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Great things are being accomplished every day at University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Health, and many Patriots are playing key roles in leading the way. Full story on page 4.

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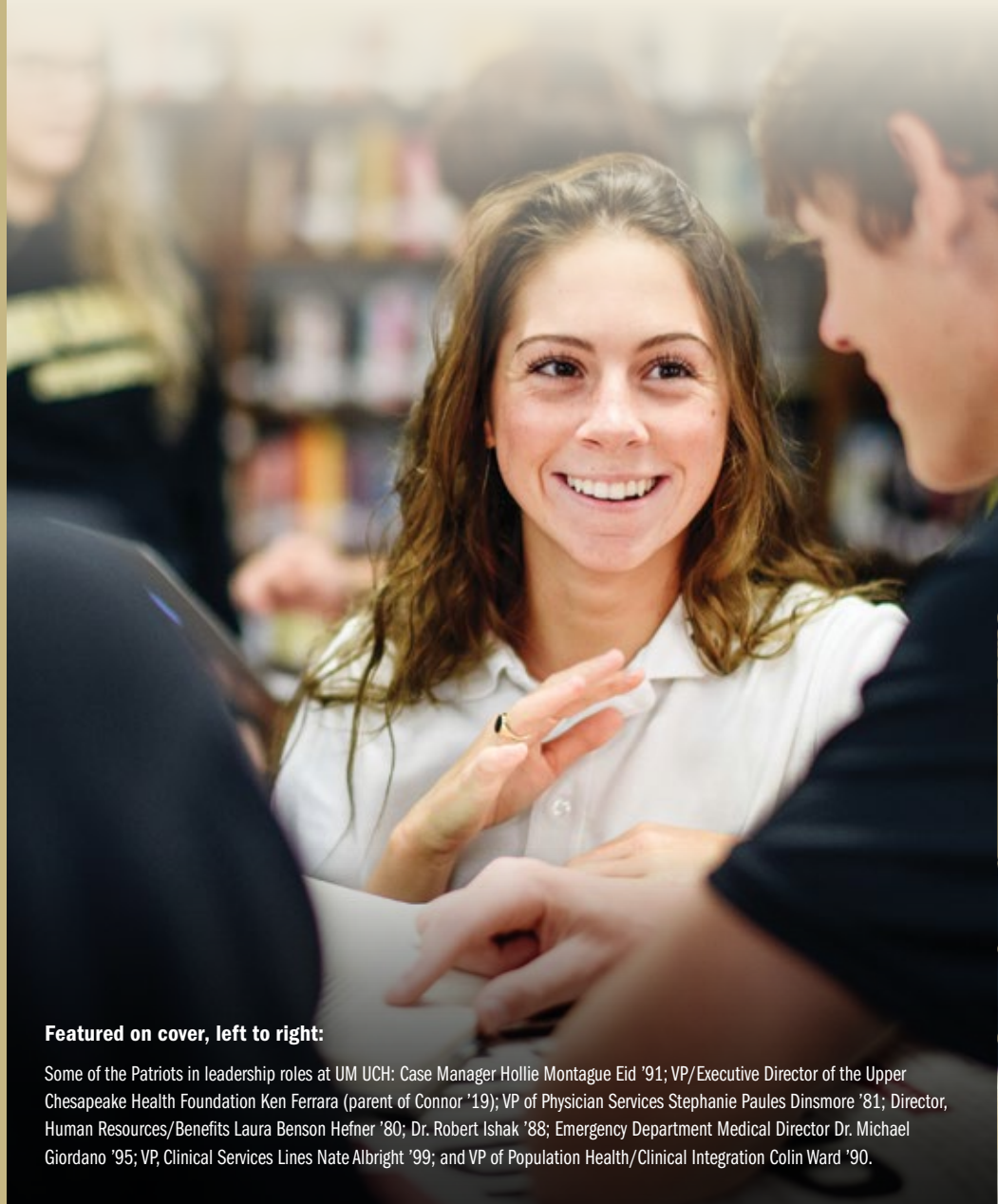
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Some of the Patriots in leadership roles at UM UCH: Case Manager Hollie Montague Eid '91; VP/Executive Director of the Upper Chesapeake Health Foundation Ken Ferrara (parent of Connor '19); VP of Physician Services Stephanie Paules Dinsmore '81; Director, Human Resources/Benefits Laura Benson Hefner '80; Dr. Robert Ishak '88; Emergency Department Medical Director Dr. Michael Giordano '95; VP, Clinical Services Lines Nate Albright '99; and VP of Population Health/Clinical Integration Colin Ward '90.

Message from the President



They say you are known by the company you keep. With that in mind, I am very proud of our partnership with University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Health and the John Carroll alumni who play key roles in the success of both organizations.

Throughout the region, indeed around the globe, our Patriot alumni are building networks of positive partnerships. From board rooms of multi-national corporations to start-up garages; from the stages of big-city auditoriums to the pulpits of country churches, John Carroll graduates are making a difference. As you read through this issue of *Connections*, take note of the wide-range of activities and accomplishments of our students and graduates.

While our alumni have demonstrated leadership and success on a global basis, I am very pleased to report their increased presence and influence right here on campus. I want to recognize and thank the members

of our Alumni Advisory Board for their commitment and counsel. Their voice is instrumental in helping us chart the path forward for John Carroll. I also want to thank our alums who gathered to celebrate reunions, with a special tip of the hat to the class of 1968 who came together to celebrate JC's first 50th reunion. Since September, we have inducted a new class to the Athletic Hall of Fame, celebrated the Football champions of 1968, hosted our alumni casts of "Hello, Dolly!" and welcomed an enthusiastic Homecoming crowd.

I encourage our alumni, parents and friends to visit John Carroll. As the weather warms the campus is teeming with activity and excitement. You will be impressed by our students. Come by to see a show, watch a game, catch up with classmates at Alumni Weekend, experience the Senior Showcase or visit your teachers and coaches. We are always happy to see you.

Steve DiBiagio

President, The John Carroll School



FEATURED PARTNERSHIP:

University of Maryland *Upper Chesapeake Health*

Over the course of the 54 years The John Carroll School has been in operation, the school has become closely aligned with some of the leading institutions in Harford County. This article focuses on the numerous ways we interact with one of the most important organizations in the region, and the second largest employer in the county: University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Health (UM UCH).



Dr. Sumit Bassi, medical director for sports medicine at UM UCH, works to get and keep JC athletes healthy.

Great things are being accomplished every day at UM UCH, and many Patriots are playing key roles in leading the way. Vice President of Physician Services Stephanie Paules Dinsmore '81 states, "It's been my privilege to work at UM UCH for over 20 years. Our leadership team, many of whom are JC alum or parents, works hard every day to assure access to high quality healthcare for our community. We frequently have the opportunity to partner with other agencies and organizations on initiatives aimed to improve the overall wellbeing of the community. In doing so, we often find a JC connection—past, present or future."

