

### BREBEUF COLLEGE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - JULY 2018

#### **PRINCIPAL'S REFLECTIONS**

#### **Derek Chen**



You may have thought that the beginning of the school year was busy; it was nothing compared to this last quarter! It has been jam-packed with exciting events and activities that you will see described in this newsletter. However, a few that should be highlighted are the incredible Inside Ride,

Multicultural Days, Koffeehaus, Theatre Brebeuf's "Little Shop of Horrors", Club Brebeuf, the Spring Arts Festival, and Mental Health Awareness Week. Brebeuf also co-hosted the TCDSB Asian-Canadian Heritage Month Mass and Culture Exposé with St. Joseph Morrow Park. We also had numerous trips, retreats, and events celebrating our faith including Reconciliation, praying of the rosary, and school liturgies.

Our athletics program continued to be very strong, as our Jr. Volleyball team won the TDCAA Championship, going undefeated in the season. The year ended with a wonderful joint Prom with our sister school, St. Joseph Morrow Park, and a beautiful Graduation Mass and Breakfast. All of our graduates were honoured at the graduation ceremony that featured guest speaker, Brebeuf alumnus Michael Serapio. Congratulations to the Class of 2018 and all award winners! You are now officially alumni – please come back and visit. A huge thank you to Parent Council (CSPC) Chair Rosanna Del Grosso and the rest of the CSPC for organizing several events that did so much for the school community – the CSPC Golf Tournament Fundraiser, speaker Donna Psaila (Toronto Public Health Nurse), and a presentation by Por Amor. Thanks to the CSPC for organizing the annual Used Uniform Sale, as well.

Congratulations to Ms. Boetto, Mr. J. MacDonald, and Mr. G. Sturino on their retirements. We also say goodbye to Mr. McGrenere, our VP. We wish all of them the best. They will be missed.

Finally, on behalf of the entire faculty and staff, I would like to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable summer holiday. See you back in September!

#### TORONTO CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEES 2017-2018

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1.	Joseph Martino	416-512-3401
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	Student Trustee	416-512-3417

## **MEN FOR OTHERS**

#### **INSIDE RIDE**

On May 8, Brebeufians put power to the pedals at the annual Inside Ride fundraiser. Organized by Mr. Chin You and his Grade 11 leadership class, the aim of the day was to raise money for children's cancer research in a fun and festive atmosphere. Students and staff teams, dressed in colourful array of costumes, took turns riding on stationary bicycles in the gymnasium. In total, over \$10,000 was raised! Congratulations to all involved.



#### **IRELAND TRIP**

Brebeuf is pleased to offer students a co-ed leadership and service trip to the Emerald Isle during March Break 2019. The group will connect with students from Presentation Brothers' and Loretto schools as they learn to be effective leaders and people who serve the common good. Students will also earn two interdisciplinary credits which can be used for university applications. Contact Michael.rogers@tcdsb.org for more information. Spaces are limited.

#### **ROME PILGRIMAGE**

Students and staff will once again be travelling to Rome for a 2019 Easter pilgrimage. Please contact Robert.gregoris@tcdsb.org for more information.

## **SCHOOL NEWS**

#### RETIREMENTS

Brebeuf congratulates the following on their welldeserved retirements after decades of service to our school community:

> Mrs. Sandra Boetto Mrs. Italia Creti Mr. John A. MacDonald '82 Mrs. Rosa Renzi Mr. Gino Sturino

#### **STAFF DEPARTURES**

The following staff will be leaving Brebeuf and we thank them for all they have done for our students:

J. Amaral, S. Campisi, M. Cappabianca, R. Cook, S. Delle Monache, T. Di Paolo, D. D'Souza, V. Formusa, A. Franco, A. Ilodgwe, T. McGrenere, S. Mullen, A. Oyarce, I. Shehata, J. Spada, M. Vittorio

#### **VOICES THAT CHALLENGE**



Student in the school's Gifted Programme participated in the annual Voices that Challenge Conference in May. Hosted by the TCDSB, the day involves students from across the city listening to speakers on a variety of subjects related to social justice, politics, charity, and leadership.

