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## SIR RETIRES AFTER 50 YEARS



Sir receiving his letterman's jacket before the whole school assembly.

Jason Raines ('18)



By Trevor South ('17)  
MANAGING EDITOR

In 1965, the Vietnam War was at its peak, Lyndon Johnson was reelected president, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. marched through the streets of Selma, and in the history of our school, a pivotal event for us occurred as well; Alumnus Ned Wilson ('58) would sign his first contract as a sophomore biology teacher, and start the legacy of the man we know and

love as "Sir." That May would mark the beginning of what would later become a career lasting half a century, and the making of a legend.

Mr. Wilson was born and raised just a few blocks away from this very campus. He attended the Augustinian St. Patrick's School in North Park before going on to St. Augustine High School. Sir's life has an undeniable connection to Saints, reflecting a dedication to both Augustinian education and the Augustinian

community.

As the years went on, that sophomore biology teacher would expand his courses to include AP biology, anatomy, honors anatomy, chemistry, and earth science. He helped build the foundation of the current science department while expanding on the list of courses offered.

"During my time as both a teacher and science department chair, Sir has made countless

contributions to the department as both a leader and as a friend. Whenever I feel down, I go to see Sir," Mr. Weber said.

Sir's accomplishments and titles extend well beyond teacher. He has proudly served as newspaper moderator, swim team coach, department chair, and as twelve year Assistant Principal for Academics.

Even so, the classroom has always been his favorite place to be. Teaching is what kept him motivated for fifty years.

"I love seeing the light come on, that moment when you look down at someone and you just know they've got it," Sir said.

Having served under a half a dozen different principals over the decades, Mr. Wilson was witness to monumental events: the closing of Bancroft Street, the PSA 182 crash, the Vasey library fire, and the construction of the Villanova and Mendel buildings.

Despite these changes, Sir still promises that "the essence of Saints is still here." This essence he describes is built on the foundation of the Saints brotherhood. "I preach the brotherhood," he said. "I have helped make it both a liveable and viable part of Saints."

In his more recent years, Sir became famous for his "Fire Up!" student call which rose to fame in 2008. "Fire Up!" is a rallying point for your life," Mr. Wilson said. "It tells the message to get up and go do something in this world."

Mr. Wilson has been seen at football stands, rallies, and state championships passionately inspiring the crowds of students, parents, and alumni all gladly responding to his inspiring call. It has acted as a unifier and cornerstone for the Saints experience. It drives both students and alumni to do their best and instill that motivation in their peers.

"Whenever I see Sir walking up to the Pit, raising his hands, and saying 'Fire Up!', I witness an undeniable energy from the students, both on the field and in the stands," said junior Leonardo Panetta.

Sir's inspiration has long been the center of

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## Fifty Marvelous Years as Deacon Hardick



By Gian Ferrer ('17)  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Deacon Hardick will celebrate the 50th anniversary of his ordination into the diaconate on June 3rd.

"I have continued these fifty years as a deacon because I have found much fulfillment in my life. For me, being a deacon just seems to be, for lack of a better word, comfortable."

"His persistence is a testament to how the Church changes over time, but is nevertheless constant in truth and dedication," said junior Chris Bernens.

Mrs. Shaw, an affiliate of the Augustinians and close friend of "Deac," reflected on the impact he has had on the Saints community over the years.

"He's always loved Saints, so this is where he stayed. Deacon Hardick is a very dear friend to me and my family. He's so involved, because at one point, he was the ASB moderator, varsity basketball coach, and a teacher of five classes. He's also the most spiritual person I have known," Mrs. Shaw said.

The main duties of a deacon consist of spreading the Gospel, baptising children, and witnessing marriages.

"Being a deacon is a special gift in which I am happily able to serve not only students at Saints, but also those in our community," Deacon Hardick said. "As ministers of the Word, deacons proclaim the Gospel, preach, and teach in the name of the Church. As ministers of the Sacrament, deacons may baptize, lead the faithful in prayer, witness marriages, and serve as ministers for funerals."

In addition to his spiritual duties as a deacon in the Augustinian Order, he has also served as a math and religion teacher, and the director of intramural events on campus.

Junior Nathan Tu said, "Deac is a valuable asset to our school since he makes the Saints experience memorable with his interesting stories, sense of humor, and warm pastoral touch."

