

WOLFTRACKS



Saint Paul's School Covington, LA



September 30, 2018

Friends and Alumni of St. Paul's School,

I hope this finds you well and eagerly anticipating the glorious month of October. Thank you to all of you who have been back to campus recently for the Alumni Breakfast and Centennial Mass, to attend the Homecoming festivities, support the 2018 Gridiron Wolves, to those who are in carline to pick up children and everywhere in between. Next month's edition will feature highlights from Homecoming as well the Joseph A. Champagne, Jr./ Gene Bennett Memorial Golf tournament which is being held on Friday, October 5.

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Alumni Chapters –Further development of Chapters continues. If you are interested in coordinating or participating in an Alumni Chapter in New Orleans, Baton Rouge, Houston or any other location, please contact Al Nastasi at aln@stpauls.com

Alumni Directory Update - Many thanks to those of you who continue to utilize this feature. If you have not yet done so, please take a moment to <u>UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION</u>.

Upcoming Events- Please peruse the information in the following pages and mark your calendars.

October 26 will be a particularly special evening on campus as we will have members of the 2013 District Championship Football team on campus for a Reunion and Recognition evening. Please contact aln@stpauls.com for more detail. Further the Class of '78 will return to campus that evening as well with both pre and post game activities beginning with a tailgate under the Wolf Dome at 4:30pm For more information, please contact Bryan Krantz at bkrantz@krantzstable.com or Al Nastasi at aln@stpauls.com.

Veterans Plaque- Thank you for your service to our country, and we look forward to hearing from and recognizing our Veteran Alumni on the Friedman Memorial plaque with details on a subsequent page.

As always, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at <u>aln@stpauls.com</u> or by phone at 985 892-3200 ext 1271. Live Jesus in Our Hearts....Forever!

Al Nastasi '91



On Thursday, September 13, several alumni and friends, including a large contingent from the Class of '66, joined us for breakfast, a general alumni meeting, a sneak peak of Benilde Hall, and a special Centennial Mass celebrating 100 years of the Christian Brothers' ministry here at Saint Paul's School.

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Alumni Profile

Paul Davis '89



Family: Married to Nicole . Children are Zachary, 15, SPS class of 2021, Mackenzie, 14, and Andrew, 9, SPS class of 2027.

Education:
Attended LSU from
1989-1991; Earned
a B.A. in Business
Management from
Southeastern
Louisiana
University.

President and COO of:



What is your favorite memory at Saint Paul's? It is hard to pick just one, but graduation day was the best memory because it was the culmination of all that was accomplished at Saint Paul's over the past 5 years. Back then we still had it at the Abbey. It was a truly special experience.

What do you value most about your Saint Paul's education & experience? The education was great, but the bonds of friendships that were made are the most valuable, with not only my classmates but with the faculty and staff that are still friends today.

Do you have any other family members currently attending or who have attended Saint Paul's? I have a son that is starting his sophomore year. Coach Mick Nunez is my cousin and his oldest son Jack, just graduated while his son, Kier, is a freshmen.

What advice would you give to current students or young alumni? Get involved. Saint Paul's offers so many opportunities beyond just classroom education. I think the extracurricular activities that the school has today are just amazing and the boys should do as much as possible.

Why do you continue to support the Saint Paul's mission? Saint Paul's helped make me who I am today and I am thankful for the opportunities my time at the school afforded me. I think it's important to support the school's mission so that it can continue. The Strength of the Wolf is in the Pack. Once a Wolf always a Wolf!

In what ways do you continue to be involved with Saint Paul's at this phase of your life? I participate in the annual fund phonathon, serve on the golf committee, play in the golf tournament, participate in the crawfish cook off, Jazz and Roll and as many activities as my schedule will allow--anything I can do to support the School.

Is there anything you would do differently with your Saint Paul's experience if given the opportunity to go back in time? I would have been more involved. I started slow. I probably would have played more sports early on and joined more clubs.





