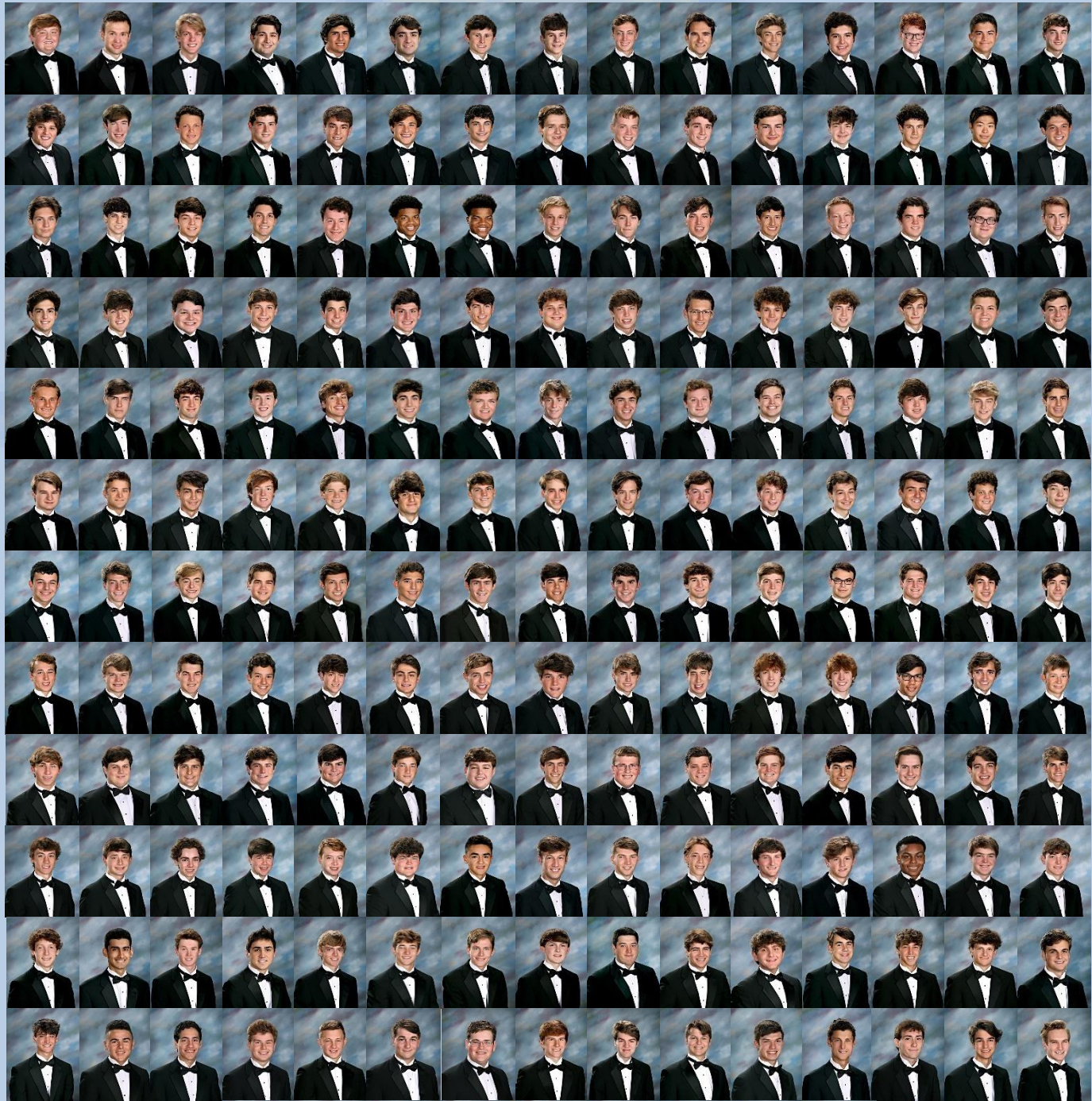


# Wolftracks Magazine



Graduating  
Class of 2020

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May 31, 2020 Issue



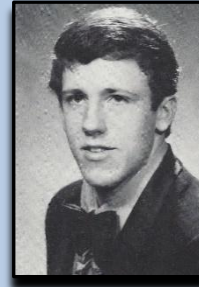
# 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Graduates

To have a high school educational experience comparable to your father or grandfather(s) is something truly special. Not only is there a shared familial connection in the conventional sense but also a uniquely common bond in brotherhood. We are grateful to those alumni who entrusted their legacies to our Lasallian Mission and education. Saint Paul's School is a good place to grow up!

