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Cover Story

This year was a special one for the Saint Anthony's boys cross-country team. It all began under the sizzling June sun on an early summer morning. From that day on they began a rigorous training regimen for the upcoming fall season. The year started off great with a dominating victory at the Randolph Invitational in New Jersey. After this early race the team continued to train hard and steamrolled

through their next few invitationals at Sunken Meadow State Park. They then traveled to the Bronx for the biggest high school invitational in the country and turned in a very impressive performance against the nation's best.

Their commitment and desire was to be rewarded in the NSCHSAA League Championships which they won handily. The team then traveled to New York City to compete at the CHSAA Intersectional Championships which they once again won in convincing fashion. They ended their season at the Nike Cross National Regionals. This was the race that they worked for all year and, after a hard fought battle against the top tier teams in the state, they placed 4th and were ranked 20th in the nation. Needless to say it was a year that the team will look back on and never forget!

Dates to Remember

- 03 | 9 | 2012 Smithtown Campus Reunion Dinner Dance
 03 | 21 | 2012 Fashion Show, Crest Hollow Country Club
 03 | 23 | 2012 Junior Ring Day
 03 | 31 | 2012 Principal's Dinner
 04 | 19-21 | 2012 Spring Musical
 05 | 4-5 | 2012 41st Annual St. Anthony's Track & Field Invitational
 05 | 7 | 2012 Saint Anthony's Golf Classic
 06 | 11 | 2012 Graduation Mass
 06 | 21 2012 Feast of Saint Anthony
 07 | 21 | 2012 10 year Reunion at Saint Anthony's High School
- 08 | 10 | 2012 Black & Gold Alumni Golf Outing

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A Message from the Principal

Dear Alumni, Parents, Grandparents, and Friends,

I write to you with a great sense of pride in our Saint Anthony's High School, and with much anticipation for this coming year. I believe so much in what Saint Anthony's is all about, not just because I am privileged to be its Principal, but primarily because of the quality of our students and all that they are experiencing and achieving. Their successes are, in a word, remarkable. I believe in the dedicated Brothers and lay men and women who comprise our faculty for their commitment to our students, while understanding that for many, their excellence and dedication to Saint Anthony's is more a vocation than their occupation. We are truly blessed and much indebted to these fine men and women. I also believe in our parents who sacrifice so much for their sons and daughters to attend Saint Anthony's because they simply want the best high school education and experience for their children.

With all of the negativity surrounding the commercialism of Christmas and the holiday season in general, I applauded Macy's for their "Believe" campaign that transcended marketing their own company by reminding all of us, as Americans, to embrace the spirit of goodwill and charity. Wouldn't it be wonderful if that spirit could last for twelve months and not two? It is with that thought in mind, and taking a lead from Macy's, that I ask each and every one of you during this coming year to "Believe in Saint Anthony's." What a wonderful way for us to come together as a family to further our mission as a Roman Catholic college preparatory school in the Franciscan tradition; where every day the Franciscan principle of "capture the heart and the mind will follow" is at work for all of our students' endeavors.

I believe that this issue of Friar Focus will reinforce my invitation to all of you to "Believe in Saint Anthony's." As you will see, Saint Anthony's is alive in every way but most importantly through the experiences of our students each and every day.

Believe! Sincerely yours in Christ,

Brother Gary Cregan, O.S.F.

Christmas Vigil 2011







Nearly 1,200 alumni, students, parents, grandparents and members of the Saint Anthony's family gathered in the Auditorium on Christmas Eve for the annual Christmas Vigil Mass.



A Message from Don Corrao

Dear Alumni Parents and Friends,

I trust you will enjoy this new issue of *Friar Focus*. As you will see, we continue to strive to provide you with a magazine that captures the Franciscan Spirit that is so alive at Saint Anthony's and that is reflected in the extraordinary accomplishments and activities of our students as well as our and proud and distinguished alumni. I want to thank the Crest Hollow Country Club for their continued generous support evidenced by their assistance in helping to underwrite our magazine.

I also want to take this opportunity to wish you well in this New Year and perhaps the words of the prayer of Saint Theresa will convey my most heartfelt wishes to all of you:

May today there be peace within. May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be. May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith. May you use those gifts that you have received, and pass on the love that has been given to you. May you be content knowing you are a child of God. Let His presence settle into your bones, and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise and love. It is there for each and every one of us.

Thank you for all of the generosity you bestow on Saint Anthony's High School. I promise you that Saint Anthony's is very deserving and that we are faithful stewards of your financial support. Together we strive with a single focus - the betterment of our students!

Don Corrao Director of Development (631) 271-2020 ext. 284 dcorrao@stanthonyshs.org



Faculty Spotlight

Father Irinel Racos

Father Irinel is the Chaplain of Saint Anthony's High School and was recently promoted to a new position, that of the Promoter of Justice in the Tribunal of the Diocese of Rockville Centre. In addition he holds several other positions. He is the Chaplain of Adelphi University and a professor at the Canon Law Seminary in Huntington. He is also the Assistant for Vocations to the priesthood. With these many duties come many responsibilities. As the Chaplain at Saint Anthony's his duty is to ensure that students have access to the sacraments as well as religious teachings and practices to help them grow spiritually. Part of his obligation is to also serve as a model of exemplary character for students to follow. His responsibility as Assistant for Vocations in the Diocese is to encourage men to consider the priesthood. The other positions retain the duties that coincide with their names.

Of the many substantial things that distinguish Saint Anthony's from other Catholic high schools, Father Irinel believes that the school spirit and liveliness of Saint Anthony's is beyond compare. The vivacious atmosphere provides a very vibrant, energetic vibe and fills the school with a feeling of potential. With the leadership and disciplinary skills instilled by the Brothers and educators, students can become successful in the area they wish and achieve whatever they pursue. The students who attend Saint Anthony's are something else that impresses Father Irinel, for he is astounded by the fact that the students are able to adjust quickly and change from being selfish to generous with their gifts in only a short amount of time after the school year has begun. He is amazed by the spiritual and moral growth of the students and finds this to be a unique quality of Saint Anthony's.

Faculty Spotlight



Karen Scharbach

Mrs. Karen Scharbach is the Chairperson of the Mathematics Department of Saint Anthony's High School. She joined the Saint Anthony's faculty in September 2000. She currently teaches AP Calculus AB and BC and is involved in the Math Honor Society. In addition to her salient role in the Mathematics Department she is also the coordinator of the school website.

Mrs. Scharbach enjoys working at Saint Anthony's because she is very fond of her students and the members of her department. The students create a productive, pleasurable classroom environment and often teach Mrs. Scharbach new things on a daily basis. Not only does she spend much of her time teaching, but she also acquires new ideas and information from her students. She allows them to express their thoughts and understanding on mathematical concepts and discover how they are applicable to the world. The unique perspective of the world that teenagers possess intrigues her, and she makes an effort to view the world from such distinctive outlooks. She is delighted by the fact that she only teaches AP classes and is captivated by such challenging courses.

The expectations she has for her students are quite high and can only be reached through hard work and dedication. Mrs. Scharbach wants her students to see learning as a collaborative process. She expects her students to rise above the level of what they anticipate they are capable of doing. She hopes for her students to not only know the rules and usage of them in mathematics, but also for them to be able to determine things on their own using their own methods. Mrs. Scharbach hopes her students recognize the value of learning calculus whether or not they specifically use it in their futures.

Quite a few things about Saint Anthony's seem to be outstanding according to Mrs. Scharbach. She believes that the number of extracurricular activities is phenomenal. The school offers so much and the students truly can become involved and excel in the activities they choose. She finds it unique that on any particular day the school is always bustling and full of students regardless of whether classes are taking place or if it's after school. Another factor about Saint Anthony's that impresses Mrs. Scharbach is the respect and morality that the students retain. The Christian virtues are embedded in their characters and are portrayed through their words and actions. She also feels that the students of Saint Anthony's are more driven to succeed and enthusiastic than the ordinary student. It takes a special kind of student to want to be an active participant in his or her own education and Mrs. Scharbach claims to have found many such students here at Saint Anthony's.

Academic Awards



National Merit Semi-Finalists – Pictured with Brother Gary Cregan, O.S.F., Brother Robert Gabriel, O.S.F. and their parents, Alexa DeAngelis and Michael Ravella.

In September 2011 Brother Gary Cregan, O.S.F., Principal, and Brother Robert Gabriel, O.S.F., Dean of Faculty and Director of Studies, presided over the 49th Annual Academic Awards Ceremony at Saint Anthony's High School. Students were recognized for their academic achievements during the prior school year with Saint Bonaventure Certificates and Duns Scotus Certificates.

In addition, the four highest-ranking students in each class received Msgr. Peter J. Nolan Scholarships and the fifth highest-ranking student in each class received the Lieutenant Richard L. Brooks Memorial Scholarships. At this ceremony, seniors who have earned National Merit recognition were also announced.

This ceremony also recognizes three boys and three girls in the current junior class who have followed the teachings of Saint Francis in their contributions to student life at Saint Anthony's High School.

Congratulations to all of our students!



Junior Academic Awards – Class of 2013 Scholarship Awardees – Pictured with Brother Gary Cregan, O.S.F., Brother Robert Gabriel, O.S.F. and their parents; left to right: Anne Bode, Michael Cox, Amy Wang, Christina Piazza, Sarah Rauchenberger.



Senior Academic Awards – Class of 2012 Scholarship Awardees – Pictured with Brother Gary Cregan, O.S.F., Brother Robert Gabriel, O.S.F. and their parents; left to right: Eric Caliendo, Alexa DeAngelis, Gregory Reardon, Satya Makadia, Michael Ravella.



Sophomore Academic Awards – Class of 2014 Scholarship Awardees – Pictured with Brother Gary Cregan, O.S.F., Brother Robert Gabriel, O.S.F. and their parents; left to right: Elizabeth Scanlon, Grace Cimaszewski, Taylor Brown, Brittany Coscio, Gillian Hess.



Franciscan Spirit Award Winners – Pictured with Brother Gary Cregan, O.S.F., Brother Robert Gabriel, O.S.F. and their parents; left to right: Cody Katter, Laura Schools, Philip Sweeney, Anne Hall, Michael Cox, Mallory Rutigliano.

Black & Gold Gala



Saint Anthony's celebrated the Katter Family as its 2011 Family of Distinction at the Black and Gold Gala on Friday, October 28. Nearly 600 people partied the night away to the music of the EV Band and Now and Then Entertainment.

Thank you to everyone who attended the 2011 Black & Gold Gala, participated in the *Tribute Journal*, or generously contributed to the Silent Auction.

Special thanks to the following who were major underwriters of the Gala: Anastasio Family - Saint Francis Table Behrens Family - Valet Parking DeSousa Family - Photography Finn Family - Saint Francis Table Finegan Family - Evening's Program Grazioli Family - Evening's Program Hickey Family - Music Katter Family - Dinner Katz Family - Valet Parking Lee Family - Music Lomenzo Family - Saint Francis Table Lydon Family - Saint Anthony Table Nastasi Family - Cocktail Hour Russell Family - Tribute Video Sotomayor Family - Photography Sovereign Bank - Saint Francis Table



































Scenes From Our Gala



















Saint Anthony's Caliendo '12 Named Intel National Semifinalist



Senior Eric Caliendo was named a National Semifinalist in the prestigious Intel Science Talent Search. Eric was one of only three hundred students in the nation who qualified for this award. As a semifinalist, Eric has won a \$1,000 scholarship, and Saint Anthony's High School will receive a \$1,000 award which will be put towards the Saint Anthony's Research Program. Eric's research focused on finding a correlation between the ability to recognize and recall information using both auditory and visual stimuli. He is now a candidate for

the National Finals, which will be announced this month and has a chance to win the \$100,000 top prize.

Congratulations to Eric and his teacher, Mr. Paul Paino, on this most impressive achievement. Eric is the first Saint Anthony's student since Amit Mehta received the same distinction in 2005.

Six Saint Anthony's seniors have recently completed science research papers and have entered their work into two of the most prestigious national science competitions, the Siemens Competition in Math, Science and Technology and the Intel Science Talent Search under the guidance of Mr. Paul Paino, the director of the newly formed Saint Anthony's Research Program, Friarquest.

The team of Satya Makadia, Michael Ravella and Greg Reardon worked in the physics laboratories of SUNY Stony Brook and under the guidance of Dr. Thomas

Academically Speaking...

Hemnick and Dr. Andre Lipski. While their ultimate goal was to reduce a sample of wood from a tree to pure carbon and bombard it with sub-atomic particles in an attempt to determine its age, they had to settle for a sample of carbon dioxide due to time constraints. Their paper describing accelerator mass spectrometry, a novel method for carbon-14 dating, was entered into the 2011 Siemens Competition.

In addition to Eric Caliendo's work, two other seniors chose to study human behavior. Danielle Citera studied the effects of pet-therapy on nursing home patients in various stages of decline. She observed their behavior before and after exposure to pets and concluded that the pets had a significant positive impact on the mood and overall physical and emotional well being of the patients. Alexa DeAngelis compared musicians to non-musicians, including both genders, and discovered that there may be a connection between the ability to memorize two-dimensional spatial patterns and the degree of musical training in an adolescent population of males and females. Danielle and Alexa entered their individual papers into the 2011-2012 Intel Science Talent Search.

Swimmer Gets Olympic Qualifying Time





Senior Christian Yeager achieved an Olympic qualifying time in the 200 meter backstroke at the 2011 US National Swim Championships in Atlanta this past December. His time of 2:04:88 will send him to the Olympic Trials in Omaha, NE in June 2012. Christian holds several Saint Anthony's swimming records as well as the NYCSHAA record in the 100-yard backstroke. He has been named All-League and All-State in his sport every year of high school and was the top swimming recruit in New York State.

Christian will be attending and swimming for Harvard University in September. Not only is he an outstanding swimmer, but an outstanding student as well. He is a National AP Scholar and a member of both the National Honor Society and the National Math Honor Society. Congratulations and best of luck in Omaha!

Photo: Christian Yeager (left) competing against Olympian Michael Phelps.



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SAINT ANTHONY'S HIGH SCHOOL 23rd ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

SAINT ANTHONY'S HIGH SCHOOL 23rd Annual Golf Classic Monday, May 7, 2012



COLD SPRING COUNTRY CLUB

8:30am Arrival 10:30am Shot Gun Start • Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner at Tam O'Shanter

GLEN HEAD COUNTRY CLUB

8:30am Arrival 10:30am Shot Gun Start • Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner at Tam O'Shanter

TAM O'SHANTER COUNTRY CLUB

9:00am Arrival 11:00am Shot Gun Start • Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

Golf format will be a modified scramble. Cocktails and Dinner, Tam O'Shanter Country Club at 4:00 pm Founded by the Saint Anthony's Fathers' Guild Dear Parents, Alumni, and Friends:

I truly hope that you will be able to join us for the 23rd Annual Golf Classic. The Classic has grown to be a wonderful and important event that provides much needed support for Saint Anthony's High School.



This year's Classic features three prestigious golf courses for all to enjoy and post golf festivities at the wonderful Tam O'Shanter Country Club. Please know that your support of the Saint Anthony's Golf Classic will make a difference in the lives of our 2,600 students. All proceeds from the Golf Classic will be directed to our new Student Center.

Sincerely,

Brother Gary Cregan, O.S.F Principal

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REGISTRATION

- O Individual Golf Package \$399
- O Golf Foursome \$1,596
- O Classic Event Sponsor \$2,500, Includes Golf Foursome and Signage on all three courses plus two \$100 raffle tickets
- O Cocktails & Dinner Only \$125

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Sponsors are important to the success of the Golf Classic. Each item can be underwritten on a corporate or individual basis. Your support is greatly appreciated.

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First Stained Glass Window

Saverio and Dena Anastasio, parents of Gianna '12 and Ariella '15, dedicated the first Clerestory Window in the Chapel of Our Lady of the Angels in loving memory of Saverio's father, Anthony Albert Anastasio.

If you are interested in reserving one of the remaining Clerestory Windows, please contact Don Corrao, Director of Development at (631) 271-2020 ext. 284 or dcorrao@stanthonyshs.org



Set in place in the Chapel of Our Lady of the Angels.



Pictured left to right: Principal Brother Gary Cregan, O.S.F., Teacher/Designer of Window Ms. Jennifer Baldwin-Schafer, Fabricator & Installer Mark Liebowitz (Wilmark Studios), Mrs. Dena Anastasio, Gianna Anastasio '12, Ariella Anastasio '15, Director of Development Don Corrao.

