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D. DALE BROWNING SCHOLARSHIP FUND ANNOUNCED

Mr. Stephen P. Hirsch, Chairman of the Board of Plus System, Inc. announced the gift of \$225,000 to establish The D. Dale Browning Scholarship Fund at St. John's Military School. Mr. Hirsch stated that the donation was made by Plus System on behalf of its members to honor Mr. D. Dale Browning, "Old Boy" Class of '55.



D. Dale Browning displays proposed bronze plaque.

Mr. Browning is the founder and creator of Plus and his guidance has made Plus the preeminent ATM delivery system in the United States and abroad. Mr. Browning has recently retired as President of Plus System, Inc.

The Fund was established at St. John's because of Mr. Browning's long association with the school. He received his high school diploma from St. John's, served as a student counselor while attending college, and was a faculty member and coach for many years. During recent years, Dale has served on the Board of Trustees and as a member of the Trust Committee.

Mr. Bill Nicholson, Chairman of the St. John's Board of Trustees, said that the proceeds from the Fund will be used to provide a scholarship grant each year. It will be awarded to the cadet who displays the characteristics of integrity, intelligence and desire for excellence that have earned Mr. Browning the respect of the international banking community. The Browning Scholarship will be the most important given at St. John's and the recipient will be announced at the Academic Awards Assembly on commencement weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nicholson and Capt. and Mrs. Skip McAlexander were

on hand for the announcement of this gift on January 26, in Orlando, Florida. A presentation model of the proposed bronze plaque was displayed. This plaque will be placed near the main entrance to Vanier Academic Center displaying the criteria for the Scholarship and listing each recipient. The plaque will bear the following quotation of Mr. Browning:

"There is nothing we can do that is more important than helping the young people of America"

- D. Dale Browning.



From left are Capt. E. A. McAlexander, D. Dale Browning, Stephen P. Hirsch and G. W. Nicholson.



President's Message **Capt. Skip McAlexander**

Spring has arrived in Central Kansas and we are on the downhill side of this school year. As I write this, there are less than three months until graduation, and only six months until the leadership camp for school year 94-95 begins. The wonderful cycle that is the St. John's "system" continues. On that thought, I will fight spring fever and share a few thoughts.

First of all, I am impressed every day with how much some of the cadets have grown physically. Several of them have grown three inches and gained fifteen pounds since last August. Some have changed, literally, into young men in a few months. And, as a group, they are outstanding young men.

I am also impressed with the way they have developed their leadership skills. I have the greatest respect for the way St. John's is able to provide cadets with the opportunity to gain management experience. It is truly a valuable part of their education, and something that will help them in any future endeavor.

Finally, everyone associated with St. John's should be proud of our enrollment numbers this year. We have been at our 210 cadets capacity since Christmas, and we are still getting admissions calls. Much of this success is due to the personal referrals of those of you who read the Skirmisher.

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Commandant's Message **MAJ Mike Miller**

Second Semester is in full swing with Spring almost here. The 106th Corps of Cadets is very busy taking part in a myriad of activities such as the Junior-Senior Prom held at the Salina Country Club on February 5, to being introduced as weekly luncheon guests of the Salina Rotary Club.

Cadets at all levels are involved in many kinds of competitions this semester. Every Cadet tries to help his Company win the Saturday morning inspections conducted by the Battalion Staff. Physical competition this Spring through the Cadet Challenge will recognize individuals, platoons and the best Company scores in five events.

The crack squad participated in their first competition on February 19 at the University of Kansas while the rifle team continues working for high honors at the Leavenworth Junior Sectionals. The Spartan team and the National Honor Society are involved in community service activities by assisting at both the YMCA and YWCA swimming events.

SJMS Cadets are also involved in Boy Scouts and Explorers. Our SJMS Cadets are part of Troop #1, and recently placed first in the First Aid competition at the Klondike Derby sponsored by Coronado Council. Our

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Academic Dean's Message **LTC Kenneth Faerber**

St. John's Military School is more than books, barracks and behavior modification. Naturally the institution was founded upon a meaningful education, strong military discipline and Christian values as it's principles. However, many people don't realize the myriad of activities, athletics, and clubs that are available for cadet participation. St. John's realizes the value of physical, mental, spiritual, and social involvement. So, allow me this opportunity to tell you about cadets (some age/grade limitations) extra-curricular life (completed or scheduled).

Middle School - (not listed in any particular order)

Athletics - football, basketball, wrestling and track

Clubs - Jr. National Honor Society, Blue Berets (academic), Book, Science, Chapel Choir & Counsel, Boy Scouts, Bike, Chess, Reading, Stockmarket, Academic Achievers & Jr. Spartans.

Activities - Bowling, swimming (YMCA), off campus movies, Ski Trip, Rattlesnake Hunt, Ft. Riley Tours, College football and basketball games, Salina Speedway, Parades, Church Youth Group, Band field trip, International Students Dinner, Mushroom

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GRASSITY RECEIVES MacARTHUR CADET OF THE YEAR AWARD

As Commander of the Troops, Cadet Major DeAndre Grassity perhaps gave the performance of his career when he presented the Troops for the special award ceremony held on Sunday, January 23, and then was later named the recipient of the MacArthur Cadet of the Year Award.

Each year the General Douglas MacArthur Foundation presents the MacArthur Award to the outstanding cadets of the Association of Military Colleges and Schools. The objective is to encourage the students of the member institutions to emulate and practice the qualities exemplified by Douglas MacArthur as a cadet at the West Texas Military Institute and at the U. S. Military Academy. The criteria for the award is the most soldierly performance by a senior class cadet considering academics, athletics, and leadership.

The Reviewing Officer and Guest Speaker during the ceremony was Colonel Charles M. Williams, from the 4th B DE, 4th Army ROTC Region, U.S. Army Cadet Command at Edmond, Oklahoma. Also taking part in the ceremony was Cadet First Lieutenant Lee O'Guin, Ceremony Narrator and Cadet Captain Christopher L. Allen, Cadet Chaplain.