Of all the great memories Deacon Hardick has had during his journey with God, there are simply too many for him to choose a favorite.

"I have so many fond memories of my days at Saints. I have been teaching, coaching, directing the intramural program, serving as ASB moderator, and working with wonderful people. I feel so fortunate that I have found opportunities to develop and use my talents in ways I never expected," Deacon Hardick said.



Mr. Vladimir Bachynsky

# Fundraiser for Gormly Raises 50k+

By Daniel Wehbe ('17)  
STAFF WRITER

Last fall, the Saints community received the sad news that Mrs. Veronica Gormly's husband Kevin was diagnosed with cancer. Mrs. Gormly initially took the semester off to take care of her husband; unfortunately, she later found it necessary to stay home for the rest of the school year. Since that time, Saints staff, teachers, students, and parents have been fervently praying and sending the Gormly family their love. The community has also made enormous monetary donations, especially towards the GoFundMe campaign "Prayers for Kevin Gormly."

Mr. Gormly had served as vice-principal at Point Loma High School, which held a fundraiser for cancer research in his honor, and that became the inspiration for the Saints school community to take action in its own way.

"So many people have been wanting to actively express their solidarity," said Fr. Kirk, who was determined to organize a similar event at Saints.

In early May, Fr. Kirk Davis, Mrs. Marie-Line Allen, and Mrs. Karene Evenson began planning fundraising opportunities on campus, such as the daily envelope drive in classrooms and the walk for La Familia Gormly.

Students went classroom to classroom during the first block of the day asking for donations to help cover the Gormly family's medical expenses. This effort alone raised \$3,749.00. Mr. "Chief" Johnston contributed in his own way by selling Saint's soccer Spirit wear, bolstering the sum of the drive by another \$800.

The fundraiser culminated in the Walk for La Familia Gormly, which took place on May 23rd at 5:30 PM on the Saints field. The



Saintsmen and close friends of the Gormly family attended the walk.

event opened with prayer led by Father Kirk, who also shared his thoughts concerning the importance of the event. Those present then walked several laps around the track, and bins were laid out to receive donations. After the walk, the community enjoyed refreshments served by Saints students. Local news stations KUSI News and CBS 8 were on the scene.

In concert with on-campus collections, a GoFundMe page was set up to reach the extended Saints and Point Loma High communities. Collected funds went to the GoFundMe page created by Mrs. Mandi Urban-

Lester, a former Saints English teacher and close friend of Mrs. Gormly.

The original goal of the GoFundMe was \$10,000. After shattering that goal within just a few days, the goal was raised to \$25,000. Within days, even that goal was exceeded. The latest goal is \$60,000. As of May 26th, \$57,630 has been raised, with over \$7,500 collected by the envelope drive with the walk.

Members of the Interact Club served as foot soldiers in the fundraisers by mobilizing the envelope drive and assisting in the walk.

Also deserving credit are the teachers who committed to taking up Mrs. Gormly's

responsibilities in the classroom. Mr. Tompkins and Mrs. Cabañas led her classes in first and second semester, respectively.

Mrs. Gormly was moved by the efforts. "I have no words to thank our friends and both school communities for the help and support you all have given us," she said. "In October our lives changed drastically, but having your support, love, prayers and help has given us the strength to fight. May God continue to bless you all, and from the bottom of our hearts, thank you!"

Mrs. Gormly plans to return to teach in the coming school year.

Photo courtesy of Ms. Villa

# Saints Graduating Collegiate Athletes

By Joseph Mikolaycik ('17)  
STAFF WRITER

It has been a successful year for the athletes of St. Augustine High School, and this year's senior class has especially stood out. From the gridiron to the basketball court, to the pitch to the track, the class of 2016 has definitely left its mark. But for some seniors, the road of competition will not end at graduation.

Elijah Preston paved the way for the football team this year. Leading the team with 2,224 yards rushing and 33 touchdowns, Preston carried his team to the CIF Open Division Finals. Although Saints wasn't able to take home the championship trophy, Preston's record breaking year did not go unrecognized.

Preston, who scored 200 points in this year alone, won the 17th annual Silver Pigskin Award, a trophy awarded to the player of the year in San Diego. "It was a great honor to represent my school, family, and city by winning the award," Preston said.

Elijah will look to continue his football career at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo.

