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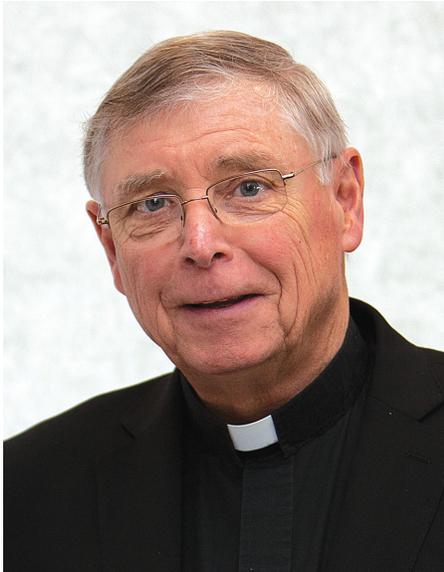


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Letter From The

President



Br. Arthur D. Dunne

I see our graduates as wholesome young men who represent their families and Palma very nicely.

Palma's Class of 2016 will soon be walking across the stage as Palma's 62nd graduation takes place on the first Sunday of June. The graduation of our seniors has been, and continues to be, a true highlight of the academic year for me; it is a classy, impressive program that marks nicely the academic achievements of the given class. The Class of 2016 is the 29th Palma group of seniors I will have had the honor of witnessing the moving of the tassel from right to left at the end of the actual ceremony. Graduation is always a moment of great joy as well as a moment for reflection; I think all in attendance appreciate the conclusion of an important stage in life as well as the beginnings of something new and exciting for all of the young men and their families.

I have often heard of individuals and/or families speak of "the process" involved in seeing a young man graduate from Palma and the paths that have been opened to a given graduate as a result of traversing well the intricacies typically experienced along and through the Palma challenges. The sentiments often attached to those who have experienced "the process" are, more often than not, extremely positive upon high school graduation with thoughts euphoric as well as a high degree of fondness among the graduates themselves for friendships made and accomplishments realized along the many ways. That's the norm I've seen and recall happening many times over the term of enrollment and graduation, year after year. It has been, and continues to be, a terrific experience for me to sit back and simply watch this experience take place, like clockwork, as boys graduate into being some very terrific young men, well prepared for college and beyond. I see these blessings on a daily basis.

There are several components involved in getting a young man prepared for college and beyond. Probably the most important aspect of all, beyond food and shelter, has to be the support and conviction of parents that everything required to make time at Palma so very profitable happens. Tied very closely to that cause is the ability to have their son see the wisdom such a support system is as an absolute necessity. Without that level of faith and support, success at such a competitive level is going to be a true challenge and will, more than likely, not give one the wonderful opportunity of what a Palma graduation is all about.

There was a time I used to bristle when I'd hear some folks refer to a Palma education as a "finishing school for rich kids" as I knew that wasn't true — it was so much more than that. That thought, or other similar reflections, used to annoy me as I saw that as a narrow view that didn't give much, if any, credence to what we are truly about here — getting young men ready for college and beyond within the framework of an Edmund Rice Christian Brother school. That thought no longer bothers me as I have seen so many other areas of the Palma experience approach and go beyond exceptional on a regular basis. We are spoiled with some tremendously talented young men, in each class from zip codes galore, who yearn to do well and truly desire to be well prepared for college short term, for beyond long term, and to also fit in with their peers. Competition in the classroom carries over to the extracurricular endeavors and is so very typical of Palma students. That isn't always an easy balance to achieve as there are so many challenges facing today's young men; we have no two students who are the exact same. And that is what makes this place so very special and never boring. I see our graduates as wholesome young men who represent their families and Palma very nicely.

There are so many opportunities of growth and progress at Palma for any young man — but all those opportunities need a commitment, a buy-in, to make it all work and bring a young male adolescent to the threshold of adulthood, true greatness, and accomplishment. Where else could one see a young man who happens to be a senior actually stop to help a 7th grade student who had dropped the contents of his backpack on the walkway. Or see a senior spend quality time during a free period tie and retie the netting to his lacrosse gear because it needs to be just right. Good clean wholesome responses and fun from students who make the time for others and/or take advantage of some extra time to "tie-down" a need or make things happen as anticipated and hoped for by those watching and waiting ever so patiently.

I offer my fondest congratulations not only to the newest additions to Palma's long and distinguished listing of graduates but, even more so, to the parents and families and friends who have helped make such an accomplishment, such a plan, go from a dream to reality. Well done by all in realizing dreams and plans. Thank you and best wishes to our Palma Class of 2016.

Letter From The
Principal



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David J. Fall". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

We value our young men and care for their success even beyond their current GPAs.

The spring semester is that annual time of year when the rhythm of a young person's life is packed with excitement, anxiety, anticipation, and so much more. AP exam testing will be underway during the first two weeks of May; eager students are serving on international service trips; 14 teams are competing in eight different sports; final exams and summative testing are competing with longer days and that notorious epidemic known to some as senioritis. College decision deadlines are pressing upon our seniors, and from the looks of our marquee showcasing college destinations across the country posted outside the Guidance/Admissions Building, this is yet another banner year for our graduates; they are matriculating to some very strong institutions in higher education! Among a goodly number of our seniors here, in particular, there is a palpable desire among them to forge meaningful relationships with one another that will leave a lasting and honorable legacy for a class that has persevered with good character.

As the reality of the close of another successful school year approaches I cannot help but to reflect on the gift of education. The greatest challenge of teaching (and parenting) is to love unconditionally. It is a love that is balanced by the need for forgiveness and sincerity, to ensure consequences for our sons that result from choices, both good and bad, both for our benefit in growth and development to being better people for a world that needs us so. It is my genuine hope that our young men learn to love and be loved during their time here at Palma. Effective teaching requires the ultimate gift of self to students every day. Teachers who are committed to that higher standard of their vocations know that their students will never be able to show enough gratitude for that ultimate gift of self, but they love our students anyway.

Life, we know, is not perfect, and neither is the gift of education. As students we make mistakes, we fail, we struggle to stay motivated. As teachers we misperceive, misjudge, miscalculate, we struggle to motivate. It may even be the very imperfection inherent in the process of learning that empowers learning to happen ever more fully. What a gift it is to experience wonder, to encounter the "aha!" moment, to move beyond the status quo of ignorance to enlightenment – to learn! Learning is a deeply human experience. It happens first in our homes among our parents, our first teachers. Later in schools it is a process that requires relational experiences among teachers and students, theorists and evidence acquired by those who research. It is the reason why I believe in schools, where such interactions are happening every day.

Learning is all the more reason why I believe in Palma, where the process of education requires an investment of the whole person – physically, intellectually, socially, and spiritually. We value our young men and we care for their success even beyond their current GPAs. Our mission here is to prepare the sons of Palma for success beyond Palma, in college, in the community, in their families, and ultimately for Heaven. Here's to the successful 65th school year at Palma School!

Go Chieftains!

Palma Alum on the “Big Stage”

Palma’s Connection to the Popes

For most of his life, Rev. Ken Laverone, OFM (Palma class of 1969) has been interested in the history of the Mission system, being of a 6th generation family of Mission San Juan Bautista. His family lineage traces back to late 18th century California, during the Spanish colonial period. As a Franciscan Friar, and because of his interest in the mission system and the history of California, Fr. Ken has been part of the Cause of the Canonization of St. Junipero Serra since 2004, upon returning from his Canon Law studies in Rome. The commission promoting the canonization of Fr. Serra, under the then vice-postulator, Fr. John Vaughn, needed a canon lawyer to address the legal issues related to the canonization process.

On January 19, 2015, when Fr. Ken was serving as provincial vicar of Franciscans of the Province of Saint Barbara and pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Sacramento, Pope Francis made the announcement of his intention to canonize Fr. Serra during his visit to the east coast of the United State in September 2015. This was a complete surprise to the Franciscans and the Bishops of California. Without much information the Franciscan Provincial, at the time, requested that Fr. Mel Jurisich, OFM and Fr. Ken travel to Rome to determine the details of the canonization process. During the visit they met with the Franciscan General Postulator, who appointed the two as co-vice postulators, replacing Fr. John Vaughn, OFM because of poor health. They also met with the Cardinal Prefect of the Congregation of Saints and the United States Ambassador to the Holy See.

Since the appointment as co-vice postulator, Fr. Ken became the chief spokesperson for the Canonization of St. Junipero, explaining the history and the process of making Fr. Serra an official saint for the Church. These discussions with the media and various groups attempted to address the protests leveled by some Native American critiques to canonize Fr. Serra.

“Terrible things did happen to the native peoples in the process of colonization and evangelization to the Native American people, but Serra’s primary intent,” Fr. Ken explains, “was that Serra deeply desired to bring the Gospel, the Good News, to all people. Serra saw the native people as good and holy. He always referred to them as gentiles, in the same way as St. Paul did in his writings. Serra’s intent was to open the door of salvation to all people of God.”

Laverone points out that Fr. Serra had a strained relationship with the Spanish military leaders and many of the appointed officials because of their treatment and lack of respect of the Native American people. Fr. Serra sent several letters of complaint to the viceroy in Mexico City and made two trips to Mexico City to attempt to make changes in the attitude of the military and political leaders of Alta California toward the native peoples. It was Serra’s intent to establish missions some distance from the military presidios as was the case of building Mission San Carlos Borromeo del Carmelo in the summer of 1771, to be of some distance from the Royal Presidio in Monterey founded June 3, 1770. He saw the need for greater independence and influence of the military from his own

“...I was in the presence of a holy man.”

— Rev. Kenneth Laverone, OFM '69

evangelization efforts as well as the need to protect the Indians from the soldiers. He saw the need to be near the Indian villages along the mouth of the Carmel River.

As a typical form of discipline for all people of the Spanish colonies, “Serra did condone the flogging of Indians who were disobedient and ran away,” Laverone continues. “This was the typical form of discipline of a loving and stern father for his children. Serra saw himself as the spiritual father of the native people living at the missions. It’s hard to judge the actions of people from a 21st-century perspective. We have to put their behavior into the context of the 18th century not the 21st century.”



Fr. Ken shares a moment with Pope Francis

Laverone was part of the canonization ceremony on September 23, 2015, presenting a brief biography of Fr. Serra to Pope Francis in Spanish and to the world who were witnessing the canonization in person or via the international media. Laverone, as co-vice postulator, was chosen by default to proclaim the biography simply because Fr. Mel, the other co-vice-postulator, did not speak Spanish. Until the two were aware the biography was to be read in Spanish, they had decided to flip a coin to determine who would have the privilege of this part of the canonization liturgy.

He traveled to Washington DC on Sunday, September 20th, and on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday prior to the canonization, Fr. Ken participated in rehearsals for the canonization ceremony, along with dozens of other participants, led by Msgr. Guido Marini, the Papal Master of Ceremonies, and his staff.

On Wednesday, September 23rd, the day of the ceremony, the security was tight. It was reported to be more sweeping than that for any dignitary, including the president. Fr. Ken made it into the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, located adjacent to The Catholic University of America, passing through several security barriers along with the 25,000 faithful who were attending the canonization ceremony. While vesting in a special area, Fr. Ken discovered he was vesting next to the Vatican Secretary of State, Cardinal Pietro Parolin, with whom he had a short but fascinating discussion regarding the issue of the number of immigrants from the middle east coming into Europe.

When it came time for Fr. Ken to read Serra’s biography, during the ceremony in the east portico of the Basilica, Laverone reports, “I looked up at Pope Francis and I smiled at him and nodded and he smiled and nodded at

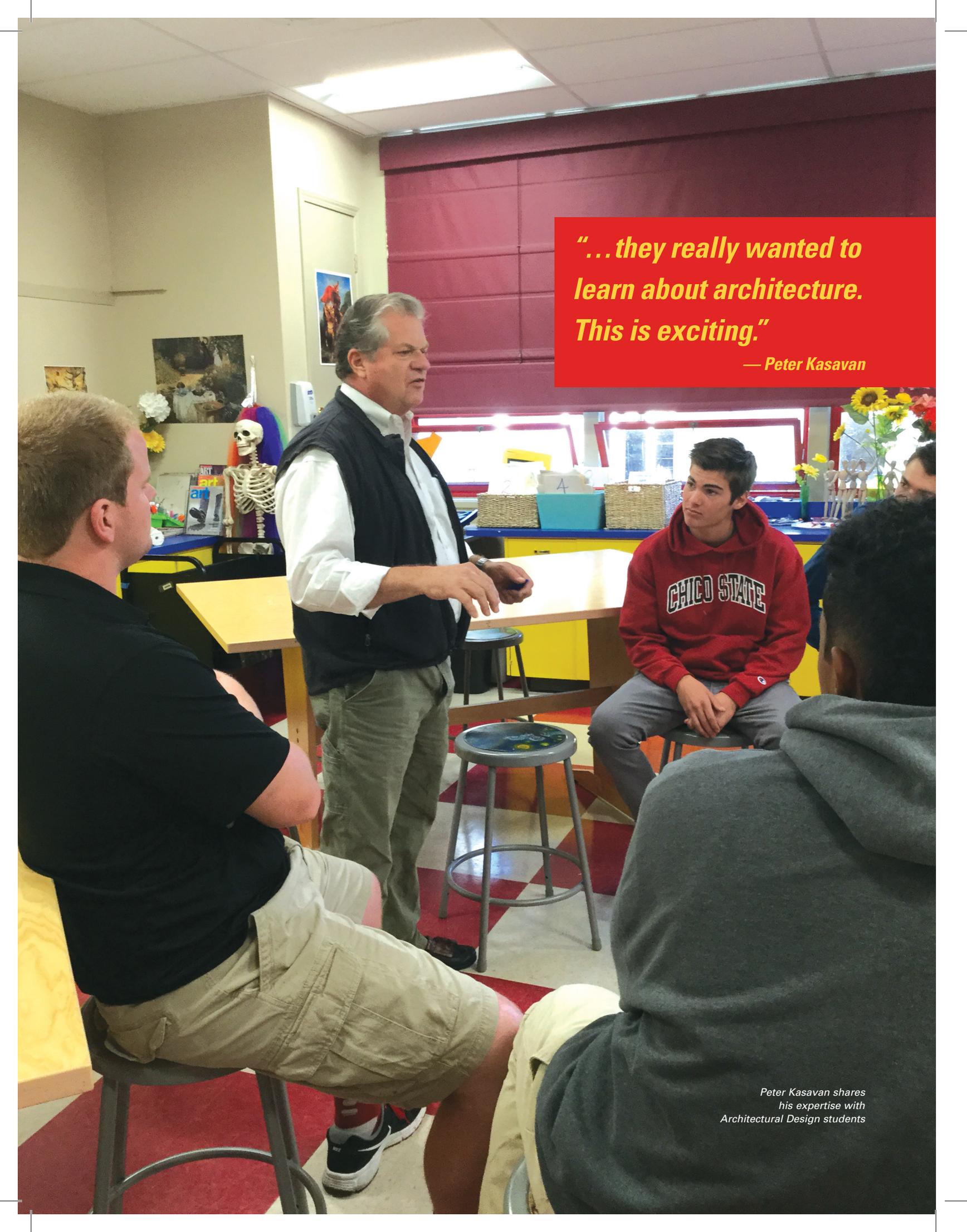


Palma Alum Rev. Kenneth Laverone, OFM reads Junipero Serra's biography at the canonization

me and I started." Fr. Ken says he was not nervous and it was "sheer joy" to be in the presence of Pope Francis. Fr. Ken, Fr. Mel, and Fr. Gianni, from Rome, and Cardinal Wruel, the archbishop of Washington DC, individually greeted Pope Francis with a few words during the liturgy. "I was in the presence of a holy man, and I could feel it. You can see it in his eyes, you can pick it up in his demeanor," said Fr. Ken.

