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Fr. Jim Murphy was joined by alum Deacon Jim Olofson '10 in celebrating our Catholic Schools Week Mass. Deacon Jim will be ordained a priest for the Diocese of Joliet on May 26, 2018 at the Cathedral of St. Raymond (Joliet).



Letter from the *Principal*

As members of the St. Francis High School community, we are all very aware of the words of Saint Francis, "Pace e Bene", or as translated from the Italian, "Peace and all Good." For those of you who may have forgotten (don't worry, this isn't a test!) – this phrase derives from Saint Francis and Saint Clare of Assisi who used this greeting as a blessing, a hope, and a way of acknowledging the uniqueness of those whom they encountered.

Our core mission at St. Francis High School will always be to form young women and men for meaningful lives of service and leadership as they prepare for college and beyond. We acknowledge the uniqueness of each student entrusted to us, and the blessings they provide to all who know them. Every day is another opportunity for members of our community to hope – and respond more generously to God's invitation to become the people we were sent into this world to be.

We are blessed by 724 students whose families have chosen this school to be their home away from home and a center for learning and formation. I am grateful for our phenomenal, talented faculty members who engage daily with our student body with zeal and imagination. I am grateful that St. Francis High School is such a vibrant community—fully aware of its mission to be an inspired faith and education center for our students, parents, alumni, faculty and staff. What an extraordinary blessing we are afforded by our work with the Spartans of yesterday, today and tomorrow!

Blessings to you and yours,

Raeann Huhn

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Principal



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The Dillenkoffers

Three Generations of Spartans

The Dillenkoffers are one of the few St. Francis High School families that can claim three generations of Spartans.

When Van Sr. '68 and Gloria Stillwell '70 Dillenkoffer were choosing high schools, they both said their parents wanted them to have a Catholic school education. This landed them both at St. Francis High School. While they were acquaintances during high school, they didn't really get to know each other until after graduation. Later they married and had two sons, Van Jr. '94 and Ken '98.

Like their parents, Van Sr. and Gloria shared the desire to provide a Catholic school education for their sons.

Van Jr. said he was given the choice to attend St. Francis High School or the local public school. Because many of his grade school friends were going to attend, and realizing the advantages of a smaller school, he chose St. Francis High School. "My experiences at SFHS definitely helped to shape who I am today," said Van Jr. He identified with the Catholic foundation and values

experienced by the whole St. Francis High School community.

Following in his footsteps was younger brother Ken, who feels he was already part of the SFHS community years before entering high school. Ken was frequently on campus attending his brother's sporting and extracurricular activities. While many of his grade school friends were planning to attend SFHS, Ken said he also chose to attend because he "looked forward to that same culture of high school spirit" that his brother experienced here.

Ken said that the values he learned in his own family were reinforced through the St. Francis High School family. Now a parent, he and his wife, a graduate of Mother McAuley High School, wanted their daughter Haley to have the same "opportunity to embrace the qualities of a Catholic education, along with the many other advantages of attending SFHS."

Haley, a sophomore, said she "felt such a sense of community" when she experienced SFHS as a Shadow Student. She thought the students and faculty were very welcoming and kind. Ken and his wife echoed those feelings after attending an open house. The strong values, commitment to service and solid community were just a few of "the extraordinary traditions that our

school offered in comparison to other schools." Ken said, "From her first steps on campus, Haley could feel the pride of being a future Spartan."

All the Dillenkoffers have been back to SFHS to support their children, grandchild and niece. They agree that much has changed since they were in school.

Van Sr. said when he was in school the classes weren't co-ed yet. Van Jr. noted that uniform options, course selections and extracurricular opportunities have all increased. Ken added that the additions of athletic facilities and the state-of-the-art Science wing, the music department and technology advancements, and the recent Microsoft Showcase School designation have all been huge changes and wonderful opportunities for the school.

The most notable of the changes according to Ken are the all-school masses. While celebrating mass together has always been a tradition and foundation for the school community, Ken has observed that they are "much more of a faith celebration with unbelievable student participation and engagement while extending invitations to the entire SFHS community to attend." The music program has a lot to do with these exciting changes.

Despite the many changes, they all agree that much has stayed the same. They all feel that the dedicated staff, commitment to academic excellence and the ability to stay current with educational trends have always been strong at St. Francis High School. Both Ken and his parents fondly recall



Ken Dillenkoffer '98, Haley Hughes '20, Van Dillenkoffer, Sr. '68, Gloria Stillwell '70 Dillenkoffer, Van Dillenkoffer, Jr. '94

their retreat experiences as positive and favorite memories.

