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Halo Joe's Retail Resurrection



Unlike the story of Jesus' resurrection, Halo Joe's tomb is not empty.

Noah Munoz ('21)



By Eric Fries ('20)
STAFF WRITER

It was a devastating loss to the Saints community when Halo Joe passed away. However, he did not leave us permanently. On October 5th, 2018, Halo Joe arose from his deep sleep to a magnificent resurrection at the Holy Bowl, leaving many to wonder—why was he given a second chance?

Many speculate this resurrection

has been granted in order to hype up the Saintsmen that piled into the stands, while others believe it may have been to attract more support for the Saints in the fight against the Dons. Despite suffering a loss that night, most Saintsmen agree that it is great to have Halo Joe back.

Another reason Halo Joe may be back is to represent the shop that is named after him. Some Saintsmen and faculty may have taken notice of the construction that

had been taking place in the room adjacent to the ASB room over the summer; this was to make way for its new location, which used to be in the storehouse next to the alley.

“It was a crummy location with low visibility. With all the new buildings on campus, it was necessary to give the shop a facelift,” said Mr. Horne.

The shop's old location was rather small and makeshift, with just enough

room for about a dozen people. This made getting around the place a congestion nightmare. However, the new facility was designed to look modern and use the space efficiently and effectively. The bigger space also makes it possible for a wider variety of items to be sold in higher quantities.

The reason for the shop's move was twofold: the new space became available and it wasn't well suited for other purposes.

“It used to serve as the president's office, and it was too small to be converted into a classroom,” Mr. Horne said.

As for the old shop, it will be utilized by the Augustinians as a means of storage.

“The Augustinians had been kind enough to grant us the space [at the old location] for the purpose of housing Halo Joe's. There's nothing exciting taking place there anytime soon,” Mr. Horne said. “I feel this transformation is fabulous. It will be able to handle more traffic and allow for better accessibility of students.”

The new facilities that have been erected are expected to last for years to come, so it should not come as a surprise that the new Halo Joe's will, too. For those who have not yet been inside the shop's new location, they are open 1:30-4:00 PM on Mondays and Wednesdays and 7:15-8:00 AM on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Whether you're looking to get new Saints apparel, need somewhere to drop your parents money, or just plain curious, stop by to see what the resurrected Halo Joe's shop has to offer.

Blast from the Past: Homecoming as it Was



By Thomas Vedder ('20)
STAFF WRITER

If you attended the most recent Homecoming a couple of weeks back, then that means two things: you're not a freshman, and you likely had a good time. Every year, Homecoming is something to look forward to, but for this issue of *The Augustinian*, we're going to look back...back at what homecoming was like in decades past. So close your eyes, click your heels together, and say “there's no place like homecoming, there's no place like homecoming...”

Until the 1980s, dances at St. Augustine High School were more frequent, held many times throughout the year. There would be a dance approximately every month with alternating themes, such as a Thanksgiving dance, a Sock Hop where students would remove their shoes, and Sadie Hawkins which was very similar to the Miss OLP Ball.

Two dances besides the Homecoming Dance in 1956 were the Easter Monday Ball and the Football Prom. One extraordinary thing about these dances was the sheer number of girls that attended. In 1956 there were four all-girls Catholic high schools in the vicinity of Saints: Rosary, Sacred Heart, Regina Caeli, and our own sister school Our Lady of Peace.

The Football Prom, held at the El Cortez Hotel in downtown San Diego, was a cel-



Bet you didn't know Mr. Alcoser was Homecoming King.

bration of the football team's achievements over the last season. It saw awards handed out for two “Gridders” (football players). Senior Saintsman Marcus Bacling ('57) won Outstanding Back and John Meulmester ('57) won Outstanding Lineman. All of these dances throughout the year were massive affairs, but none could compare to the homecoming festivities.

The 1956 Homecoming was remarkable



This year's Homecoming Dance.

Edgar Ornelas ('20)

for several reasons. It was the first year the OLP drill team got involved in the halftime festivities along with the Saints marching band. Secondly, “card tricks” were used by the fans in the stadium to help display signs to rally the team. The game before the dance saw Saints fall to the San Diego High School Covers 7 to 26, a sight we would consider unthinkable today.

1983's Homecoming was historically significant because it was our very own Mr. John O'Beirne's junior year homecoming dance. The two week long festivities were kicked off by a presentation rally in which the king and queen nominees gave speeches.

This ceremony was presided over by junior class president Chris Vasquez ('85). The two weeks also included a football game, in which Saints defeated Hoover 28 to 14, and a crowning ceremony. The court was elected by the varsity football team and the senior class, while the candidates were assessed on their participation in activities and their level of Saints spirit.

