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#### KEEPING OLD SAINTS CONNECTED





## From the Old Saints' President

Since the last edition of Dovetails in April, the Old Saints have been delighted to support the College community in a number of ways.

The Old Saints partnered with Grace Itzstein, ASC Careers Counsellor, by assisting at the College's Careers Expo. Each year this event gets bigger and better, and this year was no exception, with two Old Saints even bringing a motor racing car and an ambulance along!

The success of this event followed on to celebrating Heritage Week, with three Sausage Sizzles hosted by the Old Saints. During the week over 700 sausages were flipped by our enthusiastic committee members for the students. This celebration culminated in a great Alumni versus Students sport event which included games of basketball, netball and soccer. The Old Saints sponsored prizes in the Kindergarten to Year 6 Art Competition which had the very thought-provoking theme - What is the most important quality in a school leader? The students' entries were outstanding and demonstrated that we can look forward to some outstanding leaders in the future.

I hope to see many of you at Beer, Bubbles & Bites, on Saturday, 31 October, which is a free event. Last year it was a wonderful evening and I hope you will enjoy returning to ASC, seeing the new College buildings, networking with other Old Saints and reconnecting with old school friends. There will be a full serviced bar available and we are also excited to have the annual Art, Design & Technologies' Exhibition on display and live music from The Two Cent Professionals (featuring some Old Saints).

Partnerships between the Old Saints and the College provide opportunities and enhance our community, engage the students and make a positive difference in uniting the College with the Old Saints.

Michael McPhail (2012) Old Saints' President





## Class of 1995 – 20 Year Reunion

On Friday, 5 June 2015 over 35 former students attended their 20 Year Reunion at The Tradewinds Hotel, East Fremantle.

Thank you to all who attended:

Aimee Tinsley (née Buss), Alex Mason, Andrew Goddard, Andrew Joyce, Ash Heuchan, Ash Verbickis (née Fick), Bayan Massoudi, Ben Williams, Caroline Wise, Caroline Eadie (née Burbidge), Chris Richardson, Cindy Yeo, David Dicks, E-Wen Ong, Glen Lyons, Jacqueline Pozzari, Jamie Gilroy, Kane Carlson, Keith Pomeroy, Kelly Bodman, Kyle Nowak, Lisa Rooke, Luke Coxon, Matthew Neal, Merridy Parr, Michael Andrewartha, Nathan Skepper, Nicole Heatley (née Springer), Omesh Motiwalla, Pippa Alexander (née Edwards), Rebecca McCrackan, Richard Sellwood, Ryan Valente, Sally Ward, Scott Martyn, Shawn Brogden and Susan Ghent.

Special thanks to the enthusiastic members who travelled a few extra miles to attend. Ryan from Dubai, Pippa from Brisbane, Jamie from New South Wales and Matthew from Singapore.

Heritage Week

The Old Saints are delighted to have supported the annual ASC Heritage Week which had a theme of Leadership in 2015.

Students who participated in various events during the week were awarded House points to encourage them to become involved with activities and learn about the College's heritage. The points go towards winning the perpetual Heritage Week House Cup which the Old Saints introduced this year.

The Junior School students (Kindergarten to Year 6) produced some outstanding works in the Art Competition with the challenging title, What is the most important quality in a school leader? The subject incorporated the theme of Heritage Week (Leadership) with the *Leader In Me* program which the College has recently introduced – linking Heritage Week with the curriculum.

Junior and Senior School Sausage Sizzles were hosted by Old Saints, who cooked and sold their culinary delights to raise \$485 for the Ethan Davies Scholarship for brain cancer research in children. The scholarship was established by Old Saint, Shannon Davies (1999), and his wife, Christie-Lee.

Thank you to all the Old Saint chefs: Liam Donaldson (2013). Adam Goor (2007), Sonia Johnson (née Reed), (1985), Felicity Ivey (née Scott) (1986), Erin Kerr (2003), Bruce Lee (1986), Aaron Musgrave (2013), Karyn Osmetti (2006), Tim Russell (1990) and Adrienne Wright (née Hartley) (1986).

#### **Our Former College Principals**



Dr Eric Speed 1980 - 1987



Mr Anthony London 1987 - 2000





Rev Peter Laurence Dr Geoffrev Shaw 2003 - 2011



















## Old Saints versus Students Sports Event - a huge success

The 2015 Heritage Week culminated in a wonderful alumni versus students sport event on Friday, 14 August.