"They showed a lot of interest in me, and they also have my major (Animal Science). Their offense is also built around the running back position, which I like. They also have a very strong academic program."

Elijah won't be the only football star to take the field next year. Francoise Sims II has committed to San Jose State University, where he will also play running back.

"I have a good relationship with the coaching staff," Sims said, "And SJSU is a good distance away from home, not too far,

not too close."

Other notable future collegiate football players are Quinn Seau, nephew of San Diego Chargers legend Junior Seau, who's committed to play at John Hopkins University, and Michael Alves, who will bring his talents to UCLA. St. Augustine High School's representation won't only be limited to the United States. Senior Jordan Brooks has accepted a full ride to play at La Universidad Las Americas Puebla (UDLAP), a private university in Mexico.

The Saints' famous basketball duo, Eric Monroe and Martin Tombe, who collected over 100 wins together in four years, will both play basketball at the college level. Earlier this year, Saint's point guard, Eric Monroe committed to play at Yale University.

"I think the deciding factor was the combination of great basketball and academics," said Monroe, "A lot of my other options had one of the two, but Yale has a great coaching staff and basketball program, as well as a degree that will hopefully help me in the workforce one day." Monroe is eagerly waiting for a chance to possibly play in the notorious March Madness Tournament. "Seeing Yale succeed this year in March Madness was awesome, and I can hope that I can be a part of something similar in my 4 years there. I've dreamt of making a run in the tournament since I was three years old."

Tombe will be attending Miramar College for a year where he will be "grey shirting", not enrolling in classes until the second term of his freshman year, and then plans to play four years with UCSD.

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Not all the future college athletes will be involved directly with their school. Varsity Lacrosse midfielder, Tim Spencer, will be attending the University of Arizona next fall where unfortunately, they do not have a varsity lacrosse program. But, Tim plans on joining a club lacrosse team at the university.

Athletes, Nick Heid and Tanner Battikha each individually won league championships this year for the track team. Heid, who won the league title for the high jump, will continue track at San Marcos and Battikha, who won both the long jump and triple jump, will continue at the University of New Mexico.

Luke Hazel has committed to play soccer at UC Davis. Hazel was able to help lead his team to the CIF championship in 2014. Varsity pitcher, Jack Dashwood, committed to UC Santa Barbara freshman year, and is looking forward to playing for their program.

All of the senior athletes this year, regardless of whether or not they're continuing their sport in college, should be proud of the season's results and all of the future college athletes should look forward to the new challenges that will be presented to them.

If one thing is for certain, they are sure to bring pride to the Saints community, even after their times here on campus.

# Saintsmen Win Seal Tournie Yet Again



This is the third time Saints has won first place.

By Adam Gutierrez ('17)  
STAFF WRITER

On April 30th, select Saintsmen were invited to the sandy beaches of Coronado to participate in the Annual Navy Seal Invitational Tournament.

So far, Saints has competed in this rigorous competition four times, and has won first place in three of the four. In 2013, 2014, and 2016, Saints brought first place victories, but last year, third place was taken.

Including Saints, fourteen high schools from southern California—including Coronado High, Del Norte, and St. John Bosco—comprised the pool of competitors. Saints was ranked in the number one seed out of these schools.

Ten worthy athletes were sent to the event: Chris Keane, Jacob Baker, Brennan Amsberry, John Hickman, Blaise Rogers Lynch, Jesus Carrol and Sam Dixon from the senior class; Sean Panado and Jacob Yudson from

the junior class; and Ethan McVeigh from the sophomore class.

"I hand picked the Saintsmen I thought were capable of doing the challenge," said Coach LaPorta, who acted as coach in support of the team.

These ten Saintsmen braced themselves for the brutal physical tests prepared by the Seals. They were challenged to carry a 250 pound log while simultaneously doing 60-75 squats as a team, carry a 250 pound boat to the ocean, paddle 200-300 yards out and back, then carry the boat back to where the group started, carry the same boat on a two mile run, then complete 200 diamond push ups, pull-ups, four count squats, and flutter kicks. The Saintsmen took turns to meet each requirement.

Before the start of each event, the participants had to run into the ocean, get drenched, then roll around in the sand. The Navy Seals refer to the result as a "sugar cookie."

"It was pretty intense, but everyone held their own," said sophomore Ethan McVeigh. "We all did a stellar job and that's what put us on top."

