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The Saint Paul's School
Covington, Louisiana



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November 30, 2012



Fellow alumni,

I hope that you all had a safe and happy Thanksgiving holiday. As is customary around this time of year, we have the good fortune to run into many of our fellow alumni. Consequently, I feel compelled to share my experience with you not just because of my role as the Director for Development, but as a passionate alumnus concerned with the goings on of my alma mater. Over the Thanksgiving break, I personally spoke to four alumni who were not receiving any information from Saint Paul's and questioned me as to WHY? The answer most often is that we do not have current contact information. As you can imagine, maintaining accurate and updated information is a daunting task to say the least.

As I stated in the last issue, we have been working diligently on procuring such and have some fairly comprehensive plans in the works for the immediate future. However, in the interim, I ask that the next time you are networking with one of your fellow alumni, please ask them if they are receiving Wolf Tracks or any correspondence at all from Saint Paul's. If they are not and would like to, please have them contact us. They may either email us at alumni@stpauls.com, phone us at 985-892-3200 ext 1270, or they can friend us on Facebook. In addition to the obvious benefit to our department having such information, I certainly do not want our alumni feeling neglected, in the dark, or out of touch with Saint Paul's.

Further, please note that our next alumni meeting will be held on December 12th at 6:30 pm in the cafeteria with preliminary information for the Spring events, in particular the Crawfish Cook-off, to be discussed. I hope that you will be able to attend.

Al Nastasi '91

Joseph A. Champagne, Jr./Gene Bennett Memorial Golf Tournament

Thanks to all who participated in the tournament!



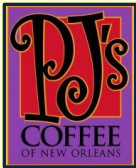
Pictured at right L-R: The low gross team - Ricky Thomas, Kelly Gibson, Larry Galloway and Tommy Brennan.



Pictured above L-R- The low net team: Brian Gebbia, James Wagner, Robert Grieshaber, MD and Ron Garrity.

Joseph A. Champagne, Jr./Gene Bennett Golf Tournament (cont)

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Pictured above L-R:- Doug Durand, Jim Walther, Nick Descant and Chris Keller.

WINNERS

Low Gross

1st Place- Larry Galloway,
Rick Thomas, Tommy
Brennan and Kelly Gibson
2nd Place- Laef Lowther,
T.C. Ford, Reid Uzee, and
Herb Flood

3rd Place- Mark Fair, Cleve
Fair, Paul Stanworth and
Paul Gement

Low Net

1st Place- Robert
Grieshaber, James Wagner,
Robert Garrity and Brian
Gebbia

2nd Place- Mike Sibley,
Walter Ledet, Sandy
Brasher, and Lloyd Guillot
3rd Place- Doug Powell and
Chad Murr

Longest Drive

Mark Fair

Straightest Drive

John Curren

Closest to the Hole - #1

Bob Taylor

Closest to the Hole - #8

Reid Uzee

Closest to the Hole - #12

Mike Nunmaker

Closest to the Hole - #15

Mark Fair



Pictured above L-R:- Paul Hodgins, Bob Taylor,
Mike Sciortino, Jr. and Mike Sciortino, Sr.



Echoes from the Past – Founders' Circle – Part 2

The End of the Benedictine Era

Our last article introduced us to the monks of Saint Joseph Abbey that founded Saint Paul's College. The professional school did very well and the Covington community was delighted with the Saint Paul's students as evidenced by the ever growing enrollment from 1911-1914. However, the Benedictines found themselves in something of a problem, albeit a nice problem. The successful Saint Paul's College was the second school started by the Benedictines, the first being Saint Joseph Seminary College. It was growing and demanding more personnel than expected. The monks needed to make a hard choice, to close one of the schools but which? The community of monks decided that the older school, the seminary, the one the whole Archdiocese of New Orleans used in the formation of priests would be the better choice. This did not sit well with a few of the monks especially Father Adelbert Svreck who lamented the loss but did return to serve as resident chaplain from 1958-1964. The Monks needed to find a buyer for the school and looked for another Religious Order to take over. The property was offered to the Sacred Heart Brothers (Brother Martin, Catholic of Baton Rouge, St. Stanislaus) and the Christian Brothers.