Van Sr. remembers the students collecting more than 7,000 pounds of potatoes during the food drive and the smile on Coach Mariani's face as a result. Ken said there are still so many familiar faces among the staff. Van Jr. talked about Mrs. Peg Kopec and how she expected the best from everyone. She was tough, but also motherly – encouraging, loving, passionate. He also mentioned that his experiences at the school and in sports, in general, were definitely key to shaping who he is today.

Now that Haley is a current student and active student in sports, concerts and plays, the Dillenkoffers feel privileged to have so many opportunities to support her and their alma mater.

Between their sons' time as students and now a granddaughter attending, Van Sr. and Gloria have been back to SFHS many times in the last 20 years. Ken is currently an officer on the Alumni Association Board and is an active member of the Fathers' Club. He's also attended and supported school masses, the 60th Anniversary celebration, and the Alumni Golf Outings. He is a familiar face around SFHS and is certainly a proud Spartan.

"It's definitely a wonderful feeling to have our family tradition continue," said Gloria.



Ken Dillenkoffer '98 and Brian Carew '07 at the Alumni Scholarship Golf Outing last fall.

Alumni Updates



1971

Dale Kundtz felt lucky to attend his daughter's wedding in November, despite some health issues. He was able to give her away at the wedding ceremony and have a father/daughter dance with her at the reception, even though he is in a wheelchair. He wants everyone to know that physical challenges don't mean people can't enjoy all the wonderful things with family and friends.



1989

Kathleen Kenehan Henson was recently featured in the Daily Herald as someone who grew her Wheaton-based home business to a profitable and global public relations firm, Agency H5, in Chicago. Her business focus is on kindness and humanity. Kathleen is a single mom to five children (aged 9 through 18) and prides herself on putting her family first, yet still being successful. Click [here](#) for the full story.

2013

Josh Croci is currently coaching freshman football at Batavia High School. He also assisted with the varsity team that won the 7A State Championship.

2016

Kira Savegnago won the Outstanding Soloist Award at the ICCA (International Championship of Collegiate A Cappella) quarterfinals with North Central College's Sonata Problem on February 3.



2017

Lillian Rodriguez was named to the dean's list in the University of Notre Dame's First Year of Studies for outstanding scholarship in the Fall 2017.

Sheila "Peach" Enzweiler '78 Carr was recently honored by the College of DuPage Foundation as one of seven 2017 Distinguished Alumni. She graduated from COD with an Associate's Degree in Radiology in 1980.

In her **acceptance speech**, Peach said that after four years at St. Francis High School, she didn't really feel that the four-year college experience was something she wanted. She worked with her guidance counselor and said she literally spun the "wheel of opportunity" for programs at COD. When she landed on the RadTech Program, she thought that it was something she would enjoy, especially since she loved science.

After earning her degree, Peach worked for 15 years as a radiology technician. She often found herself making her own uniform pants, because she couldn't find pants that fit. Soon, she was also making them for friends in the field. Peach learned to sew when she was 11 and in 4-H. She had no other formal training. Sewing was just something she always enjoyed.

At 50 years old, Peach started her own design company, Peach Carr Designs. She made clothing and handbags. After being featured on Season 8 and the All Stars of *Project Runway*, Peach decided to focus her career solely on her design business. She supports charitable causes and serves as an advisor to COD's Fashion Studies Program. Peach also enjoys spending time in the classroom encouraging and inspiring students to follow their passions.

Update your contact info and submit your alumni updates for Focus at: sfhscollegeprep.org/update

Class Reps

Would you consider being your class rep?

Some Responsibilities Include:

Act as a liaison between your class and the school

Assist in alumni event promotion and class outreach

Gather class news for the alumni e-newsletter

Encourage alumni to update their contact information with the Alumni Relations Office

Brainstorm ways for alumni to be more involved and stay connected

Organize reunion events (with support from alumni relations office)

Attend alumni events when possible

Provide feedback to the Alumni Relations Office

Do you know an alum we should feature in our next issue? Please contact [Becky Fischesser at bfischesser@sfhscollegeprep.org](mailto:bfischesser@sfhscollegeprep.org) to let her know or to discuss being a class rep.