Update on the Renovation of Benilde Hall

We're almost there!!



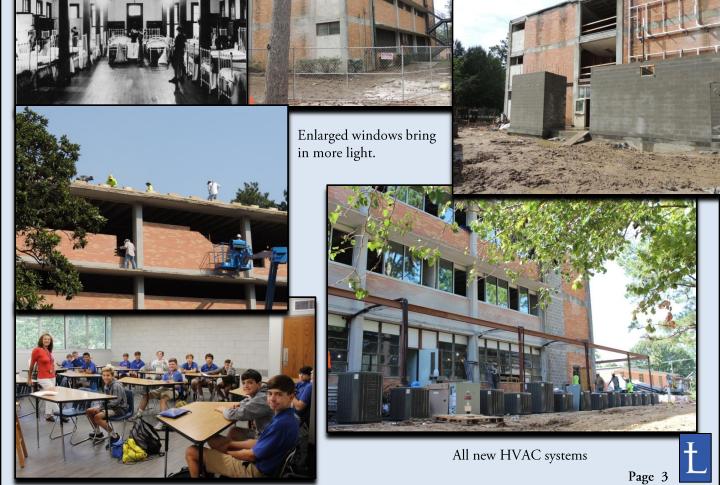
Benilde Hall 1959

Benilde Hall is nearing completion! There are just a few finishing touches to an amazing reinvention of the space.

The renovation began in late April when the seniors completed their regular classes before their graduation in May. With the approach of summer, demolition began in earnest! Over a three month period, interior walls were removed and spaces were added and reconfigured. A stairwell and elevator were added as well as an exterior breezeway surrounding the building. The transformation was truly amazing. Mr. Trevor Watkins, Principal of Saint Paul's, spearheaded the renovation and has done a remarkable job.

Elevator and new restrooms added.

Religion and Spanish classes have been in progress on the upper two floors since school began in early August. The downstairs, open-air gathering center is near completion. We anticipate full use of the facility very shortly.



Alumni News



Luke Michael Sciortino was born on September 4th to **Michael '03** and Amanda Sciortino. Weighing in at 8lbs 11oz, he was welcomed into the family by his older siblings, Will and Anna.



Drake Arnold '11 - As a pioneering member of the Saint Paul's Lacrosse Program and and LSU Lacrosse Alumnus, Drake is taking the role as LSU's new Offensive Coordinator. Drake goes to LSU after leading the Wolves' offense to a top-3 ranking and back to back Louisiana State Championship appearances, taking home a ring in one.

Bro. Ralph turns 98



body enjoyed popsicles distributed by members of the retired brothers in celebrating Bro. Ralph's 98th birthday. The students walked down La Salle Drive to the retired brothers residence to socialize with the brothers and enjoy their treats. Pictured at left in front are: Brothers Alfred Baltz, Tom Canty, John Fairfax, Ralph Baltz, Kenneth Seibold, and Louis Welker. Standing behind the Brothers are: Daniel Bitterwolf, Thomas Bitterwolf, Joel Fernandez, Luke Beckendorf, Patrick Kilgore, Michael Silvestri, and Richard Burvant.

On August 30, the student



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Upcoming Alumni Events



Friday, October 5 - Joseph A. Champagne, Jr./Gene Bennett Memorial Golf Tournament. Click <u>HERE</u> for website.



Friday October 26 - The 2013 District Champion team will be honored on Friday, October 20th here at Hunter Stadium in the regular season home finale. All team members are welcome. Mark your calendars. Contact Al Nastasi at aln@stpauls.com with any questions.



Saturday, November 24 – Third annual alumni decathlon. Contact Al at aln@stpauls.com for more details.



TBA – Begin studying for the Christmas Edition of Alumni Trivia Night. Stay tuned to next month's edition to find out which date in December it will be held.



Wednesday, December 26 –Annual alumni decathlon. Contact Al at <u>aln@stpauls.com</u> for more details.

