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Inzunza Accepts Mater Dei Position



By Thomas Vedder ('20) and Andrew Tran ('19)
STAFF WRITERS

All good things must come to an end. After twelve years at Saint Augustine High School, Mr. Inzunza is leaving for Mater Dei in Chula Vista to become the Assistant Principal of Student Safety and Discipline.

It is a bittersweet moment for all of us because Mr. Inzunza has been involved with the Saints community in so many different roles as a student, a teacher, and ASB Moderator.

As a Saintman of the class of 1991, he served as ASB class president, lettered five times, was a part of the Saints band, and even started a skate club. He and The Rivals were part of a rock band that was hired by Saints, OLP, and other schools around San Diego. He was a socially and globally aware student, writing an article for The Augustinian that protested the first Iraq War (Desert Storm) and called for a walkout. While no one else participated, Father John Sanders joined him, and the two shared their thoughts on world affairs.

Mr. Cudal has known Mr. Inzunza since he was a freshman, both as his teacher and as his freshman football coach. Mr. Cudal remembers Mr. Inzunza as being well liked by teachers and students, and fondly told stories about putting the 110lb Michael on the field—almost as a prank—as nose guard against the biggest offensive players. And Mr. Inzunza gave it his all. That, as Mr. Cudal said, is one of the characteristics that made Mr. Inzunza successful in life. Mr. Inzunza brings hard work and enthusiasm to his job everyday, in the same way that he did at every practice and game.

He would return to Saints as a teacher in 2006 where he immediately made his

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Mr. Inzunza with the 17/18 ASB

mark. In 2006 he founded the Loyal Sons of St. Augustine, which is now involved in multiple aspects of Saints life, from freshman orientation to attending the funerals of Saints alumni. He would later transform both the ASB and the Pit. As ASB moderator, he doubled the amount of student events, and revived the Junior Boat Dance and the hypnotist show. Meanwhile, under his watch, Mr. Inzunza made it possible for

students to enter games for free if they purchased a Pit jersey or t-shirt, and the Pit quadrupled in size.

Senior Chaz Parada is the current ASB president, and has had the pleasure of working with Mr. Inzunza in the ASB over the past few years.

“It has been very apparent after four

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Departing Faculty in Their Own Words



By Nicolas Correa ('19)
EDITOR

Mr. Sanfilippo, Mr. Forster, and Br. Sarfraz will not be returning to Saints next year. They had some parting words to share with the community.



Mr. Forster

As part of being a volunteer, I'm in community with four others who are also working in the town. There's two at Saint Pats and there are two that are nurses at St Vincent de Paul. They're like an extension of your family. I gained a lot [by being in this community]. By going to serve others and help others, it's almost like osmosis, you can't help but get something back as well whether you intend it or not, but you do. Perhaps the greatest thing I've gained is the passion to continue doing this elsewhere...That's the greatest gift you all could have given me.



Mr. Sanfilippo

I would say in my position, I get a real glimpse at all the Saints-men's evolving understanding of what it means to be human and what it means to be of service in a world that's constantly changing, and a very complicated world right now. In my job, I get to sort of walk with them as they grow into themselves and as they begin to learn how to access the resources and the tools to become effective change-makers, and effective peacemakers, and people who want to create dialogue for justice. That's been a real blessing in my job.



Br. Sarfraz

I felt that I was accepted to so much here in the Saints community. And I think this is one of the

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Kremer Becomes Head Football Coach



Abraham Franco-Hernandez ('19)
EDITOR

After Coach Richard Sanchez departed from Saints to become a coach for the Aztecs earlier this year, many were wondering who would succeed him; it didn't take long to find the obvious choice: Coach Joe Kremer.

Coach Kremer already had a long track record of involvement with Saints football, having spent eight years as both a linebacker coach and a defensive coordinator.

“I took a few years away from football and I decided that I wanted to get back at it and start coaching, so I started looking around, and Coach Sanchez hired me to coach linebackers. I fell in love with the coaching side of football,” Kremer said.

Coach Kremer's love for football began in his hometown of Urbana, Ohio, where he lettered four times for the varsity football and basketball teams at Urbana High School. His innate ability at football landed him a spot in Indiana University, where he played football for four years as a Hoosier. Upon graduating from Indiana U, he moved to San Diego. After arriving, he



Coach Kremer will continue to coach P.E. as well as filling the role of Head football coach.

Andrew Tran ('19)

pursued a career in selling life insurance, but he couldn't stay away from the sport that he loved.

Aside from football, Coach Kremer became Head Track and Field Coach and began teaching P.E. He recently had to step down from the Head Track position due to the amount of work that comes with the Head Football position. However, he remains committed to teaching P.E. for the

coming years.

“I had to stop coaching track because of the rigor of coaching football full time,” he said. “It was a hard decision but necessary for me to be able to lead a quality program with the attention it deserves. As far as teaching goes, I am still a dedicated to P.E., but the class sizes did have to go down so that I could balance my teaching and coaching roles.”

The pressure of coaching one of the most successful high school programs in the county doesn't seem to faze Coach Kremer, who embraces the responsibility head-on.