This was not Fr. Ken's first time celebrating with a Pope. He was also part of the Liturgy delivered by Pope John Paul II (now St. John Paul) during his visit to California in 1987. Pope John Paul II said Mass in the presence of 50,000 people at Laguna Seca Raceway in Monterey and visited Carmel Mission Basilica, the burial site of St. Junipero, in the presence of about 3,000 people. ●

Fr. Ken recommends two recent biographies of St. Junipero Serra for those who may be interested in the latest historical research on Serra and the mission period: *Junipero Serra: California, Indians, and the Transformation of a Missionary*, by Rose Marie Beebe and Robert M. Senkenwicz, 2015 and *Junipero Serra: California's Founding Father*, by Steven W. Hackel, 2013.

A photograph of Peter Kasavan, a man with grey hair wearing a white shirt and a dark vest, standing and speaking to a group of students. The students are seated on stools around a table. One student in the foreground is wearing a red hoodie with "CHICO STATE" written on it. The room has a red wall and a window with a view of the outdoors. There are various items on the table, including a skeleton model and some papers.

"...they really wanted to learn about architecture. This is exciting."

— Peter Kasavan

Peter Kasavan shares his expertise with Architectural Design students

Classroom Mentors:

Professionals Donate Their Time and Lend Their Expertise to Palma Architectural Design Students

Architecture was born when humankind first used materials to create shelters. Since the earliest known written work on the subject, which dates back to the first century, three principles continue to be employed: Durability, Utility and Beauty. This time-honored art is now being studied at Palma School through the Architectural Design class under the tutelage of instructor Martha Tonkin, MFA, M.Ed. Open to all students with an interest in architecture or engineering, the class teaches the history and function of architecture and provides hands-on opportunities to draft plans, read blueprints and create 3-D models utilizing the concepts they learn.

What makes Tonkin's class exciting and fun is the advice students receive from professional architects who mentor the young men. Peter Kasavan of Kasavan Architects in Salinas, Christopher Barlow and Matthew Heidel of WR&D Architects in Monterey, Gretchen Flesher of Gretchen Flesher Architecture in Monterey, and professional architect Adam Jeselnick from Carmel have all shared their professional experience and philosophies.

The first mentor, Peter Kasavan, explained how his background in construction and as a fine arts sculptor led him to a love for architecture. "Mankind creates buildings based on human need and survival, and also spirituality. Churches are a good example of buildings designed to emulate their function as they are usually tall (reaching up to heaven), and most Catholic churches are built in the shape of a cross."

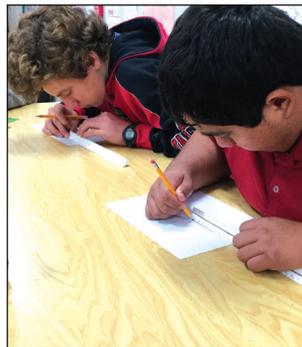
Kasavan then explained that drawing instruments were "... merely tools of expression to get your ideas across. One needs to get comfortable with the tools in order for there to be a natural flow when designing." He reasoned that no matter what tools you use to express your ideas, it all comes from the heart and remains a true art form.

He tasked the boys to create a scale drawing of a small, imaginary home. Kasavan personally discussed the project with each student and helped them with the efficient use of their instruments.

As he concluded his time at Palma, Kasavan remarked, "It really is our responsibility to give back to the community. I really enjoyed coming to talk to the students. It's fun to meet the guys and I could tell they really wanted to learn about architecture. This is exciting."

During the semester, Tonkin assigned an affordable housing design project taken from an actual development in nearby Spreckels. The class developed their ideas using Computer-Aided Design (CAD) software. Once completed, architects Gretchen Flesher, Chris Barlow and Matt Heidel joined the class to consult with each of the design teams and critique their projects. The professionals expressed how impressed they were with the thoughtfulness the students displayed in this design challenge and how each team provided educational and exercise facilities in their designs. The students also incorporated gardens, theatres and casual gathering places to enhance the living environment.

The mentoring architects encouraged Ms. Tonkin to include sculpture, drawing, painting and light construction exercises in her students' education, stressing the importance of developing creative thinking and artistic expression to the art of creating beautiful buildings.



Learning to use tools of the trade

Taking Their Lessons to the Community

The architecture students are now designing shelters for the homeless in Salinas. The assignment includes utilizing materials they can collect, purchase or have donated on their own. Two students, **Zach Ralston '16** and **Robert Batson '16**, decided to take on an additional project by working with Palma Business Manager George Garibay to design and build a playhouse for a child with physical challenges as part of their Mexico mission this year. Ralston and Batson will solicit material donations from local businesses and fabricate the pieces locally, then take them to Mexico for final assembly on the site.

The public is invited to view a display of the architecture students' models, drawings and portfolios on April 21st from 3:30 to 5:30 pm in the Cislini Library on the Palma campus. Their architect mentors will be present.

"The students learned a lot and I am completely indebted to the architect mentors for their contribution of time and expertise to our program at Palma." Tonkin remarked.

Note: In May, the students will divide into teams to design, build and race boats made of cardboard. This will be a good test of their design skills as well as fun to watch. ●



Palma School art teacher Martha Tonkin, MFA, M.Ed was asked to sit on the 2015 AIA Awards Jury panel. Tonkin joined Jonathan Reich, professor of architecture at Cal Poly, SLO and Chris Wasney, principal architect at Cody Anderson Wasney in Palo Alto. Nine awards were given from among 25 entries in residential, non-residential and non-built categories. Tonkin received the invitation from Matt Heidelberg of the WR&D Architectural firm in Monterey. Heidelberg was one of the mentors at Palma and asked Tonkin based on her art background and new role as architecture instructor. "I was delighted to be chosen to be a member of this panel," Tonkin reports.

Prison Ministry:

Bringing More Than Literature To The Imprisoned

by Roger Rybkowski

Evening was giving way to the night sky as it had done for hundreds, even thousands, of evenings before this for the men at the California Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation facility in Soledad. But this evening was to be different. It was the evening of a scheduled meeting with a group of students, parents and staff from Palma School. The meeting tonight was part three of a five-part scrutiny of John Steinbeck's *The Grapes of Wrath*, a program initiated by Palma School's campus ministry director Jim Micheletti and conducted with the cooperation of the National Steinbeck Center in Salinas.

Our van, followed by two cars carrying a total of 19 people, came to its first stop at the facility entrance. The Palma School van was promptly recognized and we were waved through the gate. We parked in front of the Central Entrance Building, gathered, and filed into the first security checkpoint. Here we met Lt. Ramon, a stout man with a giant smile who welcomed us all warmly. Security, much like at today's airports, was a pass through the metal detector without shoes. Our IDs were checked against the pre-screened list and we signed in. Once all through security, the signal was given and with a loud buzz, the inner door was opened leading us through the two perimeter fences into the facility.

At the main entrance to all of the conjoined buildings that make up the prison complex we showed our IDs again as they checked each of us against their list. Once all inside, the door was secured behind us and the heavy iron-barred door before us was signaled open. We were escorted in a group down the right side of a long corridor, past a group of inmates who were held at a stop on the other side. A short walk brought us to the prison gym.

A line of nine "Blue Shirts" welcomed us to the meeting, shaking each of our hands in a reception line. The inmates, numbering between 60 and 70, were all wearing their light blue pullover shirts with "CDCR PRISONER" emblazoned in yellow on the back. Their blue pants, some jeans-like, others sweatpant-like, had a bright yellow "PRISONER" written down the leg. Chairs were arranged in rows facing a podium at the front of the well-worn gym where the balance of the group sat awaiting our arrival. We were invited to sit in the two front rows to begin our meeting.

Our prison facilitator was Johnny Howe, a 43-year-old inmate who is a member of the Life Cycle team. The team is assembled and staffed by inmates with the goal of encouraging other prisoners to engage in constructive activities that will contribute to their successful parole and assimilation into society.

Those of us new to the group introduced ourselves, then Jim Micheletti was introduced. Jim talked about the section of the book we would be discussing, which he titled, *The Journey*. He handed out a sheet with 10 quotes from the book and asked each of us to choose two or three of the quotes and reflect on how they related to Tom Joad's journey and our own personal journey. We then split up into groups of about 10 made up of Blue Shirts, a student, parent and/or faculty member.

My group consisted of Palma Senior **Aaron Zender**, parent Kathleen Gastello, Lt. Ramon and seven inmates. The conversation began with introductions and kind greetings. Then each member of our group spoke about a quote that had relevance in their life. We were fortunate to have Aaron in our group, for his knowledge of the book allowed him to quickly find and cite passages from other parts of *The Grapes of Wrath* that were germane to our conversation. Everyone took a turn to speak. Some with eloquence, some with deliberate formation of their thoughts, but all with refreshing honesty. There was no pretention and no shame, and the discussion was conducted with respect rarely found anywhere. Too quickly, we were asked to wrap up our discussion and return our chairs to rows facing the podium.

Johnny called up two people from each of the eight groups, one at a time, to elaborate on one of the quotes and its meaning. Each was greeted with applause and many spoke about painful times in their lives. Despite the poignant nature of many recollections, they were met with honest humanity and support. Striking close to the heart was a story by one Blue Shirt who recounted being embarrassed as a kid that his family could not afford bread and how he would eat his lunch alone so no one would notice. He says now after reflecting on the book, "I am ashamed that I was ashamed of my parents."

Other comments from inmates included, "I'm loving the journey I'm taking with this book and you guys," and "that's why we're all here, we all want to learn from each other how to be better people." Another Blue Shirt commented, "we think we are victims, but Tom in the book teaches us we are not victims, we need to be responsible."

For my own part, I expressed to the group what I was truly feeling; that I had arrived knowing what to expect only from what society told me to expect, but what I found was a human heart. This group of men was meeting to better themselves and our group was privileged to join in the conversation. It's a conversation they could have had without us, but our providing a link to the outside somehow validated their feelings and provided hope.

It's humbling when a group of men, most convicted of violent crimes, teaches you a thing or two about life and yourself. It's also a pleasure to be in the company of so many gentlemen — yes, *gentlemen* — for at that moment, during that time, they each met the definition of a gentle man.

As our meeting concluded, the entire lot of Blue Shirts lined up and each one shook our hands and thanked us for visiting and participating in the group. It was difficult to move down that line without thinking of Matthew 25:36, "... I was in prison and you came to me." What's more, one rarely has the opportunity to look straight into another man's eyes and see pure gratitude staring back.

On the way out, I couldn't help but notice the scoreboard hanging high on the wall of that prison gym. The two words had a new and profound meaning for me now: "Visitors" and "Home." ●

Palma students are creating a book from the writings shared at these meetings. More information will be on the Palma School website when available.



*"...I was in prison and
you came to me."*

— Matthew 25:36

The gym inside the California
Department of Corrections &
Rehabilitation facility in Soledad



Campus Ministry: **Palma School Represented at the United Nations**

Edmund Rice International (ERI) is an advocacy group that strives to “empower the poor and give a voice to the vulnerable” around the world, bringing their concerns to the United Nations in Geneva. Acting much like lobbyists, they illuminate the plight of suffering peoples and/or nations on issues ranging from human rights and social justice to environmental responsibility.

In November 2015, a group representing Edmund Rice Schools from around the world assembled in Switzerland to participate in ERI’s Seventh Human Rights and Advocacy Training workshop in Geneva. Participants came from the UK, India, Uruguay, Australia and the USA; among which was Palma’s Ministry Director Jim Micheletti.

“During our two-week stay, training sessions took place at the Brothers’ house, a downtown office, and on the floor of the United Nations in Geneva. Participants learned in-depth from guest speakers about human rights with particular attention being paid to how the UN conducts Universal Periodic Reviews (UPR),” said Micheletti.

UPRs are a vital tool with which nations’ representatives and organizations with NGO status* hold other member nations accountable for correcting injustices that occur on their homeland. With much work to be done, especially in the areas of justice for women, children, refugees and the environment, UPRs attempt to press violators into compliance with international standards.

The group also learned from researchers who work directly with people possessing first-hand knowledge of injustices, exposing the “conspiracy of

silence” that allows atrocities to continue. Open forums, dialogues, group work and meal sharing all contributed to solidifying participants’ passion for this purpose and aided each in developing an individual Advocacy Plan for their community back home.

“The genius of this training is that the variety of Edmund Rice participants from around the globe constituted a miniature ‘united nations’ to learn about the high work of the UN proper in Geneva, the human rights capital of the world,” explained Micheletti. “We learned that we all need to take an active role to ‘educate and legislate’ when it comes to human rights and environmental protection.”

Micheletti’s Advocacy Plan for Palma School is a continuation of the powerful program that brings dignity, hope and mentoring to the incarcerated at the state correctional facility in Soledad.

