

Saint Paul's School

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*Aerial view of Saint Paul's campus during Luminarias on Thursday, December 6th.
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Cover ... Luminarias

The tradition of the Luminaries came to Saint Paul's School from Santa Fe. The Christian Brothers ran Saint Michael's High School in Santa Fe and for many years owned and ran the College of Santa Fe. As Brothers moved from Santa Fe to Covington, they brought the tradition of the Luminaries with them. In Santa Fe, the Luminaries were used to light the way to Midnight Mass and, in a more symbolic way, to light the way for the coming of Jesus. For many years at Saint Paul's, this celebration was held for the resident students on the last night of their fall semester before returning home for the Christmas holidays. The Luminaries carried the symbolic meaning of lighting the way to Jesus, but also signaled a break from school work. The event which included Christmas Carols in Founder's Circle and a prayer service in the chapel was a wonderful send off for those students traveling miles home, and those who lived in town.

The Student Council, National Honor Society members, and other student volunteers manned the sand stations, the paper bags, and the trucks to distribute thousands of bags containing candles and prayerful thoughts around the campus for the annual lighting. The students worked diligently to make the campus a wonderland of light.

Founder's Circle was the gathering spot for the Christmas carols, and then everyone was invited to Our Lady of Peace Chapel for a prayer service. Paxton Ballard provided the explanation for the word displayed in Hunter Stadium.

"The word this year is the French word Frère, meaning 'Brother'. Traditionally, a Latin word has been chosen as the theme for Luminaries. However, this year, in commemoration of our French roots and Lasallian culture, a French word was chosen. 300 years ago, the patron saint of teachers and the founder of the Brothers of Christian schools, St. John Baptist de La Salle, entered into eternal life. 100 years ago, the Christian brothers found their way to St. Paul's and helped craft it into what it is today. Saint John Baptist de La Salle started his religious order in a way that was marked by a special comradery. This is why he chose the word "Frere," or brother, to refer to the members of his order. Brother is a word that envisions students as equals and allows for more of a mentor-like way of teaching. He understood that students spend almost as much time at school as they do at home, so he wanted to create a community of family within his schools." (excerpt from Student Council Treasurer Paxton Ballard's '20 reflection at the Prayer Service).

Following the prayer service, the guests were invited to a reception held in the cafeteria sponsored by the Mother's Club, with more Christmas treats, hot chocolate, and coffee. The Saint Paul's band added the final touches to this wonderful celebration with a concert of Christmas songs. Everyone enjoyed the evening and the candles and prayers on the bottom of each white bag burned long into the night.



Students load sand-filled bags into trucks for distribution around campus. Pictured at left L-R are: Bronson May, Scott Sonnier, Graydon Hall, Andrew Lacoste, Frank Galeziewski, Danny Zuckerman, and Adrian Millan.

Alumni News

Alumni and friends of Saint Paul's,

I wish you a belated Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! I hope and trust that the Grace and Peace of our Lord has filled your homes during this Season of Advent.

The month of December held several alumni events including, the Alumni Basketball game, Trivia Night- Christmas Edition, Feeding the Needy, Christmas on Columbia, and the Alumni Lacrosse game, most of which will be featured in next month's edition.

As we begin this New Year, opportunities to see the current Wolves in action are listed below.

Finally, our Class of 2019 will soon partake in the highly anticipated Senior Retreat from January 9-11, an experience in which I am privileged to take part. I ask that you take a moment to pray for them during this special and powerful milestone during their time here at Saint Paul's. I further invite you to evoke a little nostalgia and reflect upon both your own Senior Retreat experience as well as what being a part of this brotherhood truly means to you! Feel free to send me your thoughts to aln@stpauls.com!

May you have a prosperous New Year, and may we see you around campus!

Al Nastasi '91

Winter Sports Schedules

<p><u>Basketball</u></p> <p>Varsity</p> <p>JV-Freshmen</p> <p>Pre-Freshmen</p>	<p><u>Soccer</u></p> <p>Varsity</p> <p>Junior Varsity</p> <p>9th Grade</p> <p>Pre-Freshmen</p>
<p><u>Lacrosse</u></p> <p>Master Schedule</p>	<p><u>Indoor Track</u></p> <p>Master Schedule</p>
<p><u>Wrestling</u></p> <p>Master Schedule</p>	<p>Go Wolves!</p> 



Alumni Profile

Brad Navarre '95



Family: Married to Erica for 17 years with three children, Lily (14), Eli (11), and Ellis (9).

