father, Patrick Harris, graduated from CB in 1983 and Luke's grandparents, Ken in 1954 and Marilyn in 1957.

Marilyn's father, Z. Bud Meredith, attended CB in 1926 and was later awarded an honorary diploma by Br. Bertram Coleman, FSC. Bud and his wife had four daughters, three of whom married Christian Brothers' alumni and also sent their children. Being a "Brother" has been in the Harris blood line for the past 90 years.

"I believe CB has felt like home for me because it has been my home since birth. Because of my strong ties to CB, I have been a part of this great family for years. CB is home for not only its students and alumni, but also for everyone who is a part of their lives," says Luke '16. During his high school track days, Ken '54 earned a navy blue and white varsity letter cardigan worn with pride by students earning them for playing varsity sports. As his children and grandson Luke have walked the halls of CB, they have proudly worn Ken's varsity sweater on spirit days, knowing they are wearing a part of CB's rich history.

"The varsity sweater was a symbol of great pride and honor for the boys who earned them. Being able to see my son and grandson wear the same sweater to school with the same sense of honor and respect is indescribable," says Ken '54. "To share the same history and Lasallian tradition with my family is truly exceptional."

While 33 years may separate father and son's tenures at CB, Luke '16 and Patrick '83 share the commonality of Mr. English as their favorite CB teacher. Patrick '83 recalls, "I remember Mr. English as a great teacher who was very engaging and unifying. Mr. English really kept the classes fun and enjoyable as well as educational."

"As students, both Luke and Patrick brought a liveliness to the classroom with their humor and character," says Tom English, history teacher and vice principal. "There is a similarity between the two and it was a pleasure being able to teach both father and son, it's the kind of thing that makes the CB community so unique."













### THE POLETTI FAMILY

The Poletti family is in its third generation with freshman, Dominick '19, and senior, Kiley '16, currently at CB. Their grandfather, Rich Poletti '63, sent all three of his children, Tim '86, Tony '88, and Kacy '99, to Christian Brothers, creating a Lasallian family tradition. As members of the CB community for over 50 years, Rich has seen the school take on many forms, yet remain committed to Lasallian values and principles.

A favorite of Rich's memories is bringing the "boarders," CB students who lived on campus, home on the weekends. "I had some very good friends who were boarders and we could sign one out for the weekend. They would stay at my house Friday night to Sunday afternoon. We would do everything together-dances, games, movies, but best of all they got to eat my mom's cooking, and home cooking was a big treat for the boarders."

Anthony Poletti '88 (father of Dominick and Kiley), and Rich Poletti '63 both fondly remember playing sports under the direction of Coach Ron Limeberger '53.

"Coach Limeberger made a huge impact upon my life," says Rich'63. "He was my baseball and basketball coach. He taught me the value of hard work on the field and in the classroom. Coach also taught the value of teamwork; winning was not the only end goal, but that the effort was an important part of the process. I was so happy that all of my children got to know Coach - he taught all three to drive, coached both boys in baseball, and called each of the boys by my name numerous times."

With their forefathers so strongly connected to the CB spirit and community, Kiley '16 and Dominick '19 feel a sense of comfort and security in their high school experience. "Knowing that my family members have also attended CB is comforting. My grandpa is still very active in the CB community and it's very reassuring to know that he still cares so much about his high school," Kiley '16 remarks.

Dominick '19 has no doubt that CB is the perfect place to spend his high school years, "It's nice knowing that my relatives have attended CB before me and loved it so much. It makes me have no doubt in my mind that I will feel the same way as them."















### THE HARRINGTON/HENDERSON FAMILY

Christian Brothers High School has educated three generations of the Henderson/Harrington family, beginning with Marty Henderson '61. His daughter, Kelly Harrington '83 attended Bishop Manogue High School and married CB alumnus, Paul Harrington '82. Their daughters, Katie '17 and Shea '19, currently attend Christian Brothers and Kelly spends her days working in the school's admissions department, where she helps build CB's legacy in the Sacramento community.

Fifty-five years after graduation, Marty '61 is delighted to see his granddaughters attending his *alma mater*. "It excites me to see what opportunities are being offered to CB students today, like engineering courses and the four-year arts program. I am envious of Katie and Shea's high school experience because it is just beyond anything I could have imagined in my day. Attending CB is something I wouldn't trade for the world, so there is great pride in seeing them also be blessed with the same opportunity."

"It amazes me to see how many graduates choose Christian Brothers for their sons and daughters," says Kelly '83. "So many of our friends are also CB alumni, and their kids attend CB. Shea '19 is a freshman and has many friends, including Elise Ledesma '19. Her father, Marty Ledesma '82, is classmates and great friends with my husband, Paul. Knowing that Marty and Paul are friends and now their daughters are friends is extraordinary, especially since it is Christian Brothers that brought us all together."

Whether its driving carpool or picking up after a sporting event, Paul Harrington '82 feels nostalgic whenever he visits campus, "As I pull into the CB driveway to pick up my daughters, I often think 'how many times have I been on this campus?' and all of the memories come right back. During Back to School Night this past fall, I visited one of my daughter's classrooms, room 205. As I sat down in a desk, it immediately brought me back to sitting in that same room as a student in Joe Gill's poetry class 35 years ago."

So much has changed over the years, nevertheless, the values and faith of the CB community create a connection that brings the entire Harrington family together. "Being a third generation student from my family is very interesting to me. It's fun to compare all of our experiences and explore how the school has changed over time. It creates a special bond between my family members, and me," says Katie '17.















### THE SLAKEY FAMILY

The Slakey Family also holds deep roots in CB's history. Ben Slakey '17, a junior, is son of Steve Slakey '76 and Jacklyn (Sapnaro) Slakey '76, and grandson of Bob Slakey '48. Ben's three brothers, Chris '96, Danny '02 and Andy Slakey '05, are also graduates. In total, 21 members of the immediate Slakey family are CB alumni, including Bob's father, Roger Slakey, who received an honorary diploma after leaving school as a sophomore to help support his family.

All three generations had unique high school experiences, from participating in Science Olympiads to writing for "The Gael" newspaper, yet they share the common bond of feeling pride in their CB heritage and a strong connection to the school community.

"I feel more connected to CB today, which I attribute, in part, to the fact that my sons and grandchildren attended. That connection is sustained and enriched by having Ben attend CB and doing so well. I would not say my connectedness to Ben is any greater than it would be, but my connectedness to CB is

enhanced by his being a 'CB Boy,'" explains Bob Slakey '48. "My wife and I feel very blessed to have so many wonderful children and grandchildren embrace the Christian Brothers tradition and carry it with them through high school and beyond."

Both as a former student and current CB parent, Steve sees how the school embraces children of all backgrounds and interests, making it a very special place to be. "Teenagers of all backgrounds work and study and play together in a very caring environment. The faculty and staff all seem to genuinely care about the kids and the kids seem to really enjoy the school and appreciate the CB experience. The school provides a great opportunity for kids with all different talents, allowing each to excel in his/her own way," says Steve '76.

Ben '17 feels a kindred spirit with the CB campus and enjoys sharing his CB experiences with his father and grandfather, "It is fun to talk about the similarities and differences in our times at Christian Brothers. It is also nice to stand on the campus and know that all my brothers and my father stood here too."

### **FUTURE GENERATIONS**

Although Kelly Harrington '83 attended Bishop Manogue, she has seen the school grow in many ways from her high school days though today, "Christian Brothers High School is better than ever. It retains that history/legacy and inclusive sense of community but academically, it is stronger than ever. I believe the coeducation component provides more opportunity for students. There is something for everyone at CB."

Not only are grandparents, parents, and children bonded by blood, but also by the "Brotherhood." When asking any CB student or alumni what being a "Brother" means to them, a plethora of assorted responses are guaranteed to be heard. However, even with generations between them, CB alum and students see the CB community as a family that never stops supporting and caring for their own. Tony Poletti '68 remarks, "Being a Brother means that we have a common bond and it means we have a community of current students and alumni that have each other's backs, supporting each other in good times and bad."

