



Wolftracks Magazine

Over 100 years of Lasallian Catholic Education



Alumni and friends of Saint Paul's,

The month of August has treated us to many of our finer traditions here at Saint Paul's School: the first Principal's Assembly welcoming the class of 2028, Senior Week including the March Through the Arch and the Class of 2024 Ring Ceremony, an all School Mass in dress uniform, and "Get Involved Day" encouraging our students as the name implies which will further enhance their experience as a Saint Paul's student and ultimately as an alumnus.

Alumni Breakfast – Join us on Thursday, September 21 for an alumni breakfast, general meeting, an address from Mr. Watkins, and a Principal's Assembly. Breakfast will begin at 7:00 am in the cafeteria with the assembly lasting from 8:15 to 8:55. This is a wonderful opportunity to experience alumni fellowship, student life and one of Brother Ray's beloved traditions. Please RSVP to Al Nastasi at aln@stpauls.com by September 18.

Homecoming - is around the corner on Friday, September 22, 2023. In keeping with tradition, the 25 year alumni from the Class of 1999, will escort the members of the Court as we host Slidell High School here in Hunter Stadium. From 5:30 pm until kickoff, there will be an opportunity for you to beat the heat and partake of some food and refreshments before the game in the cafeteria. This event is open to all alumni and associated guests and friends of Saint Paul's. Please join us for a great night of football and fellowship. To view the remainder of the 2023 Varsity Football Schedule click [HERE](#).

The Joseph A. Champagne, Jr. / Gene Bennett Memorial Golf Tournament - has a new date and will be held on Friday, November 3, 2023 at Tchefuncta Country Club. The tournament is sold out but please consider additional ways to support including: sponsorship opportunities, ditty bag donations, volunteering or if you would like to attend as social guest. For further information please contact me or visit [The Golf Tournament Website](#)

Reunion planning - is underway and many classes are planning to gather on Reunion Weekend and our Crawfish Cook-off on April 20, 2024. Further information will be sent in the near future, but in the meanwhile, please check our [Reunion Page](#) regularly for updates, check in with your class agents, or contact the Alumni Office.

As always, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at aln@stpauls.com or by phone at 985 892-3200 ext 1971.

Live Jesus in Our Hearts....Forever!

Al Nastasi '91

Saint Paul Our Patron...Pray For Us
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Tom Clark '82 – Tom is once again included in the 2024 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*® for his work in the practice area of Administrative/Regulatory Law, Commercial Litigation, Entertainment Law - Motion Pictures and Television, Government Contracts, Insurance Law, and Professional Malpractice Law - Defendants. "Receiving this designation reflects the high level of respect a lawyer has earned among other leading lawyers in the same communities and the same practice areas for their abilities, their professionalism, and their integrity."

Nick Licata '96 and Ryan Haggard '96 - Nick and Ryan have been promoted to CEO and CTO, respectively, of CASPR Technologies in Mandeville, LA. [Casper Technologies](#) is a pioneer in advanced photocatalytic technology for indoor air and surface disinfection and is excited to announce the sale of its assets to one of its main distributors, NDS-360. The company's products are designed to improve indoor air quality and reduce the risk of disease transmission in various settings, including hospitals, offices, schools, and public transportation.

Jacob Mott '19 - Jacob married Julia Tuminello in Georgetown, TN on August 19, 2023. We wish you a lifetime of happiness.



Saint Paul's class members of 1973, recently gathered for lunch at the Half Shell Oyster House in Covington. After celebrating their 50th Saint Paul's anniversary in May, the class of 1973 routinely meets for lunch. Pictured above, left row, front to back are: Peter Klebba, Phil Swett, Dickie Brocato, Ken Boudreaux, Paul Labiche, and Raoul Olivier; right row, front to back are: Tom Shepherd, Ed Bogantes, Matt Faust, Robbie Bateman, Eric Cooper, and Eric Lauck.

