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## OWNERSHIP LETTERS

It happens to sports writers working on deadline more times than you realize. They begin writing their story before the game is over, a dramatic shift in momentum occurs, and the outcome is altered. Writers scrap the original story and must feverishly re-write the article so it gets to their editor on time. I'm not exactly writing on that kind of deadline, but my first letter went the way of the scrap heap.

No organization has prepared for a season like this more than the St. Paul Saints over the last 27-years. Thinks about it. Nothing we've done since 1993 has been normal. Normal is boring. Neither you nor I want boring. So, when the unexpected happens we make the most of it.

It's not hyperbole to say we have one of the greatest fan bases in baseball. Not just Independent Professional Baseball, but across the baseball landscape. Filling CHS Field to 114% capacity since its inception in 2015 is the best in all of baseball. No Major League team, no Minor League team, no Independent Professional Baseball team can match that. And yet, this year we may not step foot in our award-winning ballpark. Only time will tell. We're hoping to get back sooner rather than later, but for the first time in our 28-year history we will call another ballpark home in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

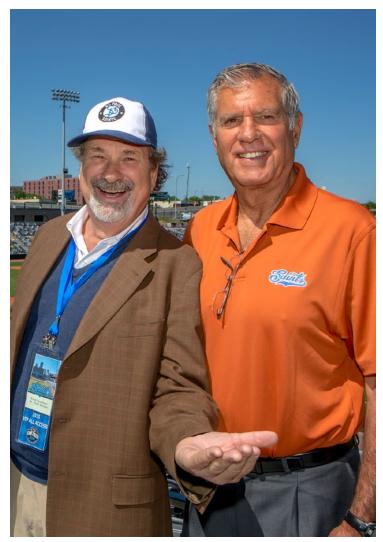
First, let me express my deepest gratitude to the staff of the Canaries. Opening their doors to us shows you what a tight-knit community the world of baseball is, and I am forever grateful. Second, just because we are in someone else's house don't expect us to be a quiet roommate. We're going to be loud, make a mess, welcome in rowdy guests and disrupt the neighborhood. The same energy and fervor the Saints are known for will carry over to Sioux Falls. Having said all that, the moment we're able to return to CHS Field you better believe we're racing east on I-90 like a NASCAR driver at Daytona.

Show me a great promotion and I'll show you a group of intelligent people who had their hands all over it. Our staff has worked tirelessly from the moment we found out our games will be held in Sioux Falls. For the fans that want to make the 200 mile trek, or even those living in Sioux Falls that want to check us out, you can expect the same hilarity and off-the-wall antics you've enjoyed since day one.

Show me a championship winning team and I'll show you the countless players, coaches, front office, and fans that made it all a reality. When everyone is pulling in the same direction it makes the music of a beautiful symphony at Carnegie Hall. The 2019 season was one of the most magical and memorable seasons in recent years. We may be calling another ballpark home for the time being, but George will make sure to put the best team on the field and defend our championship.

Remember, you are as much a part of our team as any of the players on the field or front office staff. Over the years your ideas have led to some of the most ingenious promotional ideas we've ever done. If you want to send me a note, feel free to do so. Keep those great ideas flowing. The good think about your ideas, they'll never end up in the scrap heap.

Fun Really Is Good, Mike Veeck



Saints fans,

I'll make this short and sweet. This stinks. I've sat down every year since 1993 to write this letter, and each time I've done so I 've been filled with the wonderful emotions of an impending season. The excitement that comes with Opening Day, the anticipation of what our first-in-class staff will come up with to wow us all, and the comfortable feel of baseball at the most wonderful ballpark in the land. This season was supposed to be special. Coming off our first championship at CHS Field, we had hoped to celebrate the achievement with a full crowd and the pomp and circumstance earned by last year's squad.

It was not to be. But while we can mourn the loss of normalcy, we can also embrace the fact that this is what the Saints do best. Nothing we do has ever been "normal", so the annoying catchphrase "new normal" does not apply to the Saints 2020 season. I don't know what this year will look like, on the field or in the stands. What I can tell you is that you'll be entertained, and that the memories you create this season - whether virtually or in-person - will be unique.

So sit back, relax, and enjoy the game! Marv Goldklang

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Jay D. Debertin President and CEO, CHS

### SAINTS OWNERSHIP AND EXECUTIVES



#### MARV GOLDKLANG Chairman

Although a lawyer by profession, he enjoys working around the ballpark more than in a courtroom or the boardroom. A part-owner of the New York Yankees, Marv has served as the Saints Chairman of the Board since the team's inception in 1992. He played a key role in the formation of the "new" Northern League

in 1992 and moved to the forefront again in 2006 with his leadership in the formation of the "new" American Association.

In addition to the Saints, Marv is the principal owner of Charleston (SC), the Yankees affiliate in the Class A South Atlantic League and Hudson Valley (NY), the Rays team in the short-season New York-Penn League.

Marv serves as Chairman of the Board for the Goldklang Group, which he co-founded in 1999, whose members provide management and consulting services. In addition to working with the teams in which he has a direct interest, the Group has several major and minor league sports franchises among its clients. It also has participated in the construction of sparkling new stadiums in Charleston, Hudson Valley and Brockton (MA) as well as assisting in the renovation of the Sioux Falls stadium.

Trademarks of his teams are their high attendance figures and national reputation for interesting, innovative, yet timely, promotions. Marv is an inductee in both the South Atlantic League and Florida State League Halls of Fame and is a member of the Board of Trustees, which oversees Minor League Baseball. He serves as Chairman of the Executive Committee for the South Atlantic League and a member of the New York-Penn League Executive Committee. Baseball America has identified Marv as among the most influential people in the industry.

Marv's interest in baseball goes back to his college days when he pitched for the University of Pennsylvania. There, he set a school record that still stands when he hit four batters with four pitches. Not only did he do it in the same inning, but he did it to consecutive batters.



#### MIKE VEECK President

It is a name synonymous with FUN at the ballpark. Veeck continues to blaze new trails every baseball season. After all, who else would hire a dog or pig to deliver baseballs to the umpire, a Roman Catholic nun to give massages, mimes to perform instant replays, or lock fans out of the stadium to set an all-time

attendance record for fewest people at a game.

The Veeck family started in baseball nearly a century ago when Veeck's grandfather was president of the Chicago Cubs. Veeck's father, Bill, was a Hall of Fame owner with the St. Louis Browns, Cleveland Indians, Chicago White Sox, and the thenminor league Milwaukee Brewers. Bill Veeck will always be remembered for signing Larry Doby, the first black man to play in the American League, and for sending 3'6" Eddie Gaedel to the plate for the Browns in a 1951 game against Detroit. It is with the belief that anything is possible and no idea too silly that Veeck operates his ballclubs.

Veeck is part owner of five baseball teams including the Charleston RiverDogs, and is a consultant for one other. He has served to put fun back into baseball while proving his ideas are not specific to sport. An advertising professional, coveted public speaker, founder of the Veeck Promotional Seminar, and all-around idea man, Veeck wrote a book, entitled "Fun is Good," describing how this simple philosophy leads to success in any business.

Veeck has spoken and entertained groups at companies such as 3M, the NBA, General Mills, and NASCAR.

Veeck and his wife Libby, reside in Mt. Pleasant, S.C. He is the father of two children, William "Night Train" and Rebecca.



### JEFF GOLDKLANG Managing Director

Goldklang, a left-hander out of New Jersey, has been involved with the Group in various executive roles since his arrival in 2002. He began his career with the Charleston RiverDogs in 1994, handling the concessions and merchandise operations, and was instrumental in the transition of the club into its new

ballpark for 1997.

Upon leaving the RiverDogs, Goldklang joined Integrated Sports International, continuing with them through their acquisition by SFX Sports Group and subsequently Clear Channel Entertainment. During his tenure, Goldklang was part of the group that developed the Properties division of SFX Sports, managing all aspects of the merchandising program and specializing in the formation of sponsorship agreements with national brands, primarily sports-related. In addition, he developed marketing programs for SFX Sports as well as the Theatrical, Radio, and Outdoor divisions of Clear Channel Entertainment.

Goldklang's current responsibilities as President within the Group center on the broad scale oversight of the Group's five franchises. This includes managing the financial operations of the Group's entities, managing the year-round use of venues, and coordinating- in tandem with the Group's marketing department- national and regional opportunities for the four Goldklang clubs.

Goldklang resides in New Jersey with his wife Erica and their sons Jared and Jacob.



#### BILL MURRAY Team Psychologist

A lifelong baseball fan, Bill has been a part of the St. Paul Saints since the team's inception in 1993. On Opening Night, he was stationed outside the ballpark selling programs and later tossed out a first pitch. The next night, he coached first base. He was in the coaches' box again on August 10, 1997 when he played a major role in the biggest rally in team history. That night, the Saints trailed Sioux Falls, 9-2, after three innings. With the pennant race in full swing, manager Marty Scott turned the third base coach's box over to Murray, who had been coaching at first base that game.

St. Paul promptly began to rally, chipping away at the Canaries. It was 9-8 in the eighth inning with Lamarr Rogers on second and Dwight Smith on third and two out when things really got interesting. Lance Robbins singled to shallow left. Smith scored easily and Murray daringly sent Rogers home as well. Rogers barely beat the throw to the plate and the Saints had a thrilling 10-9 victory – and the biggest come-from-behind win in franchise history.

Among Murray's duties when he visits St. Paul: morale boosting and BP crusher.



#### TOM WHALEY Executive Vice President

The St. Louis, MO native is a recovering attorney whose baseball career began accidentally in 1992 when he sold an outfield wall billboard, program ad, and four-season tickets to the general manager of a moving company as they stood on the courthouse steps following a hearing.

From 1993-98, he served as the Saints' Director of Operations and Assistant General Manager.

He spent two seasons as the Director of Corporate Sales for the Tampa Bay Devil Rays before joining the Goldklang Group in January 2001. He was principally involved in the start-up of the Can-Am League's Brockton Rox and the construction of a new baseball stadium and conference center in the Boston suburb in 2002. A year later, he was on hand when the Rox won the league championship.

In August 2002, he returned to the Saints, assuming his current position as Executive Vice-President responsible for business development and was one of the instrumental people in making CHS Field a reality. He purchased an ownership interest in the Saints in 2005. He lives in Lino Lakes with his wife, Kathleen. Three grown children live in a galaxy far, far away. Whaley is the past Board Chair for the St. Paul Area Chamber of Commerce.



### DEREK SHARRER Executive Vice President / General Manager

Since moving to the Twin Cities in 2004, Sharrer continues to make the St. Paul Saints one of the more successful minor league baseball teams in the country. His hard work and dedication have been rewarded the last four years, receiving Executive of the Year honors in the

American Association from 2015-19. He oversaw the opening of CHS Field in what was an historic, record breaking year for the organization. The record breaking first year was topped in 2016 when the Saints finished seventh in all of minor league baseball in average attendance and number one in percent capacity, at 117%. They have topped minor league baseball in percent capacity five straight seasons, averaging 113% capacity over that time.

Upon beginning his career in Fort Myers, FL with the Goldklang Group's Florida State League franchise, the Whiteland, IN native rose through the ranks of the Miracle quickly, ascending to the GM's chair in 1997. As part of the job there, he worked extensively with the Miracle's parent team – the Minnesota Twins – during spring training. The Miracle consistently bucked the trend of poor Florida State League attendance and led in that department under Sharrer.

In 2001, he moved to Charleston, SC. The RiverDogs, a Tampa Bay affiliate at the time (they are currently linked with the Yankees) in the Class-A South Atlantic League, set attendance records every year Sharrer was there. With the help of such interesting promotions as Nobody Night (when fans weren't allowed into the ballpark until it was an official game), the RiverDogs drew a then team record 259,007 fans in 2003. Charleston mayor Joe Riley thought so much of Sharrer that he helped organize a special day in his honor before he left to join the Saints.

The days in St. Paul have been just as magical, leading a staff that has come up with promotional ideas that have gained national attention. Everything from Bud Selig ties, to the Michael Vick Chew Toy, to the incredible Bobblefoot, to the World Record Pillow Fight in 2015, to the most recent ballparkwide food fight in 2018.

"St. Paul is a special place to live and work – particularly if work is minor league baseball," Sharrer said. "The Saints' tradition, thanks primarily to our fans, was established long before I arrived. I'm just thrilled to be a continuing part of it."

Sharrer resides in Woodbury with his wife Kandice, sons Sullivan and Lawson. "My family and I have thoroughly enjoyed our time here," he said. "We are looking forward to many more years to come."



#### CHRIS SCHWAB Senior Vice President / Assistant General Manager

This season will mark Chris's 17th in baseball, all with the Goldklang Group. This White Bear Lake native received his Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing from Minnesota State University.

In 2004, he started as a game day intern during the Saints championship

season. Following that season, he moved to Sioux Falls and began working with the Canaries. Chris had many rolls with "The Birds" including Promotions Director, Box Office Manager, Director of Sales, and Assistant General Manager. The 2008 season was a banner year for Schwab and the Canaries, while breaking attendance records, the Canaries brought home their first ever championship.

Following the 2009 season, Schwab found his way back home to St. Paul. He works heavily in the ticket and sponsorship sales area and can be heard every game night telling fellow staff members "smiles everyone." Chris knew that sales was in his blood when, in 1993, he set the Minnesota Cub Scout record in nut roll and Christmas wreath sales. "When you have the opportunity to work with people like Tom, Derek, Mike, Marv and Bill, it makes the 15-years go by quickly".

Schwab resides in Hugo with his wife Jocelyn, their son Hudson and their family dog Charlie.

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### OPENING DAY LINEUPS

The Saints opened their 27th season overall – and 13th in the American Association – at home against the Milwaukee Milkmen to start their fifth season at CHS Field on May 16, 2019. It was the 13th time they have opened the season at home. Overall, they are 13-14 in season lid lifters. Here are the past Opening Day lineups:

