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# Tommy, Lauren, Aiden, & Luke

### A FAREWELL FROM THE EDITORS-IN-CHIEF

Thank you so much for reading the newspaper! Your continued support for journalism at SI inspires all of us to keep writing. Thank you also to our amazing writers who've worked so hard on 12 issues and over 300 articles since August. And of course, thank you to our benevolent censors, Ms. Nickolai and Mr. Devine, who have encouraged us as writers, managing editors, and now editors-in-chief: we couldn't have done it without you. As we look toward the future, *Inside SI* will always have a place on our shelves and inside our hearts. Over the past four years, *Inside SI* has become more than just a newspaper to us; it's been a community of friends, a place to share our thoughts and passions, and a part of our legacy at SI. So, after four years at SI-most of which were filled with newspapers and writing-it's finally time to say goodbye.

> For the last time, Your 2021-2022 Editors-in-Chief

### THE FUTURE OF SI: FAIRMONT FIELD

Luke McFadden '22

Editor-in-Chief

One of the most prevalent projects of this year's Giving Day funds is the renovation of Fairmont Field. Mr. Joe Vollert explained that "We tried something new and kicked off the day with the Wildcat Breakfast where alumni, faculty, staff and parents gathered in person to learn more about transforming Fairmont Field into the SI Athletics Complex." Previous fundraising efforts have gone to other construction projects, like the new lights on JB Murphy field.

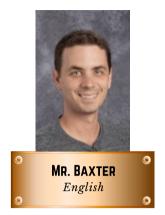
SI officially purchased Fairmont Field four years ago after leasing it from the Pacifica for about a decade. Under the plan, baseball and softball would be able to play at the same time. New bathrooms would be installed, along with stands for spectators, a full size soccer field, a weight room, a locker room, and space for additional parking.

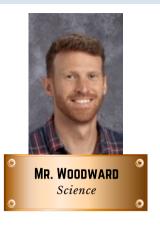
At the moment, SI is still waiting on Pacifica to approve the plans for construction. Mr. Vollert also made it clear that we have not yet raised the money needed for the project. The estimated cost for the renovation is at about \$8 million. While there is no firm deadline yet, the goal for a state of the art home for SI's baseball and softball teams has been set.



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# SI THANKS AND WAVES FAREWELL TO OUR PHENOMENAL EDUCATORS & FACULTY





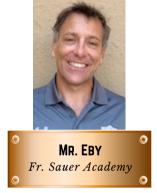












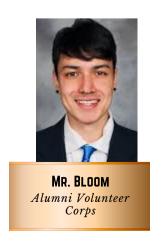
















# TEACHER, MENTOR, AND FRIEND TO MANY: DONNA MURPHY IS A TRUE EXAMPLE OF SERVANT LEADERSHIP

Cayden Tu '24

**Contributing Editor** 

While many are called, few are chosen. Ms. Donna Murphy is an educator who has had a lasting impact on the SI community for almost thirty five years. Her SI career began as a summer camp counselor when she was in college. Her love for the school continued when she taught summer school at SI while teaching first grade in the regular school year.

Ms. Murphy's love for St. Ignatius deepened during her summers, so she was honored when the school asked her to apply for the Assistant Director of Admissions, the first female on the admissions staff. She recalls, "This shift in opportunity came at SI that just changed everything for me in terms of the students I wanted to serve."

In her 34 years as a faculty member at this school, Ms. Murphy has served in various roles as the Assistant Director of Admissions, Counselor, Associate Dean, Vice Principal for Student Activities, Wellness Teacher and Coordinator, mentor, and friend. Her natural leadership and drive to serve others have guided Ms. Murphy in her career path in education.

Ms. Murphy has always had an innate ability to connect with students and work to help integrate them into the SI community. Her role on the SI faculty came at a pivotal moment when the school went co-educational. As a recruiter for female students, Ms. Murphy paved the way for the school to transform into the great institution it is today. She was "challenged and excited about the prospect of coeducation" and the change "was worthy of a shift in career [from teaching to administration]."

After several years in admissions, Ms. Murphy once again felt the call for change. Desiring the "opportunity to work with students on an individual basis," Ms. Murphy moved into Counseling, ultimately becoming



Department Chair in 2001 and Assistant Principal of Student Affairs in 2006.

