## **Capuchino High School Alumni Association**

**Newsletter April 2021** 



Welcome to the latest edition of the Alumni Newsletter.

## **HIGHLIGHTS**

Although COVID-19 continues to impact every aspect of our lives, the Capuchino Community does have a few bits of good news this year.

- The **Stadium Field** has been renovated and is now open for school use and rentals.
- In-person graduation will return this year. The ceremony will be by invitation only. Families can bring their own seating. Family groups will be spaced on the football field while graduates will be spaced in the stands and on the field.
- Capuchino student Siofra Linden, the Environmental Club and their advisor Rita Grover created a program to place **air quality monitors** in all of San Bruno schools. The IB Environmental Science and Biology classes will use the data from the monitors in their learning tasks for years to come. Capuchino's monitor will be installed this summer.
- The San Bruno Community Foundation awarded a grant of \$24,000 to support a Teacher
  Training Equity Summit. This amount will be matched by the San Mateo Union High School
  District. It is hoped that the training can take place in the summer of 2022 when COVID-19
  restrictions are lifted.
- Spring Musical The Capuchino and Parkside Music Departments will present a combined spring
  musical on May 7th at 7:00 pm. Check the school's website for the YouTube link.
  (https://www.smuhsd.org/capuchinohigh) This concert is all virtual as you can imagine a very
  complicated effort on the part of music directors Johnathan Hsu, Capuchino and Elyse Mahouz,
  Parkside.

## IN MEMORIAM

Capuchino lost two former staff members this year:

- Don Laclergue, Teacher and Coach and
- Kate Stillman, Counselor.

Both of these individuals were wonderful people and exceptional members of the Capuchino faculty. Please go to the Donations tab on the Alumni Website and select the scholarship fund, if you would like to make a donation honoring their years of service. An acknowledgement will be sent to their families.

We also lost a beloved coach, **Carlos Vasquez**, this year. His friends and family organized a GoFundMe campaign to honor his memory and establish a scholarship in his name. So far, they have raised \$4,940.79 for this purpose. Visit <a href="www.gofundme.com/f/carlos-vasquez-fundraiser-studentathlete-fund">www.gofundme.com/f/carlos-vasquez-fundraiser-studentathlete-fund</a> to contribute. Many thanks to all of you who have given.