



Alumni News



Recently, members of the class of 1963, met to celebrate their 53rd reunion from Saint Paul's School. J. P. Warner hosted their reunion and several members visited Saint Paul's to view the new addition to the Gene Bennett Sports Complex. Pictured left to right are: Larry Frederick, Earl Deroche, Donald Deroche, J. P. Warner, Mike Blossman, Ed Beshoner, Stan Eriksen, Greg Le Rouge, and Dan Deichman.

Alexander Richard '08 – Alex received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from the Louisiana State School of Medicine in New Orleans. He will begin his residency at LSU hospital in New Orleans.

Justin Dardenne '12 – Justin graduated from Southeastern University of Louisiana with Bachelor of Music.

Evan Heitzmann '12 – Evan graduated from the University of Mississippi with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in International Studies and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Chinese, both Summa Cum Laude. He recently received the Distinguished Senior Scholarship, the Taylor honor Award, and was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa honor Society. Evan was selected by the Federally Funded Language Flagship to spend next year in China studying at Nanjing University and intern at a Chinese company. Afterward, Evan will pursue a graduate degree either in the United States or abroad.

Austin Hummel '12 – Austin opened his Senior Exhibition "Aesthetic Despair" on Saturday, May 7 at Loyola University's Dana Student Center Art Gallery. His Senior Exhibition is the outcome of a two-month trip that he took to New York City in the summer of 2015, working for a noted New York photographer. During his free time, Austin would walk the streets and continue photographing. The Exhibition is Austin's photographic observation and insight of New York City and the people who live there. Austin will graduate from Loyola on Saturday, May 21.

Last week, Saint Paul's School reinstituted the Annual Alumni Phone-a-thon for the first time in nearly twenty years. Over thirty alumni ranging in graduation years from 1961 to 2011, gathered together in the cafeteria with a few objectives in mind: to have real and meaningful conversations with their classmates, peers and fellow alumni, to update contact information when applicable for our records, to discuss reunion relevance and planning, to encourage donations and support of the President's Academic Annual Fund, and to have a little fun.



After enjoying a phenomenal meal of a hand cut rib-eye, baked potato casserole, carrots and asparagus, generously provided by Chris Mc Donald '97 of Mugshots, Brother Ray briefed the group on the current healthy state affairs of the school. He also gave a snapshot of the principles of Lasallian education and the associated need for continued support to ensure the accessibility and affordability of the Saint Paul's experience. Alumni Director, Al Nastasi, then explained the mechanics of the evening following which the callers dispersed amongst the cafeteria, and the calling began. Nearly 200 Alumni were able to be reached with the vast majority making pledges. When the airwaves cleared, there was an immediate increase of 25% in the number of alumni annual fund supporters compared to this year's number going into the phone-a-thon.

Should you have any questions, an interest in being a part of the next phone-a-thon event, or an interest in supporting this year's 2015-2016 appeal which ends on July 31, 2016, please do not hesitate to contact Al Nastasi at aln@stpauls.com or 985 892-3200 ext 1271.

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What's New for Next Year?



As a supplement to your Wolftracks newsletter (What's Happened), the Alumni Department will begin to communicate 'What's Coming Up'. Look forward to receiving notices on a bi-monthly basis to keep you abreast of what's in the future for Saint Paul's School: alumni events, academic events, sporting events, and more.

Additionally, be on the lookout for our "Upcoming Events" postcard which should be mailed over the summer. We're already looking forward to a fantastic 2016-2017 school year!

Mark your calendar ! First Annual Alumni General Meeting is scheduled for the end of August – check our website for updates. [Alumni Calendar](#).





School News



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During the week of April 25, Saint Paul's held its third quarter honor roll breakfasts, with honor roll members from each grade level being recognized at a breakfast with their parents on a different day.

The breakfasts usually begin with the serving of breakfast and the reading of the names of those on the President's (all A's) and A/B honor rolls. Then, school president Brother Ray Bulliard, FSC, makes congratulatory remarks and teaches the honor roll students and their parents vocabulary words.

However, for the third quarter breakfasts, seniors Luke Avenel, Jack Cheng, Ethan Desforges, and John Cresson presented vocabulary words at the breakfasts.

"It was a pleasure to come together for the last time with my classmates to celebrate this quarter's academic achievements," said Cresson.

Avenel chose the words *legacy*, meaning something received from a predecessor, and *absquatulate*, to leave quickly. He exhorted students to consider their legacies when making decisions and to absquatulate when tempted to do wrong.

Cheng chose the Mandarin Chinese words *JiHui*, an opportunity, chance of occasion, or hazard and *Juéxī*, the state of mind of being determinate, to preserve, or the ability to maintain self-control. He implored the students to use *Juéxī* to make the most of their good *JiHuis*.