Founders' Circle

The Arrival of the Christian Brothers

Who are these religious that speak in French and Spanish? The basic and very generalized story of the Christian Brothers that came to Covington in 1914 through 1918 is this. They were forced out of France due to government persecution of the Catholic Church in the early 1900's. The brothers took up their work in Mexico but were forced out of Mexico due to religious persecution of the Catholic Church by the Government in the 1910's. The Biographies of the Founders that follow will help paint a picture of the fidelity of these men to the church but especially their fidelity to education. They are truly '*Signum Fide'i*', Signs of Faith!

I owe all thanks to Brother Jerry Vincent FSC, the archivist of the brothers' community here at Saint Paul's. His diligent work and effort help us know the history of our school. Thank You Brother Jerry!

by Robert Simpson '88



Brother Adelbert Marie (Sylvain Duret) - Brother was born in Paris in 1888, made his novitiate in Belgium in 1905, and was sent to Mexico in 1909. After fleeing the country in 1914 with his confrères during the Carranza Revolution, he was assigned to the District of New York. On August 22, 1918 he arrived at Covington, Louisiana, to be in the founding community of Brothers who took over the operation of Saint Paul's College. He was the third director/principal of Saint Paul's, 1926-1929. He was responsible for many improvements on the Campus. He remodeled the Infirmary Building and examined other activities on Campus and was the one who shortened the graduation ceremony.



Brother Adolphe Basile (Emile Cottet)- He was born on July 1, 1876, in Colombey-Muraz, Switzerland. He received the brother's garb on December 15, 1899, at age 23 in the novitiate in Paris. After several years in France and having earned a superior teaching certificate in 1903, he volunteered to go to Mexico. Departing from Barcelona, they arrived in Puebla in December and opened two schools in January, 1907. He was assigned to several different schools in Mexico and arrived in Querétaro in 1913. He was there in the summer of 1914 when the Carranza revolutionaries overran the city and forced all foreign priests and religious out of the country. He was among some 65 of the 175 French brothers in Mexico who accepted the offer to go to the United States. After being assigned to the District of New York, he moved to Santa Fe, New Mexico, in 1916, and then in the first community at St. Paul's College (high school) in Covington, Louisiana, in 1918.

The remaining Christian Brothers' will follow in future issues of Wolftracks.



Thom Lott '66 – In August 2012, Thom was name “Community Leader of the Year” by the Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce. The Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce serves the entire Eastern Shore of Mobile Bay, Alabama, from historic Blakeley State Park, all the way to Weeks Bay. To view the entire article, click [here](#).

Christopher Dykes '97 – On October 29, 2012, Christopher Dykes was named Chief Information Officer, CIO, of the Department of Health & Hospitals for the State of Louisiana. Chris is the son of Jimmy '61 and Gwen Dykes of Mandeville, LA.

Robert Byrne '01 – Robert married Barbara Thompson of Miami, Florida at Holy Name of Jesus Church on Friday, November 9th, 2012. A reception was held at Pat O'Brien's Riverfront following the ceremony. The couple will reside in Houston.

Jack Collens '04 – Jack married Lauren Medina on October 20, 2012 in Athens, GA. Jack is an instructor and Ph.D. candidate at the University of Georgia.

Alexander Paul Bennett '06 – Alexander Paul Bennett married Whitney Hart St. Pe' at Our Lady of Lake Church on July 28th with a reception at Benedict's Plantation.

Craig Bordelon II '06 – Craig married Charlotte Doyle of Abbeville, Louisiana on November 17th at Mary Magdalene Church in Abbeville. The couple will reside in Lafayette where Craig is an attorney with Preis & Roy's Lafayette office.

