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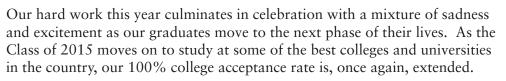
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## Message from the Head of School

Dear CBA Family,



Based on the success and popularity of the first year of our Project Lead the Way engineering curriculum, we are excited for the addition of the second course in September. Also this year we introduced a fourth performance band, and at our Spring Concert our musicians enhanced our reputation as the best private school music program in the area.

These two programs are only part of the reason why we continue to attract some of the best young men in the Capital District. Our students, parents, and alumni continue to engage in the on-going life of CBA intellectually, socially and faithfully. This brotherhood makes Christian Brothers Academy the premiere scholastic experience in the area.

With the support of the CBA family, we are entering a truly transformative phase at CBA. Our strategic planning will include growth and will solidify our strong foundation as we continue to provide quality Catholic education in the Lasallian tradition, creating the next generation of leaders. As always, I am grateful for your continued support and look forward to sharing future plans for our great school.

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

Sincerely,

Dr. James Schlegel Head of School



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## Message from the Chairman



Dear Parents and Alumni,

CBA has ended another very successful school year. This one is especially memorable for me, as my son Dustin graduated this year and will attend Notre Dame next year. CBA has prepared him and his classmates well for their future studies and road of life that lies ahead of them. Our students continue to be accepted into leading colleges and universities throughout the country. This is something that we can all be proud of.

The school itself remains healthy and vibrant. New academic offerings continue to be added to the curriculum. Over the summer, the chemistry lab will be completely renovated and will be able to accommodate our new Advanced Placement chemistry course. The new lab is being made possible by the generous financial support from the CBA community. Please know that your support allows CBA to stay at the forefront of college preparatory education, while staying true to the mission of the Christian Brothers.

Enrollment continues to increase year over year and it is on track to increase next year for the 6th year in a row. New teachers continue to be added to the faculty to keep the student- teacher ratio at a low level, so that each student can receive the individual attention that is the hallmark of CBA. Fiscally, we ended this school year with a balanced budget. Again, with the support of the CBA community, we continually invest in enhancing our academic offerings, as well as improving our beautiful campus.

This year marks the end of Brian Culnan's term as a trustee. Brian was an instrumental leader on the Board and his many years of service are greatly appreciated.

I am truly looking forward to September and the beginning of another exciting school year at CBA. The Board and Administration will be working over the summer to ensure that CBA continues to flourish. I thank you for your past support and I ask that you continue to help our mission in any way that you can.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Respectfully,

Christopher Scaringe '82 Chairman of the Board of Trustees

# TO TEACH

# **CBA EARNS MIDDLE STATES RE-ACCREDITATION**

CBA has earned re-accreditation by the Middle States Association Commissions on Elementary and Secondary Schools, a worldwide leader in accreditation and continuous school improvement. "We are pleased to have earned re-accreditation by the Middle States Association and to share in our success with the school community, especially the teachers, parents and students who worked so hard to make this possible," said Dr. James Schlegel, Head of School. "Re-accreditation confirms and validates the work we do each and every day to ensure a top quality education for our students."

# The 6th Grader's Celebration of Time



Caden Padelford '21 as King Tutankhamun



For their end of year project, CBA 6th graders chose historical figures from their studies. Students wrote a research paper and created a speech to present in front of family, faculty and friends. They wrote and rehearsed their speeches in class and on their own, allowing for the final product (which added a project board and costumes) to remain a surprise for families and guests.

From Left to Right: Avery Covington '21- Philip II, William Vivian '21-William the Conqueror, Glen Sauter II '21- Pope Gregory, Dominic Karrat '21-Mansa Musa, Maxwell Leschen '21- Zheng He.

# Veterans of Foreign Wars 45th Annual Loyalty Day

In May, nine of our 8th grade students received Patriot's Pen awards at the VFW Post 8692 for winning a local essay contest in December. Each 8th grader wrote an essay using the topic "What Patriotism Means to Me." The following students were recognized as essay winners and presented with certificates at the 45th Annual Loyalty Day: Ben Curro '19, Drew Douglass '19, Justin Henges '19, Ryan Hogan '19, Colin Mance '19, Tyler Marini '19, Anthony Pizzola '19, Stephen Reutter III '19 and Declan Tunny '19. Along with the students' awards, their teacher, Mr. Matthew Gormley, was also presented with the Teacher of the Year award.



From Left to Right: Justin Henges '19, Drew Douglass '19, Tyler Marini '19, Ryan Hogan '19, Mr. Matthew Gormley, Declan Tunny '19, Stephen Reutter III '19, Colin Mance '19, and Ben Curro '19. Not Pictured Anthony Pizzola '19



# PI-DAY

On March 11, CBA Middle School students celebrated an important day in mathematics with games and contests organized by Mrs. Beth Joynt. Six students participated in the Pi Bee, a competition held to see who can memorize and recite the most digits of pi. Pi Bee contestants included Britt Carmer '19, Jarell Spotts '21, Will Vivian '21, Vicente Miranda '21, Jonathan Picchione '20, and Ethan Stevens '19.

Congratulations to CBA's Pi Bee Champion, Vicente Miranda '21, on reciting 120 digits of pi!

From Left to Right: Pi Bee observers David Proper '21, Dominic Karrat '21 and Zane Winford '21 enjoying the day.



# D.A.R.E GRADUATION

Congratulations to our 6th grade D.A.R.E Graduates and special thanks Officer McGee for all of the time and hard work you have shared with these boys!

"I absolutely love CBA and all it is teaching my son!"

- Leslie Lucas, mother of Zachary Lucas '21



From Left to Right: C/MAJ Kevin Mullady '16, and C/LTC Joseph Lauria '16

# RIFLE AND DRILL IN UTICA COMPETITION

In January, the Wansboro Rifles and Drill Team competed at T.R Proctor in Utica, New York. Kevin Mullady '16 and Joseph Lauria '16 placed 1st Place in the Armed Dual Exhibition. The Academic Team also placed 1st.

# Robert Cassidy '17 Placed 2nd in Rifle Competition



From Left to Right: C/CPT Daniel O'Connor '15, C/SGT Robert Cassidy '17 and SFC Herbert Reeves

On February 27, Cadet Robert Cassidy '17 placed 2nd out of over 50 shooters in a rifle competition hosted by Old Town High School in Old Town, Maine. The CBA Rifle team placed in the top five. Awesome job Brothers!



# 2015 OFFICERS DINING IN

On March 23, Parents and Cadet Officers gathered as Christian Brothers Academy hosted its 2015 Officer and Command Sergeants Major Dining In Ceremony. The theme of the night was recognizing and honoring the contributions and opportunities parents have provided to their sons.

CPT Lorenzo Horvath '15 with his parents Jim & Paola Horvath



From Left to Right: Ben Gochee'16, Conor Farley '15, John Robert Graham '15, Matt Mahigian '15, and Dan O'Connor '15.

# HONORS NIGHT CELEBRATION

On March 4, 2015, CBA held its Fall Honors Night to recognize students' academic achievements for the first semester of 2014-15. Students received academic achievement awards for cumulative marks in



# BROTHER'S LIST

Class of 2015

Cline, Seth Derek O'Brien, Liam Patrick Scaringe, Dustin George

#### Class of 2016

Carnavos, Michael Lawrence DiFiore, Aaron Christopher Hartman, Tyler James Keith, Noah Anthony Krohn, John Evan LaFleche, Kevin Peter Lauria, Joseph Stuart Lewis, Nicholas Robert Macfarlane, Paul Joseph MacLeod, Dale A Philbin, Daniel Edward Raia, Justin Caius Raimo, Elliott James Sausville, Noah Christopher Van Beusekom, William Leo Vielkind, Thomas Edward

#### Class of 2017

Beauregard, Ian Mathew Carbone, John William Demeter, Andrew James DeNicola, Nicholas Robert all courses. Listed below are the recipients of the coveted Brothers List. Students on the Brothers List have obtained a semester average of 95 in full Carnegie unit courses with no semester grade under 90.

> Amir Taylor '17 accepting Honors Award from Dr. James Schlegel.