Shea Harrington '19 explains, "Being a 'Brother' or member of the CB community means to me that we are one big community of alumni and students that will continue to serve and be active Lasallians."

Graduation day may be many months or years in the past, yet the CB connection remains. Ken Harris '54 states, "I firmly believe that if St. John Baptiste de La Salle could walk on the CB campus today, he would be absolutely delighted to see what is happening here. The community is everything he could have imagined and more in a Lasallian school. For all kids, there is something available for every student that walks through the front gates."



# Christmas

### Christmas Instrumental Concert

Guests couldn't sit still as they bopped to the music at the 2015 Instrumental Christmas Concert on Friday, December 11, in the George Cunningham '40 Performing Arts Center. Four CB bands performed, including Jazz Band, String Orchestra, Honors Band and Concert Band. Students presented jazzy renditions of "Santa Baby" and "Here We Come A-Caroling," and capped off the evening with a fantastic performance of "Noel, Noel."



# Performances



### **Tribute Show: Tim Collom**

Students paid tribute to Sacramento-based artist Tim Collom at the third annual Tribute Art Show exhibit held at the B Street Theater on Thursday, November 5. Congratulations to Eleanor Weber '16 for earning Best-of-Show with her cow-inspired painting; Taylor Morris '16 won first place; second place winner Natalie Toth '18; third place winner Camille Moniz '16. Artist Tim Collom joined students at the event and praised their work. Proceeds from the event benefitted The B Street Children's Education Program.

It was an inspiring evening for all involved, especially for Collom, "Truthfully I am blown away by the enthusiasm and the artistic talent of the Christian Brothers students. I will never forget the experience I had and was truly honored to be a part of their learning and artistic development."



























## The Tempest: Shakespeare in Space

CB's fall production of Shakespeare's "The Tempest" was out of this world! The CB Theatre Department brought an innovative twist to the classic play by setting it in outer space. The tale of romance, betrayal, and power was brought to life on a mythical planet by CB students who wowed the crowd with their amazing talents. The play even featured a charming little robot, CB3P0, created especially for the production by the CB Robotics Team. It was another outstanding performance by our fantastic student thespians, innovators and technical crew!













## **ONE ACTS**

CB students put their talents on display during the annual One Acts Festival held in the George Cunningham '40 Performing Arts Center in February. The four performances were completely written, produced, directed and performed by CB students. "Ask," by Ian Ferrell '17, depicted the struggles a teenage boy faces when asking a girl to prom, agonizing over the possible good or bad outcomes. Jacob Cherry '18, wrote a comedic mystery entitled "Detective Man," following an arrogant detective given the task of figuring out what is scaring away guests at a local hotel. "From the Ashes," by Tori Davis '17, featured an artist who lost all hope after being haunted by past paintings. Through the help of a friend, she must find the courage to paint once again. "From the Ashes" was also presented as an official entry at the Lenaea High School Theatre Festival, February 6 and 7 at the Harris Center in Folsom. "Rosaline," by Maddy Mason '16, retold the classic story of "Romeo and Juliet" from the perspective of the woman who rejected Romeo. Bravo to all of the students, both on stage and behind the scenes, who worked so hard to produce such a fantastic festival.



















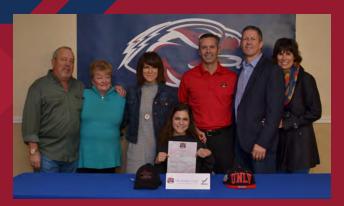




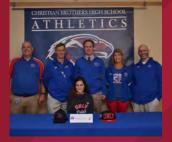
### **VARSITY WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SECURES CONFERENCE WIN**

With a #1 seed position in their division and the Capital Athletic League Title, the Falcons earned a spot in the Section Finals tournament at Sleep Train Arena. The team hit several milestones during their triumphant season including a 25-8 record, 10-0 league record, and a 50th straight conference victory under Head Coach Ron Gully.

**Congratulations to Kourtney** Clark '16 who signed a Letter of Intent to compete in diving at **University of Nevada, Las Vegas!** 







## VARSITY MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM CLINCHES SECTION TITLE

Congratulations to the varsity men's cross country team on running away with CB's first ever Division IV Section Title. Highlights from their successful season include all team members setting personal best times at the State Finals meet in November.





## Women's Varsity Volleyball **Wins Section Title**

The Falcons capped off a fantastic season with a Division III Section Title. With a 9-1 league record, the team took second place in the Capital Athletic League and finished with an overall 19-7 season record.

### **Wrestlers** Earn All-**League Titles**



Congratulations to seniors Jarret Fiffick '16 and Zach Steving '16, who both wrestled their way to first place in the Capital Athletic League, earning all-league titles. Nine of the ten varsity men's wrestlers advanced to compete in the division finals.





## Soccer Student-Athletes Continue to Make the Grade

Kudos to the CB soccer program for once again earning the prestigious NSCAA Team Academic Award for the 2014-15 school year, marking the eighth consecutive year the school has achieved this honor. CB is one of only two California schools to earn the award for both their men's and women's soccer teams. To receive this award, a team must maintain a GPA above 3.25 for the entire academic year.

### **ATHLETIC TRAINERS RECOGNIZED** FOR COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE

CB's Athletic Training Program was named a Safe School-1st Team by the National Athletic Trainers' Association. This award honors schools that are strongly committed to maintaining safe athletic environments and keeping studentathletes injury-free. Darci Calista and Kolby Kuhn, both certified athletic trainers, facilitate CB's Sports Medicine Program. Students who participate in the after-school program partake in lessons in anatomy, exercise physiology, and injury rehabilitation.





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## **20**16

**Junior Falcons** Football & Cheerleading Season!

The mission of the Christian Brothers Junior Falcons is to prepare children ages 6 to 14 for high school football and cheer while promoting CB's Lasallian values. Register by June 30, 2016 to receive early bird pricing.

More information may be found at www.cbjrfalcons.org.



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## A SEASON OF SERVICE AT CB

Christian Brothers High School lived out its motto of "Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve" this past holiday season beginning with the *Yes We Can* food drive in November and culminating with a Christmas party for students at Rosa Parks Elementary.

CB's student-run Blanket Club met once a week throughout the fall semester to make blankets for children in need. In November, members delivered 18 "warm hugs" to the children at Sutter Memorial Hospital.

For the second year in a row, CB clinched the title of "Largest School Team" at the Run to Feed the Hungry on Thanksgiving Day. Over 450 Falcons and their families participated in the event, showing their Brothers pride on the sleeve of their team shirt and supporting the Sacramento community. The 5k and 10k event raises money for the Sacramento Food Bank and Family Services.

On December 1, the CB Jazz Band shared the gift of music, making several stops around town on its Christmas Music Tour, including several local schools and Shriners Hospital for Children. The lobby was filled with Christmas cheer and familiar tunes thanks to the 15-member group, playing tunes including "Jingle Bell Rock" and "Santa Baby."

"We love to play at Shriners Hospital during the holiday season because it gives our students an opportunity to bring some cheer and spirit to the patients and their families," said Travis Maslen, CB band director. "We know they are going through so much. It's a gift to us to play for them."

In early December, Campus Ministry students donated

and decorated Christmas trees at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in downtown Sacramento for their annual Festival of Trees and Lights. The trees were then auctioned off to benefit the Cathedral Square Homeless Program.

The Interact Club, a community service club, collected socks, hats, and personal care items to stuff 25 stockings to be handed out on Christmas Day by the loving volunteers of Loaves and Fishes.

St. Hope Academy and Rosa Parks Elementary school benefitted from CB's Advent Almsgiving. CB students and staff donated more than 700 books for the kindergarten through eighth grade students at St. Hope Academy in Oak Park. Lasallian Youth, a student service club, collected more than 100 toys for the kindergarten students at Rosa Parks Elementary School in South Sacramento. CB students even hosted a party for the kinders, complete with a visit from Santa who personally delivered the donated gifts.