This year three sports were played simultaneously in the Indoor Sports Centre and on the College Oval – Netball, Basketball and Soccer. The students won the inaugural shield in 2014 and the Old Saints were keen to have the upper hand this year to win the shield back. The games were fun, yet competitive and finished in a draw which was a great reflection of the talent and consistency of both groups. The students defeated the Old Saints in Netball 19–18. After four guarters of Basketball, the score was tied 36-36 and in the Soccer match, the Old Saints won in a penalty shoot-out after scores were tied at the end of regular time.

Nineteen Old Saints returned to participate in the matches and we thank them for their involvement. We look forward to increasing the numbers next year with the aim of winning the shield outright! Aaron Musgrave (2013) contributed to a festive atmosphere with his talented DJ skills.

Thank you to Daniel Lambert (2014) for coordinating the Old Saints teams and to those who participated: Arif Atkins (2014), Mark Balding (1998), Oliver Beath (1998), Michael Everett (2009), Rahni Greene (2002), Daniel Lambert (2014), Gavin Lambert (1985), Kristina Lang (2014), Hannah Lewis (2013), Petra Lushey (2002), Alistair Monson (1987), George Phipps (2014), Briana Preimesberger (2013), Nicolas Ruhbach (2014), Cameron Steinsvaag (2013), Pragya Srivastava (2014), Xin Jie Tan (2014), Emily Werner (2014) and Sue Wilson (1985).



# Giving back in our community



#### Renata De Azevedo (2013)

Renata recently gained valuable experience from working on a community project run by Curtin University's John Curtin Leadership Academy (ICLA). Her group project was for the not-for-profit organisation, Rise, which supports people with disability, mental health, aged care, caregivers and youth. The group helped develop a community kitchen in Kalamunda to provide meaningful activities for those that Rise supports and also for the general public. The scope of the project was to develop a business plan, consult the community and help with the marketing promotion. Renata says "I am delighted to have been selected as a mentor for the program next semester and proud to know that we could be making such a positive difference within the community."



#### Vikky Brown (2009)

Vikki has been involved in a JCLA group project with St Barts, a transitional home for the homeless in East Perth, providing them with a place to live while rediscovering their ability to become independent again. Vikki's project was to create a new courtyard garden for the home, discuss with residents what they would like in the garden, design the courtyard, seek St Barts approval and carry out the physical work themselves, and remain within the designated budget. Vikki says "The experience was both eye-opening and rewarding. It taught us valuable skills. Many residents were skilled craftsmen who taught us the basics of woodwork, brickwork and art."



#### Bruce Lee (1986)

Bruce started helping with delivering food for the Leeming Food Hampers 13 years ago. Bruce helps for three hours every few months and says; 'It's not a big ask but seems to be a big help to people in crisis and in need of food urgently. The quality and quantity of food has improved a lot in recent years and the help from the All Saints' students means we are not having to do the packing as well as the driving anymore. We greatly appreciate their involvement."

Donations are received from Lottery West and the Perth Anglican Diocese to purchase food, and food donations are received from parishioners, the College community and Fremantle region Rotary clubs. It is a weekend Emergency Food Service delivering every Saturday to an average of 16 to 18 families south of the river. Although operated by The Parish of Bull Creek-Leeming it includes volunteers from several Parishes, the College and the general community.

## ASC Vision - Making a positive difference in the world

# Old Saints' Weddings



## Omesh Motiwalla (1995)

Omesh's wedding in Bombay, was a lavish seven day affair in April. Omesh and his bride, Yasmin, were surrounded by a fine contingent of Old Saints. He was delighted 10 school friends made the trip to see them marry and enjoy wearing stunning Indian outfits for the occasion. Omesh and Yasmin enjoyed their honeymoon in Provence, France.

Left to right: Nicole Andrewartha (née Daniel) (2000), Michael Andrewartha (1995), Sally Ward (1995), John Lister (1995), Rebecca McCrackan (1995), Evan Jones (1995), Omesh Motiwalla (1995), Yasmin Motiwalla – the bride, Tony Smith (1995), Rhett Jones (1999), Brad Hogan-Smith (1995) and Zohair Motiwalla (1993)

## We'd love to hear from you

Recently married? Started a family? Graduated from university or travelling the world? Whatever you are up to we'd love to hear from you. Email the Alumni & Promotions Officer: **mary.thornton@allsaints.wa.edu.au** and share details of your career, life and photographs.