In Memoriam

Family

James P. Bourke

father of **Mary Katherine Bourke '68, Patricia Bourke '70 Freer and Sheila Bourke '73 Reed**

Thomas Henehan

father of **Kathleen Henehan '89 Henson**

Rita Lowery

mother of **John Lowery '71, Rita Lowery '74 Gitchell, Timothy Lowery '78 and Daniel Lowery '81**; grandmother of **Margaret Gitchell '10, Nicholas Gitchell '12 and Thomas Gitchell '14**

John F. Nihill

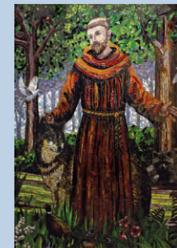
father of **Jack Nihill '68 and Marty Nihill '69**

Marie Therese Rizzo

grandmother of **Nicholas Rizzo '06**

Dr. Bruce W. Wisner

father of **Bruse Wisner '83, Christina Wisner '84 and Brian Wisner '89**



Memorial Cards may be purchased in memory of a loved one and all donations benefit our students. Names are written in our Book of Intents and remembered in the prayers of the St. Francis High School family during our weekly prayer services and monthly liturgies.

Please call 630-668-5800 x 1115 for more information.

***The Office of Institutional Advancement will no longer email notices of deceased alumni or alumni family members.

Please consult our website at sfhscollegeprep.org/condolences for obituaries or to share an obituary.

Distinguished Alumni - Nominations Due April 1

The purpose of the St. Francis High School Distinguished Alumni Award is to recognize outstanding alumni of St. Francis High School who have maintained a high standard of excellence and made a significant contribution in their fields of endeavor.

These individuals' must best exemplify the ideals and spirit of St. Francis High School and should serve as role models for current and future St. Francis High School students.

Do you know an alum who should be considered for this award? Please take a moment to complete the nomination form and submit it by April 1 for our committee to review it.

Click [here](#) to link to the form.

Alumni Spotlight

When alum **Dr. Katie Cronin '98** was a little girl living in West Chicago, she remembers always having a fascination with animals. She often disappeared from her own yard, only to be found visiting the pigs and horses at a neighboring farm. She said, "I'm sure I was a nuisance (and safety risk) to the farmer, but I just wanted to be around the animals and he tolerated me, made me even feel useful."

Today, Katie is still visiting and caring for animals. She currently works for the Lincoln Park Zoo and was recently promoted to the position of Senior Animal Welfare Specialist.

Katie said that her education at St. Francis High School provided the foundation for her academic success, specifically in the areas of writing and editing. She credits her time working on the school newspaper, and later continuing with her college newspaper, as beneficial experiences leading to her research skills. But, it was teacher Mary Feltes who guided Katie in the area of biology and in an understanding for

how animals "fit into our society – for companionship, food, entertainment, education." She said that Mary encouraged her in her passion for animals and helped her to "navigate the uncomfortable line between wanting to learn more about animals" and respecting them for their contributions to learning through science.

As an undergraduate at the University of Wisconsin, Katie was inspired by a professor who taught the psychology of primate behaviors. She began researching primates as an undergraduate, earned her Bachelor's Degree in Zoology and found work as a research assistant in labs and zoos. She later returned to the University of Wisconsin to earn her PhD, focusing on primate behavior.

Katie's career has provided her opportunities around the world. For five years, she lived and worked out of the country in the Netherlands, where her first daughter was born, and Zambia, where she conducted research at a chimpanzee sanctuary. Since then,



Katie and her family have returned to Chicago for her work at the Lincoln Park Zoo, as well as at the University of Chicago, where she teaches and advises students.

Katie emulates other women who can find the balance between loving their children and their careers. She wants to teach her two daughters that she loves them and spending time with them, but that she is also passionate about the work she does. Luckily for her, she said, "there are benefits to having a mom who works at a zoo."

She also wants to provide a balance for those who have mixed feelings about zoos. She knows that some people hate to see animals confined in the zoos, but there are others who enjoy being able to see and learn about animals up close. Katie said, "I really enjoy being one of the people tasked with developing new ways to ensure the animals are thriving."



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Click [here](#) for more about Katie and for a list of her publications.



Alumni

Upcoming Events

SAVE THE DATE

Alumni Reunion Weekend



St. Francis High School Alumni Association

Friday, September 28, 2018

10:00 a.m. The Alumni Scholarship Golf Outing at Cantigny Golf Club

6:00 p.m. Alumni Tent at Kuhn Memorial Stadium

7:30 p.m. Homecoming Football Game vs. Aurora Christian

Saturday, September 29, 2018

Individual Class Year Reunions
Contact your class rep for details

Sunday, September 30, 2018

10:00 a.m. Distinguished Alumni Mass Reception and Tours following



As the Alumni Relations Manager, I am extremely excited to continue building and developing the alumni network here at St. Francis High School.