These Christmas traditions and other philanthropic efforts demonstrate CB students' joy in making the holiday season special for those in need. Christian Service Director Jennifer Lystrup is always impressed with the turnout whenever a call to action is made to the CB community, "During the holidays there are countless opportunities to give back, both on campus and in the larger Sacramento area. I am so impressed with the kindness and support of our CB students and families. They all come through with such generosity and still continue to give to all of our drives and fundraisers."

# HOLLYWOODANIGHT at the Movies





CB rolled out the red carpet at the 2016 Family Dance, "Hollywood: A Night at the Movies." Forrest Gump, Frankenstein's monster and Princess Leia were just a few of the "celebrities" on hand at the best attended dance of the year.

Guests enjoyed delicious desserts from Ettore's bakery and the musical mixings of DJ High Top. Best of all, proceeds from the event benefitted CB's twin school, St. John Baptist de La Salle School in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

































## Ven-a-Ver ("Come and See")

Each year, junior and senior students submit applications and participate in interviews in the hopes of attending a service trip called Ven-a-Ver, which translates to "come and see." The location and focus of each trip varies, but the heart remains the same as students immerse themselves in other cultures while experiencing firsthand the realities of poverty, neglect and injustice. This year, students visited Arizona and Mexico in February to look more closely at immigration issues. A group then

traveled to Memphis in March to visit important civil rights landmarks and volunteer at local schools and shelters.

In April, students venture to Yakima, Washington to explore issues of environmental health and justice. "The Ven-a-Ver experience is transformative for our students," explains President Lorcan Barnes. "It is one thing to teach our Lasallian core principles of concern for the poor and social justice, it's another to live it."

"Each Ven-a-Ver is an exceptional immersion because participating students experience and understand the context of why they are doing that particular service," says Jennifer Lystrup, Christian service director. "Over the course of the week the students gain a deeper understanding about the issues and how they can try to effect change, albeit in baby steps, through service. It's also fantastic to watch the students bond through living in simple community."

### Ven-a-Ver Otra Lado

Twelve students and two teachers walked in the shoes of immigrants and border patrol agents at the United States-Mexico border to develop an understanding of immigration issues. The group visited locations in Arizona and Mexico to speak with immigrants and law enforcement agents, including the Arizona desert, a local courthouse and food closet, providing students with a complete picture of the immigration process and struggle. Speaking with women at a refugee shelter was a particularly poignant experience as students heard the stories and struggles of women trying to reconnect with their families across the dangerous border.

Will Yuponce '17 returned from the trip with a refreshed passion for helping others, "This trip made me realize I have something to be grateful for every day and my daily problems are small in retrospect to the bigger picture. This trip awoke a calling in me. It was a call to help those who needed assistance and to not be so selfish, as I can sometimes be. Knowing I can make a difference imbued me with new energy and changed my view on life and my existence."

Yuponce '17 sees the service trip as a life-changing experience for himself and his team members, "The trip changed me and my group radically. It taught us to be grateful for what we have and to never take anything for granted."





### Ven-a-Ver Memphis

The Ven-a-Ver Memphis team, consisting of eleven students and two teachers, headed to the "Home of the Blues" to learn more about racial issues in the South. Students visited important landmarks including Stax Records, the Civil Rights Museum and the Mason Temple where Martin Luther King, Jr. delivered his final speech just hours before his assassination. The team also volunteered at De La Salle Elementary School, a K-8 Lasallian school serving boys and girls from the area's under-served urban population, assisting students with assignments and helping with projects at the school. They also served meals at a local soup kitchen.

Micah Jordan '17 feels the trip opened her eyes to social injustices away and at home. "After everything that I observed during Ven-a-Ver, I am motivated to do what I can to change our society for the better. I am grateful to the people of Memphis who took the time to show us their wonderful city, and, of course, my fellow students who were able to experience the trip along with me. It was definitely a week to remember," says Jordan '17.





CB students got their hands dirty for a great cause at the eighth annual Bowla-Thon, an early morning "ceramics party" benefitting the River City Food Bank's Empty Bowls fundraiser. Bowls were thrown, decorated, and painted by over 60 students before sunrise, demonstrating students' artistic talents and dedication to helping others. As a result of their efforts, more than 150 bowls were donated to the Empty Bowls fundraiser for attendees to take home as a reminder of hunger and food insecurity in the Sacramento community.

Rob Boriskin, ceramics teacher, was thrilled with this year's turnout, saying, "Every year I look forward to the Bowla-Thon. Seeing students willing to get up at 5 a.m. to do good is an amazing feeling. This year we had the largest participation ever, with more than 60 students here bright and early making so many beautiful bowls. Not only that, they did some amazing ceramics work with smiles on their faces. CB students are truly extraordinary in their willingness to give so generously to the vulnerable in the local community."



































# lumni inner

Alumni, friends, and family gathered to celebrate old times and make new memories at the 46th annual Alumni Dinner held on Saturday, January 30, in the Jack Witry Field House. Members of the Bishop Armstrong Class of 1966 were honored with Golden Diplomas during the pre-dinner celebration in recognition of 50 years having passed since graduation.

The Honorary Alumnus Award was presented of Joseph Hill, father of Joseph '11 and Camille '14, and husband of Cynthia Gandy '78. With all three members of Joseph's immediate family deeply connected to Christian Brothers High School, Joseph is an avid supporter of the school, its Alumni Association and is always more than willing to volunteer at CB events. His persistent enthusiasm

## 2016 **ALUMNI DINNER SPONSORS**

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**Skyles Insurance Agency** (Bobbi Pires '76)

**The Corcoran Family Visual Impact Design**  and good humor stand out as he does whatever is needed at various events on campus, whether it's the Wine, Beer & Food Extravaganza or the Alumni Dinner. He has freely given of himself to CB while working fulltime for the State of California and tending the family vineyard. He fully embraces the Lasallian ideals of learning and is proud to support such a uniquely fantastic school and community.

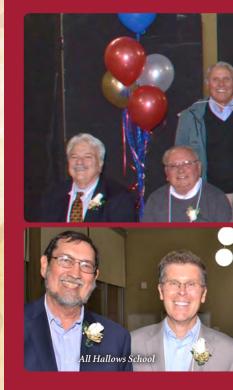
"It was a very special evening and honor for me to be recognized as the 2016 Honorary Alumnus. My wife, Cynthia Gandy '78, and I have embraced the Lasallian ideals of learning and service in our lives and the lives of our children. We love Christian Brothers and look forward to continuing our support as a family of alumni," remarked Hill.

The esteemed Alumni Service Award, exemplifying the Alumni Association's highest standard of giving back to Christian Brothers, was presented to Bernie Church '62 in recognition of his dedicated support of CB. Church attended CB at the 21st and Broadway location for the first two years of high school, moving on to Bishop Armstrong to complete his junior and seniors years. As one of 14 siblings who all received a Catholic education, Church has much pride in the school and the good work done by CB in the community. He has served as president of The La Salle Club since 2007, working tirelessly to support the student athletes at Christian Brothers and to honor the memory of his late father, James Church, also once The La Salle Club President. In recent years, The La Salle Club has provided scoreboards, equipment and

contributed to the construction of a fitness center. Church is seen often on campus working hard to prepare for various events including the Baseball Hall of Fame, the Coaches and Officials Hall of Fame and the CB Athletic Hall of Fame.

"I am so honored to have received the Alumni Service Award. My volunteerism is a way of honoring my parents. It is satisfying to know that The La Salle Club makes a difference on campus by supporting projects that are outside of the athletic department's budget," said Church '62.

A special thank you to the Alumni Association members and volunteers who organized the funfilled and successful event. Kudos to Troy Bird '82, Marty Clark '89, Tony Clark '83 and others for working hard to serve as expert bartenders and servers for the evening. Thanks to event co-chairs Ron Rojo '72, Tim Johnston '68, and James Reel '68 for all of their hard work. We hope to see you next year!







Class of 1966 Golden Diploma Recipients

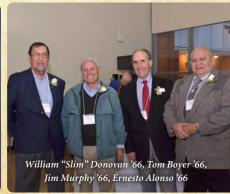


Some members of the class of 1966 also attended grammar school together.

