



# WOLFTRACKS



Saint Paul's School  
Covington, LA



Concern      Faith  
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Education      Community

February 28, 2014



Gentlemen and members of the Saint Paul's community,

It has been another great month on campus with an extraordinary showing by our students at the District Literary Rally, a Division I State Runner Up Title for the Indoor Track and Field Team, and the Soccer Wolves have represented us in their 4<sup>th</sup> consecutive State final.

As always, we have a busy Spring Calendar with several alumni events fast approaching. Come join us for a morning run on Saturday, March 22 for the Ozone Spring Run ([CLICK HERE](#)), and before you know it, we'll be eating mudbugs together at the Crawfish Cookoff on April 12<sup>th</sup>. For more information, please check out the CCO website, [www.spscco.com](http://www.spscco.com), and thank you to Sean Garcia' 89 for his time and effort in getting the site up and running. Please also note the additional schedules of our Spring Sports teams as reflected below.

On a personal and professional note, I have a few thoughts on my favorite topic as of late...the Annual Fund. Stories sell as they say, and this year's appeal has generated several great ones ---- which I will reserve for a later time. However, suffice it to say that I am genuinely touched by the affinity towards and earnest love of Saint Paul's school that I have experienced firsthand and witnessed from our alumni along this quest to enhance support. Thank you once again, and we are most appreciative of your involvement. Please refer to the updated Alumni Annual Giving by Class and for a list of alumni donors. (see below) You will note an increase in the total number from 102 alums at the time of the last "Wolf Tracks" to 120. Let's keep building on that number.

To that effect, we have scheduled a Phonathon for the Alumni Annual Fund Appeal for Thursday, March 27 from 6:00 until 8:30pm. More information regarding this evening will be sent out soon, but in the meanwhile please consider joining us for an evening of both fellowship and mission as we attempt to keep strengthening the Pack.

Should you have any further questions regarding this or any other material in this edition of "Wolftracks", please do not hesitate to contact me.

