Saint Paul's School

# Wolftracks Magazine





"Moonlight Wolf" by Fredrick Remington by Tyler Gray '23 Graphite on Canvas



Beginning this month, we will resume highlighting student artwork on the cover of Wolftracks. Our student cover artist for September is senior Tyler Gray.

Tyler is a very active young man! When he's not working on his studies, he's playing Saint Paul's lacrosse, working out at Stone Creek Club and Spa, playing video games at home, and drawing. He's hopeful to attend Texas Christian University next year and is interested in studying business and biology.



# Alumni News



Friends and Alumni of Saint Paul's School,

My sincere hope is that those of you who have returned to campus recently for Homecoming festivities, to support the 2022 Gridiron Wolves, for a Shadow Day or for any other reason have enjoyed seeing the Saint Paul's of today. Next month's edition will feature highlights from our recently held Homecoming and Joseph A. Champagne, Jr./ Gene Bennett Memorial Golf Tournament as well as our Alumni Breakfast on October 11<sup>th</sup>, and Fourth Annual Legacy Lunch on October 20.

As noted on the prior page, there are several additional upcoming activities in which you can get involved and we hope to see you there.

<u>Reunion</u> planning is returning to normalcy and with a focus on the 3 and 8 years. Please check our <u>Reunion Page</u> regularly for updates or check in with your class agents or the Alumni Office.

<u>Veterans Plaque</u> - 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 further details and information on page 6. 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 1971.

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#### Alumni Events Ahead!



Tuesday, October 11 - Join us for an Alumni Breakfast, President's Assembly and optional campus tour. Breakfast will begin at 7:15 am in the cafeteria with the assembly lasting from 8:15 to 8:55. An optional campus tour will follow. Contact Al Nastasi at <a href="mailto:aln@stpauls.com">aln@stpauls.com</a> to RSVP or for any questions.



Saturday, October 15 – Join us for our second annual Oktoberfest celebration! Stein slurping, Bavarian food, and live music by our alumni band, The Lederhomies. Come listen to Pierre Simoneaux '82 and his sons Carter '12 and Dustin '16 entertain the crowd. Reserve a table today!



Friday, October 28 – All Members of the 2007 and 2012 District Championship Teams are invited to join us in Hunter Stadium in celebration of their outstanding seasons as we host Ponchatoula High School in a classic District 6-5A battle. There will be a special recognition during the game as well as other festivities. Please contact Al Nastasi for more information.





#### Alumni Profile

#### Michael Herbert '68



Family: Married to Tana Feindel Herbert for 47 years. 4 Children: Lyndi (Arie), Lori (Tony), Michael Jr. (Donna), and Lani; 4 Grandchildren: Luca, Mila, Francesca, and Gemma.

Education: BA and MEd in Administration from Southeastern Louisiana University.

Military: Senior Chief Petty Officer Submarines USN, and attended Senior Enlisted Academy.

Occupation: Now retired but was formerly the Deputy Public Works Officer and College and Government Housing Director at several installations and colleges.

What do you value the most about your Saint Paul's education and experience? Saint Paul's gave me the tools to be successful in life and a great foundation to seek higher education as well as a connection that I share with my classmates even to this day. When I say I went to Saint Paul's and boarded, people want to know what type of experience that was being away from my family, but really the Saint Paul's family kept us all together.

Who was your favorite or most impactful teacher? There were many Brothers that had an impact on me and my classmates but for me it was former Brother Dale Guillot. He taught us English and Religion while only being 7 years older than us. His level of maturity and his teaching skills were excellent. He not only taught us in the classroom but gave us life lessons that I still use today! Thank you, Dale, for your mentorship!

Why do you continue to support the Saint Paul's mission? I would not have succeeded in life if it were not for Saint Paul's having such an impact on me that lead to a successful career, marriage, and family. My staying involved is a little bit of a payback to the Christian Brother community that taught us lessons for a life time. Tana and I try to attend as many functions as possible to support the mission.

What advice would you give to current students or young alumni? Take advantage of what Saint Paul's has to offer. Soak up as much knowledge as you can because the education you receive will be your foundation for life. Enjoy the process. You'll make friends and relationships that will last for a lifetime. The young alumni should not forget what Saint Paul's has done for them and stay involved.

In what ways do you continue to be involved with Saint Paul's at this phase of your life? I had an integral role in the inception of the Alumni Association Board here at Saint Paul's. I served as the first Alumni Board President and recently once again. It has been an honor to serve my alma mater and give back to the brothers who helped me and my family! I am also the Class Agent of '68 helping to keep our class together and have functions for our enjoyment. Whenever I'm out and about and see someone with any Saint Paul's gear, I always ask them if they are receiving the alumni newsletter and try to help keep them connected. Saint Paul's has given me the foundation for life, so it's only right to help where I can. I love Saint Paul's.