“With 170 out of 700 guys at Saints involved in the football program, I feel like I am responsible not only for their development as players, but more importantly for their development as great people,” he said. “Building relationships with the student

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Mekrut to Leave Saints to Pursue Credential



By Luke Cavanagh ('20)
EDITOR

At the end of this year, our Saints community will be forced to say good-bye to a number of beloved faculty members, among them Ms. Julia Mekrut, who served as a counselor and the AP Psychology teacher. Working at Saints for the past five years, Ms. Mekrut has contributed a lot to the community outside of her teaching as an accommodations coordinator as well as a coach for both the surf and swim teams.

Ms. Mekrut plans to further her education, and will attend school locally to receive the necessary credentials to become an education specialist.

"Saints is an incredibly special community to me, and I love being a part of it," she said. "This is one of the toughest decisions I have ever had to make, but I've got to pursue what I believe is my calling," she said.

"Over the last five years, I have realized how important it is to uncover and support different learning styles. Everyone has a unique style of learning, and once you understand how you learn best, you can tap into your strengths and unlock so much potential. I want to help all students in that journey and I will be pursuing the credential needed to become a 'learning specialist'."

To achieve this credential, Ms. Mekrut will need to be in school for a full year and afterwards she will look for an opening in her field of expertise.

Ms. Mekrut's time at Saints has provided many memories to take with



Welcome week in her first year is one of Ms. Mekrut's fondest memories at Saints.

Photo courtesy of Ms. Mekrut

her on her journey. One of her favorite and most memorable ones took place on the Halloween of 2014. A majority of the faculty dressed up as sumo wrestlers and Ms. Mekrut remembered it as a day full of laughter.

Not only does she have fond memories of Saints, but she is also proud of how much our school has changed during her time here. Over the past five years, she has noticed major changes to the campus as well as the Saints' community, and not only in construction. Events such

as retreats have really grown stronger over time, strengthening the bonds between the students, the teachers, as well as the student-teacher relationship. Ms. Mekrut really enjoyed the overall environment created at Saints as a result of these relationships.

"Faculty is so friendly and the kindness of the students makes working with the students and getting to know them the best aspect of my job," she said.

Ms. Mekrut is very thankful for the friendly environment at Saints because

she knows not many schools are like ours in this respect.

Although this may seem like good-bye to a beloved faculty member, Ms. Mekrut will still be involved with Saints as one of the Surf team's coaches. Without a doubt, Ms. Mekrut will be missed as she obviously had a great connection with the student body. As a school community, we are fully supportive and happy for her as she reaches for new horizons ahead.

Teacher Feature: Haggerty's Smile Shines On



Mr. Haggerty is commonly called "Mr. Swaggerty" by Saintsmen.

Photo courtesy of Liam Brucker-Casey ('19)



By Liam Brucker-Casey ('19)
MANAGING EDITOR

Mr. Bruce S. Haggerty, dubbed by many Saintsmen as "Mr. Swaggerty," has become a school favorite among faculty. Born in the greatest city of Cranston, Rhode Island, Haggerty's childhood was chock full of interest-

ing anecdotes. As an adolescent, Haggerty attended Moses Brown School a prestigious Quaker-run boarding institution. At Moses Brown Mr. Haggerty ran track and was all state, holding that distinction for three years, additionally he was a 9 Letter Man at Varsity Sports. He was eventually accepted into Cornell and Brown but ultimately attended Tufts. At the university Haggerty joined a

fraternity and was classmates with, among others, three-time astronaut Rick Hauck.

An art-history major, Haggerty obtained his masters at Boston University. Before eventually moving to California in the 80s, Haggerty spent a lot of his time as a freelance photographer, taking up residency in India and Nepal doing expedition photography. Once in San Diego, Haggerty sent out

applications to schools throughout the area. Unfortunately, he did not know of Saints at the time.

For ten years Mr. Haggerty taught Art History at Palomar College, seven years at USD, and twenty years at The Army and Navy Academy until retiring in 2007. Just after retiring, Haggerty realized how much he appreciated the art of teaching. Looking for a return to the school experience, Haggerty sent a letter to Mr. Cudal, the Assistant Principal of Academics at the time. He has been involved with Saints ever since.

Haggerty's personal philosophy when it comes to teaching is to make everyone feel important and special.

"You know, my favorite word is the longest one in the dictionary: smiles, because there's a mile between each "s", and that is sort of the way I live my life," said Haggerty.

Indeed, Mr. Haggerty fills up each classroom with smiles, his own, and those of the students.

Mr. Haggerty will tell just about anyone who will listen about his affinity for Saints,

"There is spoken so much about this particular brotherhood, and it begins with freshmen as they walk through that front door. There really is that bond of unity, it's very unique. Alumni, faculty... I've never heard of a school in the country where nearly half the faculty are former-students of that particular school. It's very rare if only one teacher was a student. You feel it through the whole atmosphere of teachers, the administration, and parents, it's very cohesive."

