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# **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Dear CBA Family,

As we begin the second semester of the school year, it is my honor to update our community on the state of Christian Brothers Academy. We opened the doors in September with 570 students, which, for the third year in a row, is our largest opening enrollment since 1950. I was pleased to welcome our families back on campus and to have our new families join our school. For more than a decade, the number of students visiting, applying to, and enrolling in CBA has increased each year. More and more, families are recognizing CBA as the area's premier learning environment for young men and choosing this community for his formative years.



In reflecting on the opening of the school year, we have had many academic achievements and athletic victories. Our band traveled to Florida to perform at Walt Disney World and Universal Studios, two of our runners competed in the NYS Cross Country Championships, one of whom also became CBA's third individual winner of the Grout Invitational, and a member of our golf team won our first Suburban Council Championship. For the third consecutive season, our varsity football team won the Class AA Super Bowl, advancing to the state semifinals, and each of our varsity teams was recognized as a Scholar Athlete Team by New York State. In academic competition, a group of students advanced to compete in the prestigious MIT Science Bowl Invitational this past November and will compete again this month in New Jersey.

Each month, our younger students are developing a sense of responsibility to help those in need through our school-wide service initiatives. Our older student leaders work alongside our younger students, modeling the idea of service above self by volunteering to support our veterans, our seniors, families in need, and anyone in the greater community who needs our help, care, and support. We celebrate our achievements and victories, but we can truly take pride in watching our young men become the people God has called them to be.

The senior class has entered their final semester as CBA students. While most of the class is awaiting acceptance news from colleges, many have made their decisions. Adding to a rich list of accomplishments for this class are early acceptances and commitments to attend some of the finest and most selective colleges and universities in the country, including Ivy League schools and service academies. The CBA Class of 2024 also includes a group of students who will go down in history as the inaugural fifth grade class.

Watching our students develop into the mature leaders they become reminds us of how important it is for us to continue to grow - both as individuals and a school. Their first classrooms were in the new wing built by this community through our first capital campaign. They learned in labs, lecture halls, music rooms, and classrooms all built or renovated through the support of this **community**. They played on our stadium turf and will run and practice in our new dome because of this **community**. We must dream big and grow as a school to maintain our position as the school of choice for young men and to make our alumni and families proud. This is only possible with the continuous support of this **community** - the CBA family.

St. John Baptist de La Salle, pray for us. Live Jesus in our hearts, forever!

Sincerely,

Dr. James Schlegel President

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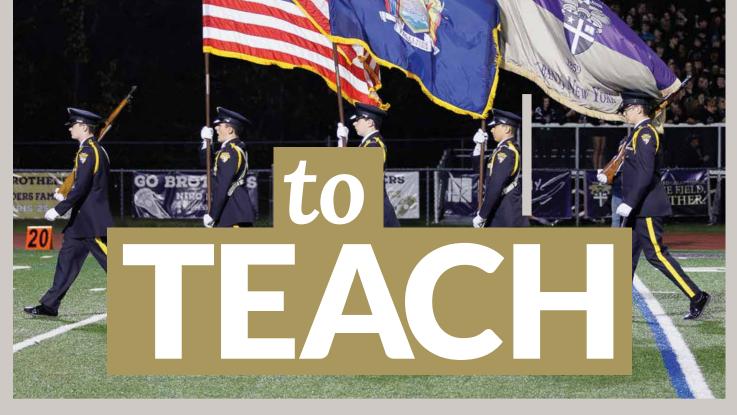
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# **Freshman Review**

The CBA Freshman Review ceremony was held on October 6 to honor and welcome all new freshman JROTC members. Freshmen are rated on their drill and command before earning the title of Cadet. Once the ceremony is completed, they are officially welcomed into the brigade with the responsibility of upholding and representing CBA's traditions and values.

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#### THANK YOU!

To our photographers **Tracy Kaback**, **Michael Nguyen**, **Laura McDonald**, **Nicholas Lue**, **Alex Pereira** '24 and all parents, alumni, and friends who have submitted photos!

# HONORS NIGHT

# THE BROTHERS LIST

A semester average of 95 in their full Carnegie unit courses with no semester grade under 90.

#### **CLASS OF 2024**

Asif Alam Ulderic Boisvert IV Chris Bulalo Matthew Campbell **Giovanni** Clary Edwin Corbin IV Adam Costa **Robert Feranec** Ethan Grazulis Hubert Huho **Christian Lewis** Thaddeus Mangione Austin McCabe **Finnegan McFarland** Colin McMahon George O'Leary **Brady Osborne Conor Ozimek** Kagame Rama-Munroe Francesco Raso Matthew Ryan **Dominic Sementilli** Matthew Sgambati Alexander Toop **Derek Vogel** Nathan West

#### **CLASS OF 2025**

Marcus Burgos Tyler Campbell William Comensky Luka Di Fabio Donovan Giombetti Richard Kinns-Eddolls David Llera Anthony Mormino Andrew Sommo Michael Tan Michael Versaci

#### **CLASS OF 2026**

Brandt Cadet Jonathan Clute Jameson Dalpe John Elma Iain Feranec Theodore Gialanella Kellen Lue Christopher McLaughlin Edgar Monroy Alexander Nguyen Logan Strubel Nathaniel Thompson Colby Vincent Matthew Vivas

#### CLASS OF 2027 Jacob Bowden

Jackson Davignon Rylan Drake Liam Ferguson Liam Gordon Jake Hamlin Liam Kerwin Michael Marten Angelo Merrill Maksim Morgoslepov Trevor Murray Charles Putnam Aadityan Surendar Mason Sylvestre Joseph Troncone

CLASS OF 2028 Roman Deso Benjamin Dickson Eli Goodemote Christian Hartzell Jack Hulett Finbar Maloney Linus Mangione Matthew McKenna Colin Mooney Austin Osinski A. Michael Santilli Carter Slingerland John Thompson

**CLASS OF 2029** Ethan Andrews **Beniamin Barna Michael Bouton** Mason Dearstyne Andrew Durivage Luca Ianniello Eamonn Kerwin Maddox Lange **Bennett Morison** Colby Mosier George Nammour Matthew Neeson Thomas Neeson Andre Reeves Henry Smith Michael Viglucci

CLASS OF 2030 Luke Colonno David Doemel III Dominic LaPorta Ethan Lenzo Helmut Philipp Kellan Quinlivan Mark Ridzi Travis Slattery On September 26 our Honors Night Ceremony took place to recognize students' academic achievements from the second semester of the 2022-23 school year.

# **FIRST HONORS**

A semester average of 90 in their full Carnegie unit courses with no semester grade under 85.