**An NGO is a Non-Governmental Organization that has legal incorporation representing a group interest or cause, and engages with national and international groups to achieve their goals of advocating for the common good. By having NGO “status,” ERI is recognized by the UN as an organization that can promote the goals of the United Nations. ●*



Jim Micheletti

Pictured above: Participants in ERI course in Human Rights and Advocacy in Geneva. (back l-r) Jim D’Arcy CFC (Aus); Michael LaLiberte (USA); Dominic Sassi CFC (European Province Leadership Team); Moy Hitchen CFC (ERI team); Brian Bond CFC (ERI team); Tom Murray (UK); Emmanuel Danjuma (Nigeria); Anish John CFC (India); Gonzalo Irigoyen (Uruguay); (front l-r) Hector Pinto CFC (India); Jim Micheletti (USA), Olivier Manchoulas (Uruguay); Anita Hendrie (Aus)

AROUND CAMPUS



Art Students Explore SF Art Colleges

Art students had a blast in San Francisco visiting the San Francisco Academy of Art University and the San Francisco Art Institute. The students were in awe of the quality of work that they saw in the game design, animation, graphic design, photography, web design & new media, music, industrial design and fine arts programs. The auto design program was a big hit with the students! Pictured are (l to r): **Joey Esquivel '19, Bryce Robinson '16, David Daniels '19, Steven Said '20, Blake Mitchell '17, Elliott Mirassou '16, Matt Fusanotti '16, Kaleo Afoa '16.**

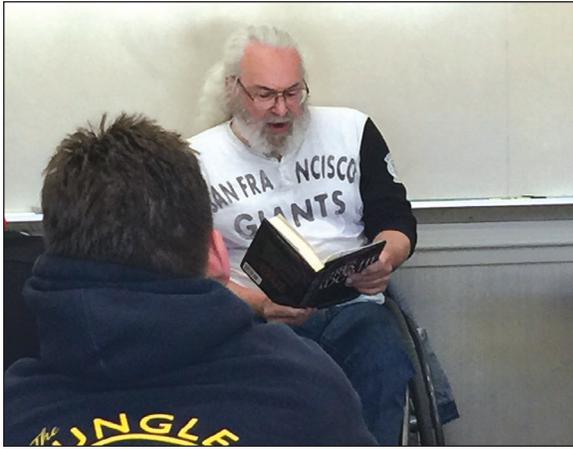
Ecology in Action

Members of the Palma Ecology Club participated in the Save Our Shores sponsored "California Coastal Cleanup Day." Club members (pictured left to right), **Bryce Robinson '16, Jacob Houle '16, Jacob Haas '16** and **Tristin Rammel '16**, chose Del Monte Beach in Monterey as their cleanup site. They were joined by Palma Alum, former mayor and long-time Palma supporter, **Dennis Donohue '72** and Palma School parent and staff member Mia Mirassou.



Mindy and Trey Busch Honored at Philanthropy Luncheon

On Friday, November 20th, the Palma Family was proud to recognize Mindy and Trey Busch as Distinguished Honorees for Philanthropy for their generous support of Palma School over the years. The Busch's son, Bering, graduated from Palma in 2006. During Bering's time here, and since, Mindy and Trey have sat on and chaired numerous boards and committees and helped raise countless dollars. When honoring the Busch's at a luncheon held at Spanish Bay, emcee Dan Green of KSBW read in part, "... a non-profit dreams of having volunteers on their team like this. Palma is appreciative for Mindy and Trey. Their generosity is boundless — their leadership and commitment reflecting their Palma pride." Our congratulations are extended to Trey and Mindy along with our continuing gratitude.



Jonathan Nasaw Visits Palma

On November 18th, famed author Jonathan Nasaw spoke to the Creative Writing class. The *Washington Post* has called his novels “superior thrillers” and *Publishers Weekly* cites his work as “a polished tongue in cheek thriller...” Students were able to hear him read a few passages from various novels and listen to him talk about his creative process as well as character development. Nasaw has published 12 novels and is now enjoying retirement.



Freshmen Get Into the Spirit

More than 60 freshmen purchased gifts for the students at L.I.F.E., Inc. An acronym for “Life Is For Everyone.” L.I.F.E., Inc. supports a safe community with a structured after-school program for children in East Salinas. On December 7th approximately 20 ninth graders wrapped and decorated the gifts and on December 8th a dozen or so Palma students, mostly freshmen, brought the gifts to the children and shared in a Christmas party with them. For some of the children, this may have been the only Christmas gift they received last year.



Constitution Day

In recognition of Constitution Day, Judge Albert Maldonado gave a lecture to the Honors Economics class. The class studies US government and politics in the spring term. Superior Court Judge **Sam Lavorato, Jr. '83** was instrumental in arranging this opportunity for Palma.



McKinnon School Gets a Palma Facelift

On October 31st students worked from 10am to 2pm at McKinnon Elementary in Salinas sprucing up the kinder playground. They cleaned, painted, organized and refreshed a very drab area . . . and they had a great time doing it.



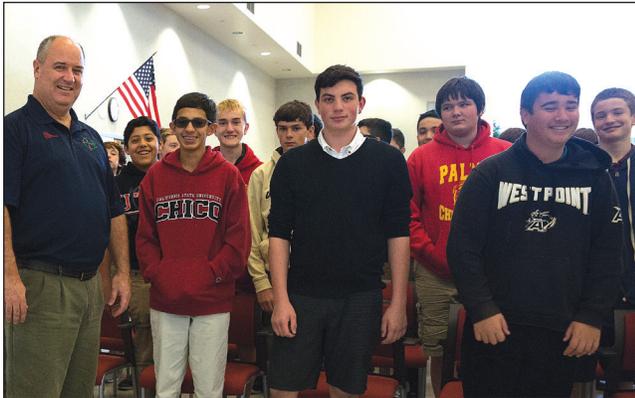
Traveling to Distant Galaxies

Eighth graders, after learning about distant galaxies, worked in groups as travel agents selling travel packages to the galaxy assigned to them. The boys created brochures and posters to sell their galactic real estate. Pictured here are: **Aidan Lafferty, Jack Busch, and Joseph Piini.**

Finding Our Purpose: Br. Stephen Casey Shares His Gifts

With a presence as big as his heart, Brooklyn-born Brother Stephen Casey is the living embodiment of the charisma of Blessed Edmund Rice. He arrived at Palma School in Salinas on December 4th, 2015, with a message of gratitude for Palma's contributions to the Christian Brothers Mission Program. Through a 45-minute presentation, and his living example, he left behind a lot more.

Br. Casey resides in New York for six months of the year (August-January).



Brother Stephen Casey (left) shares his message with Palma students

The other six months you'll find him in Lima, Peru where he welcomes students from 18 Christian Brothers schools to their immersion mission to build homes while absorbing a deeper understanding of the plight of the poor in developing nations. The experience imparts new insights about poverty and enables students to more fully understand how they themselves are blessed. This perspective, combined with Br. Casey's poignant message, draws deep introspection and creates a receptive province for the idea that today's world doesn't move with people who want change; it stirs from people who affect change.

By questioning today's social norms, Br. Casey invites his audience to break free from the "followers" and make their own path in life. He examines, and ultimately disproves, that the accepted course of education-to-occupation leads to happiness. Then, he challenges everyone to find their gift.

"When we are able to find our purpose in life — the reason God put us on this earth — then we will be able to find happiness," states Br. Casey.

Br. Casey routinely tours Christian Brothers schools in North America, sharing his message of gratitude, and challenging people to "master the joy of living." ●

From Eagle Scouts to the U.S. Army: A Salute to Chieftains in (or soon to be in) Uniform

It takes an exceptional young man with drive and commitment to attain his Eagle Scout designation. That's why the accomplishment is rare and celebrated. That said, how extraordinary it is then that four Chieftains have attained their Eagle Scout this year. We congratulate these outstanding young men.

Anthony Alvarado '16
Douglas Jackson '17
Jonathan Jurevich '16
Matthew Gastello '16

Being accepted for admission to the United States Military Academy (USMA) at West Point is an prodigious honor that takes more than excellent grades. West Point wants students who are intelligent, physically fit, and proven leaders of outstanding character. In addition, a nomination needs to be obtained from a United States Congressman or Senator. Congratulations to these outstanding Chieftains who are accepted to begin classes at West Point in the fall. ●

Matthew Gastello '16
Liam McMillin '16



Anthony Alvarado '16



Douglas Jackson '17



Jonathan Jurevich '16



Matthew Gastello '16



Liam McMillin '16

Learning the Land: **Introduction to Salinas Valley Agriculture**

A new course offered to Palma sophomores through seniors is Introduction to Salinas Valley Agriculture, which provides a broad perspective of the local ag industry, from field to fork, and includes discussions about agronomy, farming practices, harvesting, sales, marketing and food safety.

On October 1, 2015, students broke ground on an unused patch of land behind A wing to begin their "hands on" ag experience by creating Palma School's own vegetable garden. Under the guidance of class administrator Tom Koster and mentoring from Salinas Valley ad experts, students are instructed and demonstrate how to prepare soil for different crops and methods used to increase yields.

With donated seeds, the students' first crop was red and green leaf lettuce. The garden was tended and watered and in two short months, an abundant harvest was made ready for the cafeteria to serve. The land was

then restored and managed and rows of cauliflower transplants were nestled into place.

Students also learned that there is more to planting commercial strawberries than putting seeds in the ground. They received hands-on instruction from Mr. Cabrera, a local agriculture expert who guided them through the process that yields bountiful and flavorful strawberries. Cabrera Contracting, Inc. generously donated all of the ag supplies.

Classroom time is spent learning about bringing crops to market and methods used to keep foods safe for consumption during growing, processing and shipping.

When you have the "salad bowl of the world" in your backyard, this ag class is a natural. ●



Pictured are (l to r): Juniors Victor Panera, Jackson Meuter, Humberto Baza, Vianni Fratangelo, Drew Dalman, Emilio Martinez, Tristan Wahl and Daudi London under the guidance of Tom Koster.



Harvesting organically grown Red and Green Leaf Lettuce.



Strawberries require a little extra effort for a premium yield.



Cauliflower transplants are bedded.



Above: Jonathan Garibay '15 helps a young rider on the course. Right: George Garibay and crew provide free snow cones for the kids.

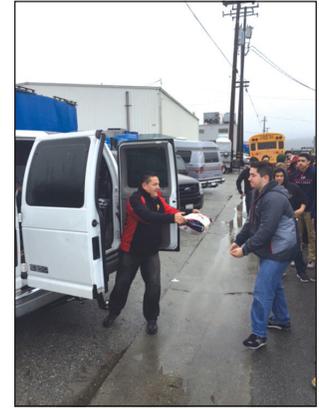


Take a Kid Mountain Biking Day

"I am writing to inform you of the wonderful community service that coach George Garibay and members of the Palma High School Mountain Bike Team provided via Take A Kid Mountain Biking Day hosted by the Monterey Off Road Cycling Association at Toro Park on Saturday, Oct. 3rd, 2015. Coach George Garibay as well as his team (and family!) members devoted their Saturday to helping kids of all ages. We had 123 youth participants and George Garibay and his team helped them to negotiate the obstacle course safely and encouraged them verbally with great enthusiasm! George also provided sno-cones again this year, which were as popular as ever with the kids and the young at heart! We owe much of the success of this event to your coach George Garibay and team; we could not host this event without their help. George is wonderful at coalescing the efforts of MORCA, Palma, and Salinas High School.

"In fact, your team was also vital to Take A Kid Mountain Biking Day in Oct. 2014. Our sincerest appreciation to George Garibay and team; they are shining examples in our community! Thank you from MORCA and thank you on behalf of all the parents and kids attending Take A Kid Mountain Biking Day."

Gratefully,
Sue Benjaram, MORCA board member, and the entire MORCA board



Community Giving

"A huge, holy, and heartfelt thanks to all who helped recently with the big gifting to the farm workers near Gonzales and the families in Pajaro. Martha Tonkin, Scott Corner, Mia Mirassou, George Garibay, Santa Sullivan, and an army of Chieftain students, parents, and alums moved many tons, yes tons, of food, gifts, and clothing into the hands of our neighbors. Big thanks to Scott Corner for coaching his soccer team on these Gospel playing fields and for driving the bus both days. A good 1,000 people were served. That's a whole lot of communion."



Stanford Students Visit Palma Ag Class

Two students from Stanford University guest-lectured during the Introduction to Salinas Valley Agriculture class on October 26. The lecture focused on the use of pesticides and an internship/student exchange program that would have Palma students "move" to other farming regions in California for a period of time over the summer as "exchange students." Students will move in with farming families to work and learn about agricultural issues that pertain to that particular area. Pictured during their lecture are (l to r): Austin Killin, a senior at Stanford from Northern Colorado, and Christina Guzman, a Stanford sophomore who was born in Chile. Her family currently resides in Washington D.C. (See related story on page 14.) ●

Mock Trial 2016

After months of preparation, the Palma Mock Trial team participated in its first case on January 28th. The Chieftains got off to a shaky start against Salinas High but rebounded with a superb defense against Santa Catalina on February 1st. Despite a strong prosecution argument on February 3rd, Palma was outperformed by the narrowest of margins by Pacific Grove's defense. The competition closed with the Chieftains edging out Alvarez with their defense on February 6th. The final verdict: of the seven teams in the competition, Palma placed third overall.

Five individual awards were claimed by Palma's team, the most by any school in the competition. They included: **Liam McMillin '16**, **Nick Ottone '16**, and **Jacob Fajnor '17** as outstanding attorneys; and **Casey Edwards '18** and **Alex Thomas '19** as outstanding witnesses.

Also representing Palma School were: **Tariq Barnett '18**, **Patrick Briley '18**, **Frank Campo '17**, **TJ Mendoza '18**, **Jake Ottone '18**, **Michael Perez '18**, **Zach Ralston '16**, **Gabe Rianda '16**, **Alex Serrano '16**, **John Sutherland '18**, **Scott Sutliff '16**, **Andrew Valdez '16**, **Tristan Wahl '17**, and **Aaron Zender '16**.

A giant thank you to their mentor coaches Kelly McCarthy-Sutherland of Anthony Lombardo & Associates and Matt Ottone of Ottone, Leach and Ray.



Members of Palma School's Mock Trial Team (l to r): Andrew Valdez '16, Tristan Wahl '17, Liam McMillin '16, Aaron Zender '16, Scott Sutliff '16, Tariq Barnett '18, Michael Perez '18 and Frank Campo '17

National Geographic Bee

Palma held its first-ever National Geographic Bee competition. All Junior High students participated, testing their knowledge of geography. After multiple rounds of questions about countries, states, and geographic features, the field of 106 students was narrowed to eight. From there, the top two students won the honor of competing in the final round. Making the final cut were **Evan Pia '20** and **Gino Grier '21** (pictured here). Gino



pulled off a minor upset, beating Evan by correctly answering the following question: "Cape Soya is the northernmost point of the island of Hokkaido in which country?" *Answer: Japan*



Olympic-Sized Motivation

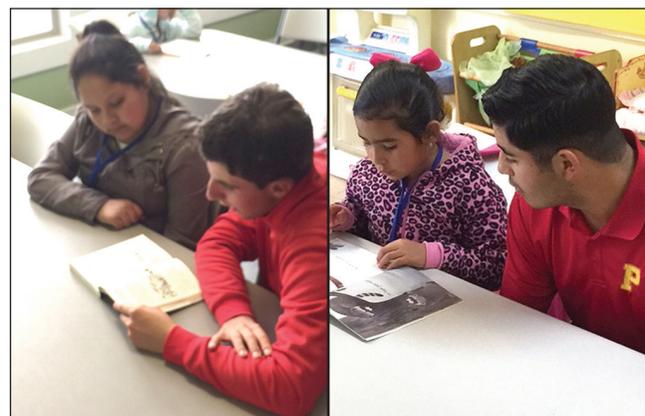
Palma instructor Victor Plata teaches more than English and history. His lessons include motivation and teaching people how to be their best selves...lessons that have come from experience. From childhood, Plata regularly set goals for himself and usually found the strength and courage to achieve them. Whether it was a challenging mile-and-a-quarter swim in summer camp or attempting to be the fastest runner at his school, Plata always used a goal as a marker to motivate himself. His push to be the best, along with a lot of extremely hard work, resulted in him becoming the Collegiate National Triathlon Champion in 1997 and earned him a spot on team USA in the 2004 Summer Olympics in Athens, Greece.

