

Parent Newsletter



Love on Purpose

“Don’t love the world and what it offers. Those who love the world don’t have the Father’s love in them. Not everything that the world offers – physical gratification, greed, and extravagant lifestyles – comes from the Father. It comes from the world, and the world and its evil desires are passing away. But the person who does what God wants lives forever.”

1 John 2:15-17



*Rev. Paul Mehl
Executive Director*

As this school year comes to it’s close, everyone, it seems, is looking forward to what is next. Some students will be returning and some will go to other schools. Graduates matriculate with a diploma in hand only to start over in college or perhaps a military stint. It might appear like a slow process, but eventually the things that are taught – are either put into practice - or forgotten.

Many things WILL be forgotten. For about 10 years after I graduated from high school I could still remember quadratic equation, but it got a bit fuzzy after a few more decades. The problem is that I never used it. That is not to say that some people might find it helpful in their line of work, but it didn’t come up enough for me. Actually not at all.

Other things should not only be remembered, but put into practice every day. One of those things is love. Not the kind of love that the world tries to sell, but the love that comes from our Heavenly Father. In our text above, the apostle John knew a thing or two about love. He was known as the disciple whom Jesus loved and that divine kind of love became the theme for most of John’s writings.

The problem is that the world will try to substitute its version of love (physical gratification, greed, and extravagant lifestyles) which ends up destroying people because it is shallow and is passing away. The person who does what God wants has the proper kind of love and “lives forever.”

Here at Saint Paul Lutheran High School, we talk a lot about our present and future vocations. The Christian vocation is intimately tied together with God’s love, His will and purpose. The world without Christ can only come up with selfish egocentric lives that have no real eternal purpose. For many folks – that’s as good as it gets. We want something better for our students. We want lives that are filled with the joy of God’s divine love.

Paul M. Mehl, Executive Director

*Quick Links
(at splhs.org)
and Saints Alerts
are your best ways
to stay up to date
on changes on
campus.
Register for
Saints Alerts under
Quick Links on
our web page.*

Assistant Principal, John Beerman

The school year has really flown by! It's been a very good year for everyone with a tremendous amount of activities and occurrences. We've been blessed with three new "little Saints" being born to three of our women faculty members. The blessings continue as we had three qualified long-term substitutes, two of whom, Sarah Dinger and Josh Schultz, will become Lutheran educators in the very near future. Mrs. Carrilee Long, who subbed for Mrs. Payne, will begin employment in the very near future at Wentworth Military Academy. They have done outstanding jobs. We'll also be saying good bye to Mr. Jacob Kreutzer who student taught with Mrs. Schmidt and Mr. Laubenstein. He'll be around the area next year as his fiance' will be completing her master's degree at UCM.

Graduation will be here very quickly. Our seniors will leave for the annual senior trip on May 11th and return on May 15th. The following week of May 19th-the 22nd will be when finals are held. On Thursday the 22nd the awards banquet will be held in the evening and on Friday the 23rd Baccalaureate service will begin at 10:00. All students are expected to attend this service. After the worship service, they may clean out their rooms and load things up and leave after they check out through the business office. Graduation exercises will begin at 1:30 in the afternoon and all are encouraged to attend.

Thank you all for being so supportive of Christian education. We take this task very seriously and appreciate you allowing us to be a part of your child's educational process. May God continue to bless and keep each and every one of you.

Give the Glory to God!

Counselor's Corner, Mrs. Meredith Marsh

It has been a great school year and I am excited about all the future plans of our graduating seniors. Many seniors have plans for next year finalized, but if you or your senior has any questions about colleges, applications, or scholarships please contact me. Seniors also need to submit award and scholarship information to me as soon as possible so that those achievements can be recognized at the awards banquet.

Many of the juniors have taken the ACT or SAT at some point during this school year and plan to take it at least one more time during their senior year. If any junior has not yet taken the ACT or SAT, they can register for a test date this summer or one of the dates at the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year. If you or your student has any questions about testing or college applications, please feel free to contact me by email mmarsh@splhs.org or in the office 660-462-2238 ext 227.



