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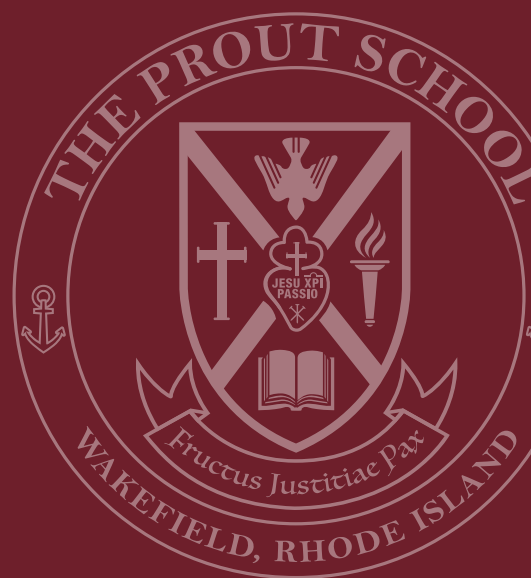
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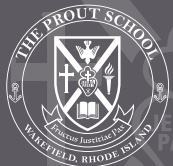
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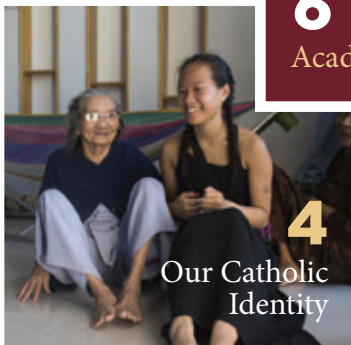
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The Prout School is a vibrant Catholic community that prepares the whole person for productive membership in the global community by fostering quality in spiritual, academic, artistic, and athletic pursuits.

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DEAR PROUT COMMUNITY,

The 2018-2019 school year at The Prout School is off to a great start. We are delighted to welcome our newest families, those of the Class of 2022 and those of our many transfer students, to the Prout community. And, while we bid a fond farewell to some retiring teachers, we also welcome some great new additions to our faculty, including an alumna of Prout, Ms. Lindsey Planchon, now a member of our English department. See the Prout Transitions section for details.

This issue of *The Crusader* also features profiles of some of our alumni as they make their mark on the world. We hope you'll continue to keep in touch with us and let us know how you're doing. And we look forward to seeing many of our recent alumni at our Young Alumni Drop-In Luncheon on January 3.

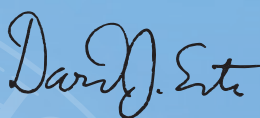
And, finally, this year we join our fellow International Baccalaureate (IB) schools throughout the world to celebrate 50 years of the International Baccalaureate program. For those new to our school, the International Baccalaureate (IB) is a non-profit organization that offers four high quality and challenging educational programs for a worldwide community of schools. IB programs have a reputation for rigor and high academic standards. The Prout School is the only high school in Rhode Island to offer the IB Diploma Program.

This significant milestone seems like the perfect time to express our deep gratitude to Prout's dedicated and inspiring IB teachers. Thank you!

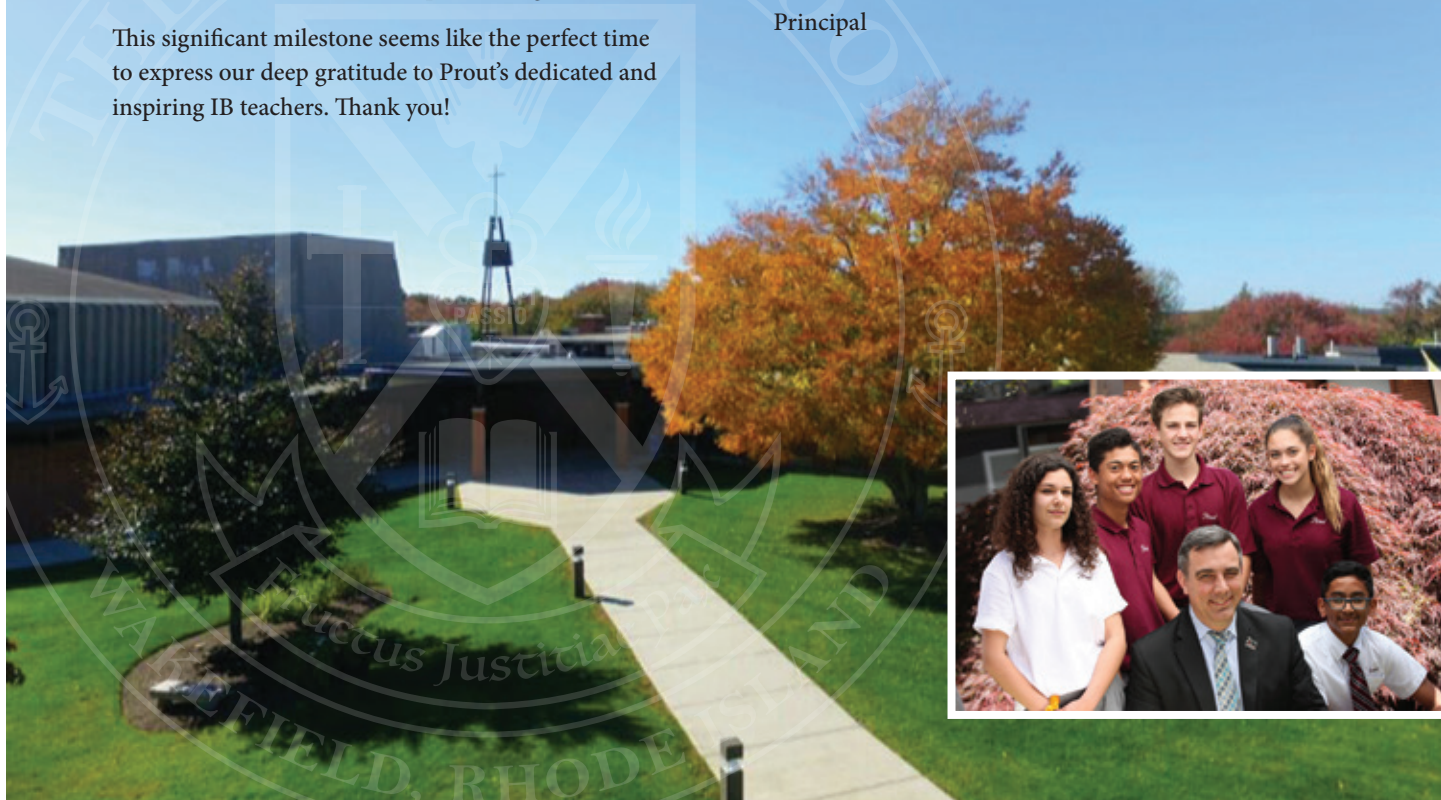
This summer I was blessed to have the opportunity to join Mr. Bromley, the coordinator of our IB program, and Ms. Hoyt at the International Baccalaureate of the Americas conference. It was an honor to learn from and discuss "best practices" with our colleagues in the Americas who share an unwavering commitment to make the world better through the holistic education of each child.

Prout alumna Abby Sauvigne '18, recipient of a full IB Diploma, recently wrote us from Georgetown University, "I was an International Baccalaureate diploma recipient and loved that Prout was able to provide the type of education that challenged me and pushed me to be more curious and inquisitive. Prout really prepared me for college and gave me a solid foundation for higher level education."

