



POWER MEMORIAL ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC.

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November 30, 2017

Dear Members of the Power Memorial Academy Community (Alumni, faculty, friends and family):

Summary of Power Memorial Academy Alumni Association Board of Directors Meeting

November 18, 2017

The Board met at 12 noon at the Christian Brothers Foundation offices at 260 Wilmot Road, in New Rochelle. It is in the large colonial house across from Iona Prep. Our host was Rich Carter, Development Associate for the Christian Brothers Foundation. He personally looked at the 4 draw file cabinet that contains transcripts of Power students (whether graduated or not) stored at All Hallows High School. This cabinet contained just under 10,000 names from opening of Power in 1931 to its closing in 1984.

- Attendance:
 - Mike Kelly
 - John Torres
 - Brian McCann
 - Norm Jardine
 - Rick Martin
 - Chick Pisani
 - Kevin Bolbach (phone)
 - Joe DeFazio (phone)
 - Steve Kallas (guest)
 - Absent
 - Kevin McGeary
 - Carl Hall
 - Sean Crowley
 - John Begley
 - Ed Kelly

- Steve Kallas was introduced to the board his bio is known to the board from his induction to Power Memorial Academy Hall of Fame, inducted on November 4, 2017. He was asked to leave the meeting.

- Election to Board of Steve Kallas
 - Motion to elect Kallas proposed by Mike Kelly, seconded by Brian McCann, passed unanimously. Vote included two on phones (Kevin Bolbach and Joe DeFazio)
- Steve invited back to meeting and Mike Kelly distributed new list of board members
- Financial report
 - Kevin Bolbach sent an email earlier today, a financial recap of the November 4, 2017 dinner.

Income Statement	Preliminary Figures
Revenue	
Reunion	15,435.00
50/ 50	2,165.00
Merchandise	4,005.00
Journal	3,845.20
Donations	355.00
Bank	200.00
	26,005.20
Expenses	
Facility	11,385.00
Bank	200.00
50/ 50	1,080.00
Printing	457.70
Certificate Frames	63.88
Merchandise	3,981.50
PayPal Fees	
Square Fees	
Flowers	38.39
	17,206.47
Net Income	8,798.73

- Our head count had 160, ICC arranged for 170, and we compromised at 165.

- Memorabilia
 - Board to consider the legacy of Memorabilia at future meeting
- Discussion on company trying to sell shirts with Power name on Internet without permission
 - Chick to handle with Christian Brothers attorney
- Participation at NYC parade meeting on Nov. 30th 7 pm at Cathedral High School
 - Parade committee still working on their own leadership/organizational issues
 - PMAAA will be represented by Brian McCann and Kevin McGearly
 - Rich Carter gave board members a precis on how the Christian Brothers foundation solicits donations (and is willing to share the name of the printing shop that can mail merge these solicitations)
- Set date for next meeting
 - Mike Kelly
 - to arrange meeting at St. Joseph's residence on Montgomery Circle
 - Arrange agenda
 - Saturday, January 20, 2018, if weather poor, move meeting to next week
 - Saturday, February, 2018
 - Agenda to finalize Remembrance Mass and Parade organizational matters to be held at Immaculate Conception Center, to keep energy rolling on reunion.

Newsletter details:

1. SAVE THE DATES:

- a. First, more detail information on these events can be found at <http://www.powermemorialacademy.com/causes.html>



- b. Saturday, March 10, 2018 at 10:00 am Mass of Remembrance, at St. Paul the Apostle Church at 60th Street & Columbus Ave. Reception to follow in parish hall. Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Gerald Walsh, retired Vicar of the Archdiocese, class of 1959. His concelebrants will be other Power grads that entered the priesthood or hold the position of deacon.

- c. Saturday, March 17, 2018 St. Patrick's Parade, Line up outside Roosevelt Hotel.



at 1 p.m. Line up outside of Roosevelt Hotel at 45th between Madison & Vanderbilt Ave. Bring your sash, new sashes will be available for sale at the parade. You can attend the Post Parade Party even if you don't march. In keeping with the PMA winning tradition, the Power contingent received an award in recognition of their outstanding performance and participation in the 2017 parade.



