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Gentlemen and Members of the Saint Paul's community,

With Lenten prayer services, Honor Society inductions, the Robotics club and Wolves on Wheels preparing for battle, the pouring of the slab for the new gymnasium and winter sport teams heading into the playoffs, there is much activity and vitality here on campus as we head towards spring. The Basketball team finished as the District Runner Up by way of a tiebreaker

game for First Place with a playoff game tonight. Our undefeated Soccer Wolves are looking to claim an incredible 3rd State Title in five years tomorrow evening at Tad Gormley Stadium.

Wrestling and Indoor Track just wrapped up with Top 10 finishes in the State at 6th and 9th respectively while our Spring Sports are gearing up in Baseball, Golf, Lacrosse, Powerlifting, Rugby, Track, and Ultimate Frisbee. In checking the school calendar you will see many opportunities to catch the Wolves in action. Further, many of the teams have their own Facebook pages and independent web sites. Click <u>HERE</u> to visit our website with links to these pages and other information about a particular sport of interest.

Hopefully, many of you have gotten your first taste of boiled crawfish this year, but don't lose that craving just yet. On Saturday, April 18, we will host the 6th Annual Crawfish Cookoff from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm. This will be held in conjunction with Reunion Weekend whereby several reunion classes with years ending in 0 or 5 will be in attendance. Many classes have begun organized efforts to attend the Cookoff and to revolve their independent class gatherings around the event accordingly. Please click HERE for a list of contacts for the reunion class. If your class is not represented but has an interest, please do not hesitate to contact the alumni office.

Finally, for those of you who enjoy tracking our Annual Fund progression, here is some familiar language. Thank you so much for your continued interest and enhanced support of this cause, and I encourage you to continue to spread the word, the excitement with our progress, and the continued need of support to those who you feel will be able to assist. Please refer to the updated Alumni Annual Giving by Class and for a list of alumni donors. Since the last edition of Wolftracks, there has been a slight increase from 187 to 207 alums in support of the 2015 Appeal. There is still continued work ahead to reach the goal of 300 as well as to have representation from at least one member of each graduating class from 1950 onward. If you do not see your class represented, please get your class on the map!

For the Strength of the Pack is the Wolf, and the Strength of the Wolf is the Pack!

Al Nastasi

Sports Schedules

Baseball Schedules
Golf Schedule
Lacrosse Schedules
Powerlifting Schedule
Rugby Schedule
Track Schedules
Ultimate Frisbee

Mass Schedule

March 19, 2015 April 23, 2015

Assembly Schedule

March 3, 2015 March 10, 2015 March 31, 2015

Renovation to the Gene Bennett Sports Complex



The new gym will be the primary home for basketball and physical education programs, while wrestling and powerlifting will be housed in a renovated Gene Bennett Sports Complex. The new facility will increase seating from 855 to 1050, and will be air conditioned. Fortunately, once again Saint Paul's is keeping the past by changes in the "old gym" and embracing the future with construction of a new and much needed larger gym.

Click <u>HERE</u> for digital brochure about the gymnasium.



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Alumni General Meeting/Luncheon



It was a President's Assembly like any other - classical music streaming through the Gene Bennett Sports Complex, students filing by grade level into the bleachers, Brother Ray delivering an eloquent reflection on the northern half of the court, illuminated by the sunny Tuesday morning — but there was one highly notable difference from the usual.

A massive number of active alumni happened to be in attendance.
Saint Paul's graduates of all ages, some having been Wolves in the '60s and some having graduated

within the last decade, occupied the folding chairs on the southern half of the gym floor. There, they had a chance to participate in the ceremonies that had been integral facets of President's Assemblies of years past—ceremonies like opening and closing prayer and the Fight Song—while also gaining exposition and insight into some of the newer customs and traditions that are now part of the Saint Paul's experience, such as the new prayers to Saint Benilde and Brother James Miller.