Desforges chose *bardolatry*, the idolization or excessive worship of William Shakespere, and *slipshod*, which means careless, untidy, or slovenly. Desforges spoke of his study of Shakespearean plays at Saint Paul's and warned the students not to finish the year in a slipshod manner.

Cresson chose *sojourn*, a temporary stay, and *apostasy*, a total desertion of or departure from one's religion, principles, party, cause, etc. He reflected on his sojourn at Saint Paul's and urged the students to make the most of their sojourns on Earth by never being guilty of apostasy.

by Jacob Broussard '16



Third quarter honor roll breakfast speakers, are left to right Jack Cheng, Ethan Desforges, John Cresson, and Luke Avenel.

President Br. Ray Bulliard and Principal Trevor Watkins '79, serve breakfast to the honor roll students.



ROTC Banquet

On Thursday, April 28, the Saint Paul's Corps of Cadets held its annual military awards banquet. The 2015-2016 Corps of Cadets was led by MSgt A.J. East. The room was decorated with white table clothes and red, white and blue centerpieces. In addition, the Prisoners of War/Missing in Action table was set in front of the stage. This table is set for one to symbolize that they are missing from our midst. The table cloth is white to represent the purity of their intentions to respond to our country's call to arms. The single rose reminds us of the families and loved ones who keep faith awaiting their return. The red ribbon tied to the vase is reminiscent of the red ribbon worn on the lapel of thousands to demand a proper accounting for our missing. A slice of lemon on the bread plate reminds us of their bitter fate and the salt is symbolic of the family's tears as they wait. The glass is inverted to represent that they cannot toast with us at dinner and the chair is empty because they are not here.

Numerous national organizations were present to award cadets who met the specific criteria for the unique awards. Cadet Christian Fortner '16 was the Master of Ceremony, and the guest speaker was Sergeant First Class Danyon Thomas. Sergeant Thomas is currently the Louisiana Army National Guard Recruiting and Retention Non-commissioned Officer.

Besides the national awards, the top flight of the year was announced. "Charlie" Flight commanded by Cadet Ruston Keller '16, was the top flight.

A delicious meal of grilled chicken and pasta was prepared by LaLou Restaurant and was served by the Saint Paul's Students Hosts.



POW /MIA table with the red rose, red ribbon, lemon, candle, salt and overturned glass.



Guest speaker Sergeant Danyon Thomas and his wife Jennifer with Master of Ceremony Cadet Christian Fortner '16.



Cadet Ruston Keller received a Scholarship Award from the Sons of the American Revolution for JROTC Cadet of the Year. He won the district and the state scholarships. Mr. Leonard Rohrbough from the Sons of the American Revolution presented Ruston with his awards.

ROTC Banquet



Cadet Pablo Pena received the Outstanding Senior Cadet award from Principal Trevor Watkins and Sergeant Thomas.



Daughter of American Colonists Award was presented to Cadet Clayton Lind by Ms. Emily Smith.



Senior Evan Hood was presented the Knights of Columbus Award by Mr. Irwin Marant.



Graduating seniors Christopher Damare, Pablo Pena, Christopher Pennison, Justin Callahan, Chancy Carr, Evan Hood, Francois Elzy, and Christian Fortner gather for a final picture.



"Charlie" Flight was named top flight for the 2015-2016 school year and was commanded by Cadet Ruston Keller '16.

Louisiana Gatorade Soccer Player of the Year



In over three decades of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with USA TODAY High School Sports announced Colin Ross of Saint Paul's School as its 2015-16 Gatorade Louisiana Boys Soccer Player of the Year. Last year, Saint Paul's senior Colin Hanley was also recognized as the Gatorade Louisiana Boys Soccer Player of the Year .

The award, which recognizes not only outstanding athletic excellence, but also high standards of academic achievement and exemplary character demonstrated on and off the field, distinguishes Ross as Louisiana's best high school boys soccer player.

Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Boys Soccer Player of the Year award to be announced in late May, Ross joins an elite alumni association of past state award winners in 12 sports. Read The Advocate article [HERE](#) and the NOLA.com article [HERE](#). See the complete list of finalists at www.gatorade.com/poy.

Tennis State Champions – Doubles Play



During the last week of April, brothers Kurt and Kent Shiehl competed in the Division I State Doubles Championship held in Monroe, LA. They defeated Jesuit players 6-3, 5-7, 6-1 in the boys doubles final. In the quarterfinals, they defeated the defending state champions 2-1. For more on the match, check out [The Advocate](#). Pictured at left are Kent Shiehl, Brother Ken Boesch, FSC, head tennis coach, and Kurt Shiehl.





