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UPCOMING COLLEGE & FOUNDATION EVENTS:

31 JAN
Term 1 begins

8 FEB
SPC Athletics Champs
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Old Boys' Cup at
Newtown

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McEvedy Shield

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7.00am Big Boys
Breakfast
1.30pm College Mass at
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20 MAR
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CONTINUING THE RECONNECTION TO THE COLLEGE OF OUR OLD BOYS, PAST FAMILIES AND CURRENT FAMILIES IN A MEANINGFUL WAY HAS BEEN A MAJOR FOCUS FOR 2011.

In Term 1 Acting Rector Wayne Mills warmly welcomed Year 9 students and their grandparents to the Foundation's Grandparent morning. It was a great opportunity to acknowledge the importance grandparents have with their young grandsons.

Also in Term 1 we commenced the series of Rector's Dinners, a new initiative with many parents and Old Boys issued a personal invitation to attend a small dinner hosted by the Rector.

On the sporting front the Foundation offered hospitality both at the McEvedy Shield in March and then for the Wellington College traditional in May.

In July the inaugural Foundation Benefit Dinner & Auction was attended by Old Boys, parents and past parents. Due to the success of this social event we've already set the date for 2012's Benefit Dinner – Saturday 23rd June 2012.

Planning for the Theatre/Quad redevelopment has progressed with working drawings being prepared. It is planned to go to tender in early 2012, however between now and then, further funds will need to be raised in order to make this project a reality. Other exciting projects are planned for the school which the Foundation plans to support.

As well as contributing to fund the upgrade of physical assets, the Foundation continues its involvement with a number of initiatives designed to lift academic performance through providing more support for both students and staff. For 2011 this was assisting with the funding of the Year 9 & 10 Mathematics and English banding, as well as fully funding the Old Boys' Tuition Programme.

All of these initiatives, which directly benefit so many young Patricians, have only been made possible with the continued generosity of gifts from over 450 families to the Foundation.

On behalf of the Foundation Board of Trustees thank you for supporting the Foundation and we wish you and your families a Happy Christmas, safe holidays and a well earned rest over the summer.

AUCKLAND RECTOR'S DINNER

To round off our busy year, and to connect the various St Pat's networks, we organised an Old Boy version of the Rector's Dinner for our Auckland Old Boys. College Rector Fr Paul Martin SM, Foundation Chair Mark McGuinness (1970-74) and Development Manager Loretta Love visited from Wellington.

Held at the home of Old Boy Noel (1955-59) and Trish Vaughan, this dinner included Old Boys from 1951 to 1982. Despite most not knowing each other the famous St Pat's camaraderie became most evident with all taking the opportunity to share anecdotes while sharing a beautiful meal.

Thanks to the Vaughan family for their generosity in making this possible.

This dinner marked the beginning of continuing the reconnection of our Old Boys outside of the Wellington area.



How to Become a Donor to the School

by Michael Thornton*

BECOMING A DONOR TO THE SCHOOL DOESN'T HAVE TO BE A DREADED EXPERIENCE. THE SCHOOL CERTAINLY WON'T BE CAJOLING YOU INTO MAKING A GIFT.

Philanthropy in this school isn't like that.

Previously I suggested people give to a school not because it has pressing needs but because they feel their children and/or they are having, or had, an education that was special. The School went the extra mile. They also believe the School has visionary leadership. There will be projects to which their gift will be directed, and they are likely to give to a vision of what might be possible in the future.

To give, you need to be asked. Unfortunately, many schools have difficulty asking for gifts; they are in the business of teaching, and asking for support doesn't come to them easily. Yet they'd welcome your support, and often that means hoping you will give spontaneously.

Almost all schools have a Building Fund, registered with the Tax Office enabling gifts given to that Fund to be deductible for income tax purposes. Philanthropy at its simplest only requires you to send a cheque to the School made out to the School's Building Fund. You should retain the receipt you will be sent for tax purposes.

The next threshold in giving is to continue to give something each year. Many schools continue to receive gifts annually from families whose children have long left the school, or from past students who left many decades ago. One school has a past student in his seventies who arrives on his motorbike every June – just before the end of the tax year. He drops off a cheque for \$1,000. This wonderful benefactor then leaves as

quickly as he arrives. He really enjoys doing this for his school.

What helps the school considerably is the planned or pledged gift where a donor, on the proviso that if his/her circumstances require the gift can be varied, it can, will contribute a certain amount each year for a set number of years. Probably the most popular of these is the \$1,000 to \$5,000 pledge to the School Building Fund, paid over five years, tax-deductible.

A variation on the pledged gift is to suggest a set amount (maybe \$200) each year that each child is in the school. So a family with one child in Year 9 and another in Year 7 might make such a planned gift to the School of \$2,000. A great Gift.