In addition to the many difficult, strenuous events, the tournament also tested their knowledge of the history of the Navy Seals.

"If it weren't for Sam Dixon knowing all the answers to the Navy Seal quizzes, we would've gotten second place," junior Sean Panado said.

This win marks another year where Saints has been challenged and forced to work for their number one spot as the toughest and best team in the Tournament.

"Every year, the men that are selected take it as an honor to be able to represent the Saints and we will continue to strive and work to win not only for ourselves but for all of the Saints community," said junior Sean Panado. Saints will continue to participate with the Navy Seals in this Tournament.

Sean Panado ('17)

# Chaplain's Corner

By Bob Gavotto, O.S.A.  
COLUMNIST

I ran across this saying on the back of the invitation to the Distinguished Students' Banquet which was held on May 20: "Success is not the key to happiness. Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you do, you will be successful." (Albert Schweitzer) How appropo for the seniors who are thinking about their college future! These are words definitely worth reflecting on for all of us as we complete a very successful year and look to success next year.

Love is the key to success. Take these words of St. Augustine to heart: "Put love in all the things that you do, and they will make sense. Take love away and they become worthless and empty." (Sermon 138)

Pope Francis gives us a sterling example of loving what he is doing. Right after he became Pope, he reminds us that authentic power is service. He then washes the feet of the men and women in the detention center and says: "I do it wholeheartedly because it is my duty. It is a duty that comes from my heart: I love it, and I love doing it, but you as well help each other."

Others have put it this way. Love what you do, and you will never have to work again! On a coffee mug: Do what you love, and love what you do. The ad for BlackBerry says: Don't just like what you do. Love what you do! And Francisco Feliciano, '12, gave our football team this mantra: We do what we love, and thank God above! MVP Baseball player, Von Miller, put it this way: "We have a lot of love for each other, and that is where the success came from." On the back windshield of my car I have a sticker given to me by Shani McGowan, mother of Kaori, '18: Love wins. When you win, you are successful! Love wins, and conquers all, as St. Paul would say. Last year Rev. Martha Anderson, mother of Matt Seals in this Tournament.

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# ASB Elections Go Paperless



Senior ASB officers enjoy food at the ASB transition.

Photo Courtesy of Saints Twitter

By Dario Gitterrez ('17)  
STAFF WRITER

Two weeks ago, the elections of both next year's ASB executive and class officers took place as usual—with one major exception. This time the elections were paperless.

ASB moderator Mr. Inzunza, with the technological aid of Mr. Igelman, made the decision as it saved both time and paper. "Not only is it more efficient, but now that students do not need to line up for a long period of time. Our voter turnout is greater than that of our country's elections," he said.

Elections were held during homeroom. The ballots were efficiently made available via Canvas. All candidates for executive positions were allotted a two minute maximum speech which was recorded and published

in the morning announcements for the entire student body to view. Candidates for the vice presidency, Ricky Russo, JT Riley, and Dario Gutierrez, were given an additional segment where they were given four live questions arguing as to why they were the more suitable for the position.

The resulting winners for the 2016-2017 ASB Executive council are Sean Panado as President, Dario Gutierrez as Vice President, Antonio Landa as Secretary, Nick Lee as Treasurer, Tony Perez as Commissioner of Athletics, and Santino Vicardopone as Commissioner of Publicity. Junior Diego Garcia and sophomore Ethan McVeigh were elected as the new Commissioners of Communications.

There was another difference in way class election were handled this year. Instead

of videos, candidates were permitted a maximum of two minutes to deliver an improvised "soapbox speech" at Tolle Lege patio.

Sophomore James Biter offered his thoughts on this new style.

"I had a different view of each candidate, as I could literally see them five feet away from me, making my decision way easier."

A record-breaking forty students contested for the twelve class officer positions available for sophomore, junior, and senior class councils. In the most shocking change of events, junior Jason Valentini made a comeback as senior president after two years of inactivity with the ASB.

Although the tradition of ASB elections remains the same, the move to Canvas has made them more accessible to students at Saints.