Exciting things are happening with our alumni! Last December, we welcomed back more than 60 alumni from the Class of 2017 for an Alumni Basketball Night. It was great to see all the recent graduates. In April, the Alumni Association will provide breakfast to kick off Senior Transition Day. On July 21, we will host an Alumni Reception at the Summer Theatre production of Mary Poppins Jr. Please join us following the matinee and have a chance to meet the cast and crew.

We are also busy preparing for another exciting Alumni Reunion Weekend in the fall. Please save the dates for September 28 – September 30, 2018. We are excited to celebrate the classes of 1968, 1978, 1988, 1998, 2008 and 2013. If you'd like to get involved, please contact me at bfischesser@sfhscollegeprep.org.

We need your info! Please update your [contact information](#). Also, please visit and follow the new St. Francis High School [LinkedIn](#) page and our Alumni [Facebook](#) page. Are you interested in volunteering as your class rep? Look for an email from me for an exciting chance to get involved.

I am grateful for all our alumni who participated in events and committees this year. I hope to see more of you soon! Please contact me to get involved.

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Reunions

1968
Save the Dates: September 27-30.
Next reunion committee meeting:
Jack Nihill's home on March 8; 6:30 p.m.
Ted Knorring - tedknorring@comcast.net
Jack Nihill - jnihill2@aol.com

1993
Kimberly Pohlman Meske & Jim Lloyd -
kimmismc97@sbcglobal.net

1997 & 1998
Joint 20th reunion in Fall 2018
Tony Grigonis - tgrigonis@gmail.com
Topher Garcia - crgarcia24@gmail.com
bestreunionever2018@gmail.com

2008
Stay tuned for info on a White Sox game
Brian Hartzell - hartzellbrian@gmail.com

Classes 1978, 1988 and 2013
Where are you? Please contact Becky Fischesser to start planning your reunion.

Alumni Board Meetings
All alumni are welcome to attend any Board Meeting. Please stop by to reconnect, volunteer or share ideas.

All meetings are held in the Rosmonowski Room (Door #1 on the west side of the building) at 6:30 p.m. Please mark your calendars for the following meeting dates:

April 11	September 12
May 9	October 10
July 11	December 12



In Our Classrooms

In November, three alumni came home to SFHS to serve as guest speakers in classrooms. They were welcomed by many faculty who were excited to reconnect and catch up with their former students. The current students were very receptive and eager to hear their stories.



Andrew Kinzler (left)
Jared Valdez (below)

Jared Valdez '14 and **Andrew Kinzler '14** are students in the Kelley School of Business at Indiana University, a 3-2 program through which they will earn both their undergraduate and MBA in five years. Andrew said that as part of an initiative to help people beyond their specific jobs, he and Jared wanted to assist students with learning more about the options in their field. They approached St. Francis High School staff about coming to speak with the Business and Accounting students. "We are always interested in bringing guest speakers into our Business

classes because of the value of real-world experience," said **Jeff Gerdeman '87**, SFHS Business and Technology Teacher and Director of Technology.

Both Jared and Andrew work in the accounting industry in the summers. Jared worked for Byline Bank in Chicago for two summers and hoped to find an advisory or consultative role for this year's break. Andrew plans to do auditing work for Grant Thornton, LLP. They spoke to the students about the accounting career progression, salaries and becoming a CPA.

Even though it had only been three and a half years since they graduated, Jared said it felt different to be back, but he loved seeing the new facilities

on campus, namely the Lacy Gateway Building and concessions area. He also was a bit jealous to see that all the students have their own Surface Pros. Andrew agreed and said, "It's always good to be back."

On the same day that Jared and Andrew visited the Business classes, **Tommy Malouf '09** was speaking with the students in Ms. Susan Fairhead's Senior British Literature and Composition classes. While he couldn't physically be here, Tommy was present via Skype.



Tommy works at New Trier High School as a freshman teacher, a

homeroom adviser, and a director for the after school program. Currently, he is performing in the production of Hatfield & McCoy at the House Theatre of Chicago through March 11, 2018.