Enjoy this edition of *The Crusader* magazine. Blessings for a safe and productive school year. I am grateful every day to work with such a wonderful community of teachers, students, staff, parents and alumni.



David J. Estes
Principal



THE CLASS OF 2018



One hundred and fifteen seniors attended The Prout School's 50th Commencement Ceremony on June 10 at the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul in Providence. Ninety-seven percent of the Class of 2018 are attending college this fall. Of the 115 Prout graduates, fifteen received full International Baccalaureate (IB) diplomas.

The 2018 Valedictorian was **Markos Verissimo**. A member of the National Honor Society, Markos received the Harvard Book Award. He was a member of the Prout swim team and performed in Prout theater productions. Outside of school, Markos volunteered at a nursing home and an animal shelter. Markos will attend University of Rhode Island this fall and plans to study biochemistry. Markos' family traveled from Brazil to attend Prout's graduation activities. During his remarks at the Cathedral, Markos expressed his thanks to The United States of America for welcoming him and his brother. "We love this country so much and we are very grateful." He ended with some advice from Henry Thoreau, "Go confidently in the direction of your dreams! Live the life you've imagined!"



*Valedictorian
Markos Verissimo
and Salutatorian
Kelby Anderson*

Prout's 2018 Salutatorian was **Kelby Anderson**. An International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma recipient, Kelby was a member of the National Honor Society, a student ambassador, an international student mentor and a peer minister. She was also very active in the school's theater productions, was a member of the math team, the Film Club and the Respect Life Club, and tutored her fellow students in math. Kelby received the St. Timothy Award from the Diocese of Providence, given annually to outstanding high school juniors and seniors who work zealously to improve their own parish ministry programs, high school ministry teams or youth ministry. Kelby will attend Lehigh University in the fall; she plans to major in chemical engineering. Kelby's mother, Barbara Rush Anderson, graduated from Prout in 1979. Kelby ended her address to her fellow students, "Strive for greatness, but never, ever forget to laugh."

The following students received special recognition during the graduation ceremonies:

The Crusader Award, given to a single senior who best lives out the ideals of the school, was presented to Kane Hall.

The Elizabeth Prout Christian Service Award -- typically given to a single student who uses his or her gifts and talents to serve the school, church, or local community and embodies the spirit of giving -- was presented to two seniors this year, Kelby Anderson and Kaitlynn Slattery.

Mr. Estes presented **The Principal's Special Achievement Award** to Elsie Bansal, Katryn Basso, Alexandra Lanna and Nick Niles for enthusiastically sharing their unique gifts and talents with the Prout community.

Dean Adams	Caroline Hagerty #+*^	Brendan Michael Moricas *^
Annie E. Alofsin *^	Kane Aloysius Hall #+*	Antonio Morin +*^
Amanda Elena Amaral	Madison Carol Harris +*^	Jessica Nicole Nagle +*^
Kelby Anne Anderson #+*^	Michael Collings Harris +*^	Miranda S. Nazzaro +*^
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	Jade Elizabeth McMahon +*^	Yanxu Zhou
	Abigail Messer +*^	Zoe-Mae Zuerner *^

+National Honor Society
 *Rhode Island Honor Society
 #International Baccalaureate Diploma Recipient
 ^Scholarship Recipient



“Never forget, that no matter where you go, or what you become, or what you do, you are destined for far more than this world could ever offer or even imagine. God has plans for you that stretch beyond the bounds of this earth and reach up to no less than the heights of heaven itself. So never be afraid to reach that high, not only tomorrow, but every day, for the rest of your lives. We are proud of all that you are and all you have accomplished, and you will be missed. Know that Prout will always be your home.”

- FATHER JOE UPTON

OUR CATHOLIC IDENTITY



CROSS & TOWER GOAL ACHIEVED

Thanks to members of just about every graduating class, the school's goal to raise funds to

refurbish the cross and tower at the center of the school was achieved. The work took place over the summer once an elaborate system of scaffolding was erected. A bronze plaque installed on a wall in the courtyard will mark the occasion of the mid-October dedication of the structure to the Sisters of the Cross and Passion.

BISHOP TOBIN CELEBRATES OPENING MASS

The Prout community gathered to officially commence the new academic year with a Mass in honor of the Most Holy Name of Mary. We were blessed to have present a number of the Sisters of the Cross and Passion, representatives of the religious community to which we owe our school's foundation. The sisters presented our senior class with pins as a sign of their ongoing commitment to the legacy of our school patroness, the Servant of God, Mother Mary Joseph Prout. Afterwards, a special breakfast was served in the South Commons for all guests and for student leaders.



PEER MINISTERS

Our 2018-2019 Peer Ministers will plan and help facilitate retreats for the underclassmen, in addition to being role models for their peers.

Kaitlynn Slattery '18 and Kelby Anderson '18 received the St. Timothy



Award, a national award given to outstanding high school juniors and seniors who work zealously to improve their own parish ministry programs, high school ministry teams or youth ministry

within the Diocese of Providence. Nominees must be Catholic and exemplify the qualities of moral integrity, prayer, good works and Christian leadership.



VISIT FROM ARGENTINA

The Prout School was delighted to host a visit from three administrators from another school founded by the Sisters of the Cross and Passion. This one is a primary/secondary school called Michael Ham Memorial College in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Sister Lillian (in red) and Sister Bernadette (in green), Sisters of the Cross & Passion from Rhode Island, were part of the welcoming committee.

FAITH IN ACTION

Jack Westall '18 presented a check on behalf of Prout's Surf Club, to Clean Ocean Access. Funds were raised by Prout students through a "dress down day".



We are grateful to Bishop Tobin and all visiting priests for joining us for our Opening Mass.

FAITH IN ACTION *con't*

Nicholas Gwaltney '19

organized a book drive that collected 614 books for the organization *Books Are Wings*. The books collected at Prout were distributed to low-income families in Rhode Island.



Phoebe Nerone

'19 was honored by The Metta Students Foundation with a \$1,000 contribution for her efforts to help poor children and the elderly in Vietnam. The Metta Students Foundation is a non-profit organization that awards grants to high school students in order to promote acts of kindness amongst young people.



In 2012 Phoebe, along with her mother and sister, started a small non-profit to help poor children in Vietnam. After spending several summers volunteering in Vietnam, Phoebe identified another need in the country -- reading glasses for the poor and elderly -- and decided to do something about it. She first started collecting the glasses in 2014 and, so far, has been able to donate 735 pairs to elderly men and women in Vietnam.

Michael Slusarczyk

'20, along with Mr. Frappier, spearheaded the school's efforts to *Bulk up the Banks*, collecting close to 600 lbs of food which was delivered to the Johnnycake Center and RICAN during the Lenten season. Michael also arranged to send more than 300 lbs of used school uniforms to children in need in Haiti. Later in the year, Michael was recognized as The Wakefield Rotary's *Student of the Month* for these community service efforts.



Five Prout students, along with students from other Catholic high schools, participated in a **sleep-out to raise awareness of the homeless**. Students completed intake forms as if they were entering a homeless shelter, heard from a speaker that discussed the issue of affordable housing, and assembled personal care packages to donate to area shelters. They also donated money to contribute to the Bishop's *Keep the Heat On Fund*. Students and their chaperones then headed outside in the cold to spend the night. As one student said, "One night outside was tough; I cannot imagine having to do that every night."