While making a motivational presentation to a group of Chieftains, Plata pointed out the most powerful word in the Olympic Creed is "struggle." He now lives by a simple motto, and encourages others to adopt the same motto for themselves: "What other men have done, I can do." When not teaching, Plata is a coach and race announcer.



Golf Team Visits L.I.F.E. Center

Students on Palma School's golf team took some time away from the links to tutor children at the L.I.F.E. Center in Salinas. L.I.F.E. or Life Is For Everyone is an after-school program designed to give kids a safe place to go after school. Chieftains are frequent tutors at the center, assisting the children with reading and schoolwork. ●



Dominick Hoover '16 (left) and Richard Hernandez '17 from the Palma Golf Team help kids read at L.I.F.E. Center in Salinas

Strokes of Creativity: Budding Artists, Brilliant Works

Carmel Art Exhibition

On Saturday, March 5th, **Joey Esquivel '19** and **Ramon Guzman '20** were among the artists chosen from Central Coast high schools to display their artwork at the Carl Cherry Center for the Arts exhibit "Thinking Out Loud." This annual exhibition seeks to foster the next generation of poets and artists by capitalizing on the latest trends in poetry-recitation and performance, art techniques and curation. The exhibit seeks entries from all Monterey County high schools.



Ramon Guzman '20 with his entry (middle painting).

Senior Paul Takhar Earns Award At Carmel Art Association "For The Love of Art" High School Artists' Competition

Paul Takhar's original painting was selected among the 70 entries to receive an Honorable Mention at the Carmel Art Association High School Art Competition. His work, titled *Big Sister, Little Sister*, was borne from a "rollercoaster of emotions," according to Takhar.

"At first, I had a certain idea of what I wanted to do. However, a change of emotions created an entirely new inspiration. I worked on this inspiration for the rest of the painting. I am happy with the way it turned out," stated Takhar.

Takhar's abstract acrylic work features two differently shaded purple shapes on a dark brown field which reminded him of his two sisters. Takhar says, "I like art because you can express feelings and emotions and I truly value its significance in today's world." Takhar looks forward to travelling in the future to see art from other cultures.



Paul Takhar '16

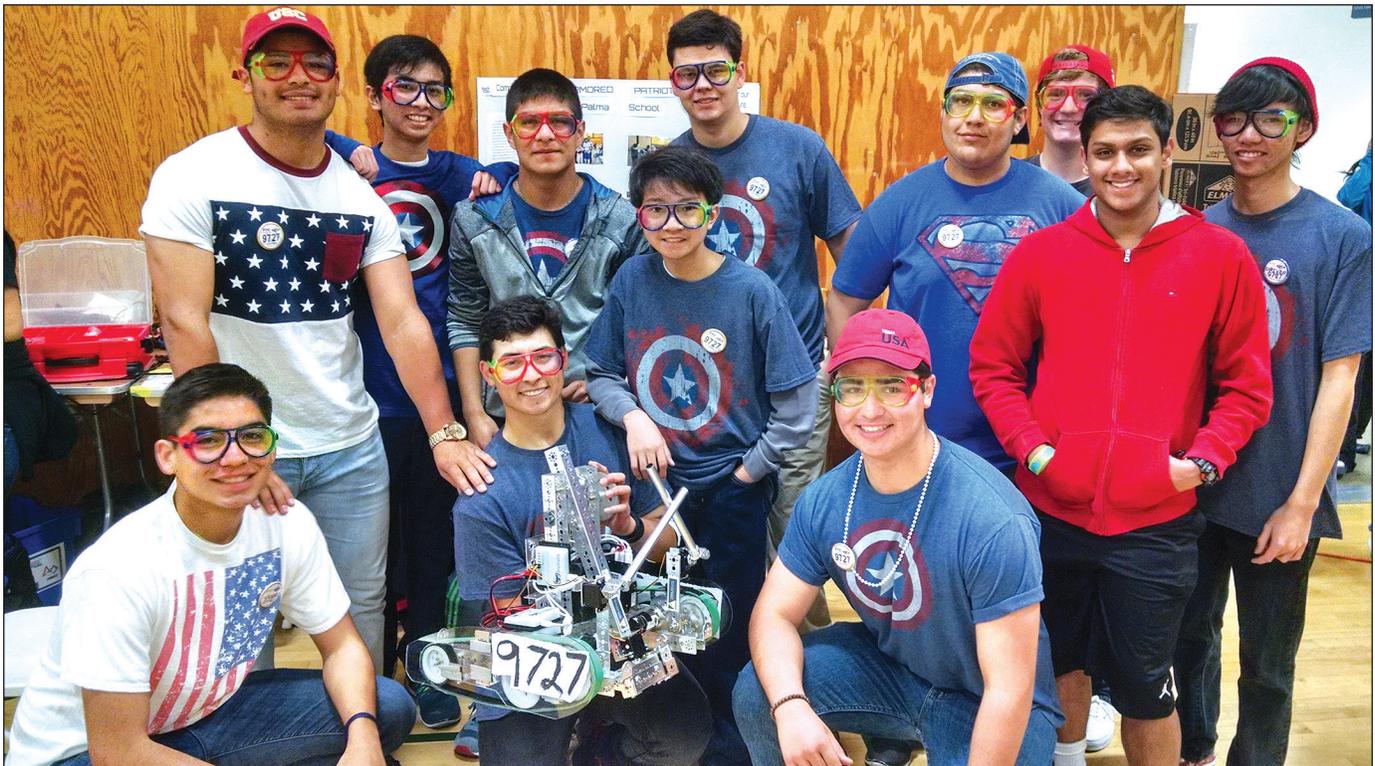


Patrick Briley '18

Writing Short Stories

Sophomore English II Honors students completed reading five Southern Gothic stories and then got to write their own short stories. They read Faulkner's *Rose for Emily*, O'Connor's *A Good Man is Hard to Find*, and Chopin's *Desiree's Baby* just to name a few. In their own stories, students implemented Southern Gothic elements such as off-kilter characters, a family curse, unrequited love, and insane characters or family members. Each story had to have a twist at the end. By creating their own short stories, students were able to grasp the concept of Southern Gothic writing and the challenges that come with writing a story with an ironic twist. To make things even more interesting, students rolled special dice, as **Patrick Briley '18** is shown doing, to determine the setting, items and characters for their stories. ●

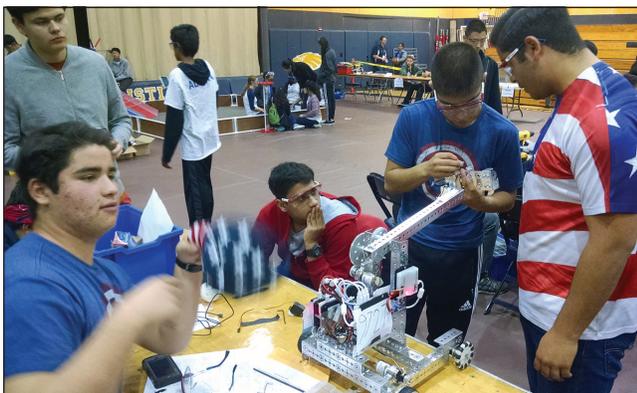
It's Remotely Possible: **Robotics Club — Armored Patriots**



Back Row: Richard Hernandez, Dylan Dizon, Daniel Soto, Dominic Turturici, Amarjot Ghuman, Ben Snow, Noel Calinawan
Front Row: Francisco Arevalo, Blake Mitchell, Dane Dizon, Robert Hernandez, Saransh Rakshak

First Tech Challenge

On Saturday, January 16, Palma School's Robotics Club, a.k.a. Armored Patriots, competed in the First Tech Challenge (FTC) held at Berean Christian High School in Walnut Creek. From the field of 16 teams, matches were played by allying two teams to compete against two other allied teams for two-and-a-half-minute rounds. Unlike "fighting" robots, each round consisted of a series of obstacles to avoid and objects to retrieve. Palma won their first three rounds, but lost the next two, ranking them 6th out of the 16 teams after the five preliminary rounds. The top four teams chose a team to ally with for the "playoffs" and Palma was chosen by the 3rd ranked team. Palma and their ally won their semifinal round two-to-zero in the best of three series, then went on to win it all with a two-to-one victory in the finals. Not only did Palma come home with



a trophy for being part of the winning alliance, they also scored well enough to qualify for the NorCal Regional Championship.

On Sunday, February 28, the Armored Patriots competed in the First Tech Challenge Northern California Championships. The field of 48 was split into two 24-team divisions. Palma went 3-2 and finished 9th in their division with scores of 105-64 (win), 86-117 (loss), 58-54 (win), 62-83 (loss), and 99-98 (win). Every team, in addition to playing five rounds, had an interview with a judges' panel where students talked about the team, dynamics, and design process. Palma's interview performance earned the Judges Award trophy, recognition for the team that demonstrated "unique efforts, performance or dynamics." The Chieftains had great spirit and enthusiasm the whole time...and they learned a lot, too. Congratulations Armored Patriots! ●

IN MEMORIAM

Gerald Flowers

March 19, 1932 - August 25, 2015

It's not often that one gets to know a truly professional person. Jerry Flowers was a man of humble beginnings back in North Dakota in 1932. He would speak fondly of his childhood, being especially proud of never missing a day on his paper route on his bike in Santa Barbara. With the wet winters and his route being all hills near Rattlesnake Canyon, no doubt he rose to the challenges.

One could fast-forward to his joining the Army as a 17-year-old kid directly out of high school in 1949. His military career was brilliant and long-lasting. He was honored and proud to speak of his years of service to our country; giving the impression he was particularly proud of his time in the armored assignments and intelligence, especially in Alaska. He retired from the military in 1972 as Lt. Colonel Flowers. He wore his Veteran of Foreign Wars hat with great pride.

Here was a man who was gifted in working with other people, especially young people and the newly arrived immigrants in helping them qualify for citizenship. His 32-year-long Palma career began in 1973 and was completed upon his retirement in 2005. He was especially effective here at Palma where he did much to enhance the academic slice of life for thousands of young men. He trained three principals on the workings of Palma. He was generous with his time and talents — he was always the first one on campus in the morning and put the first pot of coffee on the warmer. His teaching skills were such that his students always did well in their preparations for college and beyond. He was a man of his word and his word was just not good, it was perfect. He wasn't reluctant in redoing the many workings of organizing the school's master schedule over the summer in order to accommodate unique requests from students and/or teachers. He did it all so very well — as if it were easy and not a problem. Very few people on this earth have an appreciation for the challenging task it is to schedule a six-level school with right courses, appropriate classrooms, in the proper sequence, especially in a small school like Palma.

Jerry served each assignment so well — Dean of Faculty, Director of Admissions, Accreditation Coordinator, Summer School Principal, School Registrar, School Master Scheduler, AP Program Coordinator, AP European History instructor, Chair of the Curriculum Committee, Chair of the Social Studies Department, and number one fan of Palma's athletic program — he rarely missed a game over three seasons each year. He would always make it a point to check-in upon his arrival at any athletic event. He could always be seen at football games with his prized sausage sandwich; at basketball games he always had his bag of fresh popcorn. He was such a generous and kind soul — the sort of man who was known as a great neighbor, a true friend, a devoted husband and loving father.



Brother Michael David Lucas, C.F.C.

September 14, 1943 - August 26, 2015

Brother Michael David Lucas, who served at Palma for seven years in the early '70s, died on August 26th. Brother Lucas was a terrific person who never sought accolades nor recognition for his many talents. He was an extraordinary coach — his '74/'75 basketball team at Palma went 34-1; he was an equally extraordinary science teacher. His students still talk about his ability to address his physics class face-on while writing on the board behind him at the same time. More importantly than being a great coach and teacher, he was a terrific Christian Brother who always felt at home no matter where he was; he always contributed to building-up the task at hand. A talented artist in his last 15 or so years, Br. Lucas died very suddenly, three weeks short of his 72nd birthday, in Chicago where he was an important member of the Province formation program.

Chieftain Fall Sports



Head Coach
Jeff Carnazzo
'85 reflects on
the season after
the overtime
win against
Hollister

Varsity Football — MBL Gabilan Division Champions

The 2015 Monterey Bay League Champion Palma Chieftains varsity football team fought through adversity to have a successful season. The Chieftains ended the regular season with a 9-1 record with the only loss coming from CCS Champion St. Francis. The Chieftains took on four 2014 section champions in the preseason and went 3-1. The tough preseason prepared them well and they were a perfect 6-0 in league play. The offense was led by the MBL Offensive Player of the Year and Stanford-bound QB **Jack Richardson '16** who broke the Palma passing record by throwing for 2,400 yards and 20 TDs. **Emilio Martinez '17** and **Jared Torculas '16** combined for over 2,000 rushing yards. The impressive offensive numbers were the result of incredible offensive line play. The OL was anchored by **Drew Dalman '17**, **Aaron Zender '16**, **Zach Ralston '16**, **Angel Maldonado '16** and **Richard Hernandez '17**. **Liam McMillin '16**, **Isaiah Blanco '17** and **Orlando Yopez '16** combined for over 2,000 receiving yards. The defense was led by First Team All-Leaguer and All-County **Angel Maldonado '16** and Most Valuable MBL DL **Drew Dalman '17**. Twins **Richard** and **Robert Hernandez '17** solidified the middle. First Team All-League Linebackers **Zach Barry '16** and **Zac Tamagni '16** led the team in tackles. In the secondary **Clemente**



Emilio Martinez
'17 moves the
ball

Villarreal '16 led the team with four interceptions. **Tristan Wahl '17**, **Orlando Yopez '16**, **Stefano Pezzini '16** and **Vianni Fratangelo '17** also played well and provide big plays all year long. **Stanley Smith '17** had a pick six vs Salinas and **Tristan Wahl '17** vs MVC. The highlight of the season was a tough overtime win against a talented Hollister team.