As the second largest employer in the county, nearly 85% of the UM UCH team live in Harford and Cecil Counties. This important regional institution ensures access to outstanding health care, close to home, truly making UM UCH a place where "neighbors take care of neighbors." Director of Community Outreach and Health Improvement Vickie Ensor Bands, MSN, MSA, RN '75 says that's why she chose to work in her hometown: "I am one of the lucky ones to be able to serve and care for my community. I am able to give back to a place that gave so much to me. I wake up every morning motivated and energized to seize an opportunity to be able to change or better the health and wellbeing of even one person in the community. There is no better feeling than to know that you have positively impacted someone's life."

Like John Carroll, UM UCH provides an essential resource to our community. For UM UCH, it's "hope and healing, close to home," while John Carroll remains the only independent, Catholic, college preparatory school in northeastern Maryland. As both institutions continue to grow and expand their offerings, the local community, too, will thrive as quality health care and education are key performance indicators in the success of Harford County.

Leadership

At the core of John Carroll's mission is a commitment "to prepare students to positively influence a global society as critical thinkers and creative problem solvers while being socially responsible, spiritually centered and morally grounded in our Catholic beliefs." This mission is reflected and put into practice at UM UCH, where John Carroll alumni serve the community in key roles.

Vice President of Population Health/Clinical Integration Colin Ward '90 states, "JC helped me to develop and use critical thinking skills which are so important in our daily work. Most decisions we make



Andrew Klein '71, Vickie Ensor Bands '75 and Jay Young '77 play key roles both at UM UCH and at John Carroll

require thoughtful consideration. My JC education prepared me as a systems thinker which helps make complex processes better."

Ward works alongside many John Carroll alumni serving the larger community at UM UCH. Step foot on their campus and, in addition to Ward, Bands and Dinsmore, you are likely to come across a JC Patriot providing leadership in health, including alumni Nathaniel "Nate" Albright '99, vice president, clinical services lines; Dr. Michael Giordano '95, medical director of the emergency department; Dr. Hugo Benalcazar '85, head of neurosurgery; Hollie Montague Eid '91, case manager; Dr. Robert Ishak '88, internal medicine; and Laura Benson Hefner '80, director, human resources/benefits.

In addition to alumni, many Patriot grandparents and parents make a difference in the community each and every day through their work with UM UCH, including Ken Ferrara (parent of Connor Ferrara '19), vice president and executive director of the Upper Chesapeake Health Foundation and Dr. Richard "Dick" Streett, Jr. (parent of Kimberly '88, advancement assistant at John Carroll), secretary to the UM UCH Board of Directors. Also serving on the Board are alumni Rajiv Goel, Esq. '90, Albert J.A. "Jay" Young '77 and Andrew Klein '71. Conversely, UM UCH staff Vicki Ensor Bands and Nate Albright share their leadership skills by serving on John Carroll's Board of Directors.

Jay Young describes his service to the community as a UM UCH board member as "extraordinarily rewarding" and describes his formative years at John Carroll by saying, "John Carroll taught me that I could enhance and enrich my educational experience by getting involved with school and giving back to the community."

John Carroll is a living organism with a culture of team work, integrity and accountability that are vital to the success of a health care system. When I enter a meeting and see the famous John Carroll class ring, still worn by proud graduates, I know that our team will accomplish great things.

—University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Health Vice President of Population Health/Clinical Integration Colin Ward '90



In 2018, the fifth annual Amanda Hichkad CCA Celebration Walk was moved to John Carroll, attracting 1,500 walkers to raise funds for Cancer LifeNet.

Events

Through these relationships, John Carroll has collaborated with Upper Chesapeake on several significant events, deepening our collective commitment to the community.

In May, John Carroll was privileged to host 1,500 walkers who participated in the fifth annual Amanda Hichkad CCA Celebration Walk, organized by The Upper Chesapeake Health Foundation and its Chesapeake Cancer Alliance volunteers. This annual event brings the community together to honor, celebrate and remember loved ones, friends and neighbors in the fight against cancer. Funds raised from the event support Cancer LifeNet, a free nurse navigation and supportive care program based at UM Upper Chesapeake Medical Center's Patricia D. and M. Scot Kaufman Cancer Center, named in honor of JC parents of two alumni, Scot '96 and Kristen '99. Ferrara appreciates the opportunity to use school grounds for the event, saying, "We are honored to be able to host this event at John Carroll because of its location and facilities and its reputation in the community."

The Kaufman Cancer Center has also provided meaningful volunteer opportunities for our students. As part of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, JV girls soccer coach Mary Angstadt organized her team to volunteer at the Kaufman Cancer Center's special event "Breast-iful: Empowering Women of Color to Take Charge of their Breast Health." Players ran informational tables and gave tours, helping the center while also putting into practice the service learning JC espouses.

Another group of JC students were featured performers at Upper Chesapeake Health Foundation's Starnight Gala, which took place on November 3 at the Baltimore Marriott Waterfront. Dressed as famous movie characters, students from JC's performing arts department entertained the crowd with a choreographed dance at the 80s-themed Gala.

Student Impact

UM UCH staff directly impact the lives of John Carroll students, including Dr. Bassi, Medical Director for Sports Medicine at UM UCH, the official sports medicine provider of the JC Patriots. This fall, the school's student body heard from Vickie Bands '75 and her community outreach colleague Kristie Willats who partnered to discuss the hazards of e-cigarette use through a medical lens.

Leveraging the tremendous UM UCH professional expertise, and with the assistance of Director of Education Gary Hicks, students routinely job shadow at the hospital as part of their career exploration-focused Senior Project, a graduation requirement (read more on page 11). Among those students are Emma Asbury '15, Katie Golya '16 and Caitlin McLaughlin '18. Today, Asbury is at Stevenson University studying nursing and regularly returns to evaluate Senior Projects. Golya shadowed in the emergency room at UM UCH and is currently pursuing a BS in Community Health at Salisbury University, with plans to complete an accelerated nursing program upon graduation. And McLaughlin is at the University of Maryland where she plans to pursue the medical field as a career path. She says, "I am thankful I had the opportunity to work with a doctor at such a young age. I gained lots of useful knowledge and was educated on many topics that cannot be taught in the classroom."

This partnership with UM UCH ensures that John Carroll can maintain a legacy of academic excellence and provide real-world experiences for today's students and future Patriots.

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The UM UCH leaders profiled in this article embody the true Patriot spirit in our community. They selflessly give back, both personally and professionally, and we are so grateful for each of them and the opportunities they afford our students.