The Prout School's SADD (**Students Against Destructive Decisions**) Club organized a toiletry drive to honor the memory of Desiree Mesolella, a young woman who was tragically killed in a drunk driving accident. As a tribute to Desiree, her family collects clothing and toiletries for the residents of the Holy Family Home for Women and Children in Providence. The effort is called "Desiree's Closet".



Students, faculty and staff at Prout came together and produced amazing results for the school's **annual Christmas Toy Drive** to benefit RICAN for needy children in the South County community.



Prout's National Honor Society students joined second graders at Bishop McVinnie School in Providence for **breakfast and some gift giving**. This is an 11-year long tradition for Prout's NHS students.



Mary Hoyt addressed the **Respect Life Club** about one of the ways she gives back to the community -- by knitting scarves for the homeless. Many members of the Prout community have joined Ms. Hoyt in this service. These scarves and hats are now being delivered and donated to the homeless in RI.

PROUT'S INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM SETS THE SCHOOL APART

Most students in high schools across the United States take AP courses and get a pat on the back for their efforts. But at Prout, students can go a step – a big step -- further.

Prout is the only school in Rhode Island that offers the International Baccalaureate (IB) curriculum, now celebrating its 50th year.

International Baccalaureate programs, with their unique academic rigor and their emphasis on students' personal development, aim to do more than other curricula by developing inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who are motivated to succeed. More than 4,500 schools teach IB programs and there are more than one million IB students worldwide. In order to teach IB programs, schools must be certified by the IB organization. Certified schools are known as IB World Schools.

Prout became an IB World School in August of 1992, after what Prout's IB program coordinator and physics teacher Chris Bromley describes as a "long application process and visits by members

of the international team." Twenty-six years later, Prout boasts a 95 percent IB diploma pass rate, 15.7 percent higher than the international average.

Prout currently offers IB classes in Spanish, Italian, French, Mathematics and World Religion at the Standard Level (SL) and English Literature, Biology, Physics, and History at the Higher Level (HL). In most cases both SL and HL courses consist of the same educational aims, core syllabus and curriculum and assessment models. HL courses typically also include a range of additional elements designed to allow students to explore areas of interest within the subject in more depth.

Students at Prout can pursue an IB certificate in a particular subject or pursue a full IB diploma. This year twenty-two juniors and fourteen seniors are pursuing a full IB Diploma, no small undertaking.

"Students are given the opportunity to apply to be in the full IB Diploma program in the spring of their sophomore year,"

says Bromley. "The application includes an essay, letters of recommendation and support, and the student academic profile. The applications are reviewed by our principal, guidance counselors and me to determine if the candidate would be a good fit for the program."

Once accepted, IB students are immersed in a two-year program that, Bromley says, requires them to have a strong work ethic and desire to learn.

"There is little focus on memorization. Focus is, rather, on the higher skills of understanding and application. Students are asked to make connections throughout their courses and across disciplines."

In order to receive an IB diploma, Prout students must take and pass tests in six IB categories (English, foreign language, history, religion, science and math), take a two-semester class called the Theory of Knowledge (a student favorite that focuses on the metaphysics of learning), write a research paper on a topic of their choice, and complete a project that incorporates creativity, activity and service. The result is an IB Diploma, and one well-rounded student who thinks outside the box.

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"IB courses ask students to be a lot more independent, and that helps when IB students get to college," says Bromley. Prout students who have completed the program agree.

Rowdie McDonald '16, remembers first hearing about IB as a freshman at a formal presentation. Even though it sounded somewhat intimidating, McDonald decided to give it a go. "It seemed scary, but I have a 'can-do' attitude, and if there's a challenge, I want to do it." She threw herself into the program, and loved her classes and her teachers. And they loved her.

"Rowdie was an exceptional student across the board," says Bromley. "She was

The IB Learner Profile





Ms. Nikki Kettle teaches
IB English to Prout juniors.

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meticulous in her work and did everything she could to better understand the material that was presented to her. I think the program helped give her a setting where her love of learning, and going beyond the basics, was not hindered in any way."

Even during a tough senior year, Rowdie is happy that she chose the IB Diploma path. "It taught me how to think, and to not take everything at face value." It also helped her get into Northeastern University, where today Rowdie studies business with a concentration in management. And, because the IB Diploma allowing her to get college credit, she was able to take a gap year between her freshman and sophomore year, during which she managed a restaurant in Back Bay. To Prout students considering IB, she says "It's a lot to handle, but if you think you can handle it, go for it!"

Kai Masterson '17 agrees. He heard about the IB program from his older sister, who received a certificate in the program. Kai was excited to join and become a part of a group of students who loved learning as much as he does.



Kai Masterson '17

"What had the most impact on me during my time at Prout were the last two years, when I was in the IB program. It was a great environment, with smaller, more focused classes," says Masterson. "I took a lot from that, especially senior year, and I grew socially." Masterson thrived in the IB program at Prout, rounding out his talents in mathematics and science with other subjects.

"Kai has a brilliant mathematical/engineering mind," says Bromley, "however, the IB program also allowed him to see that he was talented in other areas, too. Kai was able to demonstrate an understanding and appreciation of a wider variety of subjects at an internationally recognized level. I believe this truly set his [college] application apart."

Indeed, his IB experience helped Kai get into MIT where he currently studies mechanical engineering. He hopes to one day use his engineering degree to work in the car industry, and can't thank his IB teachers enough for supporting him through high school, and helping get him where he is today.

"The teachers were really great; I become friendly with them and learned to rely on them," he says.

Sam Slom '16 entered the IB program at Prout because he was drawn to the idea of getting college credit and placing out of general education requirements. But he was surprised to find just how intense it was. It was, in his words, "a baptism by fire."

"Honors classes were nothing compared to IB; it was grueling at times," he says. "But,

now I realize that it really prepared me for college, especially with writing. IB is a writing-intensive program and my writing skills are significantly stronger because of it." Today, Slom is a junior at Furman University in Greenville, South Carolina with a double major in information technology and politics/international affairs. Because the IB program is so well-known in the South, Sam definitely thinks it helped him get into Furman.

And, while the IB program was intense, Rowdie, Sam and Kai all found time for other activities to round out their Prout experience. Rowdie was active in the French Club and played Crusader softball all four years, on the varsity team for three years. Sam played tennis and soccer and was active in the Italian Club. Kai's involvement in the school's nascent robotics program helped set the stage for the school's state championship. He also found time to be on the lacrosse, soccer and cross country teams.

The Prout School will soon apply to add the newest IB offering: the IB Career-related Program (CP). In development since 2006, the CP is designed to prepare students for employment, as well as college. Through a focus on work-related learning, the CP prepares young people to have the skill set and outlook required for lifelong 21st century employment. Currently, there are 218 schools offering the CP in 23 countries.

Prout's initial application will focus on STEAM-related careers, specifically those in engineering. Additionally, Prout will create an advisory committee to help create relevant job-shadow and internship opportunities.

Even as the IB program at Prout enters its twenty-sixth year, it remains a special offer that sets the school—and its students—apart. And it will presumably do so for the next 50 years.



MATH TEAM SCORES

The Prout math team won the 2017/2018 Southern Division Title for the RI Math League and represented the division at the state playoffs in April. Other schools in the southern division are South Kingstown, North Kingstown, Narragansett, Westerly, and Chariho.

The RI Math League, now in its 53rd year of competition, consists of 39 public and private schools. About 820 students from these schools participated in at least one of the four regular season meets. The question writer for the meets is Pete Pedersen, who recently retired from the Maine School of Science & Mathematics.

