



# PALLOTTI BULLETIN

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# WELCOME!

## Happy St. Vincent Pallotti Week!

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St. Vincent Pallotti

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## PALLOTTI CALENDAR

**PALLOTTI WEEK**  
January 20 - January 24

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**ARTS ACADEMY AUDITIONS**  
Saturday, January 25

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**JUNIOR PARENT COLLEGE NIGHT**  
Tuesday, January 28

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**TAG DAY BENEFITING SOPH CLASS**  
\$3 | Friday, January 31

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**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY**  
No School | Monday, February 3

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**ACADEMIC AWARDS**  
Wednesday, February 5

## From Administration

On Wednesday February 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:09 am we will hold our **Semester 1 Academic Awards Ceremony**. Parents are invited and welcome to come. We will honor the students with high achievements from Semester 1 and Quarter 2.

All parents of current juniors are invited to attend **Junior Parent College Night** on January 28 at 7 pm in the cafeteria. Reps from Bowie State University, Towson University, and Catholic University will discuss the college admissions process and answer parent questions. Mrs. Duckworth, college counselor, will provide an overview of the process and materials to help you and your junior begin to plan for next year and beyond. Note that this event is for parents only, not students. [Please click here RSVP if you plan to attend](#)



Our annual Spring Gala, the Roaring 20's, is upon us! Please support our largest fundraiser of the year, with proceeds benefiting our students, in some of the following ways:

- Donate and solicit [auction items](#), such as restaurant gift Certificates, tickets to sporting events, shows & concerts, and more!
- Purchase & Donate an auction item from our [Amazon Wish List](#)
- Invite your friends and family to the Gala
- [Volunteer at the event](#)
- Purchase [Tuition Raffle tickets](#) - \$100 per ticket
  - Winner chooses between free Tuition for 2020-2021 school year or \$10,000 cash!
  - Student sellers are entered in a weekly drawing for \$50 beginning 1/31/2020
- Make a monetary [donation](#) to the cause
- Become a [Sponsor or Advertiser](#)

We can never get enough basket, wine and \$25 gift certificates! Please drop them at the Front Desk.

Thank you for your support!

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## Around the Campus

Students from the **Pallotti Robotics** team managed a strong showing at the Annapolis 1 qualifier despite a 0-5 finish. The robot (which has been in R&D since early September) worked as intended for all 5 matches, which is a victory in itself. Our unique building style incorporated parts from various kits, individually purchased components, and hardware store items. We affectionately refer to it as the "Frankenbot" since it combines so many different building approaches. [Photos](#) This Robotics competition was extra memorable due to added challenges and extra support from our community. Read about it [here](#). The next qualifier tournament is Jan 25th at Parkdale HS. Come out and support!

Ms. Long's Painting 1 and Sculpture 1 students have been hard at work this semester. Check out some of their work: [Painting & Sculpture](#)

Participation in a summer program is a great way for high school students to explore their interests, develop skills, meet new friends, and boost their resumes before they begin applying to colleges. [Families can find a list of opportunities by clicking here](#). Check back frequently - the list is updated regularly as we learn about new programs.

On Feb. 6, 18 Model UN delegates will be attending the 23rd annual Johns Hopkins Model UN Conference at the Baltimore Hilton. There will be 1700 high school students from 14 different countries attending. The conference is an immersion event that will end Sunday Feb. 9. These delegates will be solving problems such as cyberwarfare, disease and epidemics, transportation, conflict resolution, and climate change. This conference is the central event of our Model UN calendar and our students are really looking forward to it!

Our Belize Mission Trip participants returned home safely from a week of prayer, reflection, bonding and service to others. Our student body gathered this morning to hear first hand about the experience. View photos from their trip [here](#).

Ms. Katie Grenchik '03 will be taking a group of students to **Peru** this summer from June 10 to June 18, 2020. You can preview the trip and full itinerary [here](#). Email [kgrenchik@pallottihs.org](mailto:kgrenchik@pallottihs.org) for more information.