As a counselor, Ms. Murphy took the time to listen to students' problems with empathy and without judgment. She shared, "Whatever the problem is, sometimes it is really small, and sometimes it's really heavy and big, it's that person's reality. I would be there to listen, to be a sounding board, to start the process of support and figuring out what are the next steps." Ms. Murphy has followed her life's mission "to guide, to be empathetic, and supportive" to students.

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Ms. Murphy helped develop the freshman and sophomore wellness class which she currently teaches. She hoped to end her career with the opportunity to build a program that would leave the school a more positive place while allowing her to individually connect with students. With a rise in mental health challenges, Ms. Murphy hopes this class will provide students with the tools to make informed choices, navigate through challenging times, and prioritize mental health needs. This program is Ms. Murphy's legacy and provides SI's newest students with a strong foundation for their academic careers and for

For those considering education as a career, Ms. Murphy says teaching is a "level of compassion to want to be with young people and help them in their journey" and is a path for those who want to connect with their students.

life.

Whether it's the former students who reach out to her years after graduation, the host of individuals who benefit each year from the wellness course, or the co-education student body and staff, Ms. Murphy's positive impact will continue to be felt at SI for years to come.

We wish her well in her future endeavors as she continues to serve others and spread joy to the community through her floral design business, Hope Blooms. While the SI community is saddened to see her go, Ms. Murphy has planted the seeds into the SI community that will continue to grow and spread her legacy for years to come.

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### **DECADES OF EXCELLENCE: MR. AND MRS. YAP**

Ethan Purcell '24

**Contributing Editor** 

No one better represents SI's reputation of excellence across all aspects of school life, including vibrant fine arts, fantastic athletics, and rigorous academics than SI veterans, Mr. and Mrs. Julius & Lori Yap. The Yaps have been an SI family since 1980, and, at the end of the year, Mr. and Ms. Yap are retiring after 40+ years of excellence on campus.

Mr. Yap was a student at SI himself, and graduated in '74. As a student, Mr. Yap was heavily involved with Track and Field and broke records in his sport. Mr. Yap then went on to San Jose State, where in a sophomore year Sociology class, he first met Mrs. Yap. Once he worked up the nerve to ask her on a date...the rest was history.



After completing his teaching credentials, Mr. Yap returned to SI as a teacher in 1980. As a teacher, Mr. Yap has done brilliant work in the History department for over 40 years. Initially, teaching American Government to seniors before switching to a variety of U.S History courses, Mr. Yap's love and compassion define his teaching style and have left an impact on every student who has entered his class.

When Mr. Yap came to SI to teach history, he immediately became the head coach for Cross Country. Following one year as an assistant, Mr. Yap also became the head coach of Track and Field. When SI became co-ed in 1989, Mr. Yap formed both the Girls Track and Field and the Girls Cross Country programs. Mr. Yap also took over the Men's golf program and started the girl's golf program in 2001.

Across all sports, Mr. Yap has coached 80 seasons at SI, and has coached over 50 championship teams – by far the most in SI's history! Mr. Yap's dominance led to the top Track and Field award being named in his honor: the Julius Yap Award. The award started with one of his former athletes, Charles Taylor ('87), and was made a tradition by a former student, Nick Alvarado.

When Mr. and Mrs. Yap's first daughter, Lisa, started at SI in 1994, Mrs. Yap decided to volunteer in admissions. Her volunteer position didn't last long, as after less than a year Mrs. Yap became a full-time employee in 1995.

Mrs. Yap has been a pioneer in the Admissions department, and her focus on building diverse and well-rounded classes defines the SI we know and love today. Mrs. Yap truly believes that all Bay Area students deserve an opportunity at an SI education and that a complete education is learning from all aspects of our society.

Mrs. Yap moderated and expanded the Wildcat Welcoming Club or WWC, which allows potential freshmen to visit and experience SI. The WWC is an excellent place for lower-division students to take on leadership roles. Mrs. Yap's utter belief in the saying

that "All applicants are a gift from God" has guided her love for her work throughout her time at SI.

One thing both Mr. and Mrs. Yap have had the pleasure of doing together are the Kairos/Senior retreats. Mr. Yap has taken part in 36 Senior/Kairos retreats and always considers them the highlight of his year. With inspiration from Mr. Devine, Mr. and Mrs. Yap began to lead Kairos retreats, and together they have created countless memories they will never forget. Mr. and Mrs. Yap's compassion and excellence in all sections of SI are characteristics we all should admire.