When he's not at Saints, Mr. Haggerty is never resting on his laurels. He is a fairly prolific ceramicist who sells his creations to adoring fans. Recently, after a trip to Hopi territory in Arizona and New Mexico, he learned to play the Hopi six-holed flute,

Chaplain's Corner



By Fr. Kirk Davis, O.S.A.
COLUMNIST

There is an appointed time for everything, and a time for every affair under the heavens. A time to give birth, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to uproot the plant. A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to tear down, and a time to build. A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-4

Incredibly enough, we have reached the end of yet another academic year. This is a great time to look back on our triumphs and challenges over the past year. Where have I been successful? Where might I rely on God more for guidance? What changes do I want to make in the year ahead? To what am I being called?

We're reminded in the reading above from Ecclesiastes that there is a rhythm to life that we are invited to harmonize with. For the class of 2018 this means graduation next week and moving on to the next phase of their lives and education. For the rest of our students it means advancing one grade level and stepping into deeper opportunities for study, service, extracurriculars, and leadership. For the faculty and staff it means some well-deserved rest, time with family, and the opportunity to fine tune their lesson plans for next year.

I pray God will continue to bless each of you. May you finish the year strong and perform to the very best of your abilities on your final exams. For those of you leaving Saints may your futures be bright and your transition to college smooth. For those returning in the fall may you be ready to welcome our incoming freshman class with open arms and hospitality in the Augustinian tradition.

Enjoy the summer!

► Inzunza

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years with him on ASB that Mr. Inzunza loves Saints," Parada said. "I have always been able to tell that teaching here has meant a lot to him, and I know he will miss it very much. That being said, I know he will do a great job at Mater Dei, and Saints will miss him very much."

Saints teachers likewise value all that he's contributed to the Saints community.

"What I will remember most about Mr. Inzunza is his energy—he is no less than a force of nature," Mr. Bachynsky said. "He could often be seen gliding around campus, usually walking faster than anyone else, ever-smiling, and contagiously bring good cheer to others. He is a benevolent tornado which alters anything in its path, changing it for the better. That very change is in the air for Mater Dei, and they will be lucky to have him."

What Mr. Inzunza loved most about Saints were the friendships with staff and Saintsman that he has developed over his years as a faculty member.

"I want every single person to know that I poured my heart and soul every single day here at Saints and that I put every single student and their needs first ahead of everything else," he said. "Also, that I brought the same enthusiasm and passion every single day that I worked as I did when I was a student."

In the end, Mr. Inzunza—a Saintsman through and through—will be remembered for his great service to this school, and he will be missed. Thank you for being one of Saints' most loyal sons!



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Spring Sports Bring Spectacular Results



Varsity Lacrosse were the number three seed in CIF playoffs. Peter Dougherty



By Luis Andrade ('19)
STAFF WRITER

As usual, the end of the school year brings with it the end of another Spring sports season.

Our varsity lacrosse team finished up the season with a strong form coming off two great team wins as they defeated Valley Center 12-11 and Mount Carmel 15-4. The "daws" headed into playoffs with high hopes as they were the number three seed in Division 1 playoffs, but sadly ended their run early with a heartbreaking loss against Santa Fe Christian at home.

This team has been the most senior heavy team Saints has had in its lacrosse program's history, including six seniors that have been on the varsity team since freshman year. "The seniors carried our team and were great people on and off the field," said rising-senior and leading goalscorer Matthew Beddow. "We're going to truly and deeply miss them."

The Saints varsity tennis team will be putting up a banner for the first time since 1991.

The Eastern League champions had a great season as they were undefeated in league and made it to the CIF Division 2 finals, only to lose against Francis Parker. Besides going 10-0 in league, the team has fantastic individual accomplishments this season as five of them reached the round of 32 in the individual side of the CIF San Diego Section playoffs. Junior John Dye competed alongside senior AJ Gilcrest and went past Pacific Ridge and Valhalla, but ended their doubles season with a loss against Francis Parker. Junior Sebastian Blanchet and senior Roger Alvarez defeated Tri-City Christian and High Tech High Chula Vista, but ended their season when they played against Torrey Pines. In the singles bracket, young freshman standout Noah Zamora had an outstanding first season. His play earned him a #1 singles position as well as the honors of being nationally ranked. Due to his outstanding talents, Zamora, along with Dye and Gilcrest, was invited to the elite Ojai Invitational, a tournament reserved for the best tennis players in California. With young

talents, the tennis team's future looks bright!

The track and field team has had a very exciting season with a record breaking 4 by 100 relay team! Senior Michael Mallucci, juniors Jared Stearns and Chris Erpelding, and freshman Bryon Caldwell have just broken the school record this past weekend after advancing through CIF prelims and running a 42.09, breaking the school record of 42.1. This team is the fastest team in Division 2, and the second fastest overall, behind Steele Canyon. Although Saints ran a 42.27 in League Finals and beat Steele Canyon, who ran a 42.28, Steele Canyon ran a 42.08 after Saints' school record-breaking race. "It's a big accomplishment for our team and we're really proud about being the new record holders," said rising-senior Stearns, "but now we must push even harder at practice to achieve our goal of competing at state." Individually, Mallucci ran a 10.94 this past weekend in the 100 meter race and a 21.84 in the 200 meter race. He is currently ranked 6th in Division 2. Stearns is also running the 200 meter race and is currently ranked third in Division 2. Although Erpelding's main strength is the 100 meter race with a 10.84 personal record, he's decided to scratch that competition off due to an injury and to put all of his focus on the 4 by 100 race. The boys will be competing in CIF Finals this weekend at Mount Carmel, and must finish in the top three to go on to compete in state.

