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Leaders Need Vision Says Colonel

Col. Robert B. Sauve, Chief of Staff, Third ROTC Region, addressed the 104th Corps of Cadets after he presented the MacArthur Award to Maj. Chad Caruso. In his speech, Sauve complimented the Cadets on their appearance and ceremonial performance.

He told the Cadets that they had a unique opportunity at St. John's to become better leaders than their peers in public or private schools.

He talked about what he considers to be very important aspects of effective leadership. Sauve pointed out that a good leader needs to have vision. Vision to see not only what needs to be done, but how to insure project or program achievement. He noted that caring for your subordinates is extremely important to a successful leader.

He went on to discuss the importance of establishing high standards of expectations in meeting leadership responsibilities. He stressed that a leader has to set the example and maintain the moral courage to do what is right in the face of adversity.

Sauve complimented Caruso for demonstrating many of these leadership qualities to qualify for selection as the MacArthur Award recipient. Sauve added that there were five or six other Cadet seniors all well qualified, but only one award is presented.

Christmas Party Held On Sunday

In a change of format, the traditional Christmas Chapel service and dinner were held at noon Sunday, Dec. 15.

The Chapel service was held at 11:30 a.m. followed by the dinner in Nichols Dining Hall.

Individual turkeys were served each table with the table head carving the birds.

Winner of the company skit competition was A Company. Judges were Tim Weis, Dorothy Long and Donna Lewick. The winning company received free pizza for the company party held on Wednesday evening.

Santa Claus, who resembled Brian Weber, made a visit and presented gifts to the faculty children and Cadets in the fifth and sixth grades.



The MacARTHUR CADET-OF-YEAR

Chad Caruso (left) receives congratulations from Col. Robert Sauve, Chief of Staff, Third ROTC region, Ft. Riley, during the MacArthur Cadet-of-the-Year ceremonies.

Chad Caruso Earns The MacArthur Cadet Award

The MacArthur Cadet-of-the-year award was presented to Chad D. Caruso during ceremonies, Jan. 26 in the Banes Gymnasium.

The award is presented to the senior Cadet who demonstrates the most soldierly performance in academics, athletics and leadership.

Caruso received a pin-on emblem, a full scale replica of the medal struck by the Congress of the U.S. honoring MacArthur. A copy of "The Book of Reminiscences" by the late General autographed by Mrs. MacArthur and a \$50 savings bond.

Making the presentation was Col. Robert B. Sauve, Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army Third ROTC Region with headquarters at Ft. Riley.

Each year the MacArthur Foundation presents the award to the outstanding Cadets of the Association of Military Colleges and Schools. The objective is to encourage the students to emulate and practice the qualities exemplified by Douglas MacArthur as a Cadet at Texas Military Institute, San Antonio, and at the U.S. Military Academy.

The ceremony is held on or near the General's birth date, Jan. 26.

Caruso, a Cadet Major, has attended SJMS since transferring in March 1989 as a freshman. A senior, his leadership development started with new boy training in 1989 and has progressed through company commander to his primary staff position of operations officers.

In addition to his Corps leadership, he is a Chapel Council officer, has served on the Cadet Court, has earned athletic letters in track and foot-

ball and has earned all available JROTC athletic ribbons.

Academically, he is on the Dean's Honor roll and was the leader on the roll for the second grading period. Caruso is president of the National Honor Society, is a Blue Beret, has earned the JROTC academic wreath and course awards in geometry and physics.

Caruso has participated on the Spartan team, served on the Honor Guard, Cadet Patrol and the exhibition drill team.

While Company commander his unit won Honor Company for the 1990-91 school year.

During the ceremony special greetings were read from Gina Caruso, Chad's mother, who was unable to attend.

Mark Richards was the ceremony narrator. Isaac Magdaleno, Cadet Chaplain, read "A Father's Prayer" written by General MacArthur.

Other participants were Gabriel C. Boyle, Cadet Commander serving as host commander; Brian Weber, Commander of Troops and Chris Miller, Drum Major of the band.

Prior to the ceremony, Colonel Sauve reviewed the 104th Corps of Cadets.

Crosses Awarded

Cadets are new members of the Chapel Council. Awarded crosses were Charles Mersberger, Joe Miller, Mark Triebwasser, Dan Barickman, William Fisher, John Hollon, Ralph Shoemaker, Jon Wyatt, Robert Lambert and Thad Alexander.