6/15/93 at Duluth W 7-4 (10)	6/7/94 at Thunder Bay	6/2/95 at Winnipeg	5/31/96 at Duluth L 7-6 (10)
Rick Hirtensteiner, CF	Darius Gash, CF	Terance Frazier, LF	J.T. Bruett, CF
Eddie Ortega, 2B	Nick Sued, C	Doug Dascenzo, CF	Steve Solomon, LF
Leon Durham, DH	Vince Castaldo, 3B	Dan Peltier, 1B	Darryl Strawberry, RF
Jim Eppard, LF	Leon Durham, DH	Wes Shook, DH	Marty Neff, 1B
Tom Raffo, 1B	Benny Castillo, RF	Joe Biernat, 3B	Kevin Garner, DH
Scott Meadows, RF	David Kennedy, DH	Doug O'Neill, RF	Chris Evans, 3B
Frank Charles, C	Greg D'Alexander, SS	Tim Thomas, 2B	Carlton Fleming, SS
Greg D'Alexander, 3B	Derrick Dietrich, LF	Carlos Mota, C	Aaron Cannaday, C
Jerry DeFabbia, SS	Eddie Ortega, 2B	Angel Cesar, SS	Dave Konigsmark, 2B
Ranbir Grewal, P	Scott Centala, P	Steve Curry, P	Jeff Alkire, P
5/30/97 at Sioux Falls	5/28/98 at Duluth	5/28/99 at Schaumburg	5/26/00 vs. Madison
W 8-5	W 9-5	L 6-0	W 4-0
Dwight Smith, CF	Lamarr Rogers, 2B	Charlie Nelson, CF	John Toven, 2B
Lamarr Rogers, 2B	Ben Utting, SS	Keith Habig, 3B	Saul Bustos, SS
Kevin Dattola, LF	Andy Tarpley, RF	Billy Ashley, RF	Ben Candelaria, RF
David Kennedy, 1B	J.D. Drew, CF	Matt Nokes, DH	Morgan Walker, DH
Scott Bryant, RF	David Kennedy, 1B	David Kennedy, 1B	Jesse Ibarra, 1B
Chris Evans, C	John Tsoukalas, 3B	Andy Tarpley, 3B	Eddie Gerald, CF
Roy Smith, DH	Jeremy Booth, C	Saul Bustos, SS	Sam Lee, LF
Lance Robbins, 3B	Darren Doskocil, DH	Guye Senjem, C	Andy Tarpley, 3B
Dan Almonte, SS	Danny Johnson, LF	Bernie Torres, 2B	Jason Hill, C
John Dettmer, P	Dan Smith, P	Scott Ruffcorn, P	Bob Milacki, P
5/24/01 vs. Fargo	5/23/02 vs. Winnipeg	5/23/03 vs. Kansas City	5/20/04 at Sioux Falls
L 11-0	L 8-2	W 9-5	W 5-2
Noah Hall, CF	Ryan Ruiz, CF	Cory Harris, CF	Josh Renick, LF
Jason Camilli, SS	Reagan Buckley, C	Justin Hall, 2B	Justin Hall, 2B
Keith Williams, RF	Keith Williams, LF	Dave Callahan, 1B	Adam Olow, RF
Jesse Ibarra, 3B	Kevin Roberson, RF	Eddie Pearson, DH	Nick Gretz, 1B
Yuji Nerei, 1B	Jason Hill, DH	Aaron Fera, LF	Tonayne Brown, CF
Jason Hill, DH	Brian Nickerson, 3B	Ryan Kane, 3B	Matt Howe, 3B
Erik Metzger, C	Condor Cash, 1B	Scott McKee, C	Kaz Kohno, DH
Casey Saucke, 2B	Reggie Nelson, 2B	Adam Olow, RF	Meisha Dworken, C
Ryan Ruiz, LF	Limberth Marin, SS	Leland Swenson, SS	Chas Terni, SS
Dan Smith, P	Emiliano Giron, P	Jake Whitney, P	Roy Smith, P
5/20/05 vs. Schaumburg	5/12/06 at Sioux City	5/10/07 at St. Joseph	5/8/08 vs. Grand Prairie
L 6-4		W 19-7	W 10-3
Kris Cox, CF	Josh Renick, SS	Scooter Jordan, CF	Scooter Jordan, CF
Justin Hall, 2B	Pat Scalabrini, 2B	Ben Thomas, 3B	Brian Sprout, SS
Adam Olow, RF	Victor Rodriguez, 3B	Adam Olow, DH	Brent Krause, RF
Nick Gretz, 1B	Brian Becker, 1B	Jay Davis, LF	Marcel Longmire, DH
Tonayne Brown, LF	Adam Olow, LF	Brian Sprout, SS	Pichi Balet, LF
Billy Munoz, DH	Nick Gretz, DH	Marcel Longmire, C	Jason Colson, 1B
Chad Ehrnsberger, 3B	Jeremy Frost, C	Brent Krause, RF	Kevin Sullivan, C
Tim Marks, C	Rob Fischer, CF	Josue Lopez, 1B	Ben Thomas, 3B
Chris Weber, SS	Mike Forbes, RF	Ryan Priddy, 2B	Julius Thames, 2B
Bryan Gaal, P	Mike Meyer, P	Justin Lord, P	Luis Villarreal, P
5/14/09 at Sioux Falls	5/13/10 vs. Wichita	5/12/11 vs. Sioux Falls	5/17/12 vs. Gary
L 13-12	W 5-1		L 5-4
Daron Roberts, CF	Coby Smith, CF	Adam Frost, SS	Jim Rapoport, CF
Ron Fenwick, 2B	Josh Alley, LF	Hector Bernal, 2B	Jose Hernandez, RF
Ole Sheldon, DH	Kevin Millar, 3B	Shane Costa, LF	Shane Costa, LF
Craig Brazell, 3B	Jason Cooper, 1B	Jason Cooper, 1B	Ole Sheldon, 1B
Brent Krause, RF	Ole Sheldon, DH	Jonathan Van Every, CF	Willie Cabrera, DH
Jacob Butler, LF	Brent Krause, RF	Ole Sheldon, DH	Ronnie Bourquin, 3B
Todd Self, 1B	Gerard Haran, C	Brandon Tripp, RF	Tanner Townsend, SS
Tony Mansolino, 2B	Hector Estrella, 2B	Richard Mercado, C	Benji Johnson, C
Jeff DeSmidt, C	Steve Mays, SS	Ronnie Bourquin, 3B	Adam Frost, 2B
Charlie Ruud, P	Joe Woerman, P	Matt Long, P	Danny Gutierrez, P
5/16/13 vs. New Jersey	5/15/14 vs. Gary	5/21/15 vs. Fargo	5/19/16 vs. Gary
	W 6-0	W 8-7	W 8-3
Dan Kaczrowski, 2B	Brandon Wikoff, 2B	Alonzo Harris, CF	Alonzo Harris, CF
Joey Becker, 3B	Joe Bonfe, 3B	Sam Maus, 2B	Breland Almadova, RF
Brad Boyer, DH	Evan Bigley, LF	Willie Argo, LF	Willie Argo, LF
Craig Brazell, 1B	Henry Wrigley, 1B	Ian Gac, DH	Angelo Songco, 1B
Willie Cabrera, LF	Brandon Tripp, RF	Mike Kvasnicka, RF	Tony Thomas, DH
Jose Hernandez, CF	Willie Cabrera, DH	Michael Antonio, 3B	Nate Hanson, 3B
Brandon Tripp, RF	Angelo Songco, CF	Angelo Songco, 1B	Mike Gilmartin, SS
Adam Frost, SS	Joey Becker, SS	Vinny DiFazio, C	Tanner Vavra, 2B
Dwight Childs, C	Dwight Childs, C	Anthony Phillips, SS	Tony Caldwell, C
Mark Hamburger, P	Anthony Claggett, P	Pedro Hernandez, P	Mark Hamburger, P
<b>5/18/17 vs. Gary</b>	5/18/18 at Gary	5/16/19 vs. Milwaukee	
W 5-2	L 10-5	L 5-4 (13)	
Danny Oh, CF	Richard Prigatano, LF	Josh Allen, 2B	
Breland Almadova, CF	Max Murphy, RF	Chesny Young, 3B	
Nate Hanson, 3B	Brady Shoemaker, 1B	Max Murphy, CF	
Brady Shoemaker, 1B	Jayce Boyd, DH	Brady Shoemaker, DH	
Tony Thomas, 2B	Noah Perio Jr., SS	Devon Rodriguez, 1B	
Anthony Gallas, DH	Dante Bichette Jr., 3B	Burt Reynolds, RF	
Tim Colwell, LF	Justin O'Conner, C	Blake Schmit, LF	
Tony Caldwell, C	Kes Carter, CF	Jeremy Martinez, C	
Jon Kristoffersen, SS	Josh Allen, 2B	Joey Wong, SS	
Mark Hamburger, P	Jake Esch, P	Eddie Medina, P	

### 2019 SEASON WRAP-UP

A drought is a prolonged, chronic shortage or lack of something expected. There is no specific timeframe for a drought. Is it a year, five years, 10 years, 100 years? Talk to St. Paul Saints manager George Tsamis. Talk to the players on the Saints over the years. Talk to the fans who came out in droves rooting on their hometown team. None of them expected to go 15 seasons without a championship. The 2004 season seemed like another lifetime. When the ball left the bat of Marc Mirizzi sending the Saints to their fourth championship in their first 12 seasons, many had to feel a fifth was a foregone conclusion sooner rather than later.

Then came the heartbreaks of 2006 and 2007 when the Saints lost in the fifth and deciding game of the American Association Championship Series. No worries though, playoff baseball was something everyone came to expect. It would be another four seasons before a playoff appearance, however, once again reaching the Championship Series in 2011. This time they took a 2-0 series lead and the ring sizer made a trip down to Grand Prairie. It never saw the light of day.

That would be the last playoff appearance at Midway Stadium. A new ballpark brought new hope and the Saints rattled off a franchise record 74 wins in 2015, the first year of CHS Field. That season ended in first-round disappointment to the Sioux City Explorers, who won 75 games that year. The Saints made the playoffs in 2016 only to get bounced once again in the first round.

Forget about a title drought, the Saints were now six years between championship series appearances going into 2018, the longest in franchise history. They found their way back and took on the Kansas City T-Bones. Despite leading after five innings in both Games 3 and 4, the Saints couldn't hold on to either lead and watched the T-Bones celebrate in front of them.

Enter the 2019 season and the drought reached 15 seasons. Each year, teams go in with renewed hope and championship aspirations. The Saints were no different. There are multiple story lines, but two of the most glaring are how you handle injuries and the losing streaks. How you handle those determine whether a team makes the playoffs or not.

The Saints starting pitching was well ahead of the offense early in the season and Eddie Medina was at the forefront. The Saints top pitcher from 2018 didn't disappoint over the first couple of months including an historic start on May 31 at Cleburne. Medina tossed just the second no-hitter in franchise history as he walked a batter, hit a batter, and fanned 10. Medina would go on to set a franchise record of 32.0 consecutive scoreless innings from May 16-June 13.

Two young hurlers, Nick Belzer and Spencer Jones, were also impressive. In five starts Belzer was 2-0 with a 1.32 ERA while Jones went 1-0 with a 1.34 ERA in seven games (five starts). It wasn't a surprise both lasted about a month with Belzer having his contract purchased by the Milwaukee Brewers organization and Jones heading to Mexico. That's two-fifths of a starting rotation for a team that doesn't have a farm system. The Saints were 26-12, best record in the league, with those two on the team.

The team played .500 baseball over the next couple of weeks before the next big shoe dropped. The Saints entered July 12, 33-19 and just 1.0 game out of first place. With the All-Star game just 10 days away at the Saints home ballpark, CHS Field, seven players were chosen to represent the home-town team. Unfortunately, arguably the MVP of the first half of the season wouldn't get to play in front of the home crowd. Max Murphy, a two-time American Association Player of the Week, had his contract purchased by the Arizona Diamondbacks. Murphy led the league in runs (44), total bases (139), hits (73), home runs (17), and slugging percentage (.653), tied for first in extra base hits (31), second in RBI (43), tied for third in average (.343), and fifth in stolen bases (12). Losing a player of that caliber is crippling for any organization and the Saints were no different. Despite going 7-2 over the nine games entering the All-Star break, the loss of Murphy hit them following the break, but not before a major trade that paid dividends during the regular season, but especially in the Finals.

In 2004, Saints manager George Tsamis made a trade to get Mirizzi from the Sioux Falls Canaries. That proved its weight in gold in Game 5 of the Championship Series. In 2019, Tsamis knew he needed someone to help fill the gap after the loss of Murphy. He swung a trade with the Sioux City Explorers for their franchise leader, Michael Lang.

The Saints lost a season high five straight coming out of the break, all at home, and went 6-12 through August 12 leaving them 4.0 games out of first place and tied for the Wild Card spot. In that game on August 12 they were shut out and managed just two hits off Winnipeg's Mitchel Lambson. That's when the most important moment of the season occurred.

Brady Shoemaker, who spent the 2017 and 2018 seasons with the Saints and was instrumental in so much of the teams success, was one of those quiet leaders. He wasn't someone that got in a teammates face, or said much for that matter, but he led by example. He was the type of player who left it all on the field. That's why what happened after that August 12 game was so meaningful. Shoemaker called a players-only meeting and basically told the team that he wasn't going out this way. That each one of them could play better. There was no yelling. There was no screaming. Just a simple message. One that resonated.

Each of the top teams in the American Association had gone on an extended winning streak during the year. All except the Saints. Following the players only meeting the Saints rattled off nine consecutive wins, won 17 of their final 20 and finished with the best record in the league at 64-36, the second most wins in franchise history.

The Saints entered the playoffs having played the most one-run games in league history (39) and winning more one-run games than anyone else in league history (24). That's 39% of games, 38% of their victories, and 42% of their losses by a single run. Taking on the Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks in the North Division Championship Series, the Saints had taken nine of the 12 regular season meetings, but the playoffs are a very different animal. That was evident in the first two games of the series at Newman Outdoor Field when the Saints lost two one run games and found themselves down 0-2.



The Saints had never come back from an 0-2 deficit in their franchise's history.

One-by-one RedHawks starter Tyler Pike set down the Saints hitters in Game 3 at CHS Field. Not one baserunner through the first 18 hitters. This was Don Larsen-esque. Down 4-0 in the bottom of the seventh, the Saints finally got things started with a Dan Motl bloop single to left-center. Michael Lang followed with a hit and that brought up Shoemaker. He crushed a three-run homer to left making it 4-3. Two batters later the Saints tied it on a Josh Allen solo shot. They would score two in the eighth and win 6-4.

In Game 4 rookie righty Ryan Zimmerman pitched the game of his life. In 7.1 shutout innings he allowed three hits, walked two and struck out a career high 10. With the game scoreless in the bottom of the ninth, Allen stood at third with two outs and Blake Schmit at the plate. His 80-foot dribbler up the third base line was fielded by a charging Joe Becht who double clutched and his throw to first was late as it skipped wide of first while Allen crossed home plate for the walk-off winner.

That brought up the winner take all Game 5. After a rain out on Monday night, September 9, the teams had 24-hours to think about it. It was the RedHawks who came out on fire scoring five in the third inning and it remained 5-0 until the bottom of the sixth. Shoemaker came calling for the second time in the series with a solo homer to make it 5-1. Chesny Young's RBI single made it 5-2 and Chris Baker tied it with a three-run homer, his first hit of the series. The RedHawks got a two-run homer from Leo Pina in the eighth to put the RedHawks back on top 7-5. The Saints refused to quit and scored four in the bottom of the inning and reached their first Finals since 2011.

Following the celebration, the Saints jumped on a bus to Sioux City where their 2015 nemeses awaited. Without a day off for the Saints, due to the rainout, the Explorers were the more rested team. That didn't matter to the Saints who scored in each of the first six innings and cruised to a 12-3 victory.

Game 2 would be an entirely different game. Medina gave up two solo homers over the first two innings, but settled down after that. The Saints would knot the game at two in the fifth and it stayed that way until the top of the ninth. Baker led off the inning by being hit by a pitch and Schmit sacrificed him over. That brought up the former Explorer, Lang. He ripped a hanging slider into the left field corner for an RBI double. Closer Tanner Kiest struck out the side in the bottom of the inning and the Saints headed home one win away from a title.

Let's be honest. Saints playoff games aren't a huge draw. From the time the Saints won the North Division until Game 3 of the American Association Finals there was a total of 72 hours. In that time the Saints sold more than 5,300 tickets which is beyond belief for a playoff game. With an opportunity to celebrate a title an interesting dynamic took place on the mound: second year rookie, Ryan Zimmerman

### MANAGER GEORGE TSAMIS



Over the last five season's George Tsamis is the winningest manager in the American Association. He capped off his 21st season, 17 with the St. Paul Saints, winning his fourth championship and ending a 15-year personal and organizational drought. His teams have advanced to the postseason in 10 of the 17 seasons he has managed the Saints. His 2019 sweep of the Sioux City

Explorers goes along with 2004, when the Saints rallied past Schaumburg to win a thrilling five-game title series. He also managed the New Jersey Jackals to back-to-back Northern League championships in 2001-02.

The hard-driving ex-big leaguer enters the 2020 season, his 18th as manager of the Saints and 22nd overall, looking to become just the second team in American Association to win back-to-back titles. During his time with the Saints he has accumulated and impressive 924-734 regular season record. He became the all-time winningest manager in Saints history with an 8-3 victory over the Explorers on July 27, 2007 at Midway Stadium. The victory marked the 265th in his Saints tenure, surpassing Marty Scott's 264 wins from 1995-2000. Tsamis earned win number 500 in his illustrious Saints career against that same Explorers club on July 21 in a 7-6 victory at Sioux City. He joined the exclusive 1,000 win club, a fraternity that includes only five other Independent League Managers, with a 6-5, come from behind victory over the Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks at CHS Field on June 12, 2018.

He is also in charge of player personnel, the same dual role he had in New Jersey, where he won a pair of Northern League Championships.

His formula for success is simple: "I want them to show up on time and play hard," said Tsamis. "We'll have fun. For a guy to be successful, you have to have fun playing."

There has been more fun than not in Tsamis' years on the bench as evidence by his career regular season won-loss mark of 1,107-904.

Success and Tsamis were linked from an early age. In 1979, the then 12-year-old left-hander played for the Campbell, CA team that reached the Little League World Series

BORN: June 14, 1967, Campbell, CA HEIGHT: 6-2 WEIGHT: 220 RESIDENCE: Colchester, CT COLLEGE: Stetson University DRAFT STATUS: 33rd Round, 1988 (Toronto) 15th Round, 1989 (Minnesota) CAREER MANAGING RECORD:

1,107-904 (21 seasons) POST-SEASON TITLES WON: 4 CAREER PITCHING RECORD IN MAJORS: 1-2 1 save 619 ERA in 41 games

1 save, 6.19 ERA in 41 games CAREER PITCHING RECORD IN MINORS: 57-31 1 save, 3.40 ERA in 175 games

#### DID YOU KNOW?

George Tsamis never allowed a stolen base when on the mound. Four players attempted, but none were successful. John Orton and Chad Curtis of the California Angels were thrown out trying to steal 2nd 3rd respectively on May 11, 1993. Keven Seitzer of the Oakland A's was thrown out trying to steal 2nd on June 11, 1993. And Lance Johnson was picked off by Tsamis trying to steal 2nd base on August 21, 1993. Championship, a 2-1 extra inning loss to the team from Taiwan. He was the winning pitcher the day before when Campbell won the semifinals to claim the U.S. Championship.

The next year his family moved to Clearwater, FL where baseball continued for Tsamis and his brothers, Bill and Nick, at Countryside High School. After a standout prep career, Tsamis received a scholarship to attend Stetson University in DeLand, FL. He helped the Hatters win consecutive Atlantic Sun Conference championships and set the single-season school mark with 130 strikeouts in 1989. He was named the conference's Player of the Year, a rarity for a pitcher.

After 31 years, Tsamis still stands fourth on the school's all-time single season strikeout list (130) and ranks tied for 14th in conference history, just ahead of ex-Saint Mike Mimbs (who recorded 126 for Mercer in 1990). His college career complete games mark of 25 is tied for tops in conference history while his 391.1 innings pitched is second. He is tied for fifth in wins (31) and strikeouts (350) and tied for seventh in games started (55). He is also among the leaders in many Stetson career categories including first in school history in complete games (25), second in strikeouts (350), third in victories with 31 and innings pitched (391.1) and tied for third in games started with 55. His 19 strikeouts (as a freshman!) against Bethune-Cookman on April 1, 1986 is still a school record.

Tsamis was drafted in the 33rd round by the Toronto Blue Jays after his junior season at Stetson, but elected to stay for his senior year. He went 11-3 with a 2.48 ERA in 1989 and the Minnesota Twins were impressed enough to draft him in the 15th round. He spent the next two years playing for the Visalia Oaks, the Twins' Single-A club, before reaching the Triple-A level in 1991 with the Portland Beavers. After posting a 23-12 record over two seasons there, in 1993, Minnesota promoted Tsamis and he made his Major League debut April 26. Used as a reliever, Tsamis earned a win and a pair of saves with the Twins that season.

Following his nine-year professional playing career, where he registered a 57-31 Minor League record, Tsamis became the pitching coach of the Waterbury (Conn.) Spirit in the renamed Northeast League and was promoted to the managerial role in 1999. He spent two years there before moving to New Jersey in 2001 where he went 107-72 in the regular season and defeated Winnipeg in the league championship series both years.