The alums were also filled in on some of the Wolves' latest and greatest extracurricular and athletic accomplishments—though, as Brother Ray is forced to say so often, not all of the school's latest achievements can ever fit into any one assembly. Half an hour simply isn't long enough to relate all the good that goes on at Saint Paul's. After the assembly the guests toured the campus and enjoyed lunch in the lobby of the Alumni Theater.. Forty-three alumni attended Saint Paul's President's Assembly presented by Brother Ray Bulliard, FSC. on Tuesday, February 3rd. Brother Ray shared with the alumni the recent athletic accolades as well as the numerous academic accomplishments. Additionally, Brother stressed to our students of making good decisions in regards with the upcoming Mardi Gras season and to be safe. After the assembly, the alumni toured the campus and had lunch and a brief meeting. Lunch of hamburgers and chicken sandwich were provided by Mugshots Bar and Grill in Covington, owned by alumnus Chris McDonald '97. Pictured above are first row left to right: Al Nastasi '91, Alumni Director, Henry Fransen '70, Bob Pecunia '61, Mike Richard '69, Jimmy Dykes '61, Mike Cooper '71, Eddie Villere '70 and Charlie Wheeler '57. Second row L-R are: John Curren '92, Will Giannobile '01, Todd Burrall '97, Tom Lott '66, and George Boudreaux '65. Third row: Ricky Jeansonne '92, Jason Kaufmann '90, Matt Organ '99, Tom Shephard '73, Clif Cheatwood '98, Michael Sullivan '57, and Ernst Coumou '83. Fourth row: Dartanian Sanders '92, Don Bonano '02, Miles Biggs 94, Brett Freret '91, Tyson Walker '94, Paul Davis '74, Chris Combs '98, Colin Sims '99, and Kevin Byrne '83. Fifth row are John d'Hemecourt '96, Robert Barkerding '92, Pierre Simoneaux '82, Jeff Ibos '85, Brett Barattini '02, and Jonathan Gay '97. Top row: Mark Jones '93, Jean Pelloat '92, Trip Keller '07, David Billiot '98, Mick Nunez '88, and Andrew Dart '03. Not pictured are Chris McDonald '97 and Paul Alexius '61.

by Jack Dubreuil '15





Alumni General Meeting/Luncheon (continued)



Several alumni had family members currently enrolled at Saint Paul's. Pictured at left are Rhett Ibos '19 and father Jeff Ibos '85, Cameron Byrne '17, with his dad Kevin Byrne '83, Cole Chitwood '19 with his grandfather Eddie Villere '64, Pierre Simoneaux '82 with his son Dustin '16 and Charlie Wheeler '57 with his grandson Evan Hendry '19.

Career Day



Graduates of Saint Paul's who spoke at Career Day seated included: Chris McDonald, Stewart Fresh, Chris McClelland, and Chris Combs. Standing are: Dr. Joel Burvant, Justin Greenleaf, Chris Price, Chad Danenhower, Michael Sciortino, Chris Simpson.

The members of the Junior class of Saint Paul's School spent the morning of January 29th in the Briggs Assembly Center obtaining the inside information on some popular career choices. Ten alumni generously donated their morning to help educate the young men about their respective careers. The students were divided into small groups and attended nine sessions with information and a question and answer session. Topics and speakers included: Dr. Joel Burvant '99, Dentistry; Chris Combs '98, Construction and Contracting; Chad Danenhower '92, Attorney; Stewart Fresh '97, Chiropractor; Justin Greenleaf '04, Architect; Chris McClelland '92 State Trooper; Chris McDonald '97, Restaurateur; Chris Price '01, Broadcast Journalism; Michael Sciortino '03, Accounting; Chris Simpson '95, Fire Fighter. The event was organized and sponsored by the Alumni Department of Saint Paul's School; Al Nastasi '91 serves as the Alumni Director.

by Karen Hebert





6th Annual Crawfish Cookoff



Saturday, April 18, 2015 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Join us for a day of food, fun, and family at Saint Paul's School

Admission includes
ALL YOU CAN EAT CRAWFISH
and access to the children's play area.
Beer and refreshments are available for purchase.

Pre-event: adult: \$25, 13-18: \$15, 7-12: \$5 At gate: adult: \$30, 13-18: \$25, 7-12: \$5

Children 6 and under free.

www.spscco.com

Alumni News



Jason Farrell '93 – Jason is the owner Hickory Small Animal Hospital in Ponchatoula, LA. Jason's clinic was recently named as the #27 fastest growing LSU owned business in the world. Click HERE for complete list. Check out his website www.hickorysmallanimal.com.



Major Josh Boudreaux '99 – Josh is continuing his work as the #2 pilot of the United States Air Force Thunderbirds Air Demonstration Squadron. Josh has been a member of this elite team since 2013. The stated Mission of the USAF Thunderbirds is to: "Plan and present precision aerial maneuvers to exhibit the capabilities of modern, high-performance aircraft and demonstrate the high degree of professional skill required to operate these aircraft". Click HERE to view an interview with Josh by a representative of the Atlantic Flyer newspaper. Check out the Thunderbirds demonstration schedule HERE.