1980's Homecoming also marked a transition in the tradition. Past dances incorporated live bands, but with new technology coming about, cover bands were beginning to be supplanted by live DJs. This change also saw

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a decline in the cost of putting on the dance. In addition, the 1980s saw the end of the tradition of nearly monthly dances. This change was made in favor of a few extravagant dances scattered throughout the year. Mr. Cudal believes that this decrease in interaction at dances has contributed to the distancing of Catholic communities in San Diego.

When Mr. Cudal was a student and during his early days as Junior class ASB moderator, there was a dance almost every weekend. It might not have been a dance put on by Saints, but students from University of San Diego High School (then known as Uni and now Cathedral), Saints, and the four girls schools would all attend each other's dances. Mr. Cudal met his high school girlfriend and now wife, who was a student at Rosary, at a Uni dance. The change in the tradition of dances might have contributed to the growing separation between Saints and Cathedral.

The 1995 Homecoming was themed Rhapsody in Blue. This theme, based on George Gershwin's classic song, marked the combination of the old and the new, much like the song combines classical piano and jazz. This was the first year of Saints football in the Western League, marking its transition into a powerful winning school. It was one of the first years that the homecoming court was solely composed of students from Saints and OLP. This marked the entrance into the modern era of Homecoming dances with it being attended mainly by students of OLP and Saints.

Our more recent dances have also been outstanding. The mystery Homecoming of 2016 created intrigue over the location of the dance; it was held in the magnificent US Grant hotel and also was a fun twist in the tradition of off-campus dances. Last year's Homecoming was also notable due to the fact that it was the first held in the then brand new gym.

In the end, change in tradition is both necessary and even inevitable. Perhaps in twenty-five years, *The Augustinian* will write another Blast from the Past article about the Homecoming dances from our own high school days.



Some of this year's Cross Country athletes.

Colton Campagna ('20)



By Luis Fernando Andrade ('19)
SPORTS WRITER

The fall sports season is coming to end, and our Saintsmen have once again competed on the field and in the races. Overall, there is a new whole new feel to both teams. Due to a new CIF schedule, the season has concluded for the freshmen and JV teams, but it's time for playoffs for our varsity football team and cross country's top seven runners. As the season comes to a close, let's take a look back at how each team has performed lately, as well as the most remarkable moments of the season.

The varsity football team ended their first regular season under Coach Kremer with a 7-3 record as they finished second in the Western League. The team took a hard

loss versus Madison on a Monday after the game had to be stopped on Friday night due to lightning, but the team managed to bounce back with victories against Point Loma and Morse.

The Saints bulldozed the Pointers 39-0 and later destroyed Morse in a 47-6 win on Senior Night in their final game of the regular season. Quarterback Angelo Peraza threw for five touchdown passes to wide receiver Sam Scaife as they lead the way in this huge win which allowed them to qualify as a No. 4 seed, earning them a bye week on the first week of D1 playoffs.

The team will be playing Steel Canyon at Mesa College on Friday, November 9 in the quarter-finals as they continue to chase the CIF championship.

The young cross-country team has had a unique season compared to previous cycles. The JV team had a memorable season as they won the Coach Downey Invitational race and have progressed in their times throughout the season. Although the varsity team finished in second place at the invitational, the "top seven" have had a great season with incredible times so far.

With the fall season ending, the winter season has officially begun! Students will soon be looking to try out for the several teams that Saints offers throughout the winter season. With the playoffs underway and a new season starting soon, we have a few fun months ahead for our athletic community.

Prince's Majestic Entry into Saints



By Manny Butler ('22)
STAFF WRITER

Each of us has our own story to tell about how he came to Saints. Some stories are more interesting than others, but there is one student in the freshman class whose story is truly extraordinary.

Prince Adjei is from Ghana, a country in West Africa. The cultural and ecological differences between San Diego and Ghana are considerable. One can only imagine how much of a culture shock the change has been for him.

Prince's involvement in sports is the primary reason for his transfer to Saints. Although soccer is more prominent in Ghana, Prince prefers to play basketball. Standing at six feet seven inches tall, he sticks out in a crowd. His long frame, hard work, and talent have afforded him the opportunities that lie before him as a Saints athlete.

Prince went to an academy for athletics in Ghana, where he was able to hone his basketball skills. He proved to be such a skilled player that he was able to catch the attention of some schools in the U.S.

"They had a video of me, and they sent it to schools here," Adjei said.

Needless to say, any high school basketball coach would drool over the prospect of having someone the size of an NBA player on their team, and would be willing to make generous offers to have him come over and play basketball at their school.

So Prince packed his bags and came to America alone. Since he arrived, he has

been living with a host family in Carmel Valley.

In regards to his enrollment at Saints, we were on the fast track to landing Prince as a transfer. When Dallas, Coach Haupt's son, had his own coach tell Coach Haupt that he should try to get Prince to attend Saints, Prince was already living with his host family in Carmel Valley.