SJMS's Enrollment Is At Near Capacity

St. John's Military School has a near capacity enrollment according to Capt. Joe Stratton, Director of Admissions. He said there are only a few vacancies for exceptional students.

Since Dec. 1, the School has accepted 33 new boys into the 104th Corps of Cadets.

Stratton said, "We average at least 20 new Cadets each January and this year has been no exception. We enrolled 28 boys during the month." Col. Keith G. Duckers, President, praised the efforts of Stratton and other staff members for their work in filling the School.

Enrolled in December were Travis Potter, junior, Ottawa, Kas.; Nathan Weese, eighth, and Allen Romano, sophomore, both of Denver; Brian Bucklin, junior, Mustang, Okla.; and David Brindle, freshman, Salina.

Enrolled in January were Charles Estes, seventh, and Thomas Weir, sixth, both of Dallas; Sean Hudgeons, sophomore, Coolidge, Ariz.; Michael Figueuroa, eighth, Apache Junction, Ariz.; Douglas Dvorak, re-enrolled as a junior, Denver; Zachary Flora, junior and Mark Bendure,

freshman, both of Overland Park, Kas.; Micah Kelly, seventh, Enid, Okla.; Matthew Post, sixth, Billings, Mont.; Travis Wheeler, freshman, Aloha, Ore.; Joshua Wilson, eighth; and Dustin Hiebert, seventh, all of Wichita; James York, seventh, Broken Arrow, Okla.; Daniel Nack, sixth, Bert-houd, Colo.; Dustin Leo, freshman, Phoenix, Ariz.; Toby Harris, eighth, Wellington, Kas.; Andreas Farr, junior, Greeley, Colo.; Timothy Sutherland, junior, Poulso, Wash.; Cody Pennell, eighth, John Bullard, freshman and Jonathan Munoz, freshman, all of Topeka; Joseph Melvin, freshman, Wamego, Kas.; Michael Hampson, sophomore, Emporia, Kas.; Christopher Muhr, eighth, Littleton, Colo.; Efen Murrieta, eighth, Mesa, Ariz.; Keith Sedille, re-enrolled as a freshman, Salina; Morgan Fray, sophomore, Englewood, Colo.; and Ben Dozier, sophomore, Lafayette, Colo.

Parkview Hall Is Demolished

Parkview Hall is gone. The frame structure at the corner of Ninth and Otis was demolished following the completion of the Linger Middle School building. Work was finished in early January.

A sidewalk will be installed as well as a sprinkler system. Landscaping will be done in the spring.

Parkview was used as a classroom building after the construction of Mize Hall in 1964.

Prior to use as a SJMS classroom building, Parkview was constructed for use as a Salina elementary School.

Duckers Heads Military Group

Col. Keith G. Duckers, President, was elected president of the Midwest Military Schools Association at its meeting, Nov. 13.

Members of the group are Missouri Military Academy, Mexico, Mo.; Howe Military School, Howe, Ind.; Kemper Military School, Boonville, Mo.; Wentworth Military School, Lexington, Mo., and SJMS.

The next meeting of the group will be held on the St. John's campus next fall.

Clem Bronze Is Funded

Lou Fulton reports that only \$15 is needed to reach the goal of \$5,000 to fund the bronze sculpture of the late Col., The Rev. R.L. Clem.

"I hoped that we would be able to hit that mark all from old boy contributions," Fulton said. "That way it would be a gift from the Cadets and no one else."

Those contributing will have their names on a plaque under the bronze.

Contributing were Jim Bannon, Ralph Bliss, Dale Browning, William Clark, Alan Clem, the Rev. Peter Francis, Fulton, Robert Guthrie, Dean Hargrove, Howard Haythorn, Robert Houston, Bill Ladd, Edward Lehman, Paul Lopez, William Meidell, James Manard, Charles Morrison, Gene Penny, Robert Philbrook, Al Ransom, Larry Rice, R.L.M. Snyder, Tim Soule, Kirk Weilepp, Don Wendler, R.G. Wessendorff, Jack Vanier, Harold Winne, Class of 1946 and Class of 1953.

The bronze will be dedicated during Commencement week-end.



NEWS

... from the past

FEBRUARY--1922

The Cadets met the Salina High five on the Wesleyan court and defeated them by four points, final score 19-15 . . . Cadet Carl Johnson of Salina has become a resident student. While living at home he was compelled to get up at 5:30 to feed a lot of cattle, milk a number of cows and do a great many chores. He says that reveille at 6:30 will be a luxury. (Editor's Note--His nephew, Wayne Johnson, serves on the current Board of Trustees) . . . A tentative offer has been made by the Board of Trustees of St. Barnabas Hospital to St. John's to take over the building and equipment next fall with a view of using them for the boys in the shell or lower form.