Education: Bachelors of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Christian Brothers University in Memphis, TN; Licensed Professional Engineer

Owner of [Boos Navarre Consulting Engineers](#) in Daphne, Alabama:



What is your favorite memory at Saint Paul's? I don't really have one standout memory of St. Paul's. Whenever I think about St. Paul's, my mind overflows with great experiences all across campus, from band practices behind the baseball fields, Christmas "break" morning wrestling practices, miles and miles run all over the streets of Covington (although somewhat oddly, none of the routes took us directly past SSA), "lining" the old cinder track, falling on said track, volunteering at many of those weekend cookouts, and last but not least, the dreaded "study hall" which all but ensured you would be late for the start of practice for double the trouble.

What advice would you give to current students or young alumni? I would advise current students to take full advantage of the many opportunities at St. Paul's. Get involved and diversify yourself in academics, athletics, social organizations, and the faith. Reach out to those who may be struggling. Develop yourself. Develop others. Finally, to steal a slogan from my children's elementary school, "Be kind. Be a friend. Be a Saint." For young alumni, I recommend you use your experience at St. Paul's to pursue your interests and go do great things...and whenever possible, continue to support the St. Paul's mission so they can continue to provide these experiences for years to come.

Why do you continue to support the Saint Paul's mission? The St. Paul's mission is important to me because I live the success of the mission and know that many of my former classmates do as well. St. Paul's continually develops boys into young men capable of being influential throughout the world. Through today's social media connections, I see former classmates traveling the world, leading businesses, spreading their faith, and lovingly raising their own children.

In what ways do you continue to be involved with Saint Paul's at this phase of your life? Although I no longer live in the area, I continue to support St. Paul's whenever possible either through financial support or spreading the word of St. Paul's to anyone I encounter who may have an opportunity to have the St. Paul's experience.

Why would you encourage young men to consider attending Saint Paul's? I would encourage anyone with the opportunity to take advantage of the St. Paul's experience. I believe in the complete St. Paul's experience: academics, athletics, social development, and faith development and feel that it is among the best available. Everyone who attends St. Paul's is provided an incredible opportunity to excel in every area of life.

What would you describe as your greatest takeaway from Saint Paul's? Without a doubt, who I am today is a direct result of my St. Paul's experience and the commitment of my parents to ensure I was provided the best education available even though it required many sacrifices on their part.

Is there anything you would do differently with your Saint Paul's experience if given the opportunity to go back in time? Absolutely. I struggled with self-confidence and social interaction for several years. I think this held me back from realizing my full potential while in high school. Fortunately, I eventually overcame this struggle, and I think my high school experience could have been even more fulfilling if I had the confidence that I have today.



Alumni News

On Monday, December 10, the Gray Wolves gathered for their fourth annual Christmas celebration at Trey Yuen Cuisine of China in Mandeville. Comprised mostly of alumni from the class years of the mid to late 50's and 60's, the Gray Wolves, their spouses and guests celebrated with a night to remember. Many thanks for their continued Wolf Pride. Special thanks to Paul Cashio '60 for the organizational efforts with the event. List of alumni attendees included: from the class of '54, Bob Landry; class of '55, Don Fontan, and G.P. Naquin; class of '56, Joe Bruno, Emile Cloutet, Eugene Folsie, Frank Fouchi, Doug Lacour, Ken Philibert, and Bill Rose; class of '57, Emile Ibos, Bill Pugh, Red Schwab, and Peter Wolfe; class of '58, Lloyd Gautreaux, J.B. Ibos, George Melancon, and Bob O'Rourke; class of '59, Jake Giardina, and Warren Privette, class of '60, Gene Bordelon, Paul Cashio, Gerald Howat, Jens Madsen, Ronald Melancon, and Sal Pellittieri; class of '65, George Boudreaux; class of '67, E.J. Gussman, and Butch Gunther; and from the class of 68, Mike Herbert. The Development/Alumni office staff of Al Nastasi '91, Danielle Lavie, and Mimi Monteiro also attended. Photo credit Amber Cashio.



Pictured above L-R are: Vesta and Bob O'Rourke '58, Ronald '60 and Catherine Melancon, George Melancon '58, and Arthur Cashio.



Pictured above L-R are: Jan and Frank E. Fouchi '56, Jens Madsen '60, Deborah and Lester Bordelon, and Billy Duncan.