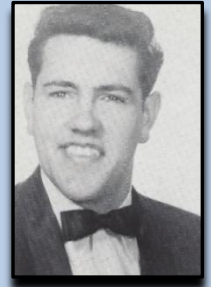
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Gabe Daigle '20



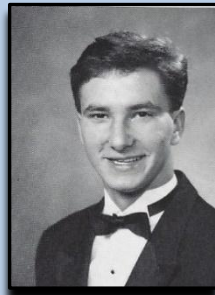
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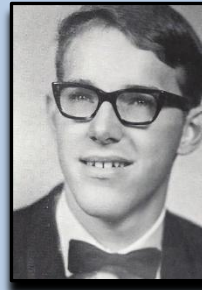
Eddie '62



Callan Danenhower '20



Chad '92



Danny '68

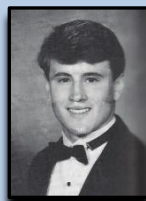
Callan Danenhower is the son of Chad Danenhower '92 and the maternal grandson of Danny Letsch '68

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Graduates



Jack Ballard

Father  
Scott  
Ballard '91



Miles Biggs

Father  
Miles  
Biggs '94



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Graduates (continued)



Brady Billiot

Father  
Bryan  
Billiot '90



Joshua Bonnett

Father  
George  
Bonnett  
'85



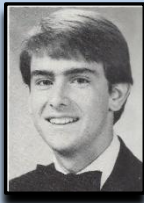
Thomas Bourgeois

Father  
Mace  
Bourgeois  
'92



James Bradford

Father  
Jim  
Bradford  
'84



John Buckley

Father John  
Buckley '87



Mason Byrne

Father  
Kévin  
Byrne  
'83



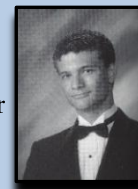
Corbin Chitwood

Grandfather  
Eddie  
Villere '64



Brayden Cornette

Father  
Chris  
Schneider  
'02



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Graduates (continued)