—The John Carroll School President Steve DiBiagio

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Community Partnership

As someone who selflessly gives back personally and professionally, Vickie Bands embodies the true Patriot spirit in the community and states, "I am a firm believer that God does not put us on earth to take, but rather to give all that we can. I believe we are here to give back, care for those that cannot, and leave something positive when we go. My father instilled that in me from a young age. My four years spent at John Carroll and the experiences I had reinforced this belief so that it is part of my fabric as a human being."

While the benefits of the partnership John Carroll has with UM UCH are clear, school President Steve DiBiagio says they are only possible thanks to the people and relationships behind the partnership. "The UM UCH leaders profiled in this article embody the true Patriot spirit in our community. They selflessly give back, both personally and professionally, and we are so grateful for each of them and the opportunities they afford our students," he says. Jay Young also recognizes the tremendous value of the partnership, adding, "We are both community-based service organizations. John Carroll provides educational services to members of the community so that students don't have to travel out of the community or to Baltimore. UM UCH does the same thing for the medical needs of the community, offering hope and healing close to home."

Honored by the past, encouraged by the present, optimistic for the future, the partnership between John Carroll and University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Health is one example of how Patriots are living out the school's promise "to instill in all of our students a strong sense of self; the capacity to achieve their personal fulfillment and professional aspirations; a global perspective; and a strong, moral compass to guide them throughout life."



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Caitlin McLaughlin '18 job shadowed at Upper Chesapeake as part of her Senior Project and plans to pursue the medical field as a career path.



UNIVERSITY of MARYLAND
UPPER CHESAPEAKE
MEDICAL CENTER

Tom Durkin, Principal
 Jake Hollin '92, Assistant Principal
 Danica Attanasio '97, Assistant Principal

JC Superlatives

At-a-Glance



John Carroll continues to shine in academics, admissions, arts and athletics. People must

be noticing, because we are proud to announce JC was voted Best Private School of 2018 in *Harford Magazine's* annual poll!

ACADEMICS

Our newest Patriots are thriving, with **34%** of the freshman class carrying a **4.0 average or better**. Meanwhile, our more seasoned students proved their mettle on last year's AP exams, with 70% of students receiving a passing score of 3, 4 or 5.

ADMISSIONS

With shadows and applications up more than **23%** over this time last year and an Open House that attracted the most guests since 2010, the class of 2023 is shaping up to be a great one!

ARTS

From the huge crowds for "Hello, Dolly!" to the requests for JC's music ensembles to perform around town, our performing arts programs continue to impress while attracting more students than ever to get involved – nearly **40% of our student body participates in the performing arts alone**.

ATHLETICS

JC continues to offer an environment for student-athletes that is both competitive and accessible, with **82% of our students participating in at least one sport**.



A Great Start to the School Year

Archbishop William E. Lori and distinguished Archdiocese of Baltimore guests Mr. James Sellinger (Chancellor) and Dr. Donna Hargens (Superintendent of Catholic Schools) joined us to celebrate the first day of school. What a blessing to start the 2018–2019 school year! To see a short video on the event, produced by JCTV students, visit <https://bit.ly/2r15M3m>.



Additionally, students arrived back to a safer, more secure campus. Over the summer, John Carroll completed its identified 120-day safety and security priorities (available at <https://bit.ly/2GIG10v>) including the addition of a new welcome kiosk, staffed by Sgt. Nichols (daytime, pictured) and Officer Flythe (evenings), thanks in part to a grant from the John Carroll Parent Association.



Meet Max, the newest addition to our Counseling Department. Trained as a therapy dog, Max is a four-year-old Australian Shepherd/Lab mix owned by one of our school counselors, Jennifer Behler. Max has been through training at PAWS for People and received the Canine Good Citizen Certification provided by the American Kennel Club. Max joins Mrs. Behler at school on Tuesdays and Wednesdays to provide comfort and companionship to those in need.

JC in the Community

John Carroll continues to be actively involved in the community, with some of our recent outreach showcased below.



Students, faculty and staff were a part of FaithFest, a free, regional, multi-parish, Catholic music festival with family fun activities, a Mass, music and fireworks show.



Coach Mike Mazza and members of the **JC Wrestling team** volunteered their time this fall to lend a hand—and their strong backs!—to help out with some projects for the nonprofit Chesapeake Therapeutic Riding.



JC's Marching Band and **Cheerleading** team performed in both the White Marsh and Bel Air Christmas parades.

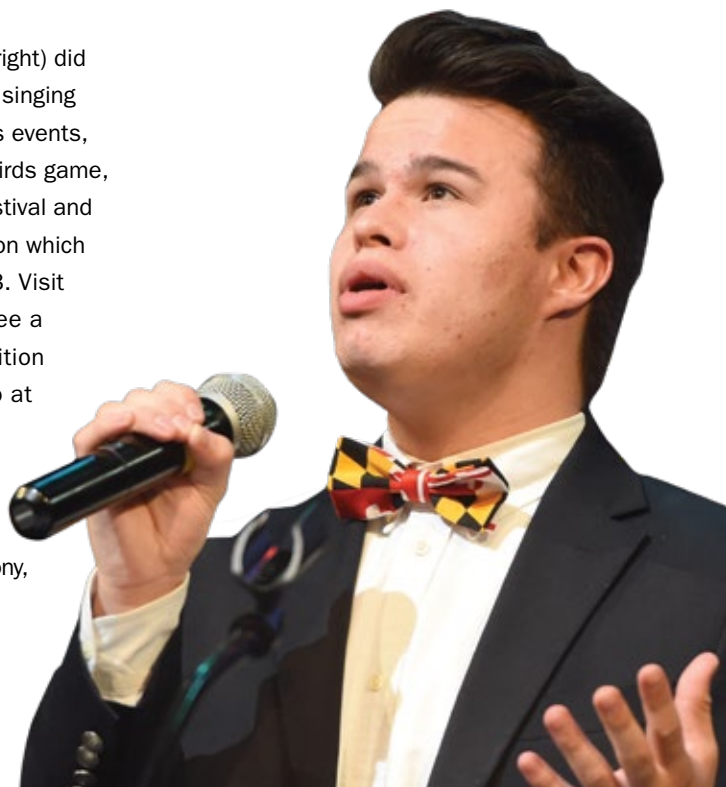


John Carroll was proud to partner with the Harford County Public Library Foundation at their 14th Annual Gala. Pictured are JC Board of Trustees Chair **Betsy Campion** and her husband, Kevin.

Junior **Mikey Shock** (pictured right) did a great job representing JC by singing our national anthem at various events, including JC Night at the Ironbirds game, the Susquehanna Running Festival and Sheriff Gahler's recent induction which was held at JC on December 3. Visit <https://bit.ly/2C5lt3K> to see a video of Mikey's stirring rendition of "God Bless America" (also at the Ironbirds game).