## Ashleigh Skipworth (née Dewar) (2006)

Ashleigh Dewar (2006) married Tom Skipworth on Saturday, 14 March 2015 at the Round House, Fremantle - after being together for nine years. A cocktail reception was held at Moore & Moore Cafe and Art Gallery in Fremantle. Hayley Hope (2006) was a bridesmaid. Other Old Saint friends in attendance were: Brendan Clark (2001), Kristi Collins (2005), Mitch Collins (2008), Sarah Green (2009), Shannon King (2004), Pip Lambert (2006), Merrin Lowe (2001), Rebecca Senior (2005), Caitlyn Thomas (2008)

## Adam Goor (2007)

After getting engaged on a wet night in winter, it was only fitting that Adam Goor and Jennie Lavery were married on a rainy day in April. Blessed with a period of rain-free sunshine, they tied the knot at a beautiful park in Gosnells, before dancing the night away with friends and family at their reception in Maddington. Their special day was attended by Old Saints Matthew Goor (2006), Adrienne Leahy (2007), Tim Mackenzie (2007), Amy Prentice (2006), Alexander Sinclair (2007) and their fantastic DJ Joshua Wasley (2006).



# Speaker's Corner at ASC

The Speaker's Corner program warmly welcomes Old Saints back to the College to share their career journey with interested students.



Matt Cornish (2008) (top left) talked of his pathway to becoming a Law graduate at Jackson McDonald.

**Brad Franklin (2006)** (centre left) works for BHP Billiton and spoke to students about his double degree (old system) at UVVA in Engineering and Law. Brad explained the importance of networking, obtaining as much work experience as possible and volunteering time towards uni activities.

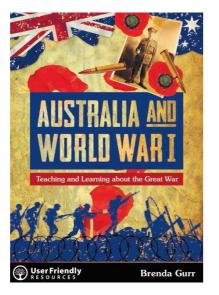


Jordan Korol (2012) (bottom left) told of his aim to study Graduate Medicine at UWA. Students heard how he prepared for the UMAT while still at school and the GAMSAT in his second and third years of his undergraduate degree. Jordan waits to hear if he is successful in being accepted for 2016.

#### George Tyler (2009) spoke of his passion for Occupational Therapy and how diversified the career options are in this profession. George encouraged students to travel abroad as much as possible and to consider living overseas via the Study Abroad programs that universities offer.

Have you published a book?

Authors - we'd love to hear from you!



#### Brenda Gurr (née Palmer) (1989)

After leaving school, Brenda completed her studies in English and Education and then worked as a speech and drama teacher. Brenda is now a freelance writer and editor, with several fiction and nonfiction books for children published. Her latest book is Australia and World War I, published with User Friendly Resources. As a winner of the Institute of Professional Editors' 2014 Essay Prize, Brenda spoke at the 2015 Australian Conference for Editors, Indexers and Publishing Professionals in Canberra in May. She lives outside Melbourne with her husband Michael Gurr (1989) and their two sons.

## Class of 2014 share some advice

Thank you to: Jaslyn Wee, Thea Wong, James Clifford, Daniel Lambert, Andre Tabuteau, Benjamin Chia, Joshua Nicholls and Davina Daudu for returning to ASC and advising the current Year 12 students on study techniques for their upcoming exams.





## Careers Expo a resounding success

The 2015 Careers Expo was well supported by 23 Old Saints who chatted with Year 10 students about their chosen career path in a relaxed and informal setting.

Each year, current students comment how rewarding it is to talk to Old Saints who provide honest, down-to-earth, facts about their various careers – not just the ultimate rewards, but the pitfalls and diversions they may have experienced along their career journey.

ASC Careers Counsellor, Grace Itzstein, is most appreciative to the many Old Saints who so generously give up their evening to help students gain a better understanding of the wide selection of career choices available. The knowledge they share with current students is invaluable.