The opportunities that he has at Saints are not lost on him. When asked about the differences between Ghana and America, Prince had this to say, "We don't have facilities like this," and he expressed his awe at how modern and sophisticated our campus is. "I am proud that, at this age, I have gotten the opportunity to study in the US," Prince said.

Besides academics, Prince is setting his focus on the upcoming basketball season. The basketball team is setting high expectations: a winning season with no losses. Prince is extremely excited to be a part of this team, but will have to wait for his opportunity to shine. Coach Haupt thinks that Prince will begin the season with Junior Varsity, but he will be able to train with the Varsity team.

Prince said that he is proud of himself for making it to this point. He is an astounding young man who is truly a pleasure to interact with, and we are lucky to have him as a member of our brotherhood.



Prince Adjei (left) practicing with the Varsity Basketball team. *Andrew Tran ('19)*

Chaplain's Corner



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

A Balanced Approach to Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving traditions are something that can evolve over a lifetime. As a kid in Chicago, my family made an annual Thanksgiving trek up to Wisconsin to spend the holiday at my uncle's lake house. About twenty members of my extended family would crowd into his two bedroom cabin for the weekend. This might sound a bit uncomfortable to some, but we always had a great time.

As the years passed, and much of my family migrated West, our traditional family Thanksgiving celebration moved to my brother's home in the LA area. While not as many of us are in attendance nowadays, the tradition of coming together as a family remains important to us.

As an Augustinian assigned to ministry in San Diego, more traditions have become part of my annual celebration. Specifically, some include the Turkey Trot here at Saints and the Thanksgiving morning breakfast in which the friars in the monastery take part. And we can't forget the Fr. Joe's Villages 5K Run/Walk on Thanksgiving morning in Balboa Park.

Tradition is a great thing, but it is possible to overdo it. A good example of this is an experience I had one Thanksgiving a few years back. I started the morning doing the 5K in the park, then went and met up with

my Augustinian brothers for breakfast. By the time we finished up it was nearing noon, and I needed to get on the road to make it to my brother's house in LA. Unfortunately, a lot of other San Diegans had the same idea at the same time, and the journey took four hours! I arrived just as my family was sitting down to dinner at 4PM, and, promptly at 5, my teenage niece and nephew rose from the table and excused themselves to go to bed! You see, my overdoing new traditions on Thanksgiving morning ran directly into my niece and nephew overdoing a new tradition for them that year: Black Friday! They went to bed at 5PM that day in order to be ready to shop at midnight!

Happily, I can report that I have edited my oversupply of traditions; I look forward to celebrating the holiday this year with my family being my number one priority...and my niece and nephew have surrendered Black Friday as their extra tradition!

Whatever your traditions are, I wish you and your families a very blessed, restful, and renewing Thanksgiving.

God's peace,
Fr. Kirk



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The New Pit: Pitiful or Perfect?



The ecstatic front row of the Pit at the Holy Bowl.



By Angel Perez ('21)
EDITOR

With a new school year come many new changes and, along with them, varying opinions concerning their merit. Specifically, many students have taken notice of the drastic changes to the Pit, the iconic and historic heart of all major sporting events here at Saints.

With the recent recruitment of Mr. GO as the ASB moderator, it was expected that some changes would be made. As soon as students began to notice the Saints Pit Ins-

tagram (@saints_thepit) they realized that changes big were afoot. Some students felt uneasy and wary about the changes, while others welcomed them happily.

When students saw the new Pit for the first time, many believed that the changes they noticed were simply small byproducts of the Pit's rebranding—new shirts and the removal of the hierarchy. However, upon further examination, it became obvious that there were more pivotal changes.

One such change is the addition of the Pit's very own DJ, senior José Fimbres.

"We added a DJ, which is pretty sick," said junior ASB officer Matt deFrates. "The whole idea of the Pit having its own

music adds a really cool new feeling."

Those in favor of DJ Fimbres feel that he gives the Pit a new hype-man, adding a modern touch to an age-old tradition. While many of the Pit members are supportive of the change, other involved students vehemently disagree, such as some of the band members and cheerleaders.

"In all honesty, the idea behind having music in the Pit is fun, but it is very distracting from our performance and it takes away from the band members who work very hard," said Catalina Cruz, a sophomore cheerleader.

The addition of the Flight Crew is the most noticeable change to the Pit. For

years, it has been common knowledge that no girls, including the students of OLP, were allowed in the Pit. However, the ASB has chosen to add a Flight Crew, a student section adjacent to that of Saints for any and all OLP students wishing to participate. While many students feel that this threatens the integrity of the traditionally all-Saintsmen Pit, others are excited by this sign of unity between the schools.

Sophia Bacino, a senior at OLP, is a common face in the Flight Crew.

"The Flight Crew is our chance to show our spirit for Saints," Bacino said.