When asked for final words of wisdom, Mr. Yap stated, "My students may not remember all the US History they learned after leaving SI; what they will remember is if I loved and cared about them." Mrs. Yap stated, "Take time to really get to know your awesome classmates because everyone is a special gift from God with diverse backgrounds, talents and experiences; we can learn from one another and grow as more loving and compassionate individuals from truly hearing each others' stories."

We are so grateful for the Yaps and thank them for their dedication and love to the SI community.

### A NEW TRAIL FOR MRS. FRAZER

Delaney Broderick '23 Reilly Moriarty '23 Contributing Editor Editor-in-Chief

Mrs. Frazer, SI's counseling coordinator for the past 14 years, leaves SI this spring with a bittersweet feeling. Motivated by her background in and love of homeschooling, Mrs. Frazer sought to work in education. When reminiscing about her time at SI, Mrs. Frazer explained, "Experiencing the community as my workplace and also where my own children came to school was really special. Seeing what they were experiencing gave me perspective on their lives as students."

The comforting and supportive atmosphere of the counseling center defined Mrs. Frazer's most memorable moments at SI and interlocked with her parental journey. She observed, "You can engage in school in so many different ways, there is not one path in education." A piece of advice that she wants to leave with SI students is "enjoy your time here and embrace your individuality. I know it might sound cliché, but do not worry about your grades."

Mrs. Frazer plans to prioritize her own well-being outside of motherhood and her career. Additionally, she's looking forward to hiking and exploring new trails in her retirement. While Mrs. Frazer says she will miss SI, she is excited to embark on the next chapter of her life.



### Aiden Wong '22

### MS. CURTIN: COACH ON AND OFF THE COURT

Editor-In-Chief

Known for her passion for both teaching and sports, Ms. Jennifer Curtin has become a cornerstone of both the English program and the volleyball program. As an alum of SI's class of 2004, she has served as a Sophomore and Junior year English teacher and a Varsity Women's Volleyball coach for the last eleven years.



"Coach Curtin constantly offers support in and off the court, bringing the true meaning of being a Wildcat to the team and her classroom!"

- Emma Burns '23

MS. CURTIN HAS BEEN AN AMAZING COLLEAGUE WHO CARES DEEPLY ABOUT HER STUDENTS. I HAVE APPRECIATED HOW SHE HELPS CONNECT LITERATURE TO THINGS GOING ON IN THE WORLD TODAY. HER HUMOR AND OPTIMISTIC SPIRIT WILL BE MISSED BY SO MANY IN THE SI COMMUNITY.

~ MS. CAROLE NICKOLAI

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In the classroom, Ms. Curtin has inspired a love of literature in her students, asking them to engage in great discussions about the classics and helping students improve their writing. She has carried on the tradition of the English teachers who helped her develop her love of reading when she was a student at SI.

In 2011, Ms. Curtin began her career at St. Ignatius as the head volleyball coach of the Frosh and Junior Varsity Women's Volleyball team. Over the next five years, she led the Frosh team to two consecutive WCAL championships and the Junior Varsity team to four WCAL championships.

With such an impressive record, she became the varsity coach in 2018. In the seasons since then, she has managed to continue SI's legacy of excellence in volleyball through the COVID-19 pandemic. For the 2021-2022 season, she ended her time at SI with a bang, leading the women's team to second place finish in WCAL and receiving First Team and Second Team All-League Honors.

Ms. Curtin has been described not only as an impressive and inspiring coach, but also as someone who cares for her players on and off the court. Although we're sad to say goodbye to Ms. Curtin, we're excited for her next chapter: Dean of Students at Archbishop Riordan High School. Based on the impact she's made as a coach, teacher, and friend at SI, we know that Riordan has a great dean coming.

Jeslyn Oum '24

MS. SHICK: A SAFE SPACE FOR ALL

**Contributing Editor** 

"Please welcome SI's very own dance and drill team!" - a loud statement repeated before most athletic games during cold weekend mornings or school wide rallies. Although many appreciate the creative and intense routines of our peer dancers, another notable figure would be the woman behind the dances at these celebrated events. Dance and Drill director and teacher Ms. Emily Shick has grown up and shared immensely with the SI community.

After graduating with the class of 2010 as a proud wildcat and returning to SI shortly after college, she has guided and provided a supportive dance space for all students at Saint Ignatius. Although hesitant and scared at the beginning of her teaching career, Ms.Shick was quickly welcomed back and found a home in the place that had provided her solace many years before.