Cadet Grassity, from Topeka, is in his fourth year at St. John's. He is the Battalion Executive Officer and as such he is involved in assisting the Battalion Commander in all facets of Corps discipline and morale issues. In the absence of the Battalion Commander, he is charged with the responsibility of the key leadership figure on campus.

Cadet Grassity is involved in many activities at St. John's including Commander for the "Spartan" Adventure Club where he is instrumental in planning and executing all activities for the group. He is also a member of the JROTC Competition Drill Team and the Media Club. Cadet Grassity is very successful in sports as a starting member of both the football and basketball teams and has lettered in both sports.

As recipient of the MacArthur Award, Cadet Grassity received a Pin-on Emblem to be worn with pride; a full scale Replica of the Medal struck by the Congress of the United States honoring General of the Army, Douglas MacArthur; a copy of "The Book of Reminiscences" signed by Mrs. MacArthur; and a \$50.00 U.S. Savings Bond.



Cadet Grassity receives congratulations from MAJ Mike Miller.

SPRING FURLOUGH March 11-20, 1994

Cadets may depart the campus after 1200, Friday, 11 March and return by 2000, Sunday, 20 March. The campus is closed during this period. Classes will resume 21 March.

Presidential Classroom

Presidential Classroom is a program that was developed to educate young leaders and give them the experience of a week in Washington, D.C. doing many interesting activities. Each year, 2700 students in the U.S. and in other countries are allowed to attend Presidential Classroom, four of these students are from St. John's. This year those four are: Andy Cole, David Godin, DeAndre Grassity and Sean Radway. All four are working hard to complete the work for that week (it must be completed before they go) and are eagerly waiting for the day when they leave. They will depart Saturday, February 26 and get back a week later. It looks to be an exciting trip and you will hear more when they get back.

CADETS GET DAY OFF

At the Foundation Meeting last May, the Foundation Board of Directors agreed to finance a fun event for the Cadets sometime during the school year.

On Wednesday, February 9, in an effort to help fight the winter blahs, the Cadets played hookey. They could sleep til noon, or all day if they chose. An optional brunch was held at 1100. The afternoon agenda included optional events off campus, such as bowling, the YMCA, and a special showing at a local movie theater.

The following is Cadet Jim Dishon's description of the day.

Some went to the movies. Others went bowling. While both of those are fine hobbies, swimming was more my style. The pool at the YMCA was warm, 82 degrees. In fact the whole place was

82 degrees. Others were there. Cadets Casebolt, Davis and Vincent to name a few. There were two life guards. But the pool was, for the most part, empty. We played many water games.

All but the very meek were up for the challenge. The Challenge - to jump high enough from the diving board to slap a flag. The flags were hung wall to wall. The flag I chose was a blue flag. The winner was Jeb Huggler. Other games were "Marco Pollo". In this game contestants had to call out "POLLO" after the tagger said "Marco". The first to be tagged was it.

Over all, the YMCA's pool was the cool way to spend the "Wednesday Relax" day!

EYE TEASER EXERCISE



Stare at the dot in the circle for 60 seconds. Then the square, and then the triangle. What do you see? (answer on last page)

CADETS FINISH LEAGUE PLAY

The undermanned St. John's Varsity team went down to defeat at the hands of Centre in their last Eisenhower League game on February 11 on the Cadets home court, 65-38, giving St. John's a 1-5 record in league play for the season. Bennington, remaining undefeated, takes first place in the Eisenhower League.

With one game remaining before tournament play begins, the Cadets, with a 2-11 record, have scored a total of 592 points in 13 games, averaging 45.5 points a game against the opponents 63 points a game.

Season statistics show the Cadets take awhile to warm up. First quarter scoring averaged 9.3 points a game, their lowest quarter, and 4th quarter scoring averaged 14.4, the Cadets highest quarter.

INDIVIDUAL SHOOTING/SCORING STATISTICS

	3-PT FGM-FGA	3-PT FG%	2-PT FGM-FGA	2-PT FG%	TOTAL FGM-FGA	TOTAL FG%	FTM-FTA	FT%	PTS	PT/G AVE	TOT RB
Zimmerman	11-54	20.4	43-97	44.3	54-151	35.8	15-34	44.1	134	10.3	12
Wu	0-0	0.0	0-1	0.0	0-1	0.0	0-0	0.0	0	0.0	2
Bauck	0-0	0.0	18-45	40.0	18-45	40.0	6-8	75.0	42	3.5	43
Christensen	1-3	33.3	5-21	23.8	6-24	25.0	0-2	0.0	13	1.6	9
Elkins	1-6	16.7	27-59	45.8	28-65	43.1	2-6	33.3	59	7.4	49
Huggler	1-1	100.0	16-49	32.7	17-50	34.0	4-8	50.0	39	3.0	42
Allen	2-11	18.2	22-66	33.3	24-77	31.2	5-8	62.5	55	4.2	37
Vieni	0-0	0.0	1-1	100.0	1-1	100.0	0-0	0.0	2	2.0	0
Ford	0-0	0.0	40-96	41.7	40-96	41.7	5-18	27.8	85	7.7	95

ALUMNI SURVEY RESULTS

Earlier this summer several Old Boys participated in a survey designed by Capt. Skip McAlexander. The results of this survey were shared with those participating, and it was decided that you would all be interested in the response.

The most popular idea was to always plan an alumni mixer on the Friday night during Commencement Weekend. To accommodate this request, the "pit" area of the Salina Holidome has been reserved. Since there was such a large turnout last year, it is unknown what kind of attendance we will have this year from "Old Boys". Plans are currently underway, however, to honor D. Dale Browning sometime during Commencement Weekend. This will tie in with the scholarship gift (see page 1 of this Skirmisher). As an Old Boy, I hope this may encourage many of you to return and be with Dale on this special occasion. More information to come.

Another popular idea was an Alumni newsletter. Because most of you wanted this to continue to be a part of the Skirmisher, you have in front of you the first edition using an Alumni insert, which will allow for more Old Boy news.

There were many other suggestions including homecoming weekend events, cadet-alumni correspondence, and involvement in fund raising. We will be looking at these suggestions and more as time allows. We are always open to new ideas so please share yours with us.