Stephen Lavie '09 – Stephen will graduate from LSU with a Bachelor of Science in Sports Administration on December 14th. He is currently interning with the 2013 Super Bowl Host Committee.

Andrew Maestri '09 – Andrew will graduate from LSU with a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics in December.

Other News

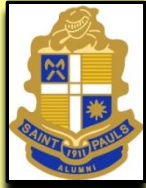


Gene Bennett – The late coach Gene Bennett has been nominated and accepted as a 2013 member of the Louisiana High School Sports Hall of Fame. The induction ceremony will be held on Wednesday, January 23, 2013 at 6:30PM at the Crowne Plaza Hotel located at 4728 Constitution Avenue in Baton Rouge. For more information, click on this [link](#).





Sunday, December 9 – Christmas Luminaries– The Christian Brothers from New Mexico brought this celebration to the school and it has continued for a number of years. The school chooses to honor the traditions of our Christian Brothers with this event every year – drive down La Salle drive and witness the beautiful luminaries surrounding the campus!



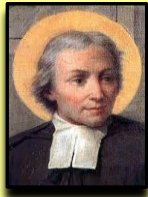
Wednesday, December 12– General Alumni Meeting – Cafeteria 6:30pm



Saturday, March 2, 2013 – 29th Annual Ozone Spring Run– Wolfdome 7:00am – 1:00pm



Friday, March 15, 2013 – 13th Annual Celebrity Waiters' Dinner – 7:00pm – 10:00pm.
This year's theme is "Hollywood"! Call the Development Office at 985-892-3200 ext. 1270 to reserve a table for 10.



Saturday, March 16, 2013 – Christian Brothers' Relay



Saturday, April 6, 2013 – 4th Annual Crawfish Cookoff

Rise Up 'O Men of God

Saint Paul's mourns the loss of:

Peter Nastasi '06

Mr. Verne Tripp, father of Brother Peter Tripp, FSC

Mrs. Madeline Porter Boudreaux Willoughby, mother of George Boudreaux '65 and grandmother of the late Daren '87, Brad '90, Jonathan '98 and Josh '99 Boudreaux

Mrs. Bernice Smith Preis, mother-in-law of George Boudreaux '65 and grandmother of the late Daren '87, Brad '90, Jonathan '98 and Josh '99 Boudreaux

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace! Amen!*





Open House

Many schools on both shores attempt to entice young middle school students and their parents through newspaper ads, signs, and social media. Saint Paul's does the same, but our school heavily relies on our annual Open House to engage the attention of prospective students and their parents.

On Sunday, November 4, after much inclement weather, which caused the administration to worry, Saint Paul's held its annual Open House. Hundreds of prospective middle school boys and their families filled the blue bleachers of the Gene Bennett Sports Complex that afternoon. Brother Ray Bulliard FSC, Principal/President genially welcomed the visitors and thanked them for taking time in their day to give Saint Paul's a chance. He promised that after viewing our gorgeous and open campus, listening to our accomplished staff, and speaking to our exemplary students the name of Saint Paul's will forever be branded in their memories as a great place to grow up.

After this short greeting, Brother Ray handed the microphone over to five young juniors and seniors who eagerly volunteered to explain the mission statement of Saint Paul's through their own words and experiences. Juniors Peter Yager and Michael Burke and seniors David Englehart, Lyle Manion, and Bobby Bayer gave their three minute speeches that moved the audience. Lyle eloquently said, "Here at Saint Paul's is where your home is. My best memories happened on this campus with my friends, those memories will stay with me for many years after I graduate. What makes this school special extends farther than just school books and sports. It's the brotherhood that binds all of us together into Men of God."