Defense wins championships



2015 Varsity Football Team

JV Football

In 2015, the Palma JV Football team had a dramatic turn-around season. After going 4-5 as freshman, this year's team went a remarkable 8-2 including three wins on last-minute touchdown drives. They started the season by going 3-1 in non-league games. This included beating a tough St. Francis team and shutting out Sacred Heart Prep. A highlight of the preseason was an incredible 78-yard TD run by **Liam Short '18** with 53 seconds remaining in the game. In league the JV's went 5-1. A 16-13 win over Christopher was won on the leg of kicker **Matt Mercurio '17**, who kicked three FG's (winner with 38 sec. left in the game) and an extra point. The Hollister game was highlighted with a sensational pass and catch from Freshman QB **Grant Sergent '19** to **Dominic Scattini '18**. A revenge game against Alvarez was ended with an interception and TD return from linebacker and team captain **PJ Schlegel '18**. The offense was headed by QB **Michael Carrillo '18**, who led the team to a 2-1 record before being injured. Freshman **Grant Sergent '19** was called up and finished the season going 6-1. Their primary targets were **Nathan Leavitt '18**, **Sam Robinson '18** (leader in receptions and TD receptions), **Zach Taylor '18**, **Alex Fierro '17**, and **Dominic Scattini '18**. The ground game was led by running back **Liam Short '18**. The pass and run game's success would not have been possible without the dominant offensive line of **Nick Georgalos '18**, **PJ Schlegel '18**, **Ben Snow '17**, **TJ Gugale '18**, and **Santos DeFranco '18**. The Chieftain defense pitched two shut-outs and held three other opponents under seven points. The defense was led by inside LB's and captains **Nick Georgalos '18** and **PJ Schlegel '18**. They benefited from the outstanding defensive line play of **Ben Snow '17**, **Sam Robinson '18**, **Nick Haas '18**, **Santos DeFranco '18**, and **Zach Taylor '18**. Making plays in the secondary were **Liam Short '18**, **Vinny Caudill '18**, **Matt Macias '18**, and **Dominic Scattini '18**. Setting the edge for the defense were OLB's **Alex Fierro '18** and **Nathan Leavitt '18**. This was an incredible turn around for the young chieftains. Coach Martinez said "I am not surprised by what this team accomplished and I am as proud of them as any team I have ever coached." Expectations will now be high for this class, but the future looks bright for Palma Football.

Freshman Football

The 2015 Palma Chieftain freshmen football team overcame several injuries and hardships throughout the season. Quarterback **Grant Sergent** led the team until his services were needed at the JV level in week three. After that, **Aidan Butler** filled the position nicely and carried the team through the rest of the season. Our offensive line was anchored by center **Joey Esquivel** and supported by **Sam Lathos**, **Emmanuel Marroquin**, **Michael Lizaola**, **Grant Gatanaga**, **Declan Grant**, **Ray Sillano** and our tight end, **Colin Neff**. The freshmen backfield was led by a stable of versatile running backs, which included **Andrew Rivera**, who was an exceptional team leader, **Mateo Martinez**, **Diego Guajardo**, and **Matt Morales**. The speed of **Chris Campo** and **Adam Pantoja** were also used to gain an edge against our opponents. On the defensive side of the ball, cornerback **Marco Pezzini** was a standout and was supported by a core of linebackers, which included **Diego Guajardo**, **Emmanuel Marroquin**, **Chris Campo**, and **Oscar Rubio**. On the defensive line, **Hayden Parker**, **Jeric Magsambol**, and **Sean Gonzalez** made a huge impact and were responsible for many of our team tackles. The highlight of our season was a thrilling 14-7 win over Christopher.



Varsity Water Polo

Sam Given '17 (#14 above) took home first team honors in the MBL-Gabilan as he continued to break Palma records in water polo. Sam added 80 goals to his tally this season surpassing a six-year-old single-season record, held by **Aaron Lewis '10**, who scored 77 goals his senior year. Sam's 80 goals elevates his career total to 156, 36 shy of the school record 192 held by **Andrew Wooler '14**. Sam is a three-year varsity starter with a lot of potential, who holds the school record for career steals with 183. In addition to all-league honors, Sam was named the Palma MVP. **Nick Hatch '16**, a one-year varsity starter at goalkeeper was named to the MBL-Gabilan second team and finishes his career in goal with 251 saves, averaging nine saves/game. **Ethan Schriver '17** earned team honors with a Palma Coaches Award while contributing 18 goals and seven assists to the effort. **Armando Borrego '17** earned Coach Corner's "For-the-Good-of-the-Game" award for his utility work on both varsity and JV. Armando played where he was needed all season and made significant defensive contributions down the stretch for the varsity. **Gabe Rianda '16** was recognized by the league's coaches for his sportsmanship and was awarded the MBL's Pursuing Victory with Honor award. The 5-16 Chieftains struggled in the 4th quarter with an undersized squad, but posted impressive wins over Monterey, Hollister, Concord, and Harker of San Jose on their way to a 6th place finish in the MBL-Gabilan. The Chieftains will return to the Gabilan league in 2016 with a squad of experienced varsity players including **David Daniels '19** who contributed 12 goals and five assists as a freshman.



Tristin Rammel '16 looks for the open man

JV Water Polo

The 2015 Palma junior varsity water polo team overcame the challenge of a small roster to notch impressive victories in what was an uphill battle in the tough Gabilan League. There were games where players had few, if any, substitutions. The players showed tremendous character and perseverance by playing tired against teams who could substitute freely from full benches. The team's season record of 3-9 (9-15) was a testament to their grit, as well as their determination to make an impact on the league. First-year goalie, **Ravi Johnson '18**, led the team's defense with 143 saves and earned the "For the Good of the Game" award — for

recognition of his outstanding character and contributions to the team and the sport. First-time player, **Will Van Ruler '18**, developed into the team's leading scorer, making 48 goals for the season and earning the team MVP award. The Coaches' Award went to **Eziah Cortez '17**, who played a pivotal role as a leader and play-maker on the team. Cortez's signature "T-shot" became a rallying point for the team and led to 18 goals on the season. Freshman players **Pedro Siguenza '19** and **Christian Gomez '19** were the fastest swimmers on the team and used their speed to amass 38 goals between them. Along with **Jacob Shriver '19** and varsity starter **David Daniels '19**, the freshman look to build a strong team in the future. While the team did not win a majority of games, it did learn how to persevere and play four solid quarters of water polo — experience that will serve them well in the future.

Cross Country



*Sam Lavorato '19
Coach Francisco Cornejo
and Tommy Padilla '19*

The Palma Chieftains had an amazing season obtaining a 4th place finish at the MBL-Pacific Championships and a 9th place team finish at the Division 4 CCS Championships. With a very young varsity team, mostly freshmen, our Chieftains were very competitive at every race. Individually, we had two of the top freshmen in the CCS level: **Sam Lavorato** and **Tommy**

Padilla. Tommy, surprised a strong field at the CCS Championships by placing 6th individually and obtaining a spot to the CIF State Championships. He was the first-ever Palma freshman to qualify for state and ran the second fastest freshman time of the day at the CCS Championships (16:00). He now holds the fastest freshman time at Palma for the 2.95-mile course. At the State Championships, Tommy ran well at the Division 4 Championships by placing 59th overall. He was the third fastest freshman in Division 4 and the 13th fastest freshman in the state with all the five divisions combined.



Tommy Padilla '19 at CCS championship being followed by Aaron Escobar '19 and Michael Vollstedt '18

JH Cross Country

After graduating the best Junior High cross-country runners our program has ever had, this year seemed to be a re-building year. Eighth graders **Phillip Sites**, **Aidan Lafferty**, and **Jack Busch** stepped up and lead our team to a fifth place finish at the Junior High Cross-Country Championships. **Phillip Sites** obtained an individual third place finish and ran the third fastest time in our program's history. The future looks promising for our young Chieftains.



*Junior High School
Cross Country team
(l to r): Gino Grier '21,
Giusseppi Flores '20,
Aidan Lafferty '20, Jack
Busch '20, Phillip Sites
'20 and Coach Cornejo*

JH Volleyball

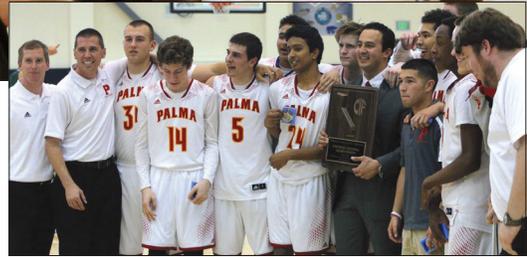
We had 18 players this season for JH volleyball. The Red team, with eight players, was our development team. The Gold team, with 10 players was our more advanced team. The Red team came a long way, understanding the fundamentals of volleyball, discipline and sportsmanship. They had some very competitive matches, taking some teams to three games. **Jake Davidson '21** proved himself a great leader and earned the season's MVP award. **Danny Fitzgerald '20**, with a great attitude, received the team's Coach's Award and **Angelo Kelly '20** was Most Improved in both skill and attitude. The Gold team was a force to be reckoned with throughout the season. Finishing the season strong in the championship match against Carmel, they came up short. The team learned how to run a 6-2 offense, which is something that high school teams do. It was great fun to see a high level of skill for a junior high sport that has not been overtly popular with boys and young men in our area compared to other sports. **Sean Fanoie '20** was the Most Improved Player this season while **Jake Strachan '20** deservedly received the Coach's Award. Best Defensive Player went to **Austin Martinez '20**, and Best Offensive Player went to **JT Amaral '21**. Our MVP was **Ben Wood '20**, who displayed a high level of leadership on and off the court. Congrats to both teams! ●



Junior High School Volleyball Team

Chieftain Winter Sports

Varsity Basketball — 2016 CIF NorCal Division 4 Champions!



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Varsity Basketball

When you go 23-6, with an undefeated league season, earn a CCS Open Division bid, win a Northern California Division 4 playoff game, and return four starters, expectations should be extremely high. Understandably, it would be extremely tough to match a season like that, much less surpass it. That's what the 2015-2016 edition of the Chieftains did though. They ran off another 12-0 undefeated league season, making it 24 straight in the MBL Gabilan division. **Wyatt Maker '16** garnered first team all-league honors, while **Jamaree Bouyeya '17** had his break out season and was voted the Monterey Bay League's Most Valuable Player. The Chieftains were again chosen to participate in the CCS Open Division playoffs where they fell in the first round to eventual state champion Serra of San Mateo. This loss however, may have set the tone for the best Chieftain run since 1993. First came an opening round Nor-Cal playoff victory over Summerville. Then came a quarterfinal matchup with San

Francisco city champions, Mission. The Chieftains were down 11 at the half, but used a 28-13 3rd quarter flurry to put them in control and advance to the Northern California semi-finals. In the semi's the Chieftains had to travel to number-two-seed Central Catholic of Modesto, the Sac-Joaquin section division 4 champions. The Chieftains came out strong against Central, using their tenacious defense to gain an early 10 point lead. Central fought back, but the Chieftains made enough plays to hold on for a 66-59 victory, clinching a berth in the Northern California Division 4 finals. In the finals, the Chieftains met up with West Campus High School, a team that had 29 wins on the season and a ton of athleticism. That athleticism caused problems for the Chieftains all day, to the point that with 3:39 on the game clock, and down 12, the remarkable season seemed destined to end. Then the Chieftains used that tough, gritty defense that had kept them steady all year and rattled off 14 straight points. Before you knew it, **Cameron Jones '17** was making one last defensive stand, and the Chieftains were rushing the court in jubilation. They were headed to the Division 4 State Championship game. The following week, the Chieftains headed to Sleep Train Arena to play for the California Division 4 State Championship. The rims were unkind to the Chieftains on that Saturday and Harvard-Westlake proved to be the better team, but this was a Palma team that will forever go down in school history. 2015 Luis Scattini Champions, 2015 Aptos/Santa Cruz Warriors Champions, 2016 Undefeated Monterey Bay League Champions, 2016 Open Division CCS selection, 2016 Northern California Division 4 Champions, 2016 California Division 4 Runner's up, and Cal-Hi Sports #3 ranked team in California's final Division 4 rankings. Expectations exceeded, truly a remarkable year!

JV Basketball

The Palma JV basketball team had a season of transition and growth under the new coaching team, Matt Haas and Patrick Jones. The team had a slow start but made adjustments to end the season strong (9-6) in a very competitive league, only losing to leading teams by one or two points reflecting their growth from early in the season. Leading scorers for the season included **Joey Burlison '18**, **Rhett Haas '18**, and **Michael Carrillo '18**. Fighting strong in the paint and leading the team in rebounds was **Sam Robinson '18**, and **Kyle Haas '18**.

Freshman Basketball

Second-year head coach Leo Seymour and his freshman basketball team played a loaded preseason schedule with games against West Catholic Athletic League power Saint Francis, Central Coast Section power Half Moon Bay and Central Valley heavy St. Mary's of Stockton. With contributions from all 15 players, the Chieftains finished a tough preseason with a record of 8-4. Battling through the grueling Monterey Bay League, Gabilan Division, the young Chieftains finished with a league record of 9-3 and an overall record of 17-7. The future is looking bright for Palma basketball.

8th Grade Basketball

The eighth grade basketball team completed the season with a one-point loss to Carmel in the championship game. It was a heart-breaking conclusion to a wonderful year. All 15 team members improved dramatically, and they worked hard enough to make each other better. We played man-to-man defense every game, and the on-court players protected the key as if their lives depended upon it. Every member contributed to the season successes, and the team trademarks were determination and unselfishness. **Carl Richardson '20** was the undisputed leader of this merry band and each starter (seven in all) was called on to specialize in a needed

talent: shut-down defender, rebounder, driver, fast-break specialist, and three-point shooter. The only way the season could have been better would have been for us to stop Carmel one more time in the final game. The 8th grade team has much of which to be proud.

7th Grade Basketball

The seventh grade basketball team completed the MTJAL season with a hard fought 8-8 record. The young Chieftains were known for their relentless effort which was highlighted in the team's multiple come-from-behind victories. The peak of the season was a five-game win streak in the highly competitive MTJAL that included victories over San Benancio, Buena Vista, Madonna, Santa Catalina, and a thrilling late-game victory over Carmel. The defense was led by **Owen Bengard** and **Leo Lizaola** who were active "big men" blocking shots and grabbing rebounds. Forward **JT Amaral** was frequently tasked with guarding the opposing team's best player and led the team in rebounds. The tireless effort of guards **Daniel Penea**, **Jack Kaminskis**, **Evan Asuncion**, **Neil Beach**, **Louis Lavorato**, and **Drew Amaral** made the full court press an effective weapon for the Chieftains all season. The offense was led by **JT Amaral**, **Jack Kaminskis**, and **Daniel Penea**. These three players combined to score nearly 60% of the team's total points during the season. Significant offensive contributions were also provided by **Richard Amirsehhi**, **Leo Lizaola**, **Jake Davidson**, **Owen Bengard**, and **Davin Avila** who each led the team in scoring for at least one game. Congratulations to **Rhett Parker**, **David Santos**, and **Rudy Salas** for their important contributions to the team.