While many Saintsmen agree with her, others see things quite differently. Some students feel that these stark changes are eroding the time-honored tradition of an all-male Pit.

Many upperclassmen disapprove of such massive changes, particularly because they go against the "Pit rules" that they have been taught since their freshman year. The Pit has always been a very simple, albeit rowdy, assembly, so the new rules and regulations were likely intended to make the Pit run more smoothly. In the eyes of many, however, these reforms have simply overcomplicated things.

Some of the most common arguments against the changes were summed up by junior Jake Northrup.

"Honestly, I think the leadership is weak. The guidelines we have to follow are too strict. Also, the Flight Crew shouldn't be there. We're different schools! People

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Field Report: Seniors Visit the Border



Saints and OLP students and faculty take part in Border Day to learn about immigration.

Photo courtesy of Nick Alcalay ('19)



By Matthew Anguiano ('19)
EDITOR

Each semester, Saints seniors who take Social Issues are invited to participate in a school event known as Border Day, where students learn more about immigration and what immigrants coming from Mexico into the United States have to endure.

Traditionally, Border Day has been a Saints-only event. However, on October 16th, for the first time ever, Saints and OLP visited the US-Mexico border in a joint expedition.

The day begins with the students making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches to

hand out later in the day. Following this, they head up to the library where they meet Border Angels founder and Saints graduate Enrique Morones ('74).

Border Angels is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping immigrants coming into the United States through the border. They assist immigrants through several different programs, such as providing legal counsel and doing "water drops," whereby volunteers go out into the desert and drop large amounts of water for immigrants crossing the border.

Upon finishing his talk, Mr. Morones travels with the students to Home Depot in National City where they speak with the day-laborers looking for work. It is at this time

the students hand out the sandwiches that had been made earlier that morning.

From Home Depot, the group heads to the border patrol station in Chula Vista. There, border patrol agents give a presentation about the history of the Border Patrol Agency. Afterwards, the agents take the students to the border wall itself. After arriving at the border, the agents drive the group along the length of the wall. All the while, agents are available to answer any questions posed by Saintsmen.

When nearing the end of the United States-Mexico border wall, the group concludes the tour by stopping at Friendship Park. This is where the border wall is opened every weekend for people to reunite with

those across the border.

Participants find the trip to the US-Mexico border both insightful and eye-opening. In addition, the trip is also a great way to actually see what a "social issue" looks like. Learning something in class is entirely different from being able to experience it, which is why every senior should consider signing up for Border Day when it occurs.

Sign-ups fill up fast. The next event takes place on November 29th and it's already full. For seniors who are interested, however, the next available border day will be held on February 12, 2019.

Augustinian Volunteer Takes us to Funky Town



By Joseph Selfani ('21)
STAFF WRITER

At the end of last issue's article about new faculty ("Freshly Caught Faculty Arrive"), we promised that in this issue we would highlight our newest Augustinian volunteer, Stephen Funk. We would never fail to keep a promise, so here you go:

Steven was born in Gaithersburg, Maryland. He completed his studies at the Catholic University of America (CUA) in Washington, D.C., having majored in political science. Afterwards, he spent a year as a Resident Assistant at L'Arche Jacksonville, a faith-based community founded by Jean Vanier for adults with developmental disabilities. From there, he decided to join the Augustinian Volunteers, a group comprised of college graduates who have committed themselves to spending a year serving others and living in intentional community in the spirit of Augustine.

The Augustinian Volunteer program is a ministry of the Augustinian Friars of the Province of St. Thomas of Villanova. Mr. Funk serves alongside other young adult volunteers in four communities throughout the United States and abroad in Peru.

During college, Mr. Funk was very involved, participating in service trips in the D.C. community with the CUA Campus Ministry. Some of his favorite service experiences were mentoring and visiting youth awaiting trial at the D.C. Youth Services Center. He helped students with their homework at Beacon House, a place where underprivileged youth in D.C. are

provided with a safe, nurturing, and life-expanding community. Through the Augustinian Volunteers, Mr. Funk discovered St. Augustine High School.

The Augustinian Volunteers at Saints serve in the campus ministry office, assisting in retreats, service trips, and other responsibilities. Some of the events Mr. Funk has helped with so far include the border day with seniors, visiting Saint Vincent de Paul with sophomores, and the Freshman Retreat. He will also be serving at future Kairos retreats and all class retreats.

His biggest contribution is to the Freshman Retreat, when he provided much-needed assistance for Campus Ministry.

He will also begin rosary reflections every Monday at lunch, so stop by the chapel and be enlightened by the wise words of Steven Funk as he prays a decade of the rosary with you.

"He is very diligent, helpful, meticulous, and attentive to his work," said Deacon Max, the Director of Christian Services.