Rise Up 'O Men of God



Mr. Don Steadman '67
Rev. Dr. Mallery Callahan, father of Mallery Callahan '01
Dr. Norman Ott, father of Weston Ott '23
Mr. Frank Isolani, grandfather of Lucas Isolani '21
Mr. Jackie Parchman, uncle of Bryce Parchman '19



Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace! Amen!



Veterans Plaque



In 2012, at the bequest and generosity of the estate of Mr. Harry G. Friedman Class of 1933, a memorial plaque was designed and hung in the Eastern hallway in the lobby of LaSalle Hall. It was dedicated to the Memory of Mr. Harry Friedman and that of his brother, USA Lt. Col. Joseph Bernard Friedman, Saint Paul's College 1935. Additional language on the plaque is as follows: "Honoring the memory of all the Saint Paul's Alumni who practiced the values learned at Saint Paul's by their patriotic service in the United States Military."

Nearly 200 Alumni are presently represented on the plaque which resides in the hallway of La Salle Hall adjacent to our former ROTC classroom. As Veterans Day approaches, we would like to once again petition our Alumni base to identify any additional veterans and give proper recognition to all who have served our country.

If you are a veteran and would like to be recognized on the plaque, please email your response to the following to aln@stpauls.com:

- Your name
- Branch of service in which you served
- The highest rank or rate attained
- Your year of graduation or years spent at Saint Paul's

Further, if you are aware of a classmate or friend who served, please send us any information you have regarding that person including contact information. Any active military, please let us know when your service ends, or upon retirement, in order to ensure that the accurate rank is denoted on the plaque.

Many thanks to the Friedman family and for our Alumni who have so bravely served the greatest country the world has ever known.

NOTE: The plaque will be updated annually, and the deadline for this year's submission is Veterans Day, Monday, November 12, 2018. The goal is to have the updated names available for display by our return to school the first week in January 2019.

If you are not sure whether your name is on the plaque at this time, or for any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact Al Nastasi at <u>aln@stpauls.com</u> or 985 892-3200 ext 1271.









Celebrating 100 Years of Lasallian Education at Saint Paul's School



Commemorating the 100 year anniversary of the transfer of ownership from the Benedictine Fathers to the Christian Brothers in 1918, Saint Paul's devoted a week to special events and activities for its students to enjoy. The events all served the purpose of cementing the traditions and histories of Saint Paul's School from the days September 10th to September 16th: Founding Brothers' Week.

Events were kicked off with a bang on Monday when Mayor Mike Cooper of Covington, a Saint Paul's graduate of '71, gave a rousing speech to the students lauding the efforts of the Christian Brothers both in 1918 and in 2018. The week was officially



Saint Paul's College Faculty in 1921

declared by the mayor as Christian Brothers Week in the city of Covington, a momentous occasion. <u>City of Covington Proclamation</u>. Every student left the gym that day feeling proud of the school he attends and the order that runs it.



Mayor Mike Cooper '71 reads the proclamation during the Brother Ray Bulliard's President's Assembly.

On Tuesday, students sat down for a traditional, bi-weekly president's assembly in which President Brother Ray Bulliard, FSC informed students on the importance of the one-hundred year anniversary they were in the midst of. Towards the end of the assembly, the school sat together and held a short memorial for 9/11.





Lasallian Education for 100 years (continued)

Midweek, students marched down Jahncke Avenue and through the front arch of the school to commemorate the first time the Christian Brothers and their students walked through the arch at Saint Paul's School in 1918. The stampede of blue shirts and khaki shorts was lead by the seniors followed by the juniors, sophomores, freshmen, and pre-freshmen respectively. After a stop at the retired brothers' residence for a rendition of *Honneur a Toi*, a song commending the founder of the brothers, St. John Baptist de la Salle, the band played, welcoming students to mountains of cookies and snacks, the hard work of the Mother's Club. "I really enjoyed coming together with my classmates and recreating that walk," said Junior Charlie Layman. "Singing to the Brothers in French with the whole school was a lot of fun- It felt good to do something for the people who do so much for the school."