# Test Your OLP Ignorance

By Sebastian Larson-Moreno ('18)  
STAFF WRITER

- When was OLP founded?  
a. 1923    b. 1896  
c. 1905    d. 1882
- What religious order founded OLP?  
a. Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet  
b. Carmelite Nuns  
c. Felician Sisters  
d. Sisters of Loreto
- The campus used to be a...  
a. Boarding School  
b. Private Estate  
c. Mental Institution  
d. Hotel
- It has continually operated for...  
a. 93 years    b. 111 years  
c. 132 years    d. 120 years
- Which movie was filmed in OLP's gym?  
a. Bring It On    b. Clueless  
c. Mean Girls    d. Legally Blonde
- How many CIF sports teams do they have?  
a. 10    b. 20  
c. 18    d. 27
- This year, OLP added a new team for sports. Which one?  
a. Archery    b. Lacrosse  
c. Golf    d. Surf

Send your responses to saintsnewspaper@gmail.com. The first Saintsmen to get them all correct will receive a \$10 gift certificate to In-N-Out Burger.

# CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2016!



## Greater California

- Cal Maritime Academy**  
Desi Charfauros  
Jon Cordero
- UC Berkeley**  
Alexander Almond  
Brendan Leahy
- San Francisco State**  
Grant Aikels  
Juan Lopez  
Nicholas Malone  
Jonathan Martinez-Ramirez
- San Jose State**  
Matthew Johnston  
Francoise Sims
- USF**  
Harley Lehrke
- Chapman University**  
Jacob Baker
- Humboldt State University**  
Bryan Avalos
- California State University Monterey Bay**  
Damian Diaz Del Castillo
- California State University, Los Angeles**  
Dominic Oshana
- Pitzer College**  
Andrew Heffler
- California Baptist University**  
Vincent Camagay
- University of Redlands**  
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Ariel Zak
- UC Riverside**  
Kevin Ferrer  
Zachary Makabenta  
Luis Mora
- UCLA**  
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Carter Faucher  
Michael Wilson
- UCSB**  
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Carlos Orendain  
Ryan Phan  
Kasimir Tan
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Dominic Vinti  
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- Seattle University**  
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- Grossmont College**  
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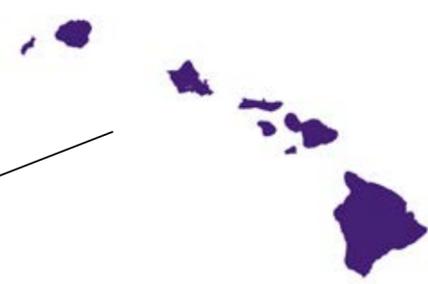
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# Father Bob Retires from Chaplaincy

By Gian Ferrer ('17)  
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After eleven years of serving as Saint Augustine High School's chaplain, Father Robert Gavotto has decided to retire.

"I am retiring because I think that it is time for someone new to come," Fr. Bob said. "Eleven years is a long time to be doing this job. I am not twenty-five years old. I feel that it's just time for someone else to have the opportunity to perform this service."

The main responsibilities of the chaplain involve organizing weekly Mass, training the lectors and Eucharistic ministers, and administering the sacrament of Penance. Fr. Bob is also the chaplain for the football and basketball teams.

Fr. Bob was also a contributing writer to *The Augustinian* with his column "Chaplain's Corner" which has appeared in every issue for the past 11 years. He is also the founder of the Table Tennis Club.

But Fr. Bob has been connected to Saints long before he took on any of these responsibilities. He was also a Saintsman.

"When I got here, I liked the brotherhood," he said. "My best friend today is actually someone from my high school experience. Before, Bancroft Street actually went through the campus and all of the buildings were single floored. But it wasn't the facilities that made our school. People didn't come because we had the best gymnasium in the world. Instead, they came because they found a home."

He graduated from St. Augustine High School in 1955. He then began his journey to the priesthood during his first year in college at Georgetown University, the School of Foreign Service.

"I began with the novitiate program to join the order, which was basically a year long



Father Bob...literally in the Chaplain's Corner.

reflection and study of the spirituality of the Augustinians. After that, we make the vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience. Saint Augustine himself chose the early Christian community as a model for his own community."

With a strong educational background, unbreakable connection to Saints, and fervent work ethic, Father Bob has certainly proved himself to be a dedicated chaplain.

"I will miss the duties of a chaplain. What

exactly I will be doing is still to be determined. My attitude towards my retirement was to 'Let go and let God.' I am letting go in the sense that I am giving up my role as chaplain, but I am letting God take care of the rest of my destiny."