Pictured above L-R are: JB Ibos, Emile Ibos, and Emile Cloutet.



Pictured above L-R are: Mike Herbert, EJ and Janet Gussman, Louise Steadman, and Diane and Butch Gunther.

Duane Mizell '00 (right) and Danny Fields '01 – Both Duane and Danny were named as part of the class of the Top 40 under 40 by the Greater Baton Rouge Business Report. [See HERE.](#)



Andrew Bevinetto '08 - In 2012, Andrew, earned his bachelor of science in finance from the Ourso College of Business at LSU, and received his law degree from the LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center in 2015. After working in New Orleans in the Orleans District Attorney's Office and as a defense attorney in private practice, Andrew joined the Manasseh, Gill, Knipe & Bélanger law firm in early 2018. [See link.](#) Andrew married Sarah Ashton Piland of Baton Rouge late last year in a ceremony featured by [In Register magazine.](#) The couple welcomed their first child, Sarah Alice Bevinetto on Oct. 30, 2018.



Alumni Basketball Game

The fifth annual Alumni Basketball Game was held on Saturday, December 15, immediately following a semi-final match up in the Gene Bennett Memorial Classic featuring our 2018-19 Varsity Basketball Wolves. Fans were treated to an entertaining game filled with some impressive play by several of our "graying Wolves". A post game reception followed including a meet and greet with Saint Paul's basketball head coach Stephen Dale, the reminiscence of their glory days, and refreshments. Many thanks for your those supporting this event and for the quality of play exhibited in honor of Coach Bennett.

by Al Nastasi



Pictured from L to R are: John Michael McIntyre '12, Marc Robertson '12, Ryan Miranda '07, Perry Williams '00, Drake Arnold '11, Jackson Fos '12, Skyler Herbet '16, Jordan Jacob '14, Kevin Moore '91, Jeff Ramon '08, David Billiot '98, Kris Brumfield '12, and Gavin Gaude '18.



School News



Quality
Education

At a recent, President's Assembly, Saint Paul's President, Brother Raymond Bulliard, FSC, recognized thirty-two young men in the classes of '18 and '19 for achieving the rank of AP Scholar. The AP Scholar Program recognizes high school students who have demonstrated outstanding college-level achievement through their performance on AP Exams. The AP Scholar Awards are academic distinctions that students may cite among their credentials on applications and résumés. Members of the Class of 2018 who earned AP Scholar Awards included: Bradley Anzalone, Patrick Baldone, Max Catalanotto, Luc Hebert, Hanzala Hussain and Kevin Schneider. Matthew Borgatti was recognized as an AP Scholar with Honor, and Jack Nunez, and Andrew Smith earned the rank of AP Scholar with Distinction.

Members of the class of 2019 receiving recognition included: Eli Applebaum, John Paul Bourgeois, Nicholas Briggs, Brennen Calato, Charles Chitwood, Colin Cottrell, Hyde Healy, Michael Philippe, Waleed Sultan, Ian Varney, and Kevin Vicknair. A P Scholars with Honor included: Jonathan Bertucci, Beau Franklin, Ross Hightower, Luke Paille, Blake Ramsey, Noah Savoie, and Jack Schwartz. AP Scholars with Distinction included: Joshua Devier, Jackson Gold, Cullen Irwin, David Needles and Andrew Norlin.

Pictured at the assembly receiving their certificates kneeling are: Blake Ramsey, Noah Savoie, Jackson Gold, Charles Chitwood, John Paul Bourgeois, Andrew Norlin and Hyde Healy. Standing are: Cullen Irwin, David Needles, Michael Philippe, Eli Applebaum, Brennen Calato, Waleed Sultan, Kevin Vicknair, and Ian Varney.

by Karen Hebert, Public Relations Director



Louisiana Scholastic Press Association



The LSPA Conference was held on Thursday, November 8 with students from The Paper Wolf, Yearbook, and Broadcast classes attending. The conference is organized by the LSU Manship School of Mass Communication and is held on LSU's campus. For the **THIRD CONSECUTIVE YEAR**, The Paper Wolf was selected as the best overall school newspaper in the state for the 2017-2018 academic school year!

The Paper Wolf: 1st Place Finishers: Editorial, Luc Hebert; News Story (Advanced or Coverage), Ashton van Deventer; Personal Column, Jordan Eberts; and Personality Feature, Landon Rees.

