

# St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School

## ALUMNI & DEVELOPMENT NEWSLETTER

### MARCH 2023


The start of the Spring season is just around the corner, and these next few months are filled with so much excitement! Meanwhile, in the spirit of **Lent**, we pray that our faith guide us through this time of repentance and reflection. We wish you all a Blessed Easter with your families.

Save the Date

## Upcoming Events



## ALUMNI & DEVELOPMENT CALENDAR



March 2023 \$0.10

# THE NEWS

## Extra! Extra!

St. John the Baptist DHS  
Presents

Disney's

# NEWSIES!

The Musical

**THREE** chances to enjoy!

Thursday, March 16, 2023	7:30 p.m.
Friday, March 17, 2023	7:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 18, 2023	7:30 p.m.



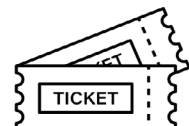
Purchase Tickets at  
[stjohnthebaptistdhs.net/spring-musical](http://stjohnthebaptistdhs.net/spring-musical)



Don't miss out on this year's Spring Musical!



[Click here](#) to purchase tickets.





**New York State  
Catholic Conference**  
THE OFFICIAL VOICE OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE EMPIRE STATE

As lawmakers work out the details of the New York State budget, it's vital that we fight for funding to support tuition-paying families and critical services to our Catholic schools. Now is the time to add your voice so that our parents and students get their fair share.

[www.nyscatholic.org](http://www.nyscatholic.org) **Action Center**



**2023  
Gentlemen's  
Dinner**

**Thursday  
June 8, 2023  
6:00 p.m.**

**View Restaurant  
Oakdale, NY**

You are cordially invited to attend our annual  
**Gentlemen's Dinner**  
Honoring



Mr. Edward Hickey  
Man of Vision  
Award Honoree



Dr. John Vullo  
Jack Lessing  
Meritorious Award Honoree



Mr. James Doran  
Visionary  
Award Honoree

**PLEASE RESERVE YOUR PACKAGE TODAY.  
A SELLOUT IS EXPECTED!**

<https://stjohnthebaptistdhs.net/gentlemens-dinner>

For further information, please contact Joanne Jones  
631-587-8000 x 176  
[jones@sjbdhs.org](mailto:jones@sjbdhs.org)



[Click here](#) to reserve your spot today!





# ALUMNI SPOTLIGHTS!



What have you been up to?  
We love seeing what our alumni accomplish.  
Send any updates to [alumni@sjbdhs.org](mailto:alumni@sjbdhs.org)!

## John Lazzaro '05 Publishes Book *A Vanishing New York*

*New York is filled with forsaken buildings, each ravaged by the exploits of modernization, each having fascinating histories. This photographic essay explores over 40 of the most evocative abandoned sites in the Empire State and puts their individual stories in the larger context of New York's historical legacy. Photographer and author John Lazzaro traveled the state, capturing what's left of such places before they are inevitably swept away by time.*



*The story of  
DiCarlo Food Service,  
a family affair of 60 years  
on Long Island  
As featured on [greaterlongisland.com](http://greaterlongisland.com)*

[Click here](#) for the full story.

**SJB ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT**

WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE

**CLASS OF 1972**

FOR THEIR GENEROUS DONATION OF  
A NEW SAILBOAT, TO BE NAMED

***SPIRIT OF 72.***



A special announcement for all alumni!  
SJB is bringing back...

# CAREER DAY!



## Career Day



at St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School

The Alumni Department at St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School is bringing back Career Day!

Career Day allows former SJB Cougars to once again enter the halls of their high school and educate young minds on the MANY different occupations they will have the chance to further explore after graduation.

We are excited to announce the return of Career Day for the upcoming 2023-2024 school year!

While precise dates have yet to be determined, we ask anyone who may be interested in participating to please complete the *Career Day Interest Form* on our website. Once you have completed the form, stay tuned for more details.

[Click here](#) to access the Interest Form.



# Office of Advancement & Development looks back on this year's **PACK OUT FOR OUR TROOPS**



Special thanks to all those who collaborated and contributed to this meaningful effort. With the help and support of many, 200 care packages were shipped out to the troops aiding Ukraine.

Throughout the month of January, students, parents, faculty, staff, and friends donated items to be included in each care package. On Tuesday, January 24th, volunteers combined their efforts to prepare each parcel for mailing.



The "Pack-Out" was hosted in partnership with Good Samaritan University Hospital, the American Legion West Islip Post 1738, and the Dennis P. Keenan Foundation. In addition, Our Lady of Peace School hosted a "Socks for Soldiers" Drive in support of our campaign, and generously donated an abundance of socks.

# REUNIONS!



## SJB Class of 1973 50 Year Reunion

Friday, August 25th

6 p.m. - 10 p.m. **Hot & Cold Buffet**  
Captain Bill's **Open Bar**

122 Ocean Ave, Bay Shore

Saturday, August 26th

6 p.m. - 10 p.m. **Hot & Cold Buffet**  
AO Hibernians **Beer/Wine/Soda**

65 Champlin Ave, E. Islip

\*Stay tuned for more information about  
a campus tour and Mass

Guests are  
welcome for  
same ticketed price

**Package Price!**  
**\$150 for both nights**

Hotel Reservations (due by 7/25):  
Courtyard Islip Courthouse Complex  
(888) 236-2427 (code- SSB)

Questions? Contact Diane (dpcolgan55@gmail.com)

Registration is now available for the

## SJB Class of 1973 50 Year Reunion!

In honor of this milestone, the class is  
celebrating with an  
exclusive two-day  
event. Tickets are \$150 per  
person and include entry to both nights.

[Click here](#) to register.

For Hotel Accommodations:

Courtyard Long Island Islip/Courthouse  
Complex for \$249-\$269/night.

For reservations, please call (888)  
236-2427 [group rate code: **SSB**] and  
provide the full group name which is *St.  
John the Baptist H.S. Reunion 1973*.

If you have any questions, please  
contact Diane at  
dpcolgan55@gmail.com.

## Attention SJB Class of 1983!

Planning for the 40 Year Reunion has officially begun!

*Save the Date!*

## SJB Class of 1983 40 Year Reunion

Saturday, September 23, 2023  
Hibernian Hall, East Islip

Stay tuned for more information!





# ALUMNI INFORMATION

Are you looking to coordinate your next class reunion?!  
Whether you'll be celebrating 10 or 30+ years of Cougar Pride, we're  
here to help!

Some tips to get you started:

- \*Keep us in the loop! Contact our Alumni Coordinator (Ms. Jessica Vespa) at [alumni@sjbdhs.org](mailto:alumni@sjbdhs.org) or 631-587-8000 x 162
- \*Create a Facebook Page for your class (if you don't have one already) and accumulate interest from former classmates who may want to participate in planning as an active member in your reunion committee.
- \*Collect pricing information for local venues and brainstorm when and where.
- \*Don't rule out SJB! Multiple locations throughout our campus may double as the perfect event space for your reunion.
- \*Upon request, we can provide you with your class list and a "save the date" to get you started.

## Stay Connected!

Have you recently moved or changed your email address? Perhaps you haven't updated your information since graduation? In any case, there is now an easy way to inform us of changes to your contact details! Just fill out the brief Alumni Information Form on our website to update your records and never miss out on SJB Alumni news.

[Click here](#) to access the SJB Alumni Information Form.



<https://stjohnthebaptistdhs.net/alumni-homepage>



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