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**Sports Schedules**

**St. Joseph's Altar**

**Assembly Schedule**

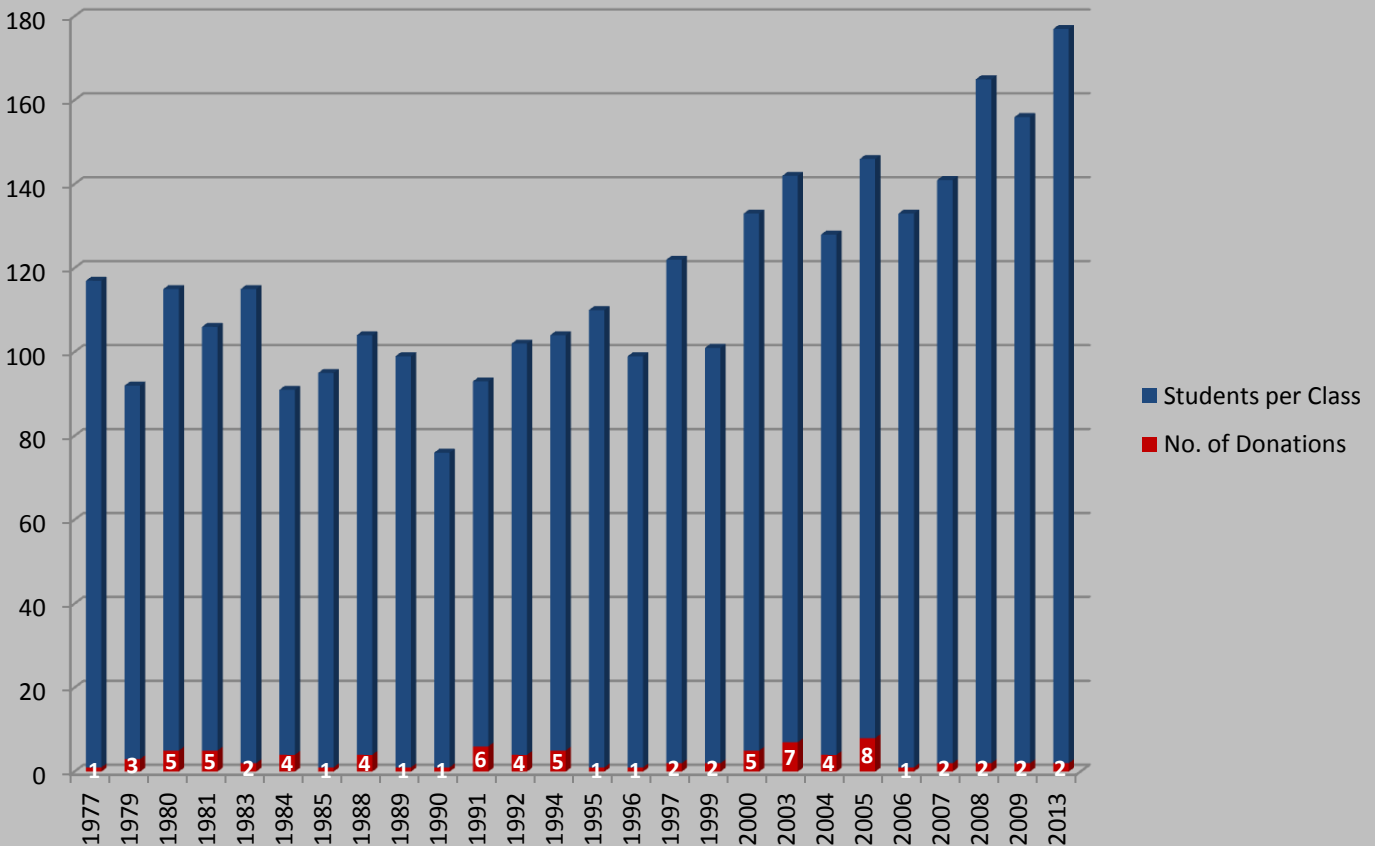
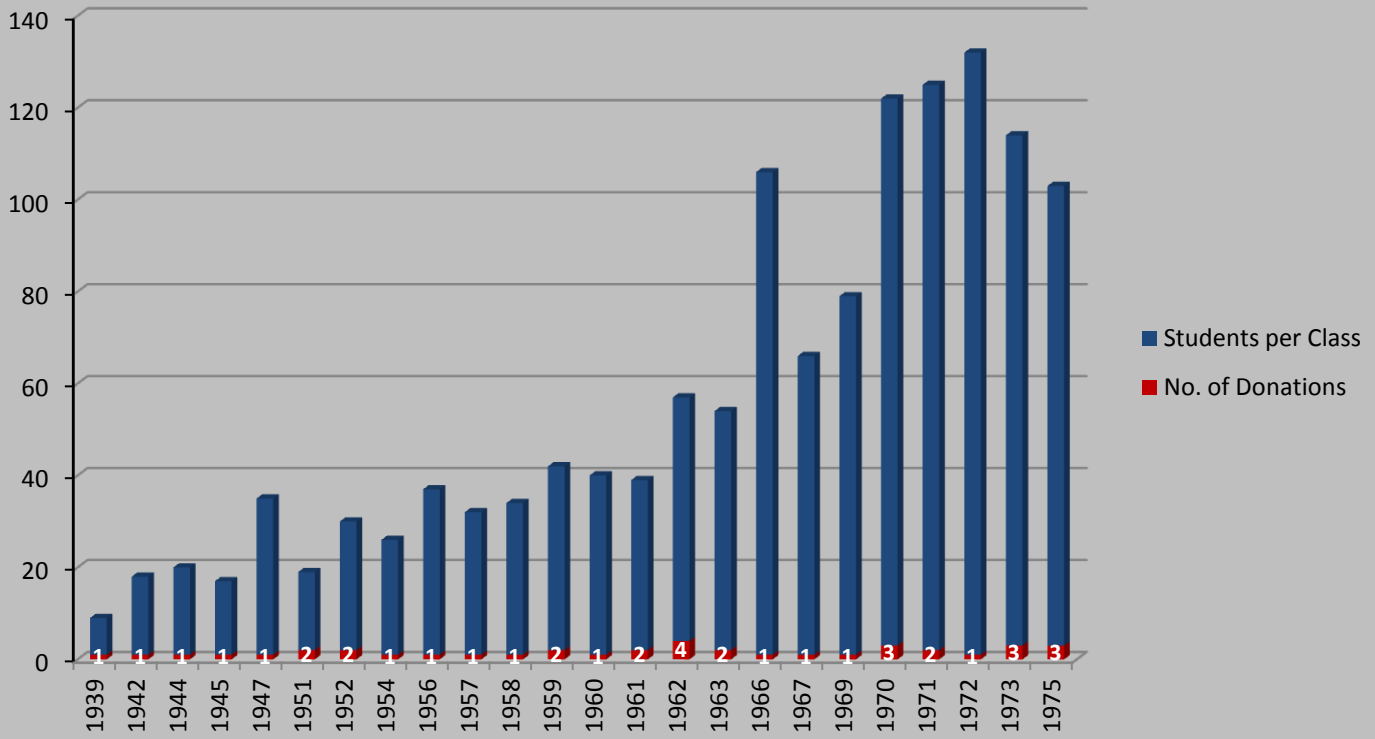
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Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup>