### MANAGERIAL RECORD

MANAGE	<b>RIAL RELL</b>	JRU				
YEAR	TEAM	LEAGUE	w	L	PCT	FINISH
1999	Waterbury	NORE	36	50	.419	4th, South Division
2000	Waterbury	NORE	40	46	.465	Lost to Elmira, 1st round
2001	New Jersey	NORE	45	45	.500	Won NL Championship
2002	New Jersey	NORE	62	27	.697	Won NL Championship
2003	St. Paul	NOR	52	38	.578	Lost to Winnipeg, 1st round
2004	St. Paul	NOR	61	34	.642	Won NL Championship
2005	St. Paul	NOR	55	40	.579	Lost to Gary, 1st round
2006	St. Paul	AMER	54	42	.563	Lost to Fort Worth, AA Championship
2007	St. Paul	AMER	57	39	.594	Lost to Fort Worth, AA Championship
2008	St. Paul	AMER	42	54	.438	5th, North Division
2009	St. Paul	AMER	49	47	.510	T2nd, North Division
2010	St. Paul	AMER	45	51	.469	5th, North Division
2011	St. Paul	AMER	56	44	.560	Lost to Grand Prairie, AA Championship
2012	St. Paul	AMER	52	48	.520	3rd, North Division
2013	St. Paul	AMER	47	53	.470	3rd, North Division
2014	St. Paul	AMER	48	52	.480	2nd, North Division
2015	St. Paul	AMER	74	26	.740	Lost to Sioux City, 1st round
2016	St. Paul	AMER	61	39	.610	Lost to Winnipeg, 1st round
2017	St. Paul	AMER	48	52	.480	3rd, North Division
2018	St. Paul	AMER	59	41	.590	Lost to Kansas City, AA Championship
2019	St. Paul	AMER	64	36	.640	Won AA Championship
MINOR LEAG	<b>SUE TOTALS</b>		1,107	904	.551	

## A LONGER OFF-SEASON

I could have written this on May 4, May 24, June 4, June 24 or any day in between. I'm writing this the week the defending American Association Champions were scheduled to begin their first workouts of 2020. It's that moment each year when your mind goes back to your childhood. You showed up to camp, see your friends for the first time since last summer and reminisce about what's been going on in your lives over the past eight months. Except this year, at the beginning of May, there is no crack of the bat, thumping of the mitt or crunching of the dirt under cleats.

Even as I write this, there is no certainty anyone reads it. There is no guarantee a season is played. The Saints were set to begin their 28th season of baseball at home on May 19. The banner for their first championship in 15 seasons was to be raised. The 2019 team, some of whom are on the 2020 roster, would have been honored in front of the home crowd. It was one final moment to remember the joys of winning the final game of the season. None of this is happening on time because the unthinkable happened.

The off-season, especially up here in the North, seems longer than in most other areas of the country. The winters are harsh with sub zero temperatures, wind-whipped snow and seasonal depression that stings you to your core. The celebratory feeling of this off-season never wore off and perhaps the thought of championship rings and the trophy sitting in the office made it feel a little more blissful. Those dark winter nights were more palatable this off-season because of that championship high. But the point of the offseason for any baseball fan is to count down the days until the next season begins.

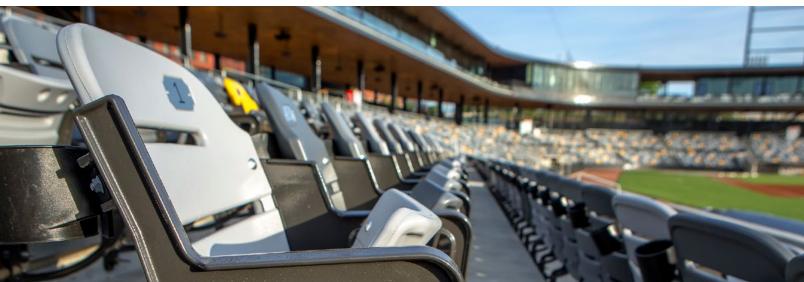
On March 13, the American Association announced it was monitoring COVID-19, but May 19 was still the scheduled start date. As each day went by that May 19 start date looked less and less likely. The league, the teams, and owners were all powerless in this situation. About five weeks after that initial announcement the American Association came out and elected to postpone the first six weeks of the season and shift the entire season. Instead of a May 19 until Labor Day season, the season would begin at the beginning of July and go until late September. Instead of 100 games, a condensed 80 game season will take place. While I write this at the beginning of May, I would sign up for a condensed schedule right now. Whether it is 80 games or 60 games, or whatever the minimum owners are willing to play, I'd take it. I believe the fans would agree to it as well. Players and coaches would want it. If the alternative is no games, I think we'd all agree that something is better than nothing.

Of course, the big question is what will ballparks look like when play can resume? Will social distancing practices be required, or can we open to full capacity? Will masks be mandatory or recommended? The scariest part for many is the unknown. If we were told that opening in July would 100% happen then I think most of us could stomach this longer offseason, but what happens if there is no season? What happens if the off-season lasts until next May?

I watch it each season when the very first event of the season takes place. Season ticket holders clamor for these special events so they can see their "family" for the first time in a while. It is like a bear waking up from a long hibernation, they rub the sleep out of their eyes and their life resumes. The pandemic, however, is like that same bear waking up searching for food only to find the rivers have run dry of their favorite fish.

The last time a season started this late was the first season in franchise history. In 1993 the season began on June 15. The next season was June 7. The one after that was June 2. Since 1995 no Saints season has started in June and not only are we not starting in May, but we're starting in July, the latest a season has ever started.

Give me a few weeks after a season ends and I'm ready to get back to it. We all need a mental break from timeto-time. The Major League season has roughly four months before it gets back to work, but the American Association is basically twice that. This year was different. From the final out on September 14 until the players were scheduled to report on May 7, is nearly eight months. We waited more than nine months this year for players to return. We'll take 80 games. We'll take a shortened season. We'll take whatever baseball will give us this year. All I'm asking is that someone gets to read this because it means the longest off-season in franchise history will have come to an end.







#### OLE SHELDON Hitting Coach

After an illustrious career with the St. Paul Saints as a player, Ole Sheldon returned to the team in 2014 as a first-time hitting coach. The team finished with its highest batting average since 2007 as well as the most hits in franchise history. In 2015 they obliterated several franchise records including runs scored, hits and home runs, and for just the fourth time in franchise history, hit at least

.290. Since moving into CHS Field the offense has set eight different organizational records over the last five seasons, including setting the franchise record for hits in 2018, with 1,012, the second time in four years they collected more than 1,000 hits.

Sheldon finished his last season, his fifth, with the Saints in 2013 and hit .299 with seven homers and 21 RBI in 51 games. In 184 at bats he scored 27 runs, had nine doubles, a .370 on base percentage and a .462 slugging percentage.

Sheldon finished his Saints career as the all-time home run leader, 13 more than anyone else, with 67, RBI (271), extra base hits (154), at bats (1367), games (355) and sacrifice flies (15). Along with the career bests, Sheldon also has the second (22) and fourth (20) most home runs in a single-season in 2010 and 2012, respectively.

In 2012 Sheldon hit .279 with 20 homers and 69 RBI in 97 games. In 383 at bats he scored 55 runs, slugged 22 doubles, a .339 on base percentage and a .493 slugging percentage. His record setting season began on July 15 when he collected four RBI at Winnipeg and surpassed Brent Krause's (2007-11) franchise record of 212. The home run record fell on July 21 at Sioux City when he clubbed his 55th in franchise history surpassing David Kennedy's (1994, 97-99) record of 54. The home run was also the 100th of Sheldon's career. He finished tied for first in the American Association in home runs.

Despite battling injuries during most of the 2011 season, Sheldon put up another remarkable campaign hitting .304 with 12 homers and 76 RBI in 81 games. In 326 at bats he scored 51 runs, had 22 doubles, two triples, an on base percentage of .373 and a slugging percentage of .494. He stepped up when it counted hitting .353 with runners on base, .405 with runners in scoring position and .511 with runners in scoring position and two outs. He also hit .467 with the bases loaded including a grand slam on May 14 vs. Sioux Falls Pheasants. During the Saints run to the American Association Championship Series, Sheldon hit .300 with a homer and five RBI in 10 games.

Sheldon's 2010 season with the Saints was just as solid, slugging the second most homers in a single season with 22. He barely missed out on, at the time, the franchises single-season RBI mark knocking in 79 and finishing tied for second with Marcel Longmire (2007) in that category and just behind David Kennedy's 1997 mark of 80 (since surpassed by Vinny DiFazio and Angelo Songco in 2015 with 82). His 47 extra base hits were tied for the third best single-season mark in the franchise's history, five shy of Jason Cooper's record, which he set that season.

In 2009 Sheldon played in just 30 games for the Saints before the Cleveland Indians purchased his contract. With the Saints he hit .340 with six homers and 19 RBI and was among the league leaders in nearly every major category prior to him leaving. In 106 at bats he scored 22 runs, had seven doubles, slugged .575 and had a .444 on base percentage. On June 16 the Indians purchased his contract and he was assigned to Single-A Kinston.

While with Kinston he hit .267 with 13 homers and 54 RBI in 72 games. In 258 at bats he scored 39 runs, walloped 14 doubles, slugged .473 and had a .360 on base percentage.

Sheldon was a 14th round pick of the Houston Astros in the 2004 June Amateur Draft. He reached Double-A Corpus Christi in 2008 and had, at that time, a career high 13 home runs.



#### KERRY LIGTENBERG Pitching Coach

The former Big Leaguer begins his ninth season as the pitching coach for the St. Paul Saints. Kerry Ligtenberg brings knowledge and experience to the helm of his pitching staff. A man that pitched on the same team as Hall of Famer's Greg Maddux, John Smoltz, and Tom Glavine has helped pitchers like Robert Coe, Mark Hamburger, Chris Nunn, Zack Jones, Nick Belzer, and even knuckle-

baller Dan Johnson, get their contracts purchased.

Ligtenberg helped guide the 2015 Saints pitching staff to one of the more remarkable seasons in the franchise's history. Four starters recorded at least 10 wins, (Kramer Sneed - 15, Dustin Crenshaw - 14, Jeff Shields - 13 and Robert Coe - 12) becoming just the second foursome to accomplish the feat in American Association history. The 3.24 team ERA was the best in franchise history and nearly a half a run better than their next best season. He also helped Coe become the winningest pitcher in Saints history as well as setting the franchise strikeout mark. In 2018, Ligtenberg's pitchers set a franchise record with 791 strikeouts, more than 100 better than their next best season. Reliever Beck Wheeler also set the American Association record for most strikeouts by a reliever, with 94, in just 61.0 innings pitched.Of course, during the championship run in 2019 the team finished with the third best ERA in the league, Eddie Medina tossed the Saints second ever no-hitter, and in the playoffs they pitched to a remarkable 2.83 ERA.

The 47-year-old Ligtenberg last pitched professionally for the Saints in 2009 when he went 0-2 with a 3.00 ERA and 15 saves in 30 games before retiring on August 5. In 36.0 innings pitched he walked just six and struck out 29.

Ligtenberg attended the University of Minnesota and began his professional career with the Minneapolis Loons of the independent North Central League in 1994 and 1995. After two impressive seasons as a starter his manager, and former Atlanta Braves catcher Greg Olson, recommended the Braves purchase his contract. He began his tenure with the Braves organization in 1996 and it took him just one season to reach the Major Leagues. Ligtenberg capitalized on a huge opportunity in 1998 when he took over the closing duties from Mark Wohlers. Ligtenberg converted 30 of 34 save opportunities and finished fourth in the National League Rookie of the Year voting as he helped the Braves to the best record in the National League at 105-56.

After missing the entire 1999 season with a torn ligament in his elbow, Ligtenberg was tremendous for the Braves from 2000-2002. He went 8-10 with a 3.17 ERA and 13 saves during that span. After six seasons with the Braves, Ligtenberg signed a one-year deal with the Baltimore Orioles in 2003 and went 4-2 with a 3.34 ERA. He spent the last two seasons in the Major Leagues with the Toronto Blue Jays (2004) and Arizona Diamondbacks (2005). After spending the entire 2006 season in Triple-A Iowa with the Chicago Cubs organization, he was invited to spring training with the Cincinnati Reds in 2007, but was released after just 5.1 innings pitched. He retired until making one last comeback with the Saints in 2009.

The former Park High School graduate stayed busy after that as he took over as head coach of his former high school in 2011 & 2012.



### **CLUBHOUSE STAFF**



#### JASON ELLENBECKER Certified Athletic Trainer

Jason returns to the Saints as the only Certified Athletic Trainer in CHS Field history. In the sixth year of a partnership with Twin Cities Orthopedics (TCO), the position of Head Athletic Trainer is assigned by TCO and Jason has been selected to represent both organizations once again.

Jason has over 13 years of sports medicine experience, this being the ninth year that he will provide athletic training coverage for the Saints. Jason has had roles in various organizations including the Minnesota Vikings, for two years, and Hamline University, for eight years.

Jason completed a BS in Athletic Training from the University of WI Stevens Point, an MBA from The Hamline School of Business, and a Healthcare Compliance Certificate from the Hamline School of Law. Jason is a member of the National Athletic Trainers Association, the Great Lakes Athletic Trainers Association, and the Minnesota Athletic Trainers Association.

Originally from Athens WI, Jason currently resides in Hudson, WI with his wife Jill and their two kids Isaac (12) and Lilia (10). Go Saints!! For more information about Twin Cities Orthopedics and TCO services, please visit: www.tcomn.com

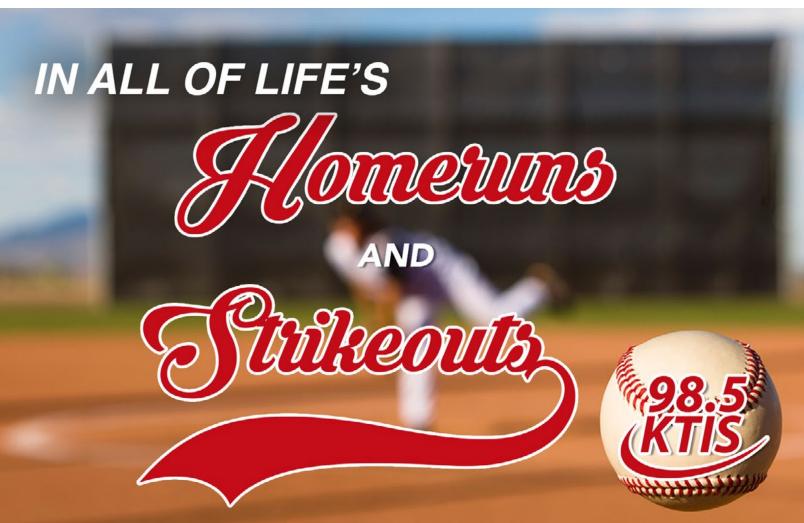


### BRENDON COZIER Home Clubhouse Manager /Equipment Manager

Brendon begins his first season as the Home Clubhouse/Equipment Manager. His first professional job was an internship as a Clubhouse Intern with the Lansing Lugnuts, Single-A of the Toronto Blue Jays in 2018. In 2019 he helped out with the Detroit Tigers

Spring Training in Lakeland and then moved over to Detroit to help out at the beginning of the season. Following that he took a job with the Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks as the Clubhouse Manager.

Brendon graduated from Central Michigan University in 2019 where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Sports Management. He was the student manager for the baseball team for three seasons. He currently lives in Detroit, Michigan.