Fulton Spreading the Good Word

Louis Fulton, Old Boy, '46

Because enrollment at St. John's is at an all-time high, and this doesn't appear to be the case at neighboring military schools, much of the credit is due to the success stories spread by our patrons and Old Boys.

Helping pass the word is Old Boy Louis Fulton, Class of '46, Living and working in the New Orleans area, Mr. Fulton has become active in this endeavor. With recruitment tapes and brochures in hand, he has called on the Episcopal churches all over the New Orleans area and has given talks to various men's groups.

Recently, while visiting with a counselor who places youth in private schools all across the country, Mr. Fulton told him he would always be indebted to St. John's because of the values of life that it taught him, values that a boy doesn't get in the public school system. In fact, values some people never learn in their entire life, let alone by the time they graduate from high school.

These values and comments were shared in a recent letter from Mr. Fulton, as follows: (1) To tell the truth; you don't have to remember anything when you tell the truth. However you must remember everything if you don't tell the truth. (2) When to stand up not only for yourself but what you believe in. (3) When to shut up and listen, by listening you learn. (4) How to communicate; we all lived as brothers at St. John's. You had to communicate in order to get along. (5) It taught us manners, how to act like a gentleman and look like a gentleman (clean, neat and sharp). Our rooms were the same way. (6) It strengthened our belief in God. We went to chapel every day when I was there and I know it is available for every cadet today.

"I was not an honor student by any stretch of the imagination," says Mr. Fulton, "but all of the above have helped me to achieve what I am today and I thank God I went to school there. It is a great place."

If you know Lou, you know he speaks from his heart. We thank you, Lou, and all of you out there who are sharing your experiences from St. John's. If you want to become more active, or if we can provide you any literature, please let us hear from you. Not only will you be helping St. John's, but you may be giving that deserving boy out there a chance to become all that he can be.

SWIM TRUNKS NOT WATER PROOF

Bob Crooks, Old Boy, '28

In a telephone conversation recently, Bob shares the story about one of St. John's first swim team meets, for which he was a member, held at the Salina YMCA.

The swimming coach had decided to go first class for his swimmers, and had ordered silk suits directly from England, orange with black stripes. At their debut, the cadets first took a lap to warm up. When they exited the pool for the beginning of the match, shrieks were heard from the female spectators . . . the orange color had washed from the suit leaving a see-through swim trunk. The Cadets were furnished towels to wrap around their hips for the completion of the meet.

Crooks didn't share the scores for that particular meet however early Skirmishers make note of a very successful swimming program at St. John's during that time.

The Skirmisher wants to recognize Old Boys that are reaching a milestone. Listed are Classes that may want to celebrate a class reunion this year. If any class member is interested in encouraging a class get-together at Commencement, please contact Mrs. Sheri Becker, Alumni Affairs. She will be glad to assist.

**Phone 913 823-7231
PO Box 827
Salina, KS 67402**

Not all names listed are graduates of St. John's, but would have been members of said class.

An asterisk (*) indicates that we have a current address. If you have an address we are missing or if you know of a classmate that is deceased, please let the Alumni Office know.

50th Year Reunion Class of 1944

Arthur R. Allison *
James S. Bannon *
Alfred C. Christensen
Scott I. Dotson
Marvin H. Ellis
Daniel M. Flanigan *
Joseph A. Foster
Stephen C. James
Jack A. Jansen
Clayton E. Kline *
Wayne A. Krone (Deceased)
Robert B. Ladd
Orlando R. Lindesmith
Robert F. Lindley
Charles Morrison *
Howard F. Olsen
Robert M. Porter *
Robert W. Rohr
Harold C. Russell
R. Garrow Wessendorff
John A. Woodruff
John K. Vanier *
Walter C. York *

45th Year Reunion Class of 1949

Harold M. Best *
Robert W. Campbell
Wesley D. Capps *
George C. Clark *
John E. Fike *
Jack H. Fowler
William C. Hanson
Bill N. Hahn
William E. Hegstrom
Samuel Ishmael (Deceased)
Willard K. Janes *
Morris A. Johnson *
Willis L. May
Linden P. Macauley *
Larry S. Moreland *
William F. Osborn *
Marvin H. Schmidt *
Dudley O. Schneider (Deceased)
John B. Shaffer *
Raymond C. Taylor

40th Year Reunion Class of 1954

James Appling (Deceased)
James Barbour *
Richard Barbour *
Douglas Bridges
James L. Cole
Gary Conard
Terry Cupps *
Al Drummond *
Eugene Ely *
Ronald Fifield
Francisco Gomez *
Phillip Helman
John Keso *
James McMaster *
Bill Meidell *
Frederick Noll *
John Painter
Robert Poe
David Smith *
James Cole Vincent *

35th Year Reunion Class of 1959

Bill Anselmo
Raymond Bledsoe *
Bill Crews *
Douglas Dillenberger
Mike Ekiss *
Don Fritchie
Jim Gresty
Ronald Hardin *
Tom Harries
John Hawkins
Dan Hirschfeld
Gavin Honnen *
Philip Ivaldy
Jerrold Moore *
David Musgrave *
Al Palmer *
Whit Patterson
Bob Pester
Steve Pettee
Ron Powers
Harry James Stevens
Leon Swartzendruber
Dick Walters
Douglas Woltersdorf *

30th Year Reunion Class of 1964

Larry Dee Berner *
Peter Wade Black
Charles Whistler Christy *
Grand Hugh Cole, Jr.
William Alfred Crago
John Henry Crawford III
Robert Stephen Erb *
David LeCount Evans, Jr. (Deceased)
Dale Curtis Fredin, Jr.
Robert Boyd Garrison *
Gerald Gillan *
Charles Dwight Griffey *
John Merritt Hakalo *
Richard Randolph Hemala *
Michael Lynn Houck *
Richard Dale Ivie *
Steven Roediger Johnson *
Raymond Russell Kurtz
David Michael Laughton
Douglas Richard McKenzie *