Thanks to the stellar play of standout (position) Jack Dolak and (position) Angelo Peraza, the Varsity baseball team boasts a respectable record of (record). They qualified for CIF, but at the time of production of this paper, the extent of their success is to be determined.

In Mr. Hecht's first season back as head coach for the volleyball team, it's been another outstanding season to add to this year's Spring sports. The team won the Eastern League in a dominant way as they strolled

through the twelve league games in an undefeated form. "Our initial goal was to make playoffs," said junior Adrian Abeyta, "but we pushed through and ended up as a top ten team in the San Diego Section." Junior Corbitt Kerr and senior Robby McRoskey led the team as captains all the way to Division 2 semi-finals, where they were eliminated by San Dieguito Academy. Regardless of the result, it's been an amazing season for this group of Saintsman, who show a promising future and a resurgence in the success of the volleyball team.

The varsity Swim team had yet another fantastic stint under the marvelous direction of Coach Walp, Osberg, and Mekrut. After an arduous season, the swim team finished with an undefeated record highlighted by a championship victory in CIF and a first place finish in the City League. This season's standout was senior captain Mitchell Stoddard, who broke the 100 meter freestyle record. His performance in the 500 meter freestyle landed him a spot in the State tournament.

"It's been a great season. We went undefeated and won both League and CIF. I've had a great time in this team, but look forward to my future in this sport," Stoddard said. Mitchell will take his swimming talents to UCSD.

The departure of this year's senior swimmers, including Jason Misleh and Carson Gadler, marks the end of a successful era in the swim team. However, with the future leadership of freshman Leuck Hammes and sophomore Jason Shang, the Saints swim team has a bright future ahead.

All in all, Saints has seen an impressive and prosperous sports season. We look back at the full year of sports, and remember the good and the bad, but we always move forward. Saintsman interested in all sports have much to anticipate as next year, and will be working hard to train for their respective sports next year.

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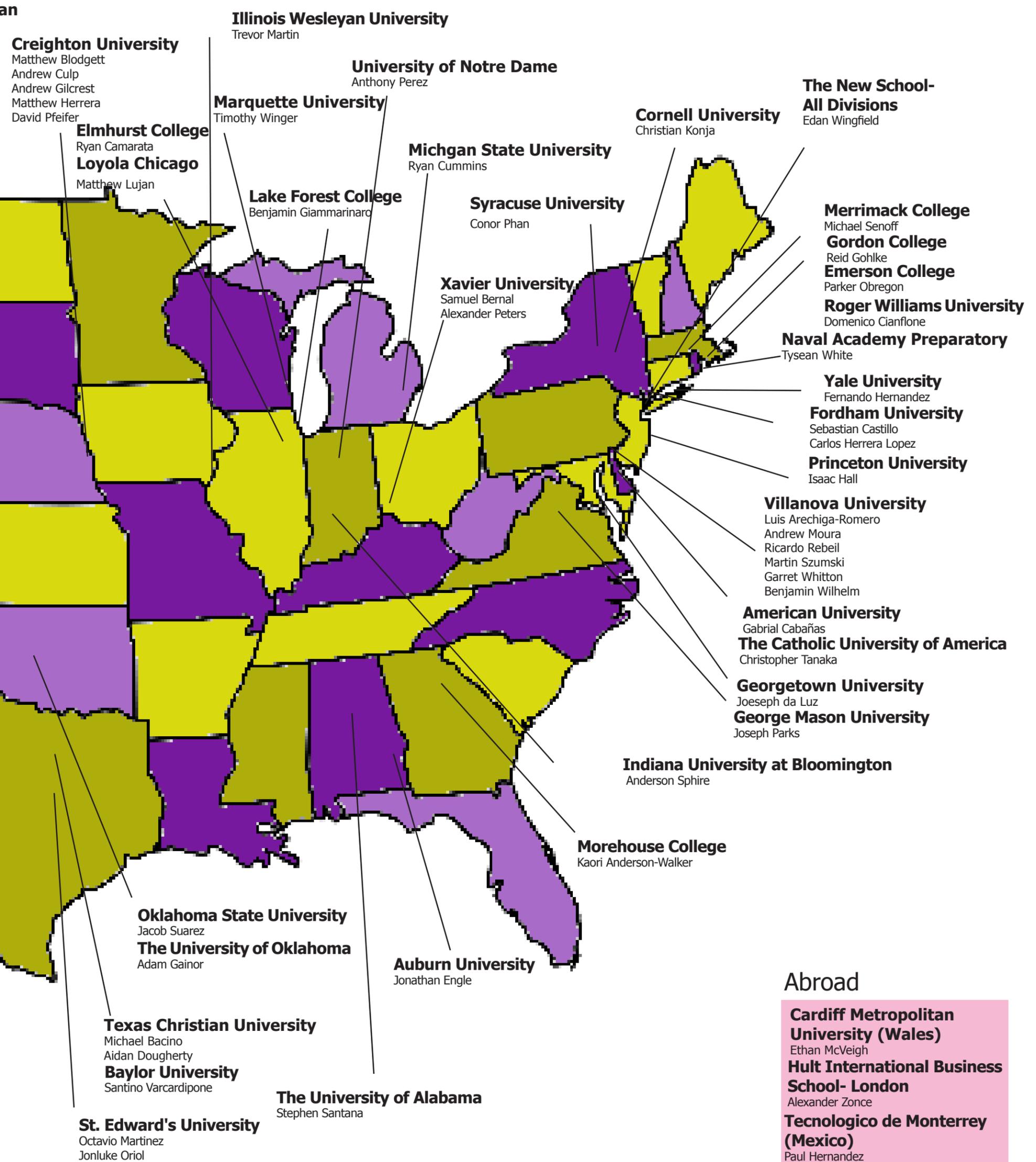
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Ping-Pong Tables Return To Campus Lunch