Team Awards:

Jack Kaminskis *Outstanding Offensive Player*

Owen Bengard *Outstanding Defensive Player*

Leo Lizaola *Chieftain Award*

JT Amaral *Most Valuable Player*

Varsity Soccer

The Chieftains entered the season with high expectations coming off their first 10-win season since 2009 and a second place finish in the MBL-Pacific. The campaign started with competitive matches against P.G. and Stevenson, but then injuries started to mount right up through the last day of the season. A beleaguered squad held their heads high and fought their way to a 1-11-6 record. With a short bench, several players recorded over 1,200 minutes of playing time. **Matthew Gastello '16** started the season with one varsity goal, but would finish the season with seven more, along with All-MBL First Team honors. Matt's eight career goals allows him to finish at number 18 on Palma's all-time list. Sweeper **Francisco Arevalo '17**



earned Second Team honors holding down a first line that would utilize nine different starters over the course of the season. Francisco brought patience and experience that allowed an inexperienced defense to record six ties and four one-point losses. **Stefano Pezzini '16** earned a Palma Coaches Award with 2.1 goals allowed per game. Stefano recorded over 2,400 minutes in goal, making 118 saves, and four career shutouts in two varsity seasons. **Clemente Villarreal '16** earned Coach Corner's "For-the-Good-of-the-Game" award. This was Clemente's first and only year of Palma soccer, which didn't start until after football. It's never certain that a first-year senior will be able to contribute, but with exceptional athleticism and hard work throughout the season, Clemente earned the respect of his teammates and made significant contributions at both midfield and defense. Palma will return 10 experienced players next year and looks forward to regaining lost ground in the MBL-Pacific. The Alumni 7 v. 7 Tournament over Thanksgiving weekend was well attended despite the weather. The double-elimination tournament came down to an exciting championship match between the alumni from the 2009 CCS team and a team that, through good management, became increasingly stacked over the course of the day. "2009" prevailed for a second consecutive year in what came down to a winner-take-all, double-elimination match. It was great to see players (and their parents, spouses, and children) from four decades celebrating Palma soccer. See you next year!

JV Soccer

The 2015-2016 Palma junior varsity soccer team was guided by first-year coaches **Raul Rico '03** and **Jorge Rico '08**. Led by team captains **Chad Sayer '18** and **Aaron Barlow '18**, wings **Noah Trego '18** and **Alex Ramos '18**, forward **Peter Collazo '18** and a solid back line led by **Zaim Funetes '18** and **Reno DiTulio '18** with great contributions by freshman **Edwin Espinola '19**, the Chieftains went on to record four victories, one draw and eight defeats in an interrupted *El Niño* season. Jorge and I are extremely proud of this group of young men who turned into a family by the end of the season and left everything they had on the pitch. **Aaron Barlow '18** was named team MVP for his versatility on the pitch playing different positions and being the strong defensive presence that kept us in many games. **Brookes Spencer '18** made great strides in his first season playing soccer and earned the Coaches Award. *Pollo*, as he is known in the soccer world, earned a starting role as a right back and throw in and corner kick taker and brought an overall toughness and never-say-die attitude to the team. **Richard Hernandez '17** and **Robert Hernandez '17** earned the "For the Good of the Game" Award. Richard and Robert brought great work ethics, motivational halftime speeches, and most importantly, that surge of energy when the team needed it most. Jorge and Raul will miss these guys next season but they are ready to move on and propel Palma's varsity soccer program to the next level!

JH Soccer

The young men at Palma School are always a great group of kids to work with. They are hungry to learn and are excited to play. This was my third year coaching the Junior High soccer team and they were a fun group as always. Many of the boys had never played soccer, some just not competitively, but they were able to learn and grow and that is my favorite part of coaching these boys. We might not have had the best record, but you could see the improvement from the first practice to the last game, and that's what it's all about. I thank each and every one of them for their commitment to learning, enthusiasm for the game, and effort in practices and games.



Saul Gonzalez '19



Michael Zaragoza '17

Varsity Wrestling

This 2015-2016 Chieftain wrestling team had another great season. Although team numbers were low this season, the Chieftains maintained a very talented young and competitive team on the mat at every competition. Seniors **Jared Cook**, **Ruben Tinajero** and **Robert Batson** led the way with their experience and leadership. The Chieftains started the season at the very tough Chukchansi Invitational — one of the top tournaments in the state. Chieftains were led by **Mike Zaragoza '17** 5th and **Jared Cook '16** 8th. On the same day our JV Team was in Santa Cruz led by champions **Leo St. John '19**, **Saul Gonzalez '19**, **Michael Lizaola '19**, runner-up **Hayden Parker '19** and **Jose Calderon '19** 4th. The next weekend the JV's headed to Gonzales H.S. where Chieftains **Jeric Magsambol '19** 3rd, **Sam Koster '18** 4th and **Michael Lizola '19** 1st all finished in the medal rounds. The Chieftains hosted their first league dual and came up short as we lost to Alisal H.S. in the MBL opening dual. Our varsity finished the month of December at the Sierra Nevada Classic with 108 other teams in one of the nation's premier wrestling events. **Michael Zaragoza '17** finished in the top 12 and was the Chieftains' highest finisher. With the hardest month of the season being January, our Chieftains maintained some high quality wrestling with several tournament placings. Here are some of the month's highlights. **Saul Gonzalez '19** champion at both the Stars & Stripes and Wilcox; Saul also finished 3rd at the Jim Root. **Leo St. John '19** was the champion at the Stars & Stripes. **Jose Calderon '19** was 2nd at the Stars & Stripes and 5th at the Wilcox. **Michael Zaragoza '17** was the champion at the Jim Root and had a 6th place finish at the 80-team Mid-Cal's Invitational. **Humberto Baza '17** finished 4th at the Jim Root and **Jared Cook '16** also finished in 4th place at the Jim Root. As the season completed, our Chieftains headed toward the post season. The following wrestlers earned a spot at the prestigious Central Coast Championships. MBL placers and CCS qualifiers were **Saul Gonzalez '19**, **Michael Zaragoza '17** champion, **Jared Cook '16**, **Michael Lizaola '19**, **Robert Batson '16** and **Jeric Magsambol '19**. The JV's also had the following MBL placers: **Sam Koster '18**, **Hayden Parker '19**, **Cy Mathews '17**, and **Joseph Esquivel '19**. Although the Chieftains didn't qualify a wrestler to the CIF state meet this year, we still had two Central Coast Section placers. **Michael Zaragoza '17** 4th — this was Michael's second selection to the all CCS team. Only the second Chieftain freshman to earn All CCS was **Saul Gonzales '19** who finished in 5th place. This year's team had some great wrestling performed by great young men. With several key returners to next year's team the future is looking bright for Palma wrestling...it's a great day to be a Chieftain. ●

Student-Athletes: Invited to Play at the College Level



Matt Smith Signs with UC Davis

Chieftain Outfielder and 2015 team MVP **Matt Smith '16** signed his national letter of intent to play baseball at UC Davis next year.

"It's great to see hard work and determination pay off. We couldn't be more proud of Matt," said Palma Athletic Director Tom Koster.

Congratulations to Matt and also to UC Davis for getting an outstanding student, dedicated athlete and exceptional young man. ●



Wyatt Maker Signs with CSU East Bay

Wyatt Maker '16 signed his National Letter of Intent to play basketball for the Cal State East Bay Pioneers. The 6'7" Chieftain center is a star in the MBL Gabilan Division having been named league MVP following the 2015 season.

"Wyatt's accomplishments are attributable to his work ethic. He is a great player, a great teammate and a great person," stated Palma Varsity Basketball Coach **Kelley Lopez '01**.

Congratulations to Wyatt and the Maker family. ●



Zach Ralston Signs with CMS

Zach Ralston '16 signed his Letter of Intent to play football with Claremont-Mudd-Scripps in Southern California. The Chieftain offensive lineman played football all four years at Palma School and was named to the All League and All County teams in 2015.

"I want to thank my family for putting me in Palma and supporting me along the way. And thank my coaches for the skills and values they taught. The coaches were fatherly figures, showing us how to be men," offered Ralston.

Zach plans to study engineering at Claremont McKenna College when he's not working out with the team. Congratulations to Zach and the entire Ralston family. ●



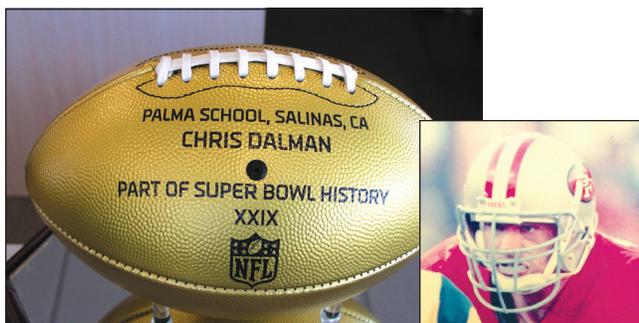
Jack Richardson Signs with Stanford

Honor student **Jack Richardson '16** signed his QB Preferred Walk On letter to secure his spot on the roster at Stanford University. The Chieftain quarterback garnered a slew of accolades in 2015 including Offensive MVP Monterey Bay League (Gabilan Division); Offensive MVP, Monterey Herald; Offensive MVP, Salinas Californian; First Team, All League Monterey Bay League (Gabilan Division); and California All-State Multi-Purpose QB/Punter. His records at Palma include All-Time Leading Passer (4,309 yds), All-Time Single Season Passer (2,362 yds), All-Time Highest Passing Percentage (70%), and All-Time Most TD Passes (39).

"Jack is a true leader who leads by example and makes those people around him better," said Head Coach **Jeff Carnazzo '85**.

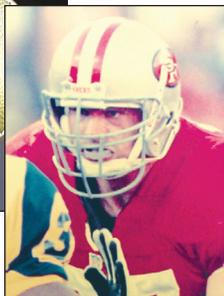
Richardson will study economics at Stanford. Congratulations to Jack and the Richardson family. ●

Palma Ath-lumni



1988

Chris Dalman was honored in 2015 when Palma School received a golden football from the National Football League as part of its Super Bowl 50 celebration. The NFL presented a golden football to the high schools of Super Bowl participants over the past 50 years. Dalman was a member of the San Francisco 49ers during their victory over the San Diego Chargers in Super Bowl XXIX.



1990

Kevin Clune has been named Oregon State's Defensive Coordinator. Clune has been piling up defensive coaching experience since his playing days. His coaching stints include Palma School defensive line/receivers (1991-92), Dos Pueblos High School linebackers (1993-94), Fullerton JC special teams coordinator/linebackers (1996-99), Occidental College defensive line (2000), Southern Utah

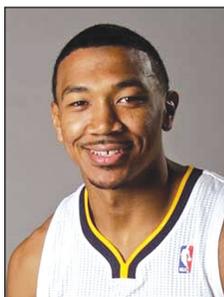
defensive coordinator (2003-04), Weber State defensive coordinator (2005-08), Utah State linebackers (2009-13), Hawaii defensive coordinator (2014), and Utah State defensive coordinator (2015) where his squad was ranked 17th in the nation in total defense.

1994

David Jacobo is a PGA golf professional at Oak Creek Golf Club in Irvine, California.

2007

Orlando Johnson has been playing in the NBA on short-term contracts with the Phoenix Suns and New Orleans Pelicans. He played for the Austin Spurs of the NBA Development League and played college basketball for Loyola Marymount and UC Santa Barbara. He was selected to play in the D-League All-Star Game held in Toronto in February. Johnson, the only player selected from Austin, has been averaging 15.6 points and 5.3 rebounds per game this season. Johnson is one of only 12 of this year's all-star selections with previous NBA experience which includes stints with the Indiana Pacers and Sacramento Kings.

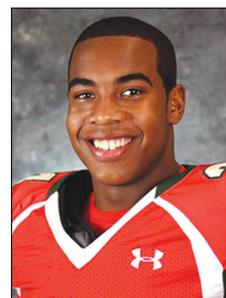


2009

David Fales moved onto the Chicago Bears active roster in November 2015 when back-up quarterback Jimmy Clausen was waived. It was reported by Bears head coach John Fox that other teams were showing interest in Fales so the decision was made to move him up. Fales was a 6th round draft choice of the Bears in the 2014 NFL draft. Photo courtesy Chicago Bears website.

2012

Marcel Brinson was second on the Minot State football team in tackles. The hard-hitting safety appeared in all but one game since arriving as a true freshmen. Brinson was a member of Palma's Central Coast Section title team in 2011. He is planning to graduate with a degree in Radio/TV Broadcasting. Photo courtesy Minot State Beavers website.



2013

Michael Carrizosa was a stand-out college football punter in 2015. Playing for San Jose State, Carrizosa averaged 47.7 yards per punt during the regular season, was named to the All Mountain West first team, the All-American second team, and was among three finalists for the Ray Guy Award for outstanding punter of the year.

2015

Jack Burlison was selected First Team All Conference playing golf for Amherst. Burlison finished third in the NESCAC Conference Golf Qualifying Tournament held at the Taconic Golf Club in Williamstown, Massachusetts, October 3-4, 2015. His final round 72 tied for overall low in the tournament and allowed the Amherst team to advance to the championships. Burlison, who was the recipient of the 2015 Muller Award for Palma's outstanding scholar athlete, is double majoring in Economics and English. ●



Classmates: **Alumni Updates**

Class of '63 Gathering

We had a 70th birthday party at Chamisal Courtside Bistro and had a blast. The Bistro did a wonderful job, great food and beautiful setting, warm night. We hope to do more of this kind of gathering rather than "reunions." This was effortless — we gathered some money and went to the party! No decorations, no fuss, nothing to clean up. It's the way to go at our "advanced age!" We will be finding whatever excuse we can to do this again, maybe every two or three years. HAPPY 70th BIRTHDAY to all who weren't able to make our big celebration. We missed you.



Tradition Never Graduates — Alumni Games '15

The Palma School Alumni Council extends a big thank you to Coach Corner, Coach Lopez, and their staff for setting up another amazing day of competition and brotherhood at the Palma School Alumni Games held on Saturday, November 28, 2015. Thank you also goes to **Richard Jufiar '69** and Kerri & **Anthony Mulé '92** for volunteering to help and to **Carl Freese '88** and Ace High for donating a big portion of the T-shirts. Most importantly, thank you to all the Palma alumni who showed up to play. Go Palma, Live Jesus in our hearts, forever!