"Do not forget to thank God for his many blessings." (MTR 7.3 [Med 199.3])

- St. John Baptist de La Salle to the first Christian Brothers



Additionally, class members of 1973 in the Lafayette, LA met for lunch recently too. Seated L-R are: Rolland Leblanc, Tommy Duplantier, Charlie Foret, Dan Durio, and Fritz Trappey; standing L-R: Gerald Giroir, Ken Boudreaux, Eric Lauck, and Brad Leblanc.



Rise Up O Men of God

Mr. Jacob “Jake” Giardina ‘59

Mr. Clarence Garlepied, Jr. ‘62

Mr. Emanuel “Mannie” D. Hebert, Jr. ‘63

Mr. Donald Harang ‘66

Mr. Eugene Smith ‘73, brother of Jack ‘70, Larry ‘71, Henry ‘72, and Kevin ‘82 Smith

Mr. John Schoenthaler ‘85

Mrs. Kay Marks, mother of Kurt ‘78 and Keith ‘79 Marks

Mr. Edna DiFranco, mother of Brad DiFranco ‘81

Mrs. Claire Strain, mother of Britt Strain ‘92

Maj. Jean Paul de la Houssaye Sr., USAF, Ret., father of Jean-Paul ‘86, Malcolm ‘87,
and Michael ‘91 de la Houssaye

Mr. Donald Arbo, brother of faculty member Mr. David Arbo

Mr. Ernest Scott Woodard, Jr., father-in-law of Saint Paul’s Counselor

Mrs. Christine Woodard and grandfather of Scott Woodard ‘21

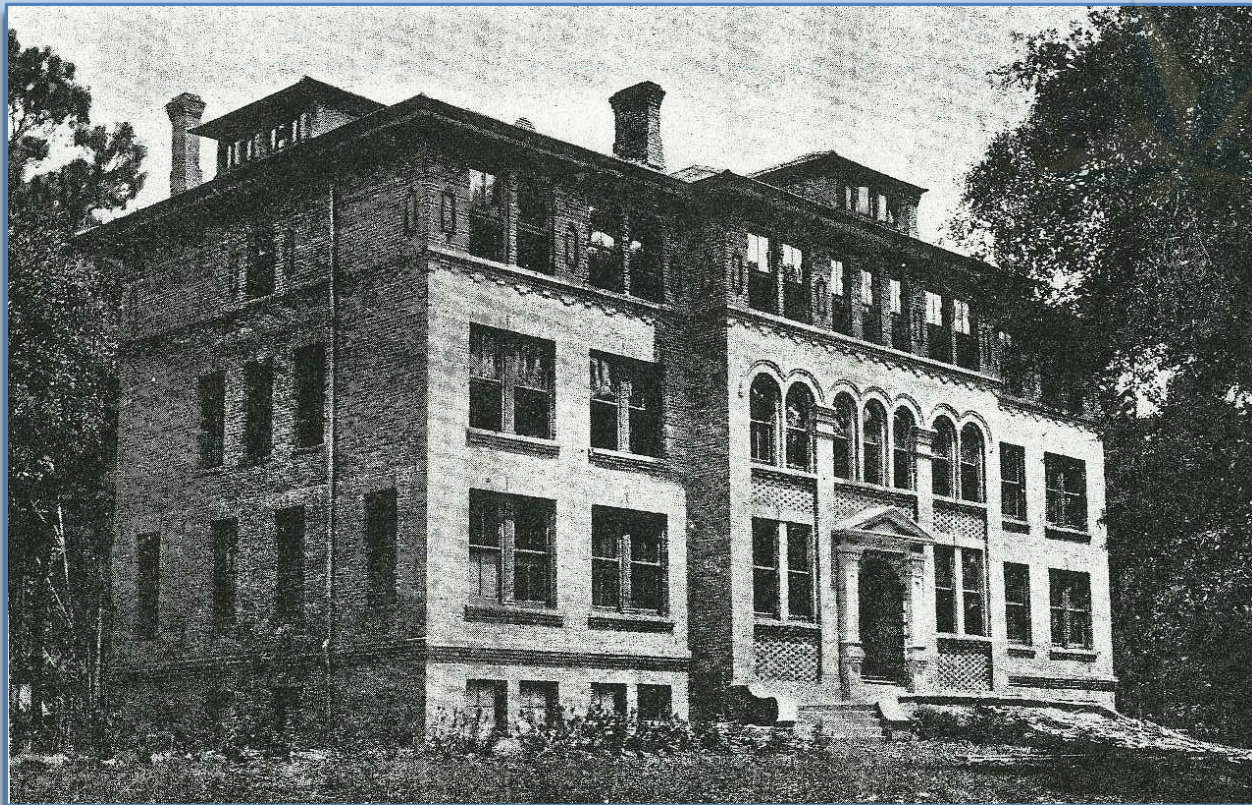
Mr. John Gelpi, Jr., grandfather of Larry ‘13 and Reid ‘15 Perrin,