The benefit to the School of the planned or pledged gift is that, while all gifts can be varied should circumstances necessitate, the school can plan its building program with confidence when sufficient gifts are pledged. Even in difficult times most pledges are honoured, and additional gifts outweigh the loss of those where donors find they need to defer their payments.

Not all gifts given to schools are made in cash. There've been gifts of real estate, works of art, shares, musical instruments, farm machinery, livestock and grain. One school with which I'm presently involved was recently given an ocean-going yacht for its outdoor ed. program!

It's easy in an article like this to write about 'mega' gifts. Like one of \$2 million, or the school which received an estate worth \$10 million. While these are great acts of philanthropy, we all can be benefactors within our means. Many pledged gifts have been \$15,000; but many more have been for \$1,000. A gift of \$100 a year for five years can cost less than a can of soft drink per week.

The school's building project isn't the only area of need. Teachers, students and technology can be supported via the School's Endowment.

The Endowment is a permanent investment made up of many individual gifts, invested by the school as a portfolio but where each donor's 'Fund' notionally retains its identity. Annual distribution for the purpose designated by the donor is limited to interest earned less inflation (usually 5%), with the inflation factor returned to the Fund. In the following example the donor's Fund, begun in 2002 with \$2,000, earned 6%. So, in 2003 one per cent was returned to it and \$100 funds Time magazine in the school library:

The Thompson Family Fund – \$2,020

Established in 2002 by the Thompson family (Jennifer '03); income to fund a periodical in the School library.

The next year, 2004, the Fund earned 6% (\$121.20), which enabled \$101 (5%) to fund Time with the balance of the earnings (\$20.20) returned to the corpus, making this Fund now worth \$2,040.20. Thus the gift retains its real value.

A past student, Geoffrey Baker, endowed a half scholarship, as follows:

The Geoffrey Baker Fund – \$50,760

Established in 1999 by Geoffrey Baker (Class of '57); income used at the Principal's discretion to assist a needy student who could not otherwise attend the School.

Donors like to have choices. Whether you wish to support the School's facilities for today's and tomorrow's students, or establish a named Endowment Fund for people and programs, you need to know that the school welcomes your support and would be pleased to help you to make a gift – but only within your means.

Finally, Bequests. The donor who gives \$100 each year to the school can continue that \$100 gift every year, forever, by providing \$2,000 to the school in his or her will. This bequest will allow a Fund to be established in the Endowment where the interest earned on that \$2,000 will provide, every year, net of inflation, an indexed \$100 towards school projects. You may suggest the purpose for which you'd like that \$100 applied each year. More on bequests in a later article.

Philanthropy can be fun and tremendously rewarding, personally. Why not try it?

* MICHAEL THORNTON CONSULTS ON PHILANTHROPIC FUNDRAISING TO INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS.

YEAR 13 PATRICIANS BECOME OLD BOY PATRICIANS

ALL TOO SOON FIVE YEARS HAVE PASSED AND THE YOUNG, TIMID 2007 BROOD OF YEAR 9's HAS DEVELOPED INTO A SOLID GROUP OF STRONG, ASSERTIVE YOUNG MEN READY TO EMBRACE THEIR NEXT CHALLENGE.

Courtesy of the generosity of the Old Boys' Association each Year 13 was presented with an Old Boys' tie just prior to the commencement of the Leaver's Mass. As part of the final blessing of this special Mass the Year 13's stood wearing their Old Boys tie while the entire College and guests prayed over them.



The final part of the Leavers tradition was the College performing the haka in the Quad with the Year 13's responding with enthusiasm and passion.

Excerpt from 1959's Patrician by departing Rector Fr J A (Jack) Mannix SM to those leavers of 1959 ... "And now a final word to the boys, many of whom, tomorrow, will be Old Boys – I hope, not without a certain twinge of regret. Perhaps each of you could make your own the sentiments expressed by Craig Larkin's oration this evening. But it is not the feeling of loyalty that you have tonight that are the test of your worth; the time of testing lies ahead. The school has done for you what you have allowed it to do. As Old Boys, do what you can for it. Try to remember that though you be doctors, or lawyers, or carpenters, or plumbers in later life, you all have in common the prior vocation of being Christian gentlemen; and in the way you measure up to that vocation lies your true worth as Patsmen. God Bless you all."

TOP: ASSISTANT RECTOR DAVID MARTIN PRESENTING GRADUATE LEONE FITU WITH HIS OLD BOY TIE; DEPUTY RECTOR WAYNE MILLS IN THE BACKGROUND.

BELOW: GRADUATING CLASS OF 2011 YEAR 13'S BEING SUPPORTED BY THE COLLEGE AND GUESTS.