#### CLASS OF 2024 Brian Carrothers Jr Jake Darwak Owen Everett Aidan Febus George Iacobaccio Andrew Loucks Blake Mahieu Matthew McMahon Joseph Perry Patrick Reuss Robert Strubel

#### **CLASS OF 2025**

Michael Calagna Henry Gaylord Christopher Landers Jr Jack Marchese Thomas Marrapodi Jake Matusic Joshua McSwieney James Morton Drew Mosier Quinn Nelson Salvatore Raso Harris Tidgewell Dominic Waters

#### **CLASS OF 2026** Reece Abele Andrew Brodie Kieran Brown Marshall Cohen Matthew Daus Jack Deucker Alexander Diaz Aidan Donohue Sean Garrity William German Henry Joyce Walker Marriott **Carson Mash** Matthew Monestere Ryan Nusbaum Joseph O'Shaughnessy John O'Loughlin Jr Matthew Rourke Patrick Ryan Graham Ryba **Caleb Schenk** Sage Starks Keagan Tan **Cameron Vining**

CLASS OF 2027 Michael Berben II Joshua Donlon Gunnar Felton Rae'vel Johnson Vincent Livreri Cole Mooney Everest Morehouse Jayden Osinski Luca Popolizio Nathan Rader Lukas Rogaris Nicholas Spikereit Trustin Tolliver Drew Trietiak Jason Vogel

#### **CLASS OF 2028**

Jackson Brewer Alessio Civitella Jackson Coppola-Bishop William Costantino **Michael Degenhart** Landon Donohue Eugene Fiacco IV Sean Finnegan Ayden Hartman **Ryder Hotaling** Lukasz Kozakiewicz Miller Lisella **Finn Manning** Gabriel Mastroianni Jozef McCabe Marshall McQueen Xavier Morton **Ryan Schaap** Viktor Stabinski Liam Tedford Cooper Thompson

**CLASS OF 2029** 

Pierce Brothers Finn Callagan Cameron Caporale Brian Cummings Jacob Keary Ryan Mika Landon Passineau Brendan Ryan James Towsley II Mason Wagoner Nathaniel Wood Daniel Wright

**CLASS OF 2030** Harris Lisella Ian Richardson Thayden TenEyck Anthony Towsley Elliot Youmans

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## The Lynn F. and Eugene J. Zielinski '58 Distinguished **Teaching Award**

Congratulations to Mrs. Jessica Leak on receiving the 2023 Distinguished Teaching Award, presented during the Honors Night Ceremony. Mrs. Leak demonstrates high-quality and innovative teaching both inside and outside the classroom. She has been at CBA for the past 8 years teaching Math, Science, ELA, and Theology for 5th and 6th grade, she helps to run and organize the annual holiday Adopt-a-Family drive, and is the Mock Trial, National Honor Society and National Junior Honor Society's advisor.



# **MIT National Science Bowl**

On November 11, four students from the CBA Science Club were one of only 40 teams out of hundreds of applicants to be invited to participate in the 2023 MIT Science Bowl Invitational in Boston, MA. Colin McMahon '24, Kagame Rama-Munroe '24, Asif Alam '24 and Hubert Huho '24, competed against other high school teams from around the United States in the tournament, answering fast-paced verbal questions in all branches of science and math. The team would like to thank Jim O'Keefe '66 for sponsoring the team.





Matthew Ryan '24 and Robert Strubel '24

# **Forensic Science Special Guest**

Thank you to former NCIS Special Agent, Tim Metzler (also parent of Will '23 and Andrew '25), for being the special guest in Forensic Science class this week. Mr. Metzler shared some of his forensic knowledge with the students and taught them how to dust and lift for fingerprints.





# **Internet Safety Presentations**

During the week of October 16, Officer Tom Roidl, Retired New York State Police Officer, visited CBA to present internet safety to our middle school, high school, and parents and families. He covered the topics of prudent use of the internet, cyberbullying, terroristic threats and inappropriate texting. Thank you to Officer Roidl for sharing your knowledge on this ever-changing topic.

# **5th Grade Book Report**

5th grade students from Mrs. Leak's class had a special book report project in November. The Brothers were tasked to design a t-shirt or poster that reflected the book they chose to read and wore them proudly all over school!





# **CBA Musicians Get a Glimpse at Performing on the Road**

The CBA Music Department was proud to send 42 musicians, 4 color guard members, and 8 drill team members to Orlando, Florida in November. The Florida trip has been a long-standing tradition at CBA, but this year Ms. Waite decided to shake things up a bit and add two additional performances to the trip. Performers signed up in the spring of 2023 and began rehearsing together in August.

From September through their November departure date, performers attended twenty morning drills which ran from 6:30 am - 7:40 am twice a week. Each early morning practice began with a group march through the parking lot, but the group had to split their time prepping for the three different performances. Often weather, daylight and other logistical challenges forced them to split up. They had relatively little time to prepare for three completely different productions so every second counted!

On Thursday, November 16, the group kicked off their performance tour in Universal Studios with a Holiday Parade throughout the park. Relentless rain and flooding added to the challenge, and the Brothers were drenched on their inaugural venture. The boys spun, marched and played exceptionally well despite the weather and Universal even extended their march route to bring them to the far reaches of the park where onlookers emerged from their ride lines in ponchos and under umbrellas and cheered the boys on. Luckily some quickthinking parents and a 24-hour dry cleaner saved the day (and the uniforms). Early the next morning, all the band members loaded their bus for their second performance. The workshop they attended, entitled "Sound Design: Music and the Art of Foley" had the boys performing a soundtrack from Despicable Me where they were recorded live as Ms. Waite conducted. They spent an additional two hours working with sound technicians and learning about foley and special sound effects which they used to produce their very own 3-minute clip from the movie. Volunteers from the group were chosen to add voiceovers and sound effects and everyone learned the process that goes into making a soundtrack for a major motion picture. The group was engaged throughout and spent the rest of the day riding roller coasters and dodging the rain.

The third and final performance was on Sunday at a beautiful waterside stage at Disney Springs. After moving hotels from Universal to the beautiful Caribbean Beach resort at Disney, the musicians (along with our honorary musicians from drill team and color guard) entertained a captive audience of Disney vacationers as well as CBA parents and even CBA alumni. They performed four popular Disney medleys and were treated to the very real challenges of performing in a space where they could not rehearse. Thankfully, the weeks of prep and practice had them well prepared and they performed without a hitch. Three performances in four days was quite ambitious, but the CBA performers made it all look easy. The group of 53 performers and their families made a traveling group of about 140 people. Besides performing, everyone enjoyed attending Jollywood Nights (a Christmas party at Hollywood studios), a group breakfast in Animal Kingdom with a ride on Avatar's Flights of Passage, two days in Universal Studios and four days in Disney. They all returned home in time for Thanksgiving Dinner, exhausted, exhilarated and ready for a vacation!