2nd Place Finishers: All Other Feature, Carson Caulfield; Editorial, Luc Hebert; and Personal column, Luc Hebert.

3rd Place Finishers: Personality Feature, Christian Kramer & Spence Gremillion; News Story (Advanced or Coverage), Christian Kramer & Spence Gremillion; and All Other Feature, Ben Davidson.



Pictured above, the 2018-2019 Paper Wolf staff first row L-R are: Spencer Gremillion, Spencer Fox, Sean Noel, and Ben Davidson. Second row L-R are: Christian Kramer, Jordan Eberts, and Landon Rees. Back row L-R are: Hal Fox, and Ben Seiden.

Broadcast Competition: 3rd Place: Best Overall Broadcast (2018); 1st Place Finishers: Skit/Narrative/Short Film, Zach Russ; Commercial/PSA/Promo/Hype, Soccer Hype Video. **3rd Place Finishers:** Commercial/PSA/Hype, Football Hype Video; and Skit/Narrative/Short Film, Survivor directed by Brandon Gallego.

Pictured at right front row L-R are: Jordan Eberts, Gavin Patti, Sean Noel, and Ben Davidson. Second row L-R are: Evan Carse and Owen Hnatyshyn. Back row L-R are Instructor Mr. Josh Pereira '09, Jack Blossman and Justin McCleskey.



Yearbook Competition for The Conifer: Honorable Mention, Best Overall Design (2018). 2nd Place for both Copy and Theme Development/Organization

Pictured at left are current Yearbook students, John Paul Boyer and Justin McCleskey,



E Cigarettes



Dr. David Oubre, the founder of Pontchartrain Cancer Center, addressed the administration, faculty and student body of Saint Paul's School on the dangers of "e cigarettes." His presentation dealt with several important aspects of the issue that is now rated as an epidemic. In addition to the focus on the health issues of the current trend, he also addressed the design, chemical, business, physiological and social effects of using these products. Pontchartrain Cancer Center generously sponsors the Saint Paul's Project Lead the Way Biomedical Science Program.

by Karen Hebert

Several students thanked Dr. Oubre for his time and concern after the presentation. Pictured are: Paxton Ballard, Paul Stolin, Michael Oubre, Dr. Oubre, and Abhijay Purohit.

Bio Med Field Trip

Saint Paul's Project Lead the Way Biomedical Science IIIH class visited the LSU Health Sciences Center to tour the Center for Advanced Practice where they gained first-hand knowledge of training for health care professionals. Students listened to normal and abnormal heart sounds, analyzed respiratory patterns, practiced skills with surgical tools, and diagnosed a patient simulator in an emergency room. LSU instructor Daryl Lofaso led the tour and gave the students an idea of the training involved in pursuing a career in health science. Chris Stipe is the instructor for the class. The Saint Paul's Biomedical Science is funded by Pontchartrain Cancer Center.

by Karen Hebert



Students pictured at the medical center included: Corbin Chitwood, Jesse Cheng, Matthew Moffatt, Bronson May, Matthew Roussel, Jack Grace, Patrick Reilly, Sean Hightower, Ben Klein, Mason Vencil, Jack Bedell, Paul Stolin, Graydon Hall, Emile Durio, Andrew Lacoste, Michael Oubre, Nick Wright, Nick Ditta, Abhijay Purohit, and Miles Gensler.



Christmas for Children



Concern for
the Poor &
Social Justice



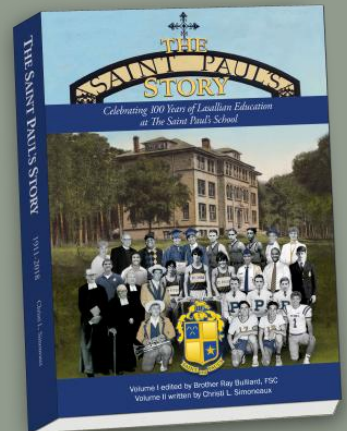
In accordance with the Lasallian Core Principle, "Concern for the Poor and Social Justice", students and faculty of Saint Paul's School participated in "Project Christmas." The school accepted a list of thirty five names of children living in St. Tammany

parish who needed the Christmas wish list fulfilled. The student body generously donated funds, shopped, and delivered the gifts to make all of those wishes come true. Pictured organizing the gifts for delivery are: Brycen Blocker, Brooks Dupuy, Hayden Mc Williams, Richard Burvant, Dominic Lavaccari, and Aiden Philibert.