Ms. Fairhead's class was studying the Renaissance and reading Macbeth, and she invited Tommy to speak to her classes

about how their unit could apply to the modern day here in Chicagoland. "I wanted to make a connection between our classwork and the real world," said Fairhead.

Tommy said, "Susan has been gracious enough to come to a few of my shows, so I think that was the biggest draw to talking in her classroom about the field...I have loved Shakespeare's work since my senior year English class – shout out to Mary Pratscher for fostering that – so I was happy to Skype in and nerd out about [Macbeth]." Tommy added that he views his education at St. Francis High School as a gift and the inspiration for him to become a teacher and pay it forward.

"Skyping with a Chicago actor and being able to come together and talk about the beauty of literature was an unforgettable experience."

Grace Carragher '18



At last year's Ensuring Our Future Auction, the St. Francis High School community came together to "Fund-A-Cause" for a collaborative work space within the school. Because of their generosity, we now have a Creator Space located in the Robinson Family Learning Resource Center. Students and teachers are free to utilize the space during classroom and activity time.

Building on the four "C's" – Collaboration, Creativity, Communication and Critical Thinking – this space was designed to provide a "dynamic, flexible area which can change the way students learn," said Michael Page, Religion teacher. It facilitates faculty and students working together apart from the traditional classroom setting, as well as the potential to grow concepts and ideas into things previously unimagined.

Currently the Creator Space includes comfortable and flexible seating including work tables, highboys and lounge furniture; whiteboards and whiteboard surfaced tables, a high end desktop, two 3D printers, a green room, and two Microsoft Surface Studios – 28" screens allowing for design through painting, drafting, video, 3D imaging and much more.

On February 20, those who helped fund this possibility for our school community were invited to an informal grand opening of the Creator Space. They were able to meet with representatives from Interiors for Business, the designers of the space, see the new



Innovations

technology and furniture, and witness students utilizing the space.

At the beginning of the second semester, a group of 36 juniors and seniors formed a Business Club and embarked on a challenge presented through CapsimCore™.

For six weeks last spring, **Jeff Gerdeman '87**, Business and Technology teacher and Director of Technology, participated in a national challenge along with 102 high-school level business educators as they competed in the CapsimCore™ entry-level business simulation. Each contestant was tasked with managing a fictional \$40 million business across six simulated years. Gerdeman earned an impressive 28 out of a possible 30 stars in the simulation. Because of his outstanding performance, he was named the winner of the first CapsimCore™ Teacher Invitational Challenge. His prize included student licenses for a free CapsimCore™ class at St. Francis High School.

CapsimCore™ partnered with our Business Department - and more specifically Gerdeman ; **Mike Lynch '77**, teacher; and Joe Duffy, teacher, alum parent and former member of the Board of Directors - to provide students the opportunity to assemble small teams and participate in business simulations. Similar to Gerdeman, these students

were tasked with making decisions in four critical areas: research and development, marketing, production and finance. Their progress was measured, recorded and reported and students met weekly for eight weeks after school to debrief. Additionally, the students learned about communication, team work and financial analysis.

Representatives from CapsimCore™ were present on the final day of this



inaugural project for St. Francis High School Business students and assisted with awards and encouragement for all of the teams. Jeff Gerdeman '87 said that "this was a great opportunity available at the high school level" and he thanked the students for their time and commitment with this project which was completed entirely outside of the classroom. The students provided some thoughts to the representatives about their projects and thanked them for the experience.

Vice President of

Institutional Advancement



Make An Impact

Since 1957, St. Francis High School's mission has been made possible by the generous support of our alumni, parents and friends. Your ongoing support helps to provide this St. Francis High School experience to students for generations to come, and enables us to continue to form women and men of competence, conscience and compassion as we adapt our mission to a changing world. You can make an extraordinary impact by investing in the Spartans of today and tomorrow.

Annual Giving Program – Support the St. Francis Fund

Annual gifts are our most critical source of philanthropic support because they fund virtually everything on campus. Your annual gift will have a direct impact on our students, our faculty and our mission. It will enable qualified students in need of financial aid to attend St. Francis High School, provide the necessary means for what it actually costs to educate a SFHS student, and enable us to maintain our facilities and meet unanticipated expenses throughout the year.

Planned Giving – Make St. Francis High School a part of your legacy!

One of the most transformational ways to support the students and teachers at St. Francis Catholic High School is through making a planned gift. By creating a lasting legacy with a charitable bequest to St. Francis today, you will shape the experience of our Spartans for generations to come. Planned gifts preserve what means most to you, while offering financial flexibility and giving you the option to change your mind at any time.