FEBRUARY--1932

No more waiting in crowded barber shops downtown for haircuts. St. John's now has a barber shop of its own which is open four afternoons a week . . . The Q.M. is now selling sardines and crackers. This gives the boys a chance to have a little feed before retiring at night.

FEBRUARY--1952

Cadets got their taste of the dirtiest business on earth when Major Guernsey gave them basic training in bayonet instruction during drill this month . . . The office had a new facial uplifting. Hazel Fonck, bursar, Keith Duckers, public relations officer, a school secretary and a custodian have contributed their talents in the effort at redecorating the office with a fresh coat of paint.

FEBRUARY--1962

All Cadets in the St. John's Upper School made a three-day educational trip to Omaha and Lincoln, Neb. during the semester break. The trip was made in four buses furnished by the Air Force and the Kansas National Guard . . . Lt. Col. James V. Ausan will become P.M.S.-Commandant in September. Maj. Russell L. Guernsey, Veteran St. John's Commandant of Cadets, will relinquish his duties as chief Cadet disciplinarian to head the science department.

FEBRUARY--1972

SJMS band to march in Mardi Gras events in New Orleans . . . Mrs. A.Y. Hardy dies in Denver . . . Pies thrown and a car is smashed at second January Jubilee.

FEBRUARY--1982

St. John's Military School is in the manufacturing business, thanks to a sizeable gift from Mr. and Mrs. Walton C. Ferris, prominent Nebraska industrialist and supporters of the Salina school. The School is the recipient of all 2,500 shares of common stock in National Manufacturing Company, Lincoln, Neb. . . Matt Minson receives the MacArthur Award . . . A wrought iron chandelier over the portico of the Vanier Academic Center and coach lights on the stone pillars at the main gate have been added to the SJMS campus.

Band Plays For Events

The Cadet Band was busy with two performances on Saturday, Dec. 7.

The SJMS Band performed a 25-minute concert prior to the opening of the Pearl Harbor exhibit at the Eisenhower museum. They played several patriotic tunes appropriate for the ceremony.

The band was seated in concert formation directly in front of a very large cannon. Following the ceremony the Cadets

were given time to browse through the exhibit and other parts of the museum.

The Cadets met four men present at the ceremony who survived the attack on Pearl Harbor.

In the afternoon the band played for ten hours of sharing, sponsored by KSAL radio and the Salvation Army at the Mid-State mall.

The band performed several pep-band tunes for an audience of shoppers and people donating items to be given to the needy. Three of the songs were broadcast "live" over KSAL. Wendy Stein, Band Director, said several people commented on the great sound and enthusiasm of the band.

Brisco Heads Middle School Honors List

Mike Brisco was the leader on the Middle School Honors list for the second grading period. He was named to the Blue Berets as were Dan Barickman and Neil Roberts.

Others earning honorable mentions were Colin Guin, Travis Mai and Mark Triebwasser.



Joe Stewart



Marilyn Graham

Joe Stewart Is November Employee

M/Sgt. Joe Stewart, assistant to the Commandant, was honored as the employee-of-the-month for November.

Tributes shared by several fellow workers include his outstanding leadership ability both as Administrative Assistant and as the varsity football assistant coach.

Col. Keith G. Duckers, President, said, "He is a real gentleman and a pleasure to work with, maintaining a friendly and professional relationship with all personnel, including faculty, staff and Cadets. His ability to deal with parents and Cadets in crisis situations is tremendous."

Duckers continued: "He is always there whenever you need him, working excessively long hours with his devotion to duty."

Marilyn Graham Is December Employee

Marilyn Graham, Middle School secretary and activities director, was selected as the employee-of-the-month for December.

Tributes shared by her fellow workers in nominating Graham for the award included her willingness to go beyond her secretary responsibilities in Linger Hall. They noted that she is always ready to help a faculty member or a Cadet.

It was noted that she truly cares for the young Cadets, consistently offering encouragement and "motherly" discipline and praise. She shares her talents with her craft classes and with her holiday decorating, providing a happy atmosphere for Linger Hall.

Proficiency Awards Made

Three Cadets received proficiency awards. They were Robert Hall, Adam Kaye and Geoff Nelson.