Claude Merrifield *
 John Morrison II *
 Grant Lee Nichols *
 Robert Ogden Pettingell *
 Gregory Mitchell Reynolds
 Lucien Griggs Rice III *
 Thomas Scheer *
 Stephen Rene Sharpe
 John Benjamin Spencer *
 Rolla Joe Starbuck (Deceased)
 Timothy Evan Tauzer *
 John Richard Taylor *
 John Dean Terrell
 Richard Mervin Thelander
 James Harvey Thiele
 Paul Arthur Tuthill *
 Geramon William Vinup

25th Year Reunion Class of 1969

James Armstrong
 John Atkins
 David Beedle *
 Anthony Bell
 Steven Blakemore *
 Larry Britegam *
 Thomas Byers
 Wallace Curry
 Armand deBeque *
 George Dickson, Jr. *
 Robert Donahue, Jr.
 Robert Dorman
 Charles Funston *
 Daryl Hampton
 Douglas Harwager
 Richard Heywood *
 Chris Hollandsworth
 George Jenkins *
 Dennis Kaarup
 Steve Kathka *
 James Martinez
 Glenn Miller *
 Max Morton *
 Samuel Parks *
 Robert Platner
 Joe Price
 Lennon Ramsey *
 Ronald Robacker *
 Michael Scahill
 Frederick Schulzke, Jr.
 David Sebring *
 Paul Smith *
 Craig Steele *
 Grover Verity *
 Joseph Ward, Jr. *
 Jeffrey Woodall *

20th Year Reunion Class of 1974

Robin Bailey *
 Chester Baysinger, Jr. *
 Lance Bove *
 Brandon Bowers *
 Christopher Cadwell
 Chris Davidson *
 Xavier Flowers *
 Robert Hansen (Deceased)
 Mark Harper *
 Tchad Hart
 Michael Heywood
 Fred Johnson, Jr.
 Roy Knight III *
 Arthur Leach *
 Richard Nelson
 Dale Olson
 Brad Price
 Thomas Rudolph
 Mark Thomas *
 Dana Tretheway *
 Walter Webb (Deceased)

15th Year Reunion Class of 1979

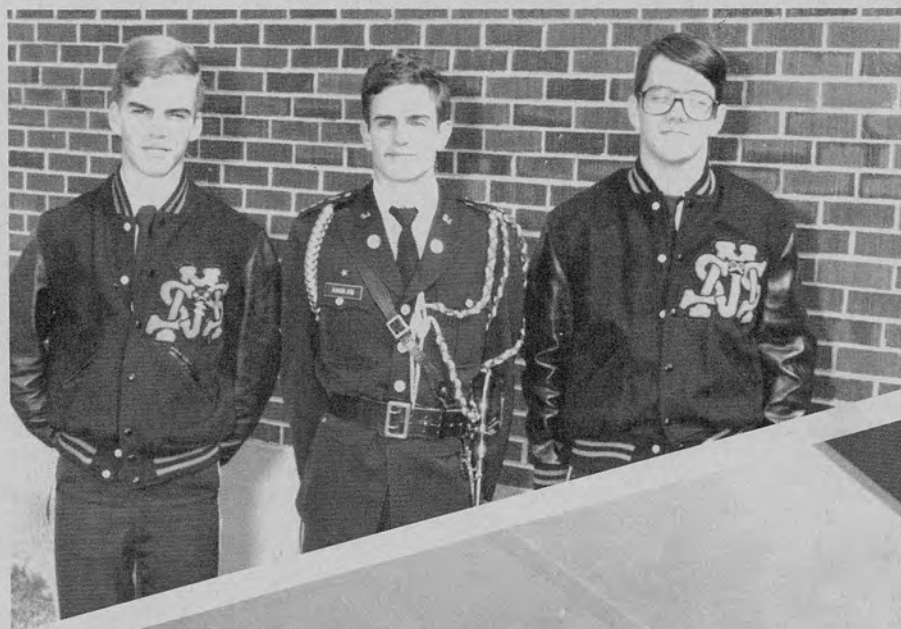
Erik Allen *
 Ariel Anaya *
 Arnaldo Anaya *
 Richard Anderson *
 Jim Bowers
 Todd Clift
 Michael Cooper
 Rick Coutts
 Richard Diamond *
 Gregory Glavich *
 Jerry Graham
 Ronald Hipp *
 Gregory Kowalsky *
 John Louisot
 Raul Maciel *
 Fred Marco
 Charles Maxie *
 Jim Messner (Deceased)
 George Miklos *
 Eric Pederson *
 Scott Ratcliff
 Kevin Smith
 Ian Snider
 Robin South
 Jeff Turner
 Terry Warren *
 Bob Watson *
 Joe Williams

10th Year Reunion Class of 1984

William F. Bolster, Jr. *
 David Robert Brockhaus
 Ira Brakefield Chapman III
 Scott Andrew Craig
 Burl Wesley Foote
 Harry Elton Gibson, Jr.
 Michael Shane Hall
 William Hickok *
 Fredrick Adam Hoover *
 Anthony Lynn Hopper *
 David Jackson *
 Mark DeLane Lewis (Deceased)
 Jorge Carlos Moreno *
 John Andrew Murray *
 Bradley Carl Post *
 Sean Kelley Purdy *
 Eduardo Antonio Vaccaro
 Randall K. Vanderhoof *
 Kenneth Stanley Winner

5th Year Reunion Class of 1989

Raymopnd Scott Adamson *
 Timothy Alger *
 Derek Jon Barth *
 Sean Cairl *
 Aaron Leigh Calhoun *
 Chad Anthony Calvaresi *
 Edward David Clementson *
 Joseph Dee Cotter *
 Val Avery Crawford
 William Cuddy *
 Christopher Dean *
 Ronald Flaherty *
 Evan Fogleman *
 Brian Thomas Foley *
 Sammy Scott Hanna *
 Gregory MacKenzie Humphrey
 Christopher Lawrence Johnson *
 Jeffery Gerard Juchems *
 Thomas Edward Kerwin *
 Larkin Lowrey *
 Paul Alexander Marton
 John Scott Miller *
 Michael Kenneth Noah *
 Robert Gary Odell *
 Colton Perna *
 Christopher Pinson-Smith *
 Michael Pleier *
 Edwin Oliver Price II
 David Rose *
 Patrick William Scheidecker *
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Can you identify these
photos?