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## Clumni Dinner CONTINUED































# FESOUNEED IS LOVE















Bell-bottom pants, tie-dye shirts, peace sign medallions, rose-colored glasses and wild 60s prints were on display as the sold-out auction crowd fully embraced the "groovy" theme of "All You Need is Love" at CB's annual action on March 12. Guests enjoyed "far-out" cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and the silent auction in the Jack Witry Field House followed by a fantastic dinner and dynamic live auction in the "outta sight" Ron Limeberger '53 Gymnasium.

Kitty O'Neal, KFBK Afternoon News anchor, inspired generosity as the mistress of ceremonies. Guests felt the love and shared their love for Christian Brothers, making this the largest auction in CB history, raising more than \$360,000.

This year's Fund-a-Project bidding raised \$80,000 to provide interactive science sensors and other cutting edge instruments for student-use throughout the science classrooms and laboratories. Guests also donated \$18,000 in support of tuition assistance.

"We are deeply grateful to the auction committee, chaired this year by Susan Bitar, and Joanne McShane, director of parent

giving, for organizing such a successful and spirited auction event. Their energy and creativity directly benefit our students and bring together parents and alumni for a fun evening," says Lorcan Barnes, president.



### ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE CONTINUED





















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## COACHES & OFFICIALS HALL OF FAME DINNER 10.17.15

The La Salle Club welcomed eight new members into its Coaches & Officials Hall of Fame. The honorees recognized at the 21st annual dinner were Joe Belcastro, Mike Clemons '63, Diane Heine '71, Al Hooker, Terry Rasmussen, Pete Saco, Bob Opp and Jean Snuggs.

Honoree Mike Clemons '63 signed contracts with numerous NFL teams, including the Oakland Raiders and Green Bay Packers, before serving in the U.S. Coast Guard from 1965 to 1971. As a coach, he spent 44 years coaching football, wrestling and swimming at various area high schools, even serving as athletic director at Christian Brothers High School. In 2008, as head football coach at Sacramento City College, Clemons was recognized as Mid-Empire Conference Coach of the Year. He was inducted into the Sacramento State Hall of Fame in 1983 for his remarkable performance as a football player and all-league captain from 1963 to 1967.

As a 20-year coach at Christian Brothers High School, Diane Heine '71 played a significant role in developing numerous sports programs including softball, volleyball, basketball and golf. Most notably, Heine is credited with building a distinguished women's volleyball program at CB, bringing home three league championships, four division championships, and one Northern California championship title. Heine not only dedicated her time to CB as a coach, but also as a member of the school's guidance and counseling department. Heine is known for her warm-hearted nature and embodiment of Lasallian values.

"Overall, it was a fantastic evening filled with wonderful speeches honoring our newest inductees and record audience turnout to cheer on some of Sacramento's finest coaches. Our honorees not only had successful coaching careers, but were also positive role models and influences in the lives of their players," said Bernie Church '62, president of The La Salle Club.





## The La Salle Club Baseball Hall of Fame 🖈

This year's Baseball Hall of Fame Dinner "knocked it out of the park" as more than 300 guests gathered to honor the nine newest inductees. The 62nd annual event honored local baseball players and umpires Randy Brown, Doug Carson '65, Gary Darling, Mark Loper, Lowell Palmer, Bill Plummer, Don Semon '61, Greg Sims, and Bill Walsh.

Guests talked shop, swapped stories, and shared memories during the predinner social hour. Local musician and firefighter, Mark Wellendorf '83, kicked off the festivities with his performance of both the American and Canadian national anthems.

Highlights

of the evening included the large family, friend and classmate turnout for Doug Carson '65 and Don Semon '61. KFBK's Sports Guy Pat Walsh accepted his father's plaque with a spirited speech. Lowell Palmer, a five-year major league pitcher, delivered a witty speech, commenting that he was so wild that "even he wouldn't hit off of him."

Gary Darling, a 28-year MLB umpire, drew playful "boos" from the crowd during his speech introduction, jokingly stating, "I threw out 111 managers, and I don't mind adding to that list tonight!"

The Class of 2016 includes two
Christian Brothers graduates, Don Semon
'61 and Doug Carson '65. Both players
were dominant in high school, fueling
massive major league
interest.

Don was Sacramento's first "Bonus Baby," signing a major league contract for a hefty \$55,000. Doug was the first area player and the 33rd overall pick in the first Major League Baseball Amateur Draft.

Honorees are selected based on a number of factors including age (60 years or older), success as a player, manager, scout, umpire or writer, and a connection to the region. With so many talented prospects eligible, The La Salle Club Baseball Hall of Fame will thrive for many years to come.

Thank you to The La Salle Club for making the event a "grand slam." The La Salle Club was established in 1937 to raise money for sports teams and equipment at the school. That tradition continues today as proceeds from the dinner benefit CB's athletic programs.



Susan Burke '57 Jan Bush '55 Stephen F. Cotta '67 Albert Estacio '54 Alan Fenech '62 Dave Ferreter '67 Betsy Flynn '61 Martin James Fuerst Jr. '52 Pat Geary '62 Ronald Hermann '54 Richard Hopkins '61 Tony Ingoglia '53 Ronald King '46 Walter E. Klinger '45 John Larrea '52 Bill Limeberger '56 John Martin '64 Claire (Gilbert) Marty '06 Rose Nunes '59 James Repace '66 Gerald Hansen '56 Gerald Risse '56



Claire Matthews. long-time member of the Christian Brothers High School community, passed away on September 29, 2015, after battling lung disease. She began working in the office at CB in 1974, moving her way up to administrative secretary. When the school began its coeducation format

in 1991, Matthews also took on the role of cheerleading coach. Mr. English, long-time history teacher, recalls, "Mrs. Matthews was extremely loyal to Christian Brothers High School and its leadership. She would go above and beyond in every task or project, and was always willing to be of help to others." Claire is remembered for her exceptional organizational skills, strong work ethic, quick dry wit and tough, yet warm personality.

# Brother Bertram

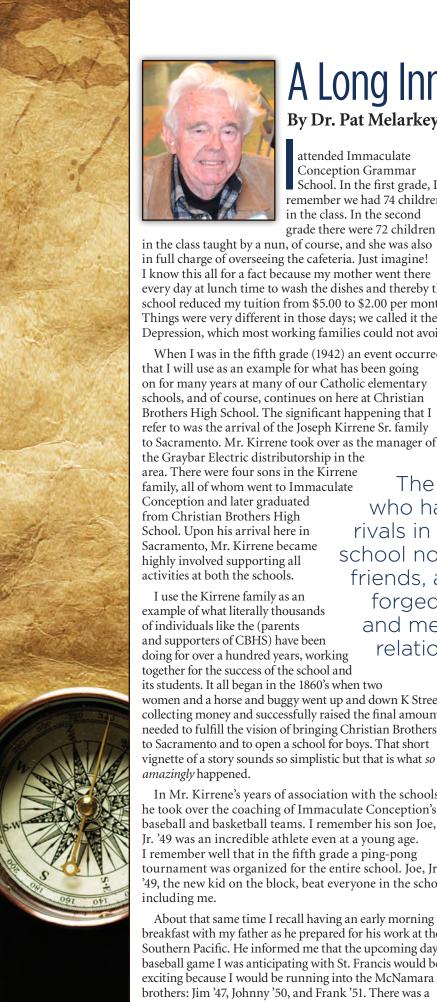


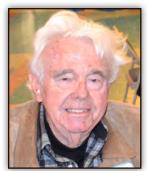
The Brother Bertram Society was founded in 1994 to honor Brother Bertram Coleman, FSC. The society includes persons and couples who have made provisions for Christian Brothers High School in their estate plans.

In his 70 years of service to the District of San Francisco, Br. Bertram served as a teacher, high school prefect, vice principal, athletic director and coach,

director of student Brothers at St. Mary's College, principal of Christian Brothers and Cathedral high schools, Brother Visitor, development director, alumni director, Director General of Mt. La Salle and district archivist. He was a passionate advocate of Lasallian Catholic education and ardently committed to educating the poor.