#### THEATRE

#### **STUDENT COUNCIL 2018-2019**

Theatre Brebeuf once again entertained us with this year's musical, *Little Shop of Horrors!* 



**MULTICULTURAL WEEK** 

Brebeuf celebrated its diversity at the annual Multicultural Week. The whole school participated in a cultural expose in the gymnasium. As well, students got to sample food from around the world at the food expo in the atium.





**President** Shaian Esnashaari

Vice-President Mina Kaseb

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**Treasurer** Arthur Tahmasian

**Secretary** Julian Sanchez

**Sports Representative** Harry Fatukasi

Arts Representative Lorenz Salamat

Spiritual Representative Alexnandru Mezmer

Publicity Representative Matthew Katana

#### **SPRING ARTSFEST**



Brebeufians showed off their artistic, dramatic, and musical talents at the Springs Artsfest in May. Over

300 parents and families came to see their sons' achievements and to be entertained and dazzled.

## **PARENTS**



CSPC 2017-2018

Here we are at the end of another school year. Due to our parents' support, Parent Council has been able to allocate funds towards:

- Grade 9 Muskoka Woods trip
- Open House evening
- Curriculum Night
- Hot Chocolate and Cookie event
- Landscaping at the front of the school
- an additional water filling station for the second floor
- Badminton Team to attend OFSAA
- Rugby Team
- Football Team
- Brother Maher Graduation Award
- Kairos retreat
- Salesian retreat
- parental mental health workshop

Please don't forget about our July 6th uses uniform drop off and sale!

On behalf of parent council, we wish everyone a safe, blessed and amazing summer break!

-- Rosanna Del Grosso (Chair CSPC)

#### GRADUATION

Brebeuf celebrated the Class of 2018 in the last week of June at the annual Graduation Mass, Breakfast, and Exercises.

On June 27, a beautiful Mass was celebrated in the gymnasium by Father Winston Rye, S.J. (former principal and rector). Following Mass, students and staff were treated to a sumptuous feast prepared by Rosa and her dedicated staff. Some awards were presented, including the "Most Likely to Become" awards, which were fun and entertaining.







Over 1000 staff, students, and their families gathered the next day for the 52<sup>nd</sup> annual Graduation Exercises, which took place at Brighton Convention Centre. Guests were welcome by the Salutatorian, Domenic Salituro. After Mr. Chen's entertaining speech, Michael Serapio from CBC News Network gave the keynote address and shared his wisdom and advice. Other speakers included Michael Del Grande (Trustee), Ali Ehsassi (Member of Parliament), and Rosanna Del Grosso (CSPC Chair). Following the awarding of diplomas and the distribution of awards, Richard Mba gave an impressive valedictory address. It was a classy affair overall. Congratulations to the Class of 2018, our newest alumni!



#### **GRADUATION AWARDS**

Brebeuf College School is blessed to have many awards to recognize the hard work, service, faith, and perseverance of our graduates. We thank our many donors from the alumni and community who make these possible.



**Raphael Kum Ming Loh '03 Award for Most Improvement** honours a former Brebeuf student and teacher who passed away last year. He was a true "Man for Others". This award, which is generously sponsored by the Loh family, is presented to the graduating student who has made the most academic improvement between Grades 9 & 12. -- **Armando Morales-Pires** 

**Raphael Kum Ming Loh '03 Award for Sports Leadership** is also an award to honour Raphael Loh and funded by the Loh family. It is for a graduating student who has shown tremendous leadership in the Brebeuf athletic programme. – **Lucas Omazic** 

**The Michael Thompson '69 Award** is named in honour of Michael Thompson, an Honour Student and Athlete of the Year. It is given to the graduating student who best combines academics, athletics, and good sportsmanship. This award is generously funded by the Thompson Family. – **Tyler Cusimano** 

**The Gerry Tanner Award** is named for the mother of Brett Tanner '81. This award, which is funded by Brett, assists with university finances and it recognizes a graduating student who has contributed to school life at Brebeuf. – **Dorian DiTommaso** 

**The Martin Foy '82 Scholarship** is awarded to a graduating student in the Specialist High Skills Major



Programme in Information and Communication Technology. Similar to Martin, the recipient has demonstrated outstanding effort, determination, perseverance, and integrity in completing the course expectations in the specialist programme and has been accepted to a post-secondary institute. This is generously funded by the Foy family and friends of Martin. – **Mohammad Tahvili** 

