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Saint Joseph Academy’s “Celebrate the Academy” Annual Gala Set for February 23

CLEVELAND, OH – Saint Joseph Academy’s annual “Celebrate the Academy” gala is being held on Saturday, February 23 from 6 to 11 p.m. at the Academy, 3470 Rocky River Drive, Cleveland. The gala is a crucial fundraiser to benefit the Academy’s scholarship and academic initiatives. Over the past nine years, “Celebrate the Academy” has raised more than \$2 million dollars to support academic initiatives and provide tuition assistance. 70% of Saint Joseph Academy students receive tuition assistance. This year, “A Toast to Tinseltown” puts a spotlight on the school which was established in 1890.

“This evening is truly a celebration of Saint Joseph Academy, its exceptional supporters and 129 years of empowering and preparing young women to be compassionate leaders in their communities and the world,” shared Mary Ann Corrigan-Davis ’71, President of Saint Joseph Academy.

“Celebrate the Academy” will include both live and silent auctions, raffles and a Wine and Craft Beer Pull. Highly coveted live auction items attendees will have the opportunity to bid on is having Fat Cats and Lava Lounge owner and chef Ricardo Sandoval, along with friend Anthony Vicente who has worked in 2 and 3 Michelin star restaurants in France, cook and prepare a six-course French-inspired dinner for 10 people in the comfort of their home. Other live auction items include a one-week stay in Anna Maria Island, Florida and a Cleveland Indians Dugout Suite Experience.

Special members of the Saint Joseph community will be honored during the gala. Diane Roberto, a 1960 graduate of Saint Joseph Academy, is being recognized as the prestigious 2019 Distinguished Alumna Honoree. Diane is honored for her decades of distinguished service in education, modeling the attributes of a Saint Joseph Academy graduate.

Saint Joseph Academy’s 2019 Medaille Shield honorees are Jerry and Leane Gootee. Both have storied careers of distinguished service in the legal community. The Medaille Shield is the highest award given to friends in honor of outstanding service to Saint Joseph Academy.

For more information about “Celebrate the Academy,” please contact Carolyn Conway Novak ’06, at 216.251.6788 or email her at cnovak@sjal890.org.

Now in its 129th year, Saint Joseph Academy is the only all-girls Catholic high school in the City of Cleveland. With a current enrollment of 725 young women, Saint Joseph Academy is rooted in the spirituality of the Congregation of St. Joseph and works to foster unifying relationships with God and all creation. Each young woman is empowered to achieve academic excellence, and inspired to a life of compassionate leadership and service in a global society. Saint Joseph Academy is located at 3470 Rocky River Drive in Cleveland. For more information, visit www.sjal890.org or call 216.251.6788.