At about one thirty, the mass of prospective students broke into tour groups led by Student Hosts. These groups toured our forty-acre campus littered with pine trees, tradition, newly-renovated buildings, and brotherhood. The campus was abuzz with teachers, clubs, and organizations setting up and showing what makes our school tick. The nationally recognized Shell EcoCar Club, set up under the Wolf Dome, and showcased its award-winning cars that have outshined colleges such as LSU and Georgia Tech. The heads of each department, Mathematics, English, Science, Spanish and Religion, gave summaries of what makes our school so academically strong. The Marian Players acted out several scenes of their fall drama, "No Time for Sergeants," throughout the Open House. Along with numerous other presentations around campus, these groups hopefully convinced the prospective students to choose Saint Paul's for high school.

by Michael Burke



Student speakers at open house are pictured at left L-R: Peter Yager, Bobby Bayer, Lyle Manion, Michael Burke, and David Englehardt.



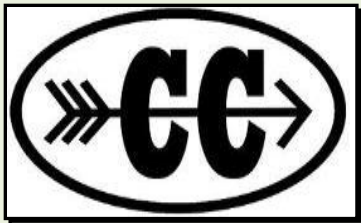
Football Wins District 6-5A Title...again!



On Friday, November 2, the Varsity Football Wolves won their fourth straight undefeated District 6-5A Title by beating the Fontainebleau Bulldogs, twenty-nine to twelve. They finish their season with seven wins and three losses



Cross Country Wins District 6-5A Title and Second in State!

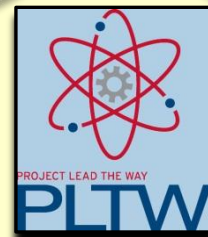


Pictured above L-R: Kraemer Jackson, Zachary Albright, Michael Burke, Michael Pereira, Matthew Wirt, Spencer Albright, and Don Lipani.



Biomedical Sciences Program

Quality
Education



Every year, the staff, faculty, and administration of Saint Paul's School Strive to make our school a great place to study, pray, and grow up. Teachers and administrators work arduously to improve the daily curriculum of students so they can compete with students of other schools. Taking this code to heart, Assistant Principal Trevor Watkins, along with science teachers Tony Taffaro and Amy Schultz-Marshall, introduced a three year Biomedical Sciences Program at the beginning of the 2011-12 academic year. Already after only two semesters, Mr. Taffaro and Mrs. Schultz-Marshall have transformed this course into a must-have for any academy wolf that plans to pursue a career in the medical field. Students can enter this program as a freshman, and this class deeply strengthens the depth of electives Saint Paul's has to offer.

The Biomedical Sciences Program, designed by Project Lead the Way, is a sequence of courses which follows a hands-on and real-world problem-solving approach to learning. Students explore the concepts of human medicine and dive into topics such as physiology, genetics, microbiology and public health. Through activities, like dissecting a heart, students examine the processes, structures, and interactions of the human body – often playing the role of biomedical professionals. They also explore the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of diseases such as cancer.

Currently, Biomedical II – Human Body Systems – students, under the supervision of Mrs. Schultz-Marshall, are examining life sized and texture fake bones. Acting as forensic anthropologists that have recovered the skeletons of a group of unknown “people,” students determine the age and gender of each set of bones. With assiduous hands, groups of two scientists use gel electrophoresis to analyze and compare the DNA of each bone. After much cross-examination, students finally discover the identity, race, and height of each person.

Throughout the rest of the year, students will design experiments, investigate the structures and functions of the human body, and use data acquisition software to monitor body functions such as muscle movement, reflex and voluntary action, and respiration. Exploring science in action, students build organs and tissues on a skeletal manikin, work through interesting real world cases, and will again often play the roles of biomedical professionals to solve medical mysteries.

When asked why he decided to take Biomed and how this class will help him prepare for college, junior Don Lipani said, “I feel as if this class is giving me an advantage over other rising high school students pursuing the medical career in their future. It's providing me with college information that is specific to what I want to do for a living.” According to the Project Lead the Way website, on average, high school Biomedical students have a GPA 0.21 points higher than the average GPA of all first-year college students.