FROM ART TO SCIENCE

IN THIS ISSUE WE INTERVIEW OUR ENGAGING AND ENERGETIC SCIENCE TEACHER MATT BAYLISS.

Teaching was not on Matt Bayliss's agenda when studying at Victoria University for his Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science. In fact, after graduating, he was employed at the NZ Food Safety Authority working in the product contamination area for exports.

Embarking on his OE to the United Kingdom with future wife Miriam, Matt worked for 3 ½ years for the Oxford County Council. An experience as Matt recalls, "if you've ever watched the TV show 'The Office' that was the unfortunate type of administrative environment I was working in, but it did help with paying off my student loan."

Proposing to Miriam on top of New York's Empire State Building they returned to New Zealand for a summer visit and it was during this period that Miriam and others kept making suggestions about how Matt should consider becoming a teacher.

"It wasn't until some others had sown the 'teaching' seed that I started to consider it. I had an art teacher in 3rd form (Year 9) at Hutt Valley High School who was great but the following year I struggled with a teacher who was dismissive and who had the unfortunate ability to really have a negative impact on what we thought of our own abilities," Matt explained.

Back in New Zealand for the summer Matt had an interview for Teachers' Training College in Karori and started studies 12 months later. Completing his studies in 2008 the first College Matt applied to was St Pat's. "In fact it was the only job I applied for, I came in with my application, spoke to the Rector's secretary Gerardine Parkinson, bumped into Br Matt (who is Head of Science) and so by the time I came back in for my interview the ice had already been broken".

"As a teacher I want students to feel engaged and hopefully what I do and how I do it will make a tangible difference in their lives. At school I was reticent; in the classroom I enjoy our young men asking the questions. I wasn't raised a Catholic but was brought up with values and spiritual beliefs.

The Marist ethos of taking care of each other and the world we live in is evident here daily at St Pat's. The type of students graduating is a reflection of the care and nurturing provided by both staff and families during the five years these young men are here."

Matt continues, "Current thinking is that this is the first generation where the majority of students are truly disconnected from nature in a fundamental way, which is of major concern."

So if you visit Matt's lab you will notice the bean plants growing, the plans to work with the College's technology department next year to build planter boxes for vegetable gardens in the courtyard adjacent to his classroom windows, all a reflection of continuing the Marist spirit of taking care of your own. And for those students who don't have 'Mr Bayliss' as their teacher he is the one often seen running around organising the School Dances and Taylorfest, which in his own words "are an outlet for my artistic interests". A great combination!

ABOVE: MATT BAYLISS LEADING THE STAFF PERFORMANCE DURING TAYLORFEST WITH SUPPORT FROM FR MATT CRAWFORD



MARK YOUR DIARIES!

**AUCKLAND OLD BOYS –
CELEBRATE ST PATRICK'S DAY**
Thursday 15TH March 2012

Next year St Patrick's Day falls on a Saturday so there are plans to celebrate being a Patrician on Thursday 15th March. In conjunction with Auckland Old Boy Patrick Clifford (1969-73), the Foundation is organising a cocktail function to be held in Auckland's CBD. So for our Old Boys reading this please mark your diary, and make sure any fellow St Pat's Town Old Boys you know hear about this.

Please register your interest by phoning 04 939 5416 or email development@stpats.school.nz so we can get an understanding of the level of interest.

**GRANDPARENTS MORNING
FOR YEAR 9 STUDENTS**
Tuesday 20TH March 2012

For our 2012 Year 9's and their Grandparents the Foundation is hosting this special morning again in March. So please let your family know, notices will come home in February but we wanted to give plenty of warning should grandparents need to travel to join us.

**ANNUAL FOUNDATION
BENEFIT DINNER & AUCTION**
Saturday 23RD June 2012

Such advance notice but this is the confirmed date of the next Benefit Dinner.



In Memoriam

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS OLD BOYS WHO HAVE RECENTLY PASSED AWAY....

DI MATTINA Dominic 1969-71

GRAY Brett Francis 1972-76

Brett was an avid cricketer, played for St Pat's 1st XI and had a highly successful career in the insurance industry.

HINAKI Josh 2006-10

Tragically taken through meningitis.

McPHERSON Christopher 2004-08

OKEBY Rinhold 1938-42

1942 Head Prefect, Captain 1st XI cricket, Captain 1st XV.

ROSSON Patrick 1975-78

One of three brothers to attend St Pat's, often known as Paddy.

RUNDLE Bede 1950-54

Bede was one of only a handful to be awarded the SPC Dux twice. This avid scholar was awarded a MA Degree (First class Honours at Victoria University) and then did his postgrad Doctorate degree at Oxford. Bede taught at Trinity College, Oxford for 40 years, published six books over 37 years and is survived by his wife Ros and children.