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Even at 16 years old we have come to understand that life takes all of us on unexpected paths. For us, that path led to Africa and a service opportunity that has transformed our lives and will transform the lives of hundreds of orphaned and impoverished children.

In the fall of 2009 while surfing lacrosse websites we came upon a charity called Fields of Growth International. It is run by people who, like us, love lacrosse and want to share their passion in order to simply make kids happy and involved in an activity which can keep them safe and healthy and change their lives. Focused on a town in Uganda, Fields of Growth uses lacrosse to foster friendship, education and human development. The basic belief of the organization is that change begins with passion and enthusiasm for anything that is a positive influence in your life. Part of the charity's mission has also been to turn Uganda's fields of ruin into fields of

"The true meaning of life is to plant trees under whose shade you do not expect to sit. ~ Nelson Henderson

Fields of Grow

Grant Schietinger '14 and Kent Schietinger '14

growth and create clean, safe space where children can play. We immediately contacted Fields of Growth founder Kevin Dugan, who was then head men's lacrosse coach at University of Scranton, and said we wanted to get involved. We put him in contact with

our dad who has been bringing kids over from Africa for the past 15 years to play basketball and be educated in American prep schools and universities.

Our first project with Fields of Growth was to visit lacrosse programs throughout Long Island to collect used equipment to ship to Uganda. Hundreds of sticks, pads and helmets were collected, cleaned and packed for shipping. We thought then that we were making a big difference in the lives of children; we had no idea, however, of what was ahead.

In the late summer of 2010 a lacrosse player from the University of North Carolina was visiting us. He, too, had met Mr. Dugan and had spent a few months in Uganda with Fields of Growth. As we talked he mentioned that he had worked to repair the school in the Hopeful Village where Fields of Growth is based. The school, which serves 150 students, is made of mud, cloth and

cardboard! He then added that \$20,000 in U.S. money could build a new permanent school of cinderblock and cement. That statement stopped us in our tracks! Then and there we decided that we with our brother Cole, a senior at Regis High School, would raise that money and the greatest project of our lives began. We sent out hundreds of letters soliciting donations. We ran a March madness pool. We sold snacks and drinks at events in our town. We teamed up with Penny Harvest in the New York City schools and raised several hundred dollars. We created a "Change for Change" program, collecting odd change from people, which added up quickly. We applied for and received a matching grant from People to People International. Donations ranged from \$5.00 to \$3,000.00 and within a year we had raised over \$12,000.00. Each donation was acknowledged with a note written on the back of a letter from one of the students in Uganda and donors were kept informed of developments via e-mail updates. Quite quickly the Hopeful School was becoming a reality. By August enough money had been collected to begin construction. The school will serve 150 students, many orphaned, and will teach not only basic math, reading and writing, but also vocational skills to help the children grow into adults who can support themselves and their society. Once the school is completed we will seek corporate sponsors for equipment and supplies.

While we have made great progress there is still much work to be done. You can learn more about Fields of Growth at www.fieldsofgrowthintl.com.

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Alumni Spotlight



Sister Mary Gabriel Devlin, S.V. '92

As a Friar, Margaret Devlin, Class of 1992, was driven. NHS Vice President, Cross Country Captain, SADD member, Symphonic Band President, Latin and Spanish NHS member, Friar Scoreboard writer. Today, Margaret is driven in a different direction. Now Sister Mary Gabriel Devlin, S.V., she is focusing her attention on her vocation as a Sister of Life. The Sisters of Life are based in New York but also have missions in Connecticut and Canada. Sister Mary Gabriel currently resides in a Staten Island convent with her fellow sisters.

On October 11, 2011, the Saint Anthony's Faculty and Staff gathered at the Immaculate Conception Seminary for their Annual Faculty Retreat. This year's retreat was graced by the presence of Sister Mary Gabriel Devlin and her fellow Sisters of Life. The retreat began with a prayer service in the Seminary's chapel followed by Sister Mary Gabriel's keynote address. The faculty assessment was that this was one of those moments when the teachers are taught by the student.

Sister Margaret, who has been serving as Novice Director since 1999, spoke of her decision to become a Sister of Life. Like many of our students, Sister Mary grew up in a Catholic family that always attended Sunday Mass. As their children got older, Mr. and Mrs. Devlin began attending daily Mass. Their daughter was always moved by what she called their "humble and sincere faith". While attending college, Margaret began feeling that she had a vocation. Her final surrender to God's call was remarkable. In speaking of the evening when she opened the door to life as a Sister, Sister Mary states, "It was an exhilarating,

> beautiful, freeing feeling. I knew I was loved forever." She said, "The greatest gift of my life is my vocation. This is the fact of our existence. We are called."

Sister Mary told the Faculty that they must be willing to "write on the souls of the students they serve." She cautioned about spiritual amnesia where we reduce our lives by what we do, what we earn and what we own. Sister Mary reminded us that each of us was willed and loved into existence by God. She spoke of the simplicity of love of God as demonstrated in Mother Teresa's prayer -"Here I am, Jesus. Love me." She spoke of how sin never delivers what it promises and how God never discourages.

The retreat was a very inspiring one for the Faculty. Sister Mary Gabriel's sincerity and simplicity captivated her audience.



Alumni Spotlight

Kervans Barthelemy '02

As an American-born Haitian, I originally wanted my first feature film to be in Haiti. It was supposed to be a raw street drama about the Haitian dream. I began to write the treatment for the movie, and I wanted to direct it during the summer of 2010. But the idea of shooting my film in Haiti was shattered after a 7.0 earthquake devastated the country. National buildings were destroyed, homes turned into dust and under the debris laid men, women and children, who couldn't escape what the resilient people of Haiti could only describe as fate.

Thankfully my family survived the destruction. Their houses were ruined, but they were grateful that they could create a home in the tent housing that the UN provided. After I finally got in touch with my family, they discouraged the idea of making a film in Haiti. They didn't want me to represent the country in the way that it was. I listened to them, but I was still itching to make a film. Filmmaking has always been my passion, and at 25 years old I couldn't wait any longer. My first feature film, *Kaleb*, grew out of this strong desire to make movies.

The inception of *Kaleb* developed when I worked as a gaffer on a small indie film. On that set, I met most of the crew that would later help me create my first feature. I was extremely motivated by these young and hungry individuals. I knew then and there in order to make my film I would need this crew. Ideas for *Kaleb* were budding quickly in my brain, and after each 14-hour day on set I would go home and work on the treatment. After we wrapped the shoot, I began writing the screenplay for *Kaleb*. Although a fan of mainstream cinema, I wanted to write something unconventional, unstructured, unafraid and unapologetic, something raw but rich in spirit. It was going to be a film about the world we live in. *Kaleb* needed to be simple while complex in character.

After completing the screenplay, it turned out to be everything that I wanted it to be. And with the backing of a young enthusiastic cast and crew, we began to shoot *Kaleb*. We battled everyday to complete a feature film in just twelve days. We had some good hours and we had some bad hours. We had some great days and we had some horrible days, but I wouldn't trade the experience for anything in the world. We went to war for twelve days, and in the end we were victorious. The film is a manifestation of my dreams and a testimonial of my upbringing as a Haitian, Seventh Day Adventist. The film reminds us of what's most important: Family.



Alumni Spotlight



Reza Kolahafir

A 1989 graduate of St. Anthony's High School, Reza Kolahafir has many fond memories of his time spent here. His stint as a thespian in *The Diary of Anne Frank* is one of them. Reza's time on the Boys Varsity Bowling Team and his relationship with "Coach K", Bill Kristiansen, had the most profound and positive influence on him as a young man. While a student here, Reza had a very strong, healthy seed planted - to become a Catholic. The seed was nourished by his classmates, his teachers and his spiritual mentor, Brother Gary Cregan.

Reza had been raised by his father, who is Muslim, and his mother who is Catholic. He and his sisters were exposed to both religions as children, but their parents encouraged them to make their own decisions as they entered adulthood. Reza's mother suggested Saint Anthony's because of its academic reputation and Reza decided to leave the Kings Park public school system and give Catholic school a try.

Having had Brother Gary as a teacher, Reza felt very comfortable turning to him with his theological questions. The two spent many periods discussing topics which were being taught in Theology class. Reza states that Brother Gary was extremely supportive of his spiritual quest.

Upon graduation, Reza attended Clarkson University where he met and fell in love with Christina Montemurro. As their relationship deepened, Reza again became interested in the Catholic faith. He reached out to his former teacher, Brother Gary. The two arranged time for catechetic classes. Upon the completion of his studies, Reza was baptized a Catholic with his teacher and friend, Brother Gary, by his side.

Today, Christina and Reza are raising their children in their Catholic faith. Their twins, Trevor and Mikalya (13), will be making their Confirmation this year. Their youngest is their 9-year-old daughter Breanna. We hope to see the young Kolahafirs roaming the halls of their father's Alma Mater in the next few years.

This is......Dan McShane, Jeopardy Champion!

If you happen to be a fan of Jeopardy, you may have recognized a familiar face this January – Dan McShane, Class of 2006. Dan was chosen to compete after surviving a bevy of online and written tests. In the true Friar tradition, Dan did his family and his school proud!

Dan comes from a long line of Friars. He is the son of Kieran McShane '74 and Saint Anthony's Development Office Administrative Assistant Anne (Hornik) McShane. His uncles on both sides of the family have attended Saint Anthony's and stood out for their academic achievements. Brian McShane '76, Bob Hornik '77, Paul Hornik '78, Terence McShane '82, John Hornik '83 and John C. McShane '86 have undoubtedly influenced Dan's thirst for knowledge over the years. Dan's brothers, John '03 and Kieran '08, also share in a love for trivial pursuits. The three McShane brothers are often found at local trivia contests wiping the floor with their competitors. Their cousins, Aidan '12 and Sean '15, are following in their cousins' paths as members of the Saint Anthony's High School Quiz Bowl Team.

The McShane Brothers are legendary in the Quiz Bowl world. Like his brother John, Dan joined the Quiz Bowl Team as a sophomore. With Danny as Captain, the team won The Long Island Challenge Championship 2006. Dan's knowledge of History, Math and, of course, Broadway Musicals helped lead the team to its success. Kieran picked up the position as Captain upon Dan's graduation and served the team well. A true Renaissance man, Danny was not only cerebral but also athletic. He joined the Friar Swim Team in tenth grade and served as Captain. Dan also joined the Long Island Water Polo Club while in high school. At Johns Hopkins, Danny majored in International Relations and was a member of the Rugby Team. In line with the McShane/Hornik family sometimes edgy sense of humor, Dan worked for Hopkins' satirical newspaper The Black and Blue Jay. His summers were spent working as a lifeguard at the Town of Babylon's Cedar Beach.

Upon graduation from Johns Hopkins, Dan set out on his own personal quest. With backpack strapped to his shoulders and camera fully loaded, Danny embarked on a three-month solo journey throughout South America, soaking in the sites and culture. Upon his return, he worked briefly at his alma mater as a substitute teacher under his longtime mentor, Mrs. Philomena Clement, Chairperson of the English Department. Dan is currently employed at everydayhealth.com and lives in Greenpoint, Brooklyn.

Dan flew out to Los Angeles twice in November in order to tape his episodes. He defeated a six-time champion in order to begin his very profitable four-game run. Dan came home with a four-day total of over \$60,000. His lifelong pursuit of knowledge paid off! Dan represented the McShane/Hornik families and his Friar Family incredibly well! Congratulations, Danny!



Alumni Spotlight

Paul Scheer '94 - A Very Funny Friar

If you are a television watcher, you have undoubtedly seen Paul Scheer, Class of 1994. This year he co-hosted VH1's Critic Choice Awards with fellow comedian/ writer Rob Huebel. On the Saint Anthony's stage, Paul was known for his offbeat humor in the Improv Troupe and his scene-stealing appearances in our school plays. Now a California resident, Paul is best known for the MTV sketch comedy series Human Giant which he created and starred in with Aziz Ansari and Rob Huebel. He has written episodes for the FX series The League which is now in its third season. His latest creation is Cartoon Network's NTSF:SD:SUV, in which he stars. Paul is really excited about his newest podcast entitled *How Did This Get Made*, in which he and his comrades discuss really bad movies. The podcast has surpassed the one million download mark on iTunes. He has made guest appearances on 30 Rock, Parks & Recreation, Party Down and Yo Gabba Gabba.

In line with his Franciscan education, Paul is also very involved with giving to others. He created and produced a charity event for victims of the Haiti disaster called Night of 140 Tweets. One hundred and forty celebrities (including Ben Stiller, Will Ferrell, Demi Moore, Ashton Kutcher, Al Yankovic and many others) each performed a tweet which raised over \$80,000 for victims through DVD/iTunes sales. Paul has traveled to Iraq with the USO to perform for our troops. He has also traveled to Africa to help teach malaria prevention with an organization called Malaria No More.













Alumni Association and a fille Breakfast with Santa



On December 11, 2011 the Saint Anthony's High School Alumni Association held its first annual Breakfast with Santa. Under the direction of Denise Creighton and with the help of National Honor Society elves the morning was a great success. We hope to see many more alumni and Future Friars next December!

Alumni Homecoming Barbecue







Director of Alumni Denise Creighton welcomed 200 alumni and their families to the First Annual Pre-Homecoming Game Alumni Barbecue. We look forward to seeing more of you at next year's Homecoming!



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In November 2011 Denise Creighton, Director of Alumni Relations, hosted the first gathering of the Friars Los Angeles Network in Culver City, CA. Max Glick '97 and Samantha Racanelli '05 agreed to serve as chairpeople. The group will be working with Project Angel Food, an organization that delivers food to people disabled by AIDS and other serious illnesses.













Class of 1991— A great time was had by all as close to 150 members of the class of 1991 caught up and partied the night away on November 25, 2011.





You are cordially invited to attend the

Saint Anthony's Smithtown Campus Reunion Dinner Dance Honoring The Class of 1962

> To be held on March 9, 2012 Cocktail Hour 7-8 p.m. Dinner Dance 8-Midnight Music provided by Good Clean Fun

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1964

Brother James McVeigh, O.S.F. currently serves as Co-Vicar for Religious in the Diocese of Rockville Centre. He also serves on the National Conference of Vicars for Religious representing the Eastern Region of the USA. Brother James is active in youth, campus and young adult ministry and serves as Franciscan Mission Coordinator at St. Francis Prep and directs the Franciscan Youth Movement.

1974



John M. Kennedy, Jr. is currently serving as a Suffolk County Legislator, Minority Leader. John graciously invited our new Celtic Friar Pipe and Drum Band to play at a September 11th Memorial Service in Nesconset. He is carrying on the Friar Tradition in that both of his children, Brian and Gillian, are graduates of Saint Anthony's, classes of 2001 and 2003.

An active parishioner at St. Patrick's Church in Redding Ridge, CT, **Tom Sullivan** was recently honored at their annual golf outing. The championship trophy was named for him in appreciation of his position as founder and ten-year veteran of the outing. Congratulations!

Francis "Jay" Jarvis recently retired after a 32-year career with the Georgia State Crime laboratory. He made the decision to pursue a career in forensic science after a field trip to the NYPD crime lab with Mr. Vilbig in 1973. Jay has been married to his wife Debra for 29 years, and they have raised twin sons. He looks forward to working on the golf game he gave up when the twins were born in 1987.

1989

Greg Ambra and his wife, Julie, are the proud parents of Henry Gregory Ambra, who arrived on September 25, 2011. The family resides in Princeton, NJ.

1991

Lara Asher recently completed work as Project Editor for a new book entitled *9/11: The World Speaks*. The book brings together a choice selection of Tribute WTC Visitor Center cards, many of which convey much hope and inspiration.



If you've seen the *Food Network's* The Challenge you may have recognized 2009 winner Chef Chris as **Christine D'Angeli**. She worked in Reinwald's Bakery in Huntington which inspired her to attend the Culinary Institute of America. After graduation she traveled all over the country learning about local cultures through food and working as a pastry chef. Her winnings from The Challenge

enabled her to open her very successful cake design business called SLICE. You can view her designs at www.slicecakedesigns.com. Christine and her husband live in Midland, TX.