After hours of choreography, various dance shows, and many classes, she concludes her journey with SI after willfully accomplishing the goals she had set forth when she first joined the faculty: to create a dance and drill team rather than a club (which she fulfilled and more with the creation of the SIHI

DANCE IS ALL ABOUT FINDING THAT SPARK WITHIN YOU AND NOT BEING AFRAID TO SHARE IT.

Luke McFadden '22



dance team as well), to lead the dance department, and to be a dedicated full time academic teacher.

SI's Weigand theater is open to all dance students. Ms. Shick shared, "dance helped me express myself the emotions I was feeling but was too scared to share out loud, I always want to teach my students that dance is all about finding that spark within you and not being afraid to share it." As a teacher, she has enjoyed witnessing growth most of all and the feeling of pride in what she had accomplished with her graduates. Most of all, Ms. Shick aimed to make Weigand a safe space of authenticity where all judgments are left outside the door.

From the early age of three, Ms. Schick participated in many branches of dance from ballet to hip hop. After

a short break during her pre-teen years to focus on sports, Ms. Shick began gymnastics and Irish dancing. Thus began a nine year career in Irish dancing during which she danced competitively and was awarded many trophies. Although disappointed she did not get a spot on the SI volleyball team Freshman year, she reignited her passion for dance and involved herself deeply in the dance department.

As she departs from SI, Ms. Shick moves on to graduate studies in dance therapy at SF State University and hopes to utilize her studies to promote social justice and equity at other companies.

Ms. Shick has developed unique bonds with each of her students at SI and constantly has worked to bring out new sides in them. She stated that she will miss singing random songs, playing Pictionary, or learning new Tik Tok trends with her students. Her students will sorely miss her and hope Ms. Schick remembers them when she becomes famous!



Coach Angelique Boccara

MS. ANGELIOUE BOCCARA: THE STUDENT'S COACH

Editor-in-Chief

In just one year at SI, Coach Angelique Boccara, aka Coach Lique, has made an indelible impact on SI athletics, student activities, and individual student experiences.

As assistant coach for the SI Women's Varsity Basketball team, she coached the group to a NorCal major emphasis on playing defense.

In addition to coaching, Coach Lique also ran the Intramural Program, jumpstarting it after years of inactivity. Hundreds of students participated at

program operate, but without Coach Lique's enthusiasm and passion, it would not have been possible.

Coach Lique's contribution to SI cannot be captured by her official capacities alone. She was a friend to every student she came across. She cared deeply about how they were feeling, what they needed, and what she could do to State Championship appearance. Coach Lique put a help. Coach Lique is an inspiration to many, including Jackie Acosta '22, who said, "I hope that one day I'll embody at least a fraction of the energy and enthusiasm she brings to every class."

Every student who knows Coach Lique loves Coach lunch, after school, and in the evenings to make the Lique. From a grateful community, thank you Coach Lique!

### MS. MULLEN'S LASTING LEGACY

Associate Editor-in-Chief

Reilly Derrick '22

After 32 years teaching and 27 coaching, Ms. Mullen says good-bye to SI, a school where she has left a lasting impact. Ms. Mullen was inspired to teach when she worked at summer camps in college. She discovered her interest in working with young people, specifically in teaching them to be active and healthy, and decided to share this interest with our community.

Many female students will remember Ms. Mullen for the freshman year P.E. class's swim unit, lacrosse games, and 1500 m run. For 30 years, Ms. Mullen taught every freshman female student at SI in physical education. Through this class, she helped a total of over 5,000 students learn about health and physical activity.

Not only did Ms. Mullen leave her mark on SI through P.E., but she also allowed the girls' soccer program to flourish. Ms. Mullen served as Girls' Varsity Soccer Coach for 18 years and Girls' Freshman Soccer Coach for 9 years. The "Jan Mullen" award, the highest award presented annually to a graduating senior on the varsity soccer team, was created to honor Ms. Mullen's contributions to soccer. This award represents all of the aspects Ms. Mullens brought to SI and girls' soccer: dedication, good sportsmanship, teamwork, a positive attitude, and a strong work ethic.

As she looks forward to new adventures and possibilities, Ms. Mullen also reflected on her time at SI. She said she will truly miss the responsible and motivated students of SI whom she feels blessed to have been able to connect with. She also will miss her kind, thoughtful, and dedicated colleagues as well as coaching soccer. SI wishes her the best in her future endeavors and looks back with gratitude on the amazing ways Ms. Mullen has changed SI.