March 11, 2014

# Alumni Annual Giving by Class

Click [HERE](#) for list of Alumni Annual Fund donors.



The class years listed are only for those who have made contributions.

# Echoes from the Past



A grand oak tree stands majestically at the head of Lasalle Drive between Our Lady of Peace Chapel and Founder's Circle. The tree is present today, and can be seen in the earliest photos of Saint Paul's. What wonderful stories he could tell, if only he could talk. Under the shade of our magnificent tree is a small monument dedicated to Brother Cassian Lange, FSC; also known as Dashin' Cassian, a nickname given to him early in his teaching career at Saint Paul's. He was truly a man who gave many years of service to the Christian Brothers and to Saint Paul's.



The simple brick pillar bears a quotation from the Meditations of Saint John Baptist De La Salle #208.2. The inscription reads: *Oh, what joy a Brother of the Christian Schools will have when he sees a great number of his students in possession of eternal happiness, for which they are indebted to him by the grace of Jesus Christ! What a sharing of joy there will be between the teacher and his disciples! What a special union with one another there will be in the presence of God! It will be for them a great satisfaction, sharing together the blessing for which the call of God had given the hope, the wealth of glorious heritage of God in the dwelling of the saints.*

Brother Cassian, a very capable man, served our school in many ways: Sub Director (Assistant Principal) in 1947, Director (Principal) from 1948-1951, and again from 1955-1961. He also served directorships at several other schools in the New Orleans-Santa Fe Province. In addition he worked as Head of Vocations for a number of years. Brother Cassian entered the Christian Brothers in 1933 and made his final vows in 1942. He taught in the classroom and also served as a prefect in the dorms in his early years at Saint Paul's. As principal he started the first Saint Paul's fundraising enterprise to build the main classroom building and garnered enough funding to also construct the infirmary to house the sick students and give Saint Paul's borders the advantage of having a registered nurse not only on the staff, but also residing on the campus. He moved to De La Salle in New Orleans in 1991, and was semi-retired. In 1994 he came back to Saint



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Paul's and retired here. "Retired" was not a good description for Brother Cassian. Every day he took a long walk around and through the campus, greeting students, faculty and visitors alike. Today let us offer a word of thanks to Brother Cassian, FSC for all he did for the Saint Paul's Community and remember he prays for us daily.

*Robert Simpson '88*



Brother Cassian visits with students during break



Brother Cassian blesses the student body during an assembly to celebrate his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.



**Douglas McRae, III '99** - Douglas and wife Suzannah delivered their second child, Kyleigh Grace, on February 13, 2014.

**Kristian Gibbe '00** – Kristian and his wife Aimee welcomed their son Ryker on February 1, 2014. Kristian is a faculty member at Saint Paul's School teaching Physical Education.



**Friedrich Gurtler '00** – Friedrich and his wife Emily welcomed their son, Jonah Francis, to the world on January 31, 2014. The Gurtler family currently reside in New York.



**Nicolas Lavie '05** – Nick was married to Elise Madara on Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> in Baton Rouge. Nick's two brothers, Stephen '09 and Marc '13, stood in the wedding along with his friend, Steven Simonson '05. Nick is the son of Development/Alumni Office Assistant and Wolftracks publisher Danielle Lavie and her husband Marcel. Both Nick and Elise will graduate from LSU School of Veterinary Medicine in May.