After arriving at Saints in August of 2018, Mr. Funk was impressed by the strong sense of Christian solidarity shared by both students and teachers. He enjoys the Saints experience and our commitment towards *Unitas* through having fun together as a community.

Other than his unique last name, there are many fun attributes to Mr. Funk. He enjoys playing sports in his free time. His favorites include pick-up basketball and surfing. In addition, he scuba dives and has performed ventriloquism for fun at a



Welcome Steven Funk to our community.

Andrew Tran ('19)

couple of talent shows. He also enjoys instrumental music and (fittingly) funk. His favorite pianist is Yiruma and his favorite song is "River Flows in You." His unique and fun reputation is known by those in Campus Ministry.

"There can only be two words that can describe Mr. Funk: funny and dorky" said senior Patrick Laff. Considered to be an amazing philosopher, Mr. Funk has asked many deep and thought-provoking questions, such as "Does Mike Wazowski wink or blink?" and "Is mayonnaise an instrument?" His insightful words inspired students in campus ministry so much that he

earned the title of "dad" by sophomores Nolan Steinbuch and Max Wright, and "step-dad" by senior Patrick Laff.

One goal Mr. Funk hopes to accomplish this year as a Campus Ministry assistant at Saints is to help students develop friendships with people who have developmental disabilities through new volunteer opportunities. He hopes to reach out to organizations such as City of San Diego Therapeutic Recreation Services and Noah Homes with regard to volunteer opportunities and to encourage students who may be interested in getting to know people who have developmental disabilities.

Raymond Center to Hold Theatrical Debut



By Ricardo Curiel ('19)
STAFF WRITER

This fall, the Raymond Center for the Performing Arts is hosting the play *You Can't Take it With You*. It is a comedy written by George S. Kaufman and Moss Hart. It follows the story of Alice Sycamore (OLP sophomore Karina Zapasnik) and Tony Kirby (senior Gabe Mouritzen) who fall in love but have completely different upbringings.

Alice's family is a collection of good-hearted free spirits, while Tony's family is comprised of workaholic parents who value money and decorum over everything else. When the two families come together, lifestyle and values collide head-on.

The play is popular in high school theater programs, and has been one of the ten most produced school plays every year since amateur rights became available in 1939. Director Joe Slevcove chose this play because it contains plenty of roles for students to portray, has been an important and successful play in theater history, and is wonderfully entertaining.

"This play has a great message. Even though it was written in 1936, it's relevant for people today in 2018," Mr. Slevcove said.

St. Augustine's fall production is special this year because it will be the theatrical debut of the Raymond Center for the Performing Arts. Now that construction has been completed, the Saints community will have the opportunity to see this timeless American classic in the brand-new state-of-the-art theater.

"We are off to a great start. It has been great having a new theater to work with, which has made things much easier and has allowed us to do a better job," Slevcove said.

As with all St. Augustine Theater productions, *You Can't Take It With You* boasts a mix of students from both Saints and OLP, with a total of five OLP students. It will also be the last non-musical Saints production for senior theater veterans George de Merlier, Gabe Mouritzen, Diego Hernandez, Mikel Ibaibarriaga, and Liam Brucker-Casey.

"It helps that we can now practice on the stage we are performing on more than a week before the play opens," Mikel Ibaibarriaga said. "The sound and light crew is going to have a much better time in this new theater. Their equipment is a great improvement over what they had at OLP and the other places we've been."

This was the reality that the St. Augustine theater program faced before we had our own theater. For decades, they were forced to build the sets, take them down, move them to a new location, and reassemble them in a short amount of time.

Moving to the new theater has been a monumental task for Mr. Burnett and his crew. Mr. Burnett is assisting with most of the theater's technological furnishings such as its lighting and sound system.

"We are still troubleshooting and figuring out the little details," Mr. Burnett said. "Equipment is still being moved around as we are getting into the last phase of production. Once we have everything where we need it to be, we can look forward to outside people coming in and using the theater in the future. We can look forward to a lot more productions and a solid space for all of our performance groups to use regularly," he said.

You Can't Take It With You is being shown at the Raymond Center for Performing Arts on November 14, 15, 16, and 17 at 7 pm. Tickets are on sale at ShowTix4U.com and at the door.

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Congressional Candidate Visits Saints



Congressional candidate and OLP alumna Morgan Murtaugh speaks to the Young Conservatives Club. Edgar Ornelas ('21)

By Angelo Riodique ('22)
STAFF WRITER

During club day, the Young Conservatives Club invited those interested in politics to hear guest speaker Morgan Murtaugh. Like many other politically inclined graduates from OLP and Saints have in the past, Murtaugh is running for political office. Specifically, she hopes to become a congresswoman for California's 53rd Congressional District. It is a position that demands a great deal of ambition and accountability.

"She knew what she was talking about which made the talk a lot better," said senior Nick Alcalay.