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Francesco Raso '24 and Family X D E M Y









# WINTER SENIOR SIGNING

On November 9th, CBA celebrated nine seniors who made their official athletic commitment during our Senior Signing Ceremony. Congratulations to:

#### BASEBALL

Colin McMahon Matthew Sgambati Brian Carrothers

#### LACROSSE

Francesco Raso Christian Lewis Benjamin Keens Dixon Van Epps

SWIMMING Finnegan McFarland

TRACK & FIELD Nathan West Hamilton College Stony Brook University St. Bonaventure University

> Iona University Coast Guard Academy Clarkson University Salve Regina University

Binghamton University

Columbia University



Finnegan McFarland '24 and Family E M Y



CHRISTIAN BROTHERS Christian Lewis '24 and Family D E M Y



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# FOOTBALL

Congratulations to CBA Football on another extraordinary season. The Brothers finished the 2023 0.77 ACADEMIC TEAM AVERAGE

campaign with a 10-2 record and a trip to the NYS Semi-Finals. Highlights from the season included an impressive 28-0 victory over the Shaker Bison in the Section II Semi-Finals as well as a hard-fought 18-15 victory over Shenendehowa in the Class AA Championship game at Troy High School, making the Brothers Super Bowl Champions for the third year in a row. This is also the Brothers 7th Section II Class AA Championship title. Congratulations to the Section II All-Stars and Times Union All-Stars listed below:

**DONALD JONES '24** Section II Class AA Player of the Year (2nd consecutive year) TU Offensive Player of the Year (third consecutive year)

JAKE MARRA '25 TU Defensive Player of the Year

**BOBBY BURNS** Section II Coach of the Year TU Coach of the Year

#### SECTION II 1ST TEAM OFFENSE

Jake Iacobaccio '24 - QB Anthony Coluccio '25 - TE Aidan Good '25 - WR Alex Stabinski '25 - OL

#### SECTION II 1ST TEAM DEFENSE

Anthony D'Aloia '25 - OLB Jake Marra '25- ILB Aiden Guzi '27- ILB Ulderic Boisvert IV '24- DL Latrell Bonaparte-Martin '25- CB JT Vogel '27- FS

**SECTION II 1ST TEAM SPT** Teddy Gialanella '26- K

#### **SECTION II 2ND TEAM OFFENSE**

Archie Jones '26- QB Lorenzo Lanni '25- WR Lucius Anderson '25- WR Matthias Sadiq '25- OL Nolan Emanatian '25- OL

#### SECTION II 2ND TEAM DEFENSE

Christian Anderson '24- OLB Marcus Burgos '25- DL Nic Mello '27- DL

**SECTION II 2ND TEAM SPT** Amare Coffil '26- KR

**SECTION II HONORABLE MENTION DEFENSE** Joel Rogers '26- DL

**TIMES UNION 1ST TEAM** Alex Stabinski '25 - Offensive Line Anthony Coluccio '25 - Tight End

#### **TIMES UNION 2ND TEAM**

Ulderic Boisvert IV '24-Defensive Line Aidan Good '25 - Wide Receiver Aiden Guzi '27 - Linebacker Latrell Bonaparte Martin '25 -Cornerback JT Vogel '27 - Free Safety Teddy Gialanella '26 - Kicker







Jake Iacobaccio '24, 1st Team Offense QE



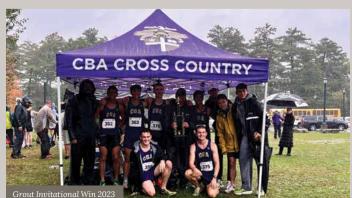


# **CROSS COUNTRY**

The Brothers finished ACADEMIC 95.1 TEAM the regular Varsity **AVFRAGF** Cross Country season with a record of 12-2 in the Suburban Council. The Brothers also went on to win the prestigious 84th Grout Invitational. Mike Versaci '25 became CBA's 3rd individual overall runner with a time of 14:43, with current Coach Justin Van Epps '14 being the second. The team also took first in the Queensbury

Invitational. The Brothers were led all season by duo Michael Versaci '25 and Jack Marchese '25. Michael and Jack finished in the top ten in Sectionals at Queensbury High School where they earned spots in the NYS Championships in Verona, NY, and also made the Suburban All-Star Team. Congratulations to the CBA Cross Country team on another impressive season.







# GOLF

# 91.37

ACADEMIC TEAM **AVERAGE** 

The CBA 2023 Golf season was filled with great experiences for our young program. Three individuals, CJ Strong '25, Lucas Ungerland '25, and Maks Morgoslepov '27 qualified for sectionals at Fairways of Halfmoon. CJ Strong '25 won the Suburban Council Championship Tournament at Orchard Creek, he birdied the last hole to finish with a score of 73. He also advanced to the State Qualifier and was named a Times Union Second Team All-Star.



# **/OLLEYBALL**

The CBA Volleyball team made significant strides in its fourth year of

ACADEMIC TEAM **AVERAGE** 

existence. The smallest school in the state playing at this level, our student athletes knew the challenges they would face competing in the well respected suburban scholastic council volleyball league. Our current roster features a core group of veteran players that have helped guide and develop our younger players for the team to continue to improve. The Brothers competed in the Class B final where they came up short against Burnt Hills Ballston Lake. The Brothers were led all year by Ethan Grazulis '24 and James McDonald '25 who were named to the Suburban Council Honorable Mention All Star list. After her first coaching season, Coach Muir looks forward to continuing to work and help guide the program moving forward.







# SOCCER 93.46 ACADEMIC TEAM AVERAGE

Congratulations to CBA Soccer on the 2023 season. Playing at the new AAA soccer level, the Brothers advanced to the semifinals where they lost to top-seeded Saratoga High School in a hard-fought battle. This year the Brothers added more games to their schedule with non-league battles against state powerhouse McQuaid and also participated in the revival of the Christian Brothers Tournament. The Brothers traveled to Buffalo and competed alongside CBA Syracuse, St. Joseph's Collegiate, and LaSalle Academy of Toronto in the tournament. The Brothers were led all year by Owen Everett '24 and Hunter Bulich '24, who represented CBA on the Section 2 All-Star first

team, as well as Erik Najtellari '24 who earned second team.

Additionally, Matt Campbell '24 was awarded the CBA Soccer Legacy Award for 2023 for his outstanding performance as a student-athlete. Thank you to Chris Radliff '16 and Northwestern Mutual for their generous donation of this yearly award.















## **VETERANS DAY PARADE**

On November 11, the entire CBA brigade marched in Albany's annual Veterans Day Parade. Each year, the Brothers are honored to continue participating to show their appreciation to all veterans for their sacrifices and dedication to our country.





# 2023-24 FLAG RAISING CEREMONY

On September 11, CBA opened the 2023-24 school year with our annual 9/11 Remembrance and Flag Raising Ceremony, which included the JROTC Hall of Fame Induction. Congratulations to Inductees **Col. Todd Mahar** '93 and **Col. Michael Barry Keck (Ret)**'61.

**Col. Mahar '93** was commissioned in 1998 and is currently the commander of the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit. He has been deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan in support of the Global War on Terrorism and has received numerous personal decorations including the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, and Bronze Star Medal (with combat distinguishing device and two gold stars). **Col. Keck '61** retired from the Army in 1993 after serving 28 years in various command and staff positions throughout the world including Korea, Vietnam and Germany. He has taught military history at West Point, served as a speechwriter for the Vice Chief of Staff, Secretary of the Army, and Secretary of Defense Casper Weinberger, and worked as a National Security Advisor to the Saudi Royal Family.

Following the ceremony Col. Mahar and Col. Keck took time to personally address the Senior Class and discussed their military achievements and life experiences. Thank you, Brothers!



2023 JROTC HOF Inductees Col. Todd Mahar '93 and Col. Michael Barry Keck (Ret) '61









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#### LTC TODD J. CLARK '90 MEMORIAL SERVICE AWARD CEREMONY

On October 26, CBA presented the LTC Todd J. Clark '90 Memorial Service Award to the Honorable Ronald J. Canestrari '61 in the Ned McGraw Gymnasium. As Ron's friends, classmates and family members looked on, Dr. Schlegel stated that "Mr. Canestrari reflects the true value of service to others and displays outstanding contributions to school, service and country. His dedication to CBA and the people of New York State over the years exemplifies the Lasallian characteristic of service to others. Through his volunteerism and generosity to his alma mater, CBA students have received scholarships, financial aid, enriching programs and educational opportunities." CBA also gifted him with a bench at the grotto that reads Dedicated to the Honorable Ronald J. Canestrari '61 from a grateful CBA Community; The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of members. -Coretta Scott King.