The Brother Bertram Society speaks to the importance of estate planning to the future of Christian Brothers High School. If you have included CBHS in your estate plans, or if you would like information about the Brother Bertram Society, please contact Nancy Smith-Fagan, director of advancement, at 916-733-3608.





## A Long Inning...A Long Time Ago!

By Dr. Pat Melarkey '49

attended Immaculate Conception Grammar School. In the first grade, I remember we had 74 children in the class. In the second grade there were 72 children

who had been

rivals in grammar

friends, and many

in the class taught by a nun, of course, and she was also in full charge of overseeing the cafeteria. Just imagine! I know this all for a fact because my mother went there every day at lunch time to wash the dishes and thereby the school reduced my tuition from \$5.00 to \$2.00 per month. Things were very different in those days; we called it the Depression, which most working families could not avoid.

When I was in the fifth grade (1942) an event occurred that I will use as an example for what has been going on for many years at many of our Catholic elementary schools, and of course, continues on here at Christian Brothers High School. The significant happening that I refer to was the arrival of the Joseph Kirrene Sr. family to Sacramento. Mr. Kirrene took over as the manager of the Graybar Electric distributorship in the area. There were four sons in the Kirrene The boys family, all of whom went to Immaculate

Conception and later graduated from Christian Brothers High School. Upon his arrival here in Sacramento, Mr. Kirrene became highly involved supporting all activities at both the schools.

I use the Kirrene family as an forged lasting example of what literally thousands and meaningful of individuals like the (parents and supporters of CBHS) have been doing for over a hundred years, working together for the success of the school and its students. It all began in the 1860's when two women and a horse and buggy went up and down K Street collecting money and successfully raised the final amount needed to fulfill the vision of bringing Christian Brothers to Sacramento and to open a school for boys. That short

In Mr. Kirrene's years of association with the schools, he took over the coaching of Immaculate Conception's baseball and basketball teams. I remember his son Joe, Jr. '49 was an incredible athlete even at a young age. I remember well that in the fifth grade a ping-pong tournament was organized for the entire school. Joe, Jr. '49, the new kid on the block, beat everyone in the school, including me.

About that same time I recall having an early morning breakfast with my father as he prepared for his work at the Southern Pacific. He informed me that the upcoming day's baseball game I was anticipating with St. Francis would be exciting because I would be running into the McNamara brothers: Jim '47, Johnny '50, and Frank '51. There was a

chuckle in my Dad's voice as he pointed out that I would be receiving refined lessons in the game from these very young men already gaining a popular name in the sport.

Our school had a pretty good team and we had been leading the league. In that day's game Joe Kirrene, Jr. '49 played third, George Silvers '49 was on short, Fred Tucker '49 was catcher and I was the pitcher. In the fourth inning, as I was pitching, John McNamara '50, who was the catcher for St. Francis, and was obviously running the whole team even at that young age, began to razz me and made fun of the way I wound up and threw the ball. By the time he got done, I had walked seven and hit at least four or five other players with hard pitches. The parish priest coaching St. Francis began to wonder if the diocesan insurance plan would cover my wild throws.

Needless to say, this all resulted in my never playing much baseball again, and when I did play I was relegated out to right field.

Countless years and many athletic games passed and lots of them were filled with highlights; however the most memorable for me was the year Joe

Kirrene, Jr. '49 signed a \$25,000 contract with the Chicago White Sox. He played two years in the big leagues, and for many years played with the San school now became Francisco Seals and the Oakland Oaks in the Pacific Coast League, later moving into management for AAA. All the Kirrene family members continue to support CBHS.

Jerry Kirrene '53 is spearheading an relationships. ongoing committee to compile an archival history of the athletic and other significant accomplishments of Christian Brothers' former students, parents, teachers and alumnae. Kirrene and classmate Tom Colby '53 are also working together to create a database to preserve all this important information. Pete Mikacich '52 has a great display at the Limelight Bar and Restaurant.

> It has been 75 years since "An Inning...A Long Time Ago!" Those days as young boys on the baseball field are gone however, high points were made during those games.

The bases were loaded for more to come as we began Christian Brothers High School.

Through our Lasallian education, "We Entered to Learn and Left to Serve." The boys who had been rivals in grammar school became friends, and many forged lasting and meaningful relationships. For me it has been a great line up of lifetime friendships spanning the years of the 1940's to the present days of 2016.

My hat thrown into the air, I cheer that the innings and winnings will continue on and on as a Gratuitous Gift to our alma mater, Christian Brothers High School.

## Alumni News & Notes

Pete Mikacich '52 has owned the Limelight Bar & Café, located near the corner of J Street and Alhambra Blvd., since 1975. In 2015, his son, John, and daughter, Jane, took over the establishment and created a baseball tribute within the Limelight to honor their fathers, uncles, and friends that played baseball in Sacramento with the help of several collectors, including Joe McNamara '83. There are over 100 images covering the walls of the bar chronicling Sacramento's rich baseball history.



With so many CB alums framed on the wall, it is no surprise that The La Salle Club and the Brotherhoods hold meetings and lunches there. Pete's grand-daughter, **Hallie Mikacich '19**, is a freshman at CB and continues the family's CB legacy.

In September 2015, **Tom Franzoia '71** started his new role as lead carpenter at Brown Construction Inc. and is currently on the team refurbishing the Ransohoff Building, located across from the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in downtown Sacramento.

**Aniceto Balingit '76** has been appointed to the board of directors for the North Franklin District Business Association. Balingit, owner of Guardian Self-Storage on Fruitridge Road, works as a member of the board to promote culturally diverse businesses and increase economic development in the areas surrounding Oak Park and Franklin Boulevard.



Robert Oates '82 married his wife Karen on October 11, 2014. The backyard ceremony took place in Carmichael at the home of Barbara Larsen, Karen's mother, and was attended by 88 close friends and family. The pair waited until January 2, 2015, to make the marriage official at the courthouse, allowing for Oates' son, returning from the Navy, to attend the ceremony.

**Kevin Spease '86** launched his campaign for mayor of Elk Grove. Spease, who runs his own cyber-security firm, was appointed to the Elk Grove Planning Commission in 2014.

## Where are They Now?

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On December 11, 2015, Lisa and **Brendan Hogan '95** welcomed a new member of the family, Harper Joan Hogan. Harper weighed in at 7 pounds 6 ounces. Big brothers Jameson (5) and Cory (11) love their new sister and the family is adjusting well to life as a five-some. Hogan continues to teach Video Production and Media Arts courses at Christian Brothers.





After graduating from CB, La'Keisha Alexander-Abram '97 went on to play two years of basketball at Cosumnes River College before earning a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from California State University, Sacramento in December 2001. In August 2008, she obtained her master's degree in business administration from the University of Phoenix. La'Keisa worked for the State of California for 10 years, with her last few years spent as a manager at CalPERS in the Disability Retirement Section. She then changed careers in 2013, accepting a job with the U.S. Postal Inspection Service. As a postal inspector (Federal

Agent), she is responsible for investigating crimes involving the U.S. Mail, primarily focusing on mail and identity theft. She lives in Sacramento with her husband of eight years and their six-year old son. The family looks forward to expanding in June 2016 with the anticipated birth of their second child.

Darci and **Josh '98 Calista** welcomed a daughter, Madyson Ann, on October 30, 2015, weighing in at 10 pounds, 6 ounces and 21 inches long. Big sister, Emily, and big brother, Dylan, are crazy about their newest family member.

**Patrick Harbison '98** was recognized by the Sacramento Public Relations Association as the "PR Professional of the Year" at the 29th Annual CAPPIES Gala in March.



**Dr. Miya Allen '99** recently purchased her first home on H Street in Sacramento. Dr. Allen is a physician at Northbay Medical Group in Vacaville, specializing in Diabetes, Endocrinology & Metabolism.