Remembering Other
Years





OLD BOY CORNER - Where are they now?

Class of '60

Eric Ray Clutts

PO Box 74
Canton, KS 67428

Class of '62

Tom Wilson

PO Box 1505
Cullman, AL 35056

Class of '64

Paul Tuthill

9218 Balcones Club Drive #2622
Austin, TX 78750
Phone 512 219-8309
Paul's planning on attending
Commencement this year. He
hasn't been back for 30 years.

Class of '66

Michael H. Alber

5210 Riverdale Ave.
Thornton, CO 80229

Class of '66

James R. Bostwick, Jr.

2438 Bonnie Brae Ave.
Claremont, CA 91711

Attended 76-78

Craig Stewart

7721 Colonial Drive
Prairie Village, KS 66209
(913) 649-9143

Class of '77

William Jeffrey Zuercher

3233 S. Osage
Wichita, KS 67216

Attended 84-87

Nate Marshall

Exec. Producer for PowerStar
Entertainment
1153 Evergreen Parkway
Suite M-166
Evergreen, CO 80439
Nate writes he has recently become
engaged. Congratulations!

Class of '91

Tom L. Wilson

A freshman Bachelor of Science
major, Tom was named to the
Dean's List at Norwich University
by achieving a grade point average
of 3.0 or higher.

If you would like to share news in
your life, please write:
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Class of 1989

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Kevin Patrick Sparks
Brian Michael Sweeney
Joseph Tannahill *
Robert Matthew Taylor *
Matthew Teufert *
Gilbert W. Thompson, Jr. *
Brooke A. Wilkison *
Michael Wilson *
Scott Allen Winner *
Robert Witherington IV *
Jason Worth *

An Old Boy's Letter

David Elk, Class of '67

``This year has been a year of growth
and accomplishment for me. It began
at a low with the loss of my mother.
She was mercifully ill only a short
time. I continued my teaching career
in Oklahoma City in the Moore School
System. During the summer I contin-
ued my avocation of swimming which
brought me a little local fame. KOCO
Channel 5 interviewed me while I
broke my previous record of 14 miles,
swimming nearly non-stop for a 17
mile personal best. They then pre-
sented me with a tape to document
the event.

``It will be good to have a directory of
``The Old Boys''. I've already lost
the addresses I had from the summer,
regretably. I think it will go far to
knitting the network a lot tighter within
the St. John's community. Greater
opportunity to get in contact with
others who have walked through the
portals, halls and bullring of St. John's
will bring more back for the reunions
at year's end.

``The commencement of 1993 was
an excellent experience. COL Keith
and Liz Duckers earned a just honor
for the superb service they have given
not only to the school, but the people
of Kansas.

``I'm looking forward to seeing ev-
erybody again at commencement
'94..''

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One Old Boy's Story

Jeff Broome, Class of '71

The following are excerpts from a letter shared with us by Jeff Broome, 1900 Zinnia Court, Golden, Colorado.

"I attended St. John's from 1967 (January) until I graduated in 1971, with the exception of 1969-70, when I attended public school in Littleton, CO. That was my senior year, but I did not attend much in the Fall of '69, and consequently quit school in the Spring, so I did not graduate. Today I call it a research sabbatical, in that I was trying to find myself in those tumultuous times of the '60's.

"While at St. John's during 67-69 I had both my ups and downs, with about as many opportunities for success as I had for failure. I think I was all the ranks from private through first sergeant, some ranks more than once. I was involved in many organizations, from cadet court one year to Color Guard Commander another year, Cross Country, Key Club, Spanish Club, Projectionists Club, Crack Squad, Crack Platoon, etc. The one thing I never was awarded any of those years was a good conduct award. In any of those years I never deserved one, though I was given many opportunities for success. It seems all steps forward included steps backward. But at any rate, during those years I was somewhat popular with the other cadets.

"When I went to public school my senior year I became more lost than found, and by the Summer of 1970 I realized that the opportunities I had at St. John's were indeed good ones, and I began to hope that I could get another chance and repeat my senior year, this time back at St. John's. I wrote the school, and they decided to let me try again (if Col. Duckers could be called upon to remember this time, he might indicate that it wasn't with the great-

est enthusiasm that the decision was made to let me return. After all, I should have graduated).

"When I returned to St. John's I immediately got in trouble again, this time in an incident where my termination was considered. But I was given a second chance a second time (ha) and this time I made the most of it, turning my life around, and graduating as a 1st Lt. While there that last year I encountered a spiritual renewal. I remember vividly to this day reciting the Lord's Prayer one night during study hall, and for the first time finding meaning in it. I received the strength necessary to not do things that would in the end cause me harm. I became involved as a student chaplain. I was a member of the Crack Squad which won the regional tournament held in Boulder, something I do not think a St. John's team had won before or has won since.

"Upon graduating from St. John's I enrolled in College at Southern Colorado State College in Pueblo, where I graduated with a double major in Psychology and Philosophy in 1975. I then received a scholarship to attend Baylor University in Waco, Texas, where I obtained a Master's Degree in Philosophy in 1976. I then began work in the counseling field in Denver, where I worked in the area of addictions and corrections for 11 and a half years. Eight of those years I was associated with The Salvation Army, where I was a Chaplain and the Program Director of their long term residential treatment program.... The last part of my counseling career I worked as a counselor with the Arapahoe County Jail in Littleton.

"In 1987 I left the counseling field to teach philosophy. I did that part-time at several colleges in Colorado, until I was finally appointed full-time to my current position of philosophy instructor at Arapahoe Community College in Littleton. ... I have now completed all my course work for a Ph.D., except for my dissertation, which will be on the

theological problem of evil. This should be completed in the next few semesters. I have also received an additional Master's degree in Philosophy at Boulder."

Editor's note: Jeff is married to Tirsh Miller, has a 1-year old son and another child due February 15, he enjoys ice hockey, plays the guitar, writes much of his own music, and has recently released his second album. Jeff has agreed to be the contact person involving future Colorado alumni get-togethers.