Though he is the moderator of the club, Mr. Horne was not the one responsible for

bringing Ms. Murtaugh to campus—that distinction belongs to sophomores Elio Celentino and Ronan Ford.

"We just wanted to hear from the candidates who were in our area. It was their idea to invite someone who graduated from OLP to come here," Mr. Horne said.

Many students were excited about Murtaugh's visit. Senior Giancarlo Cortez said, "I thought it was pretty cool. It was influential because I consider myself a conservative. It was interesting to hear what her experience was like to run as a Republican in the state of California."

"It was beneficial for the campaign process, especially because I am about to turn 18. It will help me understand the whole system and use that information to place my vote." senior

Marco Nuanez said.

Many attendees also appreciated the forum because it allowed them to discuss their own political perspectives.

"I think it is fabulous that the club is bringing in regional leaders to talk about why they are conservative. Everyone asks, 'Who are you going to vote for?' but they don't ask if you are conservative, progressive or liberal," Mr. Horne said.

After graduating from OLP, Murtaugh went to Grossmont College, while simultaneously working for the Commander of the Naval Forces, as an Assistant Protocol Officer. After that, she decided to pursue politics in San Diego as an assistant for Congressman Brian Bilbray and later Art Madrid, the Mayor of La Mesa. Finally, she went to George Washington University in Washington D.C., where she earned

her degree in political sciences. Later, her exceptional resume landed her a job at Capitol Hill working for the National Journalism Program with the Young America's Foundation.

She decided to go into politics when she went to a conservative rally at the White House. After the rally, she went back to her hotel to find that some were protesting violently due to claims made about her group in the media. This later inspired her to go into politics.

She also wanted to give the Saints men who couldn't attend the talk some advice.

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SAHS Club Guide

With Club Day behind us and the rest of the year ahead, *The Augustinian* encourages Saintsmen to take advantage of the diverse selection of clubs in the community. Not all clubs have been included because of spacial limitations. If you would like your club to be featured in the next issue, please email us.

Carpenters for Christ

Moderator: Patrick Laff

Meetings: Once every two weeks in Campus Ministry, workshops once a month in the garage.

We strive to instill an appreciation and love for woodworking and craftsmanship through creating crosses and other items & symbols; all proceeds from sales go toward the Hogar Infantil Orphanage.

Science Olympiad Club

Moderator: Mrs. Walker

President: John Soro and Andrew Tran

Meetings: Members compete in 23 events that include earth science, biology, chemistry, physics, and engineering. Meets at lunch on Thursdays in room 211.

Key Club

Moderator: Dr. Rey

President: James Campbell

Meetings: Mondays at lunch, room 319

The Key Club is a nationally recognized, service based group which runs our school's blood drives, and provides students with opportunities to serve.

Academic League

Moderator: Mr. Ozdowski

Presidents: Andrew Tran and John Soro

Meetings: On announcement in room 420. The Academic League and Quiz Bowl teams consist of students from all grade levels and of all abilities who compete against other high schools in a quiz show kind of format. It's not just for the "smart kids"!

Young Investors Club

Moderator: Dr. Rey

President: Joseph Selfani

Meetings: Thursdays at lunch in room 215. The goal is to teach students how to invest in the stock market. The club is participating in a competition at the University of Pennsylvania.

Filipino Advocate Club

Moderator: Mr. Cudal

Presidents: Gre' Yu

Meetings: Thursdays or Fridays every three weeks. The Filipino Advocate Community Club is a club that welcomes all Saintsmen. The primary goal of the club is to assist the underprivileged and impoverished children living in the Philippines

Restless Hearts Club

Moderator: Mr. Granados

President: John Dye

Meetings: Every other Thursday at lunch in room 317.

We are a Catholic service club with a focus on pro-life goals and service to pregnant women. We also serve the homeless at St. Vincent de Paul and work with many parishes across the county.

Hogar Infantil Orphanage Club

Moderator: Br. Max

President: Rodrigo Quijano-Luna and Luis Fernando Andrade

Meetings: By announcement, trips once a month on Saturdays

The Hogar Infantil Club is devoted to supporting a Tijuana orphanage. Support comes from donations, fundraisers and dedication.

Mexic-aid Club

Moderator: Mr. Pruter

President: Rodrigo Quijano-Luna

Meetings: At break on Fridays in room 323.

Mexic-Aid is a club directed at organizing fundraisers, events, and visits that will benefit rious causes across Mexico and in the city of Tijuana.

Robotics Club

Moderator: Mr. Crouse

President: Nicolas Correa

Meetings: Thursdays at lunch in Room 215. The club tries to find practical need for robotics and create devices to help the community.

San Diego Food Bank Service Club

Moderator: Mr. Dent

President: Joseph Selfani

Meetings: Mondays at lunch in room 229.