Chase ‘17 and Alex ‘20 McDougal, and Roch Ragan ‘22

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

May they rest in peace! Amen!

School News



In 1911, Dixon Academy was purchased by The Benedictines of Saint Joseph Abbey and renamed it to Saint Paul's College in honor of the patron of the Abbot of Saint Joseph's monastery. Father Augustine was named the first principal and on September 10th, Fathers Augustine, Adelbert, and Aemilian moved onto campus. As time went by, the Benedictines decided to concentrate their efforts at The Abbey and leased, with an agreement to purchase, Saint Paul's to the Brothers of the Christian Schools.

Nineteen French Brothers, previously living in exile, arrived in Covington during the summer of 1918. They were forced out of France due to government persecution of the Catholic Church in the early 1900's and moved to Mexico to start schools. During the Carranza Revolution in Mexico in 1914, the Brothers barely escaped with their lives and were scattered around the United States. When the Christian Brothers decided to purchase Saint Paul's College, these nineteen Brothers were sent to Covington, LA. Br. Nilammon was appointed as the first Christian Brother President.

These pioneer Brothers worked long hours, not only teaching and guiding their students, but also staffing the school as carpenters, painters, plumbers, electricians, and yardmen. Inspired by the zeal of the founding Brothers, Saint Paul's has prospered. Saint Paul's has maintained its reputation for educational excellence established by the Benedictines and the founding Brothers. For a look at all of the Founding Brothers, click [HERE](#).



“Rise Up ‘O Men of God”

The theme of the school year is an executive decision made by President Trevor Watkins, AFSC, Principal Joe Dickens, and Assistant Principal Lee Pierre. The photo shown encapsulates the essence of Brother Ray Bulliard, teacher, counselor, school leader, and man. His enjoyment manifested in the photo is genuine and endearing, and it also speaks to what he enjoyed the most: his time with the students.

In Memoriam
Brother Raymond Bulliard, FSC



Rise Up,
O Men of God



New Student Orientation



Hungry students enjoy
pizza for dinner.

On the evening of Monday, August 7, Saint Paul's held its annual New Student Orientation for the Class of 2028 and new students in other grade levels. The purpose of the event is to help introduce the newest Wolves to the school's Lasallian heritage and to familiarize the students with the locations of the classes on their schedules. Students began the event in their Period A classrooms with the instructors for those periods. After some brief comments by student council leaders, the classes played a series of games designed to help the students get to know each other. A large contingent of seniors volunteered then chauffeured each class around the campus to ensure that each individual knew where his classes would be. Upon the completion of the campus tour, all the students gathered under the Wolf Dome and were treated to dinner. The event concluded with games in religion classes and a prayer service in the classrooms.

by Jeff Ramon, Campus Minister

New students are led on campus tours by
existing Saint Paul's students.



First Day of School

The pack is back! Saint Paul's students return to campus during the week of August 7 amidst a flurry of activities. The first day of school is a full day of instruction but also includes time to reconnect with friends, settle into a routine and take the dreaded ID picture. The 2023-2024 school year promises to be a good one.



Students relax and reconnect during lunch on their first school day.

The entire student body, faculty, and staff take pictures for their identification badges during the first two days of classes.