Why would you encourage young men to consider attending Saint Paul's? The administration, teachers, and staff are the finest anywhere and care for the students. You'll get a great education and your experience will be second to none.





#### Alumni Profile (continued)

#### Michael Herbert '68



Is there anything you would do differently with your Saint Paul's experience if given the opportunity to go back in time? I think I would have studied harder. My time at Saint Paul's was one best experiences in my life. Other than studying more, I would not change anything! I met and made friends for a lifetime!

#### Alumni News



Chris Lee '07 - Chris and his wife Heather had a baby boy on Saturday, Sept 17. Noah Michael Lee was born at 37 weeks and weighed in at 7 lbs 8 oz and is 18" long. Everyone is doing fine.



## Rise Up O Men of God

Father Harry Tipton '56 Larry Boyer '68 John Mueller '68

Mrs. Patricia Tyler, mother of Religion teach, Mrs. Catherine Tonry
Mr. Moon Landrieu, father of Mark Landrieu '74 and uncle of Gary Landrieu '76
Mrs. Mary Fuselier, mother of Bob Fuselier '75 and mother-in-law of Ross Cazayoux '83,
and grandmother of Adam Cazayoux '21

Mr. Oscar "Boots" Hoffman, Jr., father-in-law of Mace Bourgeois '92 and grandfather of Joshua Bonnett '02 and Thomas Bourgeois '20

Mrs. Barbara Krieger, mother of Scott Krieger '89 and grandmother of Jay Krieger '27

Ms. Diedre "Genie" Waite, mother of Taylor '10 and Landon '16 Waite

Mr. Fred Luna, grandfather of Cameron '18, Cohen '24, and Carson '27, Cluney

Mrs. Juanita Torresyap Vargas, grandmother of Luke '20 and Marco '22 Vargas





#### Class of 1977

On Saturday, September 10, the Class of 1977 gathered at Benedict's Plantation for a celebration of their 45th Reunion. Their next one will be the BIG 50, and there is no doubt that they will make an outstanding group of Golden Jubilarians in 2027. Many thanks to all of those in attendance for their Wolf Pride and to Robby Ruel and Michael La France for their efforts on behalf of their class.



"For the strength of the Pack is the Wolf, and the strength of the Wolf is the Pack."

by Rudyard Kipling





## 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."

Over 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 <a href="mailto:aln@stpauls.com">aln@stpauls.com</a>:

- 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 is updated annually, and the deadline for this year's submission is Veterans Day, Monday, November 14, 2022. The goal is to have the updated names available for display by our return to school the first week in January 2023.

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 1971.





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# School News

### Saint Paul's turns 111 years old!

On Wednesday, September 14, Saint Paul's School turned 111 years old. In 1911, Saint Paul's College, previously Dixon Academy, was opened by the Benedictine priests of Saint Joseph Abbey. On that day, forty-eight students, five Benedictine priests (Fathers Augustine, Adelbert, Aemillion, Martin, and Placid) and four lay teachers (Messrs. Edgar Barre, Oliver Lyons, Bernard Mutter, and Leopoldo Teller) walked through the arch for the first time. By year's end, seventy boarders and thirty day students had enrolled. Today, with over



Dixon Hall

850 men of God, Saint Paul's strives to be the number one choice for parents and young men on the Northshore. View this <u>website</u> for a brief pictorial of the past 100 years.

The administration, faculty, staff and student body celebrated Saint Paul's birthday with several activities on Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. The day's schedule was altered to incorporate an assembly, a parade, and birthday snacks.

The student body gathered in the New Gym of the Gene Bennett Sports Complex and Brother Ray took a moment to remind us of all the amazing things that have happened in the history of Saint Paul's. Today we are here, we are stronger for those times, and we are grateful for the Brothers and Partners, who provided leadership and prayer to help the school continue. To celebrate all those moments of our history, the group led by the Marching Wolves, exited De La Salle Drive onto 14<sup>th</sup> Ave, turned onto Jahncke Ave, and marched through the arch and past the ancient oak who has been witness to all the historic moments of the school.

The students then headed to the Wolfdome to enjoy a dessert feast provided by the Mothers' Club. Wednesday's festivities was a great way to start the 112<sup>th</sup> year of Christian Brothers Lasallian Education in Covington. Interested in leaving a birthday gift? #BackThePack





## Saint Paul's Birthday (continued)



The Marching Wolves lead the student body during the parade to celebrate Saint Paul's birthday.