Mrs. Marsh , Guidance Counselor

Class of 2014...Seniors

Seniors have been very busy over the last month in preparation for their last days on campus and graduation. Class trip details are being finalized, rose counts turned in, biography information for the Concordian has been turned into the newspaper office and yet, we still have many tasks to complete.

Our sponsor has returned from maternity leave. We are preparing our final projects, papers and assignments. Soon it will be time for our class trip and then final tests and graduation. Thank you to our parents and teachers who have sacrificed so that we were able to have Christ-centered education here at Saint Paul. We have truly been blessed! Please keep us in your prayers, and the underclassmen, as we all finish this school year and begin new adventures at colleges, universities and other endeavors. Again, thank you Saints family for all your support during our growing years here.



Color: Chrome and Turquoise

Class Verse: Proverbs 3:5-6

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight."

Class Motto:

"With memories of the past, we look to the future."

Class Flower: Hydrangea



Senior

Class of 2015...Juniors

Class officers for 2014-15

President— Zach Hentges

Vice President—John Self

Secretary—Gabby Kueck

Spiritual Life—Tiffany Bennett

Athletic Life— Peter Lemmons

International Life –

Chiharu Mori

Social Life—Yichi Zhang

Dining Hall—Travis Beck

We had a very successful prom and hope that all attended enjoyed it. A very special thank you to the junior parents for all your help with the tear down at the Concordia Community Building. Your help was the greatest gift ever!

Thank you to all of those parents who worked and baked for the bake sale and craft fair on Saturday the 26th.

Returning students are selling value cards for \$5. If you would like one, and have not been contacted by a junior class member, please let us know and we will be happy to supply the cards that you request.

Monte Pitsch and Eric Gramenz, class sponsors



Class of 2016 News...Sophomores

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We will be having a parents meeting on May 7th at 7:00 pm in the library (2nd floor) in Baepler for all local parents to discuss concession stands and prom for the next school year. Junior year is a busy one and we would appreciate as much help and support as possible.



Hannah Denk & Angela Ivie
Class of 2016 - Sponsors

Class of 2017 News...Freshmen



Mrs. Brandt had her baby! As she is away on maternity leave, Mrs. Marsh is filling in as our class sponsor to finish the school year.

We recently voted in a class meeting to start a \$20 summer work donation fundraiser. It will be due at the beginning of the 2014-15 school year. This will help to reduce the amount of fundraisers needed to reach our goal by junior year. Your participation in this work donation is greatly appreciated and will benefit the entire class. Special thanks to Mrs. Marsh for stepping in, and to all the parents who helped with fundraisers this year!

Shannon Peters, Class Secretary

International Liaison, Mrs. Julia Mueller

Thank you to all of our wonderful students for making this year so special and fun. I'm looking forward to seeing many of you next year and I wish all of the students who are graduating God's blessings on your future endeavors. Hopefully all of us have learned a few new fun facts about other countries and the wonderful world that God created. The returning international students recently selected who they want to represent their country on campus next school year so that we can continue to celebrate the special holidays and traditions of students here from around the world.

Next fall we will have a "New International Student Orientation" that begins Tuesday, August 12th 2014. We are going to take the valuable information that our international students have shared about their time at SPLHS and pass it on to our new students to help them adjust to life in the States and thrive in the Saint Paul family. Our new international students will have a chance to get prepared for school and learn more about life in the United States during their orientation. We are looking forward to a great school year in 2014-2015! God's richest blessings to you all as you shine the light of Christ around the world!

Peace in Christ, Julia Mueller

Moeller News...Miss Denk

The 2013-2014 school year is coming to a close. At most schools, the seniors will graduate and go off to college, but everyone else will be back in the fall along with the new freshman. Here, the seniors also graduate and go off to college, but we also have to say goodbye to our international students who only come for one year, and unlike the new college freshman who are a few hours away, all of these students are separated by an entire ocean.

Saying goodbye is always hard. People become friends at regular high schools, but when you get to live together too, that creates an even stronger bond. I've asked some girls what they want to do in their final weeks here and most do not want to think about it. They are excited about going home, but leaving such a great place is always hard. Goodbyes are hard, but when you get to say hello again, that makes it all the more exciting.