WHITEHOUSE Noel 1936-38

Family, faith and service to the community was the hallmark of Noel. His university education was interrupted with WWII service in Italy but he returned to complete his law degree and then raise a family in Levin. Found in a second hand shop after the closing of the old College Noel purchased one of the chapel's holy water fonts. Recently the family kindly donated the font back to the College for restoration and eventual use in the College chapel.

Please contact this office if you know of others who have passed away so we can add them to the next issue.

STAY CONNECTED TO ST PAT'S

Changed your email address? Postal address? Do you know of an Old Boy we aren't in contact with? We need your help to find an estimated 5,000 Old Boys! Please phone Loretta Love on 04 9395416 or email: development@stpats.school.nz

DID YOU KNOW?

OLD BOY HENARE MIHAERE AWARDED WELLINGTONIAN OF THE YEAR – YOUTH



2008 Deputy Head Prefect Henare was last week awarded the prestigious 'Wellingtonian for the Year – Youth' at a gala evening. Henare, pictured above speaking at the Awards evening last week, was pivotal as the College's director of The Saints Barbershop Chorus which not only gained national awards but attended the International Competitive Singing competition in USA last January. Well done Henare.

*Photo by Brady Dyer Photography
www.bradydyer.com*

OLD BOY COLIN O'NEIL

Congratulations to Old Boy Colin O'Neil (1956-58) for being inducted into the Wellington Sports Hall of Fame. Colin, nick name 'sleepy fox', played senior club rugby league for Marist in 1959 at just 16 years old, represented Wellington province in 1963 and was selected for the Kiwis in 1967 playing hooker. Being

appointed Kiwi captain 1969-1970 he toured with the Kiwis in 1971 to Great Britain and in 1969 was simultaneously awarded the NZ Rugby League 'Player of the Year' and the Wellington Sportsman of the Year. Colin now lives in Queensland and attended the College 125th Jubilee celebrations last year.

OLD BOY OF THE YEAR 2011 – FR NOEL DELANEY SM

Announced in October, at the Old Boys' Dinner, the recipient of this annual award is Fr Noel Delaney SM. Fr Noel was a student at St Pat's Silverstream between 1935 and 1940, taught at Silverstream, St Bedes, St Johns and was Rector of Hato Pāora College. Amongst his many other appointments, Fr. Noel has served the Wellington Catholic Diocese as Vicar Episcopal for Maori and Polynesian peoples and is a former Provincial of the Society of Mary. Congratulations Fr Noel for your past achievements and for receiving this distinguished award.

MEMORABILIA

Final stocks of Merino scarves, Jubilee prints, Sectare Fidem books, wine glasses and coasters are still available to purchase from the front office or by contacting the Development Manager direct (details on gifting panel). We continue to support the SPC Rugby Club - stocks of their special rugby ball remain available - \$25 each.

YEAR 12 PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The objective was to pick a novel skill (something that they probably have not done before) and evaluate the factors which affect their learning of a skill.

L to R: Jordan Hamlin, Leftheri Katsougiannis, Patrick Matthews, Isaac Misky, Daniel Hunt



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GIFTING AND ADVICE OPTIONS

Please tick boxes where appropriate, then send form to:

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THOMAS O'SHEA BEQUEST SOCIETY

- Please send me further information on making a Bequest in my Will

GIFTING

- My/our gift to the Foundation is \$.....
- I/We would like to make a gift of \$..... annually over a period of years, commencing (month/year)
- I/We would like to visit the College and discuss our support of the Foundation
- I/We request a Foundation representative phone to discuss our support

HOW TO MAKE YOUR GIFT

- Cheque (payable to the St Patrick's College Wellington Foundation)
- Internet Banking (please provide full reference details in the transaction)
- Automatic payment (via your bank with full reference details)
- Credit Card

FOUNDATION BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS:

- **Account no: 06 0574 0236995 00**
- **Account name: The St Patrick's College Wellington Foundation**

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR GIFT TO THE FOUNDATION APPLIED?

- For the Foundation Board of Trustees to determine as per Foundation Deed
- Foundation PROPERTY REDEVELOPMENT Fund
- Foundation EDUCATION Fund

All Foundation gift amounts remain confidential.

Should you not wish your name to be published in any Foundation or College media please indicate below.

- I/We wish my/our gift to remain anonymous.

YOUR DETAILS:

Name:

Address:

City: Postcode:

Email:

Phone: Mobile:

Parent Staff Friend Old Boy: Year/Form started (e.g. Year 9/3rd Form):

Years attended (e.g. 1978-1982):

YOUR CREDIT CARD DETAILS(IF APPLICABLE):

Type of credit card: Visa Mastercard S/N(last 3 or 4 digits on signature panel):

Cardholder name:

Card number: Expires: /

Signature:

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