**The E.J. Barry Renaissance Award**, donated by the class of 1993, is presented to a graduating student who displays an interest and active participation in all aspects of student life: academics, sports, the arts, and social activities. This award celebrates the contribution of Mr. E.J. Barry (1963-1996) to the Brebeuf community. This award is generously funded by George Macri '69. – **Eric Sikich** 

**The O'Neil P. Gazeley Scholarship** is awarded to a graduating student who has demonstrated a commitment to his peers and dedication to academic excellence. This award is in recognition of Mr. Neil Gazeley, who was Brebeuf's first Vice-Principal (1963-1991). This award is generously funded by George Macri '69. – **Tyler Cusimano** 

**The Lou Puccini Scholarship**, named for a former math teacher, is given to the graduating student who has been diligent, persevered in his studies, and overcome various challenges. This award is generously funded by George Macri '69.

 Michael Condarcuri & Domenic Salituro
 The Presentation Brothers' Award is presented to a student who has demonstrated personal and academic growth and development. This award is generously funded by the Presentation Brothers.
 Percy Yiadom The Brebeuf Benefactors' Award is presented to an individual who has contributed his talents to the betterment of Brebeuf. – Paul Choe & Mikhael Pereira

**The Michael Brown Memorial Award** is dedicated to a former Brebeufian and is given to the graduating student who best exemplifies school loyalty and generous cooperation. – **Joseph Mastromatteo** 

#### The Brother Lawrence Maher, F.P.M. Award,

named after a former Brebeuf principal (1984-1996), is presented to the student who has shown a commitment to spirituality within the school community, has embraced many aspects of school life, has shown a willingness to help students, and who will pursue further education. This award is generously funded by the Catholic School Parent Council (CSPC). – **Mark Reyes** 

**The Lieutenant-Governor's Award** is presented to a graduating student for outstanding community service. – **Aiden Wong** 

**The Joe Will Award** is presented to a student who has made a significant contribution to the quality of school life and whose character and accomplishments exemplify the school's mission. -- **Tomas Virtucio & Gabriel Tarzi** 



**The Peter Knopfel '81 Memorial Scholarship** is dedicated to the memory of Peter Knopfel, a 1981 graduate. The Alumni Association and the Knopfel family award this scholarship to the graduate who has demonstrated academic and social achievement through his strong sense of commitment.

- Joseph Mastromatteo & Lucas Omazic



**The Father St. Clair Monaghan, S.J. Award** is presented by the Alumni Association to a student who has demonstrated strong academic ability, has actively participated in a variety of extracurricular events, and has expressed a desire for involvement in alumni affairs. – Domenic Salituro

**The Rosemary Lavery Accounting Award** is named in honour of a former Brebeuf teacher who founded the school's accounting programme (1992-2017). It is given to the student with the highest mark in Grade 12 Accounting. – **Christian Colantonio & Alex Khacheekian** 

The Michael Daoust '67 Mathematics Award is awarded to a graduating student for overall excellence in mathematics. It is named for Michael Daoust, an alumnus, teacher, and department head from 1967 to 2010. – John Kattukudiyil & Yviel Castillejos

The Theatre Brebeuf Award is presented to the graduating student who has greatly contributed to the theatre programme. – Kyle Granada and Jerico De Vera

Jim Morris Journalism Award is given to a graduating student who has shown excellence in journalism at Brebeuf. – **Joseph Mastromatteo** 

**Michael Tomaszek '82 Music Award** in sponsored by the Alumni Association and recognizes a graduating student who has contributed significantly to the music programme. – **Brendan Szeto** 

**The Visual Arts Award** is presented to a student who has dedicated his time and talents to many

Brebeuf Community projects. This award is dedicated to the memory of Mark Agcaoili '92. – **Kyle Granada** 

**Bob Shannon '68 Bursary** is named for an alumnus of the Class of 1968. It is awarded to a graduating student who has overcome challenges and who will attend a post-secondary institution. -- Jairo Veloria