Coach Mick Nunez instructs students on how to properly tie a tie.



New Members of Saint Paul's School



Welcome!

Saint Paul's School welcomes several new members to the faculty and staff for the 2023-24 school term. Pictured at left L-R front row are: Monica Kelsey, Attendance, Suzy Slade, Math, Beth Manifold and Iikin Dunne, Counseling. Back row L-R are: David Hyman, PLTW Biology, Grant Hughes '18, English, Jody Walker, Math, and Oliver Sibley '17, Religion.

Alumni Faculty and Staff of Saint Paul's School



Saint Paul's School is proud and blessed to recognize our twenty-two alumni faculty and staff members. Pictured front row L-R are: Eric Orphys '09, Gabe Emerson '12, Grant Hughes '17, Kenny Sears '16, Ryan Spencer '01, Aaron Falkenstein '12, Marc Robertson '12, Kristian Gibbe '00, Andrew Dart '03, Josh Pereira '09, Shawn Mullet '92, and Mick Nunez '88.

Back row L-R are: Nick Guarisco '08, Jeff Drivon '01, Kevin Moore '91, Oliver Sibley '17, Al Nastasi '91, Mark Richards '72, Jeff Ramon '08, Trevor Watkins '79, Whitney Brown '05, and Barrett Baumgartner '06. This is one of the many reasons as to why Saint Paul's is a great place to grow up!

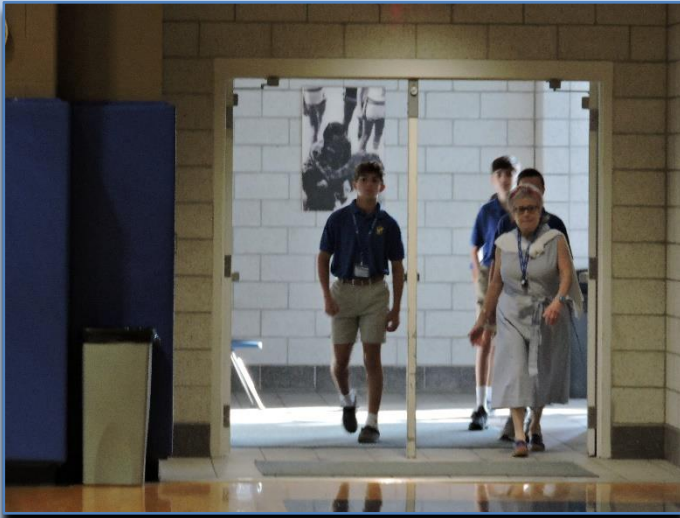


First Assembly

Inclusive
Community

Every other Tuesday, Principal Joe Dickens conducts an assembly in the gymnasium for the student body. These assemblies recognize students for their accomplishments, but more importantly, always carry a spiritual message for all in attendance. The first assembly of the year is particularly

special as the entire school welcomes the new pre-freshmen students with a standing ovation. In addition, Student Council President Gunnar Gavel and Vice President Peyton Kilgore lead the faculty to pledge their commitment to hold themselves and each other to the highest standards set forth within the Lasallian mission. This year, The Saint Paul's community recognizes Bro. Ken Boesch, FSC for his fifty years of service as a Brother and forty-five years teaching at Saint Paul's School.



Above, left, pre-freshmen Guidance Counselor, Mrs. Gina Hall, leads the pre-freshmen students into the gymnasium to a standing ovation. At right, Student Council President, Gunnar Gavel, left, and Vice President, Peyton Kilgore, congratulate Brother Ken for his years of service. Below, Principal Joe Dickens speaks to the student body.



First All School Mass

Faith in the
Presence of
God

On Wednesday, August 15, the student body participated in an all school mass celebrating the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary with Celebrant, Father Mark Lomax, presiding. After the homily, Father Lomax recognized and blessed the senior Extraordinary Ministers of Holy

Communion who took over this role at the beginning of summer by doing the readings and serving communion at Sunday mass in the Our Lady of Peace Chapel. These eager young men who wanted to serve God have been trained by the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Peyton Kilgore, Jacob Strecker, and Kaiden Klebba delivered the readings and Eddie d'Hemecourt, Carter Plaisance, Gordon Reese, Andrew Danenhowe, Noah Comeaux, and Connor Russo read the Prayers of the Faithful. Music was provided by Brother Ken Boesch, FSC.