The club's goal is to contribute to the Food Bank's work with the greater San Diego community.

Red Cross Club

Moderator: Mrs. Palafox

President: Jason Shang

Meetings: In room 326 on the first Thursday of every month

This club will feature informative guest speakers and include opportunities to give back to those in need through the Red Cross.

Rotary Interact Club

Moderator: Mr. Jezewak

President: Tim Feiner

Meetings: Tuesdays at lunch in room 322

A service club that organizes efforts to help the Saints community and the community at large. Projects include No-Shave November and used shoe drive.

Film Club

Moderators: Mr. Dillon and Mr. Tompkins

President: Luke D'Agnese

Meetings: At lunch on Tuesdays in the Digital Media Lab

The mission of the Film Club is to critique, discuss, and appreciate all genres of cinema.

PC E-Sports Club

Moderator: Mr. da Luz

President: Alex Escobar

Meetings: Thursdays at lunch in room 220

The club is dedicated to providing a fun atmosphere for PC gamers to dialogue about the latest in PC Esports / PC gaming Hardware and to establish club level tournaments for members.

Broga

Moderator: Mrs. Palafox

President: Matt DeFrates

Meetings: Twice a month in room 326

Broga is yoga for men. If you want an effective, full-body workout that improves overall endurance, core strength, and flexibility, then the Broga club is for you.

Fishing Club

Moderator: Mr. da Luz

President: Leo Torres

Meetings: Most Wednesdays at lunch in room 220

The club creates a network for students interested in fishing to meet, discuss techniques, and plan group fishing outings. Follow us on Instagram: @saints_fishing for meeting information.

Table Tennis Club

Moderator: Mr. Davis (Coach)

President: Gabriel Leong

Meetings: Every day at lunch.

Free play and future tournaments are played at the ping pong tables in the entrance patio.

Mock Trial

Moderator: Mr. Manley

President: Jake Garmo

Meetings: Tuesdays after school in room 223

If you are interested in finding out what it is like to be a lawyer, Mock Trial is for you. The team goes to court for a countywide competition in February.

Young Conservative Club

Moderator: Mr. Horne

President: Ronan Ford

Meetings: Tuesdays at lunch in the purple and gold room. Members will become aware of national and international issues and discuss current events and their impact on our lives. The club welcomes students with opposing viewpoints for academic dialogue.

Chess Club

Moderator: Mr. Crouse

President: Joseph Selfani

Meetings: Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays at lunch in room 215.

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A Day in the Life of an ASB Officer



By Nicolas Correa ('19)
EDITOR

Early birds or not, the ASB officers start their morning in the ASB room. Literally. They sleep over. After all, the thirty minute drive is valuable time being wasted that could otherwise be spent planning the next lunch activity for Saintsmen to enjoy.

An ASB officer always remembers to shower while wearing their Pit t-shirt (along with the ASB windbreaker) to show off their Saints pride.

After waking from a good night's rest of three hours, the officers spend two hours studying past video announcements in order to find room for improvement.

By this time, the Executive ASB President and trusty king, Christopher Erpelding, speaks his words of wisdom while the other officers scramble to write down every word that is uttered from his infallible mouth.

Although it may be hard to believe, we must not forget that ASB officers are students at Saint Augustine High School just like the rest of us. While they try their best to attend class as often as possible, it can be difficult while also organizing and hosting ten events.

On the days when ASB officers actually attend class, they must always leave thirty minutes before the end of block four to prepare for their lunch events. While the officers are very active during lunch, there is no time to be spent on filling their stomachs with food. Remember, these positions require sacrifice. This means that sometimes you take one for the team by skipping a meal, or three.

Of course, they cannot show up on time



Senior ASB president Jonah Gavino resting in the ASB room. Andrew Tran ('19)

for block five. They must spend thirty minutes cooling off from the big lunch event they just hosted.

Although a regular Saintsman may play sports or go straight home after school, ASB officers conduct their longest meeting of the day, which lasts till 2 AM (which makes sense if you consider the time spent reviewing the successes and failures of the day, talking to

our sisters at OLP, and lamenting over not being part of the newspaper).

Finally, they are able to rest for the day when they return to their smooth cotton beds made of piles of the leftover Pit shirts. (Just kidding, they all ran out three hours before the game started.)

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think that this has to do with gender; it has nothing to do with gender. It has to do with what school you go to, and they don't go to Saints," Northrup said.

Others welcome the addition of the Flight Crew. Senior class president Jonah Gavino, for example, said, "Past classes distanced themselves from OLP, and I think by adding the flight crew we are really actualizing the "two schools, one spirit" mentality. In reality, OLP students have always played a major role in our community and I think it's important that they feel involved, as well."

Mr. GO has his own strong opinions on the all the revisions.