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Car	eer Totals	.200	17	40	4	8	1	0	0	7	0	1	3	2	14	0	0	.225	.283

**BORN:** 12/12/96

COLLEGE: University of Arkansas - Little Rock EXPERIENCE:

**POSITION:** Infield **BORN:** 03/26/91 BATS: R THROWS: R COLLEGE: University of West Florida EXPERIENCE: **HEIGHT:** 5'10**WEIGHT:** 185 **RESIDES:** Fort Meade, FL

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YR	Club	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	НВ	вв	so	SB	cs	SLG	OBP
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17	Evansville	.310	94	345	83	107	12	6	15	47	2	7	11	66	78	12	4	.510	.429
18	2 Teams	.284	66	243	32	69	18	2	6	31	2	7	9	26	65	7	3	.449	.365
19	St. Paul	.272	93	396	58	93	20	3	17	58	5	3	10	30	80	7	4	.497	.355
Car	eer Totals	.299	571	2441	395	602	116	26	66	295	29	23	78	286	514	92	35	.481	.403

**POSITION:** Pitcher BATS: R

**BORN:** 8/11/95 THROWS: R COLLEGE: Minnesota-Mankato HEIGHT: 6'2 WEIGHT: 190 RESIDES: Bondurant, IA

PROFESSIONAL **EXPERIENCE:** Rookie

YR	Club	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	зно	sv	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	вв	so	WHIP
19	St. Paul	2	0	1.000	1.32	5	5	0	0	0	27.1	17	4	4	1	9	17	0.951
19	AZL Brewers	3	1	.750	3.70	10	6	0	0	0	48.2	42	22	20	3	14	41	1.151
Car	eer Totals	5	2	.714	2.84	15	11	0	0	0	76.0	59	26	24	4	23	58	1.079

<b>POSITION:</b> Catcher	BORN: 05/03/94	PROFESSIONAL
BATS: R THROWS: R HEIGHT: 5'11WEIGHT: 21	COLLEGE: LSU	EXPERIENCE:
HEIGHT: 5'11WEIGHT: 21	7 <b>RESIDES:</b> Miami, FL	LS-4

YR	Club	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	ΗВ	BB	SO	SB	cs	SLG	OBP
16	Peoria	.312	99	381	40	119	24	0	6	63	0	4	2	22	64	1	1	.423	.350
17	Palm Beach	.260	123	466	48	121	24	0	6	48	3	З	5	34	93	0	1	.350	.315
18	Springfield	.231	89	299	39	69	12	0	14	39	0	1	1	15	72	0	0	.411	.269
19	2 Teams	.279	89	294	29	82	15	1	10	32	0	1	3	16	83	0	0	.439	.322
Car	eer Totals	.275	446	1605	175	442	86	1	42	209	3	11	11	99	340	1	2	.410	.320









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YR	Club	W	L	⁰∕₀	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	sv	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
16	2 Teams	8	6	.571	4.21	39	0	0	0	З	94.0	101	48	44	8	20	75	1.287
17	Wichita	3	4	.429	2.25	44	9	0	0	2	44.0	35	14	11	1	11	34	1.045
18	St. Paul	5	4	.556	2.57	49	0	0	0	6	66.2	54	24	19	6	21	68	1.125
19	St. Paul	4	3	.571	2.00	37	0	0	0	3	54.0	41	16	12	2	20	50	1.130
Car	eer Totals	32	28	.533	3.61	268	39	0	0	21	513.0	488	232	206	44	152	445	1.248

POSITION:	Catcher	BORN: 9/24/92 PI COLLEGE: <sup>University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee</sup> RESIDES: Tampa, FL	ROFESSIONAL
BATS: S	THROWS: R	COLLEGE: University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	EXPERIENCE
HEIGHT: 5'1	11 WEIGHT: 195	<b>RESIDES:</b> Tampa, FL	LS-4

YR	Club	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	ΗВ	BB	so	SB	cs	SLG	ОВР
16	2 Teams	.303	103	402	53	122	25	1	5	44	0	1	9	24	80	4	2	.408	.356
17	3 Teams	.254	26	118	10	30	9	1	1	14	0	2	3	10	25	2	2	.373	.323
18	3 Teams	.237	45	152	14	36	5	1	3	19	0	2	2	10	32	5	0	.342	.289
19	2 Teams	.240	60	192	25	46	3	2	1	23	2	5	0	19	53	6	0	.292	.301
Car	eer Totals	.270	277	973	117	263	47	6	10	112	2	10	14	77	216	18	5	.362	.330

**POSITION:** Pitcher BATS: R THROWS: R HEIGHT: 5'11 WEIGHT: 190 RESIDES: St. Paul, MN

**BORN:** 10/19/94 COLLEGE: University of Minnesota EXPERIENCE:

PROFESSIONAL LS-2

YR	Club	W	L	⁰⁄₀	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	s٧	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
17	Eugene	1	Э	.250	4.57	18	0	0	0	3	21.2	25	14	11	1	8	26	1.523
18	South Bend	5	5	.500	1.20	45	0	0	0	18	67.2	52	23	9	4	14	66	1.123
19	Myrtle Beach	0	1	.000	7.36	19	0	0	0	2	33.0	37	29	27	6	24	33	1.545
19	South Bend	2	2	.500	1.38	19	0	0	0	7	26.0	19	11	4	0	6	24	0.962
Car	eer Totals	8	11	.421	3.09	101	0	0	0	30	148.1	133	77	51	11	52	149	1.247

POSITION	: Outfield	BORN: 1/16/89
BATS: R	THROWS: R	COLLEGE: McComb
HEIGHT: 5	6'10 <b>WEIGHT:</b> 175	RESIDES: McCom

PROFESSIONAL O(MS)HS EXPERIENCE: nb, MS Veteran

YR	Club	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	НВ	BB	so	SB	cs	SLG	OBP
16	St. Paul	.307	93	391	67	120	16	5	15	58	З	7	4	27	73	43	9	.488	.352
17	York	.315	114	460	89	145	28	1	23	73	2	З	3	48	95	31	13	.530	.381
18	3 Teams	.276	106	413	90	114	16	2	14	41	2	2	2	54	74	35	10	.426	.361
19	Oaxaca	.343	119	469	131	161	34	6	39	117	0	5	4	72	96	45	8	.691	.431
Car	eer Totals	.283	1151	4420	808	1252	203	48	149	595	47	38	35	419	877	349	105	.452	.347



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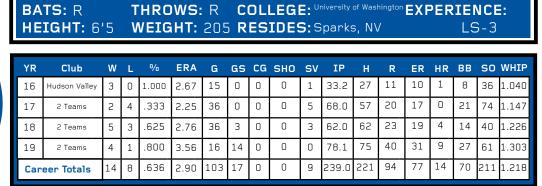


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**BORN:** 09/22/94

POSITION: Pit	cher	<b>BORN:</b> 6/25/92
BATS: R	THROWS: R	COLLEGE: Limestone
HEIGHT: 6'4	<b>WEIGHT:</b> 225	RESIDES: Potomac

YR	Club	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	sv	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	BB	so	WHIP
18	5 Teams	4	1	.800	1.72	26	0	0	0	6	36.2	21	11	7	0	28	58	1.339
19	York	4	2	.667	1.33	59	0	0	0	24	61.0	35	13	g	1	34	79	1.131
Car	eer Totals	8	З	.727	1.48	85	0	0	0	30	97.2	56	24	16	1	62	137	1.209

**POSITION:** Pitcher BATS: R

**BORN:** 02/12/90 COLLEGE: St. Johns University EXPERIENCE: THROWS: R HEIGHT: 6'2 WEIGHT: 195 RESIDES: Staten Island, NY

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YR	Club	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	s٧	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	вв	so	WHIP
16	Wichita	6	6	.500	5.56	20	14	0	0	0	100.1	117	75	62	15	40	63	1.565
17	Wichita	9	3	.750	3.09	17	14	0	0	0	90.1	81	35	31	10	25	68	1.174
18	St. Paul	9	5	.643	2.80	20	19	1	1	0	115.2	99	52	36	7	43	104	1.228
19	St. Paul	10	2	.769	345	19	18	1	1	0	114.2	93	47	44	8	66	101	1.378
Car	eer Totals	49	28	.636	3.97	134	105	5	3	0	675.1	673	383	298	59	297	544	1.436

**POSITION:** Outfield BATS: R HEIGHT: 5'11 WEIGHT: 195 RESIDES: Robbinsdale, MN

**BORN:** 11/17/92 THROWS: R COLLEGE: Bradley (IL) University EXPERIENCE:

LS-5

YR	Club	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	HB	вв	so	SB	cs	SLG	OBP
16	3 Teams	.236	70	246	28	58	11	2	5	26	0	1	4	15	56	5	1	.358	.289
17	2 Teams	.285	130	506	80	144	29	6	6	62	0	5	15	48	123	9	2	.401	.361
18	St. Paul	.319	98	427	70	136	31	5	7	68	2	2	6	32	80	10	2	.464	.373
19	4 Teams	.325	74	292	54	95	17	1	19	49	0	2	2	22	79	14	7	.586	.384
Car	eer Totals	.284	532	2061	335	586	117	24	55	282	2	16	16	174	489	51	15	.444	.342

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**POSITION:** Pitcher

**BORN:**12/24/91 THROWS: R COLLEGE: Kentucky Wesleyan HEIGHT: 6'3 WEIGHT: 220 RESIDES: Hammond, IN

PROFESSIONAL **EXPERIENCE:** LS-2

PROFESSIONAL

Rookie

YR	Club	W	L	⁰∕₀	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	sv	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	BB	so	WHIP
16	3 Teams	1	2	.333	4.33	15	0	0	0	З	27.0	21	14	13	2	10	36	1.148
17	2 Teams	1	1	.500	0.61	25	0	0	0	0	29.2	15	4	2	0	6	51	0.708
18	3 Teams	3	3	.500	3.34	42	0	0	0	10	56.2	38	28	21	3	27	61	1.147
19	Sioux City	1	4	.200	3.81	47	0	0	0	24	51.0	31	18	18	4	14	74	0.882
16 17 18 19 <b>Care</b>	er Totals	14	17	.452	3.39	218	5	0	0	51	284.0	208	127	107	53	111	368	1.123

**BORN:** 6/6/93

THROWS: R COLLEGE: Siena College BATS: R **EXPERIENCE:** HEIGHT: 6'0 WEIGHT: 185 RESIDES: West Hartford, CT ER HR BB SO WHIP Club ⁰⁄₀ ERA W L G GS CG SHO SV IP н R

18	New Britain	0	2	.000	4.18	10	2	0	0	0	23.2	27	11	11	2	7	13	1.437
19	Joliet	6	3	.667	2.85	16	16	0	0	0	88.1	68	28	28	5	34	105	1.155
19	Evansville	2	0	1.000	4.22	3	3	0	0	0	21.1	16	10	10	1	5	19	0.984
Car	eer Totals	8	7	.533	3.52	32	23	0	0	0	140.2	122	55	55	8	50	145	1.223

**POSITION:** Infield **BORN:** 8/19/90 THROWS: R COLLEGE: Texas A&M University BATS: R HEIGHT: 5'9 WEIGHT: 170 RESIDES: Glendale, AZ

PROFESSIONAL **EXPERIENCE:** LS-3

YR	Club	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	НВ	BB	so	SB	cs	SLG	OBP
16	2 Teams	.179	21	78	6	14	0	2	0	7	1	1	4	4	13	5	1	.231	.253
17	Fargo-Moorhead	.000	3	14	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	З	0	0	.000	.000
18	Sussex County	.335	98	355	78	119	28	З	1	52	6	6	5	41	52	45	19	.439	.405
19	2 Teams	.263	90	316	61	83	9	З	6	37	3	7	12	40	45	43	8	.367	.360
Car	eer Totals	.281	419	1251	207	351	49	15	10	133	16	16	37	133	189	122	35	.368	.363

<b>POSITION:</b> Infield	<b>BORN:</b> 8/19/87	PROFESSIONAL
BATS: R THROWS: R	<b>COLLEGE:</b> Forest (FL) HS	EXPERIENCE:
BATS: R THROWS: R HEIGHT: 6'1 WEIGHT: 19	) <b>RESIDES:</b> Orlando, FL	Veteran

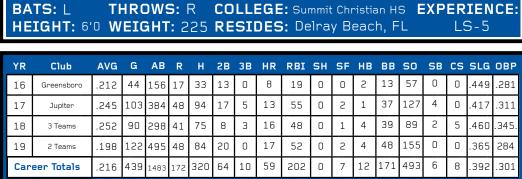
YR	Club	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	НВ	вв	so	SB	cs	SLG	OBP
16	Sioux City	.350	100	391	68	137	30	2	6	68	0	11	4	54	24	31	4	.483	.424
17	2 Teams	.304	75	293	46	89	19	З	4	47	1	3	6	21	21	13	5	.430	.359
18	Sioux City	.340	100	415	79	141	15	0	4	73	3	8	3	28	28	22	8	.405	.379
19	Sioux City	.324	99	404	60	131	24	5	6	67	0	9	3	30	25	21	3	.453	.368
Car	eer Totals	.289	1206	4032	592	1166	191	26	44	504	62	56	57	358	412	138	90	.382	.351











**BORN:** 7/11/94

**POSITION:** Pitcher BATS: R

**POSITION:** Infielder

**BORN:** 06/04/93 PROFESSIONAL **THROWS:** R **COLLEGE:**Furman University **EXPERIENCE:** HEIGHT: 6'3 WEIGHT: 217 RESIDES: New Bern, NC

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YR	Club	W	L	⁰∕₀	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	s٧	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	вв	SO	WHIP
16	Augusta	4	6	.400	6.45	14	14	0	0	0	68.1	87	50	49	7	30	60	1.712
17	2 Teams	7	3	.700	4.04	21	12	0	0	0	89.0	87	45	40	7	36	81	1.382
18	St. Paul	3	5	.375	4.73	15	15	0	0	0	80.0	87	52	42	5	31	56	1.475
19	2 Teams	5	1	.833	3.66	13	13	0	0	0	66.1	59	29	27	2	32	62	1.372
Car	eer Totals	21	18	.539	4.51	81	54	2	0	0	329.1	355	190	169	21	137	273	1.494

POSITION: Infield BATS: S HEIGHT: 5'10WEIGHT: 190 RESIDES: Gilbert, AZ

**BORN:** 06/18/93 THROWS: R COLLEGE: Arizona State University EXPERIENCE:

PROFESSIONAL LS-5

YR	Club	AVG	G	AB	R	н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	НВ	вв	so	SB	cs	SLG	OBP
16	Clearwater	.204	53	197	19	34	7	Э	1	17	1	2	0	27	36	2	0	.299	.311
17	2 Teams	.280	107	377	38	92	15	2	9	35	3	2	3	66	78	12	4	.421	.364
18	Reading	.199	54	179	25	31	10	2	0	14	2	1	1	26	65	7	3	.301	.288
19	2 Teams	.184	96	399	56	90	15	З	5	53	3	6	1	30	80	7	4	.242	.366
Car	eer Totals	.271	572	2255	281	529	102	15	24	221	26	18	12	239	380	56	21	.375	.350

<b>POSITION:</b> Pi	tcher	BORN: 9/5/89 COLLEGE: Alma College	PROFESSIONAL
BATS: L	THROWS: L	<b>COLLEGE:</b> Alma College	EXPERIENCE:
<b>HEIGHT:</b> 6'1	<b>WEIGHT:</b> 205	<b>RESIDES:</b> Tampa, FL	LS-3

YR	Club	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	sv	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	BB	so	WHIP
16	Jupiter	0	2	.000	3.79	14	0	0	0	2	19.0	16	8	8	1	13	22	1.526
17	Long Island	0	0	.000	8.44	6	0	0	0	0	5.1	7	7	5	2	4	7	2.063
18	New Jersey	5	1	.833	1.67	40	0	0	0	0	54.0	38	18	10	3	25	68	1.167
19	Sioux City	2	1	.667	1.65	32	0	0	0	0	32.2	24	6	6	1	11	47	1.071
Car	eer Totals	11	12	.478	2.77	160	7	3	0	7	227.2	175	70	70	12	110	303	1.254







	POSITION: PitcherBORN: 08/19/92PROFESSIOBATS: RTHROWS: RCOLLEGE: Dailas Baptist UniversityEXPERIENCEHEIGHT: 5'11WEIGHT: 175RESIDES: Ann Arbor, MILS-5															NCE			
	YR	Club	W	L	⁰∕₀	ERA	G	GS	CG	<b>SHO</b>	SV	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
Γ	16	Erie	3	4	.429	4.17	52	0	0	0	13	54.0	54	27	25	7	24	79	1.444
	17	3 Teams	1	2	.333	2.00	33	0	0	0	7	36.0	29	8	8	3	9	40	1.056
	18	Toledo	6	3	.667	3.18	43	1	0	0	0	68.0	56	27	24	7	24	58	1.176
	19	2 Teams	1	2	.333	6.35	36	2	0	0	3	49.0	55	37	35	6	28	44	1.673
	Car	eer Totals	17	13	.567	3.48	98	3	0	0	43	290.0	252	122	112	26	114	319	1.262



YR	Club	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	sv	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	BB	so	WHIP
16	Erie	3	4	.429	4.17	52	0	0	0	13	54.0	54	27	25	7	24	79	1.444
17	3 Teams	1	2	.333	2.00	33	0	0	0	7	36.0	29	8	8	3	9	40	1.056
18	Toledo	6	З	.667	3.18	43	1	0	0	0	68.0	56	27	24	7	24	58	1.176
19	2 Teams	1	2	.333	6.35	36	2	0	0	3	49.0	55	37	35	6	28	44	1.673
Car	eer Totals	17	13	.567	3.48	98	3	0	0	43	290.0	252	122	112	26	114	319	1.262

**BORN:** 10/6/92 BATS: R THROWS: R COLLEGE: Mercer University HEIGHT: 6'1 WEIGHT: 195 RESIDES: Atlanta,GA

PROFESSIONAL **EXPERIENCE:** LS-5

YR	Club	AVG	G	AB	R	н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	НВ	вв	so	SB	cs	SLG	OBP
16	Tennessee	.303	126	491	60	149	25	2	4	37	0	З	2	57	64	16	14	.387	.376
17	Iowa	.256	120	425	56	109	20	0	1	33	6	7	4	33	70	7	6	.311	.311
18	2 Teams	.269	85	283	35	76	8	1	0	20	1	2	0	20	58	4	1	.304	.315
19	St. Paul	.263	94	342	52	90	16	2	6	48	5	5	2	48	57	2	2	.374	.353
Car	eer Totals	.289	599	2210	318	639	101	11	12	200	16	21	15	219	332	53	32	.361	.354



**POSITION:** Pitcher BATS: R **HEIGHT:** 5'10 **WEIGHT:** 185 **RESIDES:** Eden Prairie, MN

**POSITION:** Infield

**BORN:** 12/28/95 THROWS: R COLLEGE: St. Thomas (MN) University EXPERIENCE:

PROFESSIONAL Rookie

YR	Club	w	L	⁰⁄₀	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	sv	IP	Η	R	ER	HR	BB	so	WHIP
18	St. Paul	2	2	.500	7.06	13	11	0	0	0	51.0	59	44	40	9	28	47	1.706
19	St. Paul	7	3	.700	4.13	23	17	0	0	0	101.1	96	121	113	15	65	105	1.460
Car	eer Totals	9	5	.643	5.60	36	28	0	0	0	152.1	155	165	153	24	93	152	1.583

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The count continues to grow for the St. Paul Saints. The talent that rolls through St. Paul doesn't always stay here. Many of the big sluggers and hard throwing pitchers catch the eye of scouts in attendance. As the 2020 season begins, the current total is 137 contracts sold, 127 total players including eight who had their contract sold twice and Caleb Thielbar who became the first player to have his contract purchased three times. Of the 137 contracts sold, eight were sold to international teams and a total of 19 have made it to the ultimate level of baseball following their time with the Saints (Julio DePaula, who played for the Saints in 2011, made it to the Major Leagues in

Luis Lopez, 3B\*

Julio Manon, P\*

Tony Mansolino, P Paul Marak, P

JimManfred, P

1995

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Toronto

Montreal

Atlanta

Philadelphia

Florida

2014, never pitched in a game, but does not show up on the list below because his contract wasn't purchased directly from the Saints). The 2019 season had three players with their contract purchased, pitcher Nick Belzer had his contract purchased by the Milwaukee Brewers in June, outfielder Max Murphy had his contract purchased by the Arizona Diamondbacks in July, and pitcher Chris Lee by the Brewers in December.