Prior to the award "Officers LTC Colin McMahon '24, LTC Giovanni Clary '24, and MAJ Alexander Toop '24 received promotions, and a special certificate was awarded to Cadet LTC Adam Costa '24 for his part in a search and rescue detail in September.





#### **OPERATION SONG BENEFIT FOR VETERANS**

On August 25, CBA Color Guard presented colors during Operation Song: A Benefit with Nashville Songwriters for Veterans organized by Dom LaMorta and Jennifer Creighton (parent of **Bill Creighton '09**). The Brothers were honored to be a part of this event that helps the healing process for veterans and their family members by sharing their stories through song. It was especially meaningful to have **Col. Todd Clark's '90** family present and hear "A Song for Todd" sung that evening.

#### SENIOR COAST GUARD AWARD

Congratulations to **Christian Lewis '24** who was awarded the United States Coast Guard Academy 2023 AIM Honor Graduate Award. Christian attended the USCGA AIM program where only 300 students were admitted out of 8,000 applicants; he was one of two to receive the honor graduate award which automatically grants him acceptance into the US Coast Guard Academy after graduation.











#### **PATRIOT FLIGHT**

On the early morning of Saturday, October 14, CBA cadets escorted local veterans to their Patriot Flight at Albany International Airport, which flies to Washington, D.C. for the day at no cost to them. Upon arrival they visit and reflect at their memorials for their service, sacrifices and memories. CBA is honored to be a part of this tradition for Capital Region's veterans.



#### **UNICEF TRUNK OR TREAT**

CBA's UNICEF club, under the direction of school advisor, Mrs. Calderon, and UNICEF co-presidents **David Llera '25** and **Michael Versaci '25**, organized its first fundraiser, a vibrant Trunk or Treat event that proved to be an enormous success. With the aim of raising funds for UNICEF's noble initiatives, the event garnered an overwhelming response from the community. Attendees were treated to a display of creatively decorated car trunks, each one brimming with candy and fall themed delights. The lively atmosphere was accompanied by laughter, joy, and a strong sense of community spirit. Thanks to the enthusiastic participation and generous contributions of both club members and attendees, the event managed to surpass all expectations, raising over \$1,100. The funds raised will make a significant

impact in supporting UNICEF's efforts to improve the lives of children around the world. The Trunk or Treat event served as a reminder of the power of collective action and the potential for positive change when individuals come together for a common cause.





#### **SENIOR VOLUNTEERS**

On November 12, a group of seniors volunteered to serve the community at the Rexford Fire Department's 12th Annual Pancake Breakfast. **Kagame Rama-Munroe, Matt Ryan, Christian Lewis, Ulderic Boisvert IV, Patrick Feranec, Alex Toop,** and **Nathan West**, worked to serve over 350 breakfasts to guests including Assemblymember MaryBeth Walsh and Senator Jim Tedisco.



Frament Family with new exhibit in memory of their Uncle Stanl





## CBA JUNIOR'S RELATIVE HONORED FOR WWII HEROIC ACT

**Liam Frament '25**'s great-great uncle, Paul Stanley Frament, was recognized posthumously at the Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (ACPHS) on November 9 in honor of Veterans Day. Liam's 'Uncle Stanley' was a U.S. Navy Pharmacist Mate 3rd Class during World War II. He was awarded a Silver Star:

'for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity during action against Japanese forces in the Solomon Islands from November 3 to 13, 1942. While serving with a battalion of Marines engaged in offensive action, Frament, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, worked his way to a point where he was dangerously exposed to hostile sniper fire while treating a wounded comrade,'

his citation states. Frament was wounded twice by shell fire and ultimately succumbed to his wounds.

Due to his heroic acts, the Navy ship he served on was named after him; the U.S.S. Frament DE-677. The ACPHS honored Frament who was a graduate in the class of 1939, in a ceremony dedicating an exhibit in his memory as part of the school's Throop Pharmacy Museum. **Liam** '25 was in attendance during the ceremony and is one of the last in his family to carry the Frament name. He told ACPHS, "It really inspires me to have this in your family heritage." Within the exhibit are Stanley Frament's medals, letters of proclamation from President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox and Admiral W.F. Halsey, plus additional personal artifacts.

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#### WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

On December 16, **Thaddeus Mangione '24** organized a group of Brothers at the Gerald B. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery, where they honored our veterans and their families by laying wreaths. In its 7th year, there were more volunteers including alumni **Joe Toomey '79, Jack Mangione '22, Jack Putnam '22** and **Zeke Caldon '22**. Thaddeus fundraised through Wreaths Across America for wreath sponsorships and for support for the **Michael Flowers '17** Scholarship, while helping the cemetery surpass its goal of 16,000 wreaths.



Kieran Kostanoski '25, Christian Lewis '24, Derek Vogel '24 with South End Children's Caf





#### **THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE**

This Thanksgiving season, students, staff and CBA families donated several hundred food items such as canned goods, frozen turkeys, non-perishable items, grocery store gift cards and over \$5,000 in monetary donations; all to benefit those within our community in need this holiday season. Student Council made drop-offs to St. John's/St. Ann's Outreach Center, Catholic Charities, Schenectady City Mission, St. Catherine's Children Center, Lasalle School and South End Children's Cafe.

Additionally, we received over 60 turkeys generously donated by past parent, Tom McCormick. As well as 100 turkeys and 500 food items from Michael Raucci of New Country Toyota of Clifton Park.



#### Maddox Lange '29, Landon Passineau '29, Mark Ridzi '30

#### **ADOPT-A-FAMILY**

Our Adopt-a-Family drive ran from December 1 through December 13 this year. It was another year where there was an overwhelming response to provide children, families, and nursing home residents with necessities for the holidays such as clothing, bedding, toiletries, and grocery items; plus wish list items like toys and gadgets. Due to the generosity of the CBA community, National Honor Society students were able to deliver hundreds of gifts in addition to grocery store gift cards to ensure these families will have a Merry Christmas.

# **MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN**

Dear CBA Family and Friends,

I am deeply honored, humbled and excited to serve CBA as Chair of its Board to Trustees. Along with my Vice-Chair, **Maureen O'Brien, P'22**, we are ready to roll. We are very fortunate to take on these roles at a time when CBA is thriving. For that, we owe a deep debt of gratitude to **Chris Scaringe '82** for his incredible work assembling and leading our Board through some difficult times to get to where we are today. Chris leaves us with a very talented and engaged Board, an exceptional Administration led by Dr. Schlegel, and outstanding Lay Faculty, state of the art facilities, terrific academic, spiritual, leadership, music, athletics and other programs - and a dome. Thank you, Chris.



As for me, I grew up in Watervliet and I graduated from CBA in 1981. I played a variety of sports at CBA and was fortunate to be captain of our football team in my senior season. CBA changed my life for the better. From CBA, I went on to Hamilton College where I played football with three other Brothers who helped turn around that program's abysmal record.