### **GOODBYE TO MS. KAREN LEE**

Karen Lee came to St. Ignatius as the inaugural director of the Fr. Sauer Academy. Principal Michelle Levine praised her, stating that she was "instrumental in building the foundation for our middle school and had a tremendous impact on our scholars." For the last two years, Ms. Lee has taught in the high school Religious Studies Department where she has continued to share her gifts with students at SI.



From InSIde SI and all of SI, we thank you for leaving a mark on the SI Community and wish you the best in whatever your future may hold. Thank you!

### A DAY OF GIVING BACK

Lauren Mandel '22

Editor-in-Chief

This year's Giving Day event marked a recordbreaking day of donations in the SI community. Over 1,800 students, parents and alumni generated almost \$500,000 in funds, a significant jump from the \$120,000 donated on SI's first Giving Day in 2016.

The idea for SI's Giving Day was sparked in the mind of Director of Annual Giving Genevieve Veach when she discovered multiple Jesuit colleges had annual Giving Days of their own. As for the date of the fundraising event, Ms. Veach explained how SI "chose June 28th because it was Fr. Tony Sauer's birthday" and they wanted to honor him for all his work done at the school. Choosing one particular day to donate also captured the attention of alumni and other potential donors in order to concentrate donations instead of spreading it out over the course of the year and likely losing motivation and interest.

This year, the coordinators of Giving Day decided to incorporate the day into the school year in order to "plant Father Sauer Academy or the new Athletics Complex. some seeds about giving back" in students within the school, Vice President of Advancement Mr. Joe Vollert explained. Since SI is a private education not funded by the government, everything at the school is funded by student tuition, and, of course, donations like those of Giving Day.



Layout plans for the new SI learning complex (top) and Fairmont field (bottom)







Parents and alumni gather for a Wildcat breakfast and to discuss plans for Fairmont field

"Donors can direct their gifts to a specific area of the school or to our "greatest need," Ms. Veach stated, "This year, some chose to support scholarships, the Most donors chose to leave their donations unrestricted which means their donations will have an impact this year in areas like campus upgrades, extracurriculars, and for our scholarship program." This year the scholarship program has 6.1 million dollars in financial aid, which contributes to 25% of current SI students' tuition.

Yet besides the importance of funding SI for school upgrades and scholarships, it is also important in order to install the idea of giving back to one's community. "We started Giving Day as a new way to engage with our alumni and to hopefully inspire grads of all ages to give back to SI. It has been amazing to see how this day has grown into what it is today and to witness the generosity of so many," Ms. Veach said and Mr. Vollert reiterated, "I hope that Giving Day continues to be a day to celebrate SI and a good reminder that EverySIngleGift can make a difference for our students and our future."



Giving Day helps raise funds for upgraded classroom spaces and technology

# SI NEWS

### **CALLAGHAN ESSAY AWARDS DINNER**

On May 4, the Callaghan Society and SI's essay writers gathered in the Commons for the 10th annual Callaghan Awards Dinner, the first in person since 2019. The Callaghan Society hosted Navy Admiral John M. Richardson, honored 11-year Callaghan Society President Dennis Murphy '77, and presented awards to essay and scholarship winners. This year's edition of the essay contest prompted writers to highlight a character (historical or literary) they felt exemplified Ignatian service.







(From top) First, second, & third place winners Jack Quach '23, Addie Vida '24, and Tommy DeBenedetti '22



Domenico Rossetto '22 earned a \$200,000 NROTC Scholarship



Callaghan dinner special guest Adm. John Richardson



Sophomore winner Christopher Weltzien '24



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### MAGIS AND AFFINITY GROUPS CAP OFF SI JOURNEYS

Jack Quach '23

Editor-in-Chief

Seniors clamored for seats in Carlin Commons during the Magis and Affinity Group Senior Celebration on May 11, a gathering that celebrated the accomplishments of the Class of 2022 and their future after graduation approaching in two short weeks. Tables filled with the laughter and conversation of Wildcats excitedly looking toward the next years and fondly reviving memories from their first steps on the campus.

Amidst hectic departures from and returns to inperson classes, the graduating class of 2022 weathered "an overwhelming roller coaster of emotions," Izzy Escalante '22 said during her speech at the celebration. Izzy addressed her fellow classmates, reflecting on her SI experience and sharing that Magis taught her that she, despite initially feeling out of place, has earned for the successes that come her wav.