Here is a list of players during the Saints' 27 seasons that have caught on with a Major League organization.

Chris Lee	2019 1995	Milwaukee Toronto	* = Made it to major league	25	
Brent Krause, OF	2007-08	Baltimore, Milwaukee	• • • • • • • •		
Brandon Kintzler, P*	2009	Milwaukee	Mike Zouzalik, P	2015	Orioles
Doug Kimbler, 2B	1994	Chicago (NL)	Scott Wright, P	1999-2000	Taiwan
Jake Kenady, P	1997	Chicago (NL)	Shawn Wooten, C	2007	New York (NL)
Dan Kaczrowski, IF	2009	Arizona	Jake Whitney, P	2001-03	Cincinnati
Zack Jones, P	2018	New York (NL)	Cody Wheeler, P	2015	Baltimore
Dan Jóhnson, P, INF	2016	Los Angeles (NL)	Connor Whalen, P	2013	Chicago (AL)
Kenny Holubec, P	2004	Texas	John Wesley, Á	2008	New York (NL)
Rick Hirtensteiner, OF	1993	Florida	Luis Villarreal, P	2005, 2007	Philadelphia
Mike Hickey, 2B	1999	Taiwan	Éric Veglahn, P	2016	Toronto
Cory Harris, ŎF	2003	Baltimore	Justin Varitek, C	2000	Seattle
Matt Harrington, P	2001	Chicago (NL)	Jason Varitek, C*	1995	Seattle
Matt Hammons, P	2005	Colorado	John Tsoukalas, 3B	1998	San Francisco
Mark Hamburger , P	2013	Minnesota	Brandon Tripp, OF	2011, 13-14	Philadelphia
Noah Hall, OF	2001	Cincinnati	John Toven, 2B	2000	Houston
Justin Hall, IF	2004	Texas	Bernie Torres, 2B	1999	Chicago (AL)
Lindsay Gulin, P	1999	Chicago (NL)	Hank Thoms, P	1999-2000	Cleveland
George Glinatsis, P	1997	Seattle	John Thoden, P	1993	Florida
Matt Solter, P	2018	Cleveland	Caleb Thielbar, P*	2011, 2016-17	Minnesota, Florida, Detroit
Manny Gonzalez, OF	1999	Chicago (AL)	Carlo Testa	2014	Arizona
Jeremy Frost, C	2005	Toronto	Darryl Strawberry, OF*	1996	New York (AL)
Kyle Foster, P	2007-08	Boston	John Straka, P	2016-2017	Toronto (2X, 2016 & 2017)
Matt Duff, P*	2001	St. Louis	Scott Stewart, P*	1996	Montreal
David Doorneweerd, P	1995	Chicago (NL)	Brian Steffek, P	2005	Kansas City
Robert Donnelly, P	1998	Taiwan	Angelo Songco, 1B	2014-15	Los Angeles (NL)
J.D. Ďrew, OF*	1997-98	St. Louis	Steve Solomon, OF	1996	Los Angeles
Vinny ĎiFazio, C	2014-15	Los Angeles (NL)	RoySmith, P*	1997-98, 2004	Cleveland, Los Angeles
Rodney Dickinson, P	1999-2000, '02	Boston	Dan Smith, P	1997	Chicago (NL)
John Dettmer, P	1997	Texas	Chris Smith, P	2015	New York (AL)
Doug Dascenzo, OF*	1995	San Diego	James Skelton	2011	Cincinnati
Brad Dandridge, C	1994	Los Angeles	Ole Sheldon	2009	Cleveland
Steve Curry, P	1995	Taiwan	Adam Shafer, P	2004	Philadelphia
Mike Cosgrove, P	2003	Colorado	GuyeSenjem, C-OF	1996-98, 2004	Cincinnati, Montreal
Robert Coe, P	2011-12, 14	Arizona (2 X in 2013)	Tanner Scheppers, P*	2009	Texas
Tim Christman, P	2003-04	Detroit, Seattle	Dan Sattler	2012, 14	Minnesota
Chris Chavez, P	2003	Baltimore	Ralph Santana, IF	2004	Philadelphia
Frank Charles, C*	1993	Texas	Scott Ruffcorn, P	1999	Kansas City
Vince Castaldo, 3B	1994-95	Montreal	Seth Rosin	2017	San Francisco
Mike Carravelli, P	1995	Florida	Wes Roemer	2012	Los Angeles (NL)
Ben Candelaria, OF	2000	Florida	Josh Renick, IF-OF	2004	Cincinnati
Jason Camilli, 2B		Texas	Anthony Phillips	2015, 2017	Los Angeles (AL), Colorado Cincinnati
	2001				
John Burgos, P	1996	Texas	Damon Pollard, P	1993	Florida
Kevin Burford, IF	2004	Philadelphia	Dan Peltier, 1B*	1995	San Francisco
Jason Bullard, P	1994-95	New York (NL)	Andy Paul, P	1997	Cincinnati
Scott Bryant, IF-OF	1997	Taiwan	Eddie Oropesa, P*	1993	Los Angeles (NL)
Joe Brownholtz, P	1994	Japan (Hanshin Tigers, Chiba Lotte Marines) Florida	Rev Ordonez, SS*	1993	New York (NL)
Craig Brazell, IF	2009.13		Doug O'Neill, OF	2004 1995-96	Florida, Texas
Kent Blasingame, OF Brad Boyer, IF	2013	Minnesota	Adam Olow, OF	2004	Chicago (AL) TampaBay
	1993	Philadelphia	Justin O'Conner	2018	
Stephen Bishop, OF	1994	Baltimore	Chris Nunn, P	2009 2018	Texas
Nick Belzer, P	2019	Millesota Milwaukee	Anthony Norman, OF	2009	Pittsburgh
Esteban Beltre, P	1997	Minnesota	Matt Nokes, C	1998-99	Cleveland
Richard Bell, P	1999-2000,02	Taiwan (Taichung Agan)	Cole Nelson, P	2013-14	Atlanta
Chris Begg, P	2003	San Francisco	Max Murphy, OF	2018-19	Arizona
George Arnott, C	2001	Florida	Craig Molldrem, P	2008	Boston
Billy Ashley, OF	2010 1999	Detroit	Evan Mitchell, P	2018	Cleveland
Drew Anderson, OF	2010	Milwaukee	Mike Mimbs, P*	1993	Philadelphia
Nick Ammirati, C	2018	Seattle	Kevin Millar, 3B*	1993	Los Angeles (NL) Florida
Jeff Alkire, P Josh Allen, IF	2018	Florida New York (NL)	Matt Meyer, P Keith Meyers, P	2010, 13-14 2001-02	Los Angeles (AL)
Eliezer Alfonzo, C*	2003 1995-96	San Francisco Elorida	Tim Marks, C Matt Mover P	2004	Seattle
	2003				
PLAYER (POS.)	SAINTS' CAREER	ORIGINALORGANIZATION	PLAYER (POS.)	SAINTS' CAREER	ORIGINALORGANIZATION
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### SERIES PREVIEW: PLAYOFF PUSH

The Saints welcome the Chicago Dogs to CHS Field August 18-20 for the first and only time this season. The Saints return home after putting the finishing touches on a successful road trip. Sunday's victory gave the Saints their 20th overall win of the season. St. Paul won both series against the Sioux Falls Canaries and Milwaukee Milkmen in what was a crucial six game stretch. The Saints showed resiliency by winning the final two games in Milwaukee after the Milkmen won the series opener in dramatic fashion with a walk off home run in the bottom of the ninth.

In a tight race to gain one of the top two spots in the standings the Saints now find themselves just one game outside of a playoff spot going into this series against the Dogs. The Saints have won two out of three games in each of their past four series. St. Paul needs to keep that trend going the rest of the way. Chicago continues their travels away from home as they limp into this series. The Dogs were on the losing end of a three-game sweep at the hands of the Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks at Newman Outdoor Field. The Dogs are just two and eight in their last 10 games played. They now find themselves four games below the .500 mark with an overall record of 17-21. Both St. Paul and Chicago are chasing the Winnipeg Goldeyes and the Milwaukee Milkmen who currently hold the top two spots in the American Association standings.

In 2019 the Saints and the Dogs locked horns a total of 13 times. St. Paul captured the season series seven games to six. The Saints relied upon the home field advantage vs. Chicago last year winning five of the seven games played at CHS Field.

This is the third season for the Chicago Dogs franchise. Their inaugural campaign was in 2018 when they finished the season with a 45-54 record. Chicago's manager is former big leaguer Butch Hobson. In 2019 Hobson got the Dogs off to a hot start. They had the best record in the American Association through the first two weeks of the season and went on to finish third in the North Division with a 59-40 record.

Last season the Chicago Dogs offense led the American Association with 122 home runs. Keon Barnum and Victor Roache accounted for 45 percent of that total by blasting 31 and 24 home runs, respectively. Barnum was voted America's Independent Baseball player of the year. That honor marked only the third time in American Association history that one of its players took home that prestigious award. Once again, this year the Dogs have made ballparks look small. In 38 games they have belted a staggering 60 home runs as a team. That's 15 more than any other team has this season. Keon Barnum has moved on, but the Dogs have Victor Roache back for his second season in a Chicago uniform. Roache has picked up right where he left off last season. He is currently the league leader in home runs with 14. Another batter the Saints will keep a close eye on is Edwin Arroyo. He has a hit in each of his last five games vs. the Saints.

On the mound southpaw Luke Westphal headlines the Dogs pitching staff. In 2019 he displayed pinpoint control. He finished the season with an 11-2 record and an ERA under 3.00. He fanned 123 in 89.1 innings of work. Last season as a staff Chicago finished with 895 strikeouts. That was just two shy of the all-time record (897) which was set by Kansas City in 2017. In eight starts this year Thomas Dorminy has yet to receive a loss. Dorminy ranks first in the league with a 2.67 ERA. His unblemished 5-0 record is currently tied at the top with four others who also have five wins.

Last year the Saints were left scratching their heads during road games vs. the Dogs at Impact Field. They did however leave Chicago with a great taste in their mouth after clinching the North Division on September 2, 2019. On that day, the Saints took down the Dogs 13-8. That win nailed down home-field advantage throughout the playoffs. The Saints offense hit .256 vs. Chicago pitching last season and six players finished with 10 or more hits in the 13 games played. John Silviano drove home nine runs and smacked four homers. Silviano is heating up. In the Saints most recent series at Milwaukee he blasted three home runs including two in the same game on August 15. He has 10 home runs on the season which is the third highest total in the league.

On the mound for the Saints Mike Devine continues to impress each time out. Devine hasn't yielded a free pass in his last three starts. Devine and teammate Matt Solter are tied with three others for second in the league in strikeouts. Reliever Brian Glowicki has been sensational this season. The former Golden Gopher has not allowed a run in nine straight appearances. In Sunday's game in Milwaukee he recorded the save in a 5-3 Saints win.

What happens when an unstoppable force meets an immovable object? The Dogs are leading the league in home runs this season, and Saints pitching has surrendered the most home runs in the league. The cure for the Saints Achilles heel may come down to scouting reports and execution.

The Saints and the Dogs will play six times in a row beginning with these three games at CHS Field followed by three games at Impact Field August 21-23. With six teams battling for just two playoff spots this season, we have officially hit crunch time. It is setting up to be a heck of a finish down the stretch.



# ST. PAUL SAINTS ROSTER

#	PLAYER	B/T	нт	WT.	DOB	RESIDES	2019 CLUB	STATUS
РІТСН	ERS (12)							
39	Belzer, Nick	R/R	6'2	190	8/11/95	Bondurant, IA	St. Paul/AZL Brewers	Rookie
25	Devine, Mike	R/R	6'0	205	10/14/89	Bonita Springs, FL	St. Paul	Veteran
17	Glowicki, Brian	R/R	5'11	190	10/19/94	St. Paul, MN	Myrtle Beach/South Bend	LS-2
10	Jones, Spencer	R/R	6'5	205	9/22/94	Sparks, NV	Charlotte/Montgomery	LS-3
9	McGrane, Jameson	R/R	6'4	225	6/25/92	Potomac, MD	York	Rookie
11	Medina, Eddie	R/R	6'2	195	2/12/90	Staten Island, NY	St. Paul	LS-5
41	Quintana, Matt	R/R	6'0	185	6/6/93	West Hartford, CT	Joliet/Evansville	Rookie
48	Pobereyko, Matt	R/R	6'3	220	12/24/91	Hammond, IN	Sioux City	LS-2
54	Solter, Matt	R/R	6'3	215	6/4/93	New Bern, NC	Akron/Lynchburg	LS-3
33	Velez, Jose	L/L	6'1	205	9/5/89	Tampa, FL	Sioux City	LS-3
20	Voelker, Paul	R/R	5'11	175	8/19/92	Wayzata, MN	Toledo/Dos Laredos (MEX)	LS-5
18	Zimmerman, Ryan	R/R	5'10	185	12/28/95	Eden Prairie, MN	St. Paul	LS-1
CATCH	IERS (2)							
26	Chinea, Chris	R/R	5'11	217	5/3/94	Miami, FL	Springfield/Memphis	LS-4
2	Ghelfi, Mitch	S/R	5'11	195	9/24/92	Tampa, FL	St. Lucie/GCL Mets	LS-4
INFIEL	.DERS (6)							
7	Allen, Josh	R/R	5'9	185	3/26/91	Fort Meade, FL	St. Paul	LS-5
34	Reynolds, Mikey	R/R	5'9	170	8/19/90	Glendale, AZ	Kansas City/Sussex County	LS-3
3	Samson, Nate	R/R	6'1	190	8/19/87	Orlando, FL	Sioux City	Veteran
24	Silviano, John	L/R	6'0	225	7/11/94	Delray Beach, FL	Jacksonville/St. Paul	LS-4
29	Stankiewicz, Drew	S/R	5'10	190	6/18/93	Gilbert, AZ	Akron/Sioux City	LS-5
4	Young, Chesny	R/R	6'0	170	10/6/92	Atlanta, GA	St. Paul	LS-5
OUTFI	ELDERS (3)							
15	Alexander, Troy	L/L	6'4	210	12/12/96	Fresno, TX	St. Paul	Rookie
16	Harris, Alonzo	R/R	5'10	175	1/16/89	McComb, MS	Oaxaca	Veteran
13	Murphy, Max	R/R	5'11	195	11/17/92	Robbinsdale, MN	St. Paul/Visalia/Reno/ Jackson	LS-5

### **INJURED LIST (0)**

### **INACTIVE LIST (0)**



MANAGER George Tsamis PITCHING COACH Kerry Ligtenberg HITTING COACH Ole Sheldon 1ST BASE COACH Dan Grice CERTIFIED ATHLETIC TRAINER Jason Ellenbecker CLUBHOUSE MANAGER Brendon Cozier

## CHICAGO DOGS ROSTER

#	PLAYER	B/T	нт	WT.	RESIDES	AGE	2019 CLUB	STATUS
РІТСН	ERS (12)							
34	J.D. Busfield	R/R	6'7"	240	Valencia, CA	25	Rockland Boulders (Can-Am)	High-A
35	Eddie Butler	S/R	6'2"	215	Chesapeake, VA	29	NC Dinos (KBO)	MLB
16	Adam Choplick	L/L	6'9"	250	Denton, TX	27	Southern Maryland Blue Crabs	Double-A
33	Jake Cousins	R/R	6'4"	185	Park Ridge, IL	26	Wisconsin Timber Rattlers	Single-A
39/36	Casey Crosby	R/L	6'5"	225	Elburn, IL	31	Los Angeles Dodgers	MLB
13	Jake Dahlberg	L/L	6'0"	212	Vancouver, WA	26	Chicago Dogs	Single-A
12	Thomas Dorminy	L/L	6'0"	207	Lake Panasoffkee, FL	28	Somerset Patriots	Double-A
28	Wes Helsabeck	L/L	6'0"	190	Winston Salem, NC	28	Rancho Cucamonga Quakes	Double-A
23	Jalen Miller	R/R	6'1"	190	Louisville, KY	27	Chicago Dogs	Single-A
10	Paul Schwendel	R/R	6'5"	220	Decatur, GA	31	Garden State Greys	High-A
9/15	Scott Shuman	R/R	6'3"	205	Valdosta, GA	32	Lancaster Barnstormers	Triple-A
24	Luke Westphal	L/L	6'3	235	Clintonville, WI	31	Chicago Dogs	Double-A
CATCH	IERS (2)							
44/40	Garrett Hope	R/R	6'3"	220	Kansas City, MO	26	Rancho Cucamonga Quakes	High-A
5	Logan Moore	L/R	6'3	220	Loveland, CO	29	New Britain Bees	Triple-A
INFIEL	.DERS (6)							
8/22	Blake Allemand	S/R	5'9"	185	San Antonio, TX	28	San Antonio Missions	Triple-A
11	Edwin Arroyo	S/R	5'8"	185	Trujillo Alto, PR	29	Chicago Dogs	Independent
32	K.C. Hobson	L/L	6'2"	230	Bakersfield, CA	30	Lancaster Barnstormers	Double-A
14	Tyler Ladendorf	R/R	5'11"	195	Des Plaines, IL	32	High Point Rockers	MLB
3	Harrison Smith	R/R	5'11"	170	Bakersfield, CA	24	Chicago Dogs	Independent
7/27	Joey Terdoslavich	S/R	6'2"	215	Sarasota, FL	31	Lancaster Barnstormers	MLB
OUTFI	ELDERS (3)							
21	Michael Crouse	R/R	6'4"	225	Port Coquitlam, BC	29	Somerset Patriots	Triple-A
6	Brett Milazzo	L/L	5'8"	170	Arlington Heights, IL		Chicago Dogs	Independent
4	Victor Roache	R/R	6'1"	230	Ypsilanti, MI	28	Chicago Dogs	Triple-A
INJUR	ED LIST (0)							
INACT	IVE LIST (3)							
38	Jamie Callahan	R/R	6'4"	225	Dillon, SC	25	Richmond Flying Squirrels (AA)	MLB
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Santa Rosa, CA

Chicago Dogs

West Virginia Black Bears



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Justin Goossen-Brown

Ryan Haug

MANAGER Butch Hobson PITCHING COACH Cory Domel HITTING COACH D.J. Boston CERTIFIED ATHLETIC TRAINER Tom Simon

Independent

Single-A

### CATCHING LIFE'S CURVEBALLS: CHRIS CHINEA



Chris Chinea grew up in Miami, FL. His dad Carlos was regularly featured as an extra on the television show Miami Vice. He's 26 years old. He and his wife Nicole are expecting their first child together.