Wedding Anniversary Celebrated on Campus

With Cadets on Christmas furlough, a former middle school principal, took advantage of the vacated campus by hosting his wedding anniversary reception in the Mess Hall.

Harold Fraizer, a member of the faculty from 1960 through 1978, and his wife Sandy, celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary on campus December 19.

The campus was the appropriate spot since their courtship and marriage took place while he was at St. John's with the marriage ceremony conducted in Armstrong Chapel by the school Chaplain, The Rev. Lloyd W. Holifield, Jr.

With Cadets on Christmas furlough, family and friends had , the Mess Hall Sunday afternoon

An Old Boy's Letter

Jim Bostwick, Class of '66

..."When I graduated from St. John's almost 28 years ago, I didn't realize the impact my experience there would have on my life. Looking back I now understand that St. John's, its staff and instructors, contributed in a major way to the self confidence and work habits that carried me through four years of college, three years of law school, three years in the U.S. Marines and over sixteen years in a private law practice. In so many ways St. John's inspired me to do my best and try new things.

I couldn't possibly name everyone who took special interest in me, but here are a few. Lt. Kindlesparger ran a wonderful U.S. History class that excited my interest. Lt. Col. Guernsey taught biology; he was never satisfied until he was sure that we had learned the material. I was only an average shot but Maj. Long put me on the rifle team as manager. I remember Lt. Col. Duckers talking to me in the hallways asking how I was doing. I always had the feeling that he wanted to see me succeed. I had never participated in a high school sport until I went out for track in the second semester of my senior year. Ran the mile. Lt. Dwyer was the coach. I was on the track and cross country teams in college and to this day I still jog regularly. These attributions would be incomplete without mention of my classmates who provided a spirit of friendly competition. I wanted to try my hardest to beat them, but I also felt that we were all part of a team. We were in it together.

I am married now. Have two sons 14 and 10. Have a private law practice limited to criminal appellate work. I send everyone at St. John's and all my old classmates my best wishes."

President's Message

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This sign of faith in St. John's is deeply appreciated. We will do everything possible to live up to your expectations. And St. John's will be a better school when we can count on operating at capacity throughout the year. That will make budgeting and planning much easier and we will be able to provide more and better services to the cadets and families. Once again, thanks to all who have told friends about St. John's.

Commandant's Message

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Explorers are having a great time learning about law enforcement through the Saline County Sheriff's Department.

Upcoming events include the Kansas State Rifle Championship to be hosted by SJMS, and the annual Formal Inspection that is scheduled for 12 April. The 106th Cadets are working hard to prepare for the Inspection and retain the Honor Unit with Distinction rating.

This is only part of the many activities Cadets will be taking part in and, before we can catch our breath, May 15th Commencement, and "Have a Great Summer" will be here.

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TAPS

Robert Gordon, 68

Salina, died December 26, 1993. Born in Americus, Kansas, Bob served on the SJMS Board of Trustees from 1975-81. His son, Doug, was on the school's faculty from 1982-92.

Raymond Hower, 81

Holton, Kansas, died February 13, 1994. Born in Lincoln County, he was a math teacher at St. John's from 1950-56, prior to his teaching and coaching at Manhattan High School.

Judy Meidell

St. Peters, Missouri, died in late January from an aneurysm. Judy was the wife of Bill Meidell, Old Boy '54, and mother of Chris Meidell, Old Boy '90.

Ivan Levitan, 75

Los Angeles, died January 21, 1994. Born in Chicago, Mr. Levitan is the grandfather to Cadet Ryan Levitan, 7th grade.



Cadet Levitan with his Grandfather.

MEMORIALS

SJMS gratefully acknowledges gifts honoring departed friends and comrades. Since the last Skirmisher, Memorial gifts were received in the names of:

Robert Gordon
Judy Meidell

CADETS ACTIVE IN COMMUNITY LAW ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS PROVIDED BY SHERIFF'S OFFICE PERSONNEL

St. John's has been fortunate for many years by having a close relationship with the Saline County Sheriff's Office. Sheriff Wilson's term as a Member of the school's Board of Trustees, has been completed but not his continued interest in St. John's. Cadets have benefited from his department's good will in many areas.

Cadets teaching Spanish

Two of our Spanish students agreed to share their knowledge by giving Spanish instruction to inmates incarcerated in the Saline Co. Juvenile Detention Center. Cadet Alejandro Blanco and Cadet Victor Palacios took part in this program prior to Christmas furlough.

Cadet Explorer Post

Several cadets received the opportunity to join the L.E. Explorer Post sponsored by the Sheriff's Office. Along with interested young men in the Salina community and under the guidance of Sheriff Sgt. Jerry Holtz, Cadets are participating in class instruction parallel to the same training given to Deputies, providing a valuable foundation for those who are thinking about a career in law enforcement. The three Cadets enrolled are Michael Hummel, Daniel Robinson and Blaine Moller.

Local Government Class

Major Cal Johnson, Undersheriff, has for several years now, set up a speaker's bureau for Mr. Gerald Martin's Local Government Class, providing his students with a speaker or a field trip during one day of each of the 14 weeks of this second semester class.

Along with the Government Class he personally presents, which covers services provided, the election process, and interaction with other local government entities including State and Federal Governments, Major Johnson, has scheduled speakers from the City Manager's Office, the Fire and Police Departments, the Sheriff's Office, the Kansas Highway Patrol, the City/County Health Department, the Legal System, the Role of the Court, the Juvenile Detention Center, and field trips to the Saline County District Court, the Sheriff's Office and the Ellsworth Prison.

DARE Program

Last but not least, St. John's has continued the Drug Awareness Resistance Education program, better known as the DARE Program, instructed by Deputy Sgt. Jim DuBois. This program was started in the Middle School during the 1989-90 School year and was added to the upper school curriculum this school year.

Media Club

A goal for the Media club is to plan and produce video tapes of St. John's activities, for both community awareness and patron interest. Deputy Jim DuBois has agreed to assist club members by sharing his expertise in the video camera field. Cadets plan to have at least one production for release in the near future.