**Toronto Secondary Unit (OECTA) Award** is given to a student for demonstrating social and political responsibility by participating in school or community activities that promote social justice and foster Catholic values. – **Gabriel Tarzi** 

The Man for Others Award is given to the graduating student who best exemplifies the school's mission of forming "Men for Others".
– Miguel Dela Cruz

**The Catholic Student Award** is awarded to the student who has shown outstanding commitment to the Catholic mission of Brebeuf. – **Mark Reyes** 

**The Father J. Winston Rye S.J. Award**, named for a former Principal (1979-1984), is presented to the graduating student with the highest academic average in his Grade 11 and 12 subjects at Brebeuf. -- John Kattukudiyil

The Governor-General's Medal is presented to the graduating student with the highest academic standing in both Grade 11 and 12. -- John Kattukudiyil



#### **BLESSED EDMUND RICE SOCIETY**

The following graduates were inducted into the Blessed Edmund Rice Society for being named to the Honour Roll in all four years at Brebeuf:

> ABOU-HATOUM, JOSEPH ACOSTA, ANTHONY CYLE AQUINO, ANGELO NHEIL AYNTABLI, KRIKOR BAGHDASSARIAN, KEVORK BARGAS, JOSEPH PHIL BARRERA, JULIAN **BOU KHALIL, ANTHONY** CASTILLEJOS, YVIEL CHANDRAN, KIRISHAN CHO, ALEX CHOE, PAUL COLANTONIO, CHRISTIAN CONDARCURI, MICHAEL CUNANAN, GILBERT CUSIMANO, TYLER DAVIAU, MAXIME DAYIAN, ALEC FERREIRA, MATHEW **GIANNARIS, MICHAEL JOCHICO, CARLOS MIGUEL** KATTUKUDIYIL, JOHN KORDAHI, JOSEPH LEE, CHRISTOPHER MARCHESAN, LUCIANO MARIANO, CYNRID MARQUEZ, JOHN RENEE MASTROMATTEO, JOSEPH MAZZA, MARCO MBA, RICHARD MORENO, FELIX OMAZIC, LUCAS **OSTROWSKI, VINCENT** PAMBIANCO, MATTEO PAVLI, STEFFAN **QUINTIERI, ANTHONY REYES, AARON** SALITURO, DOMENIC SHIBATA, JASON SIKICH, ERIC TAN, WILLSON TARZI, GABRIEL VIRTUCIO, TOMAS WONG, AIDEN YOHANS, JONATHAN ZUBRISKY, NICHOLAS

#### **GRADE 12 SUBJECT AWARDS**

The following Grade 12 students received the highest mark in each subject.

Drama ARMANDO MORALES-PIRES

Thomas Butash Music Award JOSEPH PHIL BARGAS

Media Studies in the Arts MOHAMMAD TAHVILI & MIKHAIL PEREIRA

> Visual Arts ARON JONEX ALVARO

Rosemary Lavery Accounting Award CHRISTIAN COLANTONIO & ALEX KHACHEEKIAN

> International Business ALEX CHO

Business Leadership ANTHONY BOU KHALIL / BRYCE D'MELLO

Canadian and World Issues (University) ALLAN MATA

> World History (University) DORIAN DITOMMASO

Economics (University) ALEX KHACHEEKIAN

> Law (University) GABRIEL TARZI

English (College) GIOVANNI AFFATATO

English (University) JOSEPH MASTROMATTEO

English (Enriched) JOHN KATTUKUDIYIL

Jacques Carron Extended French Award ERIC SIKICH Jacques Carron French Award JONATHAN YOHANS

> Learning Strategies ADRIAN ALBERT

Religion YVIEL CASTILLEJOS, ALEX CHO, JOE MASTROMATTEO, JOHN KATTUKUDIYIL

Challenge and Change DORIAN DITOMMASO

Philosophy (University) MARK REYES

Computer Science (University) ANTHONY BOU KHALIL

> Literacy KARL GERARDO

Foundations for College Mathematics MATHEW FERREIRA Mathematics for College Technology STEPHEN SOTOMAYOR

Calculus and Vectors (University) GILBERT CUNANAN

Calculus and Vectors (Enriched) JOSEPH PHIL BARGAS, YVIEL CASTILKLEJOS, JOHN KATTUKUDIYIL, GABRIEL TARZI