If you have included St. Francis High School in your estate plans, please let us know. We would like to thank you for your generosity, make sure the purpose of your gift is understood by the school, and recognize you as a member of our Legacy Society. Or if you wish, your gift intentions can remain anonymous.

To discuss a planned gift in more detail, please contact me at 630-668-5800, x. 1220 or mclegg@sfhscollegeprep.org. Or visit our planned giving webpage at <http://plannedgiving.sfhscollegeprep.org/>.

Thank you for your support of SFHS with your prayers, good works, and financial contributions. It really makes a difference.

Michelle B. Clegg
Vice President of Institutional Advancement

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#GIVINGTUESDAY™

"Start by doing what's necessary; then do what's possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible."

- St. Francis of Assisi

We are excited to announce that we met and exceeded our goal for #GivingTuesday in November and are so grateful to all of you who donated, liked and shared our posts, challenged us to earn more, and offered kind words and encouragement. In total, we raised \$25,660 in 24 hours! All proceeds raised from this event will be used to help provide tuition assistance to our students/families.

We did this together...alumni, parents, students, faculty and staff...our community! That is what is so special about this place! Thank you, thank you, thank you for your continued support of #GivingTuesday and of our St. Francis High School family.

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**Monday
May 21**

**White Eagle
Golf Club**

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62 Illinois State Scholars

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Student Achievements

Academic

National Merit Finalist

Henry Breyne '18

Comcast Leaders and Achievers

Scholarship

Christine Fasana '18

Athletics

Cheerleading - Sectional Qualifiers

Dance - State Qualifiers

Boys Swimming - Sectional Qualifiers

Wrestling - Sectional Qualifiers

Danny Skold - State Qualifier

Boys Basketball - still in season

Girls Basketball - still in season

Service

Eagle Scout

Christopher Bauer

Jacob Pounders

Faculty/Staff Achievements

Coach

IHSTCA Class A, Region 1, Girls Tennis

Coach of the Year

Tom Castronovo

Congratulations!



Faculty and staff who are celebrating anniversaries this year were honored after the Catholic Schools Week Mass. Pictured (L to R): Scott Nelson - 30 years, Mike Lynch - 20 years, Michele LeBeau - 5 years, Jeff Jozwiak - 5 years, Delaina Blake - 5 years, Trudy Rigney - 40 years, Tia Holinger - 35 years, Larry Baker - 35 years, Patty Dahle - 10 years, Paul Johnson - 15 years, Tim Reist - 15 years (Not Pictured: Megan Jamen - 5 years, Adam Lindley - 5 years)

Le Grand Voyage



May 28 - Jun 6, 2019
Group Leader:
Sue Harsa
Depart From:
Chicago



You're Invited to attend a
10-day adventure in France
(Paris, Normandy, and Provence)
led by Madame Harsa (Koenitz)

Information Meeting
Wednesday, March 7, 2018
6:30 PM, St. Francis High School
Rosmonowski Room (Door #1)

Questions?
Contact Michelle Clegg
mclegg@sfhscollegeprep.org
630-668-5800 x 1220.

Click [here](#) for more information



France Trip 2019 - Save the Date
May 28 - June 6, 2019
A special travel opportunity for our SFHS community.



Calendar

March

- 7 France Info Meeting
- 9 Music Ensemble Acoustic Night
- 10 Auction
- 15-18 Spring Musical
- 26-30 Spring Break

April

- 1 Spring Break
- 6 Jazz Showcase & Swing Night
- 12 Spartan Welcome Night Class of 2022
- 19 Art Show
- 25 Spring Band Concert
- 26 Senior Institute

May

- 11 Music Ensemble Rock Show
- 20 Graduation
- 21 Spirit & Pride Golf Outing
- 24 Semester 2 Ends/Summer Break Begins
- 28 Memorial Day

Visit the website at sfhscollegeprep.org for more information, event schedules and ticket sales.

St. Francis High School
ART SHOW

Where: Robinson Family LRC Date: April 19th, 2018 Time: 7:00 P.M.
St. Francis High School 2130 W Roosevelt Rd. Wheaton, IL 60187



Please visit our new LinkedIn site and join our group. Then please post and share articles about alumni. We would love to network with all of you and share your stories.

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March 16 7:30 p.m.
March 17 1:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.
March 18 1:30 p.m.

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Registration

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8:00^{pm}
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9:30^{pm}
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