**Corey Rougelot '05** – Corey is in his first year of residency at Ochsner Hospital and will then embark on a three year residency in Dermatology at Tulane University. Corey is the third of four Rougelot boys to graduate from Saint Paul's.

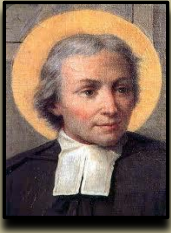
**Colin Babcock '10** – Colin is the Notre Dame swim captain and he produced a YouTube video called "The Swimmer's Mentality." The background music was provided by Corey Cook '10. It's about 3 minutes long and worth the time. Here's the link: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7g3YO0-R4qk&desktop\\_uri=%2Fwatch%3Fv%3D7g3YO0-R4qk&app=desktop](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7g3YO0-R4qk&desktop_uri=%2Fwatch%3Fv%3D7g3YO0-R4qk&app=desktop)

**William Neal '10** – Will is a junior at Notre Dame and won, along with his two partners, the 2014 Audience Choice Award in the "wildly popular Notre Dame Student Film Festival" which screens films made by ND undergraduates during the past year as class projects. These students study filmmaking in advanced, intermediate, and introductory film and video production courses taught in the Department of Film, Television, and Theatre. All films are shot on location and often feature the acting talents of Notre Dame students and faculty. Will's film is a pretty powerful documentary on a rare nerve disorder, nicknamed "The Suicide Disease." Here's the link: <http://ftt.nd.edu/ftt-events/student-film-festival>.





# Calendar of Events



Saturday, March 15, 2014 – Christian Brothers' Relay



Thursday, March 13, 2014 – 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebrity Waiters' Dinner event. This year's theme is "Polynesian Paradise". For more information and to reserve a table, click [HERE](#).



Saturday, March 22, 2014 – 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Ozone Spring Run. [Click HERE](#) for the application form and [HERE](#) for the sponsorship form.



Friday, April 11, 2014 – Saturday, April 12, 2014 – Alumni Reunion Weekend

- Friday – Alumni cocktail party in the Briggs Assembly Center
- Saturday – Crawfish Cook-off – Saint Paul's campus – 11:00am – 5:00pm

For details, click on this [link](#).



## Rise Up 'O Men of God



John Landry '71

Coach Mike Balen

Grandmother of Tanner Landry '14

Mrs. Sue Rowland, grandmother of Winston Duffour '15

Uncle of Lucas Waldron '15

Mrs. Anita Braniff, mother-in-law of Coach Ken Sears and

grandmother of Kenny Sears '16

Brother-in-law of Dante Ferrante '16

Aunt of Coach Mick Nunez '88 and the great aunt of Jack Nunez '18

Mr. Christopher Fausto Araujo, cousin of Coach Joe Dickens



# School News



Many people in Saint Tammany Parish would be surprised to know that Saint Paul's School is not run by the Archdioceses of New Orleans. While the school follows its rules, procedures, and guidelines, Saint Paul's is officially run by Christian Brothers. In fact, about fifteen Christian Brothers live on campus and are housed in the Brothers Residence beside Brother Alfred Pond. Two years ago, the Brothers Residence was fully renovated to become the official home for retired brothers in the District of New Orleans-Santa Fe which contains Louisiana, Texas, New Mexico, and Colorado. Only fifty-five total brothers live in this province with six other brothers living on the south shore. However, starting July 1, 2014, the District New Orleans-Santa Fe will join with the District of San Francisco to make the District of San Francisco-New Orleans. This new district brings in the addition of California, Arizona, Washington, and Oregon.

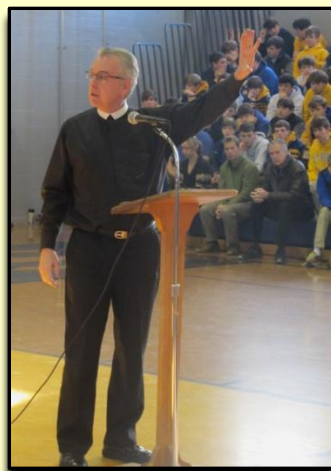


In preparation for this July 1 launch, Saint Paul's has been busy. Earlier this school year in September, a team of Lasallian educators, consisting of principals and administrators from Christian Brothers middle school and De La Salle High School on the southshore and San Miguel High School in Arizona, spent several days on campus dissecting every aspect of Saint Paul's. They interviewed students and teachers, sat in on classes, toured buildings, polled the entire student body, and simply learned what it meant to be a Saint Paul's wolf. After extensive analysis, the Lasallian team gathered with the faculty and staff to share what it discovered about our 103 year old school.