PICTURING ODYSSEUS

Freshmen in Mr. Gould's Honors English classes study *The Odyssey*, which features the epic hero Odysseus. As a way of focusing on characterization at a hands on level, students created life-sized character cutouts of Odysseus. Students decorate



Samantha Galasso
and Janice Hixon

his armor to depict how they imagine him, and write quotes from the epic poem that display various characteristics of the hero.



ROBOTICS TEAM WINS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

The Prout School's robotics team finished first out of 32 Rhode Island middle and high school robotics teams in the state championships of the FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Tech Challenge. The event was held in February at New England Institute of Technology. As a result of its win, The Prout School team represented the state of Rhode Island at the FTC Super Regionals in Scranton, PA in March.

In addition to its competitive success, the team also won the Inspire Award, the highest award a team can be given. The Inspire Award winner is an inspiration to other teams, acting with gracious professionalism both on and off the playing field.

The Prout team also placed second for the Control Award. This judged award celebrates a team that uses sensors and software to enhance the robot's functionality on the field.

The Prout Robotics Team is captained by Isabella Abilheira and Andrew Ferreira. Its sponsors include Schneider Electric and Greenwood Credit Union.

The challenge for the 2018/2019 robotics season is called ROVER RUCKUS. According to FIRST, "This season, your team will be transported into space, to an unknown planet where they'll explore, challenge, create, program, and innovate while building 21st century skills and learning about the engineering process."

CONGRATULAZIONI A TUTTI!

Six Prout students were honored at the 23rd annual Italian Scholarship Dinner held by the Rhode Island Teachers of Italian (RITI). These students received monetary prizes in recognition of their performance in the various RITI-sponsored award contests and on the American Association of Teachers of Italian (AATI) National Italian Exam. This year, approximately 500 students from various schools across the state took the national exam.

RITI awards prizes to the top three state placements in each level and category. Five

Prout students earned "top three" placements: seniors Abigail Gencarelli and Flora Grilli and juniors Delia Carlino, Greg Violet and Isabella Roy.

Two Prout students also took home awards in the RITI-sponsored contests:

- *Greg Violet for the Renaissance Alliance Lodge Outstanding Merit Award in Italian Studies Panel Interview*
- *Senior Mariah King for the Luigi Petrarca Book Award, in recognition of excellence in Italian*

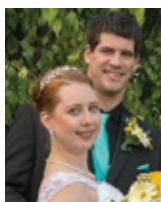
ALUMNI NEWS



The **Class of 1971** had an informal reunion on January 20, 2018 in East Greenwich. In attendance were Debbie Tanner Walters, Patti Bibba Barber, Maureen Harrington, Diane Peltier Cyr, Donna Guilfoyle Valliere, Gail Keenan Antonaccio, Cheryl Federico Lougee, Cathy Nigrelli, and Marianne Cooney.

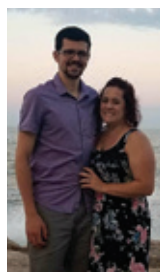


Katie McGovern Dowling '01 and her husband welcomed their third child, Alice Maeve Dowling, on May 3.



Erin Cook Delaney '07 married Michael Delaney on June 16, 2018 at The Crowne Plaza Hotel in Warwick, RI. Erin is a 2011 graduate of Salve Regina University where she received a degree in elementary and special

education with minor in dance. She is a resource teacher in New Bedford. Erin and her husband live in Fall River.



Alicia Bianco '08 got engaged to Brendan Aceto on June 30, 2018. Alicia and Brendan, who is profoundly deaf, met at Rhode Island Silent Camp, a full American Sign Language immersion weekend, in 2015. Alicia is finishing her master's degree in deaf education. Brendan is a student at Rhode Island College.



Chris Sanacore '11 graduated from Bennington College with a BA in educational linguistics. After a year with the nonprofit City Year in South Providence, Chris enrolled in a graduate program at Teachers College, Columbia University where he studied education policy, researched relationships between teachers and students, and taught part-time at a high school in Brooklyn. Chris graduated from Columbia in May and moved back to Rhode Island. Chris is a former advisor to the Matt Brown for Governor campaign and currently works as political strategy consultant.



Ryan Pinch '14 graduated from the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis. He received a degree in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, and was commissioned as an Ensign in the United States Navy. He will attend Nuclear Power School in Charleston, SC and will go on to serve on a submarine at the completion of that training.



Devon Toro '14 graduated from Fordham University and received a full scholarship to study at Roger Williams Law School in the fall. Devon credits Mary Hoyt with teaching her how to prepare her law school applications.

Sam Slom '16, currently a student at Furman University in SC, was selected to be the inaugural recipient of the Allen Scholarship, which provides for Sam's attendance at the MIT Sloan Analytics Conference in March. As part of the scholarship, Sam will give a presentation about his experience to other computer science and IT majors at Furman.



Luke Ahearn '16 was awarded the Albert H. Jente Memorial Prize, a silver key in memory of Albert H. Jente, former treasurer of Quinnipiac. The award is given to a sophomore student at Quinnipiac who has done the most for their class through loyalty, cooperation, and teamwork. Luke is pictured here with Dr. Mark A. Thompson, Executive Vice President and Provost, and Dr. Monique R. Drucker, Vice President and Dean of Students.

IS THIS YOUR CLASS REUNION YEAR?

Classes ending in "4" or "9" will be reaching major milestones in 2019. If your class is planning a reunion, please contact Nicole Kelly, Director of Institutional Advancement, at nkelly@theproutschool.org or at (401) 789-9262 x 537. There are many ways in which we can help.

Planning is already underway for the Class of 1969's big 50th reunion, which will take place June 23-24, 2019 in South County. For more information, contact Joan Sylvester Ross '69 at joanross.ross22@gmail.com or Lesley Wooler '69 at theherbwyferi@gmail.com.

PROUT RECOGNIZES 'LEGACY' FAMILIES

These families with multiple generations of Prout graduates were recognized at a ceremony at the school on Saturday, June 9, 2018, following the Baccalaureate Mass. Four graduating seniors presented their mothers with a rose, thanking them for the sacrifices made in providing a Christ-centered Prout education.

- *Kelby Anderson, daughter of Barbara Rush Anderson, Prout Class of 1979*
- *Kately Angeli, daughter of Patricia Haxton Angeli, Prout Class of 1984*
- *Kerrin Basso, daughter of Kristen Moriarty Basso, Prout Class of 1984*
- *Natalie Freeman, daughter of Susan Higginbotham Freeman, Prout Class of 1981*

MASON ON THE MOUND



photo credit: UConn Athletics

For MLB prospect Mason Feole, Prout Class of 2016, baseball is a way of life.