Father Mark Lomax blesses the Ministers during Mass.



Thirty-six seniors were commissioned as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Pictured front row L-R are: Dominic Meyer, James Scheuermann, Jake Theriot, Trey Higgins, Braden Magliolo, Steven Meyers, Peyton Kilgore, Gunnar Gavel, John Baricev, John McWilliams, Austin South, James Hardwick, Joey Mire, Domenic Mugira, Luke Ramirez, Myles McCormick, and Jack Freret. Back row L-R are: Joseph DiGiovanni, Hunter Ulmer, Britcher Ulmer, William Coles, Shawn Cooney, Slate Dominique, Preston Olivier, Quinton O'Malley, Reece Beckendorf, Aidan Hayes, Kaiden Klebba, Jacob Strecker, Brady Barre, Harrison Murr, Jacob Khashou, Joshua Pichon, Conlan Enk, Richard Mannino, and Connor Allen.

March Through the Arch

The Saint Paul's School Class of 2024 successfully kicked off the year participating in Senior Week activities which are traditionally held the third week of school. On Tuesday, seniors gathered under the Wolf Dome for a barbeque organized by the Mothers' Club. This event of Senior Week offered the seniors an opportunity to get together for food, fun, and fellowship. Thursday morning, the seniors assembled under hazy skies, beneath the canopy of trees on South Jahncke Avenue to process up De La Salle Drive for March Through the Arch, a long-established school tradition. Saint Paul's underclassmen and family members of the senior class lined De La Salle Drive to witness the seniors proudly take their place in Saint Paul's history as they marched beneath the iconic wrought-iron archway that marks the entrance to the school, symbolically recreating the journey that the founding Christian Brothers made over 100 years ago.

The ceremony began with Principal Joe Dickens highlighting the rich history of March Through the Arch followed by the seniors processing up De La Salle Drive as Curriculum Coordinator, Matt Pinero, announced the members of the Class of 2024. The event culminated with the seniors gathered around the statue of Saint John Baptist de La Salle in a spirit of brotherhood singing "Rise Up, O Men of God" and the school fight song. Following breakfast with their families, the seniors gathered as brothers for Unity Day.

Later that evening, the seniors received their class rings during a prayer service in the Briggs Assembly Center during which they formally committed to their leadership role in the school by reciting the senior pledge. The Mothers' Club held a reception to celebrate this momentous occasion for the seniors.

These Saint Paul's traditions held during Senior Week help to create indelible memories for the seniors of the first steps into their final year at Saint Paul's School. Congratulations Class of 2024! SPS Forevermore!

by Jeaneen Schmitt



Students line De La Salle Drive waiting for the seniors to march through the arch.





Pictured at left L-R are seniors Ford Davidson, John McWilliams, John Baricev, Zach Dupré, Stephen Myers, Michael Sarver, and Peyton Kilgore.

Following the March through the Arch ceremony, parents gather with their sons to share breakfast. Pictured at right is Luke Ramirez, with his parents, Christy and David Ramirez.



Seniors Andrew Blossman, Luke Ward, Samuel Drez, Aidan Hayes, Slate Dominique, Brandt Lorio, Shawn Cooney, Jacob Strecker, Myles McCormick, and Reece Beckendorf show off their rings with Bro. Ken Boesch, FSC.