Handsome Monica '14 – Handsome is a freshman at The University of Arizona. He signed with Arizona in November 2013 and is expected to contribute to the baseball team this season in the position of catcher. Click HERE for article in the University of Arizona student newspaper The Daily Wildcat.

Calendar of Events



<u>Thursday, March 5, 2015 – Celebrity Waiters' Dinner 2015</u> - 7:00pm in the Briggs Assembly Center



Saturday, March 15, 2014 - Christian Brothers' Relay



<u>Saturday, April 18, 2015 – Crawfish Cook-off</u> – Saint Paul's campus – 1:00pm – 6:00pm.

Rise Up 'O Men of God



James Lieux '55 Avit Hebert '55 John Clemente '71

Michael J. Vallette '72, brother of

Stephen '75 and Donnie Vallette '76 and uncle of

Stephen, Jr. '06 and Connor Vallette '12

John Caffrey '78

Michael Swords, Sr. '78, son of Cullom, Sr. '50

father of Michael, Jr. '09 and brother of Cullom, Jr. '81

Charlie Keopp '81

Autumn Boh '92, son of Eric Boh '66

Mr. Don Celestin, Sr, father of Don Celestin, Jr. '79

Mr. Keith Ingram, father of Bay '80 and Reed '83

and grandfather of Christian '14, Hayden '16, Gabriel '18 and Zachary '20.

Mrs. Kay Files, mother of Patrick Files '86

Mrs. Jane Uzee, mother of Ryan '96 and Reid '00 Uzee

Mrs. Evelyn Guerrero, grandmother of Stephen Beatty '08

Mrs. Dora Mohon, grandmother of Chris Weintritt '17







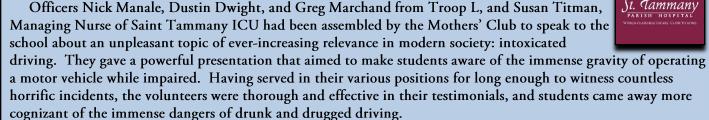
School News



"Good, safe, healthy decisions" is a particularly familiar phrase around Saint Paul's School. The term can be heard on many Friday afternoons, sounding from the school intercoms through classrooms and hallways as disciplinarian Ken Sears and President Brother Raymond Bulliard, FSC advise students to act in a way that is beneficial to them as well as to others. Additional focus on safety comes during every class, when students and faculty pray that Brother James Miller will "Help us make courageous choices." At Saint Paul's, student safety is a constant and primary priority.



On February 5th, the Mothers' Club made an invaluable contribution to the administrative effort to promote safety.



But that's not where the message ended; following the Officer Dwight's presentation, a family of especially honored guests took the stage.

Ashlee Stokes was fifteen years old, driving with a permit, when a drunk driver had collided with her car in 2008. The wreck, which had been no fault of her own, had caused permanent brain damage that severely impaired her movement and her cognition. Seven years later, Ashlee remains disabled; her speech is limited to slow, strings of words, and her every movement is dictated by whoever mans her wheelchair. Nevertheless, she remains compelled to share her story.

Saint Paul's was fortunate enough to be the Stokes family's latest audience. Unable to tell her story for herself, Ashlee remained in her wheelchair as her father David related the events of the wreck that had permanently altered so many lives.

"Ashlee's story wasn't like the usual 'scare-us-into-being-good-kids' speeches that we're used to hearing from authority," reflects senior Colin Skinner. "Instead, we were filled with inspiration and gratitude for what we take for granted every day, things like getting dressed or brushing our teeth."

The standing ovation that followed the Stokes' testimony affirmed that the message had hit home. Students queued to shake hands with the officers, Ms. Titman, and Ashlee and her parents, thanking them for a story that wouldn't be soon forgotten.

by Jack Dubreuil '15



discusses the difficulty of repairing brain damage from drivers who do not use seat belts.

Ms. Titman

The Stokes family and Officer Dwight address the students and faculty



Student Council



Student Council Members pause for a moment at the State Convention.

Saint Paul's Student Council recently took its talents to Captain Shreve High School for the annual Louisiana Association of Student Councils (LASC) Convention. Attended by 1,200 people from schools across the state, the Convention is an active weekend of inter-council networking and team-building exercises. The event aims to give Councils an opportunity to showcase their own abilities and talents while fostering a sense of community among the student governments of Louisiana.

The LASC Convention centers around a massive inter-school political race. Councils campaign via signage, skits, and competitive activities for the highly sought-after State Executive Board positions

of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Parliamentarian. On election day, votes are cast by Councils from the over 100 Louisiana high schools in attendance.