Prout graduate and University of Connecticut (UConn) junior Mason Feole, 20, needs a wheelbarrow. It's a cool, overcast September day at J.O. Christian Field in Storrs, Connecticut and Mason is shoulder-to-shoulder with his Husky teammates in the infield, about to receive awards and recognition for the 2018 season, and to play a friendly game of baseball against UConn alumni. Mason's parents, Anthony and Linda Feole, watch from the bleachers. "This next award goes to a player who does good, on and off the field," says head coach Jim Penders. "On the field he had a 120 strikeout season, and off it he's the person I first introduce to people when they want to meet a Husky. The James Allen Pitching award goes to...Mason Feole." There's rousing applause and Mason, eyes shaded by his baseball cap, walks over to accept his award. "He needs a wheelbarrow" Penders says laughing. And he's right. At this event alone Mason wins several awards, while his UConn baseball bio is packed with others: Collegiate Baseball Freshman All-American, American Athletic Conference Rookie Pitcher of the Year, ABCA/Rawlings Third Team All-American, Collegiate Baseball First Team All-American, Baseball America Third Team All-American, ABCA/Rawlings All-Region First Team, First Team American Athletic Conference, First Team All-New England, 2016 Rhode Island Gatorade Player of the Year, 2016 Providence Journal All-State

Player of the Year, and 2016 first team High School Louisville Slugger All-American team. The list is quite long for such a young man.

Over the summer, Mason made three appearances, including two starts, for the 2018 USA Baseball Collegiate National Team. The team played Chinese Taipei in North Carolina and Japan in Georgia and finished up in Havana against Cuba in the 7th Annual USA vs. Cuba International Friendship Series. Team USA was triumphant in all three series.

Mason is currently ranked among the "Top 50 College Pitchers in the 2019 Draft Class" by D1Baseball.

Anthony Feole remembers when Mason's athletic talents weren't so apparent. When Mason first threw a baseball, it landed with a thud a few feet before its target. "We had the Little Tikes T-Ball set up in the house and then, when Mason was about four, I would play catch with him outside. He could hardly throw!" says Anthony. "But as he got older," he continues, "he started to get really good. He was hitting home runs over the fence into my sister-in-law's yard. She would hold the ball hostage, and he'd have to give her a kiss to get the ball back", says Anthony, laughing.

Those innocent days of playing backyard baseball quickly morphed into something much more fast-paced, more serious. An obsession started to grow.

"He enjoyed it, so we had to do the Little League and the AAU, and it was all traveling, our whole lives. It was travel constantly," says Linda. "We didn't have a normal family life where we took vacations. We had baseball."

Mason started to show a proclivity for pitching by age eleven, throwing with a leg-kick and striking kids out like it was the big leagues. By fifteen, he was being scouted by Bryant coaches. By sixteen, URI and Boston College started making calls.

But even with a slew of accolades, a starting position with a Division I college team, a 90+ mile per hour fastball and big league prospects, Mason has his feet firmly planted in the ground. His family, his Prout teachers, and his coaches helped him get to where he is today, and he's not about to forget those roots.

"This program and school gave me an opportunity that I could not get anywhere else. You gave me a home."

Prout baseball coach Mike LaBarbera remembers the first time he heard about Mason Feole. He was sitting next to Anthony Feole during a Prout baseball game that Anthony's nephew was playing in, and as they watched, Anthony casually mentioned that his son, Mason, was a pretty good player himself.

LaBarbera, knowing how parents praise their children, smiled and said politely, "Okay, I guess we'll see at tryouts."

Fast forward to the first day of tryouts in March 2013. "A kid shows up and starts nonchalantly throwing a brilliant left-handed fastball. I looked over my shoulder and saw this left-handed pitcher out in left-field," LaBarbera says. It was Mason Feole.

"Throwing the ball the way he did, I was like yeah, I guess he *is* good."

As LaBarbera started working with Mason, he came to realize there was something special about him.

"The thing you wouldn't know about Mason, if you had a few minutes to talk to him for the first time, I don't think you'd understand how competitive he is, how much he takes the game seriously" he says. In fact, when you talk to Mason about baseball, you'd hardly know he plays.

Mason stands 6'1", has a crooked smile, and the requisite mullet-like hairstyle that baseball players hide under their caps. "I've never really been someone who tries to showcase who they are," he says. "I love being known as a normal person first and foremost, and if you find out I play baseball, cool we can talk about it. In high school, I never really wanted to be known as a baseball player."

"I think every high school has athletes whose heads don't fit through the doors," says LaBarbera. "But with Mason, well, half of Mason's teachers at Prout didn't even know he was an athlete!"

Even as Mason racked up the awards, helped his team get to Pawtucket for the state

championship, battled through devastating injuries and received scouting calls from college coaches, there was a transformation happening to the star Prout player.

"Over the four years of coaching Mason, there was a point where we stopped talking about Mason as a baseball player and started talking about Mason as the Prout student that we all want to teach and that we want to graduate from our school," says LaBarbera. "I think that says a tremendous amount about Mason. He just tried to live out the mission of The Prout School, which is service to others and work hard, stay humble."

Each year the school presents its most prestigious award, *The Crusader Award*, to a single senior, elected by the faculty and administration, who uses his gifts in the service of others, is eager and able to meet high academic standards, lives according to the teachings of Jesus, and is loyal to the school. Mason was the 2018 recipient of *The Crusader Award*.

Upon his graduation from Prout, Mason sent a text to the Prout baseball community expressing his gratitude: "The best decision I made in my young life was choosing this school, this community, and this baseball program. For four years, the highlight of my life was the opportunity to put on a Crusader uniform."

"You have given me the greatest high school experience. When I was hurt, you gave me hope. When I dealt with failure, you pushed me. When I experienced success, you humbled me, made me hungry for more and kept me focused on my goals."

"This program and school gave me an opportunity that I could not get anywhere else. You gave me a home."

Back at J.O. Christian Field, as he walks up to his coach at UCONN to accept a joint award with another player, Mason softly tells the coach, "*He* really deserves it."

The coach smiles, tells the audience, and the grins on his parents' faces show that no matter what happens, whether Mason continues on track to play in the MLB, or pursues a career as a lawyer, he will live what he learned at The Prout School.

YOUNG ALUMNI LUNCHEON

**Calling All Prout alumni
from the last five years!**

Join us for a YOUNG ALUMNI DROP-IN LUNCHEON on Thursday, January 3, 2019. Pizza, beverages, and Dan's cookies! Don't miss this chance to visit with your former classmates and teachers. Drop in anytime between 11:30am and 1:00pm, but RSVP to alumni@theproutschool.org so we know how much pizza to order!

DAVID AVELINE '98 CHILLS ATOMS AT NASA

For David Aveline, a 1998 graduate of Prout, a day at the office involves lasers, electronics, computers and vacuum chambers – and talking to astronauts! Aveline, 38, works at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL), spending his time studying physics at an atomic scale. *The Crusader* caught up with Aveline and asked him a little bit more about what he does, and how he came to be steering laser beams and guiding atoms along controlled paths.



Q: Tell us about the team at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory that you are working on, how you came to be on the team, and what the team is trying to achieve.

A: We have built an instrument – the Cold Atom Laboratory (CAL) – that, as of this summer, operates aboard the International Space Station (ISS) and allows us, as well as investigators from around the globe, to study physics at the atomic scale (quantum physics). By manipulating miniature atomic clouds and precisely controlling their states and momentum, we can produce extremely cold temperatures, nearly absolute zero. With these well-organized atom systems, scientists can measure miniscule forces, create novel molecules, and study atomic behavior in unique geometries.

Q: What was your dream job as a kid?

A: For most of my childhood, I was keen on working with animals, but more generally I was eager to understand nature and how things worked.

Q: What are some of the experiences at Prout that led you to where you are today?

A: Prout's small, focused classrooms and participation in the International Baccalaureate program led to great university opportunities. I loved soccer and was granted

the role as captain starting my sophomore year. I continue to play to this day.

Q: Teachers or staff who may have influenced you?