After college, I went on to Boston University School of Law and am starting my 34th year of representing employers in employment law matters which I do now at the world's largest labor and employment law firm. That would never have happened if I had not gone to CBA. I'm also the very proud brother of **Tom '83**, another CBA football captain who coaches varsity football at CBA, and proud parent of four graduates, **Troy '13**, **Max '14**, **Ben '15**, **Luke '18**. I have one nephew who graduated from CBA, one that is at CBA and one that will be attending CBA. In other words, CBA is a family affair for us. To this day, amongst my closest friends are my CBA classmates and teammates, especially **Seamus Crotty '81**, **Marc Reiter '81**, **Dan Grignon '81**, **Packy McGraw '81** and **Clem Parente '81**.

CBA has always been a community, a village, a collection of people united around the Lasallian tradition of education, leadership development, spirituality, and personal relationships all aligned around helping young men make the most of their lives. I was blessed to be led by Brother Stephen Olert and **Ned McGraw '50**, guided by Brother Aloysius Myers, taught by Brothers Francis, Joseph, Lawrence, Bernard and a tremendous Lay Faculty. I was fortunate to have been coached and taught by many incredible educators and people, including my freshman football coach and teacher, **Dave Doemel '7**1, varsity basketball coach Bill Telasky and varsity football and track coach **Cliff Lehman '56**. I was helped by parents of other students, like **Dice Crotty '56**, and friends of CBA every step of the way. I was surrounded by great classmates, teammates, fellow students, and alums. I have enjoyed the benefits of being part of the CBA community since 1977. I want all of our students to benefit from the CBA community.

Although we are thriving, the world around us changes daily and CBA taught me to always look for ways to improve. Outside influences have made educating young men in an alternative environment more critical than ever. Studies show that young men have struggled academically, socially, and environmentally in recent years. That is where CBA comes in. We provide young men with a diverse, inclusive, welcoming, and accepting place to find themselves, to learn, to grow, to develop while surrounded by our village. After all, as the sign read on De La Salle Road, "Give us your boy, we will give you back a man".

It is with this backdrop that I will work with the Board and the Administration to develop strategies to ensure we provide our students with the education, resources, programs, and facilities they need to succeed for a lifetime should they choose to. It truly does take a village and I want all of you to be part of the CBA village. I also want to develop a community network of alums, parents and friends that support not only our students but each other. More to come on that in the coming months. As a CBA parent and coach said to me years ago, "if we don't help each other, who will?".

Thank you and Go Brothers!

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William Anthony '81 Chairman of the Board



# Meet Our New Board Members

#### **Colleen O'Hara** BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEMBER

Colleen received her Bachelors of Science degree from LeMoyne College in 1991. She began her career as a Certified Public Accountant working at KPMG and PWC public accounting firms honing her skills and experience in auditing and financial management. She then transitioned her career to gain more taxation knowledge as a Financial Analyst at The Ayco Company, LP. With a passion for teaching, Colleen became a financial instructor for new hires specializing in taxation and financial



planning. As her family grew, Colleen made the decision to work from home to raise her family while continuing to work in taxation independently.

Colleen's support and dedication to the continued success of CBA comes from being the parent of CBA graduate Jack O'Hara '18 and the daughter of Patrick Farrell '61. She has been a long supporter of the students and faculty at CBA and was actively involved in the Golf Booster Club. Colleen and her husband Tim have two children Megan and Jack '18.

#### Jared T. Roberts, MD BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEMBER

Dr. Roberts received his Bachelors of Science degree from Utica College in 1998 and Masters of Science from Albany Medical College Cardiovascular Sciences in 2001. He then went on to earn his Doctor of Medicine from Albany Medical College in 2005, with a fellowship specializing in Orthopedic Hip and Knee Replacement.

He has received numerous scholarships and awards during his career including the Paul Clarke Award, NYS NOLC Resident Award, American Orthopedic Association Resident Leadership Award, Journal of Orthopedic Trauma Resident Award, The James and Rita Doherty Alumni Award, Alumni Scholarship, Spitalny Memorial Scholarship, Jacob Wachsman Scholarship and the Frank Knieval Memorial Scholarship.

His volunteerism and community involvement includes being a past member of the NYS Orthopedic Society, and Albany Medical College Adjunct Admissions Committee Member. He is currently the President of Operation Walk Albany which allows him to travel to other nations to perform joint replacement surgeries.

Jared and his wife Kelly have three children; Mason, who is a 2023 CBA graduate and currently attending Villanova University, and

daughters Kate and Ella, a freshman and junior at Shaker High School. While Mason was at CBA, Dr. Roberts was involved in the football booster club. He also volunteers at his daughters' gymnastics program serving as the gymnastics team doctor.



#### Dr. Jared Roberts, Mason Roberts '23, Kelly Robert

#### Maureen O'Brien VICE CHAIRPERSON

Maureen is a graduate of The Academy of the Holy Names class of 1985, the University of Notre Dame (B.A.) and New York University (M.A.). In 2018, following a national search, she was appointed the first female President and CEO of New York State Industries for the Disabled (NYSID). Maureen manages the execution of over 1,000 state and municipal contracts valuing \$300m on behalf of 135 disability service provider member agencies; 6,000 individuals with disabilities are gainfully employed through this program annually. She has served on a variety of boards associated with her passions including the NF Endurance Team (the fundraising arm of the Children's Tumor Foundation), Double H Ranch, the Center for Disability Services, and Villanova University of Disability Services. Maureen is also the recipient of several awards and acknowledgements including the Andrew Heiskell Community Service Award, a Community Connector for Leadership in Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and a 'Woman Who Means Business' by Albany Business Review, the Game Changer Award by Special Olympics New York, the Key for Women Achievement Award, and most recently she was named the Non-Profit Leader of the Year by the Capital Region Chamber.

Maureen's dedication and involvement with CBA comes through her son, **Gabe Donovan '22**. Gabe, an individual with a disability and a rare disease, required specific assistive technology, academic supports and accommodations. When they found

CBA, they knew it would be the right fit and Gabe would have many opportunities to thrive academically and socially. Today, Gabe is in his sophomore year at Villanova University where he is in the Honors Program and a Presidential Scholar.

Maureen and her family are communicants of Mater Christi Parish in Albany. Together with her husband Dr. Paul F. Vogt; they have four boys Patrick, Andrew, Christopher and Gabriel.



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# HOMECOMING & ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME WEEKEND

CBA's Homecoming weekend was filled with alumni reunions, celebration, and lots of purple and gold! On October 6, the evening started with JROTC Freshman Review, the Brothers faced Shenendehowa, CBA Hall of Famers were welcomed back at halftime, and alumni enjoyed the after-party sponsored by the McCormick Family. Then on October 8, we inducted eight new members into the 2023 Athletic Hall of Fame at Shaker Ridge Country Club. Congratulations to **Brian Coffey '92, Don DeNyse '07, Dan Cerutti '77, PJ Deguire '02, Dan Sipperly '10, Shuron Morton '93, Paul Mesiti '84**, and **Richard Scully** who received the William Mehleisen Distinguished Service Award.