Brian Facquet is currently the President and Co-Founder of Prohibition Distillery, maker of Bootlegger 21 Vodka. Brian and his partner believe strongly in giving to those less fortunate and have done work for many charities including St. Jude's Children's Hospital, Cookies for Kids with Cancer, Friends of the Fallen and Music for Tomorrow. Brian currently resides in New Jersey with his wife Benat and their beautiful daughter, Amelia.

1992

Ken Daube is a fantasy football analyst for ESPN.com. For gameday insights follow him on twitter @KenDaubeESPNFF.

1995

John Fogarty is currently working as Vice President for Development for The Heritage Foundation in Washington, DC. The Heritage Foundation is a research and educational institution whose mission is to formulate and promote conservative public policies based on the principles of free enterprise, limited government, individual freedom, traditional American values and a strong national defense. John is married to Christie Phillips Fogarty.

Ryan (Donaghy) and **Sal Aliperti** welcomed the birth of their son, Troy Donaghy Aliperti, on December 8. Big sister Charlotte is thrilled to have her little brother finally home – so are Mommy and Daddy.

1996

On September 13, 2011 **Ali Doran Varley** and her husband Myles welcomed their son, Conor Doran Varley.

1997

Maura (Leitch) Moore gave birth to her first child, son Finnegan D. Moore on December 1, 2001.

Charlotte Rose Powers was born to **Megan Wist Powers** and her husband, Ted, on December 27, 2011. Arriving on her daddy's birthday she weighed 9 lbs. 8 oz.

1998

Jocelyn Coalter was recently appointed Director of Employment and Alumni Services for Yeshiva University in New York.

The New York Real Estate Journal named attorney **Douglas Atkins** to its 2011 New York Super Lawyers Roster as a Rising Star.

1999

Michelle Longo and **David McWilliams** were married on September 2, 2011 at St. Patrick's Church in Southold, NY by Father Michael Ford of Boston College. A reception followed at Martha Clara Vineyards in Mattituck, NY.

In addition to her own law practice, **Jessica (Berrios) Sparacino** assists the Suffolk County Bar Association with pro bono projects – foreclosures and divorces and also hosts free seminars on divorce mediation. She also just started her own real estate brokerage firm.

Brian Dillon is a performance poet, author, educator and organizer from New York City. Currently a professor of performance poetry at NYU's Gallatin School, he is also the 4th ranked slam poet in the world and a writer-in-residence at the Nuyorican Poet's Café. In 2011 Brian finished in second place alongside his Nuyorican teammates at the National Poetry Slam. His debut novel Eat the Rich was published in the winter of 2011 by DefWords Press. He has served as a guest host and featured poet in the world-renowned Indiefeed performance poetry podcast numerous times.

2000

Terrence Tom Brown's articles on interpersonal relations were recently published in the *New York Times Sunday Magazine* and *The Observer*. Brown is currently studying at Columbia University and expects to graduate with a degree in Journalism in May. He also works at the American Museum of Natural History as a lab assistant in the Living Exhibits Department.

2001

Adam Wessinger was recently married to Kerry Brolly of Plainview, NY, a graduate of Holy Trinity High School. They met at Loyola University, Baltimore and currently live in Bay Ridge, Brooklyn where they are both elementary school teachers in the New York City public school system. Michael Lalli was their best man.

2002

On November 12, 2011 **Justina Jaconetti** married Christopher Diveley. The couple is now living in New Castle, DE.

Catherine Trimarco Adams and her husband Andrew are excited to announce the birth of their daughter, Giuliana Elizabeth, who arrived early and unexpectedly on December 26, 2011 and is doing great.

2005

After falling in love with Spain while spending a semester in Alicante in 2008, **Adrianna Guerrero's** dream of living and teaching there has come true. She is currently teaching English and living in Seville.

2006

The National Multiple Sclerosis Society Long Island Chapter recently appointed **Jaclyn Kramer** as Development Coordinator. She will be responsible for working with teams and individuals for the Walk MS and Bike MS events as well as cultivating new support for the mission of the society: mobilizing people and resources to fund research for a cure and to address the challenges of everyone affected by MS.

2007

Brianna Coughlan recently joined Olshan Realty in Manhattan as a Research Analyst and Sales Agent. Her hope is that her new job will allow her to continue her work with Invisible Children, a charity based in Africa which locates and assists Ugandan child soldiers. Brianna, sister of Kelley '05, Meaghan '08 and Kim '13, is looking forward to hearing from fellow Friars in search of apartments in NYC. She can be reached at Olshan.com.



2008

Dartmouth Cornerback **J.B. Andreassi** (#31) was the recipient of the Lester R. Godwin Award as the Senior Football squad member who, through extraordinary perseverance, has risen above personal disadvantage to contribute measurably to the team. After missing most of his junior year with an injury, he returned to the field this fall and earned back his starting slot. Andreassi made 36 tackles, while his 10 passes defended (which included two interceptions) led the lvy League.

The Earl R. Hamilton Award was given to Dartmouth Senior Center **Austen Fletcher** (#58) as the Senior Football player who has displayed the sincere friendliness and sense of humor plus an appreciation of the outdoors that were the late Mr. Hamilton's characteristics.

Hobart College senior forward **Tommy Hayes** was named to the 2011 National Coaches Association of America All-East Region Soccer Team. After battling back from an injury at the beginning of the season, Hayes finished his senior season leading Hobart with 15 points. This is the second time he's earned all-region honors.

2009

In September 2011, **Ricky McClain** was named to the Allstate Good Works Team for Outstanding Community Service Beyond the Football Field. A junior defensive lineman at SUNY Maritime, Ricky was honored for his work as a snowboard instructor for the Adaptive Sports Foundation. He has worked with members of the Armed Forces who have lost limbs, children with Autism and athletes with Down Syndrome.

> We'd love to hear from our alumni, including those from the Classes of 1960-1984. Please e-mail any items to dcreighton@stanthonyshs.org



Tribute to Marie Drisco

by Michael Salerno '06

On the morning of December 20, 2011, the Long Island youth hockey scene lost possibly its most influential member. Marie Drisco, the general manager of Saint Anthony's hockey for over 20 years, finally lost a decade-long battle with cancer this morning.

To all those connected with Saint Anthony's hockey, losing a devoted, motherly figure like Marie is difficult. Today is certainly a day for heavy hearts, but it's also a day for remembrance and appreciation of everything she's done for the organization, and the legacy she leaves behind.

In an organization that's now more known for an abundance of trophies and talent, Marie always fought to ensure everyone who wanted to be a part of it would have a place to play. She ran the club like a well-oiled machine, making it a desired destination for some of Long Island's top players. She maintained a winning tradition while cultivating the happiness of so many lesser players, who just wanted to be part of the team.

Marie was a once-in-a-

generation kind soul who came down to the rink for every Tuesday practice just to see "her boys" happy and playing hockey. The lady who quickly became the mother of Saint Anthony's hockey loved nothing more than seeing her Friars win. And win we did,

quite often in fact. Marie helped build one of the most dominating high school hockey programs in New York. After serving as the program's general manager while her son was attending the school, Marie prepared to resign, as per club rules, when he graduated in the early 90's.

Upon learning she would be stepping down at season's end, the parents voted to change the rules so that she may continue leading the organization. They would've done anything to keep her there, just as she would've done anything to make sure every one of their boys had a place to play. She decided to continue on with the organization, much to the delight of everyone involved. That was 18 years ago. Prior to this morning, we all still felt as privileged to have her as those parents who demanded she stay.

She butted heads with the Suffolk County Hockey League's board members when necessary in the name of fairness, defending each and every player who ever came through the organization like they were her own sons. When it came time to join the Catholic high school league in 2009, she oversaw the organization's entrance into a prestigious league. At first, some of the team's new opponents were against having another "general manager" in the mix. However, when they saw how much smoother everything ran because she was in charge, they quickly changed their minds.

As long as I had known her, Marie had been battling cancer. We all feared this day, but for so long it was easy to believe it would simply never come. It seemed as though every time she took a turn for the worse she would simply fight through and be right back rinkside for the next big game. She was a pillar of strength and inspiration for anyone who's ever worn a Friars uniform.

I remember my first encounter with Marie. As a 14-year old, wide-eyed, skinny freshman-to-be walking around Saint Anthony's Orientation Day in the spring of 2002, I was relatively bewildered. Among all the tables advertising different clubs and organizations within the school, I saw one that said "ice hockey."

Despite being a huge hockey fan, and street hockey legend (in my own mind), I had never played organized ice hockey. Finally, at the encouragement of my parents I mustered up the courage to walk over to the table. There I was, welcomed by her grand smile and her husband Frank, who convinced me that even though I'd never played ice hockey before, it was somewhere I belonged.

She couldn't have been more right. That day, I became part of the Saint Anthony's hockey family, something I cherish to this day. As the end drew near the past few days, I found myself wondering how many kids she'd positively affected as much as she had with me. The number is staggering and could possibly be over 1,000. But that was the best part about Marie. She never thought of it like that. To her, it was just something she felt like she had to do.

Rest in peace Marie, we'll never forget how you changed our lives for the better and welcomed us in to one of the greatest families we've ever been a part of.
Show Choir Time Well Spent!

When the time comes to ask ourselves: "Was this worth it?", there is a simple way to ascertain whether we used our time well. Remember the happiness we created for others and the satisfaction we felt for a job well done.

And so began the second year of Show Choir. Ms. Fabricatore, director and Mr. Wilson, musical director, held auditions in September because the first performance would be the Fall Pep Rally. Immediately, rehearsals concentrated on the a cappella version of "God Bless America." And when the time came, in the midst of over two thousand people, a moving performance was delivered. Demonstrating the poise and professionalism of seasoned veterans, this group of returning members and neophytes inspired the audience and solidified their place in an already stellar Arts Program.

But that was only the beginning. After the warm reception they received last year at Senior Acoustic Night and after the success of The Dance Company Showcase, Brother Joshua suggested that this year they put together their own program for a showcase. On Thursday, March 22 at 7 pm. The Show Choir will be performing 12-15 numbers as part of their own evening of song and dance. In addition, they will also participate in the Winter Pep Rally, the Dance Company Showcase and MSG Varsity Talent Show. Then in late April, they have been invited to travel to Sag Harbor to perform at The Bay Street Theater. Not bad for a group that few people knew existed four months ago.

Some of the songs they plan on performing in March: Signed, Sealed, Delivered, Fields of Gold, Moon River, The Longest Time, Shake Your Groove Thing and Burnin' Love will serve as "a little something for everyone." So if someone were looking for some time well spent – Come. Lend an ear. They're ready to spread a little happiness.





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You will be supporting the work of the Principal to advance the mission of Saint Anthony's High School. Members of the Principal's Council will be invited as special guests of Brother Gary Cregan, O.S.F. to the following functions:

- Principal's Dinner (Saturday, March 31, 2012)
- Spring Concert (Friday and Saturday, May 11 & 12, 2012)
- Commencement Exercises (Saturday, June 2, 2012)

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12 Angry Nen

For a second consecutive year, the Saint Anthony's High School Theatre Company graced the stage with a wonderful rendition of a literary and theatrical classic. The fall play, **Twelve Angry Men** by Reginald Rose, is a timeless story of conflict, prejudice, perspective and growth. It tells of twelve strangers, selected to a jury in a murder trial. Each comes from different backgrounds and carries different opinions. They must decide whether or not to sentence an eighteen year old to death. While the case is seemingly open and shut to most jurors, over the course of three acts, things that seemed obvious or clear begin to become questioned. Ultimately the story is not about guilty or innocent but about human interaction and understanding. For the Saint Anthony's performances, adaptations were made to include females into the cast. While there was slight variation from the original work, the resulting effect of the performances was realistic and modern.

The cast was made up of a few stage veterans and newcomers, including several freshman. Senior Joan Glackin and junior Christina Farrah played lead characters with opposing viewpoints and temperaments. Senior Austin Seda kept all the jurors in line as the assertive and poignant foreman. Sophomores Aria Laucella, Gillian Hess, Frank Murdocco, Juliana Love and Phillip Losquadro along with freshmen Jake Kaplan, lan Greiner, Joey Wendt, Nicole Nazzaro and Arianna Paz made up the rest of a supremely talented cast. The actors were able to build drama, suspense and emotion over the course of three acts, which





Adding to the success of this production was a talented and dedicated stage crew led by their chief, Krystina Alarcon. Lighting master, Nick Graci and sound master, Kevin Culleton designed an impressive technical show to compliment a stunning set built by the rest of the crew. Faith Gillen led a large group of painters in putting finishing touches on the set and putting







together beautiful advertisements which brought in large crowds for all three performances.

The context of **Twelve Angry Men** shows that in a group dynamic people will add their individual aid and play their individual part in supporting a positive total outcome. Much like that theme from the show, this production came together as individual parts worked together to form a positive final outcome. The cast and crew worked hard for two months and put on three superb performances of a theater classic. It can be daunting for students to perform on the stage here, with such a rich theatre history at Saint Anthony's High School. The verdict on this show is that the 2012 fall production of **Twelve Angry Men** was guilty of living up to the challenge and being an all around excellent experience.

Academics & Athletics





2011 Annual Fund Giving Categories

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9/11 Memorial Dedication

On September 12, 2011 a special Mass was held in the Student Center in remembrance of the attacks on our country on September 11, 2001. Following the Mass the entire Saint Anthony's student body, faculty, staff and special guests processed to the 9/11 Memorial to dedicate the artifact Saint Anthony's High School received from the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey.

The memorial was built to forever preserve the memory of September 11, 2001 and all those who perished as the result of the attacks. Poignantly, the memorial remembers the members of the Saint Anthony's Family who lost their lives on that fateful day:

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The Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto



The Grotto is a place of solitude, peace, prayer, and beauty that graces the campus.

9/11 Memorial Gardens



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The Franciscan Brothers and the Saint Anthony's High School community prayerfully remember before Our Crucified Lord the Alumni and Parents lost in the World Trade Center tragedy on September 11, 2001.

Pathway of Champions



Order Form

As part of the Facilities Master Plan, Saint Anthony's is committed to enhancing its campus for our students, their parents, alumni, and for the thousands of people who visit our school. Now you can support the Threshold of Hope capital campaign and commemorate your special bond with Saint Anthony's with a personally engraved brick. Yes, I/we would like to buy a brick and support the Threshold of Hope Campaign for Saint Anthony's High School: ___4 x 8 paver: \$250 ____8 x 8 paver: \$500 ____The September 11, 2001 Memorial Garden ___The Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto___The Pathway of Champions Name _____ _ I have enclosed a check payable to Saint Anthony's High School email Please charge my gift to my: _ Visa _ Mastercard _ American Express _ Discover Home address Name on card Card number Expiration date Telephone number To make your gift online, please visit: www.stanthonyshs.org and click on to the development link or for more information call Mr. Don Corrao, Director of Development at (631) 271-2020 ext. 284. Inscription: 4 x 8 brick can hold three (3) lines of fourteen (14) letters each. 8 x 8 brick can hold five (5) lines of fourteen (14) letters each. All messages are subject to Saint Anthony's approval. Example: Joseph Mulligan Class of 1980 Your message:

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Financial Services Sector Association Opens Up!

The inaugural meeting of the Saint Anthony's Financial Services Sector Association was attended by nearly 130 alumni and parents at the Yale Club on November 9th. Brother Gary Cregan, Brother Joshua DiMauro, Denise Creighton and Don Corrao welcomed all those in attendance. Joining in the evening's festivities were members of the newly formed Wall Street Club and its moderators and faculty members Messrs. Lewis and Robert Cordina. The energy level was quite high and the Yale Club was abuzz as the alumni, parents and students enjoyed the opening reception and then settled in to listen to Michael Cavanagh '84 who served as the keynote speaker of the evening. Special words of gratitude and appreciation go to John Moore '84, Chairman of the event and to the members of the Host Committee: William Anderson '84, Damiano Buffa '84, Scott Corrigan '84, Kevin Downing '84, Timothy Moore '85 and Michael Wieczorek '79.

The Financial Services Sector Association will meet on an annual basis and its members will be asked to visit Saint Anthony's and participate in a Guest Speakers' Forum by meeting with current students who are members of the Wall Street Club.





Wall Street Club

To coincide with the newly formed Financial Services Sector Association, Saint Anthony's High School has established a Wall Street Club under the supervision of Don Corrao, Director of Development, and its moderators and faculty members Messrs. Lewis and Robert Cordina. The Wall Street Club is an academic club designed to familiarize students with the Financial Services Sector, benefit from participating in special meetings with members of the Saint Anthony's Financial Services Sector Association and hopefully gain some possible inroads for summer internships going forward.