1956

Linda Costa Brown and Rolland have been together since graduation night, their first date, after which both went to Hartnell for two years. They have been married for 57 years, have lived in Atascadero since 1969, raised three beautiful children who have provided them with nine grand children, and now five great grand children and counting. Rolland got his Civil Engineer's license in 1968 and worked for Caltrans for 40 years and as a Civil Engineer for 30 of those years. He retired 19 years ago. Linda worked as a bookkeeper for around 35 years and retired about 14 years ago. She now spends most of her time taking care of grand children or great grand children. They both have been active in 4H as leaders and parents and have been having fun with horses in High School Rodeo with the children, a little team roping and trail rides. They have built two trucks and race in long distance desert races — a lot of work and fun but not very successful. Rolland still has a complete shop where he does wood working and some metal fabrication. Over the years they have built three houses and put additions on two of the children's houses. They both remain in good health and just experience those things that come along with maturity. They don't do much traveling, just little short trips that include using the boat which they enjoy. Rolland still stays involved with highway construction by serving on Dispute Resolution Boards at various times; it keeps the mind active.

1961

David Herbert I am in the process of writing my second book. My first book *Phantom Driver* was published in 2002 and is still available on Amazon. This book is titled *True Guardians of Liberty*. I have spent much of my life appearing before juries as an attorney and a medical expert in several states. I was charged with criminal assault and battery for allegedly spitting on a Muslim man. The jury saved me in spite of the instructions they were given by the judge. The jury acted in the manner that our founders intended them to act. My book is intended for the general public. It will inform the public about their authority, duties and power when they sit on a criminal trial jury, in spite of the fact that the trial judge may mislead or even lie to them in the jury instructions he reads to them!

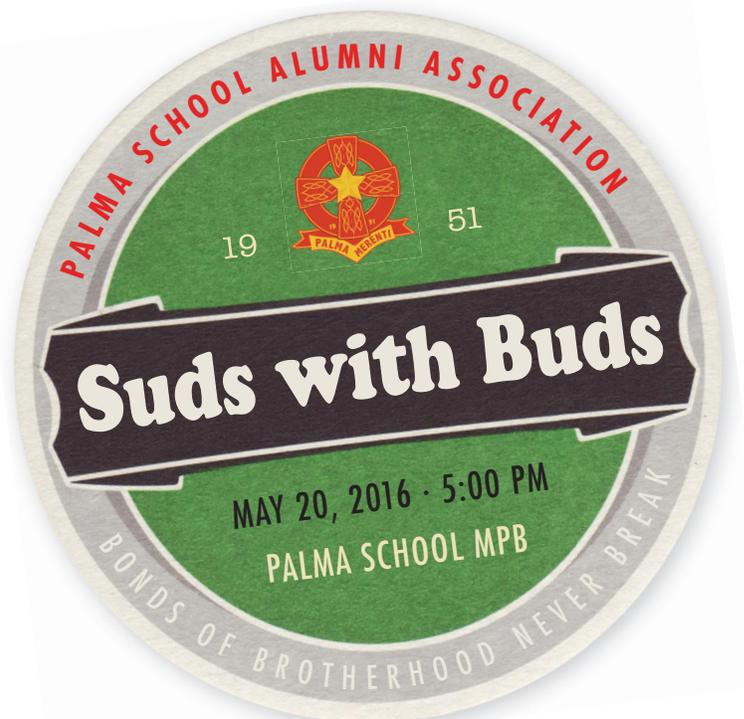
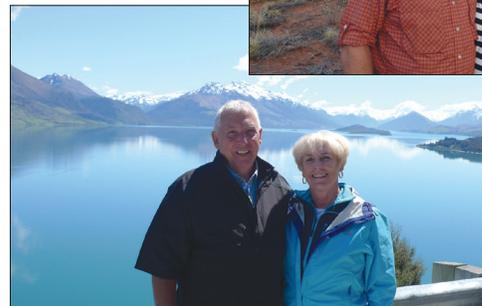
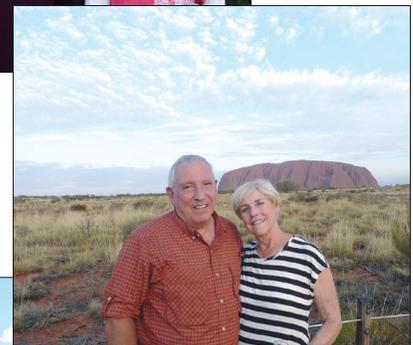
Super Party for Class of '63

A group of classmates from Palma Class of '63 recently gathered for a Super Bowl party at the Botelho's. Pictured in the front row: Martha Bernasconi Botelho and Tom Shigo; middle row: Andy Pomo, Alice Giottonini, Kathy Silveira Rose, Gene Galloway; back row: Mark Botelho and Barbara Lavagnino Whitehead. Lots of football, food and great weather. It doesn't get any better than this!



1963

Gary Potter In October Cherre and I took a five week trip to Tasmania, Australia and New Zealand. It was a long flight to and from Australia but it was well worth it and we had a great time. We spent time catching up with family and friends over Thanksgiving and Christmas. The New Year started off with a week of rain so it curtailed our golf but we are getting back into it now. I've attached a couple of pictures from our travel and of the family at Thanksgiving.



'63ers at 49ers

Four members of the class of '63 got together for a 49er vs Arizona football game at Levi Stadium in Santa Clara. Pictured are (left to right) Charlie McIntosh, Andy Pomo, Mark Botelho, Rob Friedrich.



1965

Phil Kelly reports he is actively engaged in the Schools Plus Foundation locally, where he was previously an elected school board member. They provide additional funding for Sports, Arts, Drama and Music for the approximate 30,000 students in the Santa Rosa Public School District. "There are a few of us ex-Pats up here who keep tabs on Palma Sports. All the best to the Chieftain Family," writes Phil.

1966

Manuel Martinez and his wife Marian continue to enjoy retirement spending time with their grandchildren. Manuel, with sons **Dave '87** and **Tim '89** (Head Coach), make up the Palma JV Football Coaching Staff. Manuel also coaches his grandchildren's T-ball and softball teams. Manuel is looking forward to his 50th Palma High School reunion this year.



Class of '72 Meets at the Meet

We got together at the Prefontaine Classic Track Meet on May 30, 2015, in Eugene, Oregon. The group gets bigger each time we meet. Pictured here are Mike Corlett, Tim Haag, John Rossi and John Gargiulo.



1969

Rev. Kenneth Laverone, OFM (See story on page 4).

1976

David Della-Mora and his wife Loretta are still running Della Mora Heating, Sheet Metal & Air Conditioning, as they have for 22 years now. They recently celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary and report being blessed with five grandchildren who range in age from four to 14 (pictured here).



1977

Reg Bravo is the founder, president and CEO of knf Technologies, Inc. and was recently awarded two patents for artificial intelligence and inference technologies. When not at work he enjoys spending time with his wife, children and grandchildren, is involved as a minister at his church and tries to squeeze in outdoor activities like golfing, fishing and hunting.

Mike Foletta is engaged to Majal Sitoy, who currently resides in Cebu, Philippines. Mike proposed in Majal's grandmother's house on November 3, 2015. The couple is awaiting her fiancé visa for her impending arrival in the US in May. Just like the reality TV show *90 Day Fiancé*, they will have 90 days to get married.



1981

Howard Scott reports all is well and not much has changed except for launching a new local Telemundo newscast at the TV station last year. Howard quips, "I don't even speak Spanish."

1983

Jim Deaver writes: Well not a lot of news but another day older!! I am in my 22nd year teaching and coaching at Enterprise HS in Redding, Ca. I still coach cross country and track & field and am happy to say after 18 years as the varsity basketball assistant coach I am now the varsity head coach. With it comes a lot more time but loving every minute of it. My wife Karen is still a counselor at Foothill HS in Palo Cedro enjoying her time with the kids. My oldest son Colton is in his 2nd year of college at UC Santa Cruz studying Marine Biology. He has now turned into a surfer boy! My youngest Jason is a sophomore in high school with me and playing basketball and golf. I am enjoying my time with him as it goes by fast and they are gone! Looking forward to bringing my teams down once again to the Salinas Valley and seeing old friends.

1984

Michael McDermott sends a photo of a recent trip to Squaw Valley.



1988

Michael Annoti reports: 2015 was a great year in my musical journey, many great shows during the summer, and as you know from last year, I hold an annual benefit concert called One Family Benefit Concert that collects donations of clothes and food for homeless on the streets and families in need, as well as supports local food banks and Dorothy's Place in Salinas. The 2nd annual One Family Benefit Concert was a success. It was held in Santa Cruz and many gave unselfishly in support of those less fortunate and in need of assistance with staying warm and having something to eat or water if they're thirsty and don't have access to clean water. Local bands and DJ's donated their time to perform, including former San Francisco Giants third base coach and musician Tim Flannery, international reggae artist Joseph Israel, Pacific Dub from Pacific Grove, and Yerba Ruda from Salinas. I also played an acoustic set. 2016 has started out on a great note. I performed as a guest for Tim Flannery's love harder project in support of Bryan Stow on Jan. 30 at the Rio Theater in Santa Cruz, also, 49er Studios, Rob Alberino Jr. called me letting me know that he would like to do an episode of *The Faithful* on me, my music and 49er Faithfulness for the upcoming season. We spoke over the phone and he gave me an idea of what he had in mind for my episode, I am very excited and grateful for the opportunity to have my story told with the hope that it will inspire hearts and encourage people to believe in themselves, their dreams and follow their heart, always keeping FAITHFUL!

Fred Dela Cruz was promoted in February to Colonel in the United States Army at the US Transportation Command located in Illinois. Fred served over 22 years in the Army with multiple deployments to Afghanistan and a deployment to Liberia, Africa. He currently lives in Illinois with his wife, Becky, and two sons, Daniel (16) and Joshua (13).



1990

Jason Cordoba accepted the position of IT Support Manager at the Monterey Bay Aquarium last February, so he's been there over a year already.

1992

Ken Buzelle works at the Boeing company as a quality control inspector at the Auburn, WA facility. His wife Jeri works as a para educator at the Bethel School District in the Tacoma/Pierce County area. In our free time we like to travel, go watch the local hockey team (Seattle Thunderbirds),



as well as the Seattle Mariners baseball, the Seattle Seahawks football and Seattle Sounders soccer. Our 15-year-old son, Nick, is a freshman in high school. The family currently resides in Puyallup, Washington.

Corey Riha just completed a relocation back to California (Glendale) with his current employer, DineEquity, who is the franchisor of Applebee's and IHOP restaurants. In his current role in Quality Assurance he manages the food safety program for all 3600 restaurants. He gets to work cross-functionally with the Chefs, Operations, Legal, Training as well as with third party vendors and regulatory agencies. With the relocation, he was given responsibility over the Quality Systems program, also in QA, which oversees the supplier and distributor approval programs, which includes compliance to brand standards, brand protection, crisis management, and food safety/food quality as it relates to suppliers and distributors. "It's nice to



be back in California; especially considering we moved right before the first Kansas blizzard! I look forward to going back to Salinas and to hanging out with friends and family. Mulé and his wife came to visit in Kansas a few months ago and we wore our Giants gear to a Royals game! Here is my girlfriend and I in front of our new house as well. Let me know if you need a food safety alumni nerd for a science class!

1995

Ruben Romero is working for St. Clare's Hospital in Denville, NJ. He and Cindy have a 7-month-old son (Ryder David) and a little girl due in March. Here Ruben, Ryder and Cindy finally get a chance to get out of the house after the first big snow storm in Rockaway, NJ.



1998



Kyle Brown writes things have been going very well for our growing family. We have a baby boy due and our 3-1/2-year-old daughter, Charlotte, couldn't be more excited to have a little brother. We were lucky enough to visit our friends at Pearl Harbor Naval Base on Oahu last year. I have been very active with the Salinas



Rodeo. We brought Charlotte to watch the parade (she shouted hello to the passing horses). We dressed up for the Renaissance Faire in October then took Char to the pumpkin patch at The Farm in her pirate costume where she was thrilled to pick out her own little pumpkin. Life is good. We are very blessed!



1999

Jazziel Rodriguez married Elizabeth Martinez on December 26, 2015, in a beautiful ceremony in Zinapécuaro Michoacan. The festivities continued in a Mexican tradition known as a *tornaboda* on December 27 where Jazziel's brother **Fabian Rodriguez '98** and his band, Proyecto X, held a concert to commemorate the occasion.

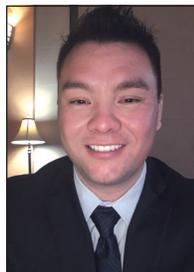


2000

David Creager is a Field and Political Director for the California Republican Party.

John McCarthy and Lyric are doing well in San Diego. Lyric serves on the Board for the Ocean Beach/ Point Loma Relay for Life and the Kiwanis Club of Ocean Beach, where she is also the immediate Past President. I am currently the President of the Kiwanis Club of Ocean Beach. Professionally, 2016 is a big year for me. I maintain a 10.0 rating on the attorney rating site Avvo. I was recognized by the *San Diego Daily Transcript* as a Top Young Attorney and a Finalist for Top Labor and Employment Lawyer. I was recognized by the *San Diego Business Journal* as "Best of the Bar" in Labor and Employment Law. I was recognized by the American Society of Legal Advocates as one of the Top 40 Labor and Employment Lawyers under 40 in California. Finally, I was recognized by Super Lawyers as a "Rising Star" in Employment Litigation. To be eligible for inclusion in Rising Stars, a candidate must be either 40 years old or younger or in practice for 10 years or less. While up to five percent of the lawyers in a state are named to Super Lawyers, no more than two-and-a-half percent are named to Rising Stars.

Scott Davis is now a 13-year veteran Deputy Sheriff with the Monterey County Sheriff's Office and is currently a Field Training Officer working patrol. Scott has opened three business and currently still owns one, "Central Coast Fundraising, LLC." He was a board member for the Deputy Sheriff's Association Labor Union for six years and served as their president for the last two. He is currently running for Salinas City Council, District 1.

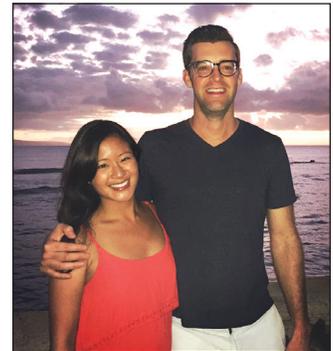


Chris Knapp says 2015 was a busy year. We continued to raise our twins Revan and Story, who are now a year-and-a-half. In January 2015 I was promoted to the rank of Fire Captain for the Salinas Fire Department and am assigned to Engine Company 1 out of 216 West Alisal. In September I got married to my fiancé Lesley Hunter. Lesley is a military transplant from Alabama. She served our country in the Air Force for 14 years and now enjoys being a mom while still serving in the Air Guard. We live in Salinas near memorial hospital and are thankful for everyday we get to enjoy life. Here is a picture from our most recent promotion ceremony.



2001

Dan Sterrett and his wife Lindsay are living in San Francisco and are expecting a little girl due in June.