*"I thank my God every time I remember you."
Philippians 1:3*



Miss Denk and
the Moeller SAs
at prom.

Stay tuned under Quick Links, then Current Events
this summer for news announcements. www.splhs.org

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...exists to advance the mission of Saint Paul Lutheran High School through prayer, fellowship and resources.

The Awards Banquet on May 22 is being planned at this time. At this banquet, SOS presents to our seniors a handmade cross. This cross serves as a reminder of God's grace and the senior's time growing in their faith here at Saint Paul.

Trivia Night will be hosted this summer with a date yet to be determined.

Saints Showcase Benefit Auction and Hog Roast Dinner

Sunday, June 22, 2014

Dinner begins at: 11:00 am

Auction begins at: 12:15



Athletic Director, Monte Pitsch

Sign up for Saints Alert! These texts and emails alert you to athletic schedule changes. Go to splhs.org to sign up.

Homecoming 2014 will be the week of October 6, 2014. Homecoming football game will be on October 10th and the Banquet and Talent Show will be on October 11, 2014.



Lady Saints Soccer take the Cold Water Plunge

The plunge is a fundraiser for an infant in Tarkio, Missouri who is battling life threatening cancer. The soccer team was challenged by Rebecca Roepe's sister, Rachel to take the cold water plunge. The girls challenged the Saints baseball and track teams and will donate \$40 for the Landon Shaw fundraiser.



Lady Saints Soccer



This season has been a bit of a challenge for the team. With only 2 full time starters returning from last year's team, team chemistry was something we had to build. Since March we've had a broken toe, torn ACL, sprained ankles, shin splints, concussions, and common aches, pains, and soreness from some girls having to step up and play 80 minutes every game.

We played in the Dixon Tournament in early April and came home with a 3rd place plaque. We played 3 games in less than 24 hours with only 16 players and after losing the first game 1-0, came back and won 2 games on Saturday, both 2-0. It was a great team effort. Another high point of the season was doing the Cold Water Plunge, donating \$40 to assist the family of Landon Shaw, an infant battling life-threatening cancer from Tarkio, Missouri.

Hannah Denk, Head Coach

Saints Basketball

Lady Saints Basketball

Summer League at Crest Ridge

League starts May 28 playing every Wednesday evening (2 games) and finishes up June 25. Cost: Per Person \$20. Pay Mr. Beerman.

Weights

Starting June 2nd we will lift weights two mornings and the other two mornings we will be shooting. Our overall shooting as a team has to improve for us to reach the next level so I think we will spend a portion of our time this summer concentrating on this aspect of basketball. We will meet on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Please encourage siblings who may want to come and lift and shoot with you this summer.

Shootout:

June 20th (Friday) Starts at 9:00 am. Crest Ridge, Santa Fe and Marshall.

Lady Saints Basketball Camp:

June 23-26 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Dead Week:

July 12-20, 2014

GTGTG

Resume lifting and shooting:

July 21

John Beerman



Saints Basketball

Summer basketball information has been handed out to everyone. If you haven't seen it or your child cannot locate the information, please email me and I will happily send the information to you.

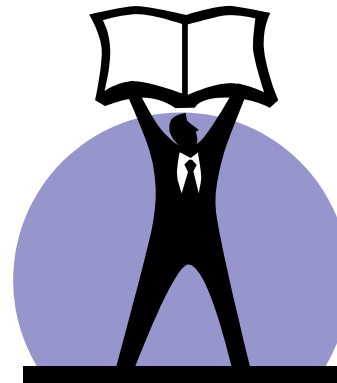
Please keep in mind for next year, our January play begins prior to class resuming. We will have a varsity and jv game January 2, 2015 at Calvary Lutheran High School in Jefferson City. This is before school resumes after Christmas break. I am sharing this information now as it may affect some of the travel tickets that must be purchased by students and their family.

Monte Pitsch, Head Coach



**All returning students
domestic and international
must register online for the
fall of 2014-15.**

Please, do this now!