by Karen Hebert

Saint Paul's Story

To celebrate the anniversary of 100 years of Lasallian Education at Saint Paul's School, a historical account of those years has been written. Volume I was originally written in 1968 to celebrate fifty years and Volume II continues the story to 2018. From Br. Nilammon Laurent, FSC, the first Christian Brother President, to the seventeenth Christian Brother President, Br. Ray Bulliard, FSC, this story chronicles the history of the school. From fifty-seven students to over 850 students, from the first newspaper, the *St. Paul's Paper* to the current student news, *The Paper Wolf*, and from a school with four sports teams, basketball, baseball, football, and track, to a school with fifteen teams, Saint Paul's remains to be a "good place to grow up"! [Order your copy today!](#)



On Wednesday, November 28, several members of The Marian Players' cast from *To Kill a Mockingbird* travelled to St. Anthony's Gardens in Covington to perform an excerpt from the play. St. Anthony's Gardens is a retirement community that offers independent living as well as short and long-term care. Cast members who visited with the elderly included Colin Cottrell, Sam Glynn, Jake Holincheck, Trey Paine, Nicholas Reardon, and Elias Simpson.



Pictured above performing for the residents are Trey Paine, Jake Holincheck, and Elias Simpson.

College Signings



Saint Paul's School hosted a congratulatory reception for six members of the Class of 2019, who signed scholarships to colleges across the nation to continue their athletic careers. Robert Buquoi, son of Sally and David Buquoi, will play football at Southeastern Louisiana University in Hammond, Louisiana. Frankie Durio, son of Suzanne and Christopher Durio, an honor student, will also head to Southeastern in Hammond where he will run both track and cross country. Christopher Flood, son of Dr. Herb and Lisa Flood, an honor student, will play lacrosse at Seton Hill University in Greensburg, Pennsylvania. Owen Hnatyshyn, son of Chris and Allison Hnathsyhn, an honor student, has been accepted to the Honors College at Indiana Wesleyan University, in Marion, Indiana where he will continue his football career. Austin Holincheck, son of Jake and Melissa Holincheck, an honor student, will play lacrosse at Lander University in Greenwood, South Carolina. Jakob Yancey, son of Jason and Tiffany Yancey,

an honor student, will continue his football career at Rhodes College in Memphis, Tennessee. The students invited family members, friends, and coaches to witness the signings and to enjoy the celebration. Pictured at the celebration seated are: Owen Hnatyshyn, Frankie Durio, and Christopher Flood. Standing are Austin Holincheck, Robert Buquoi, and Jakob Yancey.

The Gift of Life



Saint Paul's continued one of their most helpful Advent traditions on Friday, December 7th in the lobby of the new portion of the Gene Bennett Sports Complex, a blood drive. Early on Friday morning the red labeled white vans arrived with Mrs. Suzy Potter, Community Development Manager for The Blood Center, and her team transforming the gym lobby into a makeshift blood donor center. HOSA students had encouraged student and faculty participation with in-house videos explaining the importance of blood donation two days during the week. Forty-seven students, over sixteen, and faculty members scheduled time to donate. Since each pint can assist three people, 141 people were helped by the generous donation from Saint

Paul's. The need for blood is ever present but always spikes during the holiday time so December donations are crucial. Many donors opted to skip the gift presented to donors and to use their donation to send a young patient to sleep away camp an additional gift to those in need. Pictured above is Suzy Potter, Community Development Manager for the Blood Center, with Julian Contreras while he waits to begin his donation.

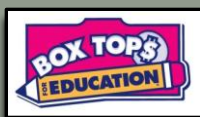
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Other Ways to Give

Box Tops for Education is one of America's largest school earnings loyalty programs. Schools can use Box Tops Cash to purchase whatever it needs. Clip the coupon from the merchandise purchased at the grocery, collect the tops and have your son give the tops to his math teacher.

AmazonSmile allows you to purchase items from Amazon.com and a portion of your purchase will be donated to the non profit of your choice. Please use this [LINK](#) and Saint Paul's School will receive these donations.

Office Depot will donate 5% of your qualifying purchase back to Saint Paul's School. At checkout, give the cashier number 70041640 and we will receive the donation. Can't remember the number ? Just ask the cashier to look up the school code for Saint Paul's School in Covington and they can apply the purchase.



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Wolf is the Pack*



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