John Carroll was also proud to play a role in Harford County's 13th Inaugural Ceremony, with both **Bella Voce** and JC's **Jazz Band** performing at the Inaugural Reception.

*Photo courtesy Matt Button/
Aegis staff/Baltimore Sun*



A New (Online) Look for JC

If you haven't visited www.johncarroll.org recently, be sure to click through and take a look at our brand new website! We now have a beautiful new look for the website, as well as new functionality designed to get you to the information you need more quickly through a series of microsites. While all content is accessible through www.johncarroll.org, you can also bypass the main site to get directly to information for alumni, athletics, arts, and current students and parents. Feel free to bookmark these microsites for future reference: alumni.johncarroll.org • patriots.johncarroll.org arts.johncarroll.org • athletics.johncarroll.org



Summer & Fall Events



Seniors kicked off their final year at JC with the traditional **Senior Unity Day** complete with a scavenger hunt, service project and, of course, class photo!



JC students, faculty and staff collected and delivered favorite holiday foods to the pantries at Bel Air United Methodist Church and St. Francis De Sales as part of our annual Patriots Thanksgiving Food Drive. See a student-produced video on the effort at jctvmedia.org.



The **Parent Association** hosted another successful Bull Roast at Richlin Ballroom on November 16. A special thanks to committee chair **Denise Novak**, parent of **Merina '15** and **Noah '21**, co-chair **Andrea Schermerhorn**, parent of **Logan '21**, and the entire committee for all their hard work.



The class of 2022 started a new tradition: a freshman class field trip to visit the **Baltimore Basilica**, including the crypt of Archbishop John Carroll, to learn about our school's namesake.



As part of the **National Day of Mourning** to commemorate our 41st president, George H.W. Bush, Patriots sported colorful socks, and made it into a national Fox News article in the process!



In October, JC hosted 20 students and two teachers from **Lycée Alexandre Ribot High School** in Saint-Omer, France—the same school that Archbishop John Carroll attended in the mid-1700s!



JC's production of **"Hello, Dolly!"** was another standout show and was prominently featured in *The Aegis*.

Students celebrated Homecoming with fun Spirit Week activities, including Flowergrams, Decades Day and the always-exciting Powder Puff game.





PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT:

Senior Project



Senior Project award winners of the past 10 years gather at a reception before the 2018 Senior Project Showcase.

Since 2008, Senior Project has been a graduation requirement at John Carroll. Under the guidance and watchful eye of beloved faculty member Louise Géczy, seniors are required to develop, implement and then present for evaluation an independent project, during which they complete a minimum of 30 hours of field experience. Students can choose from one of three project categories: Career Exploration, Community Service or Creative Expression/Pursuit of a Passion or Dream.

This individualized approach to learning provides a transitional experience between the structured, directed experience of high school and the more unstructured, independent venue college provides. In addition, projects give students opportunities in real-world, performance-based situations to apply the skills, values, knowledge and understanding that they have garnered during their high school years. Senior Project also allows for a sense of personal achievement, enhanced self-worth and the satisfaction of independent accomplishment by providing students with a structure that enables them to take a project from conception to completion and review.

Over the past 10 years, students have achieved remarkable accomplishments via their Senior Projects. In 2009, **Rachel Weinberg** adapted and directed Joshua Sobol's play "Ghetto," which follows the lives of several Jews living in the Vilna Ghetto during World War II, and presented it to an audience that included Holocaust survivors who witnessed their lives acted out on the stage. Two years later, **Chelsea Shock '11** created a cancer organization that is still in existence today, and has raised more than \$150,000. Among the Class of 2018's Senior Projects were hosting a Special Needs Prom, designing and building a fully functional prosthetic arm and raising money to build a school in a remote village in Liberia.



Senior Project Coordinator
Louise Géczy

John Carroll is the only high school in Harford County that currently offers students this unique, challenging, and ultimately very fulfilling opportunity.

“ To me, Senior Project was the best thing about JC. It opens a window of opportunities to either discover what you're passionate about or find a way to serve others. ”

—Chelsea Shock, Class of 2011



Congratulations

to our Fall All-Conference winners:

MIAA

FOOTBALL

Ben Blessing
Chimzi Chuku
Darius Lloyd

SOCCER

Jordan Remeto

VOLLEYBALL

Nico Santoro

Congratulations to the following Patriot student-athletes for being selected to 2018 All-County teams:

Nico Santoro '19
and **Matt Smidt '19**
(Boys Volleyball First Team)

Noah Milliron '20 and
Mark Dent '20
(Boys Volleyball Second Team)

Alexis Loder '20 and
Ellie Bruggeman '20
(Field Hockey First Team)

Audrey Barnhart '19 and
Ryleigh Casserly '20
(Field Hockey Second Team)

Jordan Remeto '19
and **Hayden Gaeng '19**
(Boys Soccer First Team)

Gavin Greene '20
(Boys Soccer Second Team)

IAMM

FIELD HOCKEY

Alexis Loder

SOCCER

Ellie Hollin
Katie Hormes

Chimzi Chuku '19
and **Ben Blessing '19**
(Football Offense First Team)

Roman Hemby '21 and
Dominic Berndt '20
(Football Offense
Second Team)

Darius Lloyd '19 and
Austin Brinkman '20
(Football Defense First Team)

Malik Scott '20
(Football Defense
Second Team)

Alexander Kirkland '19
and **Michael Chipi '20**
(Cross Country First Team)

Bryan Stancliff '19
(Cross Country Second Team)

Winter Signing Day

Congratulations to the following seniors from the Class of 2019 (pictured below) who have committed to continuing their athletic careers in college next year. Be sure to visit our Facebook page to see an album of photos featuring these hard-working student-athletes.

BASEBALL

Jack Colagiovanni (Wake Tech), **Nico Santoro** (Lebanon Valley), **Brandon Crews** (Lebanon Valley), **Tyler Blittersdorf** (HCC), **Myles Janson** (Menlo College), **Hunter Tipton** (Eastern Mennonite College), **Ben Pika** (Washington College)

FOOTBALL

Ben Blessing (Holy Cross)

GIRLS LACROSSE

Georgia Ceanfaglione (University of Florida), **Emily Sterling** (University of Maryland), **Marissa Munson** (Coastal Carolina), **Erin Scannell** (Salisbury University), **Reilly Cisar** (Shenandoah University), **Kaelyn James** (Washington College)

GIRLS SOCCER

Liadan Stammer (Lees-McRae College), **Mia Katris** (Stevenson University)

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Jordan Wakefield (George Mason University)



Athletics Highlights

Seth Goldberg, Director of Athletics



BOYS CROSS-COUNTRY

JC's Boys Cross-Country team won their second consecutive MIAA Championship, and team members **Alexander Kirkland '19**, **Michael Chipi '20** and **Bryan Stancliff '19** were named All Conference.



BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Congratulations to the Boys Varsity Volleyball team for clinching a spot in the A Conference playoffs this season for the first time since 2004.



EQUESTRIAN

The Equestrian team had a very successful co-hosted show in December, with several riders receiving first place and JC defeating teams from Oldfields, St. Timothy's and Garrison Forest to earn second place and the title of Reserve Champion!



WRESTLING

Congrats to our Wrestling team for placing fifth out of 17 teams at the Parkville Invitational in December. Sophomore **Julianne Moccia** (10th in the country in preseason rankings) placed first, becoming the first female to ever win this tournament and receiving the Outstanding Wrestler Award. Our other first place winners were juniors **Matt Mitrega** and **CJ Polesovsky**, while **Cameron Gibson '21** placed second, **Sam Smith '22** placed fourth, and **Logan Trombley '23** and **Bryce Hare '19** placed sixth.



BASEBALL

Baseball players **Tyler Blittersdorf '19** and **Tyler Leach '20** were selected to an elite group of Maryland State Association of Baseball Coaches A

II-state preseason list, an honor reserved for a select 35 players in the entire state! And congrats to JC baseball coach **Darrion Siler '01** who was named one of the MSABC's Coaches of the Year as well as High School Coach of the Year by the Old Timer's Baseball Coaches Association.



EVERY PATRIOT HAS A Story



Nia Christopher '20 represented her home country of Bermuda in the Women's Soccer U17 World Cup.



JC's **Academic Team** came away from their latest round of competition with another strong showing. The team of **Pierce Berger '19, Jack Plumer '19, Paul Capobianco '19, Luke Newberry '19** and **Jacob Deaver '21** won a match against the previously undefeated Loyola Blakefield team, and JC came in second overall.



This fall, JC competed for the first time in the Baltimore Catholic Forensics League Tournament at Arundel High School. **Giovanni Rizzotti '21** competed in Children's Literature and junior **Katie Yurechko '20** competed in Oral Interpretation of Literature, one of the largest events in the league. As a result of her outstanding performances, Katie was awarded a Silver Medal!



Last year, the Town of Bel Air asked JC to adopt the butterfly garden at Rockfield Gardens. In October, new faculty member **Mark Grzanna** took three of his classes, including the Honors Biology class pictured, to plant flowers and mulch the garden beds—a great opportunity for integrated academic study while giving these Patriots a chance to positively impact the environment and their local community.



Lindsay Rosser '19 starred in "Harriet's Happiest Halloween" presented by Harford Community College's Harford Dance Theatre. Lindsay thrilled the audience as young Harriet in search of the perfect Halloween costume. Lindsay has been a fixture in JC's musicals including "Shrek," "Mary Poppins," "Grease," "Peter Pan" and, most recently, as Minnie Fay in "Hello Dolly!"



Olivia Lockett '22 recently made her on-screen debut as Jordan, the friend of the main character in an anti-bullying film, "The Tormentors." Based on a book written by Baltimore teens participating in the Youth Writers Rock program, Olivia's involvement in the film started a couple of years ago when she was in an anti-bullying campaign put together by the film's director. Here at JC, Olivia takes honors classes, is in Advanced Chorus and *Bella Voce* and had a supporting role in "Hello, Dolly!"

Amazing things happen every day among our Patriot community. “Every Patriot Has a Story” and we want to share yours! Send us a great #PatriotStory. Whether it involves a student, teacher or alum, we want to hear about it! Share with us anytime by emailing news@johncarroll.org.



Congratulations to SGA President **Ava Barnd '19** who was named second runner-up as well as Miss Congeniality in Miss Maryland Teen USA 2018. The pageant encourages young girls to build self-confidence, individual pride and a greater self-awareness. Ava's passion for helping young women stand up in any situation fueled her desire to start an after-school program for girls to talk about female empowerment and the importance of confidence.



Kirsten Huggins '19 received the Charlie Riley Community Service Scholarship Award, which recognizes Harford County residents who make significant contributions to their community through service, extracurricular activities and leadership. Principal Durkin and retired teacher and coach **Mr. Tim Perry** were on hand to support Kirstin and honor her accomplishments. She also had the opportunity to meet fellow Patriot **John Correrri '70**. Kirsten also excels on the basketball court, where she was named MVP at the She's Got Game Tournament at Bishop Ireton.



Catherine Smith '19 was selected as a winner in the Hope Against Addiction Art Contest, sponsored by Churchville Presbyterian Church, the Harford County Sheriff's Office and the Harford County Office of Drug Control Policy. Catherine's artwork is featured in the 2019 Hope Against Addiction calendar and as part of art display at the award ceremony.



Our very own long-time faculty member **Michael Gaudreau '70** was one of the juried artists who participated in the fourth Annual Plein Air Painting Competition and Art Sale hosted by Maryland Center for the Arts. Mr. Gaudreau completed four paintings of Harford County scenes, one of which is pictured. We are proud of Mr. Gaudreau's passion and commitment to art. He has been on the faculty of JC as an art educator since 1975.



Lisa Sheehan, Trustee and parent of **Meghan '18** and **Ryan '15**, was named one of Harford's Most Beautiful People for her volunteerism at John Carroll and throughout our greater community.



Local artist **Germaine Hughes**, parent of **Kristin '92**, **Joseph '94** and **Daniel '97**, had her art on display at JC as a part of her traveling exhibit, “Portraits of Us,” designed to remind all who see the portraits of the “human heart that beats within all of us, the human kinship that makes us all brothers.”

Fall Alumni Events

1968 Football Reunion & 50th Anniversary of Championship

A night to celebrate the 1968 varsity football team that brought JC its first-ever athletic championship!



“Hello, Dolly!” Alumni Reception

Alumni Night and pre-show reception celebrating the fourth “Hello, Dolly!” production at John Carroll School. “Hello, Dolly!” was also performed in 1974, 1994 and 2008.



Carol Zubrowski '13, Karly Horn '14, Larry Hensley, Lindsey McCumber '14, Shannon Olsen '13 and Ashley Beyer '13

Legacy Dinner

For the first time, JC hosted a group of alumni and their middle school children for a dinner before this year's Homecoming Game.



Jessica Reimer McGuire '95 and Future Patriot Ella



John Carroll's Dolly Levis: Kathryn Laxton Cardy '74, Rachel Miller '19 and Laura Larney Lang '75

Hall of Fame



Congratulations to this year's Athletic Hall of Fame inductees.



