

# Spartan Sentinel

Welcome to the Spartan Sentinel, our bi-weekly electronic newsletter for all things DePaul Catholic.

This will be the last edition of The Sentinel for the 2018-2019 school year. The newsletter will return in September. Thank you!

#### A Message From The President Dr. Robert Stickles

I am pleased to advise you that Bishop Serratelli has appointed Father Andrew Dutko as our DePaul Catholic chaplain. Father Andrew, who assumed his new position with us on June 13th, takes over for Father Julio Barrios, whom the Bishop has appointed as Administrator of Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Highland Lakes.

Father Andrew is new to the priesthood, having been ordained by Bishop Serratelli just last month. But his is a remarkable resume, as he had a wide range of experiences before discerning his vocation as a priest. After graduation from Pope John XXIII High School in 1990, he served four



years in the Marines before earning an Associate's Degree in Mathematics at Sussex County Community College and then a Bachelor's Degree with Honors in Business Administration from Rutgers University. He then managed science labs for public and private concerns, including Princeton University, before returning to the armed forces as a civilian attached to the United States Army in Afghanistan, working in counterintelligence. Returning to this country, he entered the seminary in 2012, which led to a Master of Divinity Degree and his ordination on May 11th. Truly a unique, and fascinating, story.

Father Andrew, who'll be living at St. Anthony Parish in Hawthorne, will be with us on a full time basis, teaching some Theology classes, working in our Campus Ministry program, and acting as spiritual advisor to our students, faculty and staff. We are blessed to have him.

I'm sure you join me in welcoming Father Andrew to our Spartan community, and wishing him all the best as he begins this new chapter in his life.

Principal's Corner Mr. Russell Petrocelli

Dear Spartan Community:

We have reached the end of the 2018-2019 School Year and preparations and planning

have already started for the 2019-2020 School Year.

On Wednesday night, June 19, we welcomed the Class of 2023 for a Barbeque and an evening of ice breakers. This was a wonderful opportunity for them to come together and bond as a class and get to know one another.

Starting Monday, July 1st, the school offices will be operating under our summer hours. The offices will be open from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM – Monday to Thursday. All offices will be closed on Fridays up to, and including, August 16, 2019.

#### The offices will be CLOSED on Monday, July 1st due to building repairs.

All members of the DePaul Catholic High School community are invited to Mass in the Chapel at 11:30 AM on Mondays – Thursdays throughout the entire summer.

#### Important dates to remember:

August 21 – Book Day

August 28 – New Student Orientation (3:30 PM – 7:30 PM)

September 3 – First Day of School – Full Day (7:30 AM)

September 17 – Back to School Night (7:00 PM)

Please visit this newsletter on a regular basis to be brought up to speed on the happenings across the campus. If you are a graduate and are in the neighborhood, please stop in and say hello.

St. Vincent DePaul...Pray for Us!

Russell D. Petrocelli Principal

# Moving Forward...

Mr. John Merritt '71

Vice Principal, Student Life

#### The DePaul Way

It was fun to witness another group of seniors graduate on June 4th. The smiles, the joy, the apprehension, the anticipated freedom....all the things new graduates experience. It was also fun to play golf and dine with the folks who attended the annual Sister Patricia Golf Outing last Monday. It was interesting to see and hear where their lives have taken them and continue to take them. The dining room at North Jersey Country Club was filled with laughter, stories being told (some embellished a bit) and reminiscing. It was also a time when good folks reached deep into their pockets to support the Sister Patricia Scholarship Fund. What a great day!

It seemed to me that the people in attendance reflected all that is good in a DePaul Alum or Friend of DePaul. They seemed to reflect what I call **The DePaul Way.** 

#### The DePaul Way, to me, is the following....

The person who checks their ego at the door before they enter;

The person with a quiet confidence that is cemented by a strong faith in God;

The person who believes in the strength of family, whether it is their own family or the DePaul family;

The person who is competitive, compassionate and kind.

Sometimes, as I am in the forest of every day DePaul, I can't see what DePaul has been teaching for over 60 years. *Teaching the DePaul Way* 

I saw *The DePaul Way* first hand last Monday, kind people with big hearts.

Congratulations and thank you to all 60 years of DePaul Alums and Friends.