By Michael Burke



Saint Paul's students enrolled in the Touro Infirmary, Project Lead the Way STEM Education Program for Biomedical Science class Human Body Systems are examining bones to discern the height, weight, ethnicity and gender. Pictured working on the activity are: Ian Conroy and John Grab. Mrs. Amy Shultz-Marshall is the instructor for the class.

Saint Paul's Wrestling

On Wednesday, November 7, NCAA National Wrestling Champion, Anthony Robles, came to Saint Paul's to speak to the students about "wrestling your challenges on a daily basis". On July 20, 1988, Robles was born with one leg, but his mom always told him that "God made me this way for a reason" and she made him believe it. Robles has earned several honors and awards and has given many motivational speeches. John and Susan Peterson, parents of senior wrestler Jordan Peterson, sponsored Mr. Robles' visit. After the assembly, Mr. Robles practiced with the wrestling wolves. Click [here](#) to visit Mr. Robles' website.



Principal Brother Ray Bulliard, FSC visits with Anthony Robles.



Anthony Robles wrestles with Jordan Peterson while the team looks on.



Saint Paul's Athletic Director and head wrestling coach Craig Ketlesen poses with Anthony Robles and John Peterson.

Saint Paul's Varsity Wrestlers competed in the first tournament of the season, The Mandeville Open, with five students placing in their individual weight classes. Quinn Perret placed fourth in the 132 class; Jordan Peterson placed fourth in the 160 weight class; John Brands placed fourth in the 182 weight class; Dominic Iovenitti placed second in the 152 weight class, and Connor Campo placed first in the 138 weight class. Connor Campo is a returning State Champion.



Concern for the Poor and Social Justice



Pictured with the over 500 items collected from Saint Paul's student body in row one are: Thomas Ruli, Eric Boudet, and Riley Knepper. In row two are: T.J. Chatham, Brandon Power, Bobby Bayer, Lyle Manion, Thomas Duet, Michael Stewart, Trent Pouey, Collin Kersker, Ryan Martin, Brian Schmitt, Jack Lynch, Christian Caragliano, Harrison Gitz, Michael Brown, Steven Arias, and Zachary Buster. The items will be donated to the Samaritan Center, Ozanam Inn, and the St. Tammany Humane Center. It is part of an even larger project organized by Annie and Sean Noel to help those in need in our community.



Saint Paul's Student Council once again made the Covington Food Bank the project for Thanksgiving. The students and faculty collected staples for two weeks. When the last grain of rice and ounce of jiffy mix were counted, Saint Paul's contribution to the Food Bank totaled nine tons, 249 pounds, breaking our old record by two tons. Shane Kennedy, Peyton Tabor, Max Gold, Zachary Charles, Trey Couvillion, Nicholas Noggerath, and Nick Brenson in row one pause after loading a trailer with food. In row two are: Cain Plaisance, Robbie Barcelona, a graduate of '95 who supplied the trailer, Zachary Clay, Jack Dubriel, Sam Crowton, Trey Braud, and Larry Perrin.



National Merit Scholarship Program



Saint Paul's School is pleased to announce the Robert "Bobby" Bayer has been named a Commended



Student in the 2013 National Merit Scholarship Program. Being named a commended student means that Bobby is in the top five percent of the more than 1.5 million students who entered the competition for 2013. In addition to being an honor student, Bobby is very active in many school organizations. He is a Student Host Leader, President of the Lasallian Youth Leaders and a Eucharistic Minister. He is member of the National Honor Society and President of Mu Alpha Theta, the national math honor society. He serves on the Student Council, and participated in the Shell Eco Car Marathon.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year



We, in the Development and Alumni offices wish you and your families a joyful and blessed holiday season. Pictured at left 1st row L-R: Danielle Lavie, Office Assistant, Al Nastasi '91, Development/Alumni Director, and Shellie Campo, Director of Special Events. Back row L-R Associate Alumni Directors: Mark Richards '72, Lee Pierre and Robert Simpson '88.

*The Strength of the
Wolf is the Pack*



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