Cadets Receive Commendation

Four Cadets have been authorized to wear the Commendation Ribbon, as follows:

Edwin McClendon, for his exceptional and commendable performance of duty as an escort during the SJMS Christmas Dinner, bringing credit upon himself and the school,

Christopher Bauck, for his outstanding presence of mind by alerting SMA and Cadet Command Group of a dangerous situation existing in Bravo Company, which probably kept the situation from getting out of hand,

Denis Belsky, upon learning that a cadet was having severe problems in World Geography, took it upon himself to act as a tutor, spending many long sessions of his own time, resulting in a dramatically improved grade, and

Don Zimmerman, for assisting the Nurse in the morning and noon Med Calls, for skillfully defusing a particular volatile situation with a Cadet, along with his interaction for handling other difficult cadet situations.

REVOLVING ALTERATION by Lee O'Guin

*So many things I let go,
a coarse to change has to flow,
and I'm a puppet, this I know
for things are different gone and
mowed.*

*The day it comes, you might be
gone,*

*and left alone I'm just a pawn,
Mirrors are left and I can't find
those special things I left behind.*

*I'm now alone once again
looking for a hand that lends,
a special moment we both share
and then your gone, a burning flare.*

SEMESTER HONOR ROLL IS ANNOUNCED

Making the Academic Dean's Honor Roll for the Second Grading Period from the Middle School are Mark Triebwasser, 95.63; Rodger Shriver, 95.50 and Keenon Babcock, 94.88. From Upper School are Jonathan Luttwak, 97.75; David Rose, 97.75; Daniel Davidson, 96.25; Eduardo Mc'Kula, 96.25; Geoffrey Hansen, 96.12; Jerry Webb, 95.87; Rodney Webb, 95.62; Denis Belsky, 95.37; Jeremy Baerns, 95.12; Benjamin Dozier, 95.12; Jung Kim, 94.75; James Kirk, 94.75; Jeffrey Exon, 94.50 and Erick Torrico, 94.28.

Blue Berets

The Blue Beret Club is made up of the three cadets who achieve the top three academic standings in both the Upper and Middle schools for each grading period. This achievement entitles the recipients to wear the Blue Beret and a ribbon.

The Middle School Blue Berets are Mark Triebwasser, Rodger Shriver and Keenon Babcock. The Upper School Blue Berets are Jonathan Luttwak, David Rose, Daniel Davidson and Eduardo Mc'Kula.

Honorable Mention

Cadets earning a place on the Academic Dean's Honorable Mention are as follows: Joseph Miller, 93.25; Daniel Robinson, 93.00; Andy Cole, 92.85; Wesley Dakan, 92.75; Robert Christensen, 91.75; John Irish, 91.62; Michael Seeney, 91.00; Kevin Munro, 90.88; Blaine Moller, 90.87; Victor Palacios, 89.87 and Jason Merrifield, 89.85.

Our congratulations to these cadets for a job well done.

Drill Team Places Second

One hour every night since the beginning of the year and two hours a week prior to the event can be summed up in two words, "Second place". This is how C/PFC Michael Gambone described the Drill team results in competition at Kansas University. C/2LT Rodney Webb placed second in individual drill. Six schools and about 200 people competed in this weekend event.

C/CPT Jerry Webb commanded the Team in the competition and said they were "Perfect. Everything went perfect. We could use more precision, but we fit in real well." C/CPT Webb offers the following advice for cadets wanting to join next year. "You must have good coordination and a positive attitude."

The drill team sends out a special thanks to Capt. McAlexander for making the new uniforms possible. At a cost of \$2,000, they look real sharp. The team also wants to thank SFC Kelsey for putting in many hours of practice, and last but not least, the 106th Corps of Cadets, for their continued support.

The next competition is March 4 at Nebraska.

NEW BOYS JOIN RANKS

Since the return from Christmas Furlough, 28 new boys have been welcomed into the ranks of the 106th Corps of Cadets.

Joining the Upper School are: Nicholas Aaker, grade 9, Louisville, Colorado; Jason Charles, grade 9, Aurora, Colorado; Jeffery Ewert, grade 9, Sandy, Utah; David Montgomery, grade 9, Wichita, Kansas; Marcus Rodriguez, grade 9, Morrison, Colorado; Michael Tilley, grade 9, Austin, Texas; Bryan Werner, grade 9, Wichita, Kansas; Bradley Issler, grade 10, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida; Jerald Jerdin, grade 10, Bakersfield, California; Michael O'Halloran, grade 10, Littleton, Colorado; Todd Ward, grade 10, Lincoln, Nebraska; Matthew Weygandt, grade 10, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Seth Jucker, grade 11, Houston, Texas; Mario Mandina, grade 10, Blue Springs, Missouri; Dustin Mathews, grade 11, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Brian Nordhus, grade 11, Marysville, Kansas; Phil Scarborough, grade 11, Washington, Georgia; Michael Townsend, grade 11, Arvada, Colorado and Kevin Travis, grade 11, Garner, Kansas.

Jonathan Lusk, grade 6, Lawrence, Kansas; Stephen McDonald, grade 7, Franktown, Colorado; Seth Nelson, grade 7, Johnson, Kansas; Jonathon Aaker, grade 8, Louisville, Colorado; Micah Charles, grade 8, Aurora, Colorado; Juan Chavarri, grade 8, Tecamachalco, Mexico; Pablo Garmy, grade 8, Tulsa, Oklahoma; John Prest III, grade 8, Overland Park, Kansas and Daniel Seitz, grade 8, Wichita, Kansas are new boys in the Middle School.

OLD BOYS PROMOTED

The following Old Boys have been promoted since the last Skirmisher.