Growing up Chris attended storied Gulliver Prep High School in Miami, FL where he compiled several awards during his time on the baseball diamond. He quickly caught the attention of the hometown University of Miami while playing with the Gulliver Prep Raiders and committed to the Hurricanes as a freshman. As a high school sophomore Chinea hit an eye popping .597, followed by a .481 batting average as a junior. Those phenomenal numbers led to back-to-back All-America and Louisville Slugger High School honors. Chinea continued to play at an extremely high level during his senior season at Gulliver Prep and was voted Miami Herald Player of the year after he hit .542.

Three weeks prior to signing with the Hurricanes he was thrown a curve ball as a new recruiting director at the school decided to pull their scholarship offer. It's hard to imagine anyone, especially a high school star athlete, handling news like that gracefully. Chinea didn't dwell on it, or even question why it happened, but instead he adjusted his plans for college. Shortly after Miami recanted their offer Chinea was contacted by Louisiana State University. He fell in love with the campus while on a visit and embraced the opportunity to play for the LSU Tigers. Guys like Chinea make the best out of difficult situations.

He started his collegiate career out behind the plate as a catcher but transitioned to first base for his final season. In 2015 he played in 66 games, hit .344, with 11 home runs on an uber talented LSU team that featured current Philadelphia Phillies ace Aaron Nola, and Houston Astros third baseman Alex Bregman. That season Chinea was a headache for opposing SEC teams. He finished fourth in the SEC in hits, fifth in RBI, eighth in total bases, and 10th in both batting average and home runs. Not to mention he was also named 1st Team All-Louisiana, 2nd Team All-SEC, 1st Team ABCA All-South Region, NCAA Baton Rouge Regional All-Tournament Team, and 3rd Team All-American. Chinea logged time in 139 career games for the purple and gold. He finished with a .317 career batting average and totaled 13 home runs.

He next went from being a Tiger, to being a Cardinal when St. Louis selected him in the 17th round of the 2015 June Amateur Draft. Once again Chris Chinea embraced the challenge. He was now in the farm system of an iconic MLB franchise and part of the same organization that produced

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future Hall of Famer catcher, Yadier Molina. Chinea started his first season in pro ball on a high note when he carried a .309 batting average through his Rookie and Short-A ball assignments. He was named an MiLB.com Organizational All-Star.

In 2016 with Single-A Peoria Chinea played in 99 games. He hit .312, had six home runs, and tied for the team lead with 63 RBI. Chinea was promoted to High-A Palm Beach the next season where the hits continued to come in bunches. He racked up a 16-game hitting streak and reached base safely over a span of 23 consecutive games. That same season on July 29 during a game vs. Bradenton he drove in seven, including a grand slam.

In 2017 the Palm Beach Cardinals and the Dunedin Blue Jays shared the Florida State League title when the season was cut short due to Hurricane Irma. Immediately the focus for the Miami, FL native shifted from how to hit a fastball, to how he could lend a helping hand in recovery efforts. Spending time away from baseball to help his community and family did not diminish Chinea's skills. He continued to make things look simple at the plate when he returned to the field for the 2018 season. He mashed 14 home runs with Double-A Springfield. He played predominately for Double-A Springfield again in 2019 but he did manage to get six games under his belt with Triple-A Memphis.

Sports, at its best, helps to develop character, courage, and the strength to endure when faced with adversity. The Saints signed the down to earth Chinea on June 17 after he was released by the Cardinals organization in late March. He along with hundreds of MiLB players were let go as a result of seasons that were cancelled due to COVID-19.

Chris Chinea has proven his ability to hit at every level. According to The Baseball Cube he ranks well above average in every hitting category in comparison to his peers. He has already shown that he can be counted on to come up with clutch hits and he will quickly become a fan favorite in St. Paul.

Ask any manager and they will tell you how much they too appreciate players like Chinea. They are low maintenance, no drama, and they show up every day ready to do whatever they can to help the team win. For example, taking himself out of the lineup is not in Chris Chinea's DNA. During his junior year at LSU he was hit in the jaw by a 93 mile per hour fastball. Despite being unable to eat solid foods for two weeks he was back on the field within a few days.

Yogi Berra once said, "When you come to a fork in the road, take it." Chris Chinea has come to several forks in the road during his career and in the spirit of that Yogism he has always found success on the paths he's taken. By accepting his current circumstances and staying focused on the professional baseball opportunity that's in front of him with the St. Paul Saints, he is doing the best he can with the skills that he has. When you can hit like Chinea big league clubs are going to keep an eye on you. In the meantime, the Saints are sure happy to have him in the lineup.



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## A-TO-Z OF CHS FIELD

#### With CHS Field entering its sixth season here is the A-to-Z information about the ballpark.

**RT** - Lowertown is the epicenter for art in the Twin Cities. There are artists' lofts around the ballpark and a major art crawl held in the spring and fall. Art has always been a big part of the Saints identity, even employing resident artist Andy Nelson to paint murals around Midway Stadium. Look behind home plate on the concourse. The Gallery is a pregame picnic spot and will be utilized by local artists to display their work. In addition, the mural that was on the wall inside the front gate at Midway Stadium can now be seen on a wall in The Gallery area.

**B ERM** – The Treasure Island Berm in left field is the perfect spot to bring out a blanket, kick back and catch some rays while enjoying the ballgame. This unique grass hill is the most affordable ticket at CHS Field. For just \$5 you can enjoy the perfect vantage point from just over 300 feet away. A select amount of tickets are available prior to each games. Once those are gone the only way to purchase the berm tickets are on the day of each game, in person at the box office.

**ONCOURSE** – The 360-degree concourse let's fans take a walk around CHS Field and take in all the sights, sounds and smells. Whether it's the Craft Beer Bullpen in the left field corner, The Gallery behind home plate, or the various concession stands, the concourse is your key to getting anywhere inside the ballpark

**OG PARK** – While technically not inside CHS Field the Chuck & Don's Dog Park is 17,210 square feet of pure bliss for our four-legged canine friends. Bring your pet to the dog park, let them lap from the fountain, run around and make friends with other dogs or enjoy the view of the ballpark. It might be one of the nicest dog parks in the state.

**LEVATORS** – That's right CHS Field has elevators. There is a second floor at the ballpark, so instead of taking stairs you can ride the elevator. There are four elevators in CHS Field. One is in the Saints front office. Two are located next to each other in the club level that gets fans up to the Securian Financial Club and suites. The final elevator is at the east entrance. For those needing assistance you can take the elevator from the first floor up to the concourse.

**OOD** – The moment the Saints stepped foot into CHS Field they handed the keys to their concessions to Levy Restuarants and Pro Sports Catering (PSC). PSC took over the operation (Levy Restaurants purchased PSC) and has taken the food experience to the next level. Expect the traditional ballpark fare like hot dogs, hamburgers, French fries and nachos, but try some of the more unique items. Last year we had favorites like the Mac Daddy Burger, Paul Bunyan Dog, Chicken and Waffles, and Pork Belly Brat Pop.

**G** Saints were awarded numerous awards for their sustainability efforts in 2015 and once again in 2016. They have set the standard for sports facilities and continue to improve upon them in 2019. The Saints plan to accomplish this in various ways: recycling, composting, a rain water cistern that will recycle rainwater which will be used to flush toilets and water the field, and solar panels that will supply 12% of the ballparks energy.

AMLINE – While CHS Field is home to the St. Paul Saints it's also home to the Hamline Pipers Baseball team. They were the very first team to play at CHS Field in April, 2015. The Division III MIAC school has their own clubhouse and signage around the ballpark denoting that this is also home to the Pipers.

**NTIMATE** – From home plate to the first row of seats is about 40 feet. From home plate to the last row of seats is only 100 feet. There isn't a bad seat in the house and you are close enough to the playing field you can almost reach out and touch the players.

**OKES** – We spend all off-season coming up with the perfect promotions for each night during the season. Our goal is to make you laugh with our humorous jokes during the game. Whether it's from our Master of Ceremonies, the on-field promotions gone awry, or just ideas we come up with on the fly, there are plenty of hilarious moments at Saints game.

**IDS CLUB** – The Saints Kids Club is the Official Kids Club of the St. Paul Saints. It is the best way for our young Saints fans to show their support for the team and receive a number of exclusive benefits and offers that aren't available to anyone else. All kids 12 years of age and under are eligible to become a Saints Kids Club member and enjoy all of the membership benefits. Once a child turns 13 years of age, they will be unable to renew their membership for the following year and will become alumni of the Saints Kids Club. Membership costs \$50 per child each year of membership. Membership runs from May 1 to April 30.

AWN – A full 10,000 square feet of lush grass over the leftfield wall is designed for 1,000 people to enjoy a picnic before the ballgame. The Lawn is a group picnic area, for groups of at least 40 or more, and has a buffet-style serving station with ballpark fare.

**USEUM** – The past meets the present in this 2,000 square foot museum honoring the history of baseball in Saint Paul and the St. Paul Saints. The City of Baseball Museum will take fans through the late 1800s to the

#### A-TO-Z OF CHS FIELD (continued from page 37)

present and will represent five different eras: St. Paul Sandlot (late 1800s), presented by Pillbox Bat Co., On The Map (showing locations of significant Saint Paul baseball landmarks and people), River Rivals (Saints and Minneapolis Millers rivalry), Heavy Hitters (Saints in the 20s, 30s, and 40s), and Comeback Kids (Modern Day Saints). The museum is free of charge and will be open during the summer.

**EIGHBORHOOD** – The St. Paul Saints are a part of a neighborhood with apartments, artists' lofts, restaurants, a transportation hub, and all the amenities one would want when in a thriving Lowertown area.

**FFICES** – The Saints offices are located down the right field line. The main entrance is just off Broadway Street located between the souvenir shop and the ticket windows. On the top floor are two offices, a conference room (with a mural that can be seen from the concourse) and the front desk. On the bottom floor are five individual offices and a "bullpen" area with desks for the front office.

**ICNICS** – If you have a group of friends, we offer pre-game picnics in various specialty seating areas throughout the ballpark. From The Lawn area in left field to the Star Tribune Sky Box on the Club level your group can sit back and relax while we take care of your pre-game meal.

**UESTIONS?** – We're here to answer all your pressing questions, but if you find yourself at CHS Field needing answers there is one place to go: Fan Services Booth. Located behind Section 105 under the "?' on the wall, our Director of Community Partnerships & Fan Services, Eddie Coblentz, is there along with his team to help you out. Whether it's how to take part in a promotion, where certain foods can be found, or just general issues and concerns all of your questions are answered at the Fan Services Booth.

**ESTROOMS** – There are restrooms all over CHS Field. They are along the concourse, in the Securian Financial Club, in the press box, near the suites, out beyond centerfield. There are even restrooms in the bullpen, although fans can't use those. All told there are 14 stalls and 31 urinals for men, 73 total stalls for women and six total family restroom stalls. We've also added a lactation station located on the third base side.

**UN DECK** – This SPIRE Sun Deck opened in 2019 and is located atop the City of Baseball Museum. The outdoor space features high top and low top tables with incredible views of the field and the downtown Saint Paul skyline. This nightly group rental area is perfect for a company outing looking for a unique space to mix and mingle while enjoying the Saints game. The SPIRE Sun Deck can accommodate two groups of 80-100 guests or one group of 150-200 guests. A pre-game meal will be served along with soda and water.

ERRACE – The Treasure Island Terrace, down the right field line, is a perfect area for groups of 125-150. This multi-level space is great for large groups interested in an exclusive area to eat and drink. This area is perfect for networking and entertaining guests while you enjoy a ballgame and a themed menu. It's not hard to miss, just find the giant ship with the cannons.

**SHERTAINERS** – We understand baseball can be a slow sport for many people. That's why there is constantly something going on during a game at CHS Field. We provide the entertainment directly to your seat with our ushertainers. These are actors and actresses who create characters for your enjoyment. From pocket protector fun with the Nerd and Nerdette, to being smacked on the rear end with an inflatable bat by Gert the Flirt, to learning a new recipe from The Chef, our ushertainers will leave you laughing all night long.

**IDEOBOARD** – The videoboard in left-center field measures 49'6" X 27'11" and is a full HD screen. It's used for player headshots, stats, sponsor logos, videos and the ability to show the on-field promotions in between innings.

**EBSITE** – The Saints did a complete re-design of their website during the off-season. While many teams change names or logos, we made sure our website was clean, fresh and easy to navigate. Saintsbaseball. com has all the information you need regarding schedule, promotions, videos, news and community appearances.

**FACTOR** – The entire ballpark is a game changer for the St. Paul Saints. Let it be known, however, while the address has changed the Saints are still the same quirky bunch. Fans can expect hilarious promotions, an entertaining time, but a different experience. The experience will be different because the ballpark is better, and fans will be more comfortable.

**OUTH BASEBALL CAMPS** – Boys and girls ages 6-13 have a chance to learn from the pros during the St. Paul Saints Youth Baseball Camps. There are three regular camps (June 16, 18 & 19, July 7, 8 & 9 and August 5, 6 & 7) and one advanced camp (July 16 & 17) where kids can learn the fundamentals, while having fun, from Saints players and coaches. The camps reinforce the fundamentals of hitting, catching, and throwing. Plus, the kids get to step foot on the award-winning CHS Field. Visit saintsbaseball.com for more information.

ANY - World's largest pillow fight. Most people doing squats in one place. The World's Largest Twister game. A ballpark-wide food fight. A ballpark-wide mooning. And this year the World's Largest game of Duck, Duck Gray Duck presented by Gray Duck Vodka. Yep, we're still the same zany Saints. We've built our brand on being unique and just because the Saints are in this gorgeous award-winning ballpark doesn't mean we're going to forget our roots.

## 2019 FINAL STATS

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## AND THE SHOW GOES ON

In early February all was quiet on the American Association front. Three months shy of the season getting under way and there were no changes scheduled in the league. The same 12 teams with two, six team divisions. And then in the blink of an eye everything changed. At first spring training was pushed back then came word the beginning of the season was postponed. Finally, on June 12 the American Association announced the 2020 season was going to get underway on July 3. Instead of 12 teams, however, six teams would partake in three hub cities. Instead of a 100-game season, the teams will play 60. It may look a little different, but the goal is still the same.

The American Association will consist of three hub cities located in Fargo-Moorhead, ND, Milwaukee, WI, and Sioux Falls, SD. The Winnipeg Goldeyes and Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks will pair up in the Fargo hub. The Chicago Dogs and Milwaukee Milkmen will share Franklin Field in the Milwaukee hub. The St. Paul Saints and Sioux Falls Canaries will become roommates in the Sioux Falls hub.

The Saints made an incredible charge over the final 20 games, going 17-3, to finish with the best record at 64-36 overtaking the Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks, who received the North Division Wild Card berth. In the South, a tight race had Kansas City coming back from nowhere to claim the division and Sioux City edging out Cleburne for the Wild Card because of head-to-head record. The Saints won a thrilling five-game

series over the RedHawks while the Explorers took out the defending champs in four games. In the Finals it was the Saints ending a 15-year drought with a three-game sweep of the Explorers. After a dominating Game 1 win, they came from behind in Games 2 and 3 to claim the crown. The playoffs will look a little different this year.

The top two teams in the league will meet in the American Association Finals in a best-of-five. The team with the better record will host the final three games.

#### AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FINALS SERIES

Saturday, September 12 Top Seed @ Lower Seed

Sunday, September 13 Top Seed @ Lower Seed

Tuesday, September 15 Lower Seed @ Top Seed

Wednesday, September 16 Lower Seed @ Top Seed (if necessary)

#### Thursday, September 17

Lower Seed @ Top Seed (if necessary)

	СНІ	CLE	FM	GAR	KC	LIN	MIL	SP	SC	SF	ТЕХ	WIN
Chicago		984	631	57	523	517	75	385	472	563	942	852
Cleburne	984		1,105	983	569	652	1,046	991	777	866	52	1,323
Fargo	631	1,105		674	599	477	576	247	331	243	1,085	219
Gary	57	983	674		533	539	126	433	545	606	979	892
Kansas City	523	569	599	533		192	559	453	269	358	547	814
Lincoln	517	652	477	539	192		553	438	155	240	637	690
Milwauke	75	1,046	576	126	559	553		331	477	506	1,011	795
St. Paul	385	991	247	433	453	438	331		300	270	954	463
Sioux City	472	777	331	545	269	155	477	300		85	753	546
Sioux Falls	563	866	243	841	358	240	506	270	85		841	458
Texas	942	52	1,085	979	547	637	1,011	954	753	841		1,297
Winnipeg	852	1,323	219	892	814	690	795	463	546	458	1,297	

## MILEAGE CHART



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## 2019 FINAL STANDINGS

Team	W	L	PCT	GB
*St. Paul Saints	64	36	.640	
#Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks	63	37	.630	1.0
Chicago Dogs	59	41	.590	5.0
Winnipeg Goldeyes	57	43	.570	7.0
Gary SouthShore RailCats	40	59	.404	23.5
Milwaukee Milkmen	38	62	.380	26.0

SOUTH				
Team	W	L	PCT	GB
*Kansas City T-Bones	58	42	.580	
#Sioux City Explorers	57	43	.570	1.0
Cleburne Railroaders	57	43	.570	1.0
Lincoln Saltdogs	40	59	.404	17.5
Sioux Falls Canaries	38	62	.380	20.0
Texas AirHogs	28	72	.280	30.0

#### \* Division Winners

# Wild Card

**PLAYOFFS** Semifinal

Fargo-Moorhead 3, St. Paul 2 Fargo-Moorhead 4, St. Paul 3 St. Paul 6, Fargo-Moorhead 4 St. Paul 1, Fargo-Moorhead, O St. Paul 9, Fargo-Moorhead 7 (St. Paul wins series, 3-2)

Kansas City 12, Sioux City 8 Sioux City 11, Kansas City 0 Kansas City 5, Sioux City 2 Sioux City 8, Kansas City 3 Sioux City 5, Kansas City 2 (Sioux City wins series, 3-1)

#### AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

#### **Championship Series**

St. Paul 12, Sioux City 3 St. Paul 3, Sioux City 2 St. Paul 6, Sioux City 3 (St. Paul wins series, 3-0)

Home Teams In Bold

## TWIN CITIES ORTHOPEDICS **TEAM PHYSICIANS**



Andrea Saterbak, MD

#### ANDREA SATERBAK, MD

Andrea Saterbak, MD is a board certified orthopedic surgeon who specializes in knee and shoulder conditions. In particular, she is experienced in arthroscopic approaches to ligament repair/ reconstruction, cartilage preservation, and joint replacement/arthroplasty.

Her focus on sports medicine sparks her drive to provide all of her patients with the best care possible for them. Her continued affiliation with the Steadman Clinic in Vail, Colorado, and her membership in the national sports medicine society, AOSSM, strengthens her continued education in sports medicine. She currently provides care to local sports teams including Stillwater Area High School (Stillwater, MN) and the St. Paul Saints baseball team.



Steven Meisterling, MD

#### Dr. Meisterling completed an orthopedic sports medicine fellowship at American Sports Medicine Institute in Birmingham, Alabama with Dr. James Andrews, He received his medical degree from Creighton University School of Medicine, Omaha, Nebraska, and completed his orthopedic surgery residency at Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, Michigan.

elbow reconstruction.

**STEVEN MEISTERLING. MD** 

Steven Meisterling, MD is a board

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subspecialty certification in sports medicine.

He specializes in arthroscopy (of the knee,

shoulder, and elbow), joint replacement (of the knee, hip, and shoulder), and

Dr. Meisterling is an orthopedist with special interests and advanced training in sports medicine. He has presented oral and poster presentations at national orthopedic meetings, is periodically published in orthopedic medical journals, and is the team physician for the St. Paul Saints.



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#### ROSTER RULES + + +

#### **ROSTER SIZE**

The roster limit for an American Association club is 25 players, of which 13 must be pitchers, for the first 10 days of the season. After that, each team must be down to 23 players. An additional player may be on the disabled list during the regular season with a maximum of three on the inactive list. In previous seasons of those 23 players, a maximum of five (5) may be veterans and minimum of five (5) must be rookies. The remaining players will be designated limited service players and of those LS players only six (6) may be LS-4. Two of these six players may be LS-5. This season the American Association will experiment with new roster rules, highlighted by the elimination of rookie, LS, and veteran minimums and maximums on rosters.

• During the pre-season, a maximum of 30 players may be under contract at any one time. The 25 active player roster must be met two days before the start of the regular season.

#### DEFINITIONS

A. Year of Service: A year of service for American Association players is 75 official at bats or more in a National Association or independent league or leagues, or 30 innings or more pitched in a National Association or independent league or leagues, in any season prior to the present calendar year. For independent and short season/rookie league service, the first two years of service equals one National Association year. For foreign players, the classification and salary level will be determined by the league office.

B. Rookie: A player with less than one year of service.

C. LS-1: A player with less than two years of service.

D. LS-2: A player with less than three years of service.

E. LS-3: A player with less than four years of service.

F. LS-4: A player with less than five years of service. Two of the six LS-4 players may be an LS-5.

G. LS-5: A player with less than 6 years of service.

H. Veteran: A player with six or more years of service. If a player has six or more years of service but has not reached the age of 26 by September 1 of that season, he will be considered an LS-4. If he has not reached the age of 24 by September 1 of that season, he will be considered an LS-3.

## INSIDE THE MIND OF MANAGER GEORGE TSAMIS

It finally happened. Each season since 2004, manager George Tsamis was asked by numerous fans when the Saints would win another championship. Each season the weight on the shoulders of Tsamis got heavier and heavier. He would lose sleep each off-season on the opportunities that eluded him. He won't have to hear those questions now. His club finished with the best record in the American Association and then came back from 0-2 in the North Division Championship Series before sweeping the American Association Finals. It was a title 15 years in the making. We sat down with the George and looked back at the memorable season and looked ahead to his 17th as manager of the Saints.

You lost two pitchers in the first month of the season, in Nick Belzer and Spencer Jones, and arguably the league MVP, Max Murphy, before the All-Star break. How are you able to replace guys like that and still keep the team winning?

A lt is always tough when you lose some of your top players, but guys stepped up and made it work. We had relievers that stepped up when we put them in the rotation. So proud of the guys. Everyone contributed.

On August 12 your team was two-hit against Winnipeg that knocked you out of a playoff spot. Following that game veteran Brady Shoemaker held a players only meeting. How did you find out about that and what did you think?

A Brady is definitely a great guy to have in that clubhouse. He has the right attitude and comes to play every day. He delivered a strong message to everyone and they answered with a tremendous final month.

**P**Following that players only meeting your team went 17-3 to close the season. What was that closing stretch like for you?

A One of the best runs I have been a part of. That schedule was tough too during that stretch. To do it against those teams with so many exciting wins was so impressive.

**Q**: You were down 0-2 in the North Division Championship Series and had a perfect game going against you through six innings in Game 3. What was going through your mind at that moment?

Fargo was excellent. They could hit and they could pitch as well as anyone. We lost two tough one run games and needed to win three in a row at home. Our crowds were so into it. Loud and into every game. We loved it. We came from behind as we did all year and did it again when everything was on the line. What a series. You never give up and we were confident playing at home. **Q**: In all three wins of the North Division Championship Series you either came from behind to win, or in Game 4 won a 1-0 game in the bottom of the ninth. What did that say about your team?

We had a group of guys that believed in each other and stepped up at the time we needed them to. What a group. They wanted it.

After wining the championship there is a brief second where you raise your arm in the dugout, but the emotion really pours out when your coaching staff hugs you. How happy were you for Ole and Kerry, especially, since they have been with you for so long?

A l was just so happy for everyone. Everyone in the organization and the fans are champions. It wasn't easy. It doesn't get much better than clinching a playoff spot in the final regular season home game, winning the North Division Playoff in that unbelievable, exciting fashion and winning the Championship, all on your home field. That is outstanding.

**Q**: In past years you've talked about how the way the season ended kept you up at night in the off-season and it would take you the entire off-season to get over it. Were you able to enjoy winning the title all off-season?

Yes, I have really enjoyed it. I'm really happy.

**Q** You've been in this position before, going into a season as the defending champs. How difficult is it to repeat?

Alt is difficult every year. There are so many good teams every year. You better come ready to play.

**Q**: There were a few guys from last season's team that decided to retire, maybe because they now had that elusive ring. How difficult is it to replace guys that helped you win a title?

All teams lose quality players every year. We just need to do the best we can to replace them with the right guys.

**Q**: Finally, what was it like getting to throw out the first pitch at a Twins game, a team you pitched for in your Major League career, when they honored the Saints for winning a championship?

Funny, it was the most nervous I was all season. I wanted to throw a strike with something on it and not bounce it. I am going to go with it was 95 mph from the left side. Perfect ending to our season.



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## CHS FIELD IN CAPABLE HANDS

The two most important people, and perhaps the unsung heroes of CHS Field, return once again this season. Both have years of baseball experience and often spend countless hours at the ballpark, long past the time everyone else has gone home. The two of them will continue the upkeep of CHS Field.



HALL OF FAME

MARCUS CAMPBELL begins his third year as head groundskeeper after working under Nick Baker since the spring of 2017. Campbell wasted no time making his own mark on CHS Field. During his first full season at the helm, in 2018, CHS Field was awarded one of the highest honors in the industry, Sports Turf Managers Association Professional Baseball Field of the Year.

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Campbell's award-winning work is on display each day and in 2019 the league's main event, the American Association All-Star Game, took place at CHS Field. Not only that, he oversaw Destination Winter Saint Paul, where the Wells Fargo WinterSkate and Securian Financial SuperSlide spent more than two months on the field. He is in charge of developing and maintaining a first-rate playing surface for the facilities

many users. He will also be responsible for the care of CHS Field's many landscape highlights in and around the ballpark.



**CURTIS NACHTSHEIM** made sure fans at Midway Stadium had enough to eat and drink from 2005-14. Now he is responsible for an entire ballpark as the Operations Manager of CHS Field. He oversees everything from the lights to the toilets and everything in between. His responsibility is to make sure the ballpark runs flawlessly for every event that takes place in CHS Field.

Curtis oversees a staff that is responsible for the upkeep of the ballpark during the season, staffing the parking lots on game day, hiring the crew to clean up the ballpark following each game, and is Mr. Fixit when any issue occurs.

In addition to serving as the Saints' home, CHS Field is the home of Hamline University, amateur and high school baseball, concerts, festivals, weddings and much more. With a year-round space in the Securian Financial Club, CHS Field will be one of the hottest venues in 2020.



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#### IT'S EASY BEING GREEN, CHS FIELD CONTINUES TO SET THE SUSTAINABILITY STANDARD

When you look around CHS Field there are plenty of "sexy" areas in the Lowertown ballpark: the state of the art Securian Financial Club, the beautiful Western Red Cedar on various overhangs and ceilings, the lush Treasure Island Berm beyond the left field wall, and last season's addition, the City of Baseball Museum, to name a few. These are areas that add to the aesthetics and comfort for fans entering CHS Field. There are, however, many valuable assets around the ballpark that fans may not pay close attention to, but are extremely valuable for the organization in becoming the Greenest Ballpark in the country.

The ballpark was universally lauded when opened in 2015, winning numerous awards. During that season the Saints and their partners were recognized at every turn. While it's easy to celebrate the design and architecture of CHS Field it was the unsung parts of the ballpark receiving honors that made many in the organization thrilled.

Prior to its opening, CHS Field was touted as The Greenest Ballpark in America. That bold prediction came to fruition when CHS Field was named the Greenest New Ballpark courtesy of GreenSportsBlog, one of the top read blogs in Sports + Green initiatives. CHS Field is the product of a private-public partnership between the City of Saint Paul, the State of Minnesota and the St. Paul Saints Baseball Club. It's one of four awards the Saints received touting the sustainability efforts of the Saints and, at the time, Ecolab.

CHS Field was up against heavy competition, including Levi's Stadium, home of the San Francisco 49ers and host of Super Bowl 50. According to GreenSportsBlog, however, "small projects can sometimes be very influential." The blog goes on to say CHS Field "dotted a myriad of green I's and crossed many green t's, often in innovative fashion." "The Greenest Ballpark in America" addresses several sustainable objectives, including building construction and operations best practices, waste disposal, water conservation and alternative power generation and use.

At the heart of the initiative is an effort to make CHS Field a Zero Waste facility. A robust recycling and composting program were designed by the Saints and Minnesota Waste Wise, an initiative of the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce that works with private businesses throughout the state to minimize and creatively dispose of waste. The ballpark received a Minnesota Pollution Control Agency grant to further the effort, providing more than 30 different color-coded recycling and composting stations within the concourse, ensuring that fans didn't need to walk far to find a place to recycle or compost. The message was driven home to fans through a partnership with the Ramsey and Washington County Resource Recovery Project, Biz Recycling, in communicating and marketing the program to fans at all games in fun and entertaining ways.

Levy Restaurants/ProSportsCatering, the company running CHS Field's food and beverage operation, recycle and compost from the back of house. The company also purchases recyclable or compostable material for food and drink containers, utensils and napkins. Working through its waste hauler, Walter's Recycling, the team is able to collect data and track performance from homestand to homestand throughout the season.

Energy efficiency, and the use of alternative energy, is also a key theme. In left field, a 102.5 kW solar array supplies 12% of the ballpark's energy demand, in addition to acting as a shade pavilion in The Lawn group sales area. The project competed for, and received, a grant through Xcel Energy's RDF program covering much of the cost of one of the largest in-stadium arrays in professional sports. In addition, the ballpark utilizes the City's District Energy system, which uses alternative fuels to heat and cool businesses and dwellings in the city's downtown core.

Sports stadia historically have been significant water wasters. The ballpark houses a 27,000-gallon cistern, capturing rainfall from the 30,000-square-foot roof of the Met Transit Operations and Maintenance Facility next door. When fans flush toilets the water used has been recycled from the cistern. Additionally, 25% of the ballpark's irrigation needs are met by re-used rainwater. This will save 450,000 gallons of domestic water each year. CHS Field is one of the first ballparks to reuse rainwater for field irrigation and fixture flushing. The rainwater re-use system was funded through grants from the Minnesota Clean Water Legacy Fund, the Metropolitan Council, and the Capitol Region Watershed District.

Tree trenches at the Broadway entrance capture and filter storm water from the city streets and adjacent sidewalks, before releasing it off-site. A rain garden at the 4th Street entrance similarly captures and filters storm water. A sub-grade filtration system below the playing field also captures and filters storm water. The ballpark is located less than a quarter-mile from the Mississippi River.

To make room for CHS Field, a massive, vacant concrete warehouse was demolished, and 82,000 yards of contaminated soil were removed from the site. In addition, 95% of the building was recycled, including keeping 20% of the material on-site as part of new construction.

All-together, a site that was virtually 100% water impervious, now boasts 55.9% pervious greenspace. A site with virtually no trees now contains 135 trees and 36,000 square feet of planting.

None of this work happens overnight nor did it end after year one. The Saints continue to build upon their awardwinning first year in educating their fans through humorous videos, informational signs around the ballpark, and interactive kiosks at various areas along the concourse. The goal is for fans, and Saints staff, to recycle and compost 90% of the materials used at CHS Field. With everyone's help CHS Field will continue to be the Greenest Ballpark in America.

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## **WHAT'S IN A NAME?**

As the Saints enter their 28th season in 2020, one constant at the ballpark has been the pig. National and local stories appear each year on the pig delivering baseballs to the umpire. Through it all, the pig remains humble and continues to do its job. From the beginning of the season until the end, fans get a chance to watch the pig grow right before their eyes. Here is a look back at all the Saints pigs.



- 1993 The Saint
- 1994 St. Paula
- 1995 St. Patrick 1996 Tobias
- 1997 Hamlet
- 1998 The Great Hambino
- 1999 Hamilton
- 2000 Hammy Davis Jr.
- 2001 Kevin Bacon
- 2002 Wilbur
- 2003 The Notorious P.I.G / Piggy Smalls
- 2004 Squeal Diamond
- 2005 Ham Solo 2006 Bud Squea
- 2006 Bud Squealig 2007 Garrison Squeallor
- 2008 BoarackOhama
- 2009 Slumhog Millionaire
- 2010 Brat Favre
- 2011 Justin Bieboar
- 2012 Kim Lardashian& Kris Hamphries
- 2013 Mackleboar
- 2014 Stephen Colboar
- 2015 Pablo Pigasso
- 2016 Little Red Porkette
- 2017 Alternative Fats
- 2018 Porknite
- 2019 Daenerys Hoggaryen (pictured)



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Bartlestein, Steve Bauer, Marty Edwards, Mayhue (CC) Furman, Kevin Head, Jeff (CC) McConnell, Jacob Park, Clay (CC) Sandberg, Jordan Turner, Neil HOMETOWN

Northbook, IL Elkridge, MD Orlando, FL Crown Point, IN Hoover, AL Gainesville, GA Georgetown, TX Mazatlan, MX Palm Springs, CA

#### A.A. EXPERIENCE

2nd Year 7th Year 2nd Year 2nd Year 2nd Year 3rd Year 3th Year 3rd Year 1st Year

#### DIRECTOR OF UMPIRES Ronnie Teague

**CREW 1** Jeff Head (CC), Marty Bauer, Jacob McConnell

**CREW 2** Mayhue Edwards (CC), Jordan Sandberg, Kevin Furman

**CREW 3** Clay Park (CC), Steve Bartelstein, Neil Turner

#### **OTHER CAREER ASSIGNMENTS**

Frontier League; NCAA Division I Atlantic League; NCAA Division I MiLB Class AA; Can-Am League; NCAA Division I NCAA Division II MiLB Class AAA; NCAA Division I; College W.S. (3x) MiLB GCL (Rookie) MiLB Class AAA; NCAA Division I MiLB Short-Season Class A MiLB High-A; Northern, Can-Am & Atlantic Leagues

## WHAT'S ON THE MENU SAMANALY AREANED WASAN

#### #101/BURGER DEPOT

#### New Items:

- Black Bean Veggie Burger: black bean based meatless patty, LTO
- Chicken Wings: tossed in a variety of sauces
- Cajun Burger: half pound burger, pepper jack cheese, ham, spicy creole sauce, LTO
- Corn Dog

• Patty Melt: half pound burger, caramelized onions, Swiss and American cheese on Marble Rye.