Earlier in the afternoon,

the Magis and Affinity community, honoring impactful involvement in service, social justice, and Affinity groups. In addition, Magis associate director Mr. Brian Davis, who will be leaving SI and pursuing a doctorate, earned the Magis Staff Award for his contributions to expanding the mission of the Center for Equity and Inclusion. Two years ago, he introduced the Magis Treasure publication, which shares educational opportunities to students and their families.

After sharing dinner together, each Senior walked up a central red carpet, the centerpiece of the event, to many cheers from classmates and supporters and received their Affinity sashes, which they will wear during the graduation ceremony on May 28.

Many Seniors such as Emily Yoshii '22 hope to "bring the same energy and create a safe space for myself and others in the community" when they reach their college campuses.

"Use the space [in your future] to tell your story," Izzy concluded her speech. "You deserve it."



### THE RETURN OF **SI LIVE**

Under the direction of Mr. Darius White, SI Live returned from its three year hiatus on May 13-14th, funnier than ever.



# SI NEWS

Reilly Moriarty '23.

WHAT IS "BLACK" BSU PANEL

What is "black"? This question inspired members of the Black Student Union to provide a window into their lives as Black students at SI. On Wednesday May 4th, SI's BSU held its second "What Is 'Black'?" panel in Bannan Theater.

The five panelists, Will Solomon '23, Soon JJa Elzey '22, Furtuna Yemane '23, Zoe King '23, and Olivia Leigh '23, sat down with panel moderator, Joi Bryant '22, to answer questions regarding middle school and high school experiences, Black culture and celebration, and allyship. All panelists spoke about their middle school with regards to diversity and culture.

Soon Ja Elzey explained how her predominantly white middle school left her feeling out of touch with her roots, but making and selling waist beads made her feel connected to her heritage. She said, "I never got introduced to that representation I needed growing up, and I found

looking back, that wasn't me."

On the topic of community and support, all of the panelists described the BSU showcase as fun, memorable, and filled with love and friendship. Will Solomon spoke about the BSU showcase,



calling it, "the best form of allyship at SI."

The panelists voiced the necessity for more allyship through student and teacher attendance at BSU events. When asked about what brings them joy for their community, BSU stud

Editor-in-Chief

students responded with a wide range of answers. Raven Shaw talked about her church and the SI cookout while Olivia Leigh described her love and pride for Black literature, movies, and media. Additionally, both Gemma Oakley-Lynch and Reann Phillips felt joy and community when going to the San Francisco City Wide Black Student Union meetings and interacting with other high school students of color.

Lastly, panelists were asked what future changes they would like to see happen at SI. Every student mentioned the need for more uplifting events like the BSU showcase. Moreover, Furtuna Yemane explained, "In order to progress as an open community we cannot ignore important conversations."

The BSU Panel allowed a progressive and respectful conversation between all students in attendance. The SI Community looks forward to more educational and engaging events like this next school year.

### **ROBOTICS 5294 OPEN HOUSE**

SI's First Robotics Team (5924) opened their doors to SI visitors on Saturday, May 14th showing off impressive builds from throughout the year.







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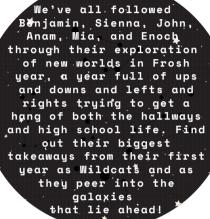
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Shout out to costume crew! I was able to learn how to sew both by hand and sewing machine...l also loved pouring the red paint on the bloody Carrie dresses.



### WHAT'S ONE PIECE OF ADVICE YOU WISH YOU COULD GIVE YOURSELF ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL?

To get involved, be confident and kind, and try to make lots of friends - BENJAMIN

overwhelming at first, you will eventually find your I wish I could tell place in the community.

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SI can feel

- SIENNA

myself to be more confident and stick with things.

- ANAM

### **WHAT WERE YOUR FAVORITE ACTIVITIES?**

Definitely track. I loved how everyone was able to

improve. - JOHN

My favorite activities this year would have to be helping to produce the spring musical as well as just hanging out with the people I've talked to at SI.

I have really enjoyed doing crew because it has helped me to meet a lot of new people. I have also had so much fun participating in chorus and performing at a music festival in Santa Cruz. - SIENNA

FROSH QUOTES!