Hornbeck Offshore Services presented Brother Ray Bulliard, FSC, President of Saint Paul's School, with the third installment of their \$500,000 five year pledge to support The Project Lead the Way Engineering Program and the Saint Paul's Business Program. Saint Paul's PLTW Program, sponsored by Hornbeck Offshore, has earned national certification for the work accomplished in the curriculum over the past four years. Hornbeck officials pictured at the donation are: John Cook, Executive Vice President, Chief Compliance Officer and Chief Information Officer, Tim McCarthy, Executive Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer, Brother Ray, Todd Hornbeck, President and Chief Executive Officer, and Jim Harp, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. Saint Paul's Engineering Curriculum includes: Gateway to Technology, Introduction to Engineering Design, Principles of Engineering, Computer Science and Software Engineering, Civil Engineering and Architecture, Digital Electronics, and Engineering Design and Development. Petroleum engineering was added this year, but it is not officially part of PLTW. Saint Paul's Business Curriculum includes Intro to Business, Finance, Marketing, Economics, Management, Accounting, and Entrepreneurship.



Civil engineering students pictured at left are left to right: Colin Sullivan, Ashton Young, Brennan Jenkins and Alex Nguyen.

State Champion Eric Coston – Again!



For the second consecutive year, junior Eric Coston won state championships in both the 1600 meter and 3200 meter race in the 5A State Championship. The meet was held on May 7th at the Bernie Moore Track Stadium at LSU in Baton Rouge, LA. Eric completed the 1600m race with a time of 4:16.66 and the 3200m race with a time of 9:25.34. Eric's times were the fastest run at the State meet not just in 5A but throughout all classifications. Click [HERE](#) to watch Eric discuss his championship. For a list of all the winners of the boys track and field events, click [HERE](#).

College Signing



Last month, Saint Paul's Senior Ken Sears, Jr. signed a football scholarship to continue his athletic career at Northwestern State University, his father's alma mater. Sears threw of 2,361 yards in his senior season, earning twenty-six touchdowns. The Wolves won the 6-5A district championship. Pictured above seated are Ken with his parents Mary Beth and Ken Sears, Sr.

Standing are football coaches: Joshua Gast, wide receivers coach; Lee Pierre, defensive line coach; Craig Ketelsen, Athletic Director; Burt Pereira, quarterbacks coach and offensive coordinator; and Joe Dickens, offensive line coach.



Mother Son Dinner

On Wednesday, April 13th, Saint Paul's hosted the Mother - Son Dinner in the Briggs Assembly Center. This was the second year hosting the event which replaced the Mother-Son brunch once held on a Sunday morning. The Mother- Son Dinner is sponsored by the Mothers' Club, under the leadership of President, Jeanelle Scheurich, who organized the evening with the assistance of Event Chair, Janie van Deventer.

The evening began with a prayer service followed by a delicious dinner provided by Keith Young's Steakhouse. After everyone finished their meal, Br. Ray Buillard, FSC, President of Saint Paul's, introduced five pre-freshmen who recited the short story, "Love You Forever", one of the hallmarks of the Mother-Son Dinner. Those students that read included Jesse Cheng, Abhijay Purohit, Michael Valliant, Hal Fox and Sean Noel. Br. Ray then invited seniors to give their reflections on their mothers. Seniors Colin Francis, Logan Haydel, Burak Kandil and Charles Braud each delivered a humorous yet powerful reflection about the impact their mothers have had on them. The traditional presentation of roses from the senior boys to their mothers was replaced by a SPS Mom handkerchief. These became very useful on this night as many moms shed tears of happiness, excitement and a little anxiety about the road ahead. The record crowd enjoyed the evening and the opportunity to spend some quality time with each other.



Pre-freshman readers of "Love you Forever".



Senior Luke Avenel and his brother, pre-freshman Sam, with their mom Kathleen.



The Briggs Assembly Center was filled to capacity with students and their mothers.



Sophomore Service Day



Sophomore Service Day was held on Friday, April 29th with the help of faculty and parent volunteers. As in previous years, the students both enjoyed and took much from the day. Several Northshore and Southshore sites were visited this year. The sites were: [ARC of New Orleans](#), a vintage garden farm, [City Park Couturie Forest](#), [Covington Rec Plex](#), [Greenwalt Center](#), an elderly care center, [PACE](#), an elderly community primarily for mental disabilities, Right Action Friends, [Stormwater Management](#), [The Food Pantry](#), and [Youth Rebuilding New Orleans](#).



Students help with food preparation at the Mission Food Pantry in New Orleans.

Apple's Worldwide Developers Conference



Blake Bollinger

Saint Paul's is proud to announce that pre-freshman Blake Bollinger was a winner in the Worldwide Developers Conference competition hosted by Apple. The prize is a scholarship to attend the conference in San Francisco this upcoming June. Blake and a friend developed an app called Rehearsal which aids singers in tuning their voices. For more information about the conference, click [HERE](#).

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