Saint Paul's Mothers' Club provide snacks for the student body.





Brother Ken Boesch, FSC celebrates Saint Paul's birthday with the students.





## National Merit Scholarship Program

Seven Saint Paul's School seniors have been recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation for their outstanding academic achievements. The Saint Paul's School Semifinalists are: Nicholas Achee, son of Bryan and Emily Achee of Covington; Keegan Burrell, son of Curt and Zarafet Burrell of Mandeville; Samuel Gold, son of David and Tracy Gold of Covington; John Keller, son of John and Midge Keller of Mandeville; John Palmer, son of John and Tara of Mandeville; Sean Matthew Roberts, son of Sean and Shelley Roberts of Covington; and Peter Verges, son of Louis and Amy Verges of Mandeville.

These academically talented high school seniors represent fewer than one percent of all U.S. high school seniors who have been recognized as Semifinalists. They now have the opportunity to compete for over 7,200 National Merit Scholarships worth nearly \$28 million that will be offered next spring. The mission of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation is to recognize and honor outstanding student scholars throughout the United States. Over 1.5 million students entered the 2023 National Merit Scholarship Program and only 16,000 have been recognized as Semifinalists.

by Jeaneen Schmitt

#### Semi-finalists



Nicholas Achee



Keegan Burrell



Samuel Gold



Quality Education

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NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

John Keller



John Palmer



Matthew Roberts



Peter Verges





## National Merit Scholarship Program (continued)



Saint Paul's School recognizes six upperclassmen who have earned academic honors from the 2022 College Board National Recognition Programs: junior Dominic Muguira, son of Nicholas and Michelle Muguira of Hammond; senior Riley Hidalgo, son of Marco and Barrie Hidalgo of Covington; senior Vincent Ruiz, son of Dean and Amy Ruiz of Mandeville; senior Preston Tate, son of Douglas and Alexandra Tate of Mandeville; senior Peter Verges, son of Louis and Amy Verges of Mandeville; and senior Ethan Wilson, son of Chris and Maria Wilson of Covington. Each of these scholars received the National Hispanic Recognition Award and are among an elite group of 62,000 awardees from across the country.

The National Recognition Programs grant underrepresented students with academic honors that can be included on college and scholarship applications and connect students with universities across the country, helping them to stand out during the admissions process. Students eligible for this recognition have met the following criteria: achieved a GPA of 3.5 or higher, excelled on the PSAT/NMSQT or PSAT 10, or earned a score of 3 or higher on two or more AP Exams; and are African American, Hispanic American, Indigenous, and/or attend school in a rural area or small town. by Jeaneen Schmitt

## National Hispanic Recognition Awardees



Junior Dominic Muguira



Riley Hidalgo



Vincent Ruiz



Preston Tate



Peter Verges



Ethan Wilson





## National Merit Scholarship Program (continued)





Five Saint Paul's seniors have been recognized as Commended Scholars in the 2023 National Merit Scholarship Program. The Saint Paul's seniors being honored for their exceptional academic promise are Jackson Hadskey, son of David and Leslie Hadskey of Mandeville; Riley Hidalgo, son of Marco and Barrie Hidalgo of Covington; Evan Leaber, son of Tommy and Cindy Leaber of Mandeville; Nikola Plazinic, son of Miro and Dana Plazinic of Covington; and Ethan Wilson, son of Chris and Maria Wilson of Covington. These scholastically talented seniors are among a group of nearly 34,000 students who have received Letters of Commendation. According to the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, which conducts the program to recognize and honor outstanding student scholars throughout the United States, several of the Commended Scholars will become candidates for special scholarships sponsored by corporations and businesses.

by Jeaneen Schmitt

#### National Merit Commended Scholars



Jackson Hadskey



Riley Hidalgo



Evan Leaber



Nikola Plazinic



Ethan Wilson







## OKTOBERFEST

6:00 PM

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10.15.2022



Oktoberfest is a German-inspired, adult celebration with contest traditions for costuming, stein-carrying and the chicken dance, along with live entertainment and an array of authentic, Bavarian food. General admission is free, but outside food & drinks are not permitted. Dance to the music from our alumni, musical family, the Lederhomies...Pierre Simoneaux '82, and his sons Carter '12 and Dustin '16.

After a three year hiatus, Saint Paul's auction is back! Bid on quality items from local area businesses. Don't delay in making your table reservation today.

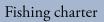


Original Kris Muntan painting

Reserve a Table!



Lovely gold and silver bracelet from Deluca's.