# Happy Summer! Please join us for the 9 and Dine on September 5th.

# **Spartan Nation**

# Important Dates From The Athletic Department, 2019-2020

- July 8th July 25th Youth Summer Sport Camps
- July 27th August 4th-Summer "Blackout" No Contact Period
- **August 30th** Football Home Opener vs. Pope John 7pm
- **September 5th** <u>9 and Dine benefiting Spartan</u>
  <u>Athletics</u> (4:30pm @ Passaic County Golf Course, dinner at The Barnyard)
- October 12th NFL Celebrity Basketball Game at DePaul (Purchase Tickets Here!)
- March 19th- Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony (@ The Grove)
- June 15th 27th Annual DePaul Catholic Golf Classic (@ North Jersey Country Club)



#### 2020 Athletic Hall of Fame Nominations

The DePaul Catholic Hall of Fame dinner is an opportunity to recognize the outstanding achievements in athletics for both alumni and coaches as well as others who have made a significant contribution to the DePaul Catholic Athletic Program; an integral component of our school and the entire community. Each member of the Hall of Fame has offered their own contribution in shaping and developing DePaul Catholic's athletic program through their own outstanding accomplishments. Please take a moment to nominate someone whom you believe is deserving of induction to the Hall of Fame.

Click here for the nomination form.

# **Spend Your Summer As A Spartan**

# **Sport Camps**

DePaul Catholic offers a variety of Sports Camps in the month of July. Open to students in grades 3 to 9, DPCHS is "The Place To Become A Champion" each summer. All camps are coached by our own DePaul Spartan coaching staff.

Click here to register for one of the summer sport sessions.

July 8 - 11 Football I Boys Basketball I Girls Lacrosse Boys Lacrosse

<u>July 15-18</u> Boys Basketball II Football II

<u>July 22 - 25</u> Baseball Girls Volleyball Questions? Brynn Merritt Campbell merrittb@dpchs.org

# **Academic Enrichment Program**

DePaul Catholic hosts a variety of Academic Summer Programs. Please contact Ms. Kimberly Forsyth, Coordinator of Summer Study, with any questions or concerns. <a href="mailto:summerstudy@dpchs.org">summerstudy@dpchs.org</a>.

**July 15-25, 2019** (Monday—Thursday)

Session I 8:30am –10:15am • High School English Enrichment • STEM Science Discovery

Session II 10:20am—12:05pm · High School Algebra Enrichment

> Session III 12:30pm—1:30pm · Study Skills for Success

August 5-8, 2019 (Monday—Thursday) · HSPT Exam Prep For Success

For more information or to register, please click here.

# Admissions Office Ms. Anne Rotundo Director of Admissions

The Office of Admissions hosted our New Student BBQ on Tuesday, June 19th, and it was a hit! Students participated in icebreaker activities and met their peers as they begin the next chapter together as members of the Spartan family. The Office of Admissions will be open during the summer months, and we welcome prospective families to come visit us. Make sure to check out our Academic Summer Camps. Summer is a great time to prepare for the upcoming school year. We wish all of our students and families a safe and restful summer.

#### Advancement News

Ms. Carmela Raiti
Director of Advancement

A Note from Joe Laborsky '68 to our 2019 graduates DePaul Catholic Alumni Association Board of Governors

On behalf of the more than 11,000 members of the DePaul Catholic Alumni Association, we congratulate all of you on your graduation and wish you continued success in all of your future endeavors. Enjoy every moment that this special occasion has to offer and know that your DePaul Catholic diploma will serve you well for the rest of your life. It has for me (Class of '68), my wife (Class of '69) my sons (Class of '98 & '03) as well as many of my DPC friends and all of the Alums that came before you.

It's important to stay in touch, especially as you move ahead in your studies and careers. Take a moment to join the Alumni Association and keep us informed of your whereabouts:

http://weblink.donorperfect.com/AlumniUpdate19

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly at labso68@optonline.net.

Warmest Regards,

Joe Laborsky '68

# 2nd Annual Brian Buczek Memorial 9-Hole Golf Outing

July 13, 2019

Preakness Valley
Golf Course
Tee time: 2:30 pm
Buffet Dinner at Golf Course: 5:30 pm
Golf and Dinner is \$125
Dinner only - \$50
Hole Sponsor - \$150

Event Sponsor - \$1,000



The Brian Buczek Memorial Golf Outing is a day where the Spartan community will remember one of its past legends by aiding in the endeavors of its future athletes. To know Brian was to know DePaul Catholic. He had a passion for his family, friends, teammates, and football.

Please join the Buczek family and the DePaul community as we honor the past, build a greater future, and remember one of DePaul's finest,

Brian Buczek!

#### Reserve Your Spot Today!



This Scholarship Fund was established to support a DePaul Catholic Student in his or her sophomore through senior years. It recognizes an athlete featuring many of Brian's qualities – passion, humility, confidence and the love of fellow teammates and students.

All proceeds from the Golf Outing benefit this Scholarship Fund.