★ OLD BOYS CORNER ★

Class of 1928 . . . Col. and Mrs. Keith Duckers had lunch with Bob Crooks during a recent visit to Southern California.

Class of 1942 . . . Jack McCandless is still loving retirement. He chops a little wood, does a few repairs and loves his freedom.

Class of 1946 . . . Rea R. Tucker has retired and is living in Desert Hot Springs, Calif. on a golf course. He is recovering from recent surgery. Col. Keith Duckers, President, had the pleasure of spending an afternoon on the golf course with Tucker and two of his friends.

Attended 1959-60 . . . William Patrick Smith has been with Texas Instruments in Dallas for 27 years. His address is 2032 Haymeadow, Carrollton, TX 75007.

Class of 1961 . . . Scott Poage has signed up for the Hope '92 sled dog race from Nome, Alaska to Anadyr, Chukotka, USSR. The race starts in Nome on March 21, 1992. The Hope races are the only international-intercontinental sled races. Last year the teams were airlifted across the Bering Strait from Wales, Alaska to Uelen, USSR. There they were joined by Soviet mushers to continue the trek to the finish in Anadyr, USSR. The race is about 1200 miles long and is a challenge to even the most experienced musher and team. Poage's address is Last Chance Kennels, P.O. Box 3087, Central, Alaska 99730.

Attended 1968-70 . . . Kren "Doc" Bosse is what most people call a cowboy. During the summer roping season, Bosse travels to three or four events each week. But this winter he made it a little easier for the roping events to come to him--he built his own arena. The Diamond D. arena was Bosse's dream until May 1991 when he bought some land south of Atchison, Ks. In July, construction began and the arena's grand opening on Nov. 3 made winter roping events accessible for cowboys within a 60-mile radius of the city.

Class of 1980 . . . Randy Hoppe has now returned from Saudi Arabia. He is a captain in the Army Reserves.

Class of 1981 . . . Terry Hoppe runs his own carpet business in Colorado.

Class of 1984 . . . Eduardo Vaccaro was graduated from the University of Central Florida, Orlando, in December. He was a senator in the student government at the school.

Attended 1984-87 . . . Nate Marshall is a record producer, manager and concert promoter and the regional talent coordinator for SBK records. He lives in Evergreen, Colo. He wrote: "I believe the school helped me get to where I am today and feel proud to have attended SJMS . . . I am planning on attending Commencement activities and hope to get involved in future school events."

Class of 1987 . . . David Dumler earned a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, at the end of the first semester.

Class of 1988 . . . Kevin Smith is an Airborne Ranger and participated in the Panama invasion. After having a knee injured in the drop, he had surgery and was assigned to the 24th Infantry Division, Ft. Stewart, Ga. He was a team leader assigned to one of the Bradley fighting vehicles in the Persian Gulf War. After returning to Georgia, Smith had additional surgery on his knee and is now awaiting a medical discharge from the Army.

Former Staff . . . The Rev. Donald Davidson, former Chaplain, won a trip to the Holy Land for two weeks in February. He is rector of an Episcopal Church in Beatrice, Neb.

DEATHS

F.W. Litchman

The Very Rev. Frederic W. Litchman, Dean of Christ Episcopal Cathedral, Salina, died Jan. 7 in Salina. Many Cadets attended services at the Cathedral when he served as Dean from 1947-1973. He was named Dean-emeritus of the Cathedral following his retirement and assisted at services there.

The Dean also was a member of the School's Board of Trustees in the early 1950's. A Scholarship is given to a Cadet each year from the Frederic W. Litchman scholarship fund.

Harley Cook

Harley Cook, 61, former chef at SJMS, died Jan. 8 at his rural home near Great Bend. Cook worked for the Salvation Army, Denver, after leaving Salina and had moved to Great Bend five years ago.

Scott Dotson

The School has been informed that Scott Dotson, Class of 1944, died Nov. 25, 1991, in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Cadets Win In Mind-Match

The Cadets were winners in the first round of Mind-Match sponsored by Kansas Wesleyan University and radio station, KSAL, Jan. 13.

The program is broadcast. The Cadets defeated Tescott, 130-90. Their next competition was with Salina Central High School.

Team members were Charles Robertson, captain, Sean Radway, Mark Richards, Steve Huff, Jason Merrifield and Phil Frazier.

Staff Changes Made

Tory Merriman has been transferred to Battalion headquarters as the assistant S-1. The former assistant S-1, Mark Richards, has been named C-Company commander.