Kimberly Chong '01 graduated from California State University, Sacramento in 2006 with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. After college, she lived in Los Angeles and San Francisco for several years before returning to Sacramento. She is currently working at her family's dental practice while taking prerequisite courses for nursing school. When she's not in class or at work, you can find Chong exercising or traveling as much as possible! She lives in Sacramento with her husband, Brad, and their two dogs, Norman and Eric.



**Anthony Florian '01** is the executive chef at Seven Hills restaurant in San Francisco. Florian, who graduated from the California Culinary Academy in 2006, specializes in Italian fare.

**Erin (Tessman) Crinklaw '02** and husband Jeffrey Crinklaw welcomed a son, Wesley, to the world in May 2015. Grandparents Steve and **Denise (Rainoldi) Tessman '72** are very proud!



Maritza Davis '02 is the co-founder and chief operating officer of Unseen Heroes, an event marketing agency she founded with husband Roshaun Davis. Under her direction, she has built a reputation for meticulously executing event activations and production for clients including Fiat, MillerCoors, Crocker Art Museum, Zipcar, Wilson Meany, Domus Development, HOT ITALIAN and more. In 2014, she opened DISPLAY: California in the heart of north Oak Park, a store reimagining retail to create a new shopping experience for customers by selling products from California designers. Davis also travels the country speaking about community engagement, entrepreneurship and business leadership. When she is home in Sacramento, Davis enjoys spending time with her husband and children.

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Michael O'Connor '02 moved to San Diego immediately after high school where he began working as a restaurant manager. He and his wife, Renee, married in 2012 and welcomed a son, James, in 2014. They returned to Sacramento to be closer to family and Michael began pursuing a career in real estate, earning his real estate license in July 2015. He began working for Dunnigan Realtors and has already been very successful at selling homes. He and his wife recently purchased their first home in the Tahoe Park area, where they hope to give James a sibling very soon.

Natalie Crow '03 graduated with honors from University of California, Santa Barbara in 2007, earning her bachelor's degree in history. While traveling in Europe after graduation, she discovered that her love for travel could be useful in a career in hospitality. Upon returning to the U.S. in 2008, Natalie moved to San Francisco and began looking for a job. She randomly replied to a Craigslist ad for an international travel company, Geographic Expeditions, looking for an admin assistant/receptionist and has been with the company ever since. Still an avid traveler and adventurer, Crow is currently director of the company's Americas department, where she manages sales, operations, and trip planning for all Latin American destinations.

At least once a year the team goes into the field to do research, checking out hotels and experiencing the destinations firsthand. Travel for work has taken Natalie to Chile, Cuba, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, and Argentina. "I love visiting new places, and being able to share the knowledge gained when I return, with clients. Also, practicing my Spanish is always a plus. The job is fun, and has a lot of work life balance," explained Natalie. Her next adventure is a personal one, as she will be spending several weeks volunteering at a national park in Chile beginning in March.

Julian Elorduy '03 wed Kaila Chanel Niles on November 25, 2015 in the Capitol Gardens. Elorduy is enjoying his teaching position at Christian Brothers High School. He is the moderator for the guitar club and often plays guitar at school liturgies, open mic nights and events.





Chona Sarte '04 graduated from California State University, Sacramento with a bachelor's degree in communications and sociology. After graduation, she volunteered in Nepal and Guatemala assisting environmental and education programs. Chona currently works for the California Environmental Protection Agency overseeing administrative operations and special projects, most recently supporting the California delegation at the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Paris, France. She is also a second-year, working-professional MBA candidate at the University of California, Davis Graduate School of Management, focusing on strategies to address environmental and social issues.

Christine Amorose '05 lives in Brooklyn, New York, where she manages brand partnerships at Vimeo. She also writes about lifestyle and travel at CestChristine.com, shares photos with her more than 75K Instagram followers (@cestchristine), and regularly contributes to Conde Nast Traveler, Afar and Buzzfeed Travel. After graduating magna cum laude from California State University, Chico in 2009, Christine lived in France and Australia and has celebrated every birthday in her 20's in a different country.



**Stephanie Gabrielli '07** graduated with a bachelor's degree in kinesiology from California State University, Sacramento and continued her education at Foothill College where she earned a degree in diagnostic imaging. After graduating in March 2015, she accepted a job at Sutter Imaging Sacramento and Carmichael as a diagnostic medical sonographer. She currently lives in Tahoe Park and is busy planning her wedding with fiancé, **Taylor Bollinger '04**.

**Helen Klein '07**, a member of the Harvard Law School Class of 2017, is now a member of the Harvard Law Review. Membership is limited to second and third year law students who are selected on the basis of their performance on an annual writing competition.

The band Vinnie Guidera & The Dead Birds, founded by front man, **Vinnie Guidera '07**, was recently nominated in the Indie category for the 2016 *Sacramento News & Review* Sacramento Area Music Awards. Vinnie heads the band with his vocals and guitar playing, and is joined by **Kevin Hayes '05** on bass. For more information on the band, visit their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/vinnieguideramusic.

CLASS OF 76 Michael Avis '76 Isabel Batista '76 Kevin Benfield '76 Michael Berryman '76 James Biagioni '76 Neil Bird '76 Peter Boling '76 Kenneth Brown '76 Martin Brusato '76 Victor Cabral '76 Brady Campbell '76 Anthony Cantu '76 Paul Clowdus '76 John Coleman '76 Philip Crimmins '76 Mark Cronick '76 Jim Davis '76 Tom Davis '76 Gary Dias '76 Timothy Doval '76 Marian Durand '76 David Fabila '76 David Fischer '76 Mike Fletcher '76 Keith Fontes '76 Arthur Gomes '76 Gary Gonzalez '76 John Gubel '76 Jeffrey Harris '76 Michael Heinrich '76 Mark Hensley '76 Theresa Hernandez '76 Jeffrey Hill '76 John Holtz '76 Michael Jovovich '76 Leonard Keene '76 Dennis Kennedy '76 Robert Knapp '76 Randy Knight '76 Manuel Marques '76 Edward Meistrell '76 Teresa Montijo '76 Mike Novelli '76 Thomas Pantega '76 Edward Parsons '76 Michael Perez '76 Fran Pezzuto '76 John Posas '76 Anthony Raridan '76 Steve Reese '76 Karen Richardson Chandler '76 Donald Rodriguez '76 Mario Rodriquez '76 Frank Romo '76 Mark Rowden '76 Darrell Sarmento '76 Gary Schaaf '76 Ross Schofield '76 James Souza '76 Tom Steiner '76 Mark Stites '76 Steven Sules '76 Edward Vasile '76 Joseph Villiard '76 Douglas Warren '76 Andrew Weiner '76 Kenny Whitall '76 Timothy Wolff '76

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#### **CLASS OF 86**

Kenneth Ablog '86 Shawn Allison '86 Mary Archuleta '86 John Brainin '86 Paul Brown '86 Curtis Burns '86 Christopher Caffrey '86 **Tyler Canaday '08** is loving his new position as an estimator at Madsen Roofing & Waterproofing in Sacramento, specializing in new commercial roofing developments. When he is not at work, Canaday enjoys riding his road bike and competing in races throughout California with his cycling team, Rio Strada Racing.

**Gabe Franzoia '08** is a United States Army combat medic stationed at Ft. Bragg, Fayetteville, N.C. where he lives with his new wife, Rebecca Toulouse.

**Austin Otto '08** married Sarah Zickefoose on January 9, 2016, at Sacred Heart Church in Sacramento. The two began dating while working together at Vic's Ice Cream during college. Since graduating from California State University, Sacramento with a bachelor's degree in chemistry, Austin has worked at St. Ignatius School and is currently earning his single subject teaching credential and master's degree from the University of San Francisco.