To no one's surprise, Saint Paul's scored top marks in every category of the team's evaluation. The scores were so high, in fact, that the team offered to give the student body a holiday the following Monday. However, anyone familiar with the type of students that attend Saint Paul's would know that this dedicated student body would never want to miss out on a day filled with extraordinary teaching and learning. The 880 academic wolves graciously declined the team's offer.

The Lasallian team made another trip to our 40 acre campus on Wednesday, January 22, to check up on things. Many Saint Paul's veterans were on this team including Charles Legendre, long time football and track coach and religion teacher at Saint Paul's; Brother Peter Tripp, long time counselor and college advisor; and Brother Tim Coldwell, state champion soccer coach and English teacher. This group met with the executive board of the Lasallian Youth Leaders during their lunch period to learn how the student body continues to spread the mission of Saint John Baptist De La Salle. The Executive board consisted of seniors Eric Boudet, Michael Burke, and Thomas Ruli; juniors Ross Allbritton, Burke Irwin, Faiz Salam, and William Saucier; and sophomores Austin Grashoff and Adam Schmitt.

*by Michael Burke '14*



Visitor Brother Tim Coldwell, former Saint Paul's faculty member, coach and athletic director, addresses the faculty and administration.

Former Saint Paul's teacher, Charlie Legendre, Director of Lasallian Mission for the New Orleans-Santa Fe District, leads the faculty and student body in song.



## Project Lead the Way - Biomedical

Quality  
Education



In line with the Lasallian Core Principle of Quality Education the Biomedical II class began an intensive anatomy lesson by dissecting cow's eyes. The students were able to see interesting things such as the lens of the eye, and the optic nerve, and further their knowledge of the workings of body parts.

## Student Council



The executive board of Saint Paul's Student Council with their moderator, Amy Marshall traveled to the State Convention of Louisiana Student Councils and returned once again with the coveted Gold Council Awards. The board sold Cane's lunches to help finance their trip.

Cane's lunch was a big hit on campus. Distributing lunches are Leland Van Deventer, moderator, Amy Marshall, Willis Spurlock, Austin Grashoff, and Philip James.

## March for Life

On January 22, several students participated in the [March for Life](#) held in Washington D.C. The March for Life is a protest for the sake of the pro-life movement that has been fighting to raise awareness of the atrocities of abortion and mistreatment of human life. This movement has grown from 20,000 in 1974 to nearly 700,000 in 2014. All students from the Archdiocese of New Orleans, were asked to wear purple hats with the Archdiocese's crest. For the complete article, visit [The Paper Wolf article](#) written by Thomas Huval.

A group of purple-hatted participants representing the Archdiocese of New Orleans prepare for the March. SPS students depicted include (top) senior Christian Caragliano, senior Michael Brown, senior Jacob McWilliams, senior Thomas Huval, and senior Michael Stewart, and (bottom) freshman George Lee and senior Ben Kenney.





# Celebrity Waiters' Dinner 2014 "Polynesian Paradise"



Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup>  
6:00pm – 9:30pm  
Briggs Assembly Center

Celebrity Waiters' Dinner is a themed dinner event that funds Saint Paul's Renaissance Program. This year's theme is "Polynesian Paradise". This program supports the college tour, academic competitions such as robotics, Wolves on Wheels, Mu Alpha Theta and aqua-robotics. It also funds the Life Skills for Seniors program, student chapter of Habitat for Humanity, and professional development for faculty and staff.

This event is a sit down dinner with tables of ten. The majority of our tables are purchased by businesses; however, friends can get together to purchase a table as well. For more information visit our [website](#).



### Live Auction Items to date

7 nights in Breckenridge, Colorado	Dinner for 6 at Dakota
SPS Parking Space	5 nights in Costa Rica
Diamond cross from Boudreaux's	Lead the SPS football team at home game
Dinner for 20 at the home of Mike Maenza with musical accompaniment by Brother Ken Boesch.	Dinner for 8 served by Brother Ray, and members of the administration catered by The Lakehouse

## Soccer Wolves



Senior members of the Saint Paul's Wolves soccer team thanked their parents for the years of support and dedication in a brief pregame presentation in Hunter Stadium on January 31st.