Friar Music Students Excel

Congratulations to seniors Jessica Salerno and Kyle Geraghty (top) for being named by the New York State School Music Association (NYSSMA) to the All-State Chorus. In addition, congratulations to junior Marena Minelli, a violinist (bottom, middle) for being appointed to the All-State Symphony Orchestra. Only 900 students from a pool of thousands throughout the state are selected to participate in the NYSSMA Conference All-State music groups. The Music Department and the Saint Anthony's community are proud to have these students recognized for this exceptional achievement.





Fine Arts-Artist Profiles







Cassidy Peck is a 12th Grade Portfolio Prep student who spends many of her free periods in the Art Department working on projects for her art portfolio. Of all the materials she has worked with in the many art classes she has taken at Saint Anthony's Cassidy prefers to use colored pencils. Using them she is able to create an unlimited range of colors and shades and draw with great precision and detail. Cassidy's favorite subject matter is people. She enjoys capturing the subtle details and expressions that reveal a person's true personality.

Cassidy's future plans involve a career in illustration. Specifically she would like to create illustrations for children's books or graphic novels. Cassidy's passion for art overflows into her afterschool activities. As the President of the Art Club she spends her Monday afternoons socializing and sharing her talents with our other Saint Anthony's artists. Cassidy is a visual person who has been creating characters since she was a small child. Even if her future career path does not include art she says she will never stop drawing.

Stephani Mejia has always enjoyed drawing and painting. Her favorite material to draw with is charcoal because it enables her to create high contrast between the white paper and the subject matter that she is drawing. She also enjoys working in charcoal because it is fast, messy, and easy to blend. Stephani's favorite subject matter to draw is flowers or anything to do with nature. She favors the shapes and colors found in nature over man made city structures. As a 12th Grade Portfolio Prep student Stephani is preparing for a career in the field of art. She is leaning toward studying graphic design in college, but is keeping an open mind about the exact art field she will ultimately choose. Stephani feels that what she has learned at Saint Anthony's has well prepared her for whatever art career she decides to pursue in the future.

Faith McCallion is an 11th Grade student. In her Portfolio Prep class she has the opportunity of working with a variety of art materials and project themes. Her favorite materials currently are graphite pencils and charcoal. She favors these materials because of the dramatic effects that they enable her to create in her drawings. Her favorite

things to draw are religious images and animals. Faith has been drawing since she was a small child although she didn't begin formal art classes until 8th grade. Faith is looking into several Christian colleges that offer scholarships in art. She has always had a dream of possibly working for Disney Animation Studios in the future. Faith feels that her artistic talent is a gift from God that she should develop to its full potential whether or not it leads to a future career path.

Senior Perspectives





Toni-Ann Arpino

The name holds so much clout; the experience is undefined. These words describe most reactions that a student at Saint Anthony's High School would say. I knew that Saint Anthony's was the high school for me the day I heard about it. I could have chosen any other school but something just drew me to Saint Anthony's. I feel that I made the right decision that day in eighth grade when I came to the open house. Looking back now, four years later, there was so much I learned academically, but most of all spiritually.

I still remember what Brother Gary said at my Freshman Communion Breakfast, "Capture the heart and the mind will follow." That saying stuck with me throughout the years. I learned quickly how Saint Anthony's was a school of learning not only schoolwork, but also life-long lessons. I've gone through many experiences here, good and bad, but a lesson was taught through each experience. One of my greatest experiences was the Italy Pilgrimage with the Chorus last year. It was the most breath-taking experience of my life. I had already traveled to Italy with my parents, but to have experienced this

How has Saint Anthony's made a difference in your life thus far?

opportunity was amazing. Yes, it was a lot of hard work and you barely got any sleep, but I can happily say it was so worth every second of it! To wake up in a foreign country and see all the beautiful cities and churches was magnificent. Being able to share a vacation like that without my parents and with my best friends made the trip exciting. I not only had the time of my life while I was there, I even made new friends, some of whom were teachers! That trip to Italy opened my mind to a new way of life.

I feel that my pilgrimage to Italy somehow tapped into the spiritual side of me. It must have been all the churches we sang at! Last year I quickly became involved in the church more. I offered to be a lector and I became a Eucharistic Minister. I also asked to take the Catechetics class for Theology this year. That was the best decision I could have ever made for my senior year. I love it so much and my religion has recently played a huge role in my life. My mom is my inspiration in my belief of faith. She taught me everything there is to know about trusting God and His Will for me in my life. She taught me that prayer is a very powerful thing and with prayer I know that I can always rely on my faith to get me through.

Looking back at my four years at Saint Anthony's is happy and sad at the same time. It feels like yesterday that I was walking through the doors on my first day of freshman year. I was this little girl who just wanted to get to my next class without dropping any books or getting lost! That was my biggest fear as a freshman. I wanted to know everyone and have everyone know me in return. I feel that Saint Anthony's has definitely shaped me into the person I am today. And looking back on my high school career four years later, I wouldn't change a thing. I hope to continue my studies and spiritually grow at Siena College or Quinnipiac University next year.

Richard Blount

John F. Kennedy once said, "As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them." That statement is a lesson to all of us, especially seniors as we prepare to graduate. Saint Anthony's High School isn't just a building we go to five days in a row. It is a microcosm of diversity and deep spirituality. It is almost a second home for me and, in my last year, reality is beginning to hit me. I'm not the same kid I used to be, but the man I am becoming.

The first day of high school, a day you look forward to only for the fact that you're not a kid anymore, you are almost an adult. My first day I acted like a kid, thought it was smart. I brought all my books in a box that was probably half my weight. I'll never forget how Mr. Arrigo grabbed it for me and brought it to my homeroom. That was the starting point of my growth. High school is full of great sports, girls and all the fun that happens. Yeah, that's true, but the reality is that high school is more than just fun. Throughout my four years Saint Anthony's has taught me greater things than I could, and probably will, learn in my life. The bell of the Brother at 8:10 taught me that promptness is key to a successful future. Through Student Council I improved my teamwork skills as well as more responsibility and a better work ethic. I was always a smart kid, slightly cocky in my ways, but after four years I've come to humble myself in certain situations. You don't always have to be right; it's okay to lose. The Brothers have been mentors to me in such a way that when I see a person in need I think what would be the Christian thing to do. Communication is a skill many have yet to master, but I tell you through first-hand experience that one should join clubs, try out for teams, etc.



They are not only a gateway to making friends but also a creation of relationships and bonds that can last for a long time. I have many people that I talk to and are acquainted with, but my close circle will always be with me. My last year here I've been able to open up more to things such as religion. A few of my friends and I sing gospel songs after school, and people look at us like we are crazy. The fact is that these friends and the Brothers make it known that God shouldn't be a secret thing we carry in our hearts.

With my days of high school numbered and graduation closing in on me I often dwell now on the positives of high school. I have a good relationship with the Brothers in a way that I joke around with them instead of fearing them. I am more involved and thankful to Mr. Washington who gave me one of my first jobs announcing at basketball games. I want to thank the faculty and staff who aided my continual growth including Ed Modica and Andrew Wachtel, the school trainers who help me out and who I work alongside. But most of all I want to thank my close friends, the people that I "roll" with every day, the people that have my back and I have theirs. Because at the end of the day we are Ohana, and "Ohana means family. Family means nobody gets left behind or forgotten." This is something I will always remember as I hope to attend Duke University but am currently planning to attend Hofstra University.

Dylan Cafarella

Making the choice to come to Saint Anthony's was an easy decision since I knew long ago that my faith was foremost in choosing a high school. The decision has helped me grow not only as a student, but also as a man. I have learned that only through hard work and determination one can achieve unlimited success.

Being the only student from my school district I knew that it was not going to be easy to assimilate into a new environment. However, due to the inviting atmosphere of the Saint Anthony's community I was able to make many lifelong friends. I have been successful in both the classroom and on the athletic field. The faculty and coaches provided me with the tools and guidance that are needed to prepare for college and what lies ahead.

Because of the dynamics of the football program, I have made connections that will help me prepare for my future. Many of my coaches have a professional history in law enforcement, which has influenced me to pursue a career in criminal justice. I will have the opportunity to play college football next year due to the outstanding coaching that I have received over my four years at Saint Anthony's. Some of the colleges that I hope to attend are Marist College, Georgetown University or C.W. Post. If someone were to ask me, "If you could go back four years and choose a different path, would you?" the answer would be, "No, these have been the best four years of my life, thus far."

Danielle Citera

In 2008 I graduated from Holy Family Regional, a small Catholic school in Commack. Attending Saint Anthony's had always been my intention as my father and five uncles are alumni. While I had never really considered the benefits, over the course of these past three years I have come to understand and experience the impact that Saint Anthony's has had spiritually, socially and academically. Saint Anthony's has allowed me to practice my faith, meet some of my closest friends, as well as present me with countless challenges and opportunities, many of which I hadn't considered prior to my days here.

Saint Anthony's is known for its fierce academic and athletic competition but what most people do not understand is that this environment provides motivation and encourages strength. As adolescents growing and preparing to move on to college and the rest of our lives, it is vital that we reflect upon ourselves and look into our innermost passions and interests. Surrounded by my peers who are equally driven to success, I have found the support I need to continue to strive toward my goals. This environment has made a tremendous difference in my life. The ever-present encouragement and resources provided by Saint Anthony's have allowed me to keep focused on pursuing my goals and dreams.

Participation in extracurricular activities at Saint Anthony's has been a key component in my life these past three years. As a member of the National Honor Society and TAU I have had the chance to serve my peers and students in a local school district as a tutor. As an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion I have been blessed with the opportunity to share my faith in God with others. As Editor-in-Chief of the Paduan and an editor of the Anthonian I have been taught a great deal about organization and time management. In my classes the passionate and knowledgeable teachers I have encountered have instilled me with a thirst for learning. The dedication of my foreign language teachers has moved me to explore a major in Romance Languages. In addition, Saint Anthony's has allowed me the opportunity to meet new individuals from diverse backgrounds, kindling an enlightened respect and appreciation of culture in me.

They say that when one door closes another door opens. I have faith in the fact that the experiences I have had and the opportunities I have seized at Saint Anthony's will open many doors for me in the future. Upon graduation I hope to attend the University of Pennsylvania, Brown University or Boston College. No matter where I wind up spending the next four years of my life, I am confident that Saint Anthony's has prepared me to take advantage of opportunities and face challenges.



Courtney Davis

Life is not about what you do not have; it is the genuine appreciation for all that you do have. The death of my father has been a struggle for me but I am blessed to be surrounded with love, family, friends and sports. Most importantly I was raised with a strong faith. Saint Anthony's High School has given me the strength in myself as I move forward with my future. If it were not for my mother working hard to keep her children in Catholic education, I would never have had the amazing opportunities I have been blessed with. Coming into Saint Anthony's freshman year I was extremely anxious and nervous. I tried out for the freshman team with 150 other talented soccer players. At the end of the long week my number was called and I made the JV soccer team. I was overwhelmed with excitement and happiness. I was now officially a Friar.

Four years later I am now preparing for college. My time at Saint Anthony's could not have been more amazing. Throughout high school I met many friends. My academics paid off and are helping my family pay for some of my college tuition. My team won two League titles and one State championship. I have been on honor roll since sophomore year. I have grown up as an individual. Most importantly I have matured in my faith. In September 2012 I will be enrolling in Sacred Heart University where I will be part of the 2012 Women's Soccer Team. During my search it was very important to me that I attend a Catholic college. I intend to study Psychology at Sacred Heart. My goal is to give back and help children who lost their parents. I want to use my life experiences and turn them into positives by helping children who need a support system. I am blessed to have been able to attend Saint Anthony's High School where they have helped me realize my true potential and put me on the right track for a good future.

As I finish my senior year it is bittersweet. I am excited to become a Pioneer at Sacred Heart but I am not ready to give up being a Friar. Coming into high school I was alone, I did not know anyone. I am leaving with so many good friends, part of a team and part of a family. Saint Anthony's is a family. Everyone in the school wants the students to succeed and they help us to do that. I am excited to move forward with everything I have learned from Saint Anthony's. Even though many of the people I graduate with may lose touch, one thing we will always have in common is where we started and who we are, and we are Friars.

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Alexa DeAngelis

For me, the best part about being a student at Saint Anthony's is the great number of opportunities you have to be a part of a community. From extracurriculars to academics, throughout my four years at Saint Anthony's I have greatly treasured the experiences that I have gathered from taking part in these various communities. By offering me these opportunities Saint Anthony's has impacted my life tremendously. Last year I was fortunate enough to be a part of the school's first Show Choir. I especially value this experience because I was given the chance to be a part of this group that, through hard work, dedication, singing and dancing, set the precedent for all future generations of the Saint Anthony's Show Choir. I have had a similar experience in being part of the newly developed Science Research Program at Saint Anthony's. This year I took my first steps into the scientific community by entering personal research into the Intel Science Talent Search, a national science competition. As well as establishing an example for future Friars, I have also been able to get a taste of the scientific world to which I plan to make numerous contributions in my future.

One of the most important communities that Saint Anthony's brings to its students is the student body itself. As an eighth grader I went on numerous school tours and orientations in order to choose the right high school for me: the minute I walked into the Saint Anthony's school building and went on a tour I knew that this was the school I wanted to attend. The Saint Anthony's community as a whole seemed like a big happy family to me, and today I am thrilled to inspire this feeling in prospective students by acting as co-president of the Saint Anthony's Student Ambassadors. This duty of giving tours and demonstrating the Saint Anthony's spirit to new students has brought my experience of the Saint Anthony's community full circle. I am confident that by being a part of these communities I have made plenty of lasting contributions to Saint Anthony's High School. That is definitely the aspect that I will miss most come graduation and when I head off to possibly Georgetown University, the University of Pennsylvania or Harvard University.

Jessica Exantus

Saint Luke said, "For everyone to whom much is given, much is expected." I have been given much; therefore I have been motivated to give as much as I can of myself throughout my high school journey. Saint Anthony's High School has opened the door to a window of opportunities that have provided me with priceless experiences. These experiences that I will forever cherish have been the foundation of my high school success. The opportunities I have been given have helped shape me into the intelligent, compassionate and well-rounded young woman I am today.

Through the duration of my high school journey here at Saint Anthony's I have developed a passion for helping others who are in great need and for motivating my fellow students to become the best individuals they can be by sharing with them my compassion for others. This passion has led me to become actively involved in my high school community through the various clubs and activities Saint Anthony's has to offer. The immeasurable opportunities that I have experienced through activities such as National Honor Society, Saint Anthony's Leadership Team, Saint Anthony's Student Ambassadors, Model United Nations, as well as the



club I co-founded, Saint Anthony's Volunteer Efforts, has enlightened me with a sense of fulfillment that will have a lasting impact on my future.

Above all else, over the past four years Saint Anthony's has taught me the significance of establishing a strong academic foundation. My inspiration to achieve excellence has led me to uphold the Franciscan principle, "Capture the heart and the mind will follow." Ultimately, I hope to carry forth this principle and the valuable life lessons I have attained at Saint Anthony's High School to the next chapter of my life at my first school of choice, Saint Francis College.

Jillian Fumai



Saint Anthony's has changed me in many ways for the better. When starting at Saint Anthony's I didn't have a lot of close friends so starting a new school with a new slate and not many friends was pretty intimidating and scary. After a couple weeks in the new school I was in love with it. I had made so many new friends. Two weeks before freshman year started I tried out for the volleyball team. That was probably one of the best decisions I've ever made because I made some of my best friends on that team. Playing volleyball my freshman year and lacrosse all four years of high school I've had the best experience. Saint Anthony's not only has an amazing sports program but also very good academics. Since coming to Saint Anthony's I've had better grades and I have become a better student. Same goes with sports. Saint Anthony's has made me a better athlete. Playing for a top program in New York State is a huge opportunity for me. I have gotten a lot better at lacrosse and would not have been able to do it if it weren't for Saint Anthony's.

Without the great scholastic and athletic abilities of Saint Anthony's High School I would not be where I am today. In the fall of 2012 I will be attending American University on a scholarship to play Division I lacrosse. Without the wonderful people and coaches at Saint Anthony's I would never be where I am today. Saint Anthony's has changed me for the better and I could not see myself in any other atmosphere.