Various career avenues were represented:

Accounting & Finance - Simon Acomb (2010) Accountant Auditing, Omesh Motiwalla (1995) Chartered Accountant, Alasdair Taylor-Newman (2008) Stockbroker; Animal Health and Agriculture - Casey Hogue (2011) Veterinary Nurse, Hannah Lewis (2013) Veterinary Science student; Australian Aid - Dept of Foreign Affairs and Trade - Emily Rainey (1994) Federal Public Servant; Building & Construction - Steve Long (2011) Building Surveyor; Business/ Commerce/Info Tech - Liam Donaldson (2013) Commerce/Marketing student, Trevor Bloking (2009) e-Commerce, Mark Balding (1988) IT General Manager; Education - Gemma Brogden (2002) Primary Teacher; Engineering - Adam Millachip (2013) Chemical Engineer Student, Michael Millett (2010) Mechanical Engineer - UWA Motorsport, Michael Andrewartha (1995) Mechanical Engineer/Naval Architecture; Health Sciences and Care - Jordan Korol (2012) Bachelor of Sport Science Health and Science student, Caroline Eadie (1995) Enrolled Nurse, Aaron Pittaway (2011) St Johns Ambulance, Philipa Seth (2011) Physiotherapy student; Shannon Beattie (2010) Journalist and Historian; Law - Matt Cornish (2008) Law Graduate, Anna Hitomi (2010) Law/Psychology student, Shannon Davies (1999) Senior Associate Lawyer and Small Business Owner - Micah Earnshaw (1995) DJ - Producer and Musical Director.

## Where are they now?



## Shannon Beattie (2010)

Congratulations to Shannon Beattie who was recently awarded the Channel 7 Best News Prize.

This prize is awarded to an undergraduate studying Journalism at Murdoch University and achieves the highest results in a Video Journalism unit.

The award was presented to Shannon by Channel 7 News Director, Howard Gretton, at the Governance Award Ceremony in April.



## Deborah Tsai (2011)

Deborah competed in the Australian Synchronized Swimming Team at the World Championships in July.

They beat New Zealand to become the top team in the Oceania region which qualifies them to compete in the 2016 Olympics.

Out of the 12 team members in the National squad only nine will be selected to go to the Olympics. We wish Deborah the best of luck while she waits for the final team to be officially selected.



## Zac James (2007)

Zac studied at WAAPA and made his acting debut in a TV series, 8MWM.

8MWM aired on ABC this year about an Aboriginal-owned and run radio station in Alice Springs and took a satirical look at the trials and tribulations of the main characters and some of the issues facing Indigenous Australia.

Zac has also written and performed in a number of creative pieces for Yirra Yaakin Theatre Company and appeared in *Songbird* at the Blue Room Theatre in July. Zac will soon start filming his next TV series, *Scaredy Blaks*, which is a horror comedy. In his spare time, Zac has been touring through communities around Australia facilitating workshops about safe sex, drug abuse, poetry, writing and music.



## Sarah Zel Chescoe (1991)

Sarah launched her self-labelled jewellery, leather and homewares collection, Sarah Zel Chescoe, four years ago. Sarah was inspired to create a range of symbolic silver jewellery and works with a silversmith in Ubud to bring her designs to fruition.

The collection has recently introduced leather bags, clutches and homewares with new designs across the range including 'Urban Nomad' bags in soft leather, animal print 'Colloquial' clutches and 'Amazonia' embossed leather wallets. After completing a Bachelor of Visual Arts with Honours and a Graduate Diploma of Education from Curtin University, Sarah taught Visual Arts in Perth's leading private schools including All Saints' from 1999 – 2001.

If you would like to win one of Sarah's pieces, book your tickets for *Beer, Bubbles & Bites* and RSVP by Monday, 19 October 2015 to go into the draw!

## **BEER, BUBBLES & BITES**

Back to All Saints' for Old Saints!

- Date: Saturday, 31 October 2015
- Time: 6.00pm 10.00pm
- Venue: Centre for Performing Arts All Saints' College
- Tickets: This is a FREE EVENT! Please RSVP for catering purposes by Monday, 19 October www.trybooking.com/156635 - and to go into the draw to win a prize!

All former students and staff (over 10 years' service) welcome!

- Entertainment from The Two Cent Professionals
- Art, Design & Technologies' Exhibition on display
- Moonlight Campus Tour
- Heritage Display
- Bar and canapés
- Beer, wine, champagne \$5.00 a glass