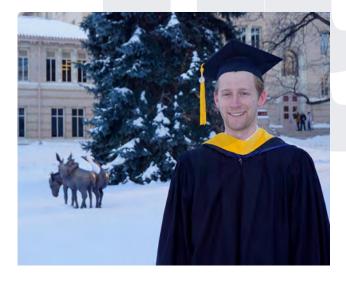




Ben Vernasco '08 graduated from California State University, Humboldt in 2013 with a bachelor's degree in applied vertebrate ecology and is currently pursuing a doctorate degree from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. During his time in Humboldt, he worked on a variety of projects studying birds across the western hemisphere. Vernasco is currently working in collaboration with the Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute to understand how testosterone influences the social behavior and demography of a songbird, the wire-

tailed manakin, found in the understory of the Amazon Rainforest. Vernasco spends three to four months of the year at Tiputini Biodiversity Station, located in the Ecuadorian Amazon, collecting data for his research. The rest of his time is spent writing and analyzing samples in the lab located in Blacksburg, Virginia.

**Lisette Esparza '09** currently lives in Minden, Nebraska, and works as the general manager of the Minden Country Club and Golf Course. On Christmas Day, Lisette and her boyfriend, Heath, got engaged, and the couple is planning for an October 2016 wedding.



Greg Hufford '09 earned his master's degree in Geology from the Colorado School of Mines. His degree emphasis was related to economic geology, or rather the study of ore deposits. For the past two years, he has been researching gold deposits in the Abitibi greenstone belt in northern Ontario and Quebec. He is not sure what the future has in store, but looks forward to spending time at home with his family. Greg hopes to work in mineral exploration.

In December, **Ryan Metzen '09** began working for Entek Consulting Group (ECG), a small environmental consulting business, as a field technician. Ryan is also hard at work finishing up his thesis and graduate school at University of California, Davis where he will earn a master's degree in forensic science in June.

If he wasn't busy enough, he also aims to start a tutoring business for biology, chemistry and public speaking by spring 2016. He looks forward to helping students of all ages learn and grasp important concepts in individual or group settings. Ryan notes, "CB students will obviously receive discounted pricing for tutoring to pay homage to the school that raised me."

When he is not busy with work and school, Ryan and his fiancé, Kristy, are planning their October nuptials at Scribner Bend Vineyards. The couple enjoys spending time with their two mini Australian shepherds that they have raised from puppies. Ryan is also the very proud uncle of Olivia Almond, daughter of **Jessica** (Metzen) Almond '06, who was born in August 2015.

Conner Penfold '09 met his wife, Mary Beth, in a study group for their New Testament class during sophomore year at Biola University. They began dating a year later and got engaged in June of 2015 on the beach at Spanish Bay in Pebble Beach. Conner and Mary were married on February 20, 2016 at Piedmont Community Church near Oakland. The pair lives in Brea, CA, where Conner works as a journalist/blogger while Mary works as a registered nurse at Hoag Hospital in Newport Beach.



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Rockey Ablog '91 Walter Alexander '91 Matthew Baer '91 Gregory Barry '91 John Belen '91 Luke Benton '91 Roy Bower '91 Clyde Buckley '91 Kareem Callahan '91 Michael Colozzi '91 Jennifer Cooper '91 Justin de Leon-Horton '91 Mary Drucker-Callahan '91 Karl Erickson '91 Amilcar Featherstone '91 Jose Fiorentini '91 Ruth Florendo '91 Michael French '91 Christian Frey '91 Matthew Galli '91 Anthony Garcia '91 Joel Garingan '91 Kristin Graham '91 Julian Gutierrez '91 Anna Maria James '91 Gabriel Jimenez '91 Thomas Krug '91 Raul Lerma '91 Joseph Lindell '91 Vincent Luna '91 Ricky Marston '91 Matthew Maucieri '91 John Mc Neil '91 Ryan McKinnon '91 Erik Montemayor '91 Aaron Moreno '91 Dennis Parino '91 Kevin Perez '91 Mark Pinsk '91 Anna Portillo '91 Brian Quan '91 Vanessa Raye '91 Mark Regeleski '91 David Separovich '91 Harmony Shacki-Williams '91 Christopher Shy '91 Dustin Silva '91 Thomas Simkins '91 Somboun Sisavath '91 Stephen Snyder '91 Jose Sole '91 Jennifer Tarifa '91 Dawn Teasley '91 Mark Tickler '91 Victor Villegas '91 Mellonee Walker '91 Richard Washington '91

### **CLASS OF 96**

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Edwin Whitman '91

Jennifer Beane '96 Michelle Benjamin '96 Matthew Calvillo '96 Leslie Camacho '96 Avery Catabran '96 Jeffrey Coleman '96 Richard Collins '96 Charles Crosby '96 Sarah Davies '96 Amelia Dennison '96 Beth Detwiler '96 Aaron Dillon-Long '96 Allison Donnalley '96 Jeanette Ercila '96 Alexis Fagnani '96 Jessica Fairbairn '96 Andrew Fairbanks '96 Christopher Garbarini '96 Zacchaeus Garcia '96

**Johnathan Ross '09** graduated from Arizona State University in 2014, earning his bachelor's degree in film and media studies. He then moved to Los Angeles where he has worked on various political campaigns including Proposition 47, the recent Pasadena mayoral race, and most notably the City of Champions Initiative which led to construction approval of a National Football League stadium in Inglewood, future home of the LA Rams. Johnathan currently works for Gathr Films, a technology-based specialty theatrical distributor for documentaries and issues-oriented films.

**Megan Schaap '09** graduated in December from California State University, San Francisco with a bachelor's degree in hospitality and tourism management and a minor in business administration. She will walk across the stage in May during the school's graduation ceremony at AT&T Park. Schaap plans to pursue a position in the hotel or wine industry. She recently purchased a home in Greenhaven.



### Jordan Swanson '09

married his wife Sara in Dallas, Texas, in early January. The two met through a mutual friend while Jordan was finishing school at California State University, Sacramento and Sara at Texas Tech University. They have now put down their roots in Sacramento, where Jordan is a commercial insurance broker at InterWest Insurance Services and Sara works in the human

resources department at SAFE Credit Union. They live in Midtown with their dog, Ike, who Jordan bought prior to their engagement to essentially bribe Sara into moving to California. Bridal party members at the wedding included CB classmates Peter Iliff '09, Benjamin Herrera '09, Matthew McCarthy '09, Conner Penfold '09, Derrick Wood '09, and sisters Kenzie '11 and Sidney Swanson '15.

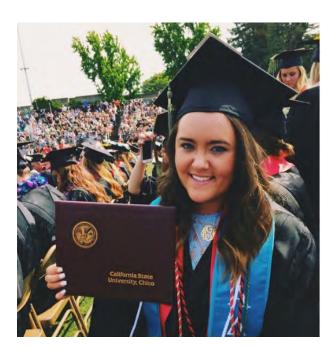
**Joshua Walters '09** earned his bachelor's degree in general science from Seattle University in 2013. In 2014, he moved from Seattle to the San Francisco Bay Area to pursue a master's degree in kinesiology and sport management from St. Mary's College of California. Since graduating in December 2015, Walters has been hired by the Sacramento Kings as an account executive, where he will be helping the passionate NBA fans of the Sacramento community find their seats for the new Golden 1 Center located in downtown Sacramento. If anyone is interested in more information about the inaugural season, please contact Josh at jwalters@kings.com or at (916) 359-2109.

Amanda Hahn '10 graduated from University of California, Santa Barbara in 2014 with a bachelor's degree in political science and as a Delta Gamma Fraternity sister. Amanda lives in Hollywood and works for The Walt Disney Studios in publicity and special events for all Disney Major Motion Pictures. She contributes creative ideas and develops publicity stunts featured on television and radio to market Disney movies. Amanda works on global press junkets facilitating talent and press interviews with domestic and global media outlets. Amanda also assists with the talent for red carpet premieres and events. Her most recent exciting assignment has been working on the publicity and promotion for Disney's Star Wars: The Force Awakens, now the biggest film of all time in North America. She enjoys the hard work along with meeting and interacting with celebrities and TV hosts.



Upon graduating from California State University, Chico in May of 2015, **Chris Kunz '10** spent his summer months knocking on doors in the East Bay selling solar panels to homeowners. He has since started a career in real estate, partnering with his brother, **Tim Kunz '07**, to launch a real estate investment company. Together they're looking to purchase, fix and flip homes in the Sacramento area. Additionally, Chris has taken a position at Keller Williams Realty under the Rich Cazneaux Real Estate Team as a buyer's agent, helping members of the community find the home of their dreams.