A: Mary Hoyt really stood out because she was easy going, thoughtful and listened to students. Her comfortable demeanor naturally elicited respect.

Q: What are your college creds?

A: I went to Cornell University for undergrad and studied Applied and Engineering Physics. After working at JPL for a couple years, I went to grad school at the University of Southern California to earn my PhD in physics.

Q: What's a typical day like for you?

A: Starts with good cup of coffee! Often a large part of the day is spent operating and optimizing one of our instruments (think room-sized contraption of lasers, electronics, computers and vacuum chambers). In CAL's case, we have essentially shrunk that room to the size of an ice chest, and now we control all of the dials and knobs remotely in an operations center at JPL. We also test our experiment sequences and develop more refined methods to run on the space instrument, which is currently zipping around earth every 90 minutes aboard the

ISS. On more unique days (or nights), we have operations that require real-time interfacing with astronauts!

Q: When you tell people you work at NASA, are there any misconceptions that they have about what you do?

A: About half the time I get asked how similar it is to *The Big Bang Theory*! Many would also ask me about working with astronauts, and -- until recently -- I'd have to say my research was over a decade away from actually getting used in space. It's exciting to now think that something I've built is "up there" and creating quantum globules of atoms. We've gotten to talk and work with astronauts on the ISS, and some astronauts (and one cosmonaut) have visited for lab tours to see what CAL experiments are like.

Q: What would you tell a current student at Prout who is afraid of failing in the pursuit of his or her dream?

A: There are times, even extended periods, in one's life that are going to be stressful, challenging and possibly uncomfortable. In atomic physics we talk about a system settling to a "local minimum," where it's in a stable state, but it's just that—local. There may be another optimum just over the horizon. By overcoming hurdles and being willing to explore the unknown, we are able to make new discoveries and reach a better state for ourselves.

ATHLETICS

CRUSADERS ARE STATE CHAMPS

The Prout Crusaders captured no less than three titles during the 2017/2018 season:

- *The girls' softball team won the Division II State Title*
- *The boys' tennis team captured the Division II State Title*
- *The girls' tennis team was undefeated and captured its third consecutive Division II State Title*

Not surprisingly, then, two of Prout's coaches were recognized by the Rhode Island Interscholastic League (RIIL) as 2018 Coach of the Year. Coach Mary Lou Morissette was recognized as the NFHS Coaches Association 2018 State Coach of the Year in Rhode Island for the sport of boys' tennis and Coach Mike Traficante was recognized as the NFHS Coaches Association 2018 State Coach of the Year in Rhode Island for the sport of fast pitch softball.

Morissette has coached boys' tennis at Prout since 2001. This was the team's second undefeated season and their first Division II title. The Crusaders last won the whole thing in 2006 when they were DIII champions.

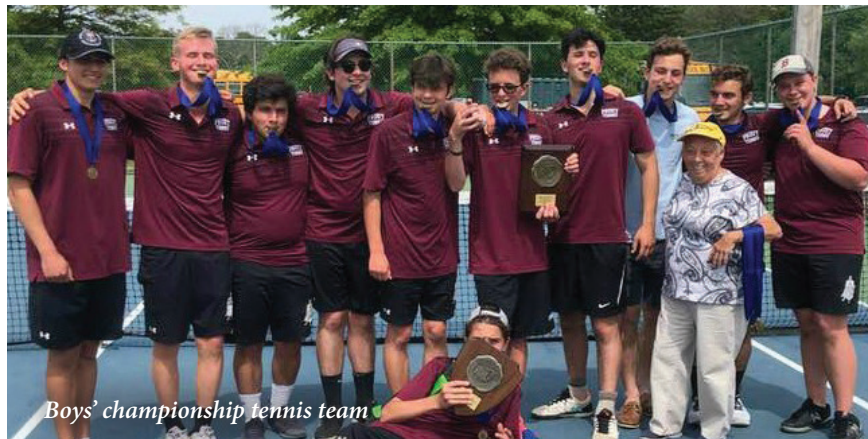
Traficante, the athletic director at The Prout School for six years, also took on coaching the school's girls' softball team for the past two years. This year's championship was the first state title for Prout's softball team and their best record ever, at 14-3.

In girls' tennis, Prout won all but one of its matches by 6-1 or 7-0 scores, dominating the competition. Prout's girls' tennis head coach, Steve Matzner, was named the National Federation of High School Coaches Association's Rhode Island Coach of the Year Award in 2016. Matzner has coached Prout's girls' tennis team for seven years.

Success does come at a cost, however. This year at least two of these teams are competing in Division I.



Girls' championship softball team



Boys' championship tennis team



Girls' championship tennis team

CRUSADER ROWS FOR GEORGETOWN

Bob Gillette, head coach for the URI Crew team, has been in the rowing “game” for forty years – as a rower and a coach. Two years ago he started the Osprey Rowing Club to accommodate his high school-aged daughter when she wanted to try crew and her high school didn’t have a team. He extended an invitation to girls from high schools in South County to join. Abby Sauvigne, then a rising senior at Prout from Westerly, accepted the invitation – along with other girls from Prout and North Kingstown High School -- and began to learn the sport.

After just six weeks Coach Gillette saw enough potential in Abby to videotape her performance and submit the tape to the coach of



Prout's Abby Sauvigne '18 signs her letter of intent to row at Georgetown University as Bob Gillette, owner of the Osprey Rowing Club, looks on.

Georgetown University's crew team. And the rest, as they say, is history. Abby is now a freshman at Georgetown University, rowing crew.

This year, Bob opened the Osprey Rowing Club to high school boys, as well. Bob says the preparation the student rowers receive is “high level” and “gets the uninitiated ready to row at the college level.”

SAILING TEAM PLACES SECOND

Four Prout sailing team members, Payton Canavan with Isabella DeSantis as crew and Avery Canavan with Laura Borges as crew, combined efforts to finish second in the 2018 New England Schools Sailing Association's (NESSA) Girls Championship regatta – a two day event -- at Roger Williams University in Bristol. Prout was the top finishing team from Rhode Island. This was the first time a team from Prout had participated in the regatta, the biggest in New England for high school sailing. The team is coached by Mr. Joe “Coop” Cooper.

The competition included teams from thirteen other high schools



from New England, including Rhode Island-based St. George's School in Middletown and Moses Brown in Providence. The team from the Hotchkiss School in Lakeville, CT received the 2018 Herreshoff Trophy, given to the winner of the regatta.

2018 CRUSADER GOLF CLASSIC

More than 100 golfers, including Prout faculty and coaches, participated in the fifth annual Crusader Golf Classic at Quidnessett Country Club on July 31, 2018. The event raised funds for a personal trainer on campus 25 hours per week and for supervision in the weight room, allowing students to work out on campus, free of charge. Special thanks to our parent volunteers and to our event sponsors System 4 SNE; Wieck, DeLuca & Gemma, Inc.; and Centerville Podiatry.



PROVIDENCE JOURNAL FIRST/SECOND TEAM ALL-STATE ATHLETES

FALL 2017

Elizabeth Duffy, 1st team, tennis

Jenson Tavares, 2nd team, tennis

Addy Douglas, 1st team, girls golf

Douglas made it 3-for-3 in first-team All-State selections. The Prout junior was the runner-up at the girls state tournament for the second consecutive year, giving her a top-3 finish in all three of her seasons



Addy Douglas

WINTER 2017-2018

Sarah Mitchell, 1st team, indoor track (shot put)
Mitchell captured the shot put at the state meet with a throw 39-4½. Her performance was two feet better than her second-place finish at the small schools class championships.