DiNovo, Andrew Nicholas Esposito, Justin Andrew Jones, Maximilian Joseph LaFleche, Brian John Parisi, Nicholas Gerard Rapp, Alexander Michael Rento, John Thomas Vanderhoef, Justin Elliott Zelker, Zachary Hank

#### Class of 2018

Boyan, Casey William Caulfield, Justin Timothy DeNisco III, Michael John McMahon, Luke William Mendrick, Joseph Craig O'Hara, Jack Patrick Park, Joseph Minwoo Patricelli, Colin Vincent Pumiglia, Michael Benjamin Skinner, Keegan Carl Thomas, Amal P Zaccaria, William Anthony

#### Class of 2019

Arena, Maxwell Grant Calagna, Sean Thomas Curro, Benjamin Thomas



Douglass, Drew Patrick Foster, Nathaniel David O'Toole, Peter Edward Scaringe, Tucker David Spataro, Marco Peter

#### Class of 2020

Antoniak, Dylan Stephen Basile, Ryan Domenic Henges, Brandon Parker Hubbard, Cristian C I Kelly IV, Daniel Joseph O'Brien, James Ryan Picchione, Jonathan David Proper, Tyler David Santiago, Nicholas Gabriel Scarlett, Isaiah Joseph

#### Class of 2021

Hotaling, Ryan Christopher LaPlante, Jacob P Losavio, Michael Joseph Miranda, Vicente Reddy, Lakshman Damodar Vivian, William Raymond

# Academic WorldQuest



From Left to Right: Congressman Paul Tonko, Jack Rento '17, Zachary Kielb '17, Henry Fernandez '17, Jevaun Quinn '17 and Miss Jenifer Kish

On Saturday, March 21, two teams of CBA students competed in the Academic WorldQuest competition hosted by the International Center of the Capital Region. Annually, approximately 4,000 students from across the nation compete to test their skills across a wide variety of current events and world affairs. CBA's Team 1 placed fourth overall and third among local teams.



# LAWYERS FROM TAJIKISTAN VISIT CBA

On April 14, a delegation of five lawyers from Tajikistan, who practice law in the field of civil rights, visited Miss Jenifer Kish's English 10 class as a part of their visit to the United States. The students and guests had an opportunity to discuss life in American society and compare it to that of Tajikistan. This opportunity was facilitated through the International Center of the Capital Region, which hosts delegations from around the world to discuss a wide variety of current events and issues.

# JROTC LEADERSHIP AWARDS

CBA JROTC held its Leadership Awards Night on April 23. The Leadership Awards Night is an opportunity for the JROTC Department to recognize students for their demonstrated leadership abilities as well as their potential for future leadership positions of increased responsibility. Students are also recognized for their hard work and dedication to the Drill Team, Rifle Team, Color Guard, and various community and veteran organizations. This is an annual event, during which the JROTC Department takes the time to share with all who are present what outstanding young men our CBA Cadets/Brothers have become!



COL Don Vivian '15 receiving the Principal's Award from Head of School, Dr. James Schlegel.



Jared Hunter '16 receiving the Daedalian Award from SFC Herbert Reeves.



Ethan Mendel '16 received the General David A. Traub Leadership Award presented by Dina Astemborski P'05.



# Mother- Son Communion Breakfast

The CBA Parents' Association held its annual Brother Aloysius Myers Mother-Son Communion Breakfast at the Century House on May 3rd. This wonderful tradition gives an opportunity for mothers and sons to come together for a CBA Mother's Day celebration.

Owen Greene '16 and his mother Sheila Greene

#### Congratulations to the newly elected 2015-2016 Student Council Executive Board

**President:** Iustin Raia '16

Vice President: Noah Keith '16

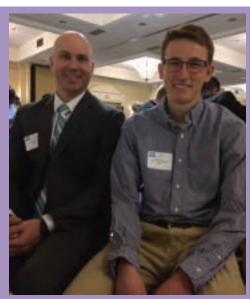
Secretary: Elliott Raimo '16

Treasurer: William Van Beusekom '16

Publicity Officers: Noah Sausville '16 Christopher Willox '16

# Dustin Scaringe '15 CASDA's Recognized Scholar

Congratulations to 2015 Valedictorian Dustin Scaringe '15 who was honored at the 2015 Scholars' Recognition Dinner on Wednesday, May 13. This event hosted by The Capital Area School Development Association (CASDA) recognizes outstanding high school seniors in the Greater Capital Region. It also honors teachers nominated by each student scholar for having had a significant influence on their education. Dustin selected his Mathematics Teacher, Mr. Michael Smith, for having a significant influence on his education. Next year, Dustin will be attending The University of Notre Dame where he plans to major in Finance.



Mr. Michael Smith and Dustin Scaringe '15



# CBA in Albany Memorial Day Parade

CBA marched its entire student body down Central Avenue for the Memorial Day Parade in honor of our Veterans.



# Commissioning of Eucharistic Ministers

Eighteen members of the class of 2016 were commissioned as Eucharistic Ministers for the 2015-2016 school year by Father James Walsh at the Ascension Thursday liturgy on May 14.

From Left to Right: Father Walsh, Michael Hamilton '16, Ben Gochee '16, Quinn Gleason '16, Sean Mesick '16, Ethan Mendel '16, Justin Raia '16, Giovanni Lisi '16, Noah Keith '16, Thomas Vielkind '16, Dom Savona '16, Brendan Zebrowski '16, Kevin Mullady '16, Elliott Raimo '16, Joe Kolbe '16, Will Van Beusekom'16 and Director of Campus Ministry, Mr. Owen O'Leary.

Not pictured are Justin Kenyon'16, Paul McFarlane '16 and Dan Philbin '16

Congratulations Michael Hamilton '16, the recipient of the 2015 Filled with the Holy Spirit Youth Recognition Award



Michael with Bishop Edward Scharfenberger

# Mothers' Review

On Thursday, May 14, CBA held its annual Mothers' Review to honor its graduating seniors. Mothers' Review is a wonderful tradition at CBA showcasing the drill and ceremony components of our JROTC program. The entire Brigade marched up to the reviewing stand at the football stadium. It is at this time that the Brigade is turned over from the Class of 2015 to the Class of 2016.

The Review also honors our mothers and during the ceremony moms, aunts, grandmothers and special family members were invited onto the field to 'inspect' their Cadets.

With the Class of 2016 rising to command at the end of the ceremony, the Class of 2015 was officially 'dismissed'. The band performed while the rest of the school paid tribute to the graduating seniors with a ceremonial final salute.

Cadet Colonel Donald Vivian '15 with his mother Kristin, Dr. James Schlegel Head of School and Sergeant Herbert Reeves





Joseph Kolbe '16 with his mother Jill Kolbe and grandmother, Sandy Humphrey

# CLASS OF 2015 GRADUATION

Congratulations to the graduating Class of 2015, who continue CBA's tradition of 100% college acceptance.

Ben Thomas Anthony Clifford James Avery Joseph Leonard Berg Michael John Buyaskas Austin Patrick Casey Seth Derek Cline Sean Anthony Connolly Michael Joseph Crisafulli Ian Daniel Cronin Thomas David D' Angelo Justin Michael Decker **Justin Noah Dickenson** Austin Cole Ellis **Conor Patrick Farley** David Lepler Force Noah James Frese Salvatore Giovanni Fuda Michael Brendan Goewey Andre Manard Grady Iohn Robert Graham Matthew James Hamel

Lorenzo James Horvath Austin Raymond Kopp Jack William Ladd Ian Robert Leffler Michael James Leffler Matthew Joseph Mahigian Jaylen Michael McIntyre Liam Patrick O'Brien Nicolas Christopher O'Brien Timothy Ryan O'Connell Daniel Gerard O'Connor Iames Edward O'Neill Patrick Aloysius Pastore Jakil Davon Paul Kaushik Prabhu Pilar Evan John Plante Hunter Thomas Purner Alexander Angelo Remy Harvey Cornelius Robinson Daniel James Rotchford Gregory Allen Rudolph