William Mehleisen Distinguished Service Award Recipient, Rich Scully



Parker Lachanski '26, Stephen Lachanski





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HOF Inductee Dan Cerutti '77 and wife, Geri Cerutti



HOF Inductee PJ Deguire III '02 and Famil





HOF Inductee Brian Coffey '92 and sons



HOF Inductee Don DeNyse, III '07, Coach Mike Wood, Dan DeNyse '10



## CBA ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME LIST

(in alphabetic order by last name) Donald C. Crotty '56

T. Burke Adams '35 C. Kevin Allardice '75 Michael J. Alvaro '76 COL. Thomas F. Bailey '55 Thomas L. Barton '60 Russell A. Bellamy '79 Jasper A. Biondo '45 Peter J. Blanchfield '82 **Kiernan Boyle '85** Joseph A. Bova '05 William Boehner William J. Brantigan '43 Kenneth M. Bruce '79 Darrell L. Burns '56 David L. Byrd '95 W. Ronan Campion '31 John J. Carroll <sup>7</sup>49 Thomas J. Cartwright '71 Thomas E. Casey '74 Cvril M. Cassidy '45 Joseph A. Catalano '77 Joseph P. Catalano '05 Daniel D. Cerutti '77 John J. Cerutti '78 Michael N. Chaires '07 Wendell M. Champion '82 Francis E. Cheeseman '35 Richard J. Ciccolella '65 **Richard S. Ciccolella '29** Thomas A. Ciccolella '68 Robert S. Ciesielski '47 Dave Clark Daniel K. Clemente '96 Brian T. Clemente '70 Kevin T. Clemente '68 Thomas A. Clemente '67 Brian D. Coffey '92 James W. Coffey '34 Michael D. Coffey '86 Terry J. Connery '61 William E. Cooney '47 Merrill C. Cramer '42

Michael L. Crotty '63 Michael E. Cummings '63 William P. Daley '45 David R. Danker '65 Br. Christopher Victor Dardis F.S.Ĉ. Paul J. Davenport '41 Francis P. Day '41 Frederick N. Decker, Jr. '79 Mario J. DeFrancisco '37 Paul J. Deguire, III '02 Raymond A. Delahoyd '61 Peter A. Del Santo '45 Joseph A. DeMaria '74 James DeMasseo '37 Donald K. DeNyse, III '07 Steven J. Dering '87 Michael C. DeRossi '71 Joshua DiScipio '00 John J. Dieckelman '78 John V. DiGiulio '55 David Doemel '71 Philip L. Donnelly '59 Raymond E. Donnelly, Jr. '55 Leo A. Dott '56 Joshua M. Duell '04 Terrence L. Durham '95 Thomas J. Dwyer '91 Frank K. Dyer '73 Joseph C. Early '58 \* Matthew J. Elfeldt '99 Peter J. Endres '31 Mark T. Fagan '79 Carl J.Falivene '45 Charles E. Farmer '70 Thomas F. Farrell '37 James P. Fiore '65 A. William Fiorella '46 John F. Fitzmaurice '41 John J. Flanigan '36 Robert J. Forster '47 Br. Anthony Francis F.S.C. Donald Gallagher \*

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Martin P. McGraw'77 Timothy E. McGraw '84 William J. McGreevy '37 John V. McLaughlin<sup>2</sup>45 William F. Mehleisen \* Paul Mesiti '84 James M. Monaco '79 Brian Q. Monahan '04 Charles P. Mongin '46 Herbert J Moreland '69 Shuron A. Morton '93 Ronald Morrison \* T.P. (Pete) Mooney Arthur W. Murphy '35 John L. Murphy '53 Kevin P. Murphy '73 Robert F. Murphy '53 Sean B. Murphy '86 Brother Aloysius Myers, F.S.C. Eugene E. Napierski '61 Raymond F. Napierski '42 Aldo Nardiello \* Tristan Newkirk '07 Howard C. Nolan '49 Dr. Jeffrey A. Norton '65 David M. Oberting '59 Francis A. O'Brien '54 Thomas A. O'Connell '37 Ralph P. Odorisio '45 Joseph F. O'Heaney '52 Kevin M. O'Neill '62 Lawrence T. O'Neill '30 John J. Ostrowski, D.D.S. '31 John P. Pariseau '59 James M. Pedlow '60 Martin J. Pedlow '53 Victor Peppers '84 COL. Frank J. Phelan '52 Franklin Pinchback '58 Floyd J. Plantz '30 Alfred L. Polando '39 John T. Politi '57 Michael J. Preisser '86 Norm W. Preston '57 William J. Prime '35 Edward G. Ragule '77 Charles Rao '69 John (Jack) J. Reilly '10 Paul Reinisch '87

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\*William Mehleisen Distinguished Service Award Recipient













#### 24TH ANNUAL CBA GOLF TOURNAMENT

Thank you to all alumni, family and friends of CBA who braved the unexpected rain on August 28 during our soldout 24th Annual Golf Tournament! Although golf was cut short everyone had a great time. Special thank you to our many generous sponsors, donors, committee members, volunteers and to Shaker Ridge Country Club, who generously gave all the foursomes a free round of golf with cart so they could come back and enjoy a full round of golf.







#### **COAST GUARD HELICOPTER VISIT**

The United States Coast Guard visited CBA on September 27 and arrived in style by landing

their Dolphin Helicopter right behind the school. Students were able to interact with the pilots, ask questions and even see inside. Thank you to the CBA JROTC leaders Col. Holmes, Sgt. Mansman and Sgt. Reeves, and the Albany Military Entrance Processing Station for making this happen.

















#### **ANNUAL FATHER-SON DINNER**

On October 16, the CBA Parents Association hosted the Annual Father-Son Dinner at the Capital Center. The event featured a buffet-style dinner, raffles and games while the Brothers enjoyed the evening celebrating and honoring all of the special men in their lives.







#### **REAL BROTHERS WEAR PINK**

The whole school showed up in pink on October 20 supporting the Real Brothers Wear Pink campaign for the 6th year in a row. The Brothers participated in a dress down day plus entered a raffle to win a Playstation 5 Bundle; congratulations to **Xavier Baaki '27** who was the winner of the PS5! All the proceeds from the week supported the American Cancer Society and the Real Men Wear Pink campaign. Additionally, personal video messages and experiences with breast cancer from employees at Camelot Print & Copy Center were shared with CBA students. A special thank you to **Jake Iacobaccio '24** and his mom Kelley, who shared their inspiring story and courage in the fight to end breast cancer.

# **ALUMNI NOTES SAVE THE DATES! ALUMNI GATHERINGS**

**ALUMNI GATHERING IN** MARCO ISLAND, FL March 1, 2024

**ALUMNI GATHERING IN ORLANDO/WINTER PARK, FL** March 3, 2024

**CLASS OF 1974 50TH REUNION** September 13 - 15, 2024

Looking to plan your CBA Class Reunion? Contact Matt Agan '05, Director of Alumni Relations agan@cbaalbany.org, to get started!

# '40s

John Roche '48 is enjoying the sunshine in Southern California, alongside his partner Mary and his two cats. His Faith and Brothers are also encouragement in his life. He is slowly recovering from a shoulder replacement and is eager to return to his swimming routine.

Hank Hohenstein '48 and his wife Susan enjoy living on the West Coast in Southern Oregon. He has recently reconnected with CBA and is interested in getting in touch with his fellow classmates and Brothers.