> Mathematics of Data Management JOHN KATTUKUDIYIL

> > Mathematics (Workplace) PERCY YIADOM

Advanced Functions (University) MARCO SABATINI

Advanced Functions (Enriched) ANTHONY DILIDDO, IMAN KHADEMAGHA, MATTHEW VIDOV

> Fitness MARKO ROMIC

Physical Education MAR JERICHO AUSTRIA

Kinesiology (University) CHRISTOPHER ANTONIPILLAI

> Biology (University) GABRIEL TARZI

Chemistry (University) JOHN KATTUKUDIYIL

Physics (College) MATHEW FERREIRA

Physics (University) JOHN KATTUKUDIYIL

Computer Engineering Technology NICHOLAS ZUBRISKY

Communications Technology JOE MASTROMATTEO, MOHAMMAD TAHVILI

Digital Imagery and Web Design ARON ALVARO / ARMANDO MORALES-PIRES

> Healthcare BRANDON SANKAR



## **ALUMNI NEWS**



#### **PUB NIGHT SUCCESS**

On May 13, the Alumni Association hosted its annual Pub Night Reunion. Over 100 alumni and staff returned to their alma mater to share stories, reconnect, network, and celebrate. Funds were raised for graduation scholarships and the football programme. The hockey team also made an appearance to thank alumni for all their financial and moral support for the OFSAA championships.



The class of 1993 celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> year since Graduation!



#### **NEW BREBEUF PRIEST**



Another Brebeufian has been ordained to the priesthood and the school could not be prouder! **Father Raymond So**, from the class of 2004, received the sacrament of ordination from Thomas Cardinal Collins at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica on May 12. Father So returned to Brebeuf on June 29 to celebrate the closing

staff mass. We wish him all the best in his ministry at St. Bernadette's in Ajax.

**SPORTS** 



**Major Achievements 2017-18** 

Senior Hockey TDCAA Champions, OFSAA Elite 8 in St. Catharines Junior Table Tennis TDCAA Champions Junior Volleyball TDCAA Champions Varsity Badminton Overall Silver Medalists, Mixed Doubles OFSAA representation in Windsor Junior Rugby Silver Medalists

#### **MVPs and Other Awards**



**Badminton** Bantam MVP- Shaylen Jayasekera Junior MVP - Erik Nguyen Senior MVP - Ethan Luo

> **Baseball** MVP- Grayson McManus

> **Jr Basketball** MVP - Alessandro Belluz MVP - Neil Paras

**Sr Basketball** MVP - Isaiah Anderson MVP - Anthony Rattray

**Cross Country** Junior MVP - Christopher Smolej Senior MVP - Marco Stipo

> **Flag Football** MVP - Alexander Brooks





**Golf** MVP- Marco Sabatini

**Jr Hockey** MVP - Anthony DiNicolo

> **Sr Hockey** MVP- Marco Dias

**Rugby** Senior MVP - Miguel Dela Cruz Junior MVP - Danai Mafuse

> **Jr Soccer** MVP - Julian Morelli

**Sr Soccer** MVP - Oliver Wales

**Indoor Soccer** MVP- Junior Escobar

**Swimming** MVP - Armando Pires-Morales



**Table Tennis** Jr MVP - Philip Abdalla Sr MVP - John Hanna Sr MVP - Mena Samaan

**Tennis** Sr MVP - Will Navarro

**Track and Field** MVP: Karl Mondonedo MVP: Jacob Maillet Junior MVP: Rexsan Packiyanathar Senior MVP: Shaian Esnaashari

> **Volleyball** Jr MVP: Isaiah Swainson Sr MVP: Josh Chiu Sr MVP: Jeremie Gelera



#### **Major Athletic Awards**

Joe Sinopoi Hockey Award Thomas Latina

> Rookie of the Year Lucas Stoikos

Junior Athlete of the Year Isaiah Swainson

Senior Athlete of the Year Marco Dias



(L-R) Mr. Chen, Marco Dias (Senior Athlete of the Year), Mr. McGrenere (Coach of the Year), Mr. Chin You (Athletic Director)

# HAVE A RESTFUL AND SAFE SUMMER!