Kyle Tarp is Director of Basketball Performance for the Terps at the University of Maryland in College Park. He has been instrumental in developing a combination of old-school weight training and cutting-edge conditioning to increase the Terps' competitiveness and enable them to play a more up-tempo game in the Big Ten Conference. He has also created a culture of hard work and this players have "bought-in" to being great. As a result, the Terps went 24-7, placing 4th in the Big Ten Conference this year.



2003

Patrick Reyes a.k.a. Dr. Reyes currently lives in Atlanta, Georgia with his wife Carrie and son Asher. He serves as the Director of Strategic Partnerships for Doctoral Initiatives for the Forum for Theological Exploration. He is responsible for managing the fellowship program for doctoral students, relationship building and providing support to leaders of theological institutions developing future leaders for the church and academy. He has authored peer-reviewed articles, book chapters, and is a

sought-after scholar in the fields of theology, Latino/a religions, and religious education. His book on vocation, titled *Through the Valley* is due out this June and his book on Latino/a Religiosity in California will be released in the beginning of 2017.

Patrick Delorey and his wife Jen Hyde were married at the Cathedral of Christ the Light in Oakland, California on August 8, 2015. They live and work in Brooklyn, New York.



Mike Perez has a new version of his group, Mike PZ and the Associates, and they have been performing frequently in Monterey, Santa Cruz and Santa Clara Counties.



Raul Rico, Jr. is currently the Director of Admissions at Palma School having just finished a stint as the Development Manager for United Way of Monterey County. He is pictured here with **Jazziel Rodriguez '98**, **Fabian Rodriguez '97**, and his brother **Jorge Rico '08** after Fabian and his band performed.



2004

Nick Anable has been active in the real estate industry since a very young age. Beginning his career as an intern for a major commercial real estate firm, he developed a true appreciation for the business, assisting with over \$750 million in sales transactions. He became one of the youngest licensees in the office at 19 and further developed his industry experience through managing rental properties and delving into the world of real estate investing himself. Although venturing into the world of investment banking for a few years, Nick's passion for real estate has led him back to Elegran, where he will translate his enthusiasm and passion into world-class customer service. Having lived, studied and worked across the globe, he understands how to interact with people from all

walks of life and truly provide a client-centric experience. Since joining Elegran, Nick has generated over \$175,000,000 in real estate sales over a short time period, a testament to his knack for the industry. Nick received his undergraduate degree from Arizona State University majoring in Marketing and International Business. Prior to moving to New York, he spent two years in London and Asia working and obtaining his MBA. Nick enjoys playing golf, tennis and traveling abroad in his spare time.



Nathaniel Heres launched a company called Catholic Planner with his buddy, Victor Delacruz (he attended Palma for two years). Their e-commerce website launched in the beginning of December on which they sell a yearly planner made for Catholics. Their Catholic Planner is a great tool for Catholics to organize their busy lives while keeping Christ at the center. Thousands of Catholics have already joined their Catholic Planner journey and have purchased one. They will be donating 15% of profits to different Catholic charities and organizations. They're excited to grow and bring this to thousands of more Catholics. You can check them out at CatholicPlanner.com; on Facebook at Facebook.com/CatholicPlanner; and on Instagram and Twitter @CatholicPlanner.



2005

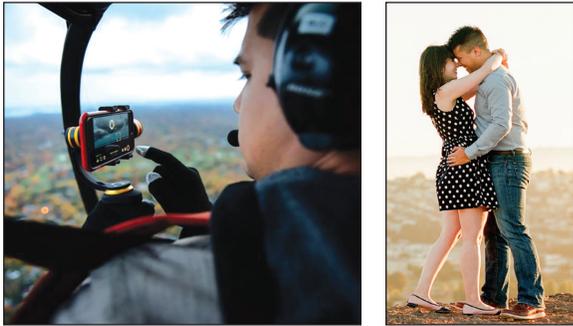
Jay Panchal is working in the Controls Analysis department at The Aerospace Corporation in El Segundo, California after receiving his Masters in Mechanical Engineering from UCLA.

Christopher Cabatu was recognized by the National Helicopter Association as the Pilot of the Year for 2014. This Association covers the US Navy, Marine and Coast Guard pilots nationwide. He was recognized in part because of a rescue mission he performed and because he used his Systems Engineering degree to determine the cause of a new problem they were having with the helicopters that was caused by a new software update. Once the problem was diagnosed, he worked to adjust how they flew the helicopters not to exceed the new safety limits established by the software; then he modified the operator's manual to incorporate the new flying procedures. The manual was adopted by the Region he is based in and is currently being reviewed by the Department of the Navy for acceptance nationwide. Christopher and his wife Janyse live in Norfolk, Virginia. They are both lieutenants in the US Navy.



2006

Jaron Schneider started his own photo/video business in San Francisco in 2014. He has worked with the US Air Force Thunderbirds, Grammy-award-winning band Train, Instagram, Verizon, Apple and many others. He specializes in creating cinematic videos and time lapses with a focus on aerial filmmaking. He is also the editor in chief of ResourceMagOnline, a photography-centric publication and blog. Jaron and his fiancé Andi, who met at Gonzaga University, became engaged in 2014 and are scheduled to be married in the fall of 2016.



2008

Nate Martin obtained a patent pending on a portable solar powered pump system, the Zaoril 1100, that destroys mosquitoes and algae chemical free with zero emission in ponds and livestock water troughs. With the current outbreak of Zika, mosquitoes are public enemy number one, and Nate has developed a chemical free solution. He is also communicating with project Jonah in New Zealand about using his floating ocean-worthy solar pump, the solar surfer, for beached whale rescue. Sometimes hundreds of whales and cetaceans wash up on the shore. His system would make these situations less stressful. He is currently developing another solar powered system that will purify water for drinking. Nate recently got engaged on Halloween night in Big Sur and his fiancé and he are expecting twins this August. "I remember all the years ago when I made a hovercraft in my freshman year science class. It could hold and transport over 300 lbs; I believe even coach Soper took a ride. I am happy that I have found my passion. To create products that are affordable, have highly valuable results, and commit to being an Eco-minded victor. Palma really taught me not to accept things the way that they are. I'm glad I didn't," writes Nate.



Jesse Moreno graduated from Saint Mary's College of California in 2012 with a B.A. in Communications and an M.A. in Kinesiology with a concentration in Sports Administration in 2015. He currently resides in San Jose and works for The Aspire Marketing Group as a Sales Consultant for Santa Clara University Athletics.



2009

Madison Calder graduated from UCSD with a BS in Biology in 2013 and decided to try out a newfound interest in teaching as a middle school teacher in Connecticut. "I have no regrets that I took two years of my life to involve myself wholeheartedly in this experience. Sure, it helped me determine that I do not want to be a public school teacher for the rest of my life, but it also gave my fresh-out-of-college self some time to grow, mature, and come to terms with my priorities. I also happened to meet and fall in love with an amazing young woman who is now my best friend," Madison writes. Fed up with seeing students suffer from health problem after health problem, he considered applying for medical school in 2014 when he was randomly contacted by a US Air Force Recruiter. "Although it seemingly came out of nowhere, I did a lot more research on the opportunity to practice medicine in the Air Force and felt that it would provide me with unparalleled leadership and training, opportunities to travel, and financial assistance to pursue it all. I applied for the program and was awarded the scholarship." He finished out his second and last year as a math teacher at Windham Middle School and packed his bags for Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery, Alabama, to attend Officer Training School. He completed the five-week leadership boot camp and is now at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine as a Second Lieutenant in the USAF.

Rian Singh graduated from Saint Mary's College in 2013. He had the opportunity to work for the San Francisco 49ers during Super Bowl 50. "It was one of the best experiences of my life!!!"



2012

Shivan Singh will be graduating from the University of San Francisco in May 2016. He shared a photo of him celebrating his birthday at a Warriors game in January with Stephen Curry practicing in the background.



2013

Brian Brownfield sends warm wishes to everyone at Palma and reports: "Menlo College continues to be the best time of my life. In this my third year, I've had the privilege to be on the broadcast of over 100 games for the Menlo Oaks, covering seven sports. My reputation as "Voice of the Oaks" has spread across campus and ultimately led to me being the recipient of the 2015 Bill King Memorial Scholarship through the Oakland Athletics. Being honored on the field at the Coliseum was easily one of the best memories I have, not to mention getting to go inside the broadcast booth during a game! In addition to broadcasting, Menlo Ultimate is taking off to extraordinary places. I am the co-founder and co-President of Menlo's first Ultimate Frisbee team, and we played three contests in our first season. This year is our second year, and we already have recorded the first two wins in program history, including a victory over Stanford! Needless to say that's created hype around campus. One of these days, I'll get a shout out on the air to all of you from Palma. You all deserve it for playing such a large part in my life!"



Thomas Stone was forward deployed to Japan and Korea for seven months and is home now in Jacksonville, North Carolina with his beautiful wife. They are expecting a baby boy in late March/early April.



2014

Max Fiege is a sophomore at Georgetown University. Having declared his major in "Science, Technology, and International Affairs," his studies have revolved around the intersection of government policy and high-tech private sector companies. When not in the classroom, Max has been busy with work, having recently started his third internship in the past year. Whether with German engineering company Putzmeister, the Embassy of Liechtenstein in D.C., or CG/LA Infrastructure Consulting, Max



prides himself on the extent of his professional experience and appreciates the diverse perspective he has gained as a result. Looking forward, Max is excited to be founding a new student publication on campus by March 2016, and hopes to spend his summer interning for the government affairs division of Elon Musk's company, SpaceX.

2015

Kevin Estrada-Haro is a freshman at Texas A&M University majoring in Agribusiness. He spent Christmas break in Mexico visiting his grandparents and family and travels from College Station, Texas to Monterey frequently to observe his dad at his job as an independent strawberry and raspberry consultant, known as PVAG Consulting.

Rick Keaton recently traveled to Honduras as part of The Honduras Brigade, a group of volunteers who work with licensed medical professionals and community health workers to provide comprehensive health services in rural communities with limited access to healthcare. Rick reports, "I had the opportunity to take patient vitals, shadow and assist licensed physicians in diagnosing and treating symptoms and diseases, participate in preventive education, and fill prescriptions under a licensed pharmacist. I also became familiar with the prevalent health issues in the various communities we served. Knowing that I helped make a tangible impact on well-deserving communities, all while gaining real life clinical experience in the field of international medicine was truly amazing." He is also assisting in the research of a newly discovered gene called PID 1, which when found in high levels within brain tumors, positively affects patients' reactions to cancer treatments. In the lab, they will be focusing on trying to understand the molecular mechanism by which PID 1 inhibits the growth of brain tumors. In doing so, they will be looking for a way to mimic the functions of this gene in order to produce new cancer treatments. Rick is currently attending USC majoring in pre-med, biological sciences.



Michael Levine is at Oregon State studying mechanical engineering and is on the Formula SAE team there. They designed and built a race car which competes with schools around the world. They are currently ranked #1 in the world and won the 2014 and 2015 world championships, so they're going for their third. A big change in his life coming up is joining the National Guard. He plans to take the spring, summer and fall terms off to go to Basic and AIT, and will return to OSU next winter. He will be training for either Calvary scout or a wheeled vehicles mechanic position. ●

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Drew Amaral '21 son of Matt Amaral '92, grandson of John Amaral '67

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Jared Cook son of Jason Cook '90

Matthew D'Arrigo son of John D'Arrigo '76

Bradley Daoro son of Samuel Daoro '80

Jonathan Jurevich son of Steven Jurevich '80

Elliot Mirassou son of Mark Mirassou '80

Nicholas Ottone son of Matthew Ottone (Jr. High) '82

Stefano Pezzini son of John Pezzini, 78

Gabriel Rianda son of Jeff Rianda '83

Matthew Smith son of Jason Smith '87

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Drew Dalman son of Chris Dalman '88

Anthony DeSantis grandson of Sally (Smith) Rhodes (Jr. High) '53

Matthew Dunston son of William Dunstan (Jr. High) '82

Nathaniel Fratangelo son of Chip Fratangelo '83

Samuel Given son of John Given '80,
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Evan Haro, son of Richard Haro '87

Oliver Mirassou son of Gregory Mirassou '84

Devin Molinari son of Perry Molinari '83

Brandon Ng son of Lit Ng Jr. '75

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Nate Haro son of Richard Haro '87

Samual Henion son of Jeffrey Henion '86

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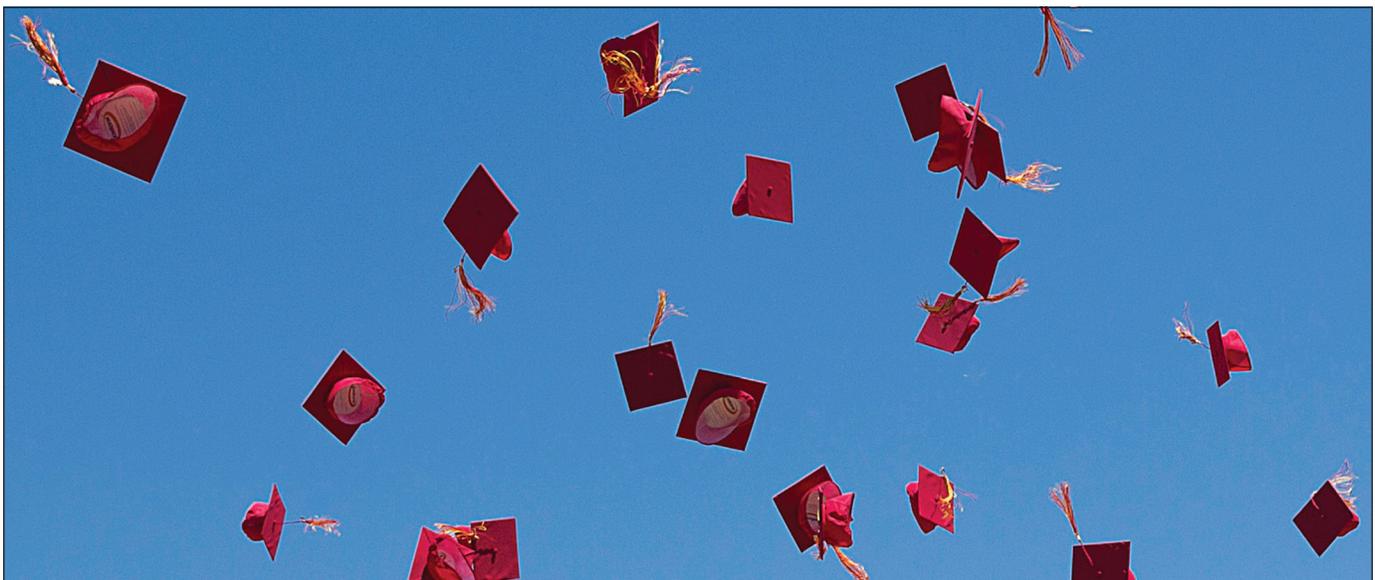
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