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## College Corner

*Please email your students' college acceptances and commitment to [rduckworth@pallottihs.org](mailto:rduckworth@pallottihs.org) to be featured in our College Corner*

### **Jasmine Dean**

Coastal Carolina  
Towson  
Barry University  
Stevenson

### **Sarah Mocko**

Lees-McRae College

### **Kamilyn Padgham**

Oklahoma State University  
Kent State  
East Carolina University  
University of Delaware  
University of Kentucky

## Athletics

Congratulations to senior guard, and South Carolina committ, **Eniya Russel** for her nomination to the McDonald's All American Team. Winners will be announced today at 3:00pm on ESPN. Good luck!

Congratulations to senior **Jania Hall** for being awarded her 1000th point ball by her coaches, Mrs. Elman & Mr. Palumbo, at the Women's Basketball game last night against McDonogh where they came away with a win! Jania has committed to play at Monmouth University. Congratulations on a huge accomplishment! [Photos](#)

The Pallotti **Women's Lacrosse** team is ready to defend its championship title and would love some players that are interested in learning the sport. We also need a couple managers. If interested email Coach Mark Mozier [mmozier@pallotths.org](mailto:mmozier@pallotths.org)

The Women's & Men's Swim team swam their final home meet of the season on Tuesday, Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>. The following seniors were recognized during a small ceremony after the meet to celebrate and thank them for their contributions to the Pallotti swim team: **Kaylen Hurst, RyLee Roberts, Laura Van Pate, Emma Bastian, Sarah Mocko, Jasmine Dean, John Lorditch, Christian Glast, Simon Tessema, David McPayten and Nate Olsen**. Congratulations seniors!

The Pallotti **Indoor Track** Team came away with a couple All-Conference performances led by **Carl Hicks** 1st Place in the 300m, 2nd in the 500m, 4th in the 4x2 with teammates **Cam Prescott, Sam Kanu and Josh Randolph**. **Ayotomiwa Bello** PR'd in the Long Jump finishing 8th and also finished 8th in the Triple Jump. The boys JV 4x8 of **Efosa Ago, James Ikebudu, Desmond Gamble & Luke Akinpelu** finished 5th. **Orianna Moore** led the girls winning the Shot Put with a huge PR of 37'2.50" followed by **Ally Miller's** PR of 31'1.50" & 4th Place finish. **Skylia Day** and **Delaina Callaway** finished 2nd & 3rd in the High Jump with **Skylia** hitting a PR of 5'. **Delaina** followed up with a 3rd place finish in the Long Jump and joined **Kelsey Eggleston, Skylia & Alicia Debra** in the 6th Place 4x2 relay. Freshman **Alicia Debra** also PR'd in the 300m helping the girls finish 6th overall while the boys tied for 7th overall. [Photos](#)

The **Wrestling** traveled to Chesapeake City, Maryland last weekend to participate in an overnight trip to Bohemia Manor High School to wrestle in the Battle at the Bridge Wrestling Tournament. On Thursday they traveled to Gerstell where they lost a very close match 42-33 to the Falcons. **RJ Thornburg** and **Jeremy Wright** had pins in the match and **Jaden Koranteng** and **Damon Hawkins** also won by decisions. In the 2nd match against Severn, the Panthers beat the Admirals by the 6th and final tiebreaker for a non-conference win. The Panther Grapplers will host Severn in their final home conference match for their Senior Day on 1/28/20 at 5pm.

Our **Women's Swim** team was awarded the IAAM Character Coin by St. Mary's team Captains at their meet on Jan. 11th.

Congratulations to junior **Justin Timus** as he was selected to the Inside Lacrosse All Tournament Team for the Fall.

[Winter Sports  
Schedule](#)

## From the Parent Guild

The Parent Guild will be accepting donations of used textbooks from classes that ran during the first semester. If your student completed a class and will no longer need their textbook, please consider donating it for our summer used textbook sales.

We are also accepting donations of used uniforms. If your child outgrew their uniform or got new ones over the break, please consider donating their old uniforms.