"People have put in a lot of time to create a more engaging environment, and those who are complaining are doing nothing to help make the Pit what they want it to be. If anyone wants to make changes, they should come talk to me," Mr. GO said.

Anyone who attended football and basketball games last year would know that the Pit was often close to empty. These recent changes have evidently increased Pit participation, but not without controversy. If you would like to offer your own opinions about these new changes, we invite you to write a letter to *The Augustinian* or, better still, go talk to Mr. GO.

Halloween Costume Highlights (Without the Contest)



ASB as The Osbergs



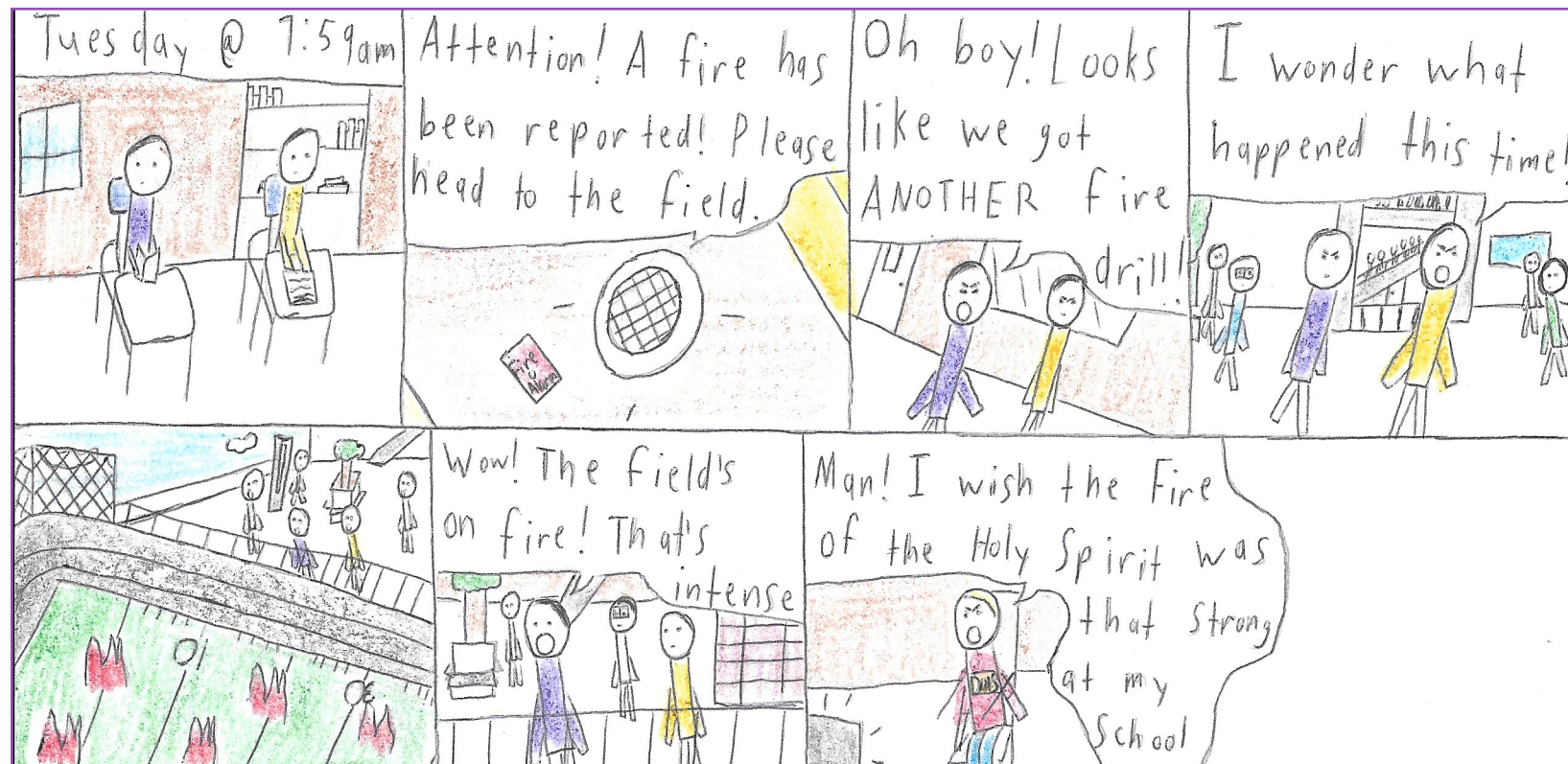
The Alexes as Men in Black



The dinosaurs showing up for the festivities.

Fire Safety

by Alexander Oliveros ('19)



Tuesday @ 7:59am

Attention! A fire has been reported! Please head to the field.

Oh boy! Looks like we got ANOTHER fire drill!

I wonder what happened this time!

Wow! The field's on fire! That's intense

Man! I wish the Fire of the Holy Spirit was that strong at my school