Saintsmen play ping-pong during lunch on brand new tables.

Andrew Tran ('19)



By Luke Cavanagh ('19)
EDITOR

One of the great features of the Saint Augustine campus is that it always visibly undergoing change. One of the newest, yet smallest, features added to the campus is Coach Davis's ("Coacher's") ping pong tables. Although the younger classes may see this as a "new" addition to the campus, these tables are actually making a comeback. The original tables were present on campus before construction of the new gym began. Donated by a Saints family, they were a popular lunch pastime. However, once construction of the new gym commenced, the tables were discarded and forgotten.

Recently, a new set of tables have been added. Stored behind Food Services, the tables are brought out every lunch period to be enjoyed by those seeking a fun game of ping pong. Unlike the old tables, which were donated, these new tables were purchased by the school. Everyday, the ping pong tables are set up between the ASB room and Student Services, in the Entry Plaza, located between the Commons and the sophomore lockers. Each day, they attract a sizable amount of students, both regulars and newcomers, seeking a friendly or competitive game of table tennis. In fact, the tables have become so popular that Coacher is planning to set up competitive tournaments every quarter.

Each player's name is recorded along

with the games they play and their win record. Some regulars have become extremely adept at the game. One of these players, Sebastian Konja, boasts an impressive record of seventeen wins, no losses. Even some teachers, such as Chief, participate in the daily games.

"Chief is actually pretty good. He beat some of the regular players his first few games," said David Davalos, a sophomore.

Some wonder about the origin of Coacher's passion for the sport, and there has been speculation that he could have been a professional player earlier in his life. The truth is that he just likes to have fun.

But if the revival of ping-pong has been such a hit, then why has its return taken so

long? The simple answer is money.

"I always enjoyed the old tables that were here before the construction of the new gym and wanted to get a new set after construction was finished," said Coacher. "It was simply just a matter of money since these new tables are expensive," he added.

Although the wait has been long, the tables are back and here to stay. For those looking to participate, just find Coacher by the tables and he'll set you up with an opponent to play against. It's a fun and competitive way to pass the time during lunch.

► Kremer

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body, the faculty, the administration, and the Saints community is very important to me. And I believe that to have a successful program, those things have to work in unison."

To ensure the program's success, Coach Kremer has implemented a strict training regimen. Coach Kremer hopes that this training can translate to success for the coming season.

"We've been doing off-season training for about eight weeks so far, five days a week. We're lifting heavy and hard three times a week to keep our players strong and in shape. We're doing speed training and specialization skills often to keep the players constantly improving. I'm looking forward to our players having another chance to win a championship. Trying to get back to a C.I.F. title game is very important for me and our staff. In a way, the football program is a perfect representation of the Saints community, so I am excited by the fact that the responsibility of the program's success falls directly on my shoulders."

And if you've ever seen the size of Coach Kremer's shoulders, you know that Saints football will find the support it needs.

Senior Superlatives

By Ricardo Curiel ('19)
STAFF WRITER

The "superlative awards" were voted on by 20 members of the senior class

MOST LIKELY TO...

Most likely to get ID'd at 30: Moises Pacheco



Be late to graduation - Ovannes Gallegos



Be the next bill gates - Nicholas Vecchioni



Join the Inuits in Alaska - Roman Hendle



Steal all your chips - Sebastian Castillo



Become internet famous - Tim Winger



Most likely to quietly take over the world- Jason Misleh



Win hide and seek - Raul Urrutia



For A More Just World: Declaring War on Poverty



By **Jonathon Soro**
CONTRIBUTOR

There is an insidious killer deadlier than HIV/AIDS, malaria, and tuberculosis combined, and yet it's not getting the attention it deserves: death by hunger.