Mr. Vladimir Bachynsky

# Tech Club Gets Wired In



By Ian Haliburton ('18)  
EDITOR

A group of students has put to good use a unique space on campus to house their club and its activities. The members of the relatively new tech club have settled themselves into one of the two "pods" on campus, the small rooms nestled between classrooms. The one now occupied by the tech club, which is between rooms 219 and 215, has a history of its own.

It was intended to be utilized as a computer lab, but this vision was never completely realized. The space served the school as a humble storage room for a time before

tech club acquired it. Their group was formalized as a club at the beginning of this school year and it came together further over intercession.

Several members of tech club were enrolled in the robotics intercession course. They were enlisted by Mr. Igelman to assist in setting up the school's 3D printer. Ultimately, the tech club, the printer, and a handful of computers were established in the first floor pod space with Mr. Igelman as moderator.

Although the club's members receive guidance from their moderator and from Saints alumnus Adrian Cedeño, who helped give the club its start, they are largely self-

driven.

Currently, the club's internal functions include building, setting up, and programming computers, as well as being responsible for the upkeep of the 3D printer. They also run an operation which reaches out into the school community: a repair service.

Any student can bring his malfunctioning laptop to the tech club and they will work on it to solve the problem. Currently, this service is free of charge but they greatly appreciate donations directly to the tech club, in order to expand its operations and look into new opportunities.

Some developments the members look forward to implementing are programming

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Bywater, '15, took the theme in her homily from the Gatorade commercial: "Win from within. Love comes within. Winning, success, comes from within."

St. Augustine also helps us with this insight and reminds us that there is only one love: "The love with which I love my neighbor is the love with which I love God. Love of God must be mentioned first, because of its greatness, and the love of neighbor second. But we begin with the second in order to reach the first. If you do not love the brother whom you can see, how can you love God whom you do not see? (1 Jn 4:20) (Sermon 265, 9)."

"Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you do, you will be successful." Love, happiness, success: my wish and prayer in the Lord for all of you!

A final thought. It has truly been a blessing for me to be chaplain at Saints for these past eleven years. You know, God's gifts come wrapped in people. For me, the people have been the students, faculty, staff and parent community - true gifts to me. One hope/prayer that I do leave with is that one of you Saintsman who are reading this will be open and moved to consider a calling to the Augustinians, and one day will be writing this column!

and releasing their own game and integrating robotics into their club. With these new functions, they would have a chance to make the club competitive, and are already investigating competitions like Ludum Dare, an online competition for game developers, and IEEEExtreme, a programming competition.

"The goal is really to learn about technology," said club member Thomas Parashos. "We're looking for new outlets to do that."

Tech club has its doors open to new members wishing to know more about what they do and how they do it. No experience is necessary, as the club is also a learning environment for those interested.

# Counselors, Students about to Get Closer



The counseling team has created a whole new way to do one-on-one with students.

Liam Brucker-Casey ('19)

By Liam Brucker-Casey ('19)  
EDITOR

Starting with the 2016-17 school year, the Counseling Department will radically change the way it does business. The entire department will usher in a new, more efficient system, one that will affect every counselor and student.

With Ms. Caine retiring, Dr. Rey will become the Director of Counseling Services. Mr. Golden, Ms. Mekrut and Dr. Rey will split the sophomores, juniors, and seniors three ways alphabetically. Mr. Golden will have the first part of the alphabet, Ms. Mekrut the middle part of the alphabet, leaving Dr. Rey with the remaining third.

"This way the three of us (Dr. Rey, Ms. Mekrut, and Mr. Golden) will get to know students from their sophomore year on, so by the time a student is a senior, we will have known them since they were a sophomore, and in our college letter we will be able to say 'I have known this person for the past three years.' Also, with this system the student will be able to know us considerably better, and be able to feel a little more comfortable with us by the time they are a senior," Dr. Rey said.

The only remnant of the old system is the way the department counsels the freshmen. All of the incoming class will have the same counselor, but upon

becoming sophomores they will be assigned alphabetically to a specific counselor for the rest of their time at Saints. A new freshman counselor, Carl Bronson, has already been hired for the next school year.

"Carl Bronson has been working with our basketball program for the last couple of years, and he has his credential in counseling," shared Dr. Rey, "he will focus on the freshman, like Mr. Golden has for the past two years."

All of these changes promise to foster a closer, more trusting relationship between student and counselor as students make their way up from freshman year through their graduation.