Michael Thomas Saccocio Matthew Harris Sawicki Dustin George Scaringe Matthew Gregory Seeley James Joseph Lombardo Smith Mitchell Patrick Spencer Thomas Joseph Stanton Joseph Andrew Stiglmeier Michael John Strohmaier Austin Robert Thomas Nasir Latique Tune David Matthew Unser Donald Gordon Vivian Jason Albert Vrolijk Jonathan Joseph Woods Joshua Caleb Wynn

# 8th Grade Moving-Up Ceremony

Jack Anthony Anguish Maxwell Grant Arena Theodore Stuart Banta IV Taj Ahmier Bass Sean Thomas Calagna Britt Hammond Carmer Brendan James Carroll Tucker Bendon Couch Benjamin Thomas Curro Drew Patrick Douglass William Charles Farrand V Benjamin Joseph Farrell Nathaniel David Foster Eric David Fryer Douglas Edward Godin Jeremy Michael Han Alec Scott Haring Justin Paul Henges Michael Christopher Hicks Joseph Francis Hogan Ryan Joseph Hogan Cyrus Dane Horvath Jordan James King Connor Christopher MacMorran Colin James Mance Tyler Robert Marini Louis John McCabe

#### Congratulations to the Future Class of 2019

Justin Jude McCarthy James Patrick McDonald Collin Michael McDonough Colby Christopher McGrath Ke-Shawn Justin Miller Jr. Aaiden Tyler Minarich Ryley Christopher Moran Peter Edward O'Toole Adam Robert Olekoski Anthony David Pizzola Darian Matthew Quinn Stephen John Reutter III John Andrew Sanchirico Tucker David Scaringe John Joseph Seeber IV Nicholas Stanley Serafin Andrew Thomas Signor Marco Peter Spataro Ethan Baliegh Stevens Moses Javier Torres Andrew Crowley Trobridge Sebastian John Trumbull Declan Blaise Tunny Michael Edward Urschel Collin Joshua VanLare Nicholas Michael Warner

# Officers' Commissioning

On May 18, CBA held its annual Officers' Commissioning Ceremony.



Cadet Colonel Nicholas Lewis '16 with his parents Amy and Robert

Congratulations to Cadet Colonel Nicholas Lewis, and the Class of 2016 Commissioned Officers.

COL Nicholas Lewis LTC Elliott Raimo LTC Michael Carnavos LTC John Krohn LTC Joseph Lauria MAJ Kevin LaFleche MAJ Louis LaCivita MAJ Kevin Mullady MAJ Noah Keith MAJ William Van Beusekom MAJ Justin Raia CPT William Byron CPT Daniel Philbin CPT Benjamin Gochee

- CPT Johnny Karrat CPT Riley Newcomb CPT Tyler Hartman CPT Joseph Kolbe CPT Christopher Willox CPT Evan Meyers 2LT Quinn Gleason 2LT Christopher Radliff 2 LT Brendan Zebrowski 2LT Dale MacLeod 2LT Paul Macfarlene 2LT Owen Greene 2LT Giovanni Lisi 2LT Dominic Savona
- 2LT Ethan Mendel
  2LT Noah Sausville
  2LT Connor Munro
  2LT Connor Munro
  2LT Sean Mesick
  2LT Daniel Lenane
  2LT Matthew Crisafulli
  2LT Jacob Bonney
  2LT Robert West
  2LT Robert West
  2LT Jared Hunter
  2LT Dominick Herald
  2LT Aaron DiFiore
  2LT Derek Forchilli
  2LT Austin Weaver
  2LT David Kopyc

# NHS AND NJHS INDUCTION CEREMONY

On Thursday, June 4, twenty-one students were inducted into the National Honor Society and five students were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society. Admission to both NHS and NJHS is highly selective and is based upon scholarship, leadership, character, and service.

# Congratulations to the following New NHS/ NJHS members:

Class of 2016 Quinn Gleason Paul MacFarlane Noah Sausville

#### Class of 2017

Peter Close Henry Fernandez Collin Gauna Thomas Holtzman Scott Trobridge

#### Class of 2018

Christian Italiano Timothy Maggs Nicolas Melillo Dominic Meola Jack O'Hara Joseph Park Colin Patricelli Matthew Patterson Michael Pumiglia Nathan Raia Keegan Skinner Amal Thomas Adam Zebrowski

#### Class of 2019

Drew Douglass Marco Spataro

Class of 2020 Ryan Basile Brandon Henges Daniel Kelly



# Jack Rento '17 Places 2nd in National Forensic Tournament

The CBA Forensic Team traveled to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida in May for the Grand National Forensic Tournament. Jack Rento '17 competed in the Declamation speech class against approximately 250 other students. Jack's award winning speech, *How Schools Kill Creativity* by Sir Ken Robinson, placed him in 2nd in the tournament. Congratulations to Jack on an amazing finish!

Jack Rento '17 with Coach Jeff Raia DTM



# Spring Concert at the Clark Auditorium

The last concert of the year was held at the Clark Auditorium in the NYS Museum. The concert highlighted our Seniors and their musical careers at CBA.

# FLAG LOWERING CEREMONY

The CBA Student Body held its Flag Lowering Ceremony on Thursday, June 11th to signify the end of the school year and to celebrate another year of excellence. Congratulations to Mr. Tom Stanton and Miss Jenifer Kish on receiving the Distinguished Lasallian Educator Award.

Miss Jenifer Kish, Dr. James Schlegel and Mr. Thomas Stanton





# WINTER AND SPRING SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

All of our sports teams ended their season with impressive academic averages.

CBA Hockey had a team academic average of 91. Lacrosse had a team academic average of 94. Basketball had a team academic average of 91.

Baseball had a team academic average of 94.

Indoor track team had an academic average of 97.

# MATT HAMEL '15 RECEIVES TOP STUDENT ATHLETE AWARD

Matt Hamel '15 was named Top Student Athlete among



Independent Schools at the Section 2 Basketball Scholar Athlete Recognition Brunch. Not only did Hamel take a lead role as guard on the basketball court, he also played football and captained the baseball team. In January, Hamel was chosen as Capital Region

Orthopedics Athlete of the Week. Matt is a well-rounded, focused student in the classroom and on the court.

# NYSPHSAA Honors Academic Achievements

The New York State Public High School Athletic Association's Scholar-Athlete Team Award Program has recognized three of CBA's 2015 spring sports seasons for achieving academic excellence while actively participating in varsity level interscholastic athletics. The Outdoor Track and Field, Baseball, and Lacrosse teams were provided with certificates to signify their success.



# Vivian '15 Sets School Records in Varsity Lacrosse

In the game against North Rockland, Don Vivian '15 set two school records with 10 assists and 13 points. Don's 10 assists also tied the Section II singlegame record. He was named Times Union's Second Team Attack All-Star.

# **CBA BOWLING MAKES HISTORY**

Making CBA history does not happen very often. It's one of those sweet memories that you, your family and the school will never forget. It took a seven man team and a strong coaching squad to not only win the 1st Bowling Sectional Championship in school history, but together overcome unimaginable personal tragedy.

Early in the season, Michael Saccocia '15, Zeph Kozakiewicz '16, Dom Savona '16, Chris Radliff '16, Dan Skiba '16, Zackary Terry '17 and AJ Collins '17 showed that they were a very talented team. They won the prestigious Rotterdam Invitational against many



From Left to Right: Chris Radliff '16, Dan Skiba '16, Zeph Kozakiewicz '16, Coach Tom and Michael Saccocio '15

top teams in the area. Coach

McGraw believes that win gave them the confidence needed to compete with any team in Section II. The team went on to post a season record of 15-1.

Under the direction of 3rd year coach, Tom Donato, the team

"We banded together as Brothers, we all remembered him and what he had taught us" -Chris Radliff '16.

was excited and confident when headed into the Section II Tournament on February 11. However, no one could have been prepared for what would happen the day of the sectional tournament. Shortly after arriving at Boulevard Bowl, the team was told that

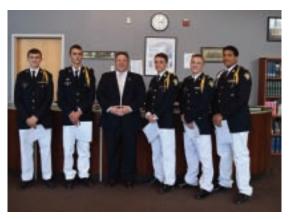
Coach Donato was in the hospital and would be unable to coach them. Soon after warm-ups, Dr. James Schlegel broke the news to them that Coach Donato had just passed away. All devastated and in shock, they huddled together and promised they would remember the things Coach Donato taught them and bowl that day for him.