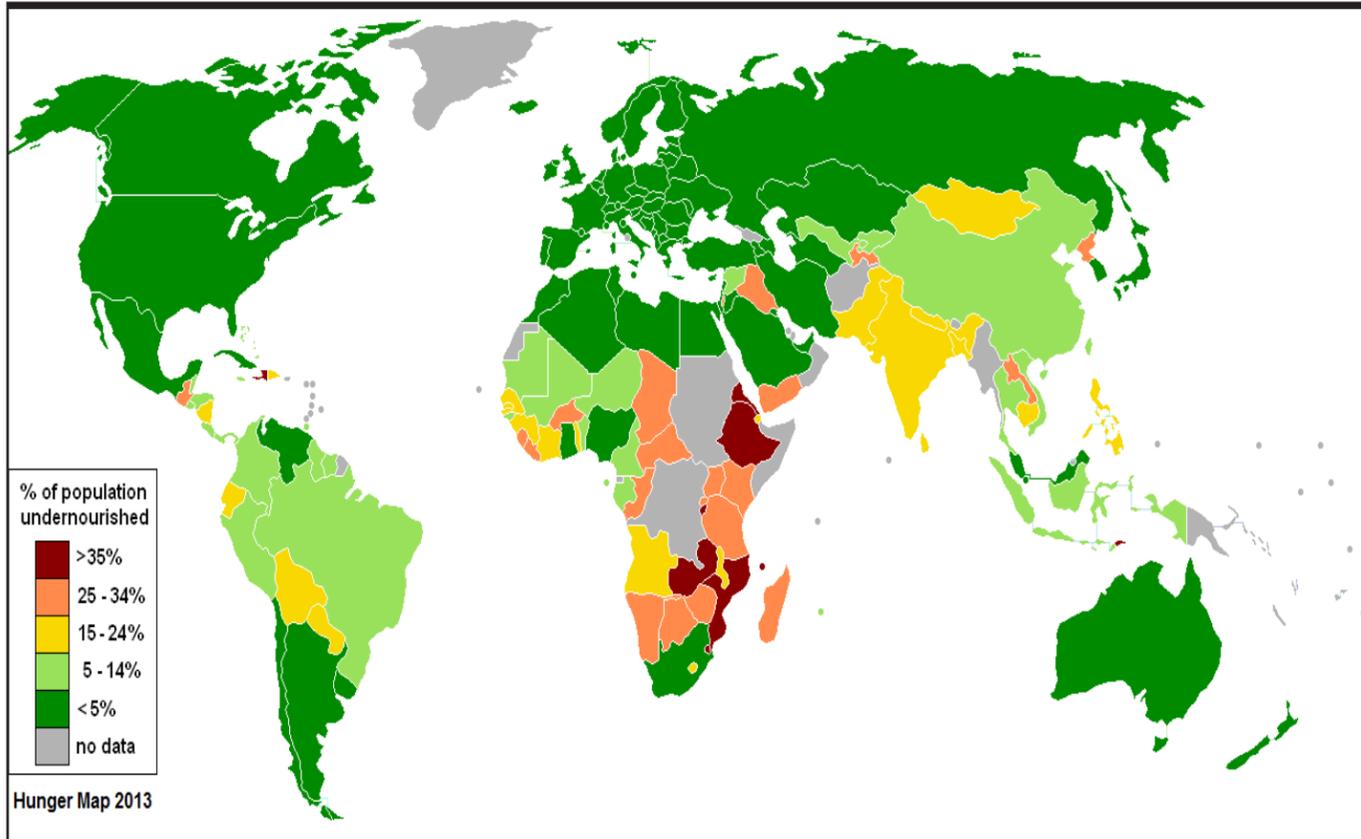
According to the UN, 805 million people around the world do not have enough food to eat. The human body can only go about three weeks without food, and everyday many more people, including children, die of malnutrition. Moreover, 750 million people lack access to clean water. While the solution to these problems are complex, they are the result of a common cause: poverty.

The following statistics paint a sad picture of the effects of poverty: nearly half of the world's population lives in a state of poverty, including 1 billion children. Some 80% of the world population lives on less than \$10 a day, and almost 50% lives on less than \$2.50 a day. Even more horrific is the fact that 1.3 billion people live on less than \$1.25 a day, which is considered "extreme poverty."

Moreover, according to an article from The Guardian in 2015, 57 million children in the world are without basic education. The cost of education for all of them through secondary education is US\$53 billion, which is about one fifteenth of the 2018 United States defense budget.

Most of these children and families who live under such conditions cannot possibly remedy them by themselves. They live in countries which they are unable to leave, and people in countries where they can leave often times aren't able to find a situation that provides much improvement.

Poverty may seem like an unsolvable problem. When people talk about the larg-



World Food Programme

est problem that faces us, world hunger, which is caused by poverty, it's usually seen as an insurmountable difficulty. However, it would not cost as much one might think. I'd like to propose a few ways in which we could make a difference.

1. *Contribute.* If every person would contribute only a small portion of their resources, poverty throughout the world would be greatly diminished. According to an estimate by a 2000 publication of Edge.org, if every person of the one billion people who do not have to worry about hunger donated one dollar per week, the nearly

one billion people living in extreme poverty would be sufficiently nourished daily.

2. *Volunteer.* While not everyone can donate money to solve poverty, you can always help by volunteering. Instead of playing five hours of Fortnite on a Saturday, you can take out a few hours of your day to volunteer at Fr. Joe's Village or the Food Bank. As Catholics, Jesus calls us to help others, and you will still be better off than a child your age in a developing country if you miss out on a few rounds of solos.