Blake DiSalvo

Father  
Chris  
Pierson '91



Emile Durio

Great  
Grandfather  
Addison  
Graham  
circa 1920s



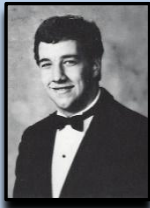
Haas Ferran

Grandfather  
James  
Blossman  
'54



Wayne Galloway

Father  
Rick  
Galloway  
'88



Graydon Hall

Father  
Michael  
Hall '92



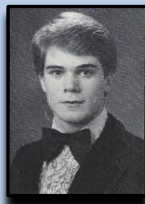
Christian Ham

Grandfather  
Louis Ross  
'51



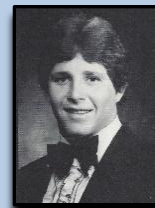
Sam Heap

Father  
David  
Heap '83



Zachary Ingram

Father  
Reed  
Ingram '83

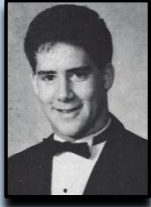


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Joey Keller

Father  
Roger  
Keller '89



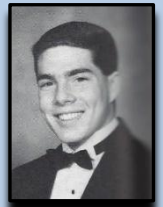
Bronson May

Father  
Carlton  
May '84



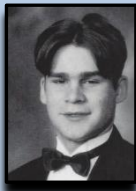
Al Nastasi

Father Al  
Nastasi '91



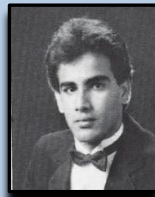
Jacob Organ

Father Matt  
Organ '99



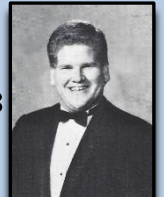
Abhijay Purohit

Father Sunil  
Purohit '86



Elias Simpson

Father  
Robert  
Simpson '88



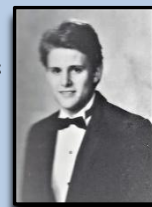
Patrick Thompson

Father John  
Thompson  
'74

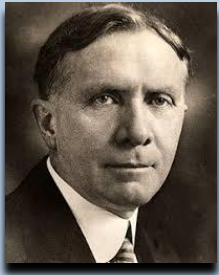


Harrison Willis

Father  
Casey Willis  
'88



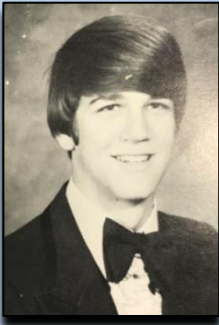
# Who Wrote Rise Up 'O Men of God?



William Pierson  
Merrill

If you have ever been to an all school mass, a Saint Paul's graduation ceremony, the Briggs Assembly Center, the concession stand at a soccer game or pretty much anything Saint Paul's, you are probably familiar with our fond nature for the words, Rise Up 'O Men of God. It turns out that what has become the cornerstone hymn and powerful conclusion to our graduation ceremony hails from a family member of one of our very own alumni. "Rise Up 'O Men of God" was authored by Mr. William Pierson Merrill, great-great uncle to Mr. Lee Merrill '78 in one of the most significant years in our celebrated history, 1911.

As well summarized by Wikipedia, William Pierson Merrill (1867–1954) was an American Presbyterian clergyman, pacifist, author, and hymn writer who was acknowledged during his time as one of the most influential ministers in America. He is probably best remembered as the author of several well-known hymns, including the aforementioned focus of this segment.



Lee Merrill '78

From all accounts, Mr. Merrill was quite the scholar and renaissance man of writing having earned several degrees from Rutgers, a PHD from Yale and not only authored hymns, but an Algebra textbook.

Thank you, Lee for your time in making the connection, and for your pride in both your family and Saint Paul's School. I assure you that on July 25 as we process out the Briggs Assembly Center, we will have an even greater appreciation for this beloved hymn.  
*by Al Nastasi '91*

## Alumni News

**Jalen McCleskey '15** - After spending four standout years at Oklahoma State University and earning a Bachelor of Science in Strategic Communications, Jalen transferred to Tulane University this past season. In addition to earning his Masters in Liberal Arts, Jalen consistently demonstrated his big play capability. His athleticism and talent caught the eye of the Atlanta Falcons and is one of three undrafted free agents signed at the wide receiver position. He has already begun virtual team and position meetings and is eager to showcase his skills with the team once able. He claims to be in peak condition in all facets of his makeshift Pro Day performance with some pretty impressive stats including a blazing 40 yd dash time and an 11 foot standing broad jump.

**Peyton Burkenstock '15** - Peyton received two acceptances to physical therapy school and has decided to attend William Carey University in Hattiesburg, MS this fall.

**Steven Van Zandt '16** - Steven graduated from the University of Lafayette Louisiana from the College of Industrial Design.



The following alumni graduated from LSU in May.

- College of Agriculture: Christopher Coyne '16
- College of Coast and Environment: Harrison Gitz '15 and Casey Prendergast '15
- E.J. Ourso College of Business:  
Sam Crowton '16, Sam Gartman '16, Harrison Gitz '15, Sam Grayson '16, Eric Guin '15,  
Logan Jean '15, Brett Manifold '16, Josh Mascaro '16, Paul Salles '15, Connor Scott '15,  
Matt Wallace '16
- College of Engineering:  
Joffre Crouere '16, Matt Dysart '15, Garrett Melton '14, Peter Olson '16, Barrick  
Roberts '15, Greg Roy '16, Parker Scheuermann '14
- College of Human Sciences and Education: Cameron Cole '16, Sam Dufour '16
- College of Humanities & Social Sciences:  
Bryce Jenkins '16, Dalton Mott '16, Patrick Stewart '16, Alex Weiner '15
- Manship School of Mass Communications: Zach Nunez '16
- College of Science:  
Andrew Mercante '16, Bryce Smith '16, Evan Young '15
- Graduate School:  
Nicholas Taylor '14, Sam Drummond '13