Kyle Geraghty



Sitting here now looking back over my four years at Saint Anthony's, I cannot believe my time here is almost over. If I were to be looking back at myself as a freshman, I don't know if I would be able to recognize that person today. I am leaving Saint Anthony's as a confident young man.

There are several teachers who have contributed to my growth and pushed me to reach my full potential. Also, through the Saint Anthony's Theatre Company and my participation in the school dramas and musicals, I have bonded with many of my peers who share the same love of music and performance. My time spent rehearsing and performing on the Saint Anthony's stage has contributed toward my growth and confidence and has enabled me to create friendships that I am confident will last a lifetime.

I know that Saint Anthony's has made me a more responsible young adult and has prepared me to meet the challenges that lie ahead as I enter the next stage of my life. I have learned how to be more organized in both the way I think and the way I go about my day, and to work hard for what I believe in. I will never forget what I have learned at Saint Anthony's and the memories that were created there. My time spent here has given me the confidence to pursue my dream of a career on the stage. In September I hope to attend Ithaca College to obtain a BFA in Musical Theatre.

Reanna Marino

Saint Anthony's has had an impact on my life that I believe no other school could have. It has provided me opportunities, lessons, challenges, experiences and relationships that have touched me in ways that I never imagined. When I came into this school as a young freshman I did not realize how much I would grow as a person and how strongly I would feel when I now say, "these have been the best years of my life."

Looking back through the years I am surprised at how things have changed so much in my life and how different I feel as a person. Saint Anthony's has made me grow up the right way. It has provided me a special environment where I am amongst and mentored by great people. Here, I have been blessed with an amazing group of friends. It has given me the opportunity to be part of a team that defines the real meaning of "team", that truly loves each other. I am part of a student body that is so proud to be a part of this school. We have such spirit and support surrounding us. Subtly, day by day, the surroundings here at Saint Anthony's have molded me to be the person I am. I have ridden the rollercoaster of being a teenager and experienced endless moments to look back on and laugh. It has made me realize that everything happens for a reason, and when you're young everything may seem like it's the end of the world, but it's not, it's only the beginning. Having such a wonderful high school experience thus far, time is of the essence. I've cherished each memory and will continue to do so as my time here at Saint Anthony's comes to an end.

I can describe the difference Saint Anthony's High School has made for me by talking about the college I have been accepted to or the team that I have made, but the rewards are really so much greater. It has made me who I am today and affected how I will attack life in the future. As one chapter reaches the endpoint another chapter begins as I go on to Villanova University and play soccer with the Wildcats.

The journey God is taking me on is the one I believe I am supposed to be on. If I had the opportunity to do this all again I would do it the exact same way, taking all the ups and downs that go along with it. I will always be proud to be a Friar. Saint Anthony's has not only made a difference in my life, it has made me the person I am today.





Darcy Messina

From the very beginning of my freshman year I was immersed into an abundantly diverse population of students and teachers. Growing up in a small town I felt I was limited. Being the youngest of four I was well aware of striving to meet personal goals. I had ambition, academic, spiritual and athletic goals. I felt that in order to reach my full potential and meet my objectives I would need to be in a larger environment, an academically more challenging and a spiritually bountiful atmosphere. I saw Saint Anthony's as the difference, the place to provide great opportunities for me to reach my goals.

What I achieved in four years was so much more than I could have ever imagined. All my dreams and goals were realized. I grew spiritually, forming friendships within a diverse group of classmates. I became more socially aware of the differences of my peers. I gained the utmost respect for those differences that make us all unique. I was wholly enriched by the dedicated teachers who encouraged me to be more creative in my thinking. Collectively these teachers instilled a solid academic foundation that will promote and cultivate my learning throughout my entire life.

The presence of the Franciscan Brothers is inspiring to each and every student; this alone is the greatest difference in my life. The Brothers implant the importance of spiritual development while simultaneously instilling academics. Athletically I have worked extremely hard to be a four-year member of the girls' varsity lacrosse team that is currently ranked third in the nation. I will be attending the University of Florida on an athletic scholarship.

Lastly, the difference in me is Saint Anthony's, a community that instills core values and tremendous camaraderie with your teachers, peers and teammates.

Durelle Napier



Saint Anthony's High School has played a key role in my life and in my success. I remember when I was in 8th grade, going into my freshman year, my mom would drive past Saint Anthony's and I would smile and tell her that's my school. When I found out how great Saint Anthony's football program was, it was one of my dreams to play for and contribute to the team. On the first day of practice I was a huge nervous wreck, but I got over it and did what I had to do. Fortunately I made the team and also made friends. When freshman orientation came along I was anxious and nervous because I knew this was my first day of high school. Luckily, the friends I made during football tryouts were the ones I hung out with in lunch.

From day one I was always focused on my studies and focused on the field. I believe that they go hand in hand in life. My friends who play Division I college football tell me it's a little troublesome maintaining good grades and performing on the field. Saint Anthony's taught me how to manage both since my freshman year. With that in mind it gives me great confidence that I will be able to do the same thing when I attend Yale University in the fall of 2012. The work ethic that I established and the workload that I received in the four years at Saint Anthony's is helping me prepare for the next level of college schoolwork and college sports.

Saint Anthony's has also made a difference in my life when it comes to friendships. The people who I made great relationships with here will always be there after high school and for the rest of my life. Saint Anthony's High School has definitely prepared me throughout my four years for the life of a college student-athlete, and I would like to thank all faculty and students for helping me during my four years here.

John Poetzsch

I can honestly say that without the positive influences and impact from several role models at Saint Anthony's High School I would not be the same person I am today, nor would I be as confident of my ability to settle in and succeed in college next year. When I decided to enroll at Saint Anthony's I was simply following in the footsteps of my older brother, Dougie, and I had no idea of the positive influence I would take away from my education at Saint Anthony's. The things I have learned are more than just math equations or phrases out of a history textbook. More significantly I have also learned the importance of good character and how to be a good person.



Albert Einstein once said, "Most people say it is the intellect which makes a great scientist. They are wrong: it is character." Coach Reichert always stressed good character to his players. I have been hearing about it since I was on the freshman football team. Coach Reichert would gather us in a circle after practice and often talk to us about character and how we are expected to act as part of the Saint Anthony's football community. By the time we made it to Varsity we already knew how to act, and it was up to us to set a good example for the younger kids coming up. Coach Reichert taught us something that no textbook could teach us – he taught us how to respect people and he helped us mature into men.

This theme of character is repeated everywhere at Saint Anthony's. We are expected to act respectfully and with character not only in class, but also in the school hallways, on football road trips and when we interact with outsiders. It is not always the easiest thing to live by but now, because of it, I feel ready to take the next step in my life. That next step will be attending Lafayette College where I will be playing on the football team.

As I embark on the next step of my education, the focus of developing character by Coach Reichert, the Brothers and other teachers at Saint Anthony's leaves me confident that I have an advantage over other high school students from across the nation. And thanks to these role models I feel ready and prepared to succeed at the educational and athletic challenges that will confront me in college.



Shannon White

As I look back over these past four years I continue to believe that choosing to attend Saint Anthony's was one of the best decisions I have ever made. Picking out a high school was not an easy decision but the minute I started my freshman year it was obvious to me that I had made the right decision. I was somewhat nervous as I entered freshman year as very few students came to Saint Anthony's from my town. However, it was very easy to make friends, which made me feel at home. There were so many opportunities to get involved such as clubs, sports teams and school events, which made meeting people very easy. The friends made here are friendships that I will treasure for life.

Although most prefer to focus on the social aspects of high school, there is no denying that the academic focus is to adequately prepare you for college by encouraging students to maintain a challenging curriculum for all four years. The teachers here are committed to the students' success in their courses and are also concerned about the student as a person as well. The dedication of the Brothers at Saint Anthony's cannot be understated as their endless devotion to the students and the school is apparent on a daily basis. Their lessons of faith, hope, love of God and neighbor and respect for one another were continually reinforced in all aspects of the school experience.

As my time here is coming to an end I have no doubt that my experience at Saint Anthony's has had tremendous impact on the person I have become, and I feel very prepared to move on to the next phase of my life with all that I have learned here. I hope to apply the academic as well as life lessons learned to continue to succeed as I move on to college and in all my future endeavors. Next fall I hope to study physical therapy and am planning on attending the Catholic University of America or SUNY Cortland.

How has Saint Anthony's prepared you for college?



Matt Biscardi

The past three years at Saint Anthony's have been a learning experience that I could not have received anywhere else. Through education and sports Saint Anthony's has taught me everything I need to know to be fully prepared for the next step in my life. The faculty and coaches here at Saint Anthony's have instilled a hardworking and positive attitude into me that will only help me succeed when I go on to college.

In the classroom my teachers have made my assignments as close to college work as possible. They have made me become independent in my studies, which is an important skill that I will have to use in college. Saint Anthony's faculty has also given me an education that I know I could not have received anywhere else. I was able to get the best education possible, which will only put me a step ahead of my peers when I move on to college.

On the field my coaches have prepared me beyond what any program in New York could have. My football coaches have trained me to be the player I am today. The coaching staff at Saint Anthony's is second to none and has fully prepared me to excel at the next level. Past athletes have told me that Saint Anthony's football program has truly given them an edge against other players in reference to their hard work skills developed and film studying skills acquired with the Friars. Saint Anthony's has fully prepared me for the college level on and off the field. Some of the schools I am looking at are Princeton University, Dartmouth College and Bentley University.

Kent Bischoff

There are way more choices in life than ever before. One of the first really important decisions I made was going to Saint Anthony's High School. I had gone to public elementary and middle schools and I was lucky that my parents were able to offer me the option of Saint Anthony's. I felt right down to my core that Saint Anthony's would be right for me. Somewhere in my heart it felt right. I actually wanted the discipline, focus and faith that I felt would be offered, not to mention the esteem of being at one of the loftiest sports high schools in the country.



Like myself, there are many student-athletes at Saint Anthony's. What do athletes and students at Saint Anthony's have in common? They both work on their Core. The concept of core is the same, building stability and power by doing the work. I believe that the strong core-based foundation of academics at Saint Anthony's builds confidence similar to the way exercising muscles increases physical stability. Proud to be a Friar, my Championship memories have created invaluable and indelible memories that I know I will savor for life.

I chose my religion. Through RCIA I was baptized, received Communion and was confirmed, all in my freshman year of high school. I am impressed by how religion and faith are incorporated into the learning experience and ambiance at Saint Anthony's. The intermingling of spirituality in education has deepened my love of learning. The warmth and sanctity I felt since I walked through the doors of Saint Anthony's High School at the brink of adulthood are just another affirmation that, yes, I made the right choice. As my high school years come to a close, I have chosen and been accepted to attend the University of Chicago.

Eric Caliendo

Looking toward the future I can see many challenges and potential obstacles that must be met and overcome. I understand that any path leading to success is neither smooth nor easy. One cannot hope to achieve greatness and personal satisfaction without working hard and



diligently staying the course. In my immediate future the prospect of college provides a challenge that seems exciting, interesting and sometimes daunting. During these years I will face varying degrees of difficulty and adversity in both academic and social settings. However, I am confident in my ability to handle this inevitability because of the impressive support and guidance that Saint Anthony's has provided me

Throughout my four years at this fine school I have learned a great deal more than science, math and history. I have been taught many lessons that you won't find in our curriculum. Through examples set by the faculty and fellow classmates I have come to understand the benefits of hard work, the value of one's reputation and the importance of strong character. As I have grown in this community I have experienced many exceptional individuals who have influenced me in countless ways. From teachers who pushed me to reach my full potential to peers who exemplified the best attributes of a dedicated student, the members of the Saint Anthony's family have created a special and nurturing atmosphere in which I was able to thrive. As a participant in the Intel Science Talent Search and a member of the Varsity Lacrosse team I have noticed my academic abilities along with my strength of character increase greatly. I can't imagine myself entering college without first having lived and participated in the Saint Anthony's community.

The amazing people I have met at this school as well as the exceptional education I've received throughout my four years have prepared me greatly for college and the rest of life's journey. The skills I have developed in the classroom as well as the values that have been imprinted in my personality will serve me well as I leave this fostering sanctuary and enter into the real world as a capable adult. I am extremely grateful for all the incredible opportunities I've been given at Saint Anthony's and the sacrifices my family has made in order to send me to such an inspiring place. It will be a somber day when I walk the halls for the last time and depart from a home that has helped me grow as an individual. However, I can look optimistically toward the future as I become a member of another family at Haverford College. There I hope to continue development as a successful student and draw upon my experiences at Saint Anthony's to guide me through this next chapter of my life.

Anne Heagerty

Saint Anthony's has not only been a school for me but, also, a second home. This is my 4th year at Saint Anthony's and I could not picture myself graduating from anywhere else. These past years have been amazing and, although I do not want to leave, I am excited to move on and attend Georgetown University to play on their women's lacrosse team. Saint Anthony's has given me the ability to succeed in all aspects of life both on field and off.

Saint Anthony's teachers and faculty have prepared me for the next chapter in my life which is college. From freshman year to now members of the faculty have encouraged me not only to do my best but also to strive for any goal that comes to me. My teachers have always put in extra time and effort to help me succeed in my classes. They push my fellow students and me to reach our goals as a class and individually. Saint Anthony's uses strict discipline to develop students into outstanding citizens. By having strict codes I have learned not only to follow the rules but also to respect those who enforce them. Saint Anthony's always looks out for the best interest of the student, which is something not found in every other school. The faculty and staff not only help us succeed in the classroom but also with non-school related issues. Although Saint Anthony's is the reason for many of my successes, my parents had the decision to send me to any selection of high schools and thankfully they sent me here. They have always told me Saint Anthony's is a privilege, and I have to agree. It is a very special school and I am very grateful I had the opportunity to attend this wonderful place.

On the field most of my accomplishments are thanks to my coaches and teammates. Our pursuit for excellence has helped establish us as one of the top programs in the nation. The dedication of Saint Anthony's to its sports programs assures me that I will not only be coached by the best but play with the best also. This Saint Anthony's Friars lacrosse team is not only my team but also another family. I have learned so much over the years from my coaching staff and fellow teammates, things I will be able to take with me to college and beyond. Lacrosse as a whole has taught me how to work as a team, especially at a top competitive level. I'm so grateful for all my opportunities, many of which would not be possible without the help of Saint Anthony's High School.

Jamel Hudson

For the past 3 years I have been blessed and highly favored by God as he has allowed me to attend such a prestigious school like Saint Anthony's. My experience as a Friar has been nothing but enriching. As an African American male, the research has clearly identified that the majority of us continue to be in crisis and we are not reaching our full potential educationally, socially and emotionally. However, the research has also shown that when the playing fields are leveled for all, African American males such as myself can accomplish greatness.

I can truly say that Saint Anthony's leveled the playing field. I was never judged by the color of my skin but by the content of my character. There was always a genuine level of respect that existed between the students and the teachers. I could tell that they cared about me and my well-being. In fact, when I put on my first concert this summer several Saint Anthony's staff members were in attendance. To look out in the audience and see not just your family and friends but teachers and staff, I couldn't help but feel the love.

I believe that Saint Anthony's has truly taught me the value



of honor, leadership, loyalty and faith, which are the most important qualities in becoming a good man. Honor comes through great sacrifice; the sacrifice of your country, family and friends. It means doing the right thing when some of your friends choose to do the wrong thing.

Leadership is another quality Saint Anthony's helped to cultivate. As the captain of the Saint Anthony's Wrestling team I take my role as leader seriously. A good leader takes responsibility for his actions and the actions of others. He should possess the ability to listen as well as know when to take charge.

Saint Anthony's is responsible for reinforcing my sense of loyalty; loyalty is being committed to God, yourself and others. It is the unwavering ability to believe in our Father, know that he is in control, and to stay focused regardless of the naysayers.

By attending Saint Anthony's I never had to compromise my faith in God. I come from a family with strong traditional and religious values: my great-grandfather as well as my grandfather were religious leaders. They are both held in the highest regard in my family as well as in the community. When my father speaks of them it's always with great pride. It is a sense of purpose that I must carry out the family tradition.

Saint Anthony's has provided me with the academic fortitude and spiritual rebirth to pay homage and continue my family's legacy. I have applied to some of the top schools in the nation including Harvard, Columbia and NYU. It is my intention to pursue a degree in religion.

I must say I leave Saint Anthony's a better man than when I arrived. I would like to say thank you to my mom and dad in making such a wise choice in selecting Saint Anthony's High School. I love you guys; Brother Gary and Brother Joshua I am forever indebted to you guys for your continuous support; Coach Walters and the Wrestling Team; and to Jesus for dying on the cross for me.