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Commandant's Comments

Welcome to all the new Cadets joining the 104th Corps in January 1992. Over two dozen Cadet new boys have filled our ranks to an assigned level of 200. While new boy training moves briskly along for our newcomers, other Cadets are actively involved in a full schedule of school activities. We commend those Cadets whose participation have supported St. John's competition in basketball, wrestling, rifle marksmanship, drill and quiz bowl programs.

This year a new weekend activity for all Cadets was introduced by the Corps. The battalion staff is to be congratulated for planning, organizing and overseeing the conduct of the St. John's "Winter Olympics". These Saturday games promote platoon and company competition in four events under a single elimination format. Platoon and company winners will receive prizes which include special individual or unit privileges. Winners will be crowned on the last day of competition, currently scheduled for February. Good luck to all companies!

Special recognition is extended to Chad Caruso for his selection as this year's MacArthur Award recipient. The 104th Corps performance during the MacArthur Award Ceremony also deserves our congratulations for a job well done.

Houston E. Ward, Jr., Commandant
LTC, USA (Ret.)



Houston
Ward

★ PROMOTIONS ★

A number of promotions have been made by special orders.

Promoted to:

CAPTAIN — Chris Mackey, Chad Mathis, Tory Merri-man, E. Hagan Watts.

FIRST LIEUTENANT — William Fisher, Robert Hall, Nivi Reddy, Arthur Cannon.

FIRST SERGEANT — Jerry Webb, Rodney Webb, Chad Kellogg.

MASTER SERGEANT — Aaron Branjord, Michael Hall.

SERGEANT FIRST CLASS — Bryan Atkins, Karl Carnegie, Preston Edwards, John Vaughn.

STAFF SERGEANT — William Emery, Jeremy Gosch, Jonah Horton, Milo Mitchell, Travis Petrino, Victor Wu, Allon Calzada, Nicholas Dell, William Eddington, DeAndre Grassity, Henry Kessler, Ryan Overton, Jeremy Riley, Gavin Stein, Donald Watters.

SERGEANT — James Ross, Ralph Shoemaker, Dale Vandel, Brian McGuire, Tony Barlow, Daniel Barickman, Andrew Cole, Shawn Hensel, Chris Koppers, Agustin Loyo, Bryan Marvins, Chris McCall, Chris Miller, Leon Neil, Lee O'Guin, Daniel Reagan, Luis Velez.

CORPORAL — Davis Hertling, Ben Hoshiko, Rocky Lucas, Joshua Seale, Roger Warnock, Thad Alexander, Jermaine Burton, Cassidy Clark-Landman, Jason Cotsworth, Jason Craig, Brian Dillon, James Dishon, Michael Ebert, Justin Edwards, Sean Radway, James Francis, Bill Gehring, Doug Gill, Michael Goins, Carl Guernsey, Don Hancock, Travis Mai, Brandon Smith, Thomas Smith, Tim Stockmar, Kevin Voth.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS — Clint Chapa, Daniel Davidson, Chris Gillman, Chris Jagels, Edwin McClendon, Joseph Miller, Paul Spangler, Steve Strom, Troy Trama, Joel Barr, Michael Boyles, Brian Bucklin, Sean Collier, James Eister, Daniel Frazier, Jon Hagan, Ben Kovar, Travis Potter, Ranjan Ray, Allen Romano, Adam Ross, LaVerne Stika, Nathan Weese, Tyler Yost.

PRIVATE OLD BOY — William DeKnight, Dustin Hiebert, Matt Post, Michael Reed, Cory Bovee, Patrick Reed, Steve Wagoner, Chris Billings, Mark Triebwasser, Jeff Huggler, David Shore.



SNYDER THE ELEPHANT

Snyder, a circus elephant who terrorized the crowd, was killed by two staff members of SJMS and two local businessmen using high powered rifles from the School in the fall of 1920.

Death Of Elephant Is A SJMS Legend

(Editor's Note -- There has been recent interest in the killing of the elephant, Snyder, in 1920 after bone fragments were found in the basement of Memorial Hall recently and given to the Smoky Hill Museum. The story of Snyder has been a SJMS legend for years. Cadets helping set up for Kiwanis pancake feeds were aware of the bones in the basement.)

It was the opening day of School at SJMS in September of 1920. The late Ann Ganssle, wife of the Superintendent, was entertaining the mothers of Cadets in their quarters in Vail Hall.