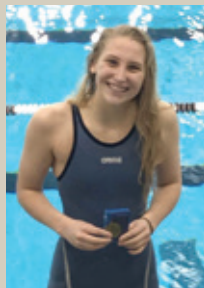
Wesley Rea, 2nd team, swim (100 butterfly)

Alexandra Miko-Rydzaj, 1st team, girls swim (100 breaststroke)

Alexandra Miko-Rydzaj, 1st team, girls swim (100 butterfly)

Miko-Rydzaj earned her second straight first-team All-State honor as she successfully defended her title in the 100 breaststroke. Her time of 1:06.47 at the state meet was nearly a second faster than last year's mark.

Brenna Furlong, Laura Borges, Alexandra Miko-Rydzaj, Emma McCall;
2nd team, girls swim (200 medley relay)



Alexandra Miko-Rydzaj

SPRING 2018

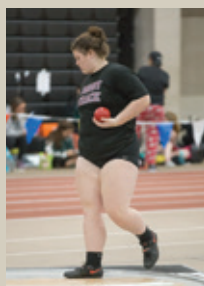
Vanessa Oatley, 1st Team, softball

Payton Raftery-Smith, 2nd Team, softball

Colby Crosby, 2nd Team, softball

Sebastian Magnotti, 2nd Team, boys tennis

Sarah Mitchell, 1st team, outdoor track (shot put). *Mitchell dominated the competition in the shot put with a victory at the state meet. The indoor champion in the winter, the Crusaders star won the state title with a throw of 39 feet, 1 inch. She also finished fourth in the discus at the state meet.*



Sarah Mitchell

SPORTS RECOGNITION NIGHT

More than 450 students, parents, friends, and coaches attended the Athletic Department's Sports Recognition Night at the Quidnessett Country Club in North Kingstown on May 17, 2018. Many Prout athletes were honored for their leadership, teamwork, dedication and talent, including these six seniors who received the most prestigious awards of the evening:

Distinguished Athletes of the Year: Nick Mahar and Katelyn Angeli.

This award recognizes multi-sport athletes who are considered exemplary young citizens; are role models to other students on the field and in the classroom; best exhibit the traits of poise, self-confidence, leadership and school spirit; and who are committed to giving back to the community.



Josh Mattera, Male Athlete of the Year and Carolyn Hagerty, Female Athlete of the Year. This award recognizes a multi-sport athlete who performed at a very high level on the field, was a solid student in the classroom and who always displayed the traits of hard work, dedication and sportsmanship.



Jack Westall, Male Student Athlete of the Year and Colby Crosby, Female Student-Athlete of the Year. This award recognizes a multi-sport athlete who performed at a very high level in the classroom, was a good all-around athlete, was involved in the school's extracurricular activities and was a great role model for students and athletes.



PHILANTHROPY

MARY HOYT LIVING LEGACY FUND UPDATE

Each year the percentage of Prout students requiring financial assistance grows. Currently, 38% of our students receive financial aid. That's why investing in the Mary Hoyt Living Legacy Fund is so critical to our school's future. To date, just under \$50,000 has been contributed to this fund, which honors our Director of College Counseling and Guidance, Ms. Mary Hoyt.



RAISE YOUR GLASS

Prout's 2018 spring auction broke all records, grossing \$61,000! The theme this year was Raise Your Glass; gorgeous giant champagne glasses flanked the entrance to the Preserve at Boulder Hills.

Special thanks to the event chairs, Meredith Barber and Paula DeRuosi, aided by Dawn Ahearn -- the previous event chair. We are grateful to the many parents and friends of Prout who staffed the auction committee, donated items to the silent auction, volunteered on the night of the event, attended the event, brought their friends and family, and spent lots of money on games, raffles, and auction items! This year, for the first time, even those who could not attend were able to bid remotely on silent auction items, which we'll continue to offer.

Next year's auction will be held on Saturday evening, April 6, 2019 at The Preserve at Boulder Hills. Contact Rose Slusarczyk at rslusarczyk@theproutschool.org if you would like to get involved.



ASK ME ABOUT



BREAKING NEW GROUND

We've made great progress on our road to a new artificial turf field for soccer/lacrosse at The Prout School. Site surveys, engineering plans and drawings are complete. We are nearing the completion of the approval process. Then we're ready to move to the construction phase, which is estimated to take just three months.

That is, of course, once we raise the necessary funds through our fundraising campaign, called *Breaking New Ground*.

We've determined that we can build "Phase I" once we raise between \$750,000 and \$800,000. Phase I would include a turf field with the bases for lights and a concrete "slab" keeping the space warm -- so to speak -- for future spectator seating for about 550 people. The lights, the seating and other "bells and whistles" including landscaping, fencing, a press box, a scoreboard, etc. would be added as we raise additional funding. The good news is that, thanks to the generosity of our campaign committee and a few other friends, we've already raised \$200,000 in cash and pledges.

Naming opportunities -- including naming non-field assets like the tennis courts, the gym and the baseball field -- are available.

Please contact Nicole Kelly, Director of Institutional Advancement, at nkelly@theproutschool.org or at (401) 789-9262 x 537 to find out more about supporting this exciting project.

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June Kraft Hilton '78
Homefront Health Care
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Irons, IV
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Eric and Meredith Kaplan
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Stephen and Lisa Kempf
Mr. Charles LaBarbera
The Lambrecht Family
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Valentina and Robert Lemieux
Cheryl Federico Lougee '71
Ms. Michelle M. Lupoli
M&L Sports Services
Paul Mastrangelo
Math Advantage LLC
Kevin and Colleen McKenna
Marianne Menas
P.J. Bloomer Morin '78
Ms. Beverly Najarian
John and Laurie Nazzaro
Chris and Maria Oates
in honor of Thomas Oates
Thomas and Elizabeth
O'Loughlin
Christopher and Bonnie Phalen
David and Christina Philippi
Post 39 American
Legion Baseball
Marguerite and John Quinn
Thomas and Margaret Rogers
George Schultz '01
in memory of Colin B. Foote
Mr. Gilbert F. Soares, Jr.
Mr. Clem Soscia
Carolyn Gallogly Stetson '75
David Sullivan '18
Chad and Ann Marie Sweet
John and Judith Tally
Gayle DiSandro Tarzwell '70
Maria A. Tasca '74
Taste-Rite Meat Co
The Inside Scoop
Third EMP Holdings Inc.
Merlit and Koshy Thomas
Jeffrey and Mary Sue Tkacs
John and Yvonne Tousignant
Jennifer Trevisiol and
Claudio Melegari
Mr. William J. Vandervelde
Anna and Thomas Vrankar
Nate Walker '11
West Bay Copy
Westerly Community
Credit Union
Christopher and Audra Wilks
Bryan and Susan Williams
The Wishart Family
Womens Internal Medicine, Inc.
Robert and Patricia Yarnall
Marcelline Richard Zambuco '69

FRIENDS (\$1 - \$99)