The team understandably started slow and trailed by 123 pins after the first of six games. With support from Dr. Schlegel, Coach Drescher, Coach Brian McGraw, family, and friends, the Brothers regained composure, closed the gap and took the lead after game three. The Brothers maintained a small lead over Columbia after the fourth game but trailed by 43 pins heading into the sixth and final game. In the final game, the Brothers surged in the final five frames to win the Sectional Championship by 73 pins. Overcome by emotion, the team hugged and cried. The

Brothers received the sectional plaque and immediately called Coach Donato's son, Donato, Zackary Terry '17, Dom Savona '16, Tommy, to tell him what they just accomplished. "My father would be so proud of you," Tommy replied.

On March 7, the Brothers represented Section II in the NYS Tournament in Syracuse where they placed 3rd out of 12 schools. Chris Radliff '16 led the team with a six game total of 1,300 and an individual tournament

best game of 289. That 289 was the highest game of the 2015 NYSPHSAA Bowling Championships. Dom Savona '16 won the



Sportsmanship Award.

The Albany County Executive, Dan McCoy, stopped by CBA to recognize the team for their effort and the Times Union named Zephaniah Kozakiewicz '16 and Chris Radliff '16 to the Bowling All-Stars Team.

They stuck together as Brothers to overcome adversity and reached their team goal. The entire CBA community is so proud of their accomplishments in the face of an unexpected tragedy. Coach Tom Donato Sr. will never be forgotten.

From Left to Right: AJ Collins '17, Michael Saccocio '15, Albany County Executive Dan McCoy, Chris Radliff '16, Zackary Terry '17 and Zeph Kozakiewicz '16.



# INDOOR TRACK

The Dartmouth Relays was just one of the Indoor Track team's stand-out meets. Many runners set personal records including Michael Buyaskas '15, Matt Van der Veer '17, Pete Close '17, Ryan Coffey '17, Nick Lewis '16, Michael Carnavos '16, and Michael Flowers '17. Liam O'Brien '15 ran a personal best and set a school record, running the 1000m in 2:35.08.

Liam O'Brien breaking school record in 1000m

# SCHOLAR ATHLETES SIGN NATIONAL LETTERS OF INTENT



From Left to Right: Athletic Director, Coach Blaine Drescher, Joshua Wynn '15, J.J Smith '15 and Patrick Pastore '15

team and a 2nd-team selection on the Section 2 Class AA All- Star Team.

Sean Connolly '15 signed a National Letter of Intent to play soccer at St. Thomas Aquinas College of the East Coast Conference. Sean led the Brothers to a 12-4-1 overall record in the 2014- 15 season.

Sean Connolly '15 with Varsity Soccer Coach Steve Freeman

**Patrick Pastore '15** signed a National Letter of Intent to play football at Georgetown University of the Patriot League. Patrick was a team captain on the 2014 Football team and a two-year starter on the offensive and defensive lines.

Joshua Wynn '15 signed a National Letter of Intent to play football at University of Albany of the Colonial Athletic Association. Josh is a 1st-Team selection on the Section 2 Class AA All-Stars Team and honorable mention on the All NYS Football Team.

John Joseph Smith '15, signed a National Letter of Intent to play football at Merrimack College of the North East Conference. JJ was a





# TO SERVE

# The Wounded Warrior Project

On Memorial Day weekend, eight 9th graders volunteered at the sixth Annual Memorial Day 100 Wounded Warrior Project, where thirty United States Marine veterans ran a 115-mile relay marathon. Students helped by selling raffle tickets and organizing the silent auction. Students were able to tour the 911 memorial inside of the NYS Museum and speak with many of the veterans about the experiences they've had. The Brothers paid tribute to the Veterans as they began the run. It was a very special day for everyone.





Mitchell Spencer '15 with Jerry Jennings, former mayor of Albany

# STUDENTS HELP RAISE \$2 MILLION FOR CENTER FOR DISABILITY SERVICES

CBA Seniors helped to raise over \$2 million on January 25th during the Center for Disability Service's 55th Annual Telethon. The Center's mission is to enable and empower people, primarily those with disabilities, to lead healthy and enriched lives.

Top: Nick O'Brien '15, Hunter Purner'15

Bottom: Johnny Woods '15, Dan O'Connor '15, and Michael Strohmaier'15



# NHS/NJHS VOLUNTEER AT ST. PETER'S EVENT

On April 18, members of the National Honor Society and National Junior Honor Society volunteered at St.

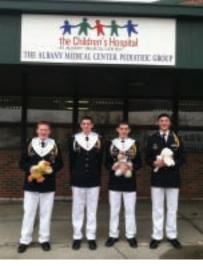


Peter's Journey through the Body event at Colonie Center. This annual event teaches children and teens about the human body and how to develop healthy eating habits.

#### Back: Dylan Couch '16, Jack Rento '17, Max Jones '17, Matt Mahigian '15, Dan Philbin '16, Ethan Mendel '16, Brendan Zebrowski '16 Front: Justin Henges '20, Tom Vielkind '16

# NHS/NJHS VOLUNTEER AT THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

On Good Friday, National Honor Society President, Matthew Mahigian '15 along with members, Jacob



LaChapelle '17, Brendan Zebrowski '16, and Nick Parisi '17 delivered Easter stuffed animals to patients at the Children's Hospital at Albany Medical Center. The stuffed animals were collected by members of the National Honor Society and National Junior Honor Society at CBA.

Jacob LaChapelle '17, Brendan Zebrowski '16, Matthew Mahigian '15 and Nick Parisi '17



# CBA VOLUNTEERED AT THE 2015 SPECIAL Olympic Spring Games

CBA students volunteered at the 2015 Special Olympic Spring Games on Saturday at Hudson Valley Community College. There were over 200 competitors and coaches from throughout the region showing off their skills and competing for awards.



# Middle School Donates to American Cancer Society

Congratulations to Ms. Knight's 8th grade home room for winning the "Penny Wars" contest. The middle school raised close to \$1,000 dollars, which was donated to the American Cancer Society. Thank you to Ms. Knight for organizing this event!



# Spring Concert Benefits Wounded Warrior Project

On May 15, members of the Marching Band were guest artists at the Mendelssohn Club's Spring Concert at Chancellor's Hall. The concert was a benefit for the STRIDE Wounded Warrior Project at Chancellor's Hall.



## Remembering Joe Fingerhut

The Varsity Baseball team presented a check for \$2,500 to the family of Joe Fingerhut, our beloved teacher who lost his courageous battle with cancer. These proceeds were raised by selling t-shirts at the Coaches vs. Cancer game on May 1st. Thank you to the Baseball Booster Club, family, and friends for your support!

Mrs. Kendra Fingerhut throwing an honorary first pitch with Joey and Avery during the Coaches vs. Cancer baseball game

# HONORING OUR VETERANS

CBA students learned unique stories of WWII from interviewing a WWII veteran. Students will continue working closely with the Patriot Flight Foundation to learn more from several other WWII veterans.

These interviews were recorded, documented and published as a book. Accurate historical records were provided to various military museums.

From Left to Right: Allan Atwell, Mr. Lewychyj '09, Joshua Patterson '20, Frank DeSorbo president of Patriot Flight, Ethan Foster '20 and James O'Brien '20.





# 99th JROTC Celebration Anniversary

On April 25, JROTC hosted a 5K Run on the CBA Campus to celebrate the 99th JROTC Anniversary. This event was part of a worldwide commemoration of the anniversary, with units around the world running simultaneously. Nearly 100 people through-out the Capital Region participated in their event.

# **RECYCLING DAY**



# CBA Hosts Patriot Flight Ceremony

CBA was honored to host the Patriot Flight Ceremony where our Veterans met the bus to be transported to Albany Airport for their flight to Washington, D.C. Our Vets were given a Heroes send off, and CBA raised \$1,425 to donate to the Patriot Flight program.



Left to Right: Connor Munro '16, Will Byron '16 and Evan Meyers '16 present a check for \$1,425 to the Patriot Flight American Heroes

# TO BUILD COMMUNITY

# **CBA** Admissions

CBA would like to thank students, faculty, coaches, moderators, alumni, and parents for helping to make the Spring Open House a great success! We had a record breaking number of prospective families attend from a variety of Capital Region schools. Thank you for your support and please continue to share your positive experiences with friends, family and neighbors.