The Marching Wolves lead the parade to commemorate the Brothers' and students arriving at Saint Paul's in 1918. Recently, the Wolves were highlighted on TV for their sense of style. Click <u>HERE</u> to view.



Students sing *Honneur a Toi* to the retired community of brothers.



Students enjoy snack provide by The Mothers' Club.





Lasallian Education for 100 years (continued)

After three days of celebration, on Thursday Saint Paul's students came together for Mass in the Briggs Assembly Center with celebrant Abbot Justin Brown, OSB in honor of the transfer of ownership from the Benedictine Fathers to the Christian Brothers. The congregation was a sea of white and dark blue ties with students dressed to the teeth. Once the Mass had concluded, Abbot Brown declared that Friday would be a school holiday, not a half-day, which the school had been informed of. The respectful, quiet students immediately erupted into a sea of cheers and praises.

Students came to learn much about the beginnings of their school during the week, all the while enjoying special activities and events. Founder's Week is a special time at Saint Paul's, a time of history, faith, and respect. With years and years of experience behind it already, Founder's Week is a tradition at Saint Paul's that is sure to last for many more.

by Hal Fox '19



Brother Raymond Bulliard, FSC, President of Saint Paul's School, recreates the signing of the original deed to the Saint Paul's property with Abbot Justin Brown, OSB, from Saint Joseph's Abbey.



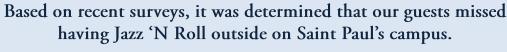




Jazz 'N Roll 2018



Painted by Dominick Alongi '14



We listened to you!

Jazz 'N Roll 2018 will take place outside, UNDER THE OAKS!

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Fully catered meal including wine pairings Silent Auction with items from area businesses

➤ Music by Uncle Daddy

≻Open Bar

≻Raffles

➤ Live Streaming of LSU Game!



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Math Tournament



The twenty-fourth annual Saint Paul's Math tournament was attended by over 400 mathletes from twenty different schools consisting of magnet, public, private, and Catholic schools. Middle school students are also invited so they can learn to love math. Traditionally, our tournament kicks off the math competition season.

This year, we had two divisions: Magnet school and Mu Alpha Theta (MAO) Convention winners versus all other schools. As the host school and placing in the top six in the state competition, Saint Paul's competed in the magnet division. Saint Paul's also only competes in the lower levels of the math competition as the older students help run the tournament. There were thirty-seven Saint Paul's students competing and twenty students running test rooms and bringing papers to the grade room. The Algebra 2 team of Mason Vencil, Alex Klocek, Jesse Cheng, and Marshall Unkauf won first place for ciphering.

Planning a math tournament is not for the faint-hearted. It takes weeks of test writing, checking tests, ordering trophies, and organizing the room arrangements for the 400 plus students. It is heart-warming to see the students WANTING to come to a math tournament on a Saturday morning. The tournament uses the Briggs Assembly Center, classrooms in LaSalle Hall, and the cafeteria to accommodate the competitors. Karen Hebert helps coordinate the hospitality room with refreshments and takes pictures during the event.

The tournament is coordinated by Susan Jordan, Pam Cullen, Michelle Baudoin and Kristin LaGraize, math department chair. The mothers of Mu Alpha Theta members donate food and beverages for the visiting teachers and man the concession stand.

by Susan Jordan

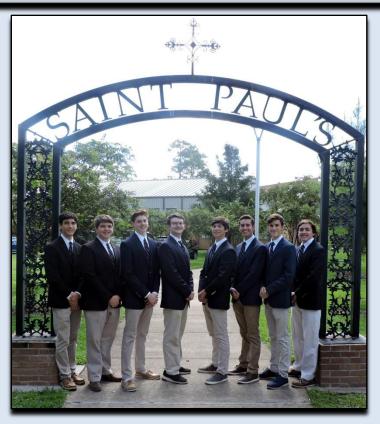


Math teams from over twenty schools gather in the Briggs Assembly Center to compete in the SPS Math Tournament.