3. *Political action.* A third way in which you can help is to contact your congressio-

nal representatives or to vote in favor of more government spending toward solving poverty and less toward the military. Not all of us can vote yet, but when we can, we have the power to use our voices to serve the poor.

No single person can solve poverty, but if many people give a even a little, the problem of poverty can be greatly alleviated. The world has many problems, but poverty is the greatest of them all. Don't underestimate your ability to make a change for a more just world.

Commons Hosts its First Art Show



The Saints Art Show featured pieces of various genres of art.

Diego Hernandez ('19)



By **Brandon Toscano ('19)**
STAFF WRITER

The first Saints Art Show hosted in the Commons had its showing on April 27th. The event was organized by Ms. Drummy, the head of the Art Department, and it showcased the creativity from all of the art classes, from Drawing 1 to Digital Photography. The show's displays were very eye-catching, and it didn't take long for attendees to find a piece that they liked, such as photography giving off optical illusions or drawings featuring unique perspectives of our Saints campus buildings. There were also refreshments provided at the show because most people agree that a masterpiece is best enjoyed on a full stomach.

There are two Art Shows a year, one at Saints and one at OLP. As a collaborative effort, both schools join together to showcase art from both communities of students. The

Art Show not only gives the students a platform to show their peers what they've been working on all year long, but it also gives jazz combo an opportunity to compliment the masterpieces with their music.

Ms. Drummy started the Art Show four years ago when a teacher from OLP asked her about the possibility for collaboration between the two schools. Since the art show takes place twice a year, this year's was the event's eighth occurrence: the Spring Art Show is held at Saints, while the Fall version is held at OLP.

One of the works displayed, titled "Float Project", depicts an optical illusion of senior Hugh Maguire floating between the ramp to the Commons.

"Pesonally, I struggle a lot with creativity, but I still have creative urges like everyone else," said Maguire. "With photography, the hardest part of creativity, the subject, is taken care of in a lot of cases, which is great for me." For example, he used photoshop to

digitally alter a simple object like a can of Arizona Iced Tea by cropping and recoloring the can. This style is called Pop-Art, in which the subject of the art is typically an easily recognizable object. The show featured various pieces by multiple student artists.

Junior Ari Galindo is another talented artist who values the opportunity to express himself creatively.

"My favorite forms of art are abstract art, surrealism, and neo-expressionism because those art types and movements are pretty unconventional and don't really follow the rules," Galindo said. "My favorite form is portraits because you, as an artist, can control the narrative by enhancing the features in your work."

The Art Show will hopefully continue to be an opportunity for students from OLP and Saints alike to exhibit their artistic talent in the coming years. Anyone who attended the event knows that it will be a hard act to follow for art students next year.

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core values here. Love, I think, is one of the core values that I really experienced at Saints in the very beginning and it continued to grow everytime...

I say that this is now a 'hello culture' that you just pass by and say 'hello' and 'have a nice day.' You never know how it impacts the other person's life. My plan is to go for my MA in theology, specializing in scriptures so that I can come back to Saints as a teacher. I am so excited. I am waiting for that day when I come back as a teacher. That's my plan, but what God wants...I will be open to that also.

► Haggerty

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and brags that whilst his wife may currently be in Iceland, he is a proficient enough flutist that at the very least his cat will stay in the room while he practices.

Haggerty remains committed to his home of New England, evidenced by his commitment to the Boston Red Sox, Celtics, Bruins, and New England Patriots.

"When one of our seniors who has been accepted to a New England University asks me what is it like or how can I best prepare, I share two comments: learn how to shovel snow. To meet New England girls, it would be advisable to know the Red Sox starting lineup, because they will! In reference to myself, I know the batting averages, as well."

Haggerty is a very dedicated walker. Though he wishes to reach 25,000 steps a day, he makes it a point to at least fit in 10,000. In terms of style, Mr. Haggerty is a maverick known for sporting his New England button-down Oxford Shirts, argyle sweaters, and socks and penny loafers.

With any luck, Mr. Haggerty will continue his involvement at Saints for many years to come, so that more Saintsmen will see his smile and crack some of their own.

Former Editors Overthrown in Coup D'état



Supreme Leader Alejandro Eros poses for a portrait before executing his righteous scheme. Photo(shop) courtesy of Liam Brucker-Casey ('19)



By Matthew Anguiano ('19)
EDITOR

Normally, for the sixth and final issue of *The Augustinian*, the current seniors of the editorial team steps down as they move on to college, and the new team is takes over in a peaceful transition of power. But not this time! This time the new editors will seize dominion over the paper. This is a revolution!

The previous tyranny of His Highness Haliburton (editor-in-chief), His Supremeness Senoff (managing editor), and His Superiority Stoddard (editor) is now over. No longer will they be able to choose their successors as editors of ancient days. Instead, we, the new editorial team, hereby remove them from power, and we throw them out on their ears—No more shall the nobility hand pick their successors. Today a new era has begun.