Pictured at the presentation are Tyler Murphy with Dan and Kim Murphy; Jacob McWilliams with Paysee and Jamie McWilliams; Robert Lacroix with Bob and Sheri Lacroix; Grant Hebert with Lee and Beth Hebert; Kevin Durr with Wayne and Kim Durr; Christian Caragliano with Frank and Jeri Caragliano; Cameron Robinson with Chris and Ginger Robinson; Trevor Watkins and Candace and Trevor Watkins.





## Athletic Signings

Saint Paul's School had seven seniors decide to continue their athletic career on the college level. The signing celebration took place on February 5, National Signing Day, in the Briggs Assembly Center. Pictured at the celebration standing are: Tanner Stuard football at Louisiana College, Mitch Brumfield football at Southeastern Louisiana University, Andre Marshall will also play football at Louisiana College, and Zachary Albright will run track and cross country at Princeton. Seated at the table: John Frey will play Lacrosse at Rhodes, Marcus Gaines will play football at Louisiana Tech, and Don Lipani will run track and cross country for Louisiana State University.



## Pre-freshmen Soccer



Members of the Saint Paul's Pre-freshmen Soccer Team ended their successful season on a grand note. The team won the Saint Paul's Pre-freshman Invitational Tournament by defeating four strong teams from the area. The Wolves defeated Mandeville Junior High, Newman, Vanderbilt Catholic, and Brother Martin to win the tournament. Team captains Mason Robicheaux, Kyle Schmitt, and Cole Knobloch are pictured at a Principal's Assembly presenting the trophy to Athletic Director, Craig Ketelsen.



# Honor Roll Breakfasts



Quality  
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Continuing with excellent performances, and in line with quality education honor roll breakfasts for the second quarter were held in the cafeteria for pre-freshmen, freshmen, sophomores, and juniors, since these were cancelled by the ice of last week. Students and parents enjoyed breakfast provided by Liam and Mark Dixon '81 of the Broken Egg Café, and learned new words from Brother Raymond Bulliard, FSC President/Principal's talks.



Joe Hunter '85 with his son Michael '16.



Alumnus Dwight Robertson '78 with his son Christophe '15.



Freshman Anthony Lacroix with his parents Susan Caffery and Jim Lacroix.



At left, junior Michael Brands with his parents Pam and Al.



Senior, William Gement is pictured with his mom, Jaime Kentzel. William is a legacy on both the paternal and maternal sides. His father Paul Gement, III graduated in '79, grandfather Paul Gement, Sr. '57. His grandfather Billy Kentzel graduated in '56 and his great grandfather William Theodore Kentzel was a member of the class of '29.



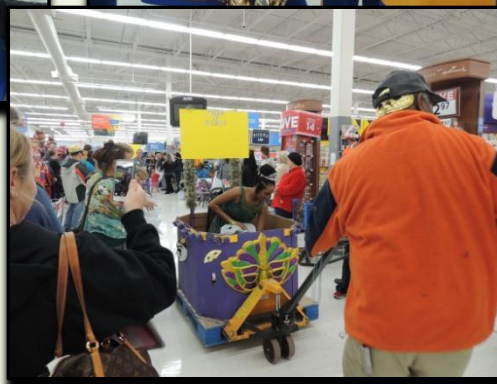


# Marching Band



Inclusive  
Community

On Wednesday, February 12, Saint Paul's Marching Band participated in the annual WalMart parade given for special needs children. The marching band lead the parade which consisted of floats made of shipping crates. Neighborhood businesses also contributed to the festivities with parading characters.