# '50s

The Class of 1958 celebrated their 65th class reunion in September of 2023. The Brothers first caught up with each other during Homecoming Weekend at CBA and



then enjoyed a dinner at the Century House. In attendance were: Ward Petrie, Jack Korman, Gene Zielinski, John Duffy, Tim O'Hearn, Tony Santandria, Gene Connell, John Phelan.



The Class of 1959 planned their monthly luncheon out of town this summer in Arlington, Vermont at a beautiful botanical garden called Rogerland. The group got to tour the gardens, enjoy a picnic lunch and dessert in the 1800's farmhouse.

'60s

Joe DeJulio '61 is enjoying retirement on Hilton Head Island in South Carolina.



David Fenimore '65 is proud that his daughter Sara Fenimore, (niece of Ed Fenimore '67) is carrying on the Lasallian tradition at St. John's College High School in Washington D.C., a school similar to CBA with a Cadet Corps, but co-ed. Sara is a Senior and the Regimental Commander (Cadet Colonel).



The Class of 1967 enjoyed their 56th reunion this year. Classmates traveled from Texas, North Carolina, Michigan, California, Vermont, Florida and throughout New York State. The Brothers got together at the Century House in Latham and shared pictures of the old days as well as current photos of their loved ones, which were projected on a screen for all to view. For many of them it was the first time they'd seen each other in 50 years. In attendance were: Santino Pavone, Sal Corsione, Kevin Leaderer, Bryan Kindlon, David Kross, Anthony Sabatino, Brian Murphy, Col. John Studenka, Dan Pekrol, John Brennan, Paul Bania, Paul Hannan, Clark Smathers, Joe Kelly, Tom Nowak, Frank Fishraurer, Bob Kelleher, Eric Roth, Jim Rubino, and Dave Cunningham.

John Biscone '62 and Edward Ray '6



ry '24, Joseph Allegretti '43, Col. Holmes, Idon '26, Trustin Tolliver '27, Issac Caldon '26

#### **GOLDEN PLUS** LUNCHEON

On September 20, we welcomed back CBA alumni to the 35th Annual **Golden Plus Luncheon** at Shaker Ridge Country Club. Our honored guests got to catch up with each other, chat with CBA student representatives, and listen to CBA updates, happenings and more from Dr. Schlegel. Thank you to all in attendance!

# **'70**s



Bill Edwards OFS '72 says it was the Christian Brothers experience, the skills he gained on campus and his profession in the Secular Franciscan Order that led him to become a missionary. Since his retirement, he has been led to take the Gospel of Matthew (25:35-45) to heart. He became a member of the Board of Directors of 'To The Nations, Inc.' (TTN), a charitable organization in Hiawassee, GA, that strives to fulfill the Gospel by: feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, inviting the stranger, clothing the naked, looking after the sick, and visiting the imprisoned. Bill just returned from Uganda where he visited multiple villages and schools and distributed 0ver 250 sets of clothing, shoes, school and medical supplies. He participated in Mass together with the inmates of Burganda Prison, conducted home visits to village elderly, and fed the multitude of street children in Masaka, Uganda.



**Chet Sowinski '72** still lives locally and has been employed by WRGB channel 6 TV for over 35 years! He met up in November with his classmates during their bi-annual breakfast and provided his classmates with a video/photo collage of 1972's 50th reunion which was greatly appreciated by all.



Edward Rainka '72 recently retired as Global Director of Clinical Research for the Clinical Trial Division of LabCorp. Ed received his graduate degree in Biochemistry from the University of Buffalo and started his career in **Biochemical Genetics and** Histocompatibility Testing for 14 years before his 30 year career in clinical research. Ed and Kathy are both enjoying their retirement and reside in Edinburg, NY.



The **Class of 1973** celebrated their 50th reunion in October 2023. The group began their weekend catching up and reminiscing at Loch & Quay, courtesy of **Frank O'Connor '73**, then had dinner at Wolferts Roost Country Club. The following morning they had breakfast and toured the new CBA campus together. In attendance were: **John Bolognino**, Tony Brewer, Barry Brodbeck, Tim Brogan, Art Caccamo, Michael Clemens, Bob Clifford, Mark Cunningham, Bill Cunningham, Dan Dwyer, Frank Dyer, Michael Floeser, Joe Floeser. Jim Gaston. Felix Iavarone, Tim Kent, Kevin Kinnicutt, Don Klose, Gary Kubisch, Tom Lanahan, Paul Macri, Jim Moloney, Mike Monaco, Frank O'Connor. Tom O'Connor, Pete Purcell, Ken Ritchie, Tony Salerno, Frank Staucet. Bill Toomey, Peter Yakel.

Jim D'Aiello '74 celebrated 38 years of marriage in December and traveled to Warsaw, Poland for business. He is also on his class' 50th reunion committee; to be held next September 14-15, 2024.



**Patrick Horan '75** celebrated his son's wedding in September and in attendance were a couple of his fellow classmates and Athletic Hall of Famers!

'80s



**Stephen McCauley '80** and his fellow classmates got together on September 23 for a round of golf at Shaker Ridge Country Club. The Brothers shared a toast at



the end of the day to celebrate good times, and now will make this an annual golf outing! In attendance were: David Zanatta, Stephen McCauley, Anthony Cassaro, Jerry Bucher, Peter Dillilo, Fred Cassin, Dominick Delelo, Nicholas Tegiacchi, Robert Schneider, John Yakel, Joseph Commisso (Bishop Maginn), and Biagio Isgro.



Packy McGraw '81 retired from the Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences after 34 years, on St. Patrick's Day, 2023. Packy held a number of positions at ACPHS over the years including Director of Athletics, Men's Basketball Coach, Dean of Students and Vice President for Administrative Operations. In September 2023, he received a naming recognition at Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. The 'Campus Green' is now named after him for his years of commitment, dedication and impact to the school and their community.

The ACPHS stands where the old CBA campus used to, and the center was used for CBA athletics and parade grounds, so this naming is additionally special to Packy. Packy was only retired for the weekend as he began his second career



as a Sales Professional with BSN Sports, joining his brother **Dan '88**, in working for BSN, the largest provider of sporting goods apparel and equipment to high schools and colleges in the United States. Congratulations!



Kevin Graber '87 helped lead the Tennessee Smokies to win the Southern League Championship in September 2023! Kevin took over as manager of the Chicago Cubs' Double-A Affiliate back in June and this is the team's first league win in 45 years.



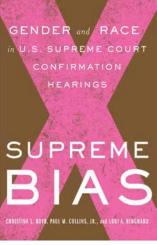


The Class of 1993 got together during Homecoming Weekend in September to celebrate their 30th class reunion. Holy Names alumnae from 1993 also joined the Brothers at Shaker Ridge Country Club for a dinner reunion. Special thanks to Patrick Lawlor '93 for organizing the weekend. In attendance were: Adriano Bongiorno, Jon Gainor, John Kane, Pat Lawlor, Mike Cummings,

Russ, Weinlein, Mike Berben, Stephanie Hisgen, Greg Raczkowski, Shuron Morton, Tricia Reuss, and Kelly Turley.



**Rob Groelz '94** and some of his fellow classmates got together at the Saratoga Track this summer for a mini-reunion. In attendance were **Kevin Flynn '94**, **Pete Cappellano '94**, **Ronnie Murray '94**, **Tim Farrell '94**, **Nick Sidoti '94**, **Rob Evers '94**, **and John Franconere '94**.



