



November 2022



President's

Message

Dear Lancer Families,

Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas! May God bless you and your family during this sacred season of gratitude. I wish you the joy of creating treasured memories with family and friends.

On behalf of the Salpointe community, I thank you for doing your part -- as students, parents, past parents, alums and employees -- to make our school a welcoming, inclusive place where prayer, service and community are more than a list of values.

In spite of the challenge we face with the devastating fire that destroyed the 700 wing on July 17, Lancer life is filled with energy and joy. Our students are oblivious to the fire damage; they are focusing on the signature Salpointe experience as they should be!

We are a community of hope, courage and resilience. Salpointe Catholic intends to "Rise Above" this challenge, to think big and to turn adversity into opportunity. We won't rebuild for the past; we will build for the future.

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Kay Sullivan

President

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Felipe Garcia '23



Felipe Garcia '23 strives to make a difference in the world. He is passionate about government and mental health and decided to combine those two passions when he got involved in the Arizona Governor's Youth Commission. Felipe proves that you are never too young or too old to raise awareness and make a difference. On October 17, Felipe spoke at the Arizona State Capitol as part of his work on behalf of the commission. At the State Capitol, he presented key findings from his youth mental health research to the Teen Mental Health House Ad Hoc Committee. Salpointe Catholic interviewed him to learn about this endeavor:

How did you initially get involved in the Arizona Governor's Youth Commission?

Like most things, it started with an email. My dad forwarded the email to me and I decided to apply on a whim. As time passed, I became more and more interested in the opportunities it would bring.

Why is mental health in teens so important?

I am glad that we are beginning to have a conversation about teen mental health- and mental health as a whole right now. Oftentimes we wait to take action until after a tragedy has occurred but the importance of mental health cognizance is prevention. Having adequate support infrastructure in place can prevent greater issues of substance abuse, drop-out rates, and in some cases mortality. Mental health encompasses many different factors that ultimately affect the well-being of a populace. Especially today, when teens are facing unprecedented challenges. Whether it be the lingering effects of the COVID pandemic or pressure from the digital sphere. On top of other existing factors such as generational trauma, adverse childhood experiences, and the normal stress of growing up. It's an ever-changing world in a time when we (teens) are growing. Mental health ties many of these factors together.

What was the primary focus of your presentation?

The primary focus of the presentation was the data and recommendations authored by the Governor's Youth Commission for the 2020-2022 terms. I covered topics such as student confidence in their support infrastructure, government campaign effectiveness, and youth viewpoints on various subjects.

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CAMPUS NEWS



Homecoming/Sals Diner

Salpointe's 2022 Homecoming & Reunion Weekend was a huge success! We welcomed back the classes of 1972, 1982, 1987, 1992, 2002 and 2012 for a spirited weekend. Over 500 Lancers celebrated the legacy and community of Salpointe!



First Annual Grandparents Day

Salpointe had their first ever Grandparents Day on **Tuesday, November 22, 2022**. All grandparents of current students were invited to attend this event. Activities included a mini humanities lesson, student assembly and campus tours. We are very excited about this new tradition!



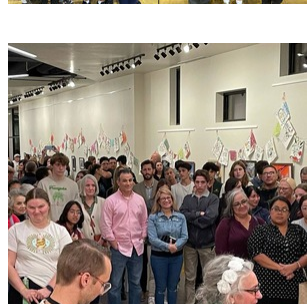
Inaugural Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration

We invite all Salpointe families to celebrate the holiday season at our inaugural Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration. Festivities begin on Wednesday, **November 30, 2022** from 5:30-7:30 pm in Junior Patio. Enjoy cookies, hot cocoa and photos with Santa!



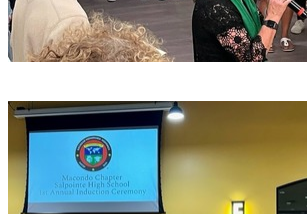
Heroes Assembly

Salpointe had our annual Heroes Assembly in November, where two special Lancers were honored. Elijah Rushing '24 received the John Glinski Award, while Bodhi Sethi '24 received the Carlos Valencia Humanitarian Award. Both of these Lancers model the characteristics of John Glinski '68 and Carlos Valencia '06, who both left us too soon due to cancer, but made a lasting impact on everyone around them. Congratulations!



Dia de los Muertos Art Reception

Over 500 students, parents, faculty and alumni joined the celebration of Dia de los Muertos in Stevens Gallery. The festivities kicked off with a prayer and dedication from Fr. Edgar, O.Carm. and an opportunity to enjoy student and professional art. What a wonderful way to honor our departed loved ones.



Spanish Honor Society Induction

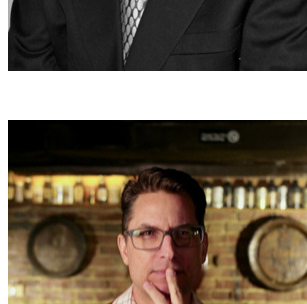
We are thrilled to announce the establishment of the Spanish Honor Society at Salpointe Catholic and the induction of 26 students into the Macondo Chapter. The American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese founded the Spanish Honor Society in 1954 for North American secondary school students. Salpointe is proud to recognize our Spanish scholars!

ALUMNI NEWS



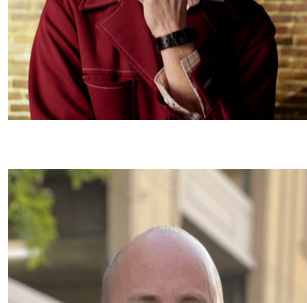
'80 Alum Receives Manager of the Year Award

Andrew Kelly, Jr '80. A B Kelly Realty and Sierra Self Storage Consulting had back to back wins for the MiniCo Mini Messenger Magazine "Self Storage Manager of the Year" award. The storage industry magazine holds a contest across 50,000 storage facilities in the USA. In 2021, Andy's management company produced the #1 manager across the storage industry and in 2022 had the first runner up. Andy is excited that his company outperformed large storage companies with quality managers during the last two years. He'll be trying for the trifecta in 2023!



'86 Alum Brings the Laughs to Amazon

Robert Mac '86 has a stand up comedy special now available on Amazon! The special was filmed right here on the Salpointe campus last year and is titled: "Robert Mac: Mac to School!" We are delighted to have been a part of Robert's comedy show. It can be purchased [here](#).



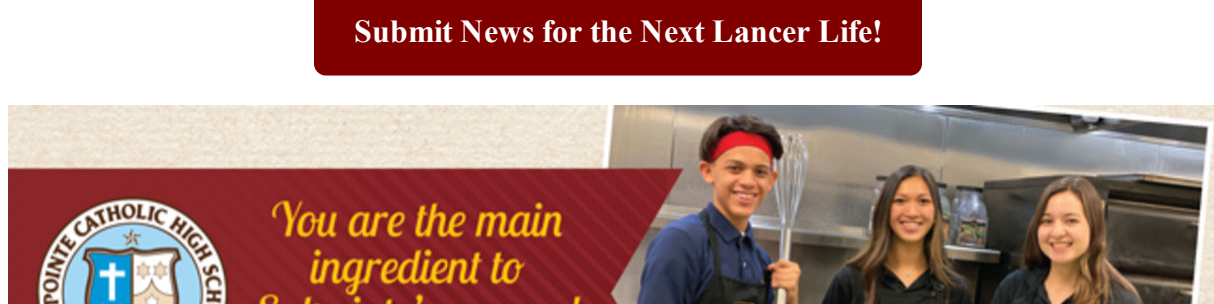
'94 Alum Receives Legacy Award

Andy Townsend '94 received the 2023 Carolyn Warner Legacy Award from the Arizona Educational Foundation. Andy was a "40 under 40" honoree (2014) by the Tucson Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, was inducted into the Sunnyside School District Hall of Fame in 2017, and is currently working toward a doctoral degree in Educational Leadership from Northern Arizona University.

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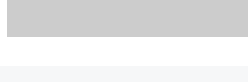
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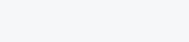


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