### **SJA ALUMNI NEWSLETTER - AUTUMN 2021**





#### Greetings!

Well, that was a fast summer season! Whoosh! Onward to this beautiful autumn time - cooler weather, football, bonfires, s'mores and colorful trees. Close your eyes, go back to your days at SJA and what do you see?

Enjoy all this newsletter has to offer - in my book, the SJA Alumni are truly awesome!!

GO SAINTS!

SJA Alumni Cheerleader

Jo Ellen Madden

Kelly Orf '03 & Elizabeth Wheeler '03 Jim Shelley '69

# SJA ALL SCHOOL REUNION 2022

Saturday, June 11

9245 Lawndale Ave Evanston IL





## REUNION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The SJA All School Reunion Committee has begun the joy of creating the best gathering ever at 9245 Lawndale! See who's on the committee <a href="here">here</a>.

And the SJA Class Liaisons are working to complete their class' contact information - see who your class liaison is <u>here</u> and maybe you can help?

Also, if you are in touch with ANY TEACHERS, please email <u>Jo Ellen</u> any contact info so they are invited to this SJA PARTY!



# ALUMNI INTERVIEW WITH THE CLASS OF 1969

A handful of these fun-loving kids from the Class of 1969 got together for a trip down memory lane. If you were friends, classmates older or younger, or siblings, you will find this Zoom get together quite fun to watch. Check it out here.



## SJA TEACHER SPOTLIGHT COACH JEFF GOLOB

Maybe you knew him as Mr. Golob or maybe as Coach, either way he made quite an impact on his students during his few years while at St Joan of Arc.

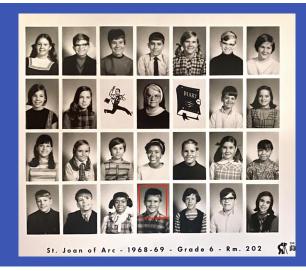
Read his interview here and learn some cool things Mr/Coach Golob did during his time at SJA.



#### SJA MOMS & DADS CHAT

These parents spill the beans on what the parish/school was like when they were raising their SJA "saints." Watch here.

Sandy Bosshart, Dick & Jacqui Burke, Bill & Mary Debes, Gene Flynn, Donald & Agnes O'Grady, Cookie Schaefer, Garry & Mardi Woodward



### CLASS OF 1971 50th CLASS REUNION

In two weeks this SJA Class of 1971 will be gathering to celebrate its 50th Class Reunion at Hackney's from 6-9 pm in Glenview - Wassail Room. And their teacher Aurelia Pucinski will be there too!

If you have any questions, please contact Class Liaison John Fay (Boy in red box)



#### **ELIZABETH & KELLY**

At the All School Reunion, Jo Ellen will be passing her pom-poms over to these two dynamos to continue cheerleading the SJA/ASJA Alumni Association.

Elizabeth Wheeler and Kelly Orf met in SJA pre-school and have been dear friends ever since. Graduating from SJA in 2003 and Loyola Academy in 2007, they also have the  $\Box\Box$  of SJA in common. Elizabeth's Uncle David '79 is also an SJA grad. These ladies will be excellent cheerleaders for the Alumni Association.





#### THE ACADEMY UPDATE

School resumed on August 23 with 228 students which include 85 new students. With the school's stellar academic education, it continues to grow adding new faculty members as there are now two classes in 1<sup>st</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> grades, an additional Learning Specialist as well as an expanded Fine Arts curriculum.

While maintaining protocols to keep everyone healthy, <u>The Academy</u> is resuming sports, choir, and field trips that continue to build the #cultureofjoy.

The Academy Choir sang at Sunday Mass a few weeks ago and the JV & Varsity Football teams will take on St Mary of the Woods at Homecoming on October 2 at Central Park. Football teams and cheerleading squad now combine students from The Academy, St A's, and Pope John.

You would be so proud of your school!

#### SJA WEDDINGS ~ CONGRATULATIONS!! ♥□



Katie Ramirez '07 and Mitch Groth July 31





Nell Caplice '06 and Sam Dickie August 22





### **ALUMNI IN SYMPATHY**

Condolences to the families of our recently deceased SJA friends:

June 29 - Frank Keres Class of 1967



#### ST JOAN OF ARC UGANDA

This Saturday, September 25, is the Arc of Hope's 5k Run/Walk at 8:30 am in Central Park in support of the AMAZING school for 600 students that Fr Simon Peter built in Africa with the help of SJA parishioners and school families.

Consider making a donation to help keep the school in Uganda viable during Covid. Learn more and contribute <u>here</u>.



#### A NOTE FROM JO ELLEN

If you missed this little video the first time it was published, watch it <u>here</u>.

You can contact me either by <u>alumnistjoanofarc@gmail.com</u> or by <u>maddenjoellen@gmail.com</u> if you have suggestions for future emails, spotlights of a teacher or an alum, or news. Thanks!!!

# ONCE A SAINT ALWAYS A SAINT