**Paul Collins '96** published his fourth book, Supreme Bias: Gender and Race in U.S. Supreme Court Confirmation Hearings (Stanford University Press). The book demonstrates the biases that women and people of color face on their paths to the Supreme Court. Collins is Professor of Legal Studies and Political Science at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

# **00**s



Eddie Shea '00 and 2Shea Catering recently opened their new venue, Duo at the Dunes. The space is located at the Italian Community Center on Washington Ave Ext in Albany, and can accommodate 300 guests for weddings, corporate events and more. The venue gives the company a place where they can have a central location for the business, and continue growth within the Capital Region. Congratulations!

**'10**s



Congratulations to **Cameron Fisher '11** who got engaged over the summer to Christina De Thomasis!



William Bachner '12 married his now wife, Taylor Cestaro-Bachner, on September 8, 2023 in Riverhead, NY. They relocated from Albany to the East End of Long Island in 2021. Congratulations!



Rafael Campiz '13 as Vice President of SeeMedX, has been pivotal in advancing a groundbreaking technology that non-invasively detects heart failure 72 hours in advance. He spearheaded the company's victory at Pepperdine's competition and secured a feature in Entrepreneur Magazine. Tackling the most widespread cardiac condition in the U.S., Campiz is steering SeeMedX towards a landmark commercial launch in summer 2024.



Nick Marini '14 married Brooke Clough on October 7, 2023 at the Adelphi Hotel in Saratoga. Nick had six CBA Alumni in his wedding party and many more in attendance at the wedding. Congratulations to the newlyweds!



**Ben Anthony '15** is working as a software engineer for Staq Finance and is living in Salt Lake City, UT.



Noah Frese '15 was among seven winners for the Rising Star Chef from Albany's Chefs Food & Wine Festival 2024. He is the Executive Chef at the Roosevelt Room in Troy. Noah will be featured at the Friday & Saturday Grand Tastings in the Times Union Table Hopping Rising Star Chef Pavilion, where he will provide samplings curated from his award winning menu. Congratulations!



Kevin Mullady '16 recently married Academy of Holy Names alumna, Sabrina Tirino '16. They were married at St. Pius X Church on September 9, 2023 surrounded by their family, friends and many CBA



2nd Lt. John Michne '18 graduated from Army Ranger Training class 8-23 Ft. Moore, aka Ft. Benning #62 and through #RLTW. He will be heading to Ft. Bliss, TX in the Fall of 2023. Congratulations!



**Evan Ryan '18** was officially hired this past summer as a Hockey Official for the ECAC Hockey Division I Conference. Evan was a former member of the CBA hockey team; congratulations on a great achievement!



Luke Anthony '18 graduated from the College of the Holy Cross in May 2023. He is currently living in Arlington, VA and is on the staff at the House of Financial Services Committee.



Nathan Foster '19 graduated Summa Cum Laude from UAlbany in 2023 with his honors in Biology, and is now attending medical school at the University at Buffalo, Jacobs School of Medicine.



Jordan King '19 recently transferred to the University of Virginia. Within his first 20 minutes playing basketball as a Richmond Spider, he scored 27 points. He went into the game playing aggressively, led the team to a 93-78 win and ended the game with 34 points on 11-18 shooting from the field and 6-6 from the foul line.

Michael Murray Jr. '19 joined the Division of Intergovernmental Affairs at the NYS Department of Labor as a Project Coordinator. Congratulations!



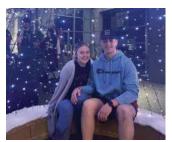
**Gabe Clement '20** has done some traveling since graduating and in June of 2021, he started his career in law enforcement with the Menands Police Department as a dispatcher, and then leaving to go to the Albany County Sheriff's Office later



on that year. In December of 2022, he moved to Charleston, SC with his girlfriend where he joined the Charleston Police Department in February of 2023 as a police officer.



"Over the last 3, almost 4 years now, you definitely look back and think about how fast time really does go by and how quickly life can change. If there are any students reading this or even the parents, focus on this for one second. I have heard and seen many things since leaving CBA, especially in my career path, here are the most important ones I wish I focused on. Slow down and enjoy the moment, you'll be done before you know it and wishing you could go back. It's okay to make mistakes, that is part of growing up. Do not let those mistakes define who you are, fix them and become a better person. Be patient, whatever it is that you want or need, it will come! God has a plan for each and every one of us and if it's not meant to be right now, then it will be later. Trust the process. Lastly, tell your friends and family you love them and appreciate them because I didn't know that March of 2020 would be the last time



we would be together as a class. So in closing, be grateful for what you have right now, live in the moment, and live your life the way you want to live it."



Ryan Hotaling '21 and Jonah Dohr '21 reunited at the 124th Army-Navy football game at Gillette Stadium in Boston. Ryan is a MIDN 2/C with the US Naval Academy and Jonah is a CDT with the US Military Academy. Ryan's roommate and 19th Company man entered into an exchange program where he would be studying as a Cadet and would be matched up at random. His roommate coincidentally happened to be matched up with Jonah and would study in Hudson Falls!



Jake Hammond '23 finished his first semester abroad at FSU in Valencia, Spain. He has been traveling throughout Europe and

parts of Africa. While riding camels in Morocco, Jake is seen wearing his CBA hockey apparel. Jake will be headed back to Valencia in January for spring semester.

#### THANK YOU!

Thank you to all alumni, parents and friends who shared their news with us! Want to stay updated with things happening at CBA? Visit **cbaalbany.org/join-mailing-list** and subscribe to our Newsletter & Alumni Information.

#### **SHARE YOUR NEWS**

Alumni notes are a great way to let your classmates know about your personal and professional achievements. To appear in our next issue of the Chronicles, contact Amanda Beauchamp at beauchamp@cbaalbany.org



# **IN MEMORIAM**

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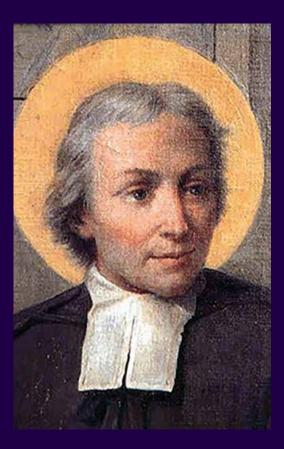
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JANUARY 14   Military Ball
FEBRUARY 14   Honors Night
FEBRUARY 19 - 23   Winter Recess
MARCH 14   Spring Open House
MARCH 21   JROTC Leadership Awards Ceremony
MARCH 22   Purple & Gold Gala at Rivers Casino
MARCH 28   April 5: Easter Recess
APRIL 18   Spring Concert "Senior Night"
APRIL 24   NHS/NJHS Induction Ceremony
APRIL 28   Mother-Son Communion Event

MAY 17   BronationDay	
MAY 20   JROTC Officers' Commission	ning
MAY 23   CBA Band Festival Concert	
MAY 27   Memorial Day Parade	
MAY 28   Graduation Liturgy	
MAY 29   Mother' Review	
MAY 31   High School Graduation	
JUNE 6   Flag Lowering Ceremony	
JUNE 7   8th Grade Moving-Up Cerem	ony



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