# Connor Munro '16 Demonstrates Bagpipes at St. Pius X School

Connor Munro '16 brought his musical talent on the bagpipes to a class of 3rd graders at St. Pius X School where he played for the students and lectured them on Scottish pipes and traditions.



From Left to Right: Hon. Howard C. Nolan, Jr. '49, Joseph Early '58, Angie Robilotto and Dr. Edward Kampf '61



George Scaringe, father of Chairman Chris Scaringe '82 and grandfather of Forrest '13, Dustin '15, and Tucker '19 with President of the Parents' Association, Joseph LaCivita, parent of Louis '16

# Century Club Dinner

In May, CBA Administration and Board of Trustees hosted their annual Century Club Dinner to celebrate CBA's generous supporters who have donated \$400 or more over the past school year. The Century Club Dinner was held at the Century House in Latham. Thank you to all for your continued support in the success of Christian Brothers Academy!

# 6th Annual Purple and Gold Gala

CBA's 6th Annual Purple & Gold Gala themed The Great Gala at Ninety State Events was a wonderful event that brought together over 360 family and friends of CBA. With the help of auction donors, sponsors, and guests, this year's gala raised \$97,000 for our school. We are so grateful to our



Gala Chair, Monica Marini P'08, '09, '14, '19, with Anne Costigan, Ben Anthony '15 and Sheryl Anthony P'13, '14, '15, '18

volunteer Gala Committee for their hard work and enthusiasm to make this event a success. A special thank you to the 2015 Co-Chairs, Monica & Bob



Father Peter G. Young '49, Dr. James Schlegel and Thomas P. McCarville '59

Marini '84 and James and Paola Horvath, without your guidance this event wouldn't have been possible. Thank you to the many sponsors, volunteers and supporters who contributed to the 2015 gala. We look forward to another exciting event next April.

# POPS CONCERT WELCOMES ALUMNI HOME



On March 28, the CBA Music Department held its fifth Alumni Pops Concert. This concert has become a seasonal favorite. Mrs. Sarah Waite and Mrs. Marble do a terrific job organizing a musical celebration enjoyable for all. The event featured the talents of the Concert Band,

Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble and Jazz Band, and twenty six alumni performers. They performed various pop selections ranging from movies soundtracks to musicals, cartoons and pop classics.



Alumni Include: Steve Marble '00, Michael Salinetti '03, Jeremy DiBari '03, Matt Agan '05, MJ Matthews '05, Aaron Drescher '07, Alex Vitale '07, Joe Volpe '07, Paul Amodeo '08, Christopher Hladik '09, Gene Messercola '10, Carmen Volpe '10, Casey Hladik '11, Dan Mosher '11, Ian Rhatigan '11, Aidan O'Malley '12, Pete Perry '12, Chris Petro '12, Jackson Raimo '12, Brandon Bolger '13, Zaire Coffin '13, Calvin LaVallee '13, Ian Michael '13, Nate Robinson '13, Kieran Rock '13, and Alex Fish '14.

# A DAY WITH JOE VELLANO

Joe Vellano '07 took time out of his busy schedule to visit students at CBA. Joe, a member of the Super Bowl XLIX Champion New England Patriots started his morning at CBA on 1300-AM with Paul Vandenburgh. He then stopped in classrooms to meet and take some pictures with his fellow CBA Brothers.

Later that night, Joe stopped by during the Spring

Open House to speak with incoming families about his experience at CBA.

From Left to Right: Liam O'Brien '15, Nicolas O'Brien '15, Tyler Hartman '16, Patrick Pastore '15, Joe Vellano '07, Ben Anthony '15, Thomas Stanton '15, Salvatore Fuda '15, Don Vivian '15 and Justin Decker '15.





From Left to Right: Dave Yezzi, John Paolino, Phil Donnelly, Rick Nash, Bob Jordan, Bill Clark, Paul Paeglow, Tom King, Charlie Boutin, Jim Foley, Tony Franze, Joe Cotrofeld, Ken Toomey, and Dick Lavigne. Also present were Dave Oberting and John Vroman

# CADET COLONEL BOB STARZEC '59 Sword Dedication



Members from the Class of 1959 paid tribute to their fellow classmate, Cadet Colonel Robert Starzec '59 on June 8, as Bob's sword was donated to CBA by the Starzec family and the Class of 1959. COL Nicholas Lewis '16, LTC John Krohn '16, LTC Elliott Raimo '16 and LTC Michael Carnavos '16 unveiled Bob's sword which now hangs in the Alumni Library.

From Left to Right: Joe Vellano '07,

Dr. Schlegel and

Joe Reilly '56

# Alumni Florida Reunion

CBA's Head of School, Dr. James Schlegel and other members of CBA traveled to Florida on March 7 and 8 to meet and reminisce with some of our alumni. Thank you Mark Mottolese '82 for hosting the Bonita Springs reception, and Augusta and Edward Hodgkinson '60 for hosting our Vero Beach reception – everyone had a great time. We are grateful to Lynn and Gene Zielinski '58 for offering to host next year's alumni gathering at Marco Island, and Mackie and Dick Duch '61 who have offered to host our Vero Beach reception next year. We look forward to returning in 2016 to visit our alumni in Florida!

# Alumni Spotlights

## REGINALD J. MILLS '81 (University of Chicago & Harvard Business School Graduate)



Reggie is the Managing Director, Head of Global Key Client Investments for Deutsche Bank AG in London, United Kingdom. He graduated from the University of Chicago with a Bachelor of Economics in 1985. While at the University of Chicago he was involved in the Howell Murray Association, Maroon Key Honor Society, and was Captain of the Indoor and Outdoor Track Team in which he lettered every year. From 1988-1990 Reggie attended Harvard Business School where we obtained his Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.), general management.

Reggie is the proud father of four children ranging in age from 14 to 25. He and his wife Shannon currently reside in London. Reggie regularly visits his father who lives in the Albany area. Reggie and Shannon recently attended CBA Homecoming where his 1979 State Championship Track and Field team was honored during halftime.



#### What/who influenced your decision to attend CBA?

I went to Public School 27 on Western Avenue until 6th grade. Two of the students in my class, **Keith Kelly '81** and **Thomas Fox '81** told me they were going to CBA. I didn't know anything about CBA but was interested to find out more. I went home and told my mom and dad about other students going to CBA and asked if we could visit the school. Growing up, my mother was a teacher in the public school system and my father was an army veteran so they were extremely happy to hear that I was interested in CBA.

#### How was your experience at CBA?

I loved CBA and had a great experience. I can remember feeling proud and well –dressed when I put my uniform on for the first time. Brother Al helped to get a summer job during my senior year and freshman year in college with the NY DEC in their legal department when I was interested in studying law. After that I decided finance was more appealing but it was a great opportunity to test the career before I went on to college.

#### Why did you choose the University of Chicago upon graduating CBA?

My mother was a teacher and the University of Chicago was known for its' well qualified faculty. Brother Al helped me get into Penn State University but I thought I would look at Chicago too. I really liked it there and decided to attend. I became very involved as the captain of both the indoor and outdoor track teams but make no mistakes, academics was my focus. In my sophomore and junior years, I interned at Lehman Brothers Holding Inc., a major finance firm in NYC.

Upon finishing college I went to work with Solomon Brothers as a Financial Analyst in NYC. I worked very long hours for two years. I worked both in NYC and Chicago. I liked big cities with strong professional sports teams but during those years I did not get to do too much as I spent most of my time working long hours to get ahead. Luckily, I had years of training at CBA to be dedicated and discipline as I worked toward my goal to become a Managing Director.

#### Did you receive your Master of Business Administration from Harvard Business School?

Yes, I graduated with Honors from Harvard Business School - that was a very proud and rewarding moment.

#### What is your proudest professional moment?

Becoming a Managing Director because I got to the highest level in my industry and it was a great achievement that came from a lot of hard work. I was always motivated to become a Managing Director. Also, a real highlight professionally in my life was becoming the Managing Director in Europe of one of the biggest banks in the world. It is a very exciting and fulfilling experience.