- d. Saturday, March 17, 2018, Power Post Parade Party at Cathedral High School, 350 East 56th street (off 1st Avenue)
- e. Register for these events on the Power web site.

2. Anniversary Classes, 1958, 1968, 1973, 1978



- a. Volunteer
- b. Consider being a class chair for your year or serving on the class reunion committee, we will give you your classmates Names and email addresses. If you want to volunteer, contact Chick Pisani at a.chickpisani1@verizon.net.
- c. If yours is an anniversary class, pencil in the Date, hope to see you there.

3. SPECIAL EVENTS:

- a. During the summer of 2018, the Board invites all alumni to attend a concert performed by the Nassau Pops Symphony Orchestra. This group is composed of Long Island high school music teachers and performs a full summer concert series in many of the parks in Nassau County. A typical evening might include famous classical overtures, light classical favorites, medleys from the great Broadway shows such as My Fair Lady, Phantom of the Opera, Les Miserables, or Oklahoma, music from the movies and television, and marches by John Philip Sousa. It is led by Maestro Louis Panacciulli, a member of the Power Hall of Fame and a graduate of 1968.
- b. Keep an eye out for the date. We are waiting for the orchestra's summer schedule to be finalized.

4. YEAR IN REVIEW:

- a. March 11, 2017, the annual Power Memorial Academy Remembrance Mass, held at St. Paul the Apostle Church on Columbus Avenue. This annual event kicks off the year. The priestly con-celebrants are all members of the Power community.
- b. March 17, 2017 marked the 15th year of the return to the line of march for the St. Patrick's Day parade in 2003. As always, Power men march proudly in proper business attire.
- c. November 4, 2017, 160 Power grads attended the annual all class reunion and 7th Hall of Fame induction ceremony at the Immaculate Conception Center, 7200 Douglaston Boulevard, Douglaston, Queens. Sean Crowley '83 was the Master of Ceremonies. One, of the many highlights of the evening was the presentation of \$12,500 to President Ronald Schutte of All Hallows High School which brings the total amount to \$100,000.00 donated to All Hallows. This money will endow a series of scholarships, in the name of Power Memorial Academy for deserving students.

- d. Members inducted into the Hall were:
 - i. Maestro Gene Morra, Power Band Director (posthumously)
 - 1. He was introduced by: Lou Panacciulli
 - 2. His grandson, Anthony DiMaria accepted this honor
 - ii. Steve Kallas, JD, class of 1971
 - 1. He was introduced by his classmate Tom Danko
 - iii. Brendon Malone, Coach of Power Basketball and Baseball teams during the 1970's
 - 1. He was introduced by Sean Crowley '83
 - iv. Anthony "Tony" Colon, Track Star , class of 1970
 - 1. Introduced by Andy Walsh '69
 - v. Power Basketball Team of 1972, NYCCHSAA Champions
 - 1. Team:
 - a. Tom Weadock
 - b. Bob Misevicius
 - c. Herb Rhaburn
 - d. Glenn Kolonics
 - e. Rodney Evans
 - f. Steve Richardson
 - g. Charlie Ryan
 - h. Eugene Saunders
 - i. Dennis Neary
 - j. James Jackson
 - k. Michael Smith
 - l. Jose Nava
 - m. Gregory Seely
 - 2. Introduced by Sean Crowley

- **Power Memorial Academy social media:**

1. Rick Martin is the social media “guru” for the alumni association. Help him out by joining the Facebook Power Alumni group:



If you are on Facebook, simply send an invitation, with the name of your principal, to validate. If not on Facebook, join. If need help with the technology contact Rich, his email address is: rpm15@msn.com,



2. LinkedIn: If you are a LinkedIn member, there is a Power Memorial Academy Alumni group. Simply send an invitation, with the name of your principal, to validate. There are some non-Power grads that “snuck” in, but it is tough to remove them. This site under the control of the Power Memorial Academy Alumni Board of Trustees.

- **Final Dismissal**

Class of 1942

Robert F. Woisin

Class of 1949

Fr. John Crowley

Class of 1950

Fr. Michael Dempsey

Class of 1952

William Hickey

Class of 1954

John Patrick Byrne

Thomas Hickey

Class of 1956

Terry Whelan

Class of 1960

Thomas F. Matthews, Jr.

Class of 1967

Thomas Burke

William Burke

Class of 1972

Edward White

Class of 1975

Daniel T. Aquino

Class of 1978

Denis O'Brien

Class of 1984

John Hick

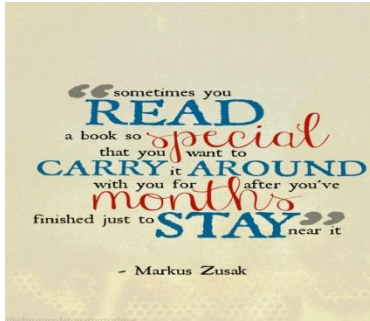
▪ **Last minute notes:**

- Bishop Gerald Walsh, class of 1959 retired from his post as Vicar of the archdiocese of NY (He was the number 2, reporting directly to the Cardinal). The Cardinal asked him to continue as the Vicar for the Clergy of the Archdiocese. In July, the Board collected \$1,500 to donate to the Dunwoodie seminary in honor of Bishop Walsh's 50th anniversary to the priesthood. Earlier this year, along with many of his diocesan confreres, received the St. John the Baptist medal for his work in the Hispanic Community



- Request for submission of articles, updates of personal situations, new jobs, grandchildren, anniversaries, reunions, volunteer activities, retirements, pictures, etc.

If you have any submissions for future Alumni newsletters, please send to Norman Jardine, editor, at Njardine@aol.com



- AUTHOR AUTHOR
 - Jack O'Keefe, taught at Power in early 1970's, left ICB in 1972, his book, Brother Sleeper Agent: The Plot to Kill FDR. Sent during WWII, it revolves around an Irish immigrant, recruited to enroll at Power and entertain a religious life by joining the ICBs. West Park, the ICB training academy, is located directly across the Hudson River from the Roosevelt estate in Hyde Park. From here, the protagonist will plan to assassinate FRB
 - The Cancer Fighting Cookbook, by the Chef Rich Lombardi, the Cancer Fighting Chef, Power class of 1960. Chef Lombardi donated two of these books for auction at the All Class Reunion to raise funds for the scholarship funds (editor's notes, I won one bid at \$50.00. My wife is already reading it for ideas).
 - Power Memorial Academy Hall of Fame Member, Kareem Abdul Jabbar, Class of 65, a prolific author (13 books and counting) is on a tour promoting his latest book: Coach Wooden and Me : Our 50-Year Friendship On and Off the Court

President's Letter

November/December 2017

Dear Brother Panthers,

As we have been taught at Power, I wish to remind you to be aware of those who are less fortunate during the Holiday season and throughout the year.

Just to recap this past year's PMAAA activities, we had a very nice showing at the Mass of Remembrance with over 100 alumni and their families where we paid tribute to our deceased Faculty & Alumni. As always, Bishop Gerald Walsh '59 was the Main Celebrant.

The St Patrick's Day Parade proved to be another great day for us as we marched up 5th Ave showing our colors. The parade committee, again, presented us with an award for our orderly formation and professional attire.

During the summer, some of us attended a concert by the Nassau County Pops Orchestra, conducted by our own Maestro Lou Pannaciulli '68. Watching Lou's mannerisms while conducting, was like watching Mr. Morra conduct the Power Band.

Our annual Hall of Fame/Reunion dinner was held this past November 4 at the Immaculate Conception Center in Douglaston Queens, NY. There were over 150 alumni and guests in attendance with a very strong showing of past Hall of Famers. Again, I wish to extend my congratulations to the 2017 Hall of Fame inductees: Mr. Brendan Malone, Mr. Edgidio Morra (posthumous), Steve Kallas '71, Tony Colon '70 and the 1972 Championship Basketball Team.

I would also like to extend hearty congratulations to Steve Kallas '71, who was recently elected onto the Board of Trustees of the Power Memorial Academy Alumni Association. He has expressed a deep and enthusiastic interest to be part of the board. We look forward to working with him.

I look forward to seeing you at the Mass of Remembrance, March 10, 2018 at St. Paul the Apostle Church and at the St. Patrick's Day Parade and Post Parade Party on Saturday March 17, 2018.

I wish you all a Blessed Christmas Season and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Pro Christo Rege,

Andrew "Chick" Pisani '70

President, PMAAA