# Dallas Haupt Becomes Model Saintsman

By Sean Panado ('17)  
STAFF WRITER

Saints Alum Dallas Haupt ('15) is the son of Coach Mike Haupt and the brother of Jacob Haupt ('17). Dallas has been modeling since his junior year at Saints and has been met with success. The Augustinian caught up with him to find out what being a model is like.



## How did you get into modeling?

A saints alum, Glenn Davis, who used to be signed with my current agency, contacted my family. He told us to get some pictures taken of me and he would send them to some well-known agencies in L.A. Next, he called me a couple of days later along with some others, went up there to meet, and ended up signing with Next Model Management.

## For what company are you working and where is it based?

I am currently under contract with Next Models based in the L.A. office. I have other agencies lined up in Europe for when I go overseas on stay and I am now looking for representation in New York.

## What are some places your work has taken you?

I have been fortunate enough to travel a fair amount, including a two month stay in South Korea, four trips to Amsterdam, and I have made my rounds through Europe; specifically, London, Milan, Hamburg, Barcelona, and Paris.

## Have you met any famous celebrities or models?

In the industry you often come across celebrities and other models at events. To name a few celebrities ... Justin Bieber, Kanye, the Kardashians, and Chris Brown. Other models would include Gigi Hadid, and a good friend of mine Lucky Blue Smith.

## For which brands have you modeled?

I have modeled for many different brands, some big and some small. The most recognizable would be Tommy Hilfiger, Burberry, Adidas, and Pacsun.

## Have you been featured in any clothing catalogs?

Clothing catalogs I have done would include Hilfiger and Pacsun. I have been in various clothing magazines, as well, including Interview magazine, Nylon magazine, GQ Russia, and SSWA magazine out of Germany. SSWA featured me on the cover.

## Is it tough to put bread on the table as a model?

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# Senior Superlatives

*The Senior that is Most Likely to...*



Beat Mr. Osberg at Wrestling:  
**Ryan Arroyo**



Be Canonized a Saint:  
**Sam Dixon**



Be the Next Mark Zuckerberg:  
**Jacques Paye**



Have a Vine Go Viral:  
**Martin Tombe**



Be on Sports Illustrated's Cover:  
**Michael Alves**



Have a Reality TV Show:  
**Philip Callahan**



Have an Interesting Reason for Referrals:  
**Ryan Dent**



Fall Asleep in Class:  
**Andy Ziber**



Outwit Mr. Vignol:  
**Tom Allen**

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his unique classroom environment where he has established personal relationships with his students. He takes time to pray for the Saints community, teach, and discuss life values.

"Sir's class was so much more than just biology," said former biology student and current junior David Pack. "He teaches us valuable life skills preparing us to take on a changing world."

When the school year comes to an end next week, Mr. Wilson will officially retire. "I'm anxious to get there," he says "but when it comes, I'm certain I will miss every minute of it."

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The difficulty in modeling is the inconsistency of work. There can be weeks where you work everyday, followed by weeks where you have no jobs. This is why it is important to sign with as many quality agencies as possible, giving yourself a better opportunity of constant work.

**Is modeling your final career goal?**

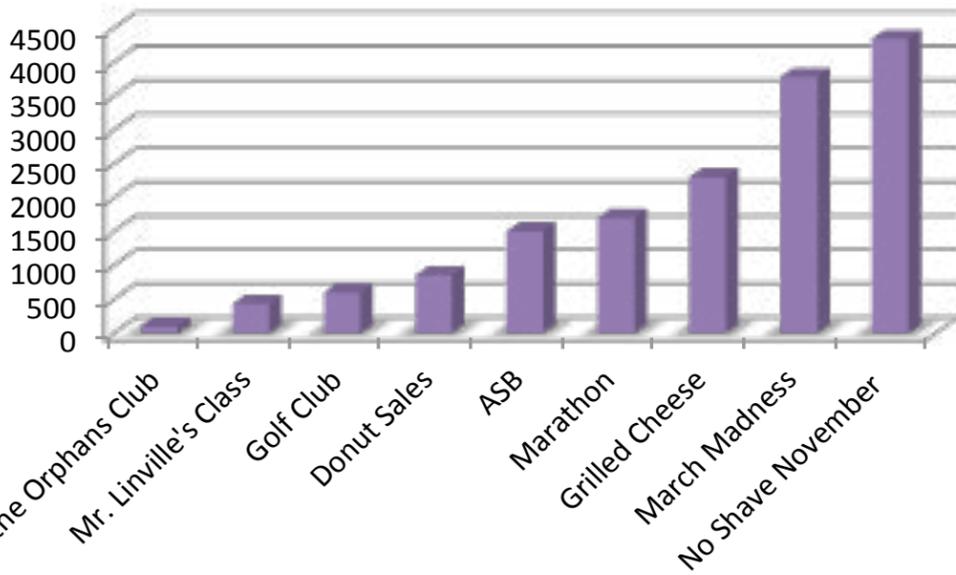
Modeling can be a career goal, however I would like to use it to propel myself into acting. I am pursuing school part-time online, while I further my career endeavours.