## Rise Up 'O Men of God

[Mr. Robert "Bob" Kiefer '51](#)

[Mr. Kenneth Stephen Philibert '56](#)

[Mr. Gary Mott '59](#), father of Gary '80, Brian '83, Danny '87, and David '87 Mott  
and grandfather of Dalton '16 and Jacob '19 Mott  
and brother in law of Mike Dugger '73

[Dr. James Brandt Elston '62](#)

[Mrs. Anita Sierra Nuss](#), mother of Philip '72 and Gerald '76 Nuss  
and grandmother of Jared '04, Kyle '07, and Samuel '16 Nuss

[Mrs. Adele Lozes](#), grandmother of Brian Lozes '08

Mr. Ronald Crist, grandfather of Tristan Avant '20

[Mrs. Cheryl Guidroz Daussat](#), grandmother of Gunnar Fiorella-Daussat '21

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

# School News



## Valedictorians



James Bradford IV, son of Jim and Charlotte Bradford of Covington, has maintained honor student status during his career at Saint Paul's and was selected as a National Merit Commended Scholar. He has been a member of Mu Alpha Theta, and the National Honor Society. He has earned a perfect 36 on his ACT. He played varsity soccer for three years, contributing to two of the Wolves recent state champion teams. He was selected as a member of the All State Soccer Team. He has served the school as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion during his senior year. He will attend University of Notre Dame in the fall and pursue a major in Statistics.

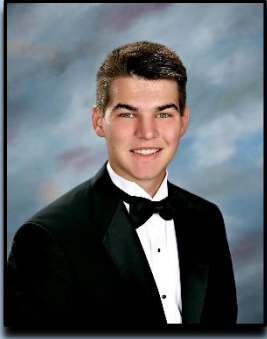
Blake DiSalvo, son of Shannon Pierson and Joe DiSalvo of Covington, is a member of Mu Alpha Theta and the National Honor Society. He is an active member of the Saint Paul's Habitat for Humanity. He was a member of the varsity soccer and track teams. He was selected to the Louisiana State All Composite Academic Team for soccer. He also served the Saint Paul's community as a Minister of Holy Communion. Blake will attend Auburn University and major in Civil Engineering.



Benjamin Klein, son Sean and Shawn Klein of Mandeville, will attend Louisiana State University and major in Neuroscience and Biology or Astrophysics. He has been an active member of HOSA, Habitat for Humanity, and Mu Alpha Theta. He was member of the varsity track team for three years, earning recognition as a regional qualifier, and being selected for the Academic All State Team. In the fall he will attend Louisiana State University as a Stamp Scholar. He was a National Merit Scholarship Finalist.



## Valedictorians (continued)



Darrin Lea, son of Ben and Jeanne Lea of Mandeville, served as the clarinet section leader for the Marching Wolves. He also played in the Saint Paul's Jazz Band. He is also a member of Mu Alpha Theta, Key Club, and Habitat for Humanity. He was awarded a Habitat Hammer for his dedication to the club. He has earned the title of Eagle Scout and was chosen a National Merit Commended Scholar. He was a member of the Vex Robotics Team and was selected as the Daren Boudreaux Scholarship winner. He will attend Louisiana State University and major in Computer Science.



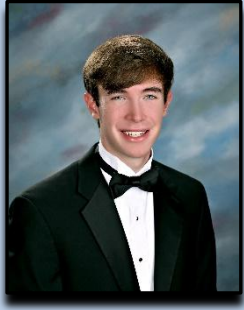
Jarrett Meibaum, son of John and Heidi Meibaum of Mandeville, has played varsity Lacrosse and Football for four years. In his senior year he was selected as captain of the Lacrosse team. He is the Vice President of the National Honor Society for 2019-20. He is also a mentor in Core Pack Mentor Program at Saint Paul's. He will attend High Point University and major in Biology.



Adam Smith, son of Mark Smith and Lois Fayerweather of Madisonville, is a member of Mu Alpha Theta. He was captain of the Vex Robotics Team for three years, and captain of the First Robotics Team for two years during his career at Saint Paul's. He will attend the University of Michigan and major in Mechanical Engineering in the fall.



# Salutatorians



Blake Bollinger, son of Brett and Tricia Bollinger of Covington, is the senior class president and the president of the National Honor Society. He has worked on the Saint Paul's Robotics teams for four years. He is member of the National Honor Society and has been honored for his service to Mary Queen of Peace Parish. He is a member of Mu Alpha Theta. He will attend Louisiana State University and major in computer science.



Jesse Cheng, the son of Phillip and Bonnie Cheng of Hammond, will attend Southern Methodist University and double major in Biology and Finance. While at Saint Paul's he was a member of the Aqua Wolves, holding records in 100 meter Free Style and 200 Meter Free Style Relay. He has been selected a member of All Parish, and All Metro Teams. He was also selected to the All State Academic Team. He is a member of HOSA, and Mu Alpha Theta. He has earned first place in the DeBose National Piano Competition.



Brenden Dauterive, son of Michael and Shelly Dauterive of Covington, has been active in the baseball program while at Saint Paul's. He was a member of the 2019 State Champion Team. He has earned a perfect 36 on his ACT. He is also a National Merit Finalist. He will attend University of Alabama on a full scholarship and major in Aerospace Engineering.



Clayton Dunavant, son of Eric and Angel Dunavant of Covington, will attend Purdue University and major in Computer Science. He has served as captain of the Wolves on Wheels team, and is the Vice President of the Graphic Design Club. He is a member of Mu Alpha Theta and the National Honor Society. He has been awarded a Habitat Hammer for his dedication and service to the Saint Paul's Habitat for Humanity group.





Miles Gensler, son of Scott and Kendall Gensler of Mandeville, is a National Merit Commended Scholar. He has been awarded a Habitat Hammer for his service to the Saint Paul's Habitat for Humanity group. He is a Unified Partner for the Special Olympics. He serves as Vice President of the HOSA group and a member of the Student Council. He is also active in National Honor Society and Mu Alpha Theta. He is a member of the varsity track and team. He will attend Southern Methodist University and major in Biology.



Andrew Lacoste, son of Kenneth and Kathleen Lacoste of Mandeville, was selected as a Student of the Year Finalist. He is president of the Saint Paul's Key Club and has earned a Habitat Hammer for his continued work with the organization. He serves the school as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. He has also donated hours of time as a volunteer Athletic Trainer for Saint Paul's sports teams. He will attend the University of Alabama and major in either Chemical Engineering or Pre-Med.



Collin Murray, son of Jay and Kelly Murray of Covington, is a member of the Lasallian Youth Leadership Group. He is also active in National Honor Society and Mu Alpha Theta. He has been a member of Saint Paul's Basketball Wolves for five years. He will attend Louisiana State University and double major in Mechanical and Civil Engineering

*"You have received talents and graces from God."*

*De La Salle*

*MTR 13.1 [Med 205.1]*





For all the times I wished that I would just graduate high school already, I now find myself pining for just a few more days at my home of five years. After five years of having last-minute study sessions in the library; walking, barely awake, through campus at 7 am to consult with a teacher; and not getting home until late at night due to numerous extracurriculars, the conclusion of my high school experience has been hijacked by online classes and video calls. Although the new way of educating during the COVID-19 pandemic gets the job done, it lacks the personal connection that I have grown so used to at a place like Saint Paul's. This separation from

society has given me a newfound appreciation for gathering at school. The constant attachment to a computer screen for hours at a time, completing assignment after assignment, has proven to be discouraging and monotonous.

However, there is a bright side to all of this, at least for those willing and able to capitalize on their opportunities. The stay-at-home and social distancing orders have given many people time to do things that they could never have done otherwise. For example, two of my siblings would be in college right now, but since they are home, we are able to spend time together watching movies, playing board games, and just talking about life. Spending this time with my family has been a blessing because we are all growing up and heading our separate ways, so the opportunity for a few more months together may not be possible again.