# Science Fair



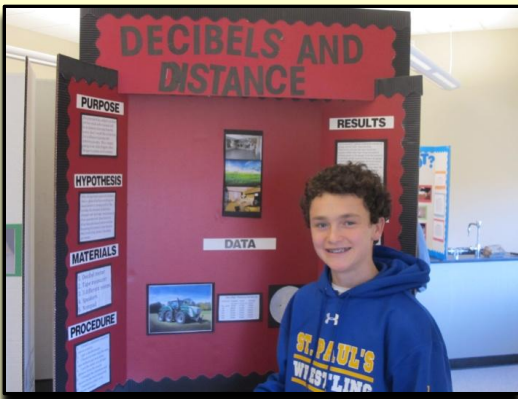
The science department of Saint Paul's School recently held its annual science fair. John Carambat, biology instructor served as the coordinator with the help of the members of the science faculty including: Department Chair: Lee Pierre, Julie Beck, Jan Gardner, Gene Lipps, Amy Marshall, Donald Midkiff, Rachel Peak, Jim Robertson, Jason Schroeder, and Chris Stipe. Competition took place in both the junior and senior divisions.

Junior division winners included: Rhett Schwing, Brandon Nictori, Adam Love, Carson Caulfield, David Pontheiux, Andrew Smith, Ashton VanDeventer, Nicholas Picone, Michael Doherty, Chase Noel, William James, Luke Avenel, Mitchell Todaro, Jordan Edney, and Tristan Smith.

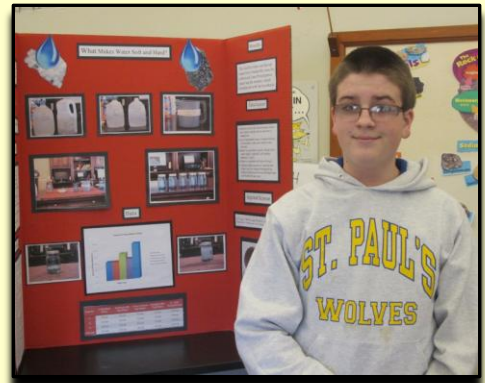
Senior Division winners included: Austin Grashoff, Andrew Mercante, Thomas Schmidt, Nick Oubre, Oliver Guice, Gregory Roy, James Pagnutti, George Cazenavette, Grant Fowler, Patrick Frederick, Brett Manifold, Adam Fink and Grant Grefer, Drew Bratschi, Christian Caragliano and Michael Brown.

Additional senior division winners included: Connor Trahan, John Birdsong, Ruston Keller, William Murphy, Logan Buras, Kenny Ross and Jonah Knickles, Leland VanDeventer, and Nicholas Davis.

Winners from the Saint Paul's science fair will compete in the regional science fair held at Southeastern Louisiana University.



Pictured above is pre-freshman Jordan Edney.



Pre-freshman Andrew Smith displays his project labeled "What Makes Water Soft and Hard?"

## Basketball Wolves



The Basketball Wolves held their Senior Night on Tuesday, February 11, in the Gene Bennett Sports Complex. Before the Wolves took to the courts in athletic warfare against the Northshore Panthers, the team recognized the seniors. Pictured at left are: Grant Connolly, with Patrick, Cynthia and younger brother Patrick James Connolly; Jordan Jacob with Gregory and Laurette Jacob; Wyatt Popovich with Larry, Stephanie, brothers Ethan, and Zachary and maternal great grandmother, Claire Kokemor.



# Powerlifting



Saint Paul's Powerlifting team, defending state champions, competed in the Pope John Paul II Powerlifting Tournament. Six members of the team placed in their weight divisions. Nick Gordon and Tucker Faust placed first, Daniel Dipol, D.J. Dipol, and Warner Moore earned second places, and Yehia Elkersh took third. Team members pictured at a Principal's Assembly include in row one: Jon Rushing, Warner Moore, D.J. DiPol, David DiPol, and Nick Gordon. Row two: Dante Payne, Brandon Eberts, Ryan Sullivan, Tucker Faust, and Brad Clawson. Jesse Kellum, Joe Dickens, and Lee Pierre coach the Iron Wolves.

# Wrestling Wolves

The Wrestling Wolves held their Senior Night on Wednesday, February 2, in the Gene Bennett Sports Complex and celebrated the careers of seniors. Pictured at right are: Senior Wrestling Wolves pictured with their parents are: Chris Meraux with Pat and Melissa Meraux; Grant Landwehr, with Craig and Shaun Landwehr; Matt Radar with David and Gina Radar; Sam Pearce with Steve and Nancy Pearce; and Tanner LeBlanc and Martha LeBlanc.



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