"God inspires us to walk in the footsteps of his Son." (MTR 13.1 [Med 205.1])

- St. John Baptist de La Salle to the first Christian Brothers



New Parent Reception

Saint Paul's School welcomed the parents of the newly enrolled students to the Lasallian family with the New Parent Reception held in the Briggs Assembly Center on Monday, August 21. Administration and faculty members greeted the guests and the event began with a brief social. The 2023-2024 Student Council president Gunnar Gavel, presided as the Master of Ceremony and welcomed and led the guests with prayer. Student Council Vice President Peyton Kilgore led the Pledge of Allegiance and the program began. Key school leaders including: Mr. Joe Dickens, Principal; Mr. Lee Pierre, Assistant Principal; Mr. Ken Sears, Dean of Students; Mr. Sam Francis, Athletic Director; Mr. Jeff Ramon, Director of Lasallian Formation; Mrs. Gina Hall, eighth and ninth grade counselor; and Mrs. Danielle Lavie, Director for Development made brief presentations about their various departments.

Saint Paul's Mothers' Club President, Mrs. Renee Strickland gave important information about the different volunteer opportunities for the parents of the new students. Senior Class President, Jacob Strecker, spoke about the importance of involvement for high school students. Finally, Trevor Watkins, AFSC, President of Saint Paul's School, expressed the importance of parental involvement with the student and the school and how working together, their sons will become accomplished young men. Music was provide by Brother Ken Boesch, FSC, Musician in Residence.



Pictured at left L-R are Student Council members Peyton Kilgore, Gunnar Gavel, and Jacob Strecker.

At right, parents listen attentively during the New Parent Meeting.



Senior Portraits

Kicking off their final year at Saint Paul's, seniors were among the first students to arrive back on campus in early August in order to take their official senior portraits. The boys were able to efficiently move through their scheduled photo session with the assistance of senior moms from the Saint Paul's Mother's Club who helped fit the boys with tuxedos and caps and gown for the formal portraits.



Senior mom Emily Caserta assists her son, Sam, with his tie.



Seniors Matthew Burmaster, Landyn Dufrene, John Montour, and William Campbell look sharp in preparation for their cap and gown photos.

Get Involved Day

Saint Paul's School held its annual "Get Involved Day" to help students find the perfect extracurricular activity. The diversity of options include Fantasy Football club, Wolves on Wheels, Habitat for Humanity, Student Ambassadors, and the Marian Players. Something to whet all appetites -- including an option to start your own club if enough students show interest.



At left, students are intrigued with the cars of Wolves on Wheels. At right, faculty member Nick Guarisco '08 encourages participation for the Fantasy Football Club.



Habitat for Humanity

Saint Paul's Habitat for Humanity Club kicked off the season quickly with a work day on Saturday, August 18. Nine Saint Paul's students endured scorching temps to measure, cut and install close to one hundred 2X4 blocks between studs in the walls at a Habitat for Humanity build site. Because of the work performed by these industrious students and their teacher, the cabinets in the kitchen, bathrooms, and closets will be hung on solid, horizontal boards behind the sheetrock. The volunteer crew also cut and installed floor boards for the back porch before being sent home at 11:00 due to a heat advisory.



Habitat students pictured at left L-R include: Vice president Jacob Trosclair, Christian Lueg, Joshua Pichon, Joey Mire, Talon Boudreaux, President Nicholas Lowe, Grey Cartier, Caleb Tardo, and Aryan Kumar. Kneeling in front is moderator, Richard Pichon.

Shadow Days and Open House

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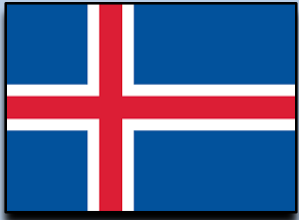


SHADOW DAYS
Aug 29 - Sept 12 and 21 - Oct 3, 18 and 31 - Nov 14

OPEN HOUSE
Sat, Oct 28 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.



Summer Time Happenings



Saint Paul's teacher and alumnus, Dr. Shawn Mullet '92, traveled to Iceland this summer with a total of twenty-two Saint Paul's students in three different groups to take part in a class on "Energy, Food, and Water". As part of their studies, students visit a geothermal power plant and explored the pristine natural beauty of the country learning about the geography of the area.