#### Returning Favorites:

• California Burger: half pound burger, guacamole, jalapeno cheese sauce

- Beer Cheese Bacon Burger: half pound burger,
- beer cheese spread, bacon, LTO
- Saints Che<mark>ese Burger: half pound burger,</mark> American cheese, LTO
- Grilled Chicken: chicken breast, LTO

#### #104/SANDWICH LOT

#### **New Sandwiches**

• Smoked Turkey Sandwich: smoked turkey, cheese, basil aioli, lettuce, tomato, bacon, served on ciabatta bread

• Reuben: corned beef, sauerkraut, thousand island dressing, swiss cheese, marble rye Texas toast

#### **Returning Favorites:**

- Spicy Hummus Vegetable Tortilla Wrap (gluten free wraps available) V/Vegan/GF • Grilled Cheese
- Cuban Panini: Pork loin, Dijon mustard, pickles, ham, swiss

#### **#108 GALLERY GRILL**

- Slugger Burgers: Single, Double, Triple, Home Run, Grand Slam
- Quarter Pound Hot Dogs
- Chicken Tenders with Fries

#### #111 CHUCK & DON'S DOG PARK

#### Returning Favorites:

• Vegan Italian Sausage: A true vegan Italian sausage (from Herbivorous Butcher in Minneapolis)

- Chicago Dog
- Chili Mac dog
- Chili Cheese dog
- Mac and Cheese Dog • Jalapeno Cheddar Bratwurst
- Jalapeno Lheddar Bratwurs
   Wisconsin Brat
- Saints quarter pound dog

#### #114 PIES AND FRIES:

#### New Items:

- Tater Keg Poutine: tater kegs, shredded pork,
- fresh cheese curds, gravy
- Funnel Cake Fries: with powdered sugar

#### **Returning Favorites:**

- House Made Pizza: Cheese, Pepperoni, Home Stand Special
- Home Stand Special
- Battered Walleye Pike, Tartar Sauce • Chicken Tenders
- Jalapeno Cheddar Brat
- Saints Quarter Pound Hot Dog

#### #600 MUDS DAIRY AREA/BBQ

#### New Items

Specialty Shake Flavors

#### **Returning Favorite:**

- Stadium Dog
- Chopped Smoked Brisket (for Sandwich)
- Smoked Chicken (for sandwich)
- Smoked Pull Pork (for sandwich)
- Ice Cream Waffle Sundae: homemade waffles, ice cream, whipped cream, bacon crumbles

## ALL-TIME SAINTS ROSTER

Adams, Hugh, P, 2013 Adams, Hugn, P, 2015 Adams, Skip, 1B-SS, 2007 Adams, Trever, 3B, 1B, OF, 2016 Aiello, Mike, C, 2019 Akin, Aaron, P, 2001 Albin, Scott, P, 2001-02 Alexander, Troy, OF, 2019 Alfonzo, Eliezer, C, 2003 Alfonzo, Eliezer, C, 2003 Alkire, Jeff, P, 1995-97 Almadova, Breland, OF, 2016-17 Almonte, Danny, SS, 1997 Allen, Josh, 2B, 2018-19 Alley, Josh, OF, 2009-10 Altavilla, Tony, IF, 2009 Alvarez, Luis, 1B-OF, 1994 Ammirati, Nick, C, 2013 Andel, Chris, P, 2005 Andel, Chris, P, 2005 Anderson, Luke, P, 2012-13 Antonio, Michael, IF, 2015 Argo, Willie, OF, 2015-2016 Arial, Ryan, P, 2009 Arnott, George, C, 2001 Ashby, Chris, OF, 2002 Ashley, Billy, OF, 1999 Aucoin, Eddie, P, 2004 Bacon, Kevin, Maccot, 2001 Aucoin, Eddie, P, 2004 Bacon, Kevin, Mascot, 2001 Baker, Chris, IF, 2019 Balet, Pichi, OF, 2008 Barnese, Nick, P, 2014 Barrett, Kyle, OF, 2018 Battle, Howard, 3B, 2002 Balcan Adam, OF Balcan Adam, UF Beck, Landon, P, 2019 Becker, Brian, 1B, 2006 Becker, Joey, IF, 2013-14 Beene, Taylor, IF, 2017 Bennett, Andrew, IF, 2008-09 Begg, Chris, P, 2003 Bell, Richard, P, 1999-2000, 02 Bellinato, Tony, 0F, 1999 Beltre, Esteban, P, 1997 Belzer, Nick, P, 2019 Bergin, David, DH, 1B, 2016 Berroa, Oliver, P, 2000-01, 02 Bernal, Hector, 2B, 3B, 2010-11 Bichette Jr., Dante, 3B, 2018 Bieboar, Justin, Mascot, 2011 Bienat, Joe, 2B-3B, 1995-96 Bigley, Evan, 0F, 2014 Bilachette, Bill, 1B, 1994 Blackwell, Tim, Manager, 1993-94 Blanchette, Bill, 1B, 1994 Blasingame, Kent, 0F, 1993 Bilitstein, Jeff, P, 2008 Beck, Landon, P, 2019 Boelter, Ryan, 2018 Boelter, Ryan, 2018 Bollinger, Ryan, 2014 Bolton, Dustin, P, 2008 Bonilla, Clemente, IF, 2004 Booth, Jeremy, C, 1998 Bolton, Dustin, P, 2007 Bonfe, Joe, 3B, 0F, 2014 Bordeer, US, D, 1007 Borders, Ila , P, 1997

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Boughner, Anthony, P. 2006 Bourassa, Adam, OF, 2007 Bourquin, Ronnie, 3B, 2011-12, 2015 Boxwell, Alex, OF, 2018 Boyd, Jayce, OF, 2018 Boyer, Brad, IF, 2013 Brachold, Keith, OF, 2014 Brackeen, Colin, P, 2000

## Brandenburg, Adam, P, 2007 Brandenburg, Adam, P, 21 Brandt, Donald, P, 2011 Brazell, Craig, IF, 2009,13 Brower, Jim, P, 2009 Brown, Tim, 1B, 2008 Brice, Thomas, OF, 2006 Brooks, Jeff, 1B, 2003 Brown, Davis, Coach, 2007 Brown, Jarvis, Coach, 2003 Brown, Tonayne, OF, 2004-05 Brown, Travis, C, 2005 Brown, Travis, C, 2005 Brownholtz, Joe, P, 1994 Bruett, J.T., OF, 1996 Brunson, Matt, 2B, 2007 Bryant, Scott, OF-3B, 1997 Buchanan, Brian, R, 2003 Buchanan, Brian, 1B, 2006 Buchanan, Brian, 1B, 2006 Buckley, Reagan, C, 2001-02 Buerkle, Ben, OF, 2017 Bullard, Jason, P, 1994-95 Burgamy, Brian, IF-OF, 2013 Burgess, Graham, C, 2001 Burgos, John, P, 1996 Burrus, Josh, OF, 2010 Burrus, Josh, OF, 2010 Burzynski, Brady, OF, 2016-17 Buske, Tom, P, 2009 Bustos, Saul, SS, 1999-2000 Butler, Jacob, OF, 2009 Butler, Steve, IF, 2005-06, 08-10 Byas, Mike, OF, 2003 Cabrera, Willie, OF, 2012-14 Caldwell, Tony, C, 2016-17 Callahan, Dave, 18, 2003 Calvert, Klae, P, 2002 Callahan, Dave, 1B, 2003 Calvert, Klae, P, 2002 Camacho, Juan, 3B, 2005 Camilli, Jason, 2B, 2001 Candelaria, Ben, OF, 2000 Cannaday, Aaron, C, 1996 Carlson. Kevin, C, 2007 Carr, Kyle, P, 2011-12 Carr, Nick, P 2012 Carravelli, Mike, P, 1995 Carter Brandon, 2B, 2010 Carr, Nick, P 2012 Carravelli, Mike , P, 1995 Carter, Brandon, 2B, 2010 Carter, Kes, OF, 2017-18 Cash, Condor, 1B, 2002 Castaldo, Vince, 3B, 1994-95 Castaldo, Vince, 3B, 1994-95 Casteel, Ricky, P, 2001 Castillo, Benny, OF, 1994,98 Caston, Bernard, OF, 1998 Cavan, Ryan, IF, 2015-2016 Centala, Scott , P, 1994-95 Cephas, Josh, P, 2012 Cesar, Angel, SS, 1995 Chambless, Chet, P, 2001 Charles, Frank, C, 1993 Chavez, Dylan, P, 2015 Childs, Dwight, C, 2013-04 Chavez, Dylan, P, 2015 Childs, Dwight, C, 2013-14 Christensen, Chad, OF, 2010 Claggett, Anthony, P, 2012-14 Coe, Robert, P, 2011-12, 14-17 Colboar, Stephen, Mascot, 201 Loe, Robert, P, 2011-12, 14-17 Colboar, Stephen, Mascot, 2014 Colson, Jason, 1B, 2008 Colwell, Tim, OF, 2017 Cooper, Jason, 1B, 2009-11 Cordeiro, Brian, P, 1996 Cordero, Chad, P, 2011 Cornerio Lorenz, P 2021 Cornejo, Jesse, P, 2001 Corona, Ronnie, P, 2004 Corrona, Ronnie, P. 2004 Correa, Aaron, P. 2013 Cosgrove, Mike, P. 2003 Costa, Shane, OF, 2011-12 Cox, Adam, P. 2009 Cox, Billy, C, 2006-07 Cox, Kris, OF, 2004-05 Cox, Kris, OF, 2004-05 Craveford, Alec, P, 2015 Crawford, Alec, P, 2016 Crawford, Jay, P, 2005 Crawford, Wesley, P, 2002 Creasy, Jason, P, 2017 Crenshaw, Dustin, P, 2015, 17, 19 Cruz, Arian, P, 2002 Curry, Steve, P, 1995 Curtin, Tom P, 2019 Curtin, Tom, P, 2019

Curtis, Brandon , 3B, 1998-99 Curtis, Chris , P, 1998

D'Alessandro, Joe, P, 2010

D'Alexander, Greg , SS-3B, 1993-96 D'Alexander, Greg, SS-3B, 15 Danczyk, Tommy, P, 2014 Dandrea, Domenic, C, 2017 Dandridge, Brad, C, 1994 Danzy, Ray, OF, 2002 Darden, Tony, P, 1993 Dascenzo, Doug, OF, 1995 Dattola, Kevin, OF, 1996-97 Davis, Glenn, 1B, 1996 Davis, Glenn, 1B, 1996 Davis, Glenn, 1B, 1996 Davis, Hammy, Mascot, 2000 Davis, Hunter, P, 2010 Davis, Jay, OF, 2007 DeFabbia, Jerry, 2B-SS, 1993 Delaney, Sean, C, 1997 Delfino, Mitch, 1B/2B, 2017 Dennison, Dan, OF, 2004 DePaula, Julio, P, 2011 Derrick, Stenhen, 3B, 2009 Derrick, Stephen, 3B, 2009 DeSmidt, Jeff, C, 2009 Destinuc, John, P, 1997 Devine, Mike, P, 2018-19 Diamond, Squeal, Mascot, 2004 Dickert, Reed, P, 2009 UICKert, Reed, P, 2009 Dickinson, Rodney, P, 1999-2000, 02 Dietrich, Derrick, 0F, 1993-94 DiFazio, Vinny, C, 2014-16 Dionne, Stephane, C, 1997 Donnelly, Robert, P, 1997 Dorado, Reyes, P, 2015 Dorris, Ashton, P, 2010 Dorreau, Pupa, 2P, 2004 Dorsey, Ryan, 3B, 2004 Doorneweerd, Dave , P, 1995 Doskocil, Darren , 2B, 1998 Dour, Craig, 1B, 2001 Drew, J.D. , 0F, 1997-98 Driskill, John, 2B, 2001-02 Duff, Matt, P, 2001 Dunaway, Jason, IF, 2001 Durham, Leon , 1B-DH, 1993-94 Durham, Miles, OF, 2012 Dworken, Mikaela, C, 2004 Eason, Clay, P, 2004 Edwards, Kris, P, 2011 Eggleston, Aharon, OF, 2011 Ehrnsberger, Chad, IF, 2005 Eikum, Gabe, P, 2006 Elliott, Mitch, OF, 2014-15 Elliott, Mitch, 0F, 2014-15 English, Jesse, P, 2011 Eppard, Jim, 1B, 1993 Embry, Byron, P, 2007 Escat, Gene, P, 2016 Esch, Jake, P, 2018 Escobar, Carlos, C, 2014 Eskierka, Ryan, P, 2002 Espinosa, David, 0F, 2015 Estrella Hertor, 28 3B 27 Espinosa, Uavid, Ur, 2015 Estrella, Hector, 28, 38, 2010 Eure, Jeff, 38, 2009 Evans, Chris, OF-38, 1996-98 Fats, Alternative, Mascot, 2017 Feauto, Brett, OF, 1994 Fenwick, Ron, 28, 2008-09 Fera, Aaron, OF, 2003 Fieldbinder, Mick , P, 1999-2000 Fingleson, Gavin, IF, 2001 Fingleson, Gavin, IF, 2001 Fishe, Steve, P, 2003 Fisher, Rob, OF, 2006 Fitzgerald, Kevin, P, 2007 Fleetham, Ben, P, 2001-03; Coach, 2003-04 Fleming, Carlton, 2B, 1996 Fonseca, Alex, 2B, 2007, 09 Forbes, Mike, 0F, 2005-06 Forbes, Mike, DF, 2005-06 Foster, Kevin, P, 2003-04 Foster, Kyle, P, 2007-01 Foster, Kyle, P, 2007-01 Fost, Ryan, P, 1996 Frazier, Harold, P, 1998-99 Frazier, Harold, P, 1998-99 Frosch, Ken, P, 2017-19 Frost, Adam, SS, 2011-13 Frost, Jeremy, C-0F, 2005-06 Gaal, Bryan, P, 2004-05 Gabriel, Chad, OF, 2010 Gac, Ian, IF, 2015 Gallas, Anthony, OF, 2017 Garabedian, Alex, C, 2011-12 Garner, Kevin, DH, 1996 Garrett, Maxx, C, 2016-17 Gash, Darius, OF, 1994 Gawer, Matt, P, 2002 Gawer, Matt, P, 2002 Gay, Drew, P, 2013-15 Geist, Jonathan , OF, 1993

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Gerald, Eddie , OF, 1999-2000 Gerato, Louis, 17, 1997-2000 Ghelfi, Drew, P, 2014 Gilmartin, Mike, SS, 2016 Giron, Emiliano, P, 2002 Giron, Isabel, P, 2002 Gilinatsis, George, P, 1994 Godin, Jason, P, 20101 Gogos, Keith, OF-P, 1993 Goihl, Jack, C, 2017 Goldberg, Zach, C, 2008 Gomez, Dennys, P, 1999 Gomez, Ricky, SS-28, 2001,02 Gonzalez, Manny, OF, 1999 Goodrum, Kevin, P, 2002-03 Gould, JJ, SS, 2017-18 Gousha, Sean, C, 1996 Gretz, Aaron, C, 2015-2016, 2018 Gretz, Aick, 1B, 2004-06 Grewal, Ranbir, P, 1993-94 Ghelfi, Drew, P, 2014 Gretz, Nick, 1B, 2004-06 Grewal, Ranbir, P, 1993-94 Griffiths, Everard, P, 1998,2000 Gripp, Ryan, 1B, 2007 Gronowski, Craig, OF, 1994 Gulin, Lindsay, P, 1999 Gump, Brian, P, 2012 Gutierrez, Andrew, P, 2017 Gutierrez, Danny, P, 1st Base Coach, 2012, 15 Habig. Keith. 3B, 1999 Gutierrez, Janny, P, 1st Base L Habig, Keith, 3B, 1999 Hagins, Steve, C, 2000 Hairgrove, Trevor, IF-OF, 2013 Hale, Adam, OF, 2008 Hall, Justin, 2B, 2003-05 Hall, Noah, OF, 2001 Halt, Noah, OF, 200 Halt, Noah, OF, 2001 Hamburger, Mark, P. 2013, 2016-17 Hamilton, Joe , OF, 1999 Hamilton, Joe , OF, 1999 Hamilton, Joe , OF, 1999 Hamlet, Mascot, 1997 Hammes, Nate, C, 2010-11 Hammons, Matt, P. 2005-2006 Hamphries, Kris, Mascot, 2012 Hanson, Nate, 3B, 2015-2017 Haran, Gerard, C, 2010 Harrington, Matt, P. 2001, 2007 Harris, Alonzo, OF, 2015-2016 Harris, Cory, OF, 2003 Harris, Chandler, P. 2017 Heath, Demetrius, 2B, 2007 Herbert, Joe , P. 1995 Heekt, Joen, P. 2015 Harcia, Songo Haber, Joe Joe Songo Hebert, Joe , P. 1995 Heck, Jimmy, OF, 2018 Hebert, Joe , P, 1995 Heck, Jimmy, OF, 2018 Heinkel, Don , P, 1993 Helm, Aron, