



Saint Viator Fashion Show Rolls Out the Red Carpet

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Kyle Robinson of Hoffman Estates and Kendall Lavelle of Inverness show off the latest in men's fashions at the 18th annual Fashion Show.

Lights, camera, fashion!

The 18th annual Saint Viator High School fashion show had a Hollywood look to it, with nearly 150 students parading down the red carpet runway as models, playfully avoiding the paparazzi.

Dressed in fashions from 25 Northwest suburban retailers, they offered everything from dressy casual outfits, to the latest formalwear for next spring's prom season.

Stonegate Conference & Banquet Center in Hoffman Estates was the setting, drawing more than 400 guests who had a chance to win one of nearly 100 raffle baskets, as well as jewelry, overnight stays and a handmade quilt in the grand raffle drawing.

The fashion parade also featured a dance performance by members of the Orchesis Club midway through the afternoon.

"This is a really important event," said the Rev. Robert M. Egan, C.S.V, president. "It involves so many different parts of our school and serves as a great reminder that we truly are a community."

Members of the Parents' Club mount the fashion show each year as a way to enhance programs and equipment in the school, while showcasing students and their teachers.

Recent fundraisers have supported the school's Tuition Assistance Program, sponsored special guest speakers, as well as helped to subsidize the cost of a new van for the Campus Ministry department.

Glamorous evening gowns and tuxedos came from A L'Amour Bridal Shop, Gentleman's Quarters, Men's Warehouse, Mr. Tux, Robin Elliott, Shelly's Bridal and Volle's Bridal & Boutique.

Casual wear came from Ala Mode in Arlington Heights; All About Me in Buffalo Grove; Delia's, Champs and Express Men from Woodfield Shopping Center; Carlisle Collections, NV Clothing and Savvy Spirit Casuals, all from Barrington; New Prospects and Nika Le Butik in Park Ridge; Francesca's Collection and The Gap, both in Deer Park; Erehwon Mountain Outfitters and Stein Mart in Kildeer; Illusions in Lincolnshire; Smooch Boutique in Algonquin; and Jeans & A Cute Top Shop in Wheaton.

"It takes a lot of hard work and dedication, but our committee always keeps the focus on benefiting the students of Saint Viator," said Nancy Murray, co-president of the Parents' Club with Jackie Frett, both of Arlington Heights. "It is a true labor of love."