National Merit Semi-Finalist

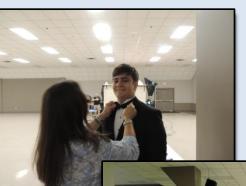


Saint Paul's School's administration and faculty are pleased to announce that eight members of the Class of 2019 have been named National Merit Semifinalists in the National Merit Scholarship Program. Pictured at left, David Needles, Stephen Millet, Cullen Irwin, Jackson Gold, Ross Hightower, Christopher Wilson, Andrew Norlin, and Hyde Healy are included in the academically talented group of high school seniors who will compete for some of the 7,500 National Merit Scholarships valued at over \$31 million dollars. To become semifinalist, students must have an outstanding academic record, participate in community service activities, demonstrate leadership abilities, write an essay, and earn excellent SAT scores that confirm academic achievement. The National Merit Scholarship Corporation's goal is to honor scholastic champions and encourage the pursuit of academic excellence.

by Karen Hebert

Senior Pictures

On Thursday, September 20th and Friday the 21st, Saint Paul's seniors had their senior portraits taken for the yearbook and they were measured for their caps and gowns. Several volunteer moms assisted the boys in making sure everything was perfect.



At left, Monica Contreras helps her son, senior Julian, get ready for his portrait. At right, mom volunteers help the students Sam Schmidt, Jonathan Wellmeyer, Ethan Yawn, and Josh Devier check in.



At left, seniors L-R waiting their turn in front of the camera are: Cole Chitwood, Connor Oviedo, Noah Savoie, Quinn Cooney, Ian Varney, Reiss Plauche, Eli Applebaum, Rafael Guzman, and Conner Walmsley.



A School of Media Excellence

Saint Paul's School has a long history of sponsoring media programs, specifically in regards to journalism and film. Be it the zany *Guerilla Wolves* video news, the award winning *Paper Wolf* newspaper, or the sleek *Conifer* yearbook, Saint Paul's has always been committed to producing quality programs and services to its viewers and readers.

Media, however, is a fluid art form. In ancient Greece, popular media was poetry and theatre: funeral scenes and grand battles depicted on pottery and the fronts of temples. Since then media has evolved into novels, short stories, television and video games as well as the media forms of old.

In 1915, if you stepped into the media room at Dixon Hall, the monolithic school building that burned down in 1981, you would be greeted with the clicks and static of radios. The wireless telegraphy class taught Saint Paul's students how to operate radio equipment, a technology about to explode in popularity. Saint Paul's had their own radio station with the call letters SEQ, and they used their equipment to send and receive messages during WWI. In the wireless telegraphy class, Saint Paul's students could listen to international broadcasts and report on it to the rest of the school. Today, Guerilla Wolves Student News carries on this tradition through zany skits and other journalistic endeavors on school wide broadcasts.

Students gather in Saint Paul's radio room in the early years.





The newspaper staff of 1922 sorts pages of the school newspaper.

Or take the Paper Wolf online student newspaper, a program which has won multiple awards, including a first place prize given by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association, one of the most prestigious awards possible for any student newspaper. The Paper Wolf has remained at Saint Paul's School a beacon for all students to test their skills at journalism and writing, making it one of the most important clubs on campus as well as one of the most successful.





A School of Media Excellence (continued)

The Conifer yearbook at Saint Paul's School is no exception to the excellence portrayed by other programs. Featuring sleek and aesthetically pleasing designs, the yearbook entertains countless students and parents for years to come, much after the year the books document.

While in 1915 media students were confined to small rooms in Dixon Hall, today you can find the media programs about to move in to a state-of-the-art media room of the newly renovated Benilde Hall, a room complete with fast computers, cozy chairs and plenty of coffee. This room will house the Conifer producers as well as the Paper Wolf team, allowing the two media giants at Saint Paul's some room to work together on journalistic projects.