Suddenly, her husband, Waldorf, burst into the quarters, got his rifle and announced he was "going to shoot" an elephant. Mrs. Ganssle, in recalling the incident, told Liz Duckers, Public Information Officer, that the women looked at each other and wondered if they should leave their sons at the School.

But he was indeed on his way to kill an elephant.

The following story appeared in the March 1921 issue of *The Skirmisher*.

"On that eventful day, L.C. Webb, of the Lee Hardware Co., called Major Ganssle to tell him that there was a wild elephant in town that had broken loose from the Sells-Floto circus, and asked him to bring a couple of men with rifles to help hunt him down and kill him, as he was tearing things up generally and becoming a menace to the community.

The invitation sounded to Major more like a joke than anything else, and he at first thought it might be one of the cadets 'having him on.' "

"However, upon receiving assurance that it was actually a fact, Major Ganssle and Maj. J.L. Weir quickly donned their proven huntsman's uniforms, seized their trusty shooting irons and several rounds of ammunition, and hied them to the jungle."

"They found that the said animal had already done considerable damage. The big game hunters were the recipients of much advice from those present at the scene of action as to how to get in a telling shot, but using their own judgment they aimed for a spot behind the ear in the hope of getting a bullet into the animal's brain. After numerous evolutions and devolutions the beast was brought to his knees and it was found that several shots had penetrated his cerebellum and one passed through the spinal cord.

"Parts of the animal are being exhibited in Salina, and the F.F. Bangs Jewelry Co., one of our advertisers, is having several leather grips and bags made from the hide for sale."

The circus people claimed that Snyder was worth \$10,000 of anybody's money before he went mad and passed out but as a corpse he wasn't worth skinning.

Team Takes Seventh

The St. John's Rifle team placed seventh among 34 teams in the Sidney Lanier postal match. Adi Hasan took second in the individual category.

Twins Earn Ribbons

Jerry and Rodney Webb were issued the recruiting ribbon award.

Meet The Trustees

... Introducing H.J. "Jake" Carey

H.J. "Jake" Carey jr. was very active in the work of the Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western Kansas when he was elected to the SJMS Board of Trustees.

He said, "I really didn't know much about the School although I was supportive of church institutions. I knew Donna and Jack Vanier through the church. I'd met Keith (Col. Keith Duckers, School President) during the Venture in Mission campaign in the Diocese."

In the last year of his second three-year term, Carey said, "I've developed a deep respect for the job the school does and for the dedication of the staff and Trustees that make it work. I am impressed by the job that is done."

Carey is a native of Hutchinson, Kas. He earned his AB degree from Dartmouth College and his JD degree from the University of Michigan Law school.

He served in the supply corps of the U.S. Navy during all of World War II. He returned to inactive duty in the Naval Reserve with the rank of lieutenant commander.

Carey worked for the Carey Salt Company, Hutchinson, from 1946-71 and was company president from July of 1956 until his retirement.

Since then Carey has served as a consultant, advisor or



H.J. "Jake" Carey

trustee for various companies.

Golf is his hobby. He served as a member of the executive committee of the U.S. Golf Association and director of the Trans-Mississippi Golf Association from 1950 to the present. He was recently named to the Kansas Golf Hall of Fame.

He and his wife, Patricia, are the parents of three sons and have five grandsons. Mrs. Carey was the founder of the Kansas Cosmosphere in Hutchinson and still serves as the president of that organization.

Caruso Heads Second Honor Roll

Chad Caruso was the leader on the Academic Dean's Honor Roll at the end of the second grading period. Christopher Mackey, Sean Radway and Gavin Stein all tied with the same grade point average. They were all named Blue Berets.

Others named to the honor roll were Adi Hasan, Isaac Magdaleno, Chad Kellogg, Nicholas Dell, Donald Watters, Ranjan Ray, Nivedan Reddy, Charles Mersberger, Brian Weber, Ryan Overton, Paul Palombo.

Earning honorable mention

were Christopher Allen, Troy Tramba, Scott Gruber, Hagen Watts, Daniel Davidson, Joseph Miller, Mark Richards, Adam Kaye, Jerry Webb, Luis Velez, Daniel Frazier, Andrew Cole, Jeff Day, Jason Merrifield, Jerry Bessie, Michael Ebert, Shea Dougherty, Michael Hall, DeAndre Grassity, Tory Merriman, Chris Miller, Chad Mathis and Justin Edwards.