Jessica O'Brien Finck '06



Kristin Jasper Blizzard '01 (right)



Coach Pat Goles (left) with Charles A. Mike '72 (right)



Jeff Gregg '99 (fourth from left)



Members of the 1968 Football Team along with Carol Anne Gray Cassady, wife of Coach Gerry Gray and Suzanne Welsh, wife of Coach John Welsh

Homecoming Tailgate

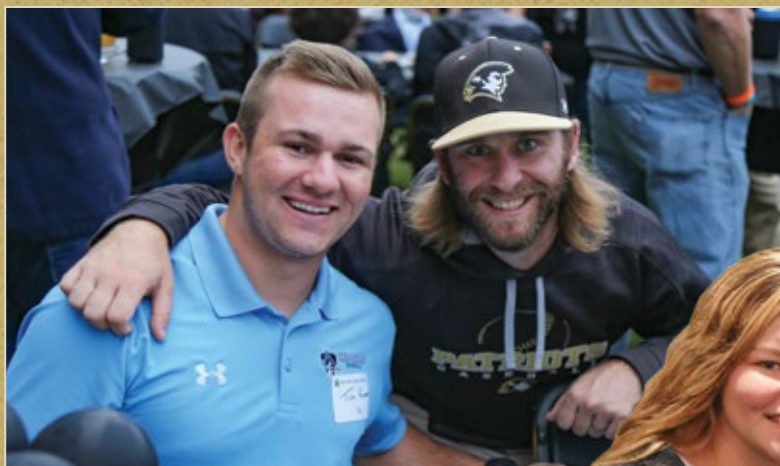
Thanks to all of our alumni who came back to make this the biggest and best Homecoming Tailgate yet!



Colleen O'Brien Everson '03, Jessica O'Brien Finck '06, Rebecca O'Brien Holfield '09



Tami Imbierowicz (mom of Emma '14, Michael '16 and Stephanie '17), Laurie Lutche Scannell '88 (mom of Erin '12 and Megan '21), Brigitte Lutche '15, Meghan McGann Cumpston '82 (mom of Susan '13, Alice '16 and Madelyn '19) and Rachael Rice '88



Tim Kutcher '15 and Darrion Siler '01

Presidential Reception

On November 29, some of John Carroll's most generous supporters gathered at Maryland Golf & Country Club to attend the Presidential Reception, where current students spoke about the impact of giving on helping them to write their Patriot Stories.



Former Trustee Gus Brown and wife Penny, parents of Matthew '95 and Marjorie '96; Trustee Bob Falter and wife Patricia, parents of Katherine '04; and Debbie DiBiagio, wife of JC President Steve DiBiagio and mother of Christina '01 and Jennifer '06



Melanie Meoli Robinson '90 (mother of Daniel '17 and Joshua '19) pictured with her father, Former Trustee Tony Meoli, and Susie Barnard (parent of Abby '16 and Ava '19)



Dick Streett, Jr. (father of Kimberly '88, advancement assistant at JC), Ken Ferrara (father of Connor '19) and Don Reynolds III '89



Sarah Nelson '21, pictured here with her mom, Erin, and Assistant Principal Jake Hollin '92, opened the evening with a prayer.



Meet the Alumni Association Board

Officers:



Patrick Mullin '90, Chair

Sr. Executive Director of APG Operations, Sabre Systems, Inc.



Kristin Trail Wilson '91, Vice Chair

Writer/Wellness Blogger/Promoter of REAL Living

Photo courtesy Pamela Harvey Photography 2018



Sarah Klein '01, Secretary

Supervisor, Klein's Family Markets



Andrew Primrose '00, Treasurer

Senior Director of Development House of Ruth

At-Large Members:



Vickie Ensor Bands, MSN, MSA, RN '75

Director, Community Outreach and Health Improvement, University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Health



Lisa Lutche Rosser '81

Psychiatric Consultant



Rachael Rice '88

President, Rice Consulting



Melanie Meoli Robinson '90

The Dresher Foundation



Paige Boyle Kornke '96

VP/Director of Marketing Boyle Buick GMC



Rob Conners, CFA, CPA, CF-12 '99

CEO, Signum Cross Fit



Dr. Owen Jordan, D.D.S. '03

Dentist, Office of Dr. David Mergerian



Gavin Rayburn '07

Financial Advisor & Financial Planning Specialist, Morgan Stanley

Alumni News

News from Your Alumni Association Board

Greetings Fellow Patriots,

As the son of two long-time faculty members and the parent of a freshman, it is an honor to introduce myself as the chair of the newly formed Alumni Advisory Board for the 2018-2019 school year. What a privilege it is to work with a strong group of alumni who are dedicated not only to their alma mater but to their fellow Patriots, as well. Our Advisory Board, consisting of alumni that span from 1975-2007, have come together with the primary goal of fostering a spirit of involvement, loyalty and pride from our alumni community. Through the many activities we have planned throughout the year, we hope to further the process of connecting alumni with each other and with the school community.

Committees are being formed now for Alumni Weekend, networking events, young alumni involvement and alumni recognition. We are also looking for Class Reps, alums from each graduating class who like to keep in touch with JC friends and would be interesting in sharing alumni news with their former classmates throughout the year. If you are interested in becoming involved, please contact **Susan Butcher Roarty '95** at sroarty@johncarroll.org. We would be honored by the gift of your time.

At the beginning of the school year, I was fortunate to spend an afternoon on campus meeting with Principal Tom Durkin and other members of the administration. In each meeting, I was asked what our goals are for this year. My personal goal is for our final meeting of the school year on **Tuesday, June 4**, to be attended by as many alumni as possible, all sharing ideas on how to make our alumni community stronger (and more involved) in the overwhelmingly positive direction of the school. If we can accomplish that, I will consider our initial efforts a great success.

Once a Patriot, Always a Patriot.

Patrick Mullin '90

JC Alumni Association Board Chair

50 Years of Legacy: The Mullin Family

While John Carroll has graduated close to 10,000 students since its first graduating class of 1968, only one family can lay claim to being part of the last 50 years consecutively: the Mullin family. In 1969, **Bernie Mullin** joined the staff here at John Carroll, working as a guidance counselor and coach. In 1977, his wife **Lynne** was hired and served in various roles including managing the book store and teaching child development and marriage classes. (Bernie says she was doing as much counseling in the book store as he was, and she still gets calls from former students asking for advice!) In 1985, Bernie and Lynne were joined on campus by their daughter, **Meg '89**. Meg was soon followed by siblings **Patrick '90**, **Meli '93** and **John '98**. Bernie and Lynne's youngest son, **Joe**, made it a true family affair when he joined the Facilities team in 2002. Meg's daughter, **Rebecca Williams**, followed in her mother's footsteps, attending JC and graduating in 2015, as did Meli's son, **Samuel Hartsoe '17**. Today, in addition to Joe, you can find Meg's daughter **Augusta '20**, on campus along with Pat's son, **Alex**, a freshman. With Meli, Pat and John all having younger kids, rest assured there will be Mullins on campus for some time to come!



Class Notes

Special thanks to Archivist **Ed Miller** for coordinating many of the updates found in this section.