The Icelandic educational experience includes a visit to the Hellisheidi Geothermal Power Station to learn about the future of sustainable energy. A notable experience for the students was traversing a bridge connecting two continents and two different tectonic plates, the North American tectonic plate and the Eurasian tectonic plate. Additionally, the students explore a variety of Iceland's topography including Black Sand Beach, Thorufoss and Oxarafoss waterfalls, Jokulsarlon Ice Lagoon, Raufarhólshellir cave, Katla Glacier, and Katlahraun Lava Field. The group of seniors unanimously describe this educational experience as the best trip they have ever taken.

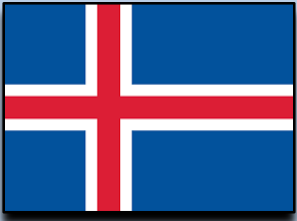


Pictured at left L-R are students from the third group: Peyton Kilgore, Steven Meyers, Max Lobert, Kaiden Klebba, Harrison Murr, Parker Emery, Luke Ramirez in front of Thorufoss waterfall.



At right L-R students Benson Greer, Will Fuhrman, Richard Mannino, Thomas Wall, Gunnar Gavel, Joseph DiGiovanni, and James Scheuermann explore Raufarhólshellir Cave. These students were part of the second group.





Saint Paul's senior Preston Olivier shared a reflection of his experience in Iceland.

This summer, I had the opportunity to go somewhere I had never before dreamed of going... Iceland. When I heard about this trip, hosted by Saint Paul's teacher Dr. Mullet for his Food, Energy, and Water class, I knew I needed to join. After a little

persuasion, my parents decided to let me join the class and go on the trip. Going on this trip, I was both incredibly excited and nervous to leave the country with some friends and without my parents.

For the first day, everyone in the group was a bit divided into secular groups; but as that first night approached, everyone hiked up a nearby cliff and bonded while watching the beautiful sun float about the sky. Every day was jam-packed with stuff to do. Every day was spent enjoying the sites and beautiful scenery of Iceland. We did everything from hiking, to seeing glaciers, to caving, and even going to natural hot springs. The hot springs were one of my favorite spots on the trip. They were located next to a freezing cold lake in which you were allowed to swim. So naturally, us being boys, we decided to jump into the lake and see who could last the longest. Myself and two other boys stayed in this lake for over 30 minutes then retreated to the warmth of the hot springs to warm our bones. While this natural beauty was breathtaking, something was missing from the trip... experiencing Icelandic culture.

BUT, that changed because on our last day of the trip, we went to the capital city Reykjavik on what just so happened to be Icelandic Independence Day. This was a joy to experience. It started with a parade of citizens down the Main Street of Reykjavik who processed to an open grassy area where Icelandic bands performed all day long. I sat there for hours listening to these musicians perform and hearing both the similarities and differences to US music. Now, I would be remiss if I did not mention what made this trip truly special. While the sights were amazing, the nature beautiful, and the people lively; what made this trip special was my time alone with my fellow St. Paul's brothers. Every night when we would get home we would cook dinner together and hike to the cliff. We would clean up and all just sit outside, enjoy the beauty, and talk about whatever came to our heads. Because of this trip, I have become closer with people who I rarely talked to before and I am thankful for that. In the midst of all the flying, driving, sightseeing, cooking, laughing, and singing; Iceland provided a perfect place to live life to the fullest and to form truly deep meaningful bonds with my fellow Icelandic travelers. I want to thank Dr. Mullet for allowing me this amazing opportunity that I will never forget.



Pictured at left L-R are the first group of students to visit Iceland are pictured in front of Oxarafoss Falls. They are: Preston Olivier, Trey Higgins, TJ Baggett, Dylan Underwood, Bennett Barreca, Talon Boudreaux, Jack Freret, and Alex Bradford.



In June, student council members Connor Russo, Avery Estrade, Eddie d'Hemecourt, Deke Carpenter, and Luke Ramirez attended the Louisiana Association of Student Council Summer Workshop along with their advisor Dr. Shannon d'Hemecourt who served as a Senior Counselor. During the week at Northwestern State University, they had the unique opportunity to share ideas with students from sixty-four high schools around the state. The boys attended sessions on meeting facilitation, communication skills, officer training, faculty-student relationships, fundraising, and community services. The group has already begun to brainstorm how to implement many new ideas that they learned during the workshop.