Spartans Recognized

Several Cadets have been added to the ranks of the Spartans and were authorized to wear the cord, tab, black beret and training ribbons.

They are Daniel Davidson, Shawn Hensel, Agustin Loyo, Chris Mayclin, Brandon Smith, Paul Spangler, Steve Strom and Ryan Overton.

NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATORY POLICY AS TO STUDENTS

St. John's Military School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

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SJMS Opens With Win

The Cadets used a late rally to get their basketball season off to a successful start as they opened the year with a 36-34 win on their home court.

It was a game that was bizarre from the start. At the end of the first quarter the score was 2-0, Muleskinners.

"We definitely had some first game jitters," said Coach Clay Urbanek after picking up his first win as St. John's coach.

St. John's defense kept it in the game until the Cadets, behind Jonathon Hagans and Scott Gruber, could get their offense untracked.

Hagan, a six-foot sophomore, turned in a big night for St. John's with 19 points, while Gruber hit four treys for a 12-point output.

Wakefield looked to have the

game put away with 2:52 to play in the fourth period with a 32-25 lead. Then Urbanek inserted a smaller lineup into the ballgame and while the defense picked up, Gruber heated up.

He hit a pair of three-point buckets within 15 seconds to cut the margin with 2:08 to play.

Then Hagans used his superior jumping ability to vault over the defense on a baseline inbounds play for an easy lay-in. Hagans then gave the Cadets the winning basket with a six-foot turn-around in the paint to put St. John's on top 35-34 with 1:32 to play.

Cadets Win Matches In Tournaments

Several Cadets have won matches in wrestling tournaments since the beginning of the season.

In matches against Chapman and Clay Center, Manuel Palacios, Adam Kaye, Chris Jagels and Brian Weber won their events by falls. Dale Vandel won by a fall against Chapman in the event Dec. 3. Chris Nicola won against Clay Center by decision.

The Cadets placed sixth in the Osborne tourney, Dec. 7, according to Coach Devon Walters. Jerry Bessie, Nicola, Palacios and Vandel took third places in their classes.

In a tournament at Lincoln, Dec. 12, Palacios and Nicola won with falls. Vandel tied in his match 11-11. Troy Tramba, Weber and Jagels had wins in the open weight class.

The Cadets wrestled against Abilene and Hayden High of Topeka in a match at Abilene, Jan. 16.

Palacios won by a decision over Hayden and by fall against Abilene.

Kaye tied Hayden and won by decision over Abilene.

Weber defeated both schools by falls. Vandel won over Hayden and Nicola defeated Abilene. Both won falls.

Kaye placed third in the Halstead tourney. Weber took fourth. The team placed eighth among the 19 teams entered Jan. 17-18.

In a tournament at Minneapolis, Weber placed second and Nicola, Kaye and Jagels each took third place finishes. The team was sixth among the nine teams participating.

At the Halstead tournament, Kaye placed third and Weber took fourth. The team was seventh among the 19 teams entered.

Competition Increased

League matches were doubled this year for the Rifle Team. They will compete in 12 league matches, 3 postal matches and 4 tournaments. The State tournament will be held on campus March 20-22.

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St. Xavier Inches Past SJ

The SJMS basketball team lost a game to St. Xavier 57-46 in Junction City, Dec. 13.

St. Xavier placed four players in double figures to spark the victory.

Turnovers proved to be the Cadets' undoing.

"We turned over the ball a lot of times, that was the main thing", St. John's coach Clayton Urbanek said.

The Muleskinners were still within striking distance after three periods (34-28) but

couldn't get any closer as the Rams outscored St. John's over the final eight minutes.

Jon Hagans, a 6-0 sophomore, led St. John's with 16 points and earned Urbanek's praise for his play inside.

"He was getting a lot of rebounds, blocking out well and had good movement inside", Urbanek said.

B'ball Play Continues

The Cadets lost to Tescott 65-52 Dec. 17 in Tescott. SJMS was paced by 6-2 junior Thad Alexander who scored 16 points and grabbed 14 rebounds. Hagans added 12 points for the Muleskinners.

Solomon raced by St. John's 52-26 Dec. 10 in Solomon in an Eisenhower League matchup. Hagans paced the Cadets with 11 points.

Hope outscored St. John's 49-24 in the second half to erase a one-point halftime deficit and post a 78-54 Eisenhower League basketball victory Jan. 17 in Hope. The Cadets got 19 points from Hagan, 16 from Gruber and 14 from Alexander.