The oppressive reign of Haliburton makes way for the new benevolent rule of Alejandro “The Magnificent” Erös, who is prepared to bring a newer, more prosperous era to *The Augustinian*.

Initially, the remaining editors on *The Augustinian* staff wanted to transition peacefully from the tyrannical oppressive reign of Ian Haliburton to the new benevolent and just rule of Alejandro Erös. It was the Revolutionary Supreme Leader and

Editor-in-Chief Alejandro Erös who made the executive decision to launch a coup d'état within the newspaper. If it were not for the hours of drilling in AP U.S. History class, Alejandro Erös would not have been able to lead such a successful revolution. Commander-of-the-Revolution Alejandro Erös applied his knowledge of imperialism to broaden the influence of *The Augustinian* across campus, his knowledge of expanding the powers of government via legislation in *The Augustinian*, and his knowledge of the American Revolution. Mr. da Luz's AP U.S. History class was arguably more influential on the Editorial Revolution than Thomas Paine was on the American Revolution.

In order to successfully carry out this stroke of state, rightful Editor-in-Chief Alejandro Erös needed the blessing of the moderator of *The Augustinian*, Mr. Bachynsky. When Supreme Leader Alejandro Erös confronted Mr. Bachynsky concerning the side on which he would stand, Mr. Bachynsky had this to say:

“Too long has *The Augustinian* decayed under a careless and unambitious reign. I have always known that a great man would have to wrest the reins of leadership from such lecherous tyrants. You, Alejandro, are that great man!”

In the end, Mr. Bachynsky made the correct decision which was choosing the side of His Most Holy, Illustrious, and

Royal Highness Alejandro Erös.

In a move to expunge any trace of the old editorial regime and their reprobate practices, the new newspaper staff also made the decision that the editors shall be endowed with divinely granted and popularly demanded royal titles.

The new Editors and their justly deserved royal titles in full:

His Most Holy, Illustrious, and Royal Highness Alejandro Erös

His Meritorious Excellency, Grand Hereditary Prince Liam Brucker-Casey

His Royal Eminence Matthew Anguiano

Their Majesties, Triumvirs of The Editorial Revolution Abraham Franco-Hernandez, Nicolas Correa, and Luke Cavanagh

Also long overdue was the honoring of now Grand Kievan Prince Vladimir Bachynsky with his new royal title.

Long may we reign in autocratic absolutism, with fear of neither dissent nor overthrow as the new editorial rulers.

Though we are happy to be “seizing” our new roles, we are glad that Ian, Michael, and Mitchell were there to teach us and guide us. Without their dedication and hard work we would not be where we are today. We thank them for their commitment to “The Augustinian,” and we wish them the best as they go forward in life.

Drama in the ER

Kevin Shaw, *Saints Grad and Doctor, Risks Career While Saving Life with Amazing Operation*

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Saintsman, Doctor Kevin Shaw, class of 1994, recently shocked not only the medical staff at Sharp Memorial Hospital, but, the medical world as well.

Kevin, who graduated in 1994, is a Pulmonologist, (a respiratory doctor), and critical care specialist.

While on duty at Sharp's ER on Kearny Mesa on August 24, 2018 Kevin deemed it necessary to perform an operation seldom (if ever) performed in an emergency room. With time working against him, he opted to save his patient's life with a complicated procedure that was not normally performed in the ER.

It was not the way a lung bypass is supposed to happen. Reportedly, for as long as this ECMO (Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation Procedure), has been employed, no doctor had ever endeavored to use it outside of the operating room without a complete team of attending surgeons and anesthesiologists, including a cardiac doctor.

But, Dr. Shaw quickly realized that if he waited to go by the book, he most likely would have lost his patient. His career was not the priority. His patient was. Bravely, Dr. Shaw, who was assisted in the ER by Dr. Andrew Eads, accepted the challenge and in the end saved the life of patient Conrad Soriano, 27, who otherwise would have died from a life-threatening peanut allergy. San Diego's Channel 8 CBS affiliate reported: “It was a last-ditch effort by doctors to save the life of man suffering from a severe allergic reaction to peanuts. Doctors used a procedure, usually done in an operating room, but never tried, in an emergency situation. A patient at Sharp Memorial Hospital had his lungs so inflamed from a severe peanut allergy he could no longer breathe. His patient is alive today because of the quick action taken by doctors Kevin Shaw and Andrew Eads. The doctors placed a large catheter in his neck to try and save his life. Dr. Shaw used an ECMO machine to filter Soriano's blood and bypass it around his lungs. It's a procedure mostly done on cardiac surgery patients in an operating room.”

“It is the coolest thing in the world and to be honest, it was the greatest feeling that I can remember in a very long time. Knowing we had all worked together to get this young man's life saved, get him out of the hospital and back with his family,” said Dr. Shaw. Afterwards, Mr. Soriano praised his lifesaving doctors. “Thank you very much. I would not be here without you.”

Because of the success of this remarkable event, Sharp leadership is planning a series of seminars soon to teach other doctors from around the world how to perform the same procedure that Kevin and Andrew did in the ER.

Note: Deacon Hardick is Dr. Shaw's Godfather.

The Aging Saintsman *by Diego Hernandez ('19)*