Pictured above left L-R are student council members Connor Russo, Avery Estrade, Eddie d'Hemecourt, Deke Carpenter, and Luke Ramirez at Northwestern State University. At right are students from different schools participating in group sessions to share ideas.

In late June, Saint Paul's students attended Louisiana Boys State. Louisiana Boys State (LABS) is the premier leadership development program for young men in the state of Louisiana. Sponsored by the Louisiana Department of the American Legion, LABS is dedicated to providing a hands-on learning environment in which participants (termed "Citizens") not only learn the ins and outs of the Louisiana political system but also learn how to transform themselves into effective leaders in their school, community, state, and country. William Coles was elected as the Commissioner of Insurance and Joey Mire was elected to the Presidency of the Senate.



At left is William Coles and at right is Joey Mire.



Saint Paul's students Claude Scarpelli, Miller Bourgeois, and Colin Ocman, along with Spanish teacher Mrs. Liz Brett, kicked off their summer by traveling to Central America to participate in a three-week exchange program with Colegio LaSalle, a Lasallian school located in San Jose, Costa Rica. Staying with host families, the students immersed themselves in the culture and life of the country attending classes on weekday mornings to work on their Spanish skills while afternoons and weekends presented numerous opportunities to explore Costa Rica. The group enjoyed a variety of activities: ziplining through the Biological Cloud Reserve, visiting the Basilica Virgen de los Angeles, and making empanadas de carne from scratch in cooking class. Mrs. Brett was impressed with the students' openness to the new experiences. "I have watched the guys grow in appreciation for other cultures. They have opened their hearts to all things Costa Rica . . . food, people, and extreme sports!"

by Jeaneen Schmitt, Public Relations



Saint Paul's students Claude Scarpelli, Miller Bourgeois, and Colin Ocman explore the Biological Cloud Reserve during a three-week Costa Rica exchange program with Colegio LaSalle this summer.

Congratulations to Saint Paul's senior Myles McCormick who has been selected to receive the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) foundation scholarship. The \$10,000 scholarship is awarded to only 80 students in the United States, and recipients are chosen based on academics, passing the private pilot written exam, essay responses, and letters of recommendation.

by Jeaneen Schmitt



During the summer, seven Saint Paul's faculty members attended a two week Lasallian formation program called Buttimer. Buttimer is an intensive Lasallian education and formation program that studies the life, work, and spirituality of [Saint John Baptist de La Salle](#) and the origins of the Lasallian educational mission. Through an examination of the writings of De La Salle and an analysis of some modern educators, participants develop a deeper understanding of the Lasallian heritage and its influence on contemporary education and spirituality.

Starting in 1986, the Buttimer Institute is named in honor of Brother Charles Henry Buttimer, FSC (1909-1982), the first American Superior General of the Brothers of the Christian Schools. The Buttimer Institute is designed to inspire participants to delve more thoroughly into the Lasallian founding story and discover the basis of their vocation as educators. The program also seeks to deepen the participants' association for the Lasallian mission and provide skills to become catalysts in their own ministries. The Buttimer Institute is a three-year program. Courses are conducted for three consecutive summers, in two-week durations.



Faculty members attending Buttimer formation L-R are: Rachel Peak, Carla Barwick, Marc Robertson '12, Barrett Baumgartner '06, Emilee Travers, Gina Hall, and Josh Pereira '09.

Congratulations to current sophomore, Parker Church, for his top place finish in Week 3 of the [Kelly Gibson Junior Golf Tour](#) during the summer. Created in 2009 by PGA Tour Professional Kelly Gibson, the junior golf tour is open to both male and female golfers ages 7-22. Twelve junior tournaments are held each summer in June and July including the Tour Championship and the BC Cup Championship. Members of the KGJGT (Kelly Gibson Junior Golf Tour) compete in these tournaments throughout New Orleans, LA and the Gulf Coast Region.



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