## Brother Ray's Annual Fund Appreciation Dinner

Saint Paul's School celebrated the generosity of the major donors to the 2022 Annual Fund with a gourmet meal on Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> in the Briggs Assembly Center. Donors gathered for wine and hors d'oeuvres before taking their places at tables which were decorated with floral centerpieces filled with candles. Student Ambassadors served the gourmet meal provided by The Dakota Restaurant including a Caesar salad and a grilled redfish almandine bronzed with a brown butter vinaigrette and served over a bed of fresh green beans with toasted almonds. Custard-style bread pudding with Myer's dark rum-Grand Marnier finished the exquisite meal. Members of the development and administrative teams welcomed the guests and served red and white wine. Brother Raymond Bulliard, FSC, President of Saint Paul's thanked the donors for their contributions while members of the Student Ambassadors organization supported Brother's comments on the Lasallian Core Principles with personal experiences from their time at school. For more information about ways to assist Saint Paul's in its mission, click here.





Shelley and Sean Roberts and Todd and Claire McCormick enjoy socializing at the dinner.

Dinner guests listen attentively as Bro. Ray welcomes them to the dinner.



Student Ambassadors assist with dinner throughout the evening.





## **Etiquette Training**





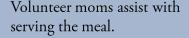
Saint Paul's pre-freshmen students had the opportunity to refine their dining skills with a course sponsored by the Saint Paul's Development Office. The students were divided into groups and the training took place during lunch over a period of three days. The lunches were held in the Briggs Assembly Center on September 7, 8, and 22 and were catered by Bosco's Italian Café in Mandeville. Tony Bosco's 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.



Pre-freshmen students anticipate their four course meal.



Colton Gernon and Ross Bieber are ready to learn some etiquette skills.

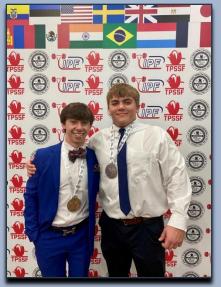








## International Powerlifting Championship



Saint Paul's seniors Zachary Montz and Chandler Loescher medal at the International Powerlifting Federation Sub-Junior/Junior World Championship.

Saint Paul's seniors Chandler Loescher and Zachary Montz, members of the Saint Paul's Iron Wolves, recently competed in the International Powerlifting Federation Sub-Junior/Junior World Championship in Istanbul, Turkey, winning medals in their respective weight classes. Loescher competed in the 264 pound weight class and earned a gold medal for his combined score of 1,747 pounds for three events: deadlift, bench press, and squat. Montz won the bronze in the 131 pound weight class for a combined score of 1,091 pounds. Loescher and Montz's individual lift scores for squat, bench and deadlift, all within the top three in their weight class, also contributed to Team USA taking home the silver medal. The two Saint Paul's seniors earned the opportunity to compete in the International Powerlifting Federation Sub-Junior/Junior World Championship after being selected for the US Powerlifting Team and winning their respective weight class at the US Powerlifting Championship competition.

by Jeaneen Schmitt

## Habitat for Humanity

Saint Paul's Habitat for Humanity Club had an impressive turnout on Saturday, September 17 with twenty-three volunteers working together to paint, spread red clay, and nail aluminum siding. The tasks were finished quickly and the team received glowing reviews from the Habitat supervisors! Pictured at right are volunteers John Palmer, Joseph DiGiovanni, Nick Kelsey, Landon Lewis, Chris Agrillo, Joshua Pichon, Jacob Trosclair, Christian Lueg, Joseph Mire, Nicholas Achee, Riley Hidalgo, Owen Spath, Kieffer Schwartz, Owen Becker, Alex Bradford, Gray Cartier, Kilian Henderson, Hayden McWilliams, Ben Salvant, Christopher Roberts, Matthew Roberts, Keegan Burrell, Andrew Kraus, alum Max Tepper '17, Coach Kevin Moore '91, and moderator Mr. Richard Pichon.





by Mimi Monteiro



#### Easy Ways to Give Back!







Box Tops for Education continues to be an easy way to earn money for Saint Paul's. The traditional clip box tops have been replaced with an easy-to-use app. All you have to do is buy Box Tops participating products (like Cheerios!) and scan your grocery receipt. Box Tops are worth \$.10 each and twice a year, our school receives a check. Download Box Tops for Education app HERE. Use this referral code R26O6QQ0 when you sign up and you'll get 20 Bonus Box Tops when you scan your first receipt now through 05/31/2023, while supplies last!

<u>AmazonSmile</u> 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 <u>LINK</u> 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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