Saint Paul's campaigning paid off: the Council left convention as the official Parliamentarian school of Louisiana, with junior Austin Grasshoff occupying the official representative position, Austin Grashoff will represent SPS as State Parliamentarian, and Will Murphy was elected to represent Saint Paul's as District 2 Secretary. Students representing Saint Paul's included: Sam Giberga, Austin Grashoff, Adam Schmitt, Sam Brown, John Cresson, Andy Grashoff, Will Murphy, Colin Skinner, Philip James, Connor Reese, Chris Wilson and Josh Devier. Student Council Moderators: Joanna Case and Audrey Pool attended the convention with the diligent members of the student government group.

By Jack Dubreuil '15

Wrestling Senior Night



Saint Paul's Wrestling Wolves paid a special tribute to the senior members of the team and their parents for their dedication to the sport. Pictured on "Senior Night" are Charmaine, Peyton, and Michael Cuccia, Chetien, Chase, and Brian Cochran, and Matt, Matthew, and Teresa Krutzfeldt.





Marching Wolves



Picture above is Lester Gutteso dancing with the Wolves. Photo compliments of Nola.com.



Saint Paul's Wolf shares a trinket with a child.



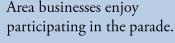
Saint Paul's Marching Wolves have been very busy this month with Mardi Gras parades and extra-curricular activities. The Marching Wolves participated in seven parades including The Krewe of Eve in Mandeville, Krewe of Olympia in Covington, and the Krewes of Carrollton, Hermes, Endymion and Bacchus in New Orleans.

In addition to the Mardi Gras parades, the Wolves 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.





Saint Paul's Marching Band performs in the WalMart special needs parade on Wednesday, February 11th.







Project Lead the Way

Members of Saint Paul's School Computer Science and Software Engineering class, under the direction of Rachel Peak, enter the Verizon Innovative App Challenge for 2014-2015 and were awarded "Best in State." Keegan Lange, Kameron Lange, Sam Brown, and Yehia Elkersh worked as a team to design a social media application, Science Innovation Research Application (SIRA), which allows people to post their innovative ideas, research, and scientific theories about any relevant scientific idea and receive feedback from the members of the interested community. The competition required that the students construct a working model of their idea. The computer science class is a Project Lead the Way elective in the Hornbeck Offshore Services Pre Engineering Curriculum. Pictured with the award from the Verizon company in the first row are: Keegan Lange, Yehia Elkersh, Sam Brown, and Kameron Lange. In row two are: Tanner Brunner and Rachel Peak, instructor for the class.



by Karen Hebert

Mole Day



Picture above left to right are: Robert Ellis, Dustin Simoneaux, Hunter Bourgeois, Wyatt Heap, Sam Gartman, and Briggs Simpson .

The mole is a unit of measure most commonly used in Chemistry. It is used for counting things which are very small, such as atoms or molecules, and in the calculation of results of chemical reactions. The numerical value of the mole is 6.02×10^{23} (like the numerical value of a dozen is 12). The number is also called Avogadro's number after the Italian scientist, Amadeo Avogadro. In our chemistry classes the mole is used the entire second semester. Because the mole is so used so much in chemistry, scientists like to stress the importance of its role. There is a national mole day celebrated on October 23 (10²³). The animal mole really has no relation to the chemistry mole but scientists like to use the animal as sort of as mascot for the chemistry mole. In order to promote the mole in our chemistry class we have a mole day. The students create and decorate their own unique stuffed toy animal mole. Some of the moles we had this year included: "mole'lificient, Cara"mol" apple, Exxon "mole" bil, "mole" winkle, and "mole" er coaster. By Lee Pierre



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Celebrity Waiters' Dinner 2015 "The Swing Era"





It's NOT TOO LATE to reserve a table for Celebrity Waiters' Dinner being held on Thursday, March 5, 2015 at 6:00pm. A table for 10 is waiting for you! This event funds Saint Paul's Renaissance Program which supports activities such as Wolves on Wheels, Aqua Robotics, Robotics, College Tours, Life Skills for Seniors, Etiquette Training, and many others.

The D-Day Museum Victory Big Band will entertain our guests along Saint Paul's Jazz Band. We host a silent and verbal auction along with a 50/50 and restaurant raffle. Table guests compete with other guests to raise the most Wolfbucks for their table.

For more information, visit our <u>website</u> or call the Development Office at 985-892-3200 ext 1270.