Donations can be dropped off at the receptionists desk in the Rehenan Lobby with Mrs. Brenda Hare.

Our next Parent Guild meeting is **February 13 at 7:00 pm**. Mrs. Duckworth will be discussing the PSATs.

### The Pallotti Parent Guild, 2019-2020

President - Adele Merritt

Vice President - Lisa Luksic

Secretary - Lauren Cummings

Treasurer - Greg Smith

Hospitality Chairperson - Jenny Dobbin  
Book Chairperson - Pam Timus  
Used Uniforms Chairperson - MJ Bagileo  
Mentor Chairperson - Cherri Holland

## Alumni News

The **Classes of 1989 and 1990** are holding their 31 & 30 year reunion at the Pallotti Crab Feast this fall, tentatively set for Saturday, September 19, 2020. Email **Michelle Ritchie Mattear '90** (michelle.mattear@gmail.com) or **Kelly Hoff Ruddo '89** (kellyruddo@occinc.com) or look out from communications from Pallotti with ticket prices and more info.

**Maria Grenchik Cathell '06** and husband Phillip are expecting their first child in July 2020! This will be another niece or nephew for Pallotti's Bio teacher, Ms. **Katie Grenchik '03**.

**Bryan Schmidt '18** recently graduated from Marine Boot Camp. He was named as the honor graduate and lead the platoon in his graduation ceremony.

**Darius Holiday '19** competed as a member of the **Golden Wolves football team** during the 2019 season while studying Criminal Justice at Alvernia University.

[St. Vincent Pallotti High School Alumni Association](#)

## Upcoming Events

Support our annual Spring Gala by purchasing your tickets, volunteering at the event, donating auction items, bottles of wine, or \$25 gift cards. Click on the image below for more ways to get involved.



ANNUAL SPRING GALA  
SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2020

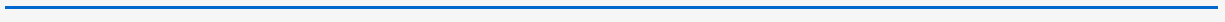
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113 St. Mary's Place, Laurel, MD 20707

TICKETS ON SALE IN  
JANUARY!

THE ROARING  
20s  
SAVE THE DATE

The poster features a black background with gold and white text. It includes silhouettes of a man in a tuxedo and a woman in a sequined dress. The bottom of the poster has a decorative border of gold fan-like patterns.

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ST. VINCENT PALLOTTI HIGH SCHOOL  
ARTS ACADEMY PRESENTS



# TALES FROM THE BAYOU

Join us for a musical adventure through the bayou

April 17 | 7:30pm  
April 18 | 2:30pm & 7:30pm  
April 19 | 2:30pm

Sister Lucy Lobby  
Seating is limited  
Tickets available at [www.pallottihs.org](http://www.pallottihs.org)  
\$10 adults | \$5 children



An original children's musical  
Books & Lyrics by Matthew McGee | Music  
by Akeira Cramer

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## Prayer Requests

Please pray for the family of Kelly Casazza '06 whose mother Rita passed away far too soon this week.

Please pray for loved friend of the Rheam family, Michelle Lizardo, who has been battling complications from pancreatitis since November 2019. Please think of her fiance and four sons as she continues to fight.

Please pray for the soul and the family of Morgan Wootten, former DeMatha basketball coach, who has worked closely with many Pallotti athletes over the years.

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## In the Community

The City of Laurel is celebrating 150 years as an incorporated city with events all year. Check out their [Facebook](#) for more information.

**St. Mary of the Mills School** is holding their annual [Open House](#) for Admissions on Sunday, January 26 from 2pm to 4pm.

Information on SAT Prep classes can be found [here](#).

Prince George's County Youth Work [Summer Enrichment Program](#) for students

Pallotti's Director of Theatrical Arts, **Mr. Chris Dwyer**, is the lead role in a rendition of Leaves of America at the Greenbelt Arts Center Feb 21, 22, 23, 28, 29 and March 1; as well as at the Laurel Mill Playhouse from March 21-23.

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