**Is there any way your Saints experience has contributed to your work or career?**

The Saints experience has taught me to work hard for what I want to achieve. My faith, strengthened throughout my Saints experience, has also helped me keep myself grounded and not forget who I am.

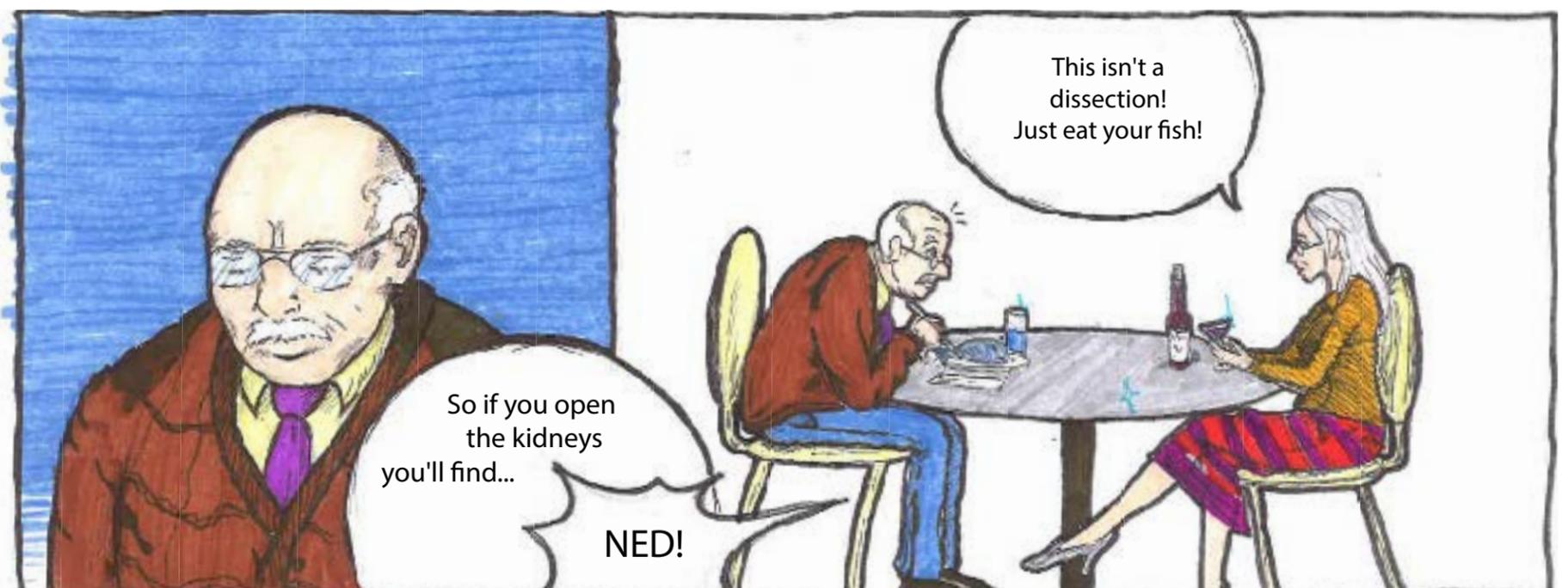
**How has the Saints community and beyond helped to support your goals?**

At Saints, I never thought modeling would take me to where I am today. However, the support of my family, friends, and the entire Saints community has helped to solidify my desire to pursuit this line of work.



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## Life at Saints



By Carlos Escobosa ('17) and William Stonehouse ('17)