After graduating from California State University, Chico this coming May, **Sam Franzoia '11** will embark on a month-long cross country road trip to his new job in Carmel, Indiana, where he will represent his fraternity, Alpha Sigma Phi, on college campuses.



Megan Gormley '11 graduated from California State University, Chico in May of 2015 with a bachelor's degree in recreation administration with a concentration in Event Management. Prior to graduating, she was hired by Bruno Event Team out of Alabama to work on the 2015 U.S. Men's Senior Open at Del Paso Country Club. Megan is currently living in San Jose, CA, and working on organizing the 2016 U.S. Women's Open at CordeValle.

Brian Gibson '96 Christina Hardesty '96 Rachael Hare '96 Tianna Herrera '96 Brian Hodges '96 Michelle Horgan '96 Joshua Huizar '96 Cory Huntington '96 Eli Jacobs-Fantuzzi '96 Joanna Jakubek '96 Steven Jimenez '96 Christopher King '96 Lisa Law '96 Clara Levers '96 Garrett Lovell '96 Eric Luchini '96 Lauren Marcus '96 Katie Martin '96 Mayra Mejia '96 Aldo Mercado '96 Jon Mitts '96 Mary Beth Morris '96 Lindsey Munro '96 Colin Murphy '96 Paul Parinas '96 Giovanni Parisi '96 Monique Radman '96 Jeff Regino '96 Lavell Robinson-Blancha '96 Joseph Rojas '96 Erica Rosa '96 Stanton Saengpradap '96 Catia Saraiva '96 Hilary Schumacher '96 Dena Scott '96 Kristofer Sheaf '96 Catherine Siu '96 Gail Soto '96 Danielle Trillo '96 Deirdre Van Pelt '96 Lisa Villa '96 Stacey Williams '96 Anna Williams-Abels '96 Jill Woodruff '96 Stacy Zenovieff '96

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### **CLASS OF 06**

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#### **CLASS OF 11**

Savannah Colvis '11 Shoshana Fulton '11

Anthony Yanez '06

**Aaron Terrell-Byrd '11** graduated from the University of St. Thomas in Minnesota this past December, where he played outside linebacker for the school's football team. He now lives in St. Paul, Minnesota, where he is participating in an operations management training program with Waste Management.

Congratulations to **Mallory Velte '13** who recently won her first national title in women's wrestling. Mallory took home the gold medal at the 2016 World Class Wrestling Association Women's College Nationals in February, qualifying her for the USA Olympic Trials in April. Velte is currently a junior at Simon Fraser University in Burnaby, British Columbia, outside of Vancouver.



**Brendan Gormley '14** is in his sophomore year at Southern Oregon University and is playing football for the Raiders as a free safety and special teams. In 2014, his first season, SOU won the NAIA National Championship. SOU returned to Daytona Beach, FL this past December to play in the 2015 National Championship game. His family is looking forward to watching Brendan and the SOU Raiders take on UC Davis at Aggie Stadium on September 10, 2016!

**Matt Franzoia '15** is in his second semester at University of Arizona where he accepted a Navy ROTC scholarship to become a second lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps.

### **UPCOMING REUNIONS**

### Class of 1966 50th Anniversary Reunion

Christian Brothers and St. Francis classes of 1966 will celebrate their Golden Anniversary together. The two schools graduated together at Memorial Auditorium on 6/6/66, and have held their reunions together ever since.

When: Saturday September 17, 2016

Where: The California Auto Museum 2200 Front Street in Sacramento

**What:** Food, music, no-host bar, ice cream

bar, etc. and lots of fun catching up with old friends.

Cost: \$50 per person

### Contacts on the CB side:

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Dennis Sequeira (dlsequeira@comcast.net).

### **Contacts on the SF side:**

Henri Santos-Coy (henrisc2@gmail.com) Patty Suter (psuter1@frontiernet.net)

#### **Class of 1981**

The 35 year reunion is scheduled for Saturday June 25, 2016 at Piatti Ristorante & Bar from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Tickets are \$40 per person. Contact Kevin Santos-Coy '81 at klscstudio@gmail.com with questions.

### Class of 1996

The 20 year reunion is scheduled for Saturday, August 27, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at Christian Brothers High School. Early bird tickets are \$60.00 per person through May 31, tickets sold after June 1 are \$75.00 per person. Contact Heather Landi '96 at hclandi@gmail.com with questions.

### Class of 2006

Planning is underway for the Class of 2006 reunion, contact Laine Himmelman '06 at lhimmelmann@hotmail.com.

### **Class of 1991**

Planning is underway, contact Linda Delgadillo '91 at lindadelgadillo@gmail.com.

# Mark Your Calendars



### Spring Musical, "Animal Crackers" -**April 22, 23, 24, 29, 30, and May 1, 2016**

This Marx Brothers musical comedy about the chaos that ensues following the theft of a valuable painting during a party is sure to bring belly-busting laughs as CB's student actors bring "Animal Crackers" to the stage. All showings take place in the George Cunningham '40 Performing Arts Center. Friday and Saturday evening shows begin at 7 p.m. Sunday matinee performances begin at 2 p.m. Please visit cbhs-sacramento.org for more information or to purchase tickets.

### Spring Instrumental Concert – Thursday, May 5, 2016

Enjoy the sounds of spring and summer at the Spring Instrumental Concert on May 5. Students will close out the school year with a fantastic performance you won't want to miss. The performance will begin at 7 p.m. in the George Cunningham '40 Performing Arts Center.

### La Salle Art Exhibit – Friday, May 6, 2016

More than 50 student-created works of art will be on display at the 26th annual La Salle Art Exhibit. The event, held in the Taylor Family Gallery inside the George Cunningham '40 Performing Arts Center, is scheduled from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and features paintings, photography, sketches, ceramic pieces and more.

### Hollywood Bowl Concert – Saturday, May 21, 2016

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Don't miss the final choral event of the year! Bring a blanket and pack a picnic for this fantastic musical event. The show takes place from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on the Main Lawn.

### **Baccalaureate Mass and Graduation – Friday, May 27, 2016**

The Class of 2016 celebrates Baccalaureate Mass at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament at 9 a.m. Graduation is scheduled for 7 p.m. at Memorial Auditorium. Tickets are required for these events.

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### Holy Bowl XLVI – Saturday, September 10, 2016

Falcon fans, put on your CB blue and join us for another great game of football and friendly competition at Holy Bowl XLVI. Games are scheduled for 2 p.m. (freshmen), 4:30 p.m. (junior varsity), and 7 p.m. (varsity) at Hughes Stadium.

### Wine, Beer & Food Extravaganza – Friday, September 16, 2016

The CB Alumni Association is gearing up for this year's Wine, Beer & Food Extravaganza with plans to make it the most successful and best ever. A plethora of food, wine, beer and fun always make this the largest social event of the year. Don't miss out on the fun! Look out for more information about ticket sales.

### Homecoming 2016 – Friday, October 28, 2016

There is no place like home! Break out your CB gear from the good old days and join us at Hughes Stadium for the Homecoming football game. Walk in the parade and watch the Homecoming Court crowning at half time. Games are tentatively scheduled for 2 p.m. (freshmen), 4:30 p.m. (iunior varsity), and 7 p.m. (varsity).

# Stay Connected

We often hear from alumni that their favorite part of Connection magazine is the Alumni News & Notes section. Email your current contact information and update to Yolanda Torrecillas, director of alumni giving, at ytorrecillas@cbhs-sacramento.org. If you do not have email, please call Yolanda at (916) 733-3608 or send a note to the advancement office.

## Reunions

If your class year ends in a 1 or a 6, you are due to have a reunion in 2016. If you are interested in helping organize a celebration, please contact Yolanda Torrecillas, director of alumni giving, at (916) 733-3608 or via email at ytorrecillas@cbhs-sacramento.org.

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