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College Signings





Saint Paul's Senior, Kyle Cleveland, will continue his track career throwing the javelin at Loyola University in New Orleans. Pictured at his signing ceremony seated are: Kristian, Kyle, and Kevin Cleveland. Standing are: Al Nastasi, Head Track Coach for Saint Paul's, Craig Ketelsen, Athletic Director of Saint Paul's, Paul Bowman, Javelin Coach, Matt Shelton, Head Track and Field Coach for Loyola University, Joel Klein, personal trainer and Kourtney Cleveland, Kyle's sister.





College Signings (continued)





Saint Paul's Senior, Colin Hanley, signed a scholarship to continue his soccer career at Niagara University in Niagara, New York. Pictured at the signing ceremony seated are: Cheryl, Colin, and John Hanley. Standing are: Tommy Lahey, Assistant Soccer Coach, Lauren Hanley, Sean Moser, Head Soccer Coach, Brenna Hanley, J. W. Hunt, Assistant Soccer Coach, and Craig Ketelsen Athletic Director.



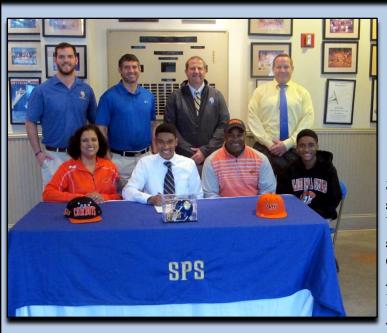
Saint Paul's Senior, Jean-Paul Juge, will continue his lacrosse career at the University of Dallas in Irving, Texas. Pictured as he signs his scholarship papers seated are: Joel, Jean-Paul, and Denis Juge. Standing are: Saint Paul's Athletic Director, Craig Ketelsen, David and Lauren DiVincenti, John Meibaum and Austin Speni, Coaches for the Saint Paul's Lacrosse Program.







College Signings (continued)





Saint Paul's Senior, Jalen Mc Cleskey, signed a scholorship for football at Oklahoma State University. Pictured at the signing ceremony seated are: Susan, Jalen, J.J., and Justin Mc Cleskey. Standing are: Josh Gast, Burt Pereira, Assistant Football Coaches, Ken Sears, Head Football Coach, and Craig Ketelsen, Saint Paul's Athletic Director.

Rugby

Saint Paul's Rugby is off to an exciting start! The inaugural game this season was held on Saturday, January 31st with a march, led by the Kilts of Many Colours, down Lasalle Drive. The Wolves trounced West Jefferson High School with a 41-0 win. For the second match of the season, the Rugby Wolves beat the Jesuit Blue Jays with a 15-5 win. This victory has moved Saint Paul's to the number one position in the Deep South High School Rugby Union and 19th in the nation according to the Goff Rugby Report. Click **HERE** for the complete schedule and come support our Rugby Wolves.



The Kilts of Many Colours led the march.

JT Kinch fights his way toward a score.



Players of the Week



Kenny Sears

This past semester, two student athletes were acknowledged as Player of the Week from Nola.com. In October, junior Kenny Sears was awarded The Times Picayune Northshore Male Player of the Week (week 6) for his performance as football quarterback against Northshore High. Kenny completed this game with a record of 24 of 29 passes for a total of 389 yards and two touchdowns. See complete article HERE. Kenny was also chosen as Prep Player of the Week for week 3 by WWLTV. Click HERE.

The Times Picayune recognized senior Colin Hanley as Northshore Male Player of the Week in December for soccer. Colin is the starter at keeper for the Wolves and brings experience to the team. See Nola.com article <u>HERE</u>. The soccer wolves have been first in state twice in the past three years.



Keeper Colin makes a save during the 2014 Division I state soccer championship match. Photo from Nola.com.



Colin Hanley





Soccer Senior Night



Saint Paul's Soccer Wolves, currently rated number one in both the state and the nation, honored the seniors and their parents at the last regular season game in Hunter Stadium. Pictured at the presentation kneeling are: Andrew Brouillette, L.J. Spady, David Durand, Brett Feringa, Eric Guin, Davis Neitzschman, Aarron Hodgman, Joseph Tanner, Barrick Roberts, Brent Neal, Matthew Dysart, Byron Morgan, Parker Rice, and Colin Hanley. Pictured in row two are: Nicole and Randy Brouillette, Dr. Malik and Leonard Spady, Belinda Durand and Doug Durand, Kara and Pete Feringa, Vicki and Charles Guin, Deneen and Hal Neitzschman, Shawnell Hodgman, Kathleen and Marvin Tanner, Mary and Shelley Roberts, Tina and Michael Neal, Michelle and Jerry Dysart, Michelle and Robert Morgan, Lisa and John Rice, and Cheryl and John Hanley.



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