Thank you for being a part of Brian's legacy.



### Win 4 Tickets Yankees vs. Red Sox

@ Yankee Stadium Friday, August 2nd First Pitch: 7:05pm

Section 213, Row 1 Value: \$1,200

Tickets: \$20

To purchase tickets, please call Stan at 973-222-1458 or email <a href="mailto:raitic@dpchs.org">raitic@dpchs.org</a>.

Proceeds to The Brian Buczek Scholarship Fund.

Tickets will be drawn at the Brian Buczek Memorial Golf Outing on July 13th. Winner need not be present.

### Save the Date



DePaul Catholic Alumni Association Homecoming Kick Off October 4, 2019 DePaul vs. St. Peter's

Homecoming: 5:30PM Game: 7:00PM

For more info, contact alumni@dpchs.org

#### **Amateur Radio License Exams**

submitted by Dr. Wagoner

Congratulations to Alexa LoMonaco '20, Zachary Ruighaver '22, Michael Zepernick '20, Anes Abdrabou '22, Olivia Peiser '20 who passed the Technician Class license exam on Monday, June 17th. They qualified to operate a radio in the FCC Amateur Radio Service. The privilege includes transmit power levels up to 1500 watts, international, satellite, voice, and digital communications.

### Wrapping Up AP US History

submitted by Mr. Cook

On Wednesday, June 12, Mr. Cook's AP US History classes ended the year in style. Over the course of the previous several weeks, the students had created pitches for movies about US History subjects. These movie pitches included scene descriptions, screenplays, movie trailers & posters, and proposed cast lists. The movie pitches were evaluated, nominees were chosen, and awards were announced & presented on the last day of classes — as students enjoyed sparkling cider and popcorn.

Winners included "Best Adapted Screenplay" for *The Immortal Irishman*, based on a book by Timothy Egan from which students read excerpts earlier this year; "Best Promo Poster" for Crook, a story of the Watergate Scandal; "Best Comedy, Musical, or Animated Feature" for Bone Heist, a live-action retelling of the Bonnie & Clyde story with dogs standing in for the characters; and several others. The big award of the day, "Best Picture," was presented to *King Street Massacre*, a film about the Boston Massacre.

It was a fun and exciting end to a year full of stress and hard work in AP US History.

### What's The Scoop?

submitted by HSA

#### SPECIAL THANK YOUS

The DePaul Catholic Parents' Association would like to recognize two more Senior Parents for the roles they played and the talents they shared with our school. Congratulations and best of luck to Grace Conklin, A+ School Rewards Coordinator and Tracey Nardone, the Calendar Raffle Coordinator. We thank you for your service, dedication and hard work. Your smiling faces will be missed!





We would like to thank Donna DiPiano for all the time she has devoted to DPCHS. Donna, the Co-Chair of the Tricky Tray Committee, began her decade of support before she was actually a parent at the school then, volunteered for the 8 years while her children attended DePaul and she continues to serve today. Where there was a need she gladly filled it and always enjoyed the opportunity to give back, meet people and get involved with the DP family. I guess it's no coincidence she has DP in her name!





The Spartan spirit shines through in everything Chris and Maryann Marren do for DePaul. The Marren's who have volunteered at DP since 2010, have always lent a helping hand no matter the cause. During the past 4 years Chris served as VP and President of the Parents' Association alongside Maryann who Co-Chaired the Tricky Tray the past 2 years but you may also remember seeing them at the gate or making funnel cakes during football games or you may have met them at an Open House, Back to School Night or even at Our Distinguished Alumni Gala. Their contributions to the DPCHS community are difficult to summarize in a few short words but those who know you know what you do and sincerely appreciate it. Thank you!

The Parents' Association would like to thank Bill for his 6 years of service to the group and DePaul. Bill played an instrumental role in updating and operating the snack stand during his tenure. It's safe to say almost all of the hamburgers and hot dogs ever cooked at our football games were cooked by him and he is also partly responsible for the endless supply of hot chocolate and coffee at those games, too! Bills smile, good nature, and willingness to pitch in are just some of the things we'll miss about him. Best wishes!



Our two green donation bins are in the back corner of the parking lot and will be available all summer. Drop your clothing, linen and/or shoe donations any time.

#### 2019 FALL SNACK SHACK VOLUNTEERS

If you're interested in learning how you can serve DePaul by volunteering in the snack shack please email Allison at <a href="mailto:dabeshada@aol.com">dabeshada@aol.com</a> for more information. Here are the first few dates the snack shack will be open 8/30, 9/6,9/20 and 9/27. Its a great opportunity to meet fellow parents and catch a great game!

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