Saint Paul's School has a history of excellence when it comes to media programs, and that will not be changing soon. Saint Paul's offers a variety of media programs, all because the Saint Paul's administration really does care about the students and the curricula. The media programs have always set Saint Paul's apart from the rest and continue to do so to this day.

by Hal Fox '19



Patrick Kilgore enjoys the 2017-18 copy of The Conifer, the Saint Paul's yearbook, on distribution day at the start of this school year.



Media Instructor, Josh Pereira, reviews filming instruction with his media class. Connor Oviedo, films, while Owen Hnatyshyn, Austin Holincheck, and Justin McCleskey work on the scene, other class members observe.

Interested in sponsoring our Video Production Studio or the Publishing Room in the newly renovated Benilde Hall? Contact Danielle in the Development Office at 985-892-3200 ext 1270.





Etiquette Training for Pre-Freshmen

Saint Paul's pre-freshmen students had the opportunity to refine their dining skills with a course sponsored by the Saint Paul's Renaissance Program. The students were divided into three groups and the training took place during lunch over a period of three days. The first two days were held after Labor Day on Thursday and Friday. The final day was rescheduled to Tuesday, September 18, due to interruption of school with the concern of Hurricane Gordon.

The lunches were held in the Briggs Assembly Center and were catered by Bosco's Italian Café in Mandeville. Owner, Tony Bosco, with the help of his staff presented a program on dining etiquette which included tips on: setting the table, using the correct utensils, taking and passing food, appropriate dinner conversation, and ordering, treating and tipping wait staff. Parent volunteers assisted with serving the pre-freshmen their meals. The students enjoyed the lessons and improved their manners, but the best part of the class was the delicious lunch of corn chowder, Caesar salad, chicken and pasta alfredo, and bread pudding. The students returned to class for the rest of the afternoon, well-mannered and well-fed.





Renaissance Program









International Lasallian Days for Peace

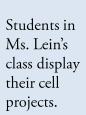


The International Lasallian Days of Peace (ILDP) are an annual tradition, celebrated by Lasallians the world over and dedicated to the goal of "Breaking the cycle of poverty to build peace" through the fundamental Lasallian pillars of Prayer, Study, and Action. The Days last through late October and are marked by special prayers and other observances of the need for peace in the world and its underserved communities. The Days for Peace began on September 21 (the United Nations' sanctioned International Day of Peace) and will run through October 21. The theme for this 12th annual event is "Ignite Our Hearts of Peace!" For the complete story, click HERE.

Cell Project

Biology students in Ms. Lein's class have a unique way of examining the anatomy of a cell. Students recreate an edible plant or animal cell using their favorite treats! The cell is 100% edible and contains organelles made from candy that resembles the real cell components. Many students choose a cake as the cell but several students got creative and used a cantaloupe, jello, or pizza to create the cell.

by Mimi Monteiro Photos by Melissa Lein









Mini-Schedule Night

On Wednesday, September 10, parents came to Saint Paul's to simulate an average day in the life of the sons. This day was originally scheduled for the previous week; however, the threat of Hurricane Gordon caused it to be postponed. The parents arrived at 6:30pm to attend the first block, A period, from their son's class schedule. During this time, the teacher gave a brief overview of what is expected of the students during the school year. After approximately twenty minutes, the parents moved to the next block, B period, and continued throughout the evening until all seven blocks were attended. Student hosts assisted parents as they travelled between the buildings and offered bottles of water to help with the heat.



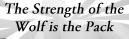
Junior Student Host, Evan Meral, points the way for a parent in La Salle Hall.



Sophomore C.J. Paretti assists a parent leaving the Main School Building



Juniors Patrick Kilgore and Alex Klocek man the water station.





Live Jesus in Our Hearts...Forever.

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