YearBook

**If you need to have your year-
book shipped to you, contact
Mrs. Fiene.**

**Shipping charge is \$20 and
must be paid prior to the
yearbook being shipped.**

**All returning students will
receive their yearbooks in the
fall of the year.**

GRADUATION 2014

Date: Friday, May 23, 2014

Location: **Baccalaureate St. Paul's Lutheran Church,**
Graduation Saint Paul Lutheran High School Gym

Time: Baccalaureate is at 10:00 am
Graduation is at 1:30 pm

Graduation Luncheon: A luncheon is hosted on the campus of Saint Paul Lutheran High School from 11:00 to 1:00. This is a free will offering lunch. Please come and enjoy the meal and fellowship.

Seniors: Please follow the marching orders you receive from the Marshall.

Adalynn Nicole Nelson

Adalynn and Mrs. Nelson are in excellent health and doing very well.



AG ALLISON GARENZA



Watch the Saint Paul Website over the summer for fall announcements.

There will be a summer Informer posted each month.

A Grand Affair



*Saints
Visit
Concordia
Wisconsin
and
Concordia
Seward*



Diarisoa Randrianantenaina, Angelika Paul, Alumni Chelsea Nebel, Sydney Aversman and Natasha Torno visit Concordia University, Mequon, Wisconsin. These four seniors will be continuing their Christian education at Concordia Wisconsin in the fall.



Visiting Concordia University Seward, Nebraska recently were: Guro Bleie, Lexi Burrow, Gloria Burrow, Ashley Richter, Jan Hargas, Geir Berge, Nils Mo, Sondre Kaastad, Erlend Lone, Sverre Gauden



AWARDS BANQUET

Date: May 22, 2014 Opening Prayer at 6:15
Cost: \$ 10.00, pay at the door
Location: Krueger Dining Hall
Sponsored by: Servants of the Saints
Reservations not needed, please come.

Saint Paul Lutheran High School, Concordia MO

May 2014

◀ April

June ▶

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 I-70 Baseball Tourney @ Concordia Student Body Mtg (mt) T&F (A) Lexington G (A) Stover Tourney 8	2 I-70 Baseball Tourney @ Concordia LS (A) Summit Christian 5	3 SAT @ SPLHS T&F I-70 Meet SL: Royals Game
4 Singing Saints Zone LLL Rally Rev. Dr. Wesemann installation at Trinity 3 pm International Church 6	5 SB (A) Bunceton 5 Band @ St. Paul and Trinity Grade Schools Financial Peace Biltz A 5:30 pm NHS Babysitting Biltz	6 Late Start 9:00 am Faculty Mtg 7:25 am Faculty & Operations Handbook mtg 9:15 am I-70 Track 1:00 pm hosted by Orrick @ Richmond or Lone Jack STAY	7 BB (H) Lone Jack 4:30 SB (H) Lone Jack 4:30 I-70 Selections Sophomore Class & Parent Meeting at 7 pm LRC Casual Dress for Crohn's SP Graceways 6:30	8 BB (A) Tolton 5 I-70 Ex. Mtg. 10 am Access/Tech (mt)	9 Scholar Bowl State STAY @ SPLGS 3 rd h LS (H) St. Peters 7 pm BB (A) Richmond 5 Dodgeball	10 Scholar Bowl State Track & Field Districts
11 <i>Mother's Day</i> Senior Trip leaves after church International Church 6	12 Golf Sectionals LS (H) KC East 4:30 BB (A) Knob Noster 4:30 Senior Trip Financial Peace Biltz A 5:30 pm NHS Babysitting Biltz	13 Student Gov. (mt) BB (A) Santa Fe 4:30 SB (A) Santa Fe 4:30 Senior Trip	14 LS (A) Stover 5 Senior Trip SP Graceways 6:30	15 Emergency Prep, NCA, NLSA (mt) NHS (mt) Senior Trip returns	16 Baseball Districts Campus Beautification 1-3 Satisfaction Surveys	17 <i>Armed Forces Day</i> Baseball Districts Girls Soccer Districts Track/Field Sectionals SL: Blue Springs Shopping
18 International Church 6 Blue Springs Shipping	19 Finals Baseball Districts Girls Soccer Districts Golf State	20 Finals Baseball Districts Girls Soccer Districts Golf State	21 Finals Baseball Districts Girls Soccer Districts SP Graceways 6:30	22 Finals Baseball Districts Girls Soccer Districts Awards Banquet St. Paul Lutheran Grade School Graduation	23 Baccalaureate 10:00 at St. Paul's Church Luncheon at Dining Hall Commencement 1:30pm at Weis gym Track/Field Sectionals	24 Africa Trip meeting Baseball Districts Girls Soccer Districts Track/Field Sectionals
25 International Trip Africa Departs 3:10 pm	26 <i>Memorial Day</i> Baseball Sectionals International Trip Africa	27 Soccer Sectionals International Trip Africa	28 Baseball Qtr finals SP Graceways 6:30 International Trip Africa	29 International Trip Africa	30 International Trip Africa	31 TOEFL Soccer Qtr Finals International Trip Africa