Anonymous
*in memory of Glenda
Vittemburga '85*
Anonymous
*in memory of Marilyn Vient
Lamendola*
Luke Ahearn '16
Apple American Group LLC
Aunt Carrie's
Belanger Podiatry Associates LLC
Ms. Penelope P. Boucher
Michael Burbelo '06
Mrs. Beverly R. Campbell
Mr. Matthew Chausse
Suzanne Choquette '84
in honor of Mary Hoyt
Sandra Schenck Coletta '76
Maria Day '81
in honor of Mary Hoyt
Charles and Donna Donnelly
Jonathan D. Eckel, Jr. '17
Allan Eng and Jane Buxton
Alan Fonseca and
Michelle Ruberto Fonseca '83
Leo and Agnes Fox
David Gever and
Maureen Kennelly
Maria Seuffert Hagan '05
Judith M. Gray Hamel '76
John and Julia Hixon
Mary G. Hughes '72
Henry and Alice Hultquist
in memory of David Slitt
Ms. Karen Johnson
Brenda Konopelko
Mr. and Mrs. Philip C. Koretski
David and Christine Kortick
Dominik and Maureen Kotlow
The Lord Family
Maureen Flood Mack '76
Jason and Sara Marshall
Kathleen McWilliams '15
Moe's Wakefield LLC
Joshua Moniz '14
Zachary Moniz '16
Mary Manning Morse '76
Mr. and Mrs. James O. Murphy
Mrs. Patricia A. Murphy
Mr. and Mrs. John K. Murphy, Jr.
in memory of David Slitt
William and Jennifer Nerbonne
Ms. Elizabeth M. O'Keefe
Marjorie and Timothy Portley
Ms. Linda Price
Caitlyn Quirk '08
Julie and Brian Rathier
Ms. Nancy Roberts
The Schlensz Family
Daniel R. Shackleton '05
Brian D. Shanley and
Susan M. Walsh
Peter W. Shanley '15
David Shoemaker '13
Dawn and Greg Silva
Michael and Kristen Skodras
Allan and Sarah Teixeira
Molly LaFreniere Tognetti '75
Two Ten Oyster Bar & Grill
Mr. and Mrs. William W. White

PROUT TRANSITIONS



We wish a very happy retirement to **Mrs. Karen Johnson**, social studies teacher and head of the social studies department and to **Dr. Lynn Simeoni**, science teacher and head of the science department.

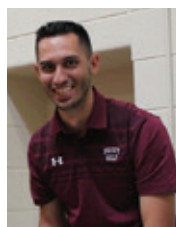


Additionally, **Cathy Shackleton**, English teacher, retired after 30 years. Cathy is a member of the Prout Hall of Fame. She is looking forward

to spending more time with her first grandchild, William Michael.

We also bid a fond farewell to our long-time handyman and janitor, **Rolando Feliz**, who has retired to Florida.

The Prout school is delighted to welcome four new additions to the faculty/staff for the current academic year:



Mr. Andrew Bevilacqua, Prout's volleyball coach, is the new athletic director.

Mr. Bevilacqua, who holds a BS from Rhode Island College, has extensive experience as an athletic coach -- in several sports -- and as an official. Mr. Bevilacqua will continue to coach the girls' volleyball team this season.



Mr. Ryan Cox has joined the math department. Mr. Cox is a graduate of Providence College, where he ran the math tutoring center for undergraduates. Mr. Cox's ability to explain complex mathematics at a one-to-one level will be of great service to our students.



A graduate of Stonehill College, **Ms. Lindsey Planchon** has joined the English department. Ms. Planchon is a 2004 graduate of The Prout School, where her love of literature began. Ms. Planchon's enthusiasm and skillful techniques were on full display during a lesson with our students during the selection process. Ms. Planchon will have the distinction of being Prout's only current alumni teacher.



Kelly McPartlin is Prout's part-time IT/multimedia resource manager and will teach Prout's computer classes.



Mr. Michael Sweeney is the new head of the social studies department and **Mrs. Sue Paquette** is the new head of the science department.

Congratulations to both of these dedicated faculty members.



Ms. Ria Carroll and **Mr. Matt Eramian** were married on July 27, 2018 at Blissful Meadows in Uxbridge, MA.



Mr. Mike LaBarbera and his wife Kim welcomed their first child, Austin Peter LaBarbera, to the world on April 22, 2018.

Mr. Philip Faraone and his wife Debbie celebrated 30 years of marriage this past summer. Mr. and Mrs. Faraone are anxiously awaiting the birth of their first grandchild, due in November.

Mrs. Kristen Rich and her husband Paul celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on October 9, 2018. Mr. and Mrs. Rich were high school sweethearts!

VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS



The incredible talents of Prout's students of visual and performing arts were showcased throughout the 2017-2018 academic year.

The theater department produced three colorful, humor-filled stage productions during the 2017-2018 academic year:

- *HONK!*, a heartwarming celebration of being different that appeals to audiences of all ages
- *Peter and the Starcatcher*, essentially a prequel to *Peter Pan*, explores how a young orphan ultimately became Peter Pan
- *Curtains*, a parody of 1950s "whodunnit" theater mysteries, where a lone detective investigates a series of murders that take place behind the scenes of a fictional cowboy musical

Prout's annual Arts Festival in January and the Arts Gala in May both featured an impressive display of 2D and 3D works of art -- including drawing, painting, ceramics, and photography -- as well as performances by the string ensemble, dance students and musical theater students.

And, finally, the coffee house culture is alive and well at Prout, with two such events last year. But Mother Nature did not cooperate and *Concert on the Lawn* became *Concert in the Commons*!



2018-2019 VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS EVENTS CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 16, 17

The Secret Garden

DECEMBER 7

Coffee House

DECEMBER 11

Christmas Concert

JANUARY 18

The Arts Festival
*Art Show and
Performances from
Dance, Music and
Theatre*

FEBRUARY 1, 2

Winter Play

APRIL 12, 13

South Pacific

MAY 3

Coffee House

MAY 9, 10

Dance Performance

MAY 14

Spring Music Concert

MAY 24

Arts Gala Art Show
and PVPA Awards

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2018 SCHOLASTIC ART AWARDS

Congratulations to five Prout students for receiving Gold and Silver Keys at the regional level in the 2018 Scholastic Art Awards:

Peter Andres

*Gold Key, Mixed Media,
The Last Grasp*

Lauren Anhalt

*Silver Key, Ceramics
& Glass, Genesis of
Dragons*

Carly Broome

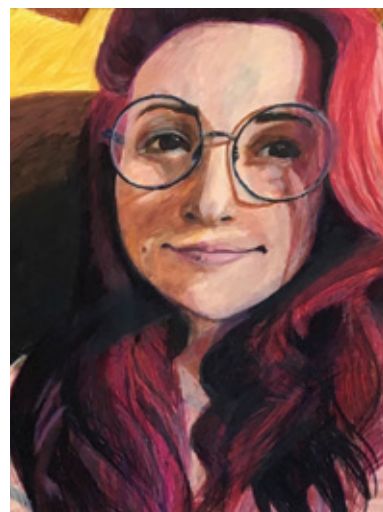
*Gold Key, Drawing &
Illustration, Smirk of a
Smile (pictured here)*

Tara Kennedy

*Gold Key, Drawing
& Illustration,
Stairway*

Rachel Lerch

*Silver Key, Drawing
& Illustration,
Uncelebrated Spaces*

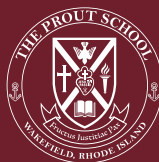


The Scholastic Art & Writing Awards are the nation's longest-running and most prestigious recognition program for creative teens in grades 7–12. Works are judged on originality, technical skill, and emergence of personal vision or voice.



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Open House: Monday, November 5, 6-8pm



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