Decades of Patriots



Patriots from three different decades stopped for a photo together in Florida as the US Women's National Lacrosse Team competed in the President's Cup. Pictured are (left to right) **Charlotte Haggerty '17**, **Krystin Porcella '94** and **Ally Carey '08**.



In June 2018, **Robert F. Kahoe '68**, **Robert Kahoe '22**, **Luke Chubb '19**, **Luke Dippel '19** and **Sam Cotton '19** hiked the Appalachian Trail in Pennsylvania.



Call for Representatives!

The Alumni Association is looking to enhance its communication with alumni. Help with this by becoming a class representative.

Contact alumni@johnncarroll.org for more information.

1960s

1968 – First 50th Reunion

John Carroll's first graduating class came together to celebrate their 50th reunion this past fall. Thanks to Mike Derbyshire, Ralph Horkey, Larry McLaughlin, Amy Mike and Mary Bosse Stearns for organizing this milestone event!



Class of 1969: Reunion – Saturday, May 4, 5 – 7 p.m.!

1970s



Andrew Klein '71 (above, left) was honored with the prestigious Heritage Award by the Jewish National Fund for his lifetime of service and leadership.

Jay Young '77 (above, right) was recently interviewed for *The Baltimore Sun* for a Thanksgiving feature on the Maryland Thanksgiving Day traditional horseback chase across the farmlands of Monkton. Jay is the president emeritus of the Elkridge-Harford club.

Class of 1974: Reunion – Saturday, May 4, 5 – 7 p.m.!



Ron Jacques '77 is an accomplished ceramist working with the Baltimore and surrounding area's top prosthodontists restoring smiles for many, many people including local celebrities. Ron recently celebrated 35 years of marriage with his wife, Lori. Ron has three daughters all of whom are also proud to be John Carroll grads like their dad – **Meghan Jacques Wenderoth '04**, **Alyson Jacques '07** and **Hannah Jacques '13**. Meghan is a skilled Sonographer at Advanced Radiology in Bel Air. Alyson works in Advancement and Fundraising most recently starting at John Carroll. Hannah is a high school Spanish Teacher pursuing her post-grad teaching certification.

Class of 1979 Reunion – Saturday, May 4, 5–7 p.m.!

1980s



A 1981 graduate of JC, **Mike (Boggs) Bognanni** resides in Bel Air with his wife Bridget and four boys, Andrew, Adam, Alex & Austin. For over 25 years Mike has worked in the insurance field. For fun he enjoys running, biking and more importantly, assisting Mr. Miller with the annual JC lacrosse alumni game by coaching the “odd” year alumni. Most of the summer is spent at his home in Bethany Beach where Mike enjoys catching up with other JC alums.

Class of 1978

On November 24, members of the Class of 1978 enjoyed a night out at Liberatore's to celebrate their 40th class reunion.



Chris Scannell '85 has been married to **Laurie Lutche Scannell '88** for the past 20 years. They have two beautiful children who attend

John Carroll – **Erin '19** and **Megan '21**. Chris is the Director of Talent Management at TEKsystems in Hanover, MD and has been working there for the past 23 years.

Class of 1984 Reunion – Saturday, May 4, 5–7 p.m.!

Class of 1989 Reunion – Saturday, May 4, 5–7 p.m.!

1990s

Class of 1994 Reunion – Saturday, May 4, 5–7 p.m.!



Krysten Martin Fruhling '97 and her husband, Michael, welcomed daughter, Harper Victoria, on August 15. Her big sisters are MacKenzie and Maddy.

From junior artist to agency partner by 35, **Brad Meerholz '97**, design director, senior VP, and partner at TBC – was named a 2018 “40 Under 40” honoree by the *Baltimore Business Journal*. As a head creative at one of Maryland's most prominent agencies, Brad has influenced national brands, regional marquee institutions including Maryland Tourism and Visit Baltimore, and impactful pro-bono projects.

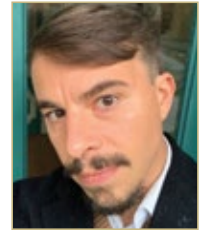


Class of 1999 Reunion – Saturday, May 4, 5–7 p.m.!



Taylor Whitehurst '99 works in Medical Device Sales at Zimmer Biomet. He lives in Fallston with his wife, Elizabeth, and two children, Tucker and Grayson.

David Ploskonka '99 is a Senior Cybersecurity Specialist at Logistics Systems Incorporated in Aberdeen, Maryland. Proudly just over a year sober, David has written a book, “ADDICTS ARE CHILDREN,” about his experiences with addiction and recovery.



Chris Rothe '99 won a near-mint 1955 Mickey Mantle baseball card in a randomized drawing from a previously unopened pack of vintage Bowman cards at the National Sports Collectors convention in Cleveland in August. Rothe paid \$500 for rights to the 19th card in the pack, which turned out to be the fabled Yankees slugger, worth an estimated \$50,000! Read the full story that ran in *The Baltimore Sun* at <https://bit.ly/2GbJsU8>.

2000s



Drew Lazor '02 is a food writer based in Philadelphia and was recently featured in *The Baltimore Sun* promoting his new book, “Session Cocktails.”

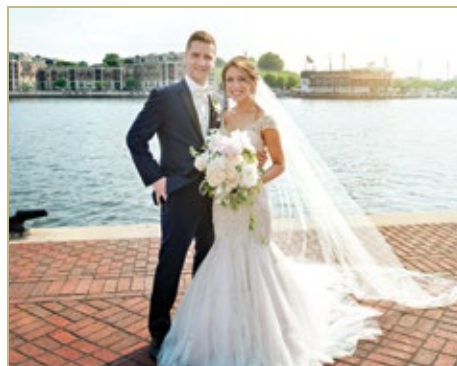


Class of 1988

Rachael Rice and Kristy Thomson took the lead in planning a great reunion for the Class of 1988 that was held on October 13.



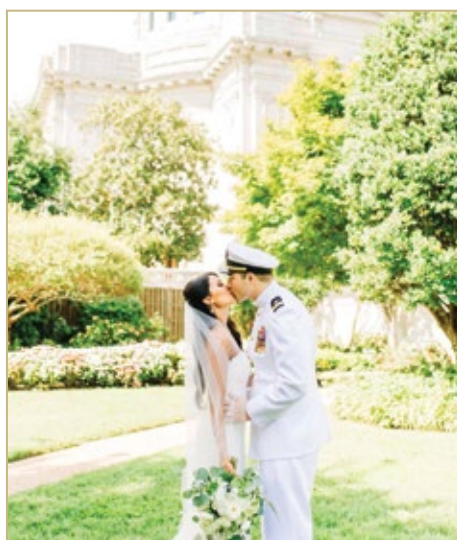
On August 31, 2018, John Carroll School Counselor **Molly Housman Roseland '05** married Matthew Roseland at Bohemia River Overlook in North East, owned and operated by Denise and Mike Novak, parents of **Merina '15** and **Noah '21**. The wedding provided the perfect backdrop for some Patriots to reconnect and show off their rings!