"Do one thing every day that scares you. - Eleanor Roosevelt"

- ENOCH

"Always do what makes you happy." - BENJAMIN

- ENOCH

WHAT ARE YOU EXCITED FOR NEXT YEAR?

I'm looking forward to more track!

- JOHN I'm excited to trying out for start learning sports.

how to drive and try new classes. - ANAM Continue meeting new people and - BENJAMIN

### **ADVICE FOR NEXT FROSH CLOSEUP?**

It's a great way to let people know how the year is going and I think it's a great idea to do it!

- JOHN

Share your honest perspectives and let your true self shine. - SIENNA



PREPARE FOR **LAUNCH** 



# **ARTS & LEISURE**

### **SPRING FINE ARTS UPDATE**

Melissa Hua '23 Editor-in-Chief



Orchestra's melodious medley of Badelt's Pirates of the Caribbean and Hurwitz's La La Land received a superior and first place rating at Santa Cruz's Music in the Parks Festival on May 7th.



Mixed and Chamber Chorus's theme of "Time" beautifully orchestrated themes of love, time, and joy and received a superior rating at Santa Cruz's Music in the Parks Festival on May 7th.



Cabaret's breathtaking performance featured hits from Heathers and Mean Girls. Sophomore Angelica Chu '24 and seniors '22 Bella Fontanilla and Maddie Bibat were featured as soloists.

Seniors throughout St. Ignatius's Dance Workshop program have worked diligently to prepare choreography ranging from contemporary to hip hop pieces on May 19 and 20 at 4 pm and 7pm.



Jazz Band's groovy Spring Pops Performance featured impromptu solos from all ensemble members impressing audience members with pure musical prowess.



# **SPORTS**

Jack Stecher '23 Philip Luongo III '23

### **SPRING SPORTS UPDATE** as of 5/18/22

Editor-in-Chief Editor-in-Chief

Just like that, the Spring Sport seasons are coming to an end. We have many Varsity teams who made their mark in their own leagues. The Wildcat Athletes are gracious for all the support shown throughout the season. Good luck to the Senior athletes and their new endeavors and as always—Go 'Cats! All records are as of May 17.

### Men's Baseball

Record: 13-12

The men's baseball team suffered a heartbreaker as SHC walked them off 4-6. They came back to get a 4-1 win against Kings Academy on May 14th.



Varsity Men's were eliminated from WCAL playoffs losing to Bellarmine

# Women's Softball

The women's softball team finished off their season on a high note with a 3-1 victory over rival SHC on May 17th.



Varsity Women's team beats the Irish to cap off a successful season

### Men's Volleyball Record: 6-16



The men's volleyball team finished off their year with an unfortunate loss in the first round of the WCAL Playoffs.

### Track and Field

The track and field team performed well in the WCAL Finals, with some Wildcat runners qualifying for CCS Championships on May 21st.





### Men and Women's Crew

Both the men and women's crew have qualified for Scholastic National Championships in Camden, New Jersey the weekend of May 27th.



# **SPORTS**

### Men's Lacrosse Record: 19-4



Varsity Lax dominates on the Murph

The men's lacrosse team finished off an amazing year with a win over Sacred Heart Prep in the WCAL Finals

### Men's Golf Record: 11-2

The varsity golf team finished their strong season with an impressive record, most recently beating Serra. Who's your Padre?



Men's Golf Senior Day

### Women's Swimming Record: 6-0

The women's swimming team completed an incredible undefeated season, blowing their competition out of the water at the WCAL Championships.



Women's swim & dive team contributed to SI's first CCS Open Championship victory

## Women's Lacrosse

The women's team started the CCS Playoffs with a crushing 18-1 victory over Mitty in the first round. Their next matchup will be on May 18th.



Varsity Women's Lax charges onward to take on the Stevenson's Pirates

### Men's Tennis Record: 14-5

The tennis team's season has ended with a recent loss to Lynbrook. Individual CCS Finals take place on May 18th.



Jacob Young '23 returns a volley

### Men's Swimming Record: 5-2

The men's swimming team finished the year with a great record, but hopes to do even better next year.



Men's swim & dive dominated all year and achieved great feats.

# HUMOR



Ms. Nickolai waits for the bus to escape some abushers

### SENIOR ASSASSINS

You thought this game was for the Class of '22 BUT

Watch out for the *real* old timers splashing each other!!



Mr. Vollert gets his hands on a water gun!



Mr. Mole crashes the senior party at the old folks home.

# HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

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