MAJ Andrew Cole	SGT Zachary Casebolt	CPL Corey Russell
CPT David Godin	SGT Gregory Coleman	CPL James Rutherford
1LT Edwin McClendon	SGT Fernando Gutierrez	CPL Jarred Vincent
2LT Casey Underwood	SGT Alex Hernandez	CPL Christopher Walling
2LT Rodney Webb	SGT Brandon Kuhn	CPL Ryan Watenpaugh
1SG Douglas Morrison	SGT Travis Main	PFC Blaine Asher
MSG Daniel Davidson	SGT Eduardo Mc'Kula	PFC James Bennett
MSG Elliott Lefly	SGT John Melton	PFC Kenneth Byers
MSG James Schultz	SGT Newman Merton	PFC Joshua Cantrell
SFC Marc Anderson	SGT Victor Palacios	PFC Christian Chance
SFC Geoffrey Hansen	SGT Noah Perez	PFC Jason Charles
SFC James Kirk	SGT Daniel Robinson	PFC Joshua Clark
SFC Jonathan Luttwak	SGT David Rose	PFC Andre Douglas
SFC Blaine Moller	SGT Joseph Sellers	PFC Juan Ford
SFC William Silver	SGT Danny Truong	PFC Joseph Garlow
SFC David Uribe	SGT Mark Wilson	PFC Jason Heitzman
SFC F. Paul Vieni	SGT Don Zimmerman	PFC Joseph Koehler
SSG Jeremy Baerns	CPL Juan Ayala	PFC Travis McElroy
SSG Christopher Bauck	CPL Jason Bredice	PFC Patrick McKnight
SSG Justin Boren	CPL Gordon Brown	PFC Jarrett Nebrich
SSG John Calhoun III	CPL Ted Bundy	PFC Matthew Newman
SSG Robert Christensen	CPL Gabriel Canseco	PFC Michael O'Halloran
SSG John Irish	CPL Jorge Consejo	PFC Steven Palmer
SSG Michael Seeney	CPL Paul Deshazo	PFC Troy Porter
SSG Daniel Sterk	CPL Charles Devin	PFC Bobby Ruppel
SSG Roscoe Teagues	CPL Clayton Elkins	PFC Eric Siskosky
SSG Russell Wasinger	CPL Jung Kim	PV2 Samuel Arebalo
SGT Keenon Babcock	CPL Christopher Lemmel	PV2 Blake Beckman
SGT Denis Belsky	CPL David Renz	PV2 Colin Guinn
SGT Alejandro Blanco	CPL Jason Ross	PV2 Michael Hummel
SGT Dustin Boren		PV2 Charles Peschel
SGT Cori Bryant		PV2 LaVerne Stika

NEW BOYS EARN OLD BOY STATUS

Three New Boys have earned Old Boy status and promoted to the rank of PFC since the last Skirmisher:

PFC Jason Charles
PFC Michael O'Halloran
PFC Eric Siskosky

Fifteen New Boys have earned Old Boy status and promoted to rank of PV2:

Nicholas Aaker
D. J. Banzet
Micah Charles
Jerald Jerdin
Stephen McDonald
Steven McWilliams
David Montgomery
Seth Nelson
John Prest
Justin Romero
Eric Siskosky
Michael Townsend
Kevin Travis
Bryan Werner
Matthew Weygandt

Prom held at Country Club

Entertained by Complete Music, 34 couples plus chaperones, attended the Jr.-Sr. Prom/Valentine's Dance, February 5, at the Salina Country Club. It was a memorable evening and a big weekend for the 106th Corps.

Pictured from left, with dates, are: Chris Allen, Chris Nicola, Ben Dozier, Chad Mathis and Andrew Cole.



Quiz Bowl Match

The Cadets placed 3rd in a Varsity Match held at Centre on January 29, with a score of 3-2. Coached by Ms. Terri Nicholson, members were Sean Radway, Jason Merrifield, Jamie Exon, Dan Davidson and Chris Bauck.

CADET LIAISON

Cadet Rodney Webb was authorized the Liaison ribbon for his service as the Cadet Liaison between the Office of the President and the 106th Corps of Cadets from September 1993 to February 1994.

Effective February 16, Cadet Daniel Davidson is the Cadet Liaison and is authorized to wear the Liaison cord.

Recruitment Recognized

Four cadets were awarded the Recruiting ribbon, which is awarded to a cadet who has recruited a new boy for attendance at St. John's. These cadets are Marc Anderson, Jeremy Baerns, Ben Dozier and Paul Vieni.



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State Park, Fridays and City/State Bowling, Rolling Hills Ranch field trip, field trips to Wichita Zoo, Abilene Eisenhower Center, Kansas State Fair, Omnisphere, Reading Marathon, Charlotte's Web Play, Map Reading Course, Post Office Field Trip, Horse Thief Canyon Hiking, Ottertail Outings Canoe Trip, Scrabble Tournament, Old Boys Party, Hot Air Balloon & Rocket Launching, and Safe Halloween Party at the Mall - just to name a few!!

Upper School - (not listed in any particular order)

Athletics - football, basketball, wrestling, track, golf, tennis, cross country, rifle team, forensics, music and quiz bowl. Clubs - National Honor Society, Blue Berets, Academic Achievers, Band, Bike, Chapel Counsel and Choir, Drama, Drill team, Key, Science, Spanish, Stock Market, Boy Scouts, Reading, Chess, Church Youth Groups and JROTC Spartans. Activities - Pilot (learn to fly) stay on Halloween Howl Party, Black Power Rendezvous, Parades, College football and basketball games, Civil War Re-Enactments, Band to Ft. Riley for workshop, KSU-Landon Lecture Series by Rev. Jesse Jackson, Professional Play in Wichita, Color Guard & Drill Team to many local events, January Winter Carnival, ROTC Paintgun games, International Student Dinner, February Activity day (no classes and cadets choose bowling, swimming, the movie or stay on campus to play games in the gym/rec. center), Worlds of Fun, Hunter Safety Program, Salina Speedway, Halloween Howl Party, Black Powder Shoot, Jr/Sr Prom-Sweetheart Dance, ROTC Map Reading Course, the many off campus "treats-dinners" given by teachers/coaches, and the Cadets monthly Birthday Parties hosted by President and Mrs. McAlexander which includes ALL cadets - just to name a few!

St. John's sincerely believes these clubs, athletics and activities are vitally important to a total school program and the development of "mature individuals".