I have also used this time for self-reflection and improvement. I have started everyday with a prayer, keeping my faith alive while we are not able to attend mass. Staying at home with my family has been perhaps a bigger challenge than living out my faith in the community, but patience and prayer have been crucial in maintaining healthy relationships with my siblings and parents. In addition to my faith life, I have used this time to expand my hobbies and everyday activities. During the first week of quarantine, I started running almost everyday. The time I spend running each day allows me to clear my head and stay in shape, despite the circumstances. In addition, since I have been trying to find ways to fill my time, last week I rode my bike down the street for the first time in years and I decided that I wanted to go on more bike rides. So, I took a few hours watching YouTube videos and struggling to fix our bikes, but I finally got them working again. Now, my brothers and I ride them everyday all through the neighborhood. It is things like watching movies with my siblings, running, and riding bikes again that bring me hope during this time, and I plan to continue these habits as best I can after the quarantine.

*by Sean Hightower '20*





Saint Paul's School is pleased to announce that they have received two awards for their outstanding Project Lead the Way Programs. The school was recognized by the national Project Lead the Way Organization which is a nonprofit group that provides a transformative learning experience for PreK-12 students and teachers across the U.S. Their mission is to create an engaging classroom environment unlike any other. PLTW empowers students to develop and apply in-demand transportable skills by exploring real-world challenges. Through the pathways in computer science, engineering, and biomedical science, students not only learn

technical skills, but also learn to solve problems, think critically and creatively, communicate, and collaborate. Classes also provide teachers with the training, resources, and support they need to engage students in real-world learning. Saint Paul's has been named a Distinguished School for the Gateway to Technology Program used with the Prefreshmen, and the Distinguished High School for the engineering, computer science and biomedical science programs. Saint Paul's was the only high school in the state awarded this achievement.

*by Karen Hebert*

## Awards

Recently, two local magazines recognized Saint Paul's School for its work to provide a Lasallian Education to all the students entrusted to its care. Lasallian Education encompasses five core principles: Quality Education, Faith in the Presence of God, Respect for all Persons, Inclusive Community, and Concern for the Poor and Social Justice.

The Edge of the Lake magazine has awarded Saint Paul's School as the "People Choice" for the best private high school in West St. Tammany Parish. This is the third year in a row that Saint Paul's has received this award. To view the magazine, check out page 51 [HERE](#).

Additionally, Sophisticated Woman Magazine named Saint Paul's School as the "Best Private High School in West St. Tammany" as part of The Northshore's Best of 2019 issue. Refer to page 49 [HERE](#). Being honored by both magazines reaffirms that Saint Paul's School continues to be a good place to grow up!





The Brothers and their Lasallian partners work together and in association to provide a human and Christian education to the young, especially the poor. The partnership in our fundraising efforts with parents, alumni, and friends is essential to Saint Paul's School in sustaining the highest quality educational environment for the young men entrusted to our care.

Due to the impact of COVID-19 on our community, many families are facing hard financial decisions about providing a Catholic education to their children. Because at Saint Paul's we believe students will benefit from a faith-based education more now than ever, all the funds raised from #GiveNOLA will be used for TUITION ASSISTANCE to ensure the young men will continue to receive a quality Lasallian Catholic education.

The seventh annual GiveNOLA day is scheduled for Tuesday, June 2, 2020 from 12:00 am to midnight. This 24-hour online giving event benefits the 13-parish Greater New Orleans region. [Advance donations](#) may be made online now.

## Summer Camps - revised

Due to the phased reopening of our economy because of the COVID-19 pandemic, several summer camps have been re-scheduled. All date changes and descriptions of Saint Paul's summer camps can be found on our webpage for [Summer Camps](#).



# Easy Way to Give Back !

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For Online/Phone Purchases: [Click Here](#) to simply complete our short form using your school's contact information or 5% Back to Schools ID number and the order number that was provided for you online or over the phone at checkout.

*The Strength of the  
Wolf is the Pack*



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