March 2012

For the Alumni of St. Albans School

**Important Alumni Dates**

- **May 2, 2012**
  - Golden Bulldog Cocktail Party

- **May 4-6, 2012**
  - Reunion Weekend

- **June 8-10, 2012**
  - 50th Reunion Weekend

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**Follow Us On Twitter**

For the latest news and information about St. Albans, be sure to follow us on Twitter at [StAlbans_STA](http://twitter.com/StAlbans_STA).

**The St. Albans Community on LinkedIn**

Post your business news, advice, and job openings on the St. Albans School LinkedIn Page! With approximately 365 members, the St. Albans LinkedIn page works to connect St. Albans Bulldog alumni with each other, and the School, in mutually beneficial ways. Sign up today. ([www.linkedin.com](http://www.linkedin.com))

**Join St. Albans School on Facebook**

[STA Facebook page](http://www.facebook.com/StAlbans_STA) is the place to get the latest news and information on what is happening on the Blue and White corner of the Cathedral Close. Check it out, and become a fan or "like" us! More than 1500 folks have already joined us on Facebook...you’re next!

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**Annual Giving Update**

**Thank you for Leaping!**

Over 330 alumni "took the leap" during last month’s Leap Year Challenge ([www.stalbansschool.org/LEAP](http://www.stalbansschool.org/LEAP)) and helped St. Albans Annual Giving earn the entire $129,000 Governing Board matching pool. While the goals of the Challenge were focused on February’s 29 days, the goals of Annual Giving remain focused on ensuring student and faculty excellence every day. The exceptional generosity of our community makes these goals a reality. To everyone who took the Challenge and to all who support Annual Giving — **thank you!**

Thank you to the Class Agents, Decade Captains, and Phonathon Volunteers who helped to get the word out.

**Thank You to Our Fearless Phonathon Volunteers**

The Office of Annual Giving would like to extend a heartily “thank you” to our 30 spring Phonathon callers who joined us in the Refectory over the past three weeks for drinks, dinner, and dialing for dollars. We are incredibly grateful for your service to STA!

**Preliminary Annual Report of Donors**

The Preliminary Report of Annual Giving donors will be mailed in April to recognize all donors who have made **cash gifts** through March 30, 2012. Haven’t given your gift but want to be listed? Make a gift today using our easy online system! [stalbansschool.org/OnlineGiving](http://stalbansschool.org/OnlineGiving)

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**Save The Date!**

**Reunion Weekend 2012**

**May 4-6, 2012**

*Alumni in classes ending in 2 and 7, this is your year!*

Reunion Weekend 2012 is right around the corner. In January, check the Alumni Reunion Weekend section of the STA web site frequently for updates on registration, events, lodging, activities, and much more.

We look forward to seeing you back on the Close in May.

For more information [click here](http://www.stalbansschool.org/).
**Evensong Evensocial at the Cathedral**

Join the Cathedral 20s-and-30s group for Evensong-Evensocial. Choral Evensong will be sung by the Cathedral Choir of Men and Girls, with the Rev. Gina Campbell, officiant. The Potomac School Madrigal Singers from McLean, Virginia, will sing a choral prelude. A fellowship reception follows in the Cathedral College.

Every month young adults and young professionals (or those who just feel young at heart) gather for the Cathedral's Sunday service of Choral Evensong followed by a time of fellowship.

For additional information and questions about the Cathedral 20s and 30s Evensong and Evensocial, please email 20sand30s@cathedralcongregation.org.

Mark your calendars with the upcoming Evensong-Evensocials:

- April 15
- May 20

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**Class Secretaries**

Class notes for the winter 2012 issue of the St. Albans Bulletin are due **October 5, 2012**. Please submit your class notes and photographs (with captions) by October 5, 2012, to Robin Boswell. Please submit them in electronic format. We prefer high resolution images (300 dpi to print 4 inches wide). The St. Albans Bulletin cannot guarantee inclusion in the magazine of any information which arrives later than the due date. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Keep Your Classmates Up-to-Date**

To submit news to your class notes, please contact your class secretary by writing to the address listed at www.stalbansschool.org and clicking on the class secretary link on the Alumni page. If you are sending a photo, please send a high resolution images (300 dpi to print 4 inches wide). If you have any questions or comments on the notes printed here, please contact your class secretary. St. Albans School is not responsible for the accuracy or the authenticity of the class notes.

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**Alumni Portal Access**

Individual Alumni Logins are Now Available for the School's Website. Detailed instructions on how to login are in the how to video on the Alumni Page of the website.

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**At The Student Exchange**

**New Vineyard Vine Ties** are now available through the STA Student Exchange. The ties come in the Classic Navy as well as four new colors: Periwinkle Blue, Royal Blue, Raspberry & Yellow. The cost of the ties are $65 each plus shipping and handling. Please contact the student exchange at StudentExchangeShop@gmail.com or 202-537-6572 for further information.

**Attention Young Alumni!**

Wondering what to do those white STA graduation pants – the Student Exchange would be more than happy to take them off your hands, please email them at StudentExchangeShop@gmail.com for more information.

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**Save the date!**

The Class of 1962 50th Reunion
Friday-Sunday, June 8-10, 2012
For more information [click here](#).
Create Extraordinary Memories by Holding Your Special Event at St. Albans!

St. Albans School is the perfect place for your special occasion.
St. Albans beautiful facilities include indoor and outdoor banquet space, meeting and conference rooms, and small, intimate gathering areas in our historic and very familiar location. In addition, Alumni Bulldogs may reserve the Little Sanctuary for spiritual services. Click here for details, and welcome back to the Close.

Ruge Rules – Now Available For Your E-Reader

Ruge Rules – the collection of grammar rules favored by longtime STA English teacher Ferdinand Ruge – is now available for your e-reader. To purchase a copy for just $9.99, visit Amazon.com with your Kindle, iPad, or other e-reader, and search for Ruge Rules. Concise and vivid, Mr. Ruge’s grammar rules convey, in the words of novelist John Casey ’57, much of “the snap and the style” of the man who taught them.

Download Ruge Rules now so that you will always know where to place a comma, when to use a hyphen, and how to avoid the passive voice. As Mr. Ruge told generations of boys: “Every sentence gotta make sense!”