#### What are some of your favorite memories at CBA?

I had many but the Officer Commissioning Ceremony was one I'll never forget because my parents were so very proud and honored to be pinning on my rank in front of the class. I enjoyed Graduation, the Mid-Winter Ball, and winning the New York State Championship in Track and Field.

What really affected me was going to school with great student role models. The older boys went on to attend the best colleges and were great athletes; that was a good memory because we all looked up to the upperclassman.

#### What advice do you want to give the Class of 2015?

Make sure you explore the world because it is smaller than you think. Life is an adventure, get out there and live it. You will be a much better person for it, I know I am.

#### Do you have any parting comments?

CBA was the core to my foundation because of the positive experience. This spilled over as a positive influence on my academic and life experiences. The positive environment and the successes I've had at CBA made me try to keep that momentum going and to excel in everything I set out to accomplish. I carried the IROTC leadership training with me and I sometimes seem formal because I treat everyone with the dignity and respect I learned at CBA throughout my life.

#### ACADEMY



# W. BRIAN BARR AFSC '56

#### **CBA**, the Formative Years

Brian followed his brothers to CBA by the direction of his father who was a NYS Trooper and a great fan of the Brothers. Brian was an athlete and made great friends through his involvement in sports. His favorite memories from CBA include playing baseball with the Brothers. One game in particular stands out in Brian's mind. It was

his sophomore year when CBA was playing against VI. Bases were loaded in the 9th inning with VI's best pitcher on the mound. Brian hit the game winning RBI. It was very special to Brian because his oldest brother and father saw the game that day.

Another fond memory of Brian's happened during a JV Basketball game. CBA was down by ten points with six minutes left in the game. Brian and John Pollito '57 went on a run to put the Brother down by one. With no time left on the clock, Brian was fouled and sent to the free throw line. Brian made both free throws to put the Brothers ahead by one for the win. That night, Brian's teacher, Brother James was in the stands watching. At school the next day, Brother James retold that story to explain the secret to "Grace under Pressure." Brian was humbled

#### Call to Service

After graduating from CBA, Brian went on Saint Michael's College and got a degree in Sociology. Brian is truly passionate about working with others. His first job was with Catholic Charities. Brian and his wife Barbara moved to Boston with their two sons to attend Boston College, where Brian received his master's degree. He then returned to the Albany area and continued his career as a social worker.

"Trust in yourself, don't be afraid and believe in vour God" - Brian Barr '56

In the early 80's, Brian joined the Rotary Club of Albany where he founded the Rotary

Youth Recognition program. The Rotary Club partners with St. Catherine's Center for Children, Parsons Child and Family Center, the La Salle School, St. Anne Institute, Community Maternity Services, and Equinox to honor a student from each of the six agencies. Brian has a positive influence on these children's lives to makes sure that they do not feel forgotten by the community, but affirmed and appreciated by the community.

Brian states, "It is a privilege to work with people in distress who are looking for help. You hope that you can provide them with some relief. People do not automatically open up and trust. It takes many steps to get to that level with a person, especially a young person. It is an amazing gift when someone trusts you enough to open up to you and allow you to guide them. It is a tremendous honor to share and listen to help others."

## Alumni Notes

William M. Pugliese, MD '40 at age 92, William volunteers one day a week at Wake Medical Hospital in Day Surgery and is a member of the Cary Seniors Golf League. William is still proud to be a "Brothers Boy". "I wonder how many still remember the Old CBA building on Howard Street?"

Dr. Donald F. Fausel '47 retired from Arizona State University. After 30 years of administrating and teaching, Donald was given the rank of Professor Emeritus. He spent the next four years writing his memoir, *From Blind Obedience to a Responsible Faith*. He decided to become a blogger at www.responsiblefaith.com. Donald moved into an independent living apartment at the Beatitudes Campus in Phoenix. Donald is the founder of *Elders for a Sustainable Future*. His mission is to educate elders about climate change and take actions to save mother earth for our children and grandchildren. "Go Brothers!"

William F. Murphy '48 wife Eileen, the treasure of his life, passed away in January. William and Eileen were married for 62 years. Our condolences go out to the Murphy family.

David Wibbelsman '54 and his wife Barbara had a great visit with Marie and David Riker

'54 when they were in Carlsbad, CA.

Joe Reilly '56, known for his *Reilly on the Radio* show, and his friend Lydia, met the internationally



acclaimed Celtic Woman Irish tour singing group backstage after their SRO crowd in the Capital District.



Dr. Michael A. Gallo '57 is Professor Emeritus at Rutgers

University-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School.

Brother Peter Furlong FSC '58 as of August 1 will be residing at CBA Lincroft, and working as a volunteer at De LaSalle Hall with our Christian Brothers in need of nursing care.

Alexander Brousseau '59 and his wife Maggie became grandparents for the fifth time when their daughter gave birth to an 8lb. 10oz. boy named John Andrew on May 26. Everyone is doing well.

Eugene E. Napierski '61 has completed his ten year term as a member of the CBA Board of Trustees in June of 2015. In June, Eugene will celebrate the 15th anniversary of the law firm Napierski, VanDenburgh, Napierski, O'Connor with his daughter Christine and son Eugene Daniel. He was recently blessed with the birth of grandchild #10.

Allen J. Lescak '63 and his wife Sharon are grandparents! Mia Rowan Bellino was born to Emily and Peter on November 7, 2014. Allen and Sharon spent two weeks with them in Alaska.

Kevin O'Neill '64 was inducted in the Capital District Basketball Hall of Fame in April of 2015.

Robert A. Mercier '68 Deputy for Technology in the High Speed Systems Division at the Air Force Research Laboratory, was recently featured on CNN titled "Moonshots for the 21st Century: A Fareed Zakaria GPS Special Premiere". Fareed explores inspiring futuristic endeavors in science and technology. Bob specializes in hypersonic propulsion and is a 2002 Aviation Week's Laureate Awards Winner in the hypersonic propulsion field. Mercier predicts that commercial hypersonic flight could become reality by 2030 thus making it possible to travel from New York to London in less than two hours. We hope to catch up with Bob in future issues to learn more about his life changing work.

Michael Soares '71 is a retired Captain U.S. Navy Reserve and ExxonMobil Executive. He is currently successfully battling brain cancer GBM stage 4. Michael plays 2nd base in the MSBL over 50 league. He has great memories of CBA from the late 1960's and is still in contact with John. P. Oliver '71 who is a retired GE Vice President. "The Class of 1971 are high achievers!"

Robert J. Rock '74 was named Managing Partner for Tully Rinckey PLLC Corporate Headquarters in Albany.



Michael R. Signor '77 recently transferred to PricewaterhouseCoopers Office in Boston, MA. Mike and his wife Vicki, whose family owns Bella Napoli Bakery in Latham, reside in Loudonville, NY. Mike has four brothers, four sisters, and 30 nieces and nephews, eight of which are CBA graduates, Christopher Kirby '06, Ryan Barnett '07, Christian Signor '11, Andrew Signor '19, Thomas Signor '85, John Signor '82, Peter Purcell '73, and Gregory Kirby '78. Together they enjoy vacation time in Long Beach Island, NJ. It is not uncommon that their dinner reservation count is over 50 people! The aforementioned alumni enjoy commiserating about our times at CBA. Mike wishes all his CBA colleagues well!

Joseph J. Toomey '79 was recently promoted to Executive Deputy Chief of the Albany Fire Department.



Congratulations to Michael Barranca '82, vice president and co-founder of the Rowlands + Barranca Agency on being named Siena College's Entrepreneur of the Year.

Christopher Wohltmann '83 is a General and Trauma Critical Care Surgeon at SIU School of Medicine. His wife and two children ages 18 and 12 doing well.

Justin McCarthy '84 has a lobbying/ consulting practice Justin McCarthy Consulting LLC. He is married to Vanessa, who is an Attorney, and they raising their two children Meredith and Justin III in Albany. Justin III just finished his 8th grade year at CBA and Meredith is entering her senior year at Academy of The Holy Names.

Michael P. Murray '86 is the Marketing Director at SaxBST LLP in Albany. Michael's son Michael, will be attending CBA as a freshman in the fall.

Todd O. Brittell '88 has two sons Robert (5) and Jason (1) and is the chef and part owner at Graney's Bar and Grill in Albany.



Brendan Cox '88 a twentyone year veteran of the Albany Police Department was recently appointed as Albany's next chief of police.

James R. Franchini '91 was recently named Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations at Voorheesville Central School District.

James and Dr. James Schlegel at Sage Colleges 2015 Commencement



Congratulations to Michael Ozimek '92 who was named CFO of Trustco Bank.

Lt. Col. Todd Mahar '93 successfully completed a two year tour as the Marine Military Aide to Vice President Biden and will take command of 3rd Battalion 6th Marines in 2016. Robert Federici '94 has been coaching baseball at CBA for five years now. His JV team had another great season, posting a 15-5 record.

John D. McGrath, R.Ph. '95 is living in Maine and working as the Vice President of Delhaize America. In March, John joined us at CBA for a tour of the campus!



John D. McGrath, R.Ph. with Rob Groelz '94

Steve Marble '00 and his wife Kelly live in New Hampshire with their two dogs and two boa constrictors. Steve works as a sales representative and trainer for a dental equipment manufacturer.

Jeremy Di Bari '03 is a father of two. He is working as a Veterinarian and will graduate from SUNY Upstate Medical University in 2015 before entering the Family Medical Residency program.

Mike Salinetti '03, his wife Carolyn, and son Charlie live in Boston. Mike graduated from MIT Sloan School of Management and is working as a Management Consultant for L.E.K Consulting.

Matt Agan '05 was recently married to Sara Krawczyk on June 19, 2015. Matt is the Alumni **Relations Director** and AP History Teacher at CBA.



Stephen P. Astemborski '05 moved to Greenville, South Carolina to work as an Operations Leader in GE Gas Turbines plant.



Joe Vellano '07 is a defensive lineman for the Super Bowl XLIX Champions, the New **England** Patriots.

Jeremy M. Weremeichik '07 studies Experimental Calcium Carbonate Geochemistry in the Department of Geosciences at Mississippi State University (MSU). He is currently working as a teaching assistant at MSU. In August of 2014, Jeremy was published in a Journal of Cave and Karst Studies.

Justin W. Hearley '08 has successfully attained membership to the Professional Golfers' Association of America (PGA) as a PGA Class A Golf Professional. Justin is currently the first Assistant Golf Professional at Normanside Country Club in Delmar.



Theodore Saraza '08 is studying in the Philippines for a Bachelor of Science in nursing. Ted spent the last two years studying abroad. He is hoping to finish school in 2017.

Samuel Gelman '09 was named to the New York Business Journal's People on the Move. Works for two separate firms in Manhattan, one being Brown Harris Stevens doing Investments for Commercial Real Estate

and the other being Park Street Ventures Finance, specializing in Venture Capital and Real Estate Development Capital.

Samuel with Donald Trump

of 2013 from RPI, summa cum laude, with a B.S. in Electrical Engineering. Christopher is currently in graduate school at RPI for Electrical Engineering, with a research concentration in power and controls. In 2014, Christopher was awarded a National Science Foundation research fellowship.

Gregory Larsen '09 graduated from The United States Military

Academy on Memorial Day weekend.



Christopher Hladik '09 graduated in May



Michael Gormley '09 and Andrew Vivian '09 with Greg Larsen at graduation



Andrew Sellner '09 completed a Student Internship at the Albany International Airport Control Tower shadowing a certified FAA controller. Andrew attended the University of North Dakota where he studied in the John D. Odegard School of Aerospace Sciences. He plans to graduate in December of 2015 as an Air Traffic Control with a minor in Aviation Safety. This summer, Andrew plans to intern with Noblis, a non-profit science, technology, and management organization in Washington, DC. With all of Andrews' experiences, he believes that CBA has taught him leadership skills that have contributed to his success.

Gene Messercola '10 received a bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering from Boston University in 2014. He is currently working towards a master's degree in Mechanical Engineering at Clarkson University.

Casey Hladik '11 graduated in May of 2015 from Siena College, summa cum laude, as an Honors Fellow with a B.A. in Biology and a minor in Philosophy. Casey will begin working on a M.D. degree at Albany Medical College this August. As part of the Siena/ Albany Medical College Science, Humanities and Medicine Program, Casey spent last summer on a service trip to Haiti, and then took two follow-up service trips to Haiti in his senior year.



Trevor Lacosse '11 was drafted by the Miami Marlins in the 23rd round of the Major League Baseball Amateur Draft.

Matt Schiesel '11 was awarded a Fulbright Teaching Assistantship Grant for the 2015-2016 academic years. Matt will be teaching English in a University classroom and will act as a cultural ambassador between the United States and people of Poland.

Pete Perry '12 is studying Creative Media at Champlain College in Burlington, Vt.

Aidan O'Malley '12 is studying Political Science at the College of Saint Rose.



John Bassett '13, Joshua Frese '13, and Andrew Curro '13 visited CBA together in May. John attends Merrimack College in Mass., Josh attends The College of St. Rose, and Andrew attends New England College.

Brandon Bolger '13 is studying Industrial Engineering at Western New England University.



Samuele Polsinelli '13 attends the United States Naval Academy and lives in Annapolis, Maryland. Kieran Rock '13 is studying English at Manhattan College.

John C. Wojtowicz '13 recently received an associate degree from Hudson Valley Community College (HVCC) and was named to the President's List for the 2015 Spring Semester. John will continue his education at Morrisville State College where he will be pursing Diesel Technology in the fall.

Harry Gochee '14 is training to be a pilot. In March, Harry came back to CBA to visit.

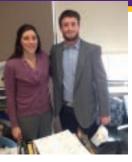
Harry Gochee '14 with Ben Gochee '16





Nicholas Marini '14, studies Construction Management at Roger Williams University. Above is a picture of Nick with Justin Marini '08, Brandon Marini '09, Tyler Marini '19 and Robert Marini '84 at Tyler's 8th Grade Moving- Up Ceremony

Matthew McAuliffe '14 attends Temple University in Philadelphia, PA. In March, Matthew came back to CBA to catch up a few of his teachers like Mrs. Michele Connolly.





Jared Raia '14 and Bishop Edward Scharfenberger led a Walk for Life around New York's state capitol building last June.

Greg Stire '14 appeared in all 33 games at forward for the UAlbany Great Danes and won the America East Conference Tournament.



## THANKS FOR YOUR PICTURES!

Thank you to Katherine Murphy, Joann Hoose, Mike Gallitelli, Gene Laparco and all other friends and alumni who generously shared their pictures. We welcome all photos that you are willing to share. Please forward them to Fallon Witte at witte@ cbaalbany.org.

# SHARE YOUR NEWS!

Alumni Notes are a wonderful way to let your classmates know about your professional and personal achievements. To appear in our next issue of the Chronicles, please contact Matt Agan '05 at agan@cbaalbany.org, (518) 452-9809 ext. 165 or Fallon Witte at (518) 452-9809 ext. 120, witte@cbaalbany.org

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# ALUMNI CLASS REUNION INFORMATION:

Class of '50 celebrates its 70th ReunionClass of '80 celebrates its 35th ReunionClass of '55 celebrates its 65th ReunionClass of '85 celebrates its 30th ReunionClass of '60 celebrates its 60th ReunionClass of '90 celebrates its 25th ReunionClass of '65 celebrates its 55th ReunionClass of '95 celebrates its 20th ReunionClass of '70 celebrates its 45th ReunionClass of '00 celebrates its 15th ReunionClass of '75 celebrates its 40th ReunionClass of '05 celebrates its 10th Reunion

All Classes whose graduation years end in "5" or "0" will celebrate their reunions this year. If you are interested in assisting your class in planning a reunion, please contact Matt Agan '05 in the CBA Alumni Office at 518-452-9809 ext. 165 or agan@cbaalbany.org.

**Class of '49:** The Class of '49 meets every third Tuesday of each month at Martel's Restaurant at Capitol Hills Golf Course. All are welcome. Please contact William Toomey at williamtoomeyjr@gmail.com for more information.

**Class of '50:** The Class of '50 will be holding their 65th reunion on September 30th and incorporating the Golden Plus Luncheon into their celebration. More information will be coming out to the members of the class in the coming weeks. If you have any questions or would like to help please contact Jim Ford '50 at 518-459-8851.

**Class of '53:** The Class of '53 meets for lunch at 1:00 pm on the second Friday of every month at the Desmond Hotel on Albany-Shaker Road in Colonie. You are welcome to attend. Please contact Paul Cooney at pfcpels@aol.com for more information.

**Class of '55:** The Class of '55 will hold there reunion on Friday, October 2nd. More information on a time and place will be coming out to the class shortly. If you have any questions please contact Bill Straney '55 at 518-449-7930.

**Class of '59:** The Class of '59 has been meeting for lunch every other month since January 2011. Currently they meet every other month at either Lanie's or Beff's. Please contact Dave Yezzi at cdyezzi@aol.com for more information.

**Class of '60:** The Class of '60 will be celebrating their 55th reunion September 18th through the 20th. The celebration will be a three day event with classmates coming from all over the country. Friday, September 18th there will be a golf outing (golf site to be determined) followed by pizza and wings at the Orchard Tavern in Albany. There will be a dinner on Saturday the 20th at Albany Country Club beginning at 6:30 pm followed by a Brunch at Prime at Saratoga National Golf Course 10:30 the next day. The class of '60 still meets for lunch every second Tuesday at Lanie's Café in Loudonville at noon. If you would like more information about the reunion please contact Ed DeCosmo at cosemed@yahoo.com.

**Class of '65:** The Class of '65 will be celebrating their 50th reunion September 25th and 26th. An evening social is being organized for September 25th and a cruise, school tour, mass and sit down dinner is being organized on September 26th. Please contact Jerry Spicer '65 at jspicer@st-cath.org or Jim Fiore '65 at jspicer@yahoo.com to update your contact information and receive emails and mailings for the reunion.

**Class of '05:** The Class of '05 will celebrate their 10th reunion at the Saratoga Race Track on Saturday, August 15th. The details are being finalized and more information will be sent out. If you need to update your contact information or you have any questions please contact Matt Agan '05 at agan@cbaalbany.org or 518-452-9809 ext. 165 or Dave Schwartz '05 at davidtscwartz@yahoo.com or 518-369-1359.

# SAVE THE DATES:

#### 16th Annual CBA Golf Tournament

Alumni, family, and friends will join us on Monday,



August 31 for CBA's 16th Annual Golf Tournament. Tony Sabatino '67, Jim Smith '66 and George Scaringe are the Tournament Chairs. Thank you to our sponsors, supporter and golfers. All proceeds from the Golf Tournament will benefit the Big Brothers for Education

Scholarship Program.

#### CBA Athletic Hall of Fame Induction

On Friday, October 2, CBA will honor alumni that will be inducted into the CBA Athletic Hall of Fame during halftime of the Homecoming football game. On Saturday, October 3, CBA will hold a brunch and formal induction ceremony. Inductees include Eugene Napierski '61, Michael Crotty '63, Edward Lange '69, Charles Farmer '70, Victor Peppers '84, Michael Preisser '86, and David Byrd '95. Congratulations to these outstanding athletes. Information will be forthcoming.

# **BIG BROTHERS FOR EDUCATION**

A Christian Brothers Academy education is not just a privilege, it is an opportunity. Big Brothers For Education is a scholarship program that allows students who may not otherwise have the opportunity to attend CBA to do so. Boys who come through our school are challenged in both mind and spirit; they are taught discipline, and leadership; and are guaranteed, after successful completion of their coursework, to have the opportunity to continue their education.

When asked about his CBA experience, an alumnus commented, "CBA nurtured me through adolescence and provided me with

"The motivation to become a Big Brother was to 'give back'. When I was at a fork in the road, CBA helped me find the right direction. The Brothers sacrificed and gave of themselves greatly for me- teaching me humility" -William J. Adams '59 an all-around education. Not just academics or sports, but most importantly structure and values. It gives you a faeli



values. It gives you a feeling of pride unlike any other school."

Each year, we watch with pride as students who walked into the school as boys graduate as young men who are respectable, honorable, and brimming with vigor to take on the next chapter of their lives.

As a student, David Wimbush '99 was sponsored by a Big Brother. "The school helped me establish a foundation that built my faith and character," he said. "It directed me on my path to manhood, and I am forever indebted and grateful to the Big Brother who sponsored me."

Investments made by "Big Brothers" are the reason several students are able to experience a CBA education. Being a Big Brother is not just about financial assistance, but about providing a priceless gift for a lifetime.

Please consider making a difference in the lives of our boys.

Your investment, at any sponsorship level, can deliver boys an education - and experience - unlike anything they would receive at another school. For more information, or to donate to the Big Brothers for Education scholarship program, please contact Colleen Ward at 518-452-9809 ext 112 or ward@cbaalbany.org.

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Dear CBA Family,

I hope you have enjoyed the Chronicles and our evolving format over these past few years. We strive to update parents, alumni and friends about the wonderful developments at CBA and in the lives of our alumni, and to gratefully acknowledge our donors and their generous



support.

With so many events to report about CBA and our community we have decided to use the Chronicles just as a newsletter, and add an Annual Report at the end of each fiscal year (July 1st through June 30th) highlighting the outstanding support of our community and the financial strength it creates at CBA. The Annual Report will serve as our standard presentation of annual achievements and benefactor recognition, to provide us a way to share our financial highlights.

You are a vital part of CBA's enduring progress – thank you for your ongoing support. Just as our legacy of greatness was built on bold hearted visionaries, so too must our future be inspired and shaped by the same courageous spirit.

Contributions great and small are appreciated and necessary to sustain our school and its' mission and are celebrated. With a clear vision to direct us and the spirit and commitment of the CBA family to propel us, we continue to produce outstanding leaders. Thank you for your part in this accomplishment.

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

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Colleen Ward Director of Institutional Advancement



# Lt. Col. Todd J. Clark Memorial Highway

NYS Senate passed a bill designating a portion of Route 146 in Guilderland the "Lt. Col. Todd J. Clark Memorial Highway" in honor of our Brother Lieutenant Colonel Todd J. Clark '90.

# In Memoriam

Mr. Rodney Bobbins '59 Mr. Wendell Brunner '40 Mr. James Burgess '49 Mr. Joseph Cahill '49 Mr. Michael Cenci '65 Mr. Daniel Davey '39 Mr. Nicholas Fiscarelli '51 Mr. John Forner Jr.'39 Mr. James French '56 Mr. Raymond Gaylord II '53 Rev. Robert Keel '48 Mr. Thomas Krug '52 Mr. Richard Lancto '51 Mr. Edward Lange '69 Mr. Robert Mahoney '57 Mr. Francis Mason '43 Mr. Stephen McNally '39 Mr. Thomas Mittler '54 Mr. William Mulderry '52 Mr. Francis O'Brien '56 Mr. James O'Brien '52 Mr. Ralph Perrino '42 Mr. Robert Powers '47 Mr. James Rocco Mr. Richard Smith '54 Mrs. Miriam Swift Mr. Darren Testo '09 Mr. James Thorpe Jr. '68 Mr. Donald Welch '45





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# Upcoming Events

	•	Alumni	Golf	Tournament
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- New Family Picnic @ CBA Pavilion
- First Full Day of School
- Flag Raising & 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony
- Varsity Football vs. LaSalle "Battle for the Saber"
- Meet the Teachers Night
- Alumni Golden Plus Luncheon
- Homecoming vs. Guilderland
- Homecoming Dance
- Honors Night
- CBA Band Play at West Point
- CBA Phonathon
- Open House
- Veterans Day Parade
- Alumni NYC Gathering
- CBA Thankathon
- Christmas Concert at Clark Theater
- CBA Christmas Liturgy
- 6th Annual CBA Alumni Basketball Tournament
- August 31 September 2 September 11 September 11 September 11 September 22 September 30 October 2 October 3 October 7 October 10 Oct 25, 26, 27 & Nov 1, 2, 3 October 29 November 11 November 12 November 18, 19, 20 December 16 December 18 December 28, 29