League Tournament

Tescott defeated SJMS in the first round of the Eisenhower League tournament, 74-52.

The Cadets were eliminated from the tournament with a 68-35 loss to White City.

Play Continues

St. John's of Beloit used a big second half to roll to a victory over St. John's Military at Beloit Jan. 28 in a non-league boys' game. Hagans had 10 points.

St. John's Military School Coach Clay Urbanek knew as he walked to the locker room at halftime that the second half of his team's game with St. Xavier, Jan. 31, could be much different than the first.

And was he right.

Even though the Cadets held

a 21-20 lead at the intermission they were in deep foul trouble and the Junction City team exploited that foul trouble to pull away with a 57-42 victory in the Baner Gym.

The Cadets did not give up, pulling within 52-39 with nearly two minutes remaining. But, St. X. converted at the free throw line to seal the victory.

The Cadets were led by Michael Goins and Hagan who tallied 19 and 13 respectively.

SJMS Tops St. Mary's

St. John's picked up its second victory of the season with a 54-49 victory over St. Mary's Academy, Saturday afternoon, Jan. 11, in the Baner gym.

The Muleskinners, playing their first game since coming off the Christmas break, jumped out to a 19-10 first quarter advantage then held off any St. Mary's comeback attempt in the second half.

St. John's, now 2-3, was led by senior Michael Goins with 19 points and junior Thad Alexander added 12.

Drill Awards Made

The Middle School drill team cords and ribbons have been issued to Jeff Conway, Bill Gehring, Chris Gillman, Colin Guinn, Justin Klumpe, Doug Morrison, Steve Wagoner and Mark Manos.



Getting Help — Chris Miller is assisted by Martha Lohmann, librarian, as he works on a research paper in the library.

J.V. Team Even For Season

The Junior Varsity basketball team, coached by Roy Lawrence, is even for the season with four wins and four losses.

The team has defeated Wakefield, 51-27; Solomon, 55-31; St. Xavier, 32-24 and 42-31.

The team has lost games to Tescott 46-33; St. Mary's 32-25; Inman 58-41 and Hope 51-46.

Teams members are Daniel Reagan, Thomas Smith, Chris

Koppers, Victor Wu, Leon Neil, John Vaughn, Roger Warnock, Chris Clark, Justin Edwards, Chris Allen, Mark Richards, Don Zimmerman, Rocky Lucas and DeAndre Grassity.

The team still has games against Solomon, Centre, White City, Bennington and St. Mary's in February. The JV Tourney will be Feb. 17, 20 and 22 at Ell-Saline High School at Brookville.

Fitness Awards Made

The JROTC physical fitness ribbons and lamps have been awarded.

Gold Lamp

Tony Barlow, Gabriel Boyle, Chad Caruso, Isaac Magdaleno.

Silver Lamp

Arthur Cannon, Scott Gruber, Adi Hasan, Chris Jagels, Chris Martens.

Bronze Lamp

William Fisher, DeAndre Grassity, Adam Kaye, Chris Mackey, Luis Velez, Victor Wu, Chris Mayclin, Milo Mitchell, Ryan Overton.

Ribbons

Andrew Cole, Jeff Day, Brian Dillon, Michael Ebert, Shawn Hensel, Rocky Lucas, Lee O'Guin, Paul Palombo, Daniel Reagan, Joshua Seale, Thomas Smith, Laverne Stika, Tim Stockmar, Jerry Webb, Eric Atkins, Clint Chapa, Daniel Davidson, Colin Gregg, Ben Hoshiko, Agustin Loyo, Brandon Smith, Paul Spangler, Steve Strom and John Vaughn.

Middle School Ribbons

Ribbon with #2 -- Jason Cotsworth, Ryan Wagner, Michael Brisco, William Edgington, Justin Klumpe, Doug Morrison, James Ross, Khristee Steele, Mark Triebwasser, Jon Wyatt.

Ribbon -- Daniel Barickman, Jermaine Burton, William DeKnight, James Francis, Carl Guernsey, Colin Guinn, David Herling, Daniel McDowell, Kellen McKinney, Mark Triebwasser.

Team Fires High Scores

The Rifle Team is firing much better than last year according to Tony Blair, Coach.

"Unfortunately, our opposing teams are shooting better, too," added Blair.

The high team score last year was 1013. In four of the five matches this year the team has exceeded that score.

The team has won two matches with Manhattan and lost two matches to Abilene. They lost to Delphos by one point. These teams are adult shooters.