Saint Paul Lutheran High School, Concordia MO

June 2014

◀ May July ▶

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 International Trip Africa	2 International Trip Africa	3 International Trip Africa	4 Baseball State SP Graceways 6:30 International Trip Africa	5 Baseball State International Trip Africa	6 Soccer State International Trip Africa	7 SAT @ SPLHS Soccer State International Trip Africa Returns 2:30 pm
8	9 SP Continued Education Ft. Wayne	10 SP Continued Education Ft. Wayne	11 SP Continued Education Ft. Wayne SP Graceways 6:30	12	13	14 Flag Day ACT @ SPLHS
15 Father's Day	16	17	18 SP Graceways 6:30	19 Cheerleading one day camp	20 TOEFL Lady Saints BB Shootout gym LWML Mo Dist. Convention, SPLHS display booth SP Sarah Heins	21 SOS Trivia Night LWML Mo Dist. Convention, SPLHS display booth SP Sarah Heins
22 LWML Mo Dist. Convention, SPLHS display booth Saints Showcase Benefit and Hog Roast Serving at 11:00 and Auction at 12:15 SP Sarah Heins	23 Board of Trustee Mtg Lady Saints BB Camp	24 Lady Saints BB Camp	25 Lady Saints BB Camp SP – CASA Training 5-8	26 Lady Saints BB Camp SP – CASA Training 5-8	27 Class of '75 and '94	28 Class of '75 and '94 SP CASA 1-3
29 Class of '75 and '94	30	Notes: <div style="text-align: center;"></div>				

Saint Paul Lutheran High School, Concordia MO

July 2014

◀ June

August ▶

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4 Independence Day SP Gerdts Family Reunion	5 SP Gerdts Family Reunion
6	7	8	9	10	11 TOEFL SP Carol Bishop Family Reunion	12 SP Carol Bishop Family Reunion
13 SP MCN Training	14 SP MCN Training	15 SP MCN Training	16 SP MCN Training	17	18 SP Faulstich/Brackman Wedding SP Scrapbooking Retreat	19 SP Faulstich/Brackman Wedding SP Scrapbooking Retreat Mission Central Big Day
20	21	22	23	24	25 SP Sharon Oetting Reunion	26 SP Sharon Oetting Reunion
27	28	29	30	31	Notes:	

Saint Paul Lutheran High School, Concordia MO

August 2014

◀ July

September ▶

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 August					1 SP Nierman Family Reunion	2 SP Nierman Family Reunion
3 Saints Fall Sport Camp Begins	4 1 st practice of camp Faculty on Campus	5 Saints Fall Sport Camp	6 Saints Fall Sport Camp	7 Saints Fall Sport Camp Faculty Meetings	8 Saints Fall Sport Camp Faculty Meetings	9 Saints Fall Sport Camp
10 Saints Fall Sport Camp New International Students Arrive New International Students Orientation	11 Saints Fall Sport Camp New International Students Orientation	12 Saints Fall Sport Camp Asian Market/Walmart Trip New International Students Orientation	13 Saints Fall Sport Camp ELD Testing New International Students Orientation	14 Saints Fall Sport Camp New International Students Orientation	15 Saints Fall Sport Camp Board of Trustee Meeting New International Students Orientation	16 Saints Fall Sport Camp All School Orientation
17 Opening Service at St. Paul's Church 2 pm	18 First Day of Classes 132 nd Academic Year	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 TOEFL on campus