On May 12, 2018, **Christina Heilman Fitzsimmons '08** married CJ Fitzsimmons at Holy Rosary Church in Baltimore. In celebration, the couple spent two weeks traveling in Europe for their honeymoon. They now reside in New Jersey.



"I am God Almighty. Be fruitful and multiply. A nation — even a company of nations — shall come from you, and kings shall descend from you." Genesis 35:11. The girls from the Class of 2006 sure took this to heart and paid attention in Religion class! Pictured from left to right — Ryker Westrich (son of **Amanda Selvy '06** and grandson of **Pam Ey Selvy '83**), Brooks Lennard (son of **Kathy Kreis '08**), Kennedy Walsh (daughter of **Meredith Fell '06**), Edward Desch (son of **Caitlin Keilty '06**), Zachary & Abby Hagerman (son and daughter of **Zach '06** and **Allie Greig Hagerman '06** and grandchildren of **Blaine '79** and **Sue Larney Greig '78**), Carlin Walsh (son of **Meredith Fell '06**), Luke & Caroline Kiernan (son and daughter of **Stephanie Kreis '06**).



Serena Buontempo '09 (daughter of Patriots' Corner manager Christine Buontempo) married **Sam Von Paris '09** on September 2.

Class of 2009 Reunion — Saturday, May 4, 5–7 p.m.!

2010s



Tyler Fritz '10 showed his Patriot Pride on The Late Late Show with James Corden! Check out Tyler's appearance here: <http://ow.ly/Qg2J30IMiZf>



Jack Hinder '12 is a Mortgage Loan Originator with First Home Mortgage based out of Baltimore. Jack is interested in building a network of fellow JC alum also working in the real estate profession!

A senior at James Madison University, **Caroline Sdanowich '15** is a Division 1 National Champion and a captain of the JMU women's lacrosse team. Caroline majors in Health Services Administration with a minor in Business.



Congratulations to **Claire Grunewald '16** on receiving the prestigious David L. Boren Scholarship. Claire is studying in Chile for her spring semester at **Lafayette College**, where she is a double major in international affairs and mathematics.

Class of 2014 Reunion — Saturday, May 4, 5–7 p.m.!

Class of 2008



The Class of 2008 had a great turnout for their class reunion which was held at Black Eyed Suzie's on November 24.

Class of 2013



Patriots from the Class of 2013 reconnected at their reunion on November 23 at Black Eyed Suzie's.

2010s (Cont.)



Captured at the 2018 James Madison University Orientation Day (left to right): **David Fetcho**, **Zach Vest**, **Luke Strappelli** and **Pierce Sanders**, all from the Class of 2018.



Mike Gerace '18 and the University of Maine Black Bears took on Mike's former teammates **Kurt Rawlings '16** (Yale University) and **Qadir Ismail '18** (Villanova University) this season. They may not be wearing the same colors these days, but once a Patriot, always a Patriot!



College Counselor **Kelly Smith** has been appointed to the Counselor Advisory Board at the University of Delaware. The Board's first meeting gave Mrs. Smith the opportunity to meet up with **Chesca Basilio '18**, a freshman Biomedical Engineering Major and member of the Honors College. We love catching up with our Patriot alumni as they take on the world!



Mary Kate Gerety '16 and **Hailey Siemek '16** proudly sport their rings while participating with their college teams in the Tunnel to Towers Run in NYC to benefit 9/11.



Taejoon Kim '16 attended Penn State as a data science major, but during his sophomore year went back to Korea to serve in the military. He is currently with the Air Force at Daegu airbase and will finish his duty in March 2020.

In Memoriam

Please pray for the souls of these deceased alumni, parents, grandparents and friends who passed away between July 21, 2018 and December 14, 2018:



FACULTY

Levin Heath

After retiring from the public school system, Mr. Heath joined the Patriot family as an Earth Science teacher in 1980 and was an integral part of our school until he retired in 1991. He was known for his love of science and teaching, as well as his great friendship. Mr. Heath was 90 years

old and is survived by his wife, Mrs. Grace Heath, three children, six grandchildren, including **Carter Grieninger Dally '03** and **Kohl Grieninger '07**, as well as 13 great-grandchildren.

ALUMNI

Thomas Capallo '74
Mark Jeffrey Coudon '75
Angela DeCarlo '15
Allen Heath '90
Brian Johnston '78
Nils Schroder '71
Charlene Muth Wallbillick '68

PARENTS OF ALUMNI

Charles Adams
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Ralph A. Davis III*
William Hoffman
Robert Imbierowicz
Gerald Kavanagh
Mary Edey McGuirk
Skip Mouldsdale
James Stogoski
Vernon Turner

*Former Trustee

GRANDPARENTS OF ALUMNI

Paula Bush

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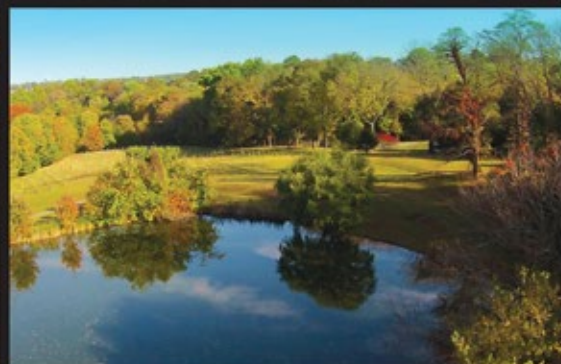
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Save the Date



Alumni Spring Events

Alumni Weekend – May 3-5

Alumni Mass & Brunch – May 3

Tailgate & Varsity Boys

Lacrosse Game – May 3

Patriot Fest & Alumni Games – May 4

Reunions for Classes

Ending in 4 & 9 – May 4

Mod Off All-Alumni Party – May 4

Golden Patriots Brunch – May 5

Mark your calendar for
JC's Annual Golf Tournament –
always a sell-out event!

Visit johncarroll.org/golf for sponsorship
opportunities or to register.



On-Campus Activities

Pippin – March 22 - 24

(**Alumni Reception – March 23**)

Genocide Remembrance Vigil – April 10

Spring Music Concert – April 12

7th Grade Sneak-a-Peek – April 25

Fine Arts Night – April 25

Grandparents Day – April 26

Spring Dance Concert – May 4

Memorial Concert – May 21

Senior Showcase – May 22

Graduation – May 25

Looking ahead... join us November 16 for JC's Biannual Gala!

For more information on all of our upcoming events, visit www.johncarroll.org.