James Hurt

When I chose to attend Saint Anthony's I went into it blind. I didn't know much about the school and what it was about. I came from a small town where I knew everyone so it was a weird transition into this giant school where I didn't know anyone. This decision was one of the best decisions of my life. All the people I met and things I learned changed me to the person I am today.

Saint Anthony's prepared me for college in many different ways. It prepared me for my first day of college. Just as I walked into Saint Anthony's without knowing anyone there, I have to do the exact same thing in college. Saint Anthony's prepared me to make connections and friends in college and in the future. Saint Anthony's also instilled that if you want to succeed you have to work hard, both in football and in school. I had to put a lot of work into offseason training for football but in the end it was all worth it. The same is true for the classroom. The curriculum at Saint Anthony's made me work harder than I ever had to before. This prepared me for college by setting my study habits. The classes really made me spend a little more time than I was used to studying so I could still receive high grades. The biggest way Saint Anthony's prepared me was by teaching me how to balance all the things I have to do. It helped me learn how to manage my time so that I could excel in multiple things at one time.

Next year I am going to play football in college. Some of the schools I am looking at are Columbia University, Villanova University and Lafayette College. Wherever I end up the lessons I learned at Saint Anthony's will always be with me.

Satya Makadia

When I first came to Saint Anthony's I never imagined that four years later I would grow to be the person I am today. My time here has prepared me and instilled within me the confidence that I will carry with me for the rest of my life.

I began here as a quiet freshman, having no idea how much I would be impacted by the people I met and experiences I would have. Saint Anthony's has prepared me for college and for the rest of my life. The nurturing environment has cultivated and fostered my growth during some of the most critical years of my life. When I go to college I will bring with me the values and beliefs Saint Anthony's has instilled within me.

Saint Anthony's has always been a strong promoter of the global presence many colleges and universities value on their campuses. Just walking through the hallways one can get the sense of many different types of students that go to school here. It is this cultural and social experience that has taught me the importance of learning from those around me and will allow me to appreciate what everyone has to offer next year when I am in college. The challenging courses offered here have prepared me for the education I will receive in the future and the supportive teachers have helped me develop academically and socially.

The friends I have made here have all helped me grow into the person I am proud to call myself today. Whether it be my locker buddy, the girl that sits next to me in theology or the kid that I say a quick hello to while walking in the hallway, they have all had a significant impact on me and have assured me that I am ready to take the next step in my life.

Next year I hope to attend either Villanova or Cornell University. While I am there I will always remember the lessons I have learned, the experiences I have encountered and the people I have met during my time at Saint Anthony's.

Sean McDonagh

As I move on to college I will always carry with me the very important things that Saint Anthony's has taught me. As my senior year comes to an end I can look back and finally





understand what being a Friar is all about. Every single aspect that Saint Anthony's has to offer has prepared me for life after high school. Whether it is on the gridiron or lacrosse field or in the classroom it all comes together and has molded me into who I am today and who I will become. As I move on to study in Cambridge at Harvard University I know that my Friar qualities will not leave my side.

Saint Anthony's has academically prepared me extremely well for what I have to come at school next year. One thing that I felt helped me greatly in the classroom at Saint Anthony's was the competitive nature that fills every class. Everyone in the class strives to be the best, and being the competitive person that I am, I was no different. Saint Anthony's helped me look at academics as being just as important as any sport. Without the academic training that the wonderful Saint Anthony's staff offered me I would not be going to the school that I am going to. Also, Saint Anthony's always seemed to challenge me academically, which pushed me to excel at each and every subject. These challenges also helped me improve my time management skills. I knew that I couldn't fall behind so I needed to keep my priorities in check. My older brother, Ryan McDonagh '08, a current senior at Villanova University, always tells me how time management plays such a major role in college and how Saint Anthony's prepared him in these aspects as well. Academically I cannot imagine a school that could have prepared me more for the future.

Saint Anthony's has not only prepared me from inside the classroom but also from the athletic field. Saint Anthony's is arguably the best athletic school in the state of New York. The reason for Saint Anthony's success throughout the years is the stress that we have on building a family within teammates. I'm sure I can speak for any varsity athlete saying that we are all willing to stick our neck out for our teammates and this quality will help us greatly in the future. Being the quarterback of the football team and the "X" player on the lacrosse team has taught me how to be a leader also. Both the aspect of family and the quality of being a leader will greatly leave me with several advantages when it comes to my next steps in my life. Without Saint Anthony's High School I would not be the person I am today.

Both on the athletic fields and inside of the classroom Saint Anthony's greatly prepared me for college life and beyond. I will truly never forget the values and lessons that Saint Anthony's has taught me. Even though my school color next year will be crimson I will always be black and gold at heart and I will forever be a Friar.



Patrick McHugh

Before I entered Saint Anthony's I thought every high school was designed to prepare students for college. I didn't understand why the label "College Preparatory High School" was so significant. After four years of education at Saint Anthony's I now understand how mistaken I was. In the past four years Saint Anthony's has provided me with everything I needed to prepare for my next step in life – attending college. The guidance and instruction I have received from the teachers, coaches and faculty here has been vital for my development as a young adult.

The only negative aspect of Saint Anthony's I could come up with was its location. I thought that living thirty miles away from the high school that I would attend would bring me nothing but countless hours in traffic. Although that part of living far away did hold true I also gained an understanding of how to manage my time. Knowing how to balance my work and activities will be extremely important in the years to come. Saint Anthony's has also helped to prepare me for the difficult workload in college. Every class that I have taken has been challenging and has required my full effort to excel. By far the biggest aspect of college preparation has been the opportunity to develop relationships with so many incredible people from across Long Island. Not only will these relationships last me a lifetime, but developing them has shown me how to interact with different people that have many different views and beliefs.

My experience at Saint Anthony's has certainly prepared me for college. Although I will miss this place greatly I am looking forward to exploring new opportunities. Next year I will be attending Yale University where I will continue to play football and look to build upon the foundation I set at Saint Anthony's.

Alexis Nicolia

Saint Anthony's High School has more than prepared me for college. The Saint Anthony's community has prepared me for a life filled with many things. My education and life before and during Saint Anthony's has incorporated a sense of fulfillment inside me that will serve me well on the next step of my journey.

At Saint Anthony's we are encouraged to help others in all ways, whether it is in the classroom, the field or, more importantly, on their personal journey. There are so many clubs that help those in need outside of our school community. The friends I have made will, hopefully, be in my life forever. I have great memories of the many laughs we have shared over the years.

Not only do the academics excel, the athletic program has a tremendous reputation known to all colleges. The girls lacrosse program was ranked number three in the nation last year. Being a part of the team really opened many opportunities to play at the college level. Our head coach, Corrine Lomangino, is very highly respected throughout the country. She helped every person on the team mentally and physically prepare for a higher level of lacrosse. When it came to making a college commitment, just being a player on the Friars made it so much easier. The



Harvard lacrosse coach contacted Corrine to see if I would be a great add to their team. After having a long conversation Coach Lisa Miller took Coach Corrine's advice and asked me to be on the team. If it wasn't for the high reputation of Saint Anthony's I don't believe I would be going where I am. Saint Anthony's has opened my life to opportunities I would never have had if I had not gone there.

I feel very well prepared to attend Harvard College in the fall of 2012. I am ready to broaden my life experiences and I know that no matter what life throws at me, my ability to deal with it is largely because of what I learned at Saint Anthony's High School.

Michael Ravella

While at Saint Anthony's I've had the opportunity to tour Europe with an incredibly talented orchestra, compete on television with the quiz bowl team and run track and cross-country. At Saint Anthony's I was given so many opportunities to succeed that not only gave me the head knowledge I need for college but allowed me to develop my ambitions and my character.

In Academics Saint Anthony's exposed me to an array of subject areas ranging from chemistry to theology. Over my four years I've been able to refine my interests and discover what I love while still being able to do other things simultaneously. Thanks to this I am able to go to college knowing that I have a genuine interest in physics but that I'd like to study other subjects as well. The great part about Saint Anthony's was that having each subject in equal proportion allowed me to choose for myself and not be forced into any one direction.

Academics are only the surface of how I was prepared by Saint Anthony's, though. In activities at school I was constantly pushed to perform at a level above and beyond the satisfactory. In orchestra, for example, Mr. Engel consistently chose some of the most difficult operatic repertoire that generally a college or even a professional symphony would perform. In addition, the teachers of the Music Department helped me with my solo performance skills until I reached the All-State level. I couldn't feel more prepared to perform in college, and I couldn't be more excited either.

Most importantly, I think, was how Saint Anthony's developed my character. Everything from wearing the uniform to being on the SALT board made me into something I never could have become without Saint Anthony's. Our school is just such a unique place where I was surrounded by tons of people who influenced me in only positive ways. From students to teachers Saint Anthony's is home to some of the most spectacular people that I'm thrilled to have gotten to know. As sad as it is to be leaving Saint Anthony's, I am thrilled to be heading to college. This fall I hope to be attending Yale University, Duke University or University of Oxford.

Christian Yeager

Everybody speaks about how the hallways at Saint Anthony's are overcrowded; I think that they are just right. They are filled with dedicated, supportive and encouraging faculty, staff and students who share a common goal.

Saint Anthony's is an amazing place on so many levels. It is a community in which students can achieve any goal they desire and where one's potential is limitless. I appreciate the sincere commitment that everyone has had to my development, as a student, as an athlete and as a Christian. Anyone who has taken classes with Ms. Scala has to consider her their favorite teacher of all time. Her classes are fun, engaging and have an energy that is almost indescribable.

I have also been fortunate to have Mrs. Scharbach for both AP Calculus A/B and AP Calculus B/C. Unlike any other teacher Mrs. Scharbach has an uncanny ability to make even the most complicated functions look simple. It is because of her that I expect to concentrate in the study of Mathematics at Harvard in the fall.

I am also forever grateful to Brother Gary and Mr. Buckley for their constant excitement and encouragement and for their unwavering support that has made my journey as a student-athlete even more rewarding. In fact, Mr. Buckley e-mailed me within minutes of me making my first Olympic Trials cut in swimming, and Brother Gary met me at the door on my return to school to congratulate me.

As I prepare to go off to college, I can only hope to find the qualities I have found within the lively halls of Saint Anthony's. I am confident that my experiences here have prepared me in every way for success at the next level.

What is your best Saint Anthony's memory?

Jordan Assentato

My four years at Saint Anthony's High School have been filled with memories. I have been able to grow as a person in every way and it is because I came to this school. Through every good time and tough time I always found comfort at my home away from home. I will never forget all the great times I've had here. It is hard to pick which one means the most to me.

As a junior I found myself involved in school and doing well, but I wanted more. I wanted to be able to lead as well as contribute in every way possible. I certainly found what I was looking for. My favorite memories from Saint Anthony's will be all the things that I did while president of the National Honor Society. Being the president of



N.H.S. has allowed me to be super involved. I will always remember the football canteens we worked at as well as the many soup kitchens I participated in. These are where I've made some of my fondest memories. I have learned many things from these soup kitchens and I will never forget them. All the events that I have been a part of coordinating and running have been filled with hard work and laughter. This is the lesson that seems to be the most important. If you work hard at something you love, it will never get old. I owe a lot to this school. I know that if I had not attended I would not be the person I am today.

I am grateful for all the time I was able to spend here and will cherish all the wonderful memories. I look forward to finishing out the year strong as well as enjoying it with the class of 2012. After this year we will all go separate ways but will forever be Friars. I personally hope to continue my studies at Villanova, Bentley or NYU.

Nicole Carroll



When you choose to enter into Saint Anthony's you choose to be a part of the enormous family that it comes hand in hand with. I can still remember walking into the auditorium on my freshman orientation, realizing I had no idea what to expect. Some may consider it terrifying, entering into a new school with hundreds of students from all over Long Island whom you have never met before, but deciding to attend Saint Anthony's was one of the best decisions I have ever made.

My best Saint Anthony's memory cannot be described as one single event that occurred but, instead, as the numerous friendships I have made. When I decided to attend Saint Anthony's I knew a total of four other people also attending from my middle school, who just happened to all be boys. I knew I was going to have to make friends fast, and that wasn't a problem due to the fact that I made the freshman cheerleading team over the summer. At cheerleading tryouts I ended up meeting one of my best friends. At the time I had no idea I would become so close with her; ironically I disliked her during the tryout days. We ended up in the same gym class freshman year and have been best friends ever since. Throughout my freshman and sophomore years I also became very close with my now best friends. We would help out at school events with the National Honor Society and go on the annual Six Flags trip at the end of each year. Saint Anthony's has exposed me to so many new people that I now could never imagine not knowing.

Over the past four years I have created friendships that will last a lifetime and most of my favorite memories all took place while at Saint Anthony's. I intend to make even more memories and create new relationships during my college years. I hope to attend Loyola University Maryland or the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Thomas Diliberto

Since the very first day of my freshman year at Saint Anthony's I've had a countless amount of memorable experiences. With such a positive and superb atmosphere there are many memories that come to mind when looking back at my four years here. However, there is one that stands out and that was my last race in cross-country as a Friar.

We competed at the Nike Nationals Qualifier in an attempt to make it as a team out to the National Championships in Portland, Oregon. Although we came up short by just a few measly points, I realized something that day that will stick with me forever. As a team we have gone through it all together whether it be the gut wrenching workouts, the national caliber races, the heartbreaking losses or the joyous wins. But on that beautiful fall day we truly became not just a team but a family; a family that truly loves one another and would do anything not to let the other down. Since I started here at Saint Anthony's I have not simply just made a group of close friends. I have made a family that I will never forget. We have shared a special bond over these four memorable years – a bond that will never be broken and a bond that we will share throughout our lives no matter what path one chooses to go down.

As I come to the close of my senior year and look forward to the next stage of my life, I know that Saint Anthony's has prepared me wonderfully for whatever comes my way. Whether I attend Columbia University, the University of Pennsylvania or Wake Forest University, I will never forget what I was blessed to have here at Saint Anthony's.

Konstantino Gerrato

My best Saint Anthony's memory is the Choral Pilgrimage to Italy led by Brother Joshua. Italy was a country I most wanted to travel to because of its culture, history and beauty. Going with my Chorus friends made it even more special. During the information session Brother Joshua informed us the trip would include ten different cities in ten days. That felt like a challenge but it was one I was very willing to take, including preparing for the concerts. Preparation required discipline and dedication. We rehearsed before and during the trip as we were preparing for concerts at different churches and singing in front of the Pope. We felt prepared because Brother Joshua led the way.

Before Italy I never traveled overseas or without my family. Any anxiety I had disappeared when we arrived in Milan, Italy. Seeing the Alps was awesome. Venice, Rome, Padua, the Vatican....whichever city we visited there was beauty beyond words. The history was interesting as well. We almost didn't need a tour guide because Brother Gary, with his impeccable knowledge, would enlighten and educate us with interesting, historical facts about that certain part of Italy. I always enjoyed Brother Gary's stories because he talked about the art and architecture of the basilicas and



churches in great detail. Seeing the monuments in person is different than reading or hearing about them. The only sad part about the Italy trip was coming home. For as long as I live I'll have many wonderful memories about my trip there. I'm grateful to have had the experience and look forward to one day going back.

Saint Anthony's helped prepare me for the next chapter in my life. When I first started here I was timid and shy. During my high school years I've gained confidence and self-determination to succeed in my goals and in life. I owe much gratitude to the many excellent teachers who taught and supported me. I thank every one of them. I aspire to have a career in Astrophysics and Aerospace Engineering. One of the many things Saint Anthony's has taught me is any path is possible as long as you are inspired by the path you take. I'm proud to be a Friar! In September I hope to attend Fordham University, Boston University or Quinnipiac University.

Victoria Holland



Trying to identify just one favorite memory of Saint Anthony's is impossible for me. The things I have experienced and the friendships I have made will stay with me throughout college and the rest of my life. Saint Anthony's excellent academics and competitive athletics have prepared me for the next chapters in my life.

This year I will be playing my last season on the lacrosse team where so many of my unforgettable memories were made. We have had the opportunity to compete against the top ranked teams in the nation, an opportunity not many people can say that they have had. The past two seasons our team has traveled down to Washington, D.C. to play. These trips have provided me with enough memories to last a lifetime. Between the bus rides, team dinners, and challenging practices, every member on the team has become best friends.

Although the list of memories I have made in the past three years is endless, I expect to have some of my most memorable moments during my fourth and final year at Saint Anthony's as I prepare for college. I am looking forward to many great days in the coming months as my senior year winds down, such as prom and graduation. Saint Anthony's has prepared me well for the next milestone in my life – college. I hope to attend Brown University in the fall and become a member of their women's lacrosse team.



Symone Kelly

Attending Saint Anthony's High School was an ending and a new beginning for me. Working outside of my comfort zone and leaving old friends behind was a hard transition for me to make my freshman year. I was not sure I could meet all the demands that Saint Anthony's required of me. With the constant support of my family, newfound friends, teachers and staff I was able to make it through. I adapted to a new system that made me more disciplined, focused and determined to succeed in all my goals.

It was not until senior picture day that I realized how being at Saint Anthony's has impacted my life. All my friends and I were preparing for senior year and getting ready to make our next journey towards college. That was my fondest memory at Saint Anthony's. That moment was a milestone. It was a reflection of all the hard work and sacrifice I had put in to make it to this point. It was at this time that I realized how much I will miss being here at Saint Anthony's High School. Now I am approaching another ending and preparing for a new beginning at Siena College in September 2012.

Rachel Love

I came to Saint Anthony's High School to expand my personal and academic horizons. Originally, I was planning to go to boarding school for my high school education but a family friend suggested that I should apply to Saint Anthony's. I'm so glad I did! When I entered Saint Anthony's I had no idea how much of an influence it would have on my life. Saint Anthony's has become a second home to me over the past four years. My time at Saint Anthony's has been some of the best years of my life. With all the memories I've made it's so hard just to pick one. To me the defining moment in my Saint Anthony's career was when I met former faculty member Brother Philip Herte, O.S.F. I met him the summer of my freshman year and he recommended that I join quiz bowl. Since that meeting I have been a member since freshman year and have never left the team. I am currently the team's captain. Through quiz bowl I have grown as a leader and I have expanded my interests in a wide variety of areas. During my junior vear I was honored to represent Saint Anthony's on The Challenge guiz show with my team. It was a wonderful way to represent our community to the rest of Long Island. I enjoy guiz bowl so much that I intend to pursue it in college. I would love to thank Coach Creighton and Coach Kiernan for their never-ending love and support for the team as we continue to strive each year.

What I will always remember about Saint Anthony's is the strong sense of community between students and faculty. The teachers here are incredible and they are very supportive in helping me reach my goals. They are passionate about what they do and they are very inspiring. The Brothers, especially, have made a significant impact on my life. Their presence at the school makes it very special. Whether it's sitting in Brother Gary's Western civilization class or having a nice chat with Brother Etienne, knowing the Brothers has definitely enriched my life. I am forever grateful for all Saint Anthony's has done for me. Thank you Brother Gary and Saint Anthony's for giving me a wonderful high school experience. I hope to attend Barnard College or Fordham University in the fall.





Devin O'Connor

I think it is impossible to sum up my high school experience in just one memory. Saint Anthony's has provided me with so many wonderful experiences that I could not have had anywhere else. I have been given countless opportunities here and have done so many things that I will never forget. Socially, athletically and academically I have had experiences I will always cherish. I remember going to my first pep rally as a freshman and feeling both overwhelmed and completely excited to be a part of homecoming. In sophomore and junior years I had the opportunity to go down to Washington, D.C. with 30 of my closest friends to play lacrosse over spring break. I sang karaoke at Senior Antics Night in front of my whole class with friends I made this year. I've played in two league Championships with the lacrosse team, and hope to win a third this spring. I have taken amazing classes and have had great teachers, several of whom have left lasting impressions on me. I've made friendships at Saint Anthony's that mean the world to me, and I know I wouldn't be the person I am today if I hadn't met certain people over the last four years.

I don't think I can express how grateful I am for my experience at Saint Anthony's. I know I will carry the memories I've made and the lessons I've learned here with me in life. I will be attending Amherst College in the fall, and I am looking forward to bringing my Saint Anthony's memories with me in the next stage of my life.



Coming to Saint Anthony's High School was the best decision I have made. It was pretty much a no brainer to make, though. The teachers are great, the sports and extracurricular activities are wonderful and, overall, the environment is superb. It is pretty hard to pick one thing that's my best memory but if I had to pick it would have to be football. Playing football at this school gave me so much joy I can't put it into words to describe. All of my classmates, as well as other teammates that I played football with, are some of the best friends I've made at Saint Anthony's. I'm not exactly sure yet what college I will attend, but I am looking to go to an Ivy League school like Yale or Princeton.



Elisa Robiglio

"The best things in life are the people we love, the places we've been and the memories we've made along the way." –Marjolein Bastin

Four years ago I began a new chapter in my life as I walked through the doors of Saint Anthony's High School. Anxiously nerves pervaded through my body. I did not know what to expect. Questions ran through my mind. Was I going to fit in? How was I going to know my way around this huge building? A little fish in a big pond, I made my way to the auditorium extremely intimidated. Little did I know that as I stood there timid and apprehensive this school would soon become my second home.

After a day my nerves were released and I felt welcomed, as if I had been attending Saint Anthony's my entire life. In time Saint Anthony's was no longer a place where I came to learn but a place where memories have been made, memories that will be cherished forever with people I will remember forever. When asked if I have a "favorite" memory from Saint Anthony's I become speechless because every memory shared here has become one of my best memories; memories I hold close to my heart.

One highlight from my years at Saint Anthony's occurred this past fall when I was lucky to share in winning the State Soccer Championship with the Friars on our home field. There are no words to explain the feeling that rushed throughout my body as I held up the plaque with the other captains. My teammates and I were a family and we worked extremely hard to achieve our goal. I would not have wanted to end my high school soccer season with any other teammates, any other way.

Looking back it is hard to believe how quickly time flew; my senior year is almost at a close. These four years have gone by in the blink of an eye, but I have enjoyed every minute. I was truly blessed to have been able to not only attend Saint Anthony's but to be a part of the Saint Anthony's family. I would not change a thing. I was able to be a teammate, serve as a Eucharistic Minister and work to my full potential as a student. If I could I would be that anxious freshman again and again. As I close this chapter in my life a new chapter will begin as I will be attending and playing soccer at Sacred Heart University this fall.

Christine Schreiber

Memories last a lifetime. They enable you to see every emotion and bring back feelings that you think you forgot about. I can honestly say every memory I have of Saint Anthony's has taught me a lesson and I'll never forget them. I have learned many life lessons and have met many amazing people.

One of my favorite memories from my high school experience (so far) was my junior year lacrosse season. It was my third year on varsity and I had the honor of being voted captain of such an amazing lacrosse program. This past season went by so quickly. The tryouts feel as if they were yesterday. We were the most hard-working team and had the most heart and desire. We had one goal in mind. The goal was to be the best team we could possibly be. We put aside our problems for two hours a day, six days a week, even sometimes at five in the morning. We worked through pain and tears to make ourselves better athletes and teammates. While we were working our bodies to learn new dodges and techniques, our team formed into a family. We were like sisters. We had each other's backs



on and off the field. We depended on one another to help if one was in need, and we always stuck up for each other. Once we realized how much talent and potential we had, we worked even harder.

At the conclusion of our season we finished as the third best team in the nation. I can't help but smile when I say it. This was the best our team ever was and it is truly an incredible feeling to say you were part of that team. Since I was a freshman I've always looked up to the seniors as my idols and role models. I used to dream of the day till I was a senior and had the "senior privileges." Now that it's my time to be that senior I wish I could go back. I wish I could experience those memories all over again. This lacrosse program has literally changed my life. My "sisters" have taught me so much about friendship and life. My coaches have taught me more than I would have ever expected and are some of the most amazing, inspiring people I have met in my life.

Without this lacrosse program I wouldn't be the person I am today. I probably wouldn't be going to my dream school doing the thing I love the most. It's hard to pick just one memory from my high school experience because I don't believe it has even occurred yet. Every season has gotten better and better and I believe that this season will be even better than last. Going to Saint Anthony's was the best decision I ever made. Everything I learned will help me at Rutgers University and I couldn't be more thankful for that. The memories I have from my high school experience will stay with me forever and I wouldn't trade that for anything in the world.

Brian Sherlock

When I was asked to write about my fondest memories at Saint Anthony's, of course I was honored to do so. It struck me at that moment when I realized how fast time has gone by. When I began to reflect I then realized how much I have enjoyed my time here. I received a great education by the Brothers and staff. I met so many great friends and played sports for some of the best coaches in the business. Our school is unique and it offers so much to so many kids and I will cherish my great memories for a lifetime. One of the reasons that I came to Saint Anthony's was to play sports with really good athletes from all around. I realized pretty quickly that it wasn't going to be easy and I was going to have to work really hard on and off the field if I was going to be successful.

I have been playing lacrosse and football since I was nine years old and it has always been my dream to win a high school championship. So far we have won three and it would be really great to win one more before it's over. My fondest memories of all were last year when I was given the opportunity to play in two major championships, one on the lacrosse field and the other on the football field. It was amazing - all that we had worked for came down to these last games. We played as a team in both stadiums right to the bitter end, because that's what Saint Anthony's does. Not only are we teammates and classmates, we are family. We all came together and dug deep not only to beat our biggest rivals but to win these championships.

These were clearly my fondest memories and I pray that we will come together as a team this lacrosse season and win another for our parents and for our school. The next big game that I hope to win with my new teammates will be an NCAA championship wearing Carolina blue. Saint Anthony's has really helped me prepare for what lies ahead at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

What are you going to miss most about Saint Anthony's?

Cristina Buttler

I was only in middle school when my parents told me they would be sending me to Saint Anthony's for my high school career. I was devastated by the news. I could never picture myself attending Catholic school, especially wearing nerdy uniforms. But if it weren't for my parents pushing me to go to this school, I wouldn't be where I am today. The past four years flew by faster than anything. Now being a senior, I don't want to leave Saint Anthony's, my second home, because I am going to miss so much.

After spending 80% of my waking hours there for the past four years, you would think that I would probably not miss much of those years. I've actually begun to feel some sadness about leaving this wonderful place. The thing I'm going to miss most is the spirit that emanates in Saint Anthony's. There is no school that compares to it. Since freshman year I have never hesitated to go to school. I wake up and look forward to another fulfilling day. The school spirit inside and out of the school is outstanding. I am proud to represent Saint Anthony's and love seeing the spirit at every school event. I will miss the many outrageous events held at our school such as the Christmas/Spring Concerts, Spirit Week and the amazing pep rallies, etc. I will never forget sitting on the gym floor my freshman year at my first high school pep rally. I was amazed. It was nothing that I expected. The decorations, performances and rowdiness were something I never experienced before, but truly represented a "family filled" pep rally. I am absolutely blessed and thankful that I was able to experience my high school years here at Saint Anthony's. It was the environment and people surrounding me during my four years that has influenced me to whom I am today.

Saint Anthony's has made me develop and grow into the young lady I am today. It is the people that have the passion and dedication to make the students achieve their



goals. I am surrounded by such supportive classmates and staff who I am so thankful for. I have grown and changed so much since my freshman year. I have developed into a more disciplined, openhearted and more athletic young lady. I thank "the scary cowbell ringer", Brother Joshua, for making me more disciplined. Even though he was very intimidating and strict I have gained a lot of respect for him and will miss him a lot. I thank Mrs. Grottano for the many life lessons she taught me and the support she gave. I have learned to be thankful for what I have, and I know, whenever I need support, she will always be right there with me. Coach Olivier has transformed me into a more agile athlete. He sets up workouts that push us to our limits. Those limits sometimes included tears and regurgitations. But he knows and we know that it will only make us better athletes. Running track for Saint Anthony's has been a huge honor. It has given me the motivation to pursue the sport as I look forward to attending college. I have been recruited by multiple universities, but my top choices are University of Massachusetts, Salisbury University, SUNY Cortland and Adelphi University. Regardless of the college I choose I have decided to begin my studies in medicine.

Adam Cruz

When I first arrived at Saint Anthony's three years ago I would have never imagined how quickly my four years here would go by. Between my classes, schoolwork, friends and my wheelchair sports I guess time just flew by. When I leave for college I am really going to miss this school; it has become a second family for me. The Brothers, teachers and the staff at Saint Anthony's are the framework of the family I grew so accustomed to. Many people at Saint Anthony's contributed in their own unique way to help, shape and support me.

Due to my condition, arthrogryposis, the only sports I can participate in are wheelchair sports. Brother Gary and Mr. McCree helped me with my wheelchair sport endeavors. When Brother Gary found out that I needed somewhere to train during inclement weather he worked with Mr. McCree to set aside time in the Student Center for me to practice. Brother Gary always demonstrated his genuine support and constantly inquired about my endeavors as well as my well-being.

Mr. McCree called my house with a schedule for the Student Center every week to confirm that I had several options open. He also provided equipment such as javelins, discuses and other important tools to help with my athletic training. All this support made a great deal of a difference in my athletic performance, and I will always be thankful.

Sports aren't the only thing that Saint Anthony's has helped with. All of my teachers have gone out of their way to help me when I was struggling in a subject. When I was struggling with a certain topic in class or having trouble my teachers were always willing to help. I will always be grateful to Ms. Hawkins who made math seem so simple; it went from my least favorite subject to one of the best. This boosted my self-confidence and sparked an interest in an engineering program, possibly at the University of Illinois or the University of Texas at Arlington.

The Brothers and the teachers are not the only people willing to help and make a difference. On multiple occasions my crutches fell apart and the custodians came to my rescue. They would take time from their busy schedules to help repair the crutches so that I would continue my daily routine safely.

Like family members the people at Saint Anthony's are caring, dedicated and always willing to go the extra mile. I'll miss them sorely.

Kelli Hingerton

Over the past four years Saint Anthony's has become a second home to me. As a result of NHS, track and class I feel like I have spent more time here than at my house, but I never minded that. I love this school and thank God every day for the opportunity to be a student here.



I honestly cannot name just one thing that I will miss about Saint Anthony's because it has opened so many doors for me and helped me become the person I am today. The people and teachers at Saint Anthony's have become like a family to me. At this school I have met my best friends. I have encountered teachers who have challenged me and pushed me to go above and beyond what I thought I was capable of. These relationships I have made are lifelong friendships that I hope to carry with me for the rest of my life.

At Saint Anthony's I have experienced an atmosphere of joy, success and love that envelops the students. The teachers go out of their way to help you and mentor you. They want to see you succeed. The community encourages the students to become involved and the spirit of success motivates you to always put forth your best effort.

I become so upset when I think about leaving this school because it feels like I will be losing a part of myself. I feel like this fabulous journey I have been on for the past four years is ending. I have put my heart and soul into this school and hope to find a similar atmosphere when I go to college next year. I would like to attend Siena College or Bucknell University.

Elizabeth Ingalls

Attending Saint Anthony's High School shaped me into a person that I never thought I could be. With the morals and techniques I have learned I will only progress as an individual.

In my freshman year I attended public high school. It was a great place but nothing compares to Saint Anthony's High School. I am extremely happy I transferred and never once regretted my decision. From the established


academics, lacrosse and music, I could not have asked for more. I will miss most my lacrosse team and coaches, my good friendships I have developed, Brother Gary and the Administrators.

Having been blessed with going to Saint Anthony's High School I had to take advantage of everything it offers. The athletic program has built me up as a person. Making the varsity lacrosse team my sophomore year, I have never felt more comfortable than on the field at practice with my team and good friends.

I am grateful for having the support from Saint Anthony's High School as I graduate to attend SUNY Cortland to play lacrosse and study business and music. Saint Anthony's is a school that opens many doors for your future. I will always remember and cherish the memories I have made during my high school experience.

Jordan Katter

The thing that I will miss most about Saint Anthony's is the sense of community that comes with our great school. Even though Saint Anthony's is a big school we are a tightly knit family and you see it everywhere. It's cool to see the alumni come back because they are so proud that they attended Saint Anthony's.

I'm also going to miss being here because of the caring way we are treated. The faculty expects the best from us and pushes us to do even better for us to be the best we can be. They have encouraged me to put my heart into everything I do no matter what it is.

There is a tremendous amount of heart, pride and spirit that I think makes Saint Anthony's different from any other school. For me, I will always bleed Black and Gold.

I will be attending Sacred Heart University next year. I am going to miss all the people here and especially all of my friends, but I know that we will be friends forever.

Thomas Klement

It is a difficult question to answer, not because I can't think of what I will miss, but more like what I won't miss. It's hard to imagine that three short years ago I was a freshman just entering what seemed to be a huge school with seniors that looked so mature, and now I am one of those seniors who have grown up through my high school career. Saint Anthony's has given me structure and has built on the foundation that my parents have laid. I will miss all the friends I have made along the way and all the faculty members who have helped me grow into the person I am today.

Saint Anthony's has a large student body and with that they have an even larger amount of school spirit. Having played Varsity Football I can verify the electricity in the air during a home Friday night football game. Now being on the National Honor Society board, I can see the other side of school spirit: all the students on Student Council that make the school run so smoothly. The school spirit I have experienced at Saint Anthony's is the greatest I have ever seen, and I know I will miss it a great deal.

The structure and education at Saint Anthony's is second to none, and I will miss all the teachers and administrators who have influenced me during my time here. I will miss going to the soup kitchens with the Student Council and NHS board. I think what I will miss most are the great friends I have made. There is such a diverse population of students. There are people with many different interests that are really great people.

Saint Anthony's has prepared me for the upcoming challenges I will face in the upcoming years. I hope to attend Fordham University or Bentley University in Waltham, MA. Saint Anthony's has been a home away from home for me, and I know I will miss it when I attend college.

Alessandra Laucella

Asking me to pick one thing I will miss most about Saint Anthony's is almost impossible. I love so many things about the school and I have had such a great experience here. I have made some great friends, had some amazing teachers and participated in a lot of fun activities at Saint Anthony's. While these are all great things I think the thing that I will miss most is being part of a community and environment where I am allowed to express my faith freely and where God is at the center of everything we do.

I have always had a strong faith in God and when I was looking at Catholic high schools one thing that I particularly looked for was the faith community of each school. I wanted to go to a school where I would be able to share my faith and grow more deeply in it. Saint Anthony's is truly filled with an amazing faith community. There are so many clubs and activities that you can join that express the values of our Catholic Christian faith such as Respect Life Club, TAU, Campus Ministry, CARE, Catholic League, SOS, Peanut Butter and Jelly Gang, Support Our Troops, SAVE and so many others. I participate in many of these activities because I believe that one important way to express your faith is by doing things and serving others because actions speak louder than words.

At Saint Anthony's I am also a Eucharistic Minister and a member of the Gregorian Schola. These two activities allow me to grow more deeply in my faith, especially Eucharistic ministering, because I believe that it is a beautiful thing to be able to minister to others by giving them Jesus. While I love all of the service and religious organizations I have been a part of at Saint Anthony's, my favorite is being a member of the Kolbe Council. I have made so many great friends and I have been able to minister to the sophomores by helping to plan and run the retreats. I believe that is a great thing to do because the sophomores are able to look up to us seniors and see that they can make it through their high school years and not give up. With college fast approaching everyone is



making important decisions for their future and moving on to bigger and better things. I plan to stay close, possibly attending Saint John's University or Stony Brook University. Wherever I choose to go I know that God will help me make the right decision and that I will keep the values that I have developed in Saint Anthony's and bring them with me to the college of my choice.

Kelly O'Connor



I was asked to write about what I would miss most about Saint Anthony's. Let me start with my Saint Anthony's high school experience. From day one I felt that I had entered a school that would introduce me to great friends, great teachers and great opportunities. Everywhere I turned I found this to be true.

During my four years at Saint Anthony's I've been involved in sports and a number of service clubs. This has allowed me to meet and interact with a diversity of people that have enriched my life. I have met some of the greatest people that I know, and I have met friends that I will have the rest of my life.

What will I miss most about Saint Anthony's? I only hope that Penn State University, the University of Delaware or the University of Miami can provide the same experience for me that Saint Anthony's did. I am going to miss all of it, especially the thrill of attending one of the finest schools on Long island.



David Roa

My story has always been about limits. More specifically, about overcoming them. Saint Anthony's has given me the tools to succeed not only academically but also in life. It is the people who have given me these tools, my teachers, my coach and my friends that I will miss most.

I was very blessed to have Mrs. Matulewich as my freshman year biology teacher. She ignited in me a passion for biology and helped me to realize entering the medical field was my calling. What I will always remember is how she believed in me. At the end of my freshman year I wanted to go into Honors Chemistry but had a borderline math grade. Mrs. Matulewich believed in me enough to put me through and it was a decision that impacted the rest of my life at Saint Anthony's.

It was in Ms. Haggert's AP Chemistry class that I learned the study habits I will take with me to college. Not only that, but I realized how having a great teacher can make a difficult subject more doable. She helped me to build a strong foundation for the upper level chemistry courses I will take in college (as well as helping me get my first "5").

Mrs. Kiernan helped to teach me perseverance. When I took her class I initially had a hard time. Thanks to her encouragement by the end of the year I found myself doing much better. It was from her that I learned that there's no shame in asking for help, that our abilities are not so much determined by our natural talent but rather the amount of work we are wiling to put in. Coach Martin Alvero taught me the value of believing in myself. When I was unable to break a previous personal record time he never stopped encouraging me. It was because of him that I worked all summer to not only break my PR but to go beyond it. When I returned to school I had one of the fastest power-to-weight ratios of anyone on the team. And I will be eternally grateful to him for teaching me that I can do anything I set my mind on, provided I do the work.

It is because of my friends that I have been able to do things previously deemed not feasible. My friends have encouraged me throughout my journey at Saint Anthony's and have stood by me in tough times. It is because of my friends that I was exposed to medical mission trips. My trip in October exposed me to living conditions in third-world nations and inspired me to work to change them.

I have always believed that everything happens for a reason and, as I approach graduation, I reflect on those who have helped me most to grow. I credit the teachers, coach and friends I mentioned not only for my growth as a student but as a human being. They are the heart and soul of my experience here at Saint Anthony's. I know that these people were placed in my life intentionally and that I will miss them most come June. I hope to attend the best pre-med program I can get into whether it be University of Pennsylvania, Cornell University or even something a little more special.

Jessica Salerno

From my car, to the school, down the hall, "Hello" to Brother Gary, off to my locker, and a little late to first period class. I'll miss the walk that I took nearly every day for the past four years of my life. I have loved everything about Saint Anthony's. I'll admit I was a little apprehensive at first: the intimidating speech from Brother Joshua, not to mention the sheer size of the school, but it was the best choice I ever made.

Aside from everything else, what I'll miss most will definitely be chorus. That's where I found a home at Saint Anthony's. I became Section Leader my sophomore year and I loved every second of it. Brother Joshua has taught me so many things; like you don't always have to be the star or you don't always have to be the one who sings the loudest. If everyone looks great then you did your job. It's truly amazing to see someone who cares so much about the kids in the chorus. Chorus is like an escape from my everyday school life. I have a great time singing no matter what, but the mix of songs we sang from Conditor, Carol of the Bells or the arrangement of 42nd Street made my days at Saint Anthony's special. I hope to attend the Steinhardt School at New York University or the Hartt School of Music. I'm excited to continue the journey of my life but I'll always remember the days at Saint Anthony's, chorus, and my every morning walk. Then I'll smile.





Taylor Salkowsky

Saint Anthony's has been my home away from home for the past four years. I can still remember my first day, a little freshman, nervous but excited to embark on the journey of high school. Now as a senior four years later, it is hard to imagine that my time at Saint Anthony's is coming to a close.

Saint Anthony's, to me, has been many things: a superior educational experience, a foundation in faith, a top-notch athletic program with school spirit beyond compare and an incredible support system from the faculty and staff. I will miss all of these things. However, what I will miss the most cannot be easily explained.

What I will miss most is that special feeling that can only be understood by those fortunate enough to have been a part of Saint Anthony's. It is an unspoken feeling of comfort, confidence and community that comes with being a Friar. We are encouraged to grow and learn independently while always knowing we have a safe place to fall. We are applauded for taking a chance, knowing that someone always has our back. We learn from the first day that our faith is always with us and will pull us through.

These are the things I will miss the most as I move on from Saint Anthony's and attend Manhattan College in the fall. Although I will be moving into the unknown, I have the security and confidence in knowing that I carry the Saint Anthony's foundation with me always. As the years go by I will always be proud to call myself a Saint Anthony's alumni.

Aaron Spector

My life has been completely changed in the past four years in ways that I am learning even now. The experience I have been blessed to have at Saint Anthony's has been extraordinary. It is hard to pick only one of the many things I will miss and say it will be missed most. I have been fortunate enough to experience the full life style at this great school from my work with Student Council. What I treasure most is the family-like relationship we have around here. My fellow classmates are more than that to me; they are my brothers and sisters. We will all be connected forever because of this school. I will miss the camaraderie I share with all my peers. It has been amazing to work for this family and speak as their voice at Student Council meetings so that we can all be heard and have a great Saint Anthony's experience. This school has unbelievable spirit emanating from each and every individual that motivates and drives us to succeed and excel at everything we put our minds to. The students are only one part of the body that makes Saint Anthony's a wonderful place to be.

Without the fantastic faculty and staff we have here at Saint Anthony's, the body wouldn't function. The support from the teachers is great; they all truly want you to do well and go out of their way to sit down with you and help however they can. They are kind and generous, willing to go the extra mile for each student. I will always be indebted to the amazing teachers I have had. They kept me on track and pushed me when I needed it. My lessons here at Saint Anthony's expand outside the classroom where the Franciscan Brothers have taught me life lessons. Seeing the Franciscan way of life in depth is a life-changing experience. To see the values they hold close played out is inspiring and makes me strive to be more caring, charitable and compassionate. Everybody at this school has something to offer and I am just so blessed and honored that I was able to be part of this.

There will be so much I will miss, the list goes on, but the one thing I will miss most is being part of the Saint Anthony's family. The students, the Brothers, the Sisters, the teachers and the staff: being part of this family was more than I could ever ask for. I will be forever grateful to everyone at Saint Anthony's for making it a great four years. Every morning when I wake up, I look forward to coming to this great school. When I walk out the door I leave my own great family to come to this one. When I graduate I know I am not leaving this family, I am going on to a new phase of it. Although I will not be here every day I will forever hold with me the lessons and relationships that have been built in me here in this amazing school. I hope to continue my education at Bentley University, SUNY Geneseo or Siena College.



The following students were our grand prize winners for the Student Advertising Contest which was part of the Black and Gold Gala effort.

Congratulations to Haley Alix '15, Anthony Core '13, James DiMichele '15 and Kyle Facibene '15.

Pictured left to right: Mr. Christopher Farrell, Moderator, James DiMichele, Anthony Core, Kyle Facibene, Haley Alix and her mother, Don Corrao, Director of Development.

Fall 2011 Championship Teams

Congratulations to the following varsity teams on their respective championships!



Girls Soccer - State





Girls Swimming - State



Boys Cross Country - Intersectional



Girls Volleyball - League



Girls Cross Country - Intersectional



Update

Once In A Lifetime

By Gus Alfieri Former Boys Varsity Basketball Coach 1968 - 1986 *Once In A Lifetime* is a memoir of the best Saint Anthony's basketball team I ever coached, one that still conjures up fond memories. My literary agent, Philip Spitzer, is working diligently to find the right publisher for it, and by the next alumni notice, I hope to be telling you that *Once In A Lifetime* will be available for you to read.

The memoir places the championship Friar team in the midst of what I call the "Golden Age of Long Island Basketball," a time when Long Island was fertile ground for great basketball and was turning out as many as 25 to 30 Division I scholarship players a year.

The book centers on six St. Anthony's players, with senior point guard Tom Hicks the catalyst that led our team to a championship, and made every All-American team in the country. Forward Ken Kolakowski did everything a coach could ask: score, rebound, play defense, and be a team player. The reader will grow to appreciate Ken's contribution to the team.



Our team was also blessed with Manny Figueroa, the 6-7 late arrival from Puerto Rico. Manny always had a smile on his face, which only disappeared when he walked onto the court. What I most remember of him was his physical strength that would make backboards vibrate when rebounding.

Gerry Mikalauskas filled the small forward position with stoic superiority. Like Kolakowski, Gerry had an unbelievable vertical leap, and was a strong, clutch jump shooter.

"Smiling Jack" Carroll was a physical 6-0 defensive guard whose mother

prepared pregame pasta meals for his teammates that became kind of a good luck tradition. Jack paid his dues playing outstanding defense, which was the most important aspect of our team.

Last but far from least was 6-4 Craig Delaney. Tall, lean, and quiet, Craig made his presence felt on the court by making every key skill of the game something that he mastered. In the memoir, I describe him as a "Five Tool" player while also being a fierce team player.

I'm happy to say each of these six players played college basketball with five of them receiving Division I scholarships.

In Once In A Lifetime you'll get to know all of them, how our Friar team melded together, and weaved through unfamiliar territory to become the first Saint Anthony's team to attain national attention.

Now that I've whetted your appetites, I hope to see all of you at a reunion of the 1973-1974 team when we can sit down and reminisce about the days that helped open the way for Saint Anthony's perennial academic and sports reputation.



Saint Anthony's Recognized by the National Football Foundation



Several Saint Anthony's players and a former coach were recognized by the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame, Inc. at their 17th Annual Scholar Athlete Brunch. Former longtime coach Fred Gallagher, Sr. was presented with the Contribution to Youth Football Award. In addition junior Anthony Leggio and senior Timothy Stackpole were named as members of the National Football Foundation Player of the Week Team. Capping off the day was the presentation of Patrick McHugh with the Top Scholar Athlete Award. Pictured: Seated left to right: Asst. Coach Bob Lewis, Anthony Leggio '13, Patrick McHugh '12, Fred Gallagher, Sr., Tim Stackpole '12, Fred Gallagher, Jr. Standing left to right: Former NFFCHF Scholar Athlete J.B. Andreassi '08, Asst. Coach Dick McGuire, NFFCHF President Len Genova '81, Former NFFCHF Scholar Athlete Paul Washington '99, Head Coach Rich Reichert '70.



Be sure to look for the Saint Anthony's High School Bagpipe Band marching in the 250th Anniversary New York City Saint Patrick's Day Parade on March 17, 2012.



Friars Football=Per



When the time on the clock expired in the championship game against Archbishop Stepinac, the scoreboard read Saint Anthony's 14 Stepinac 0 giving the Friars its 13th CHSFL Class AAA championship in the storied program's history.

The Friars finished the season in grand fashion stringing together a school record 29 - game winning streak, the second longest in Suffolk high school football history. The accolades continued for the Friars when the New York State Sportswriters Association declared Saint Anthony's (10-0) State Co-Champion of its final Class AA football rankings.

The victory was Coach Reichert's 211th win in 25 seasons at the helm and leaves him one victory away from being the winningest coach in Suffolk County history. For anyone that really knows Coach Reichert, he would be the first one to acknowledge the thousands of young men who have proudly worn the uniform and his incredibly dedicated and talented

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assistant coaches -the finest there are - Lenny Anderson, Larry Broesler, Alex Conlon'03, Fred Gallagher, Bob Lewis, Mark Maier, Rich Mamolite '90, Dick McGuire, George McLaren, Matt McLees '82, Joe Minucci '99, and Tom Monaghan '86. You can be sure Coach Mangino had his hand in this from above!







Scholar-Athlete Signings

Saint Anthony's scholar athletes have consistently achieved great success both in the classroom and on the field. Pictured on this page are some who have already signed with the colleges or universities that they will be attending.



Symone Kelly Siena College



Shannon & Chandler Lulley Fordham University



Richard Patrizio Franklin Pierce College



Alexis Nicolia Harvard University



Christian Yeager Harvard University



Front row: Devin O'Connor (Amherst College), Anne Heagerty (Georgetown University), Brittnee Frizol (Catholic University), Stephanie Paloscio (Princeton University), Gabrielle Zutter (Mercy College). Back row: Darcy Messina (University of Florida), Victoria Holland (Brown University), Anne Lynch (University of New Hampshire), Samantha Duranti (Salisbury University), Maggie Murphy (Skidmore College), Jill Fumai (American University), Christine Schreiber (Rutgers University)



Jonathan Lynott (Stony Brook University), Kieran Burke (University of North Carolina), Timothy Stackpole (United States Military Academy), Brendan Conroy (United States Military Academy), Sean McDonagh (Harvard University), George Deignan (Binghamton University), Brendon Hurley (Binghamton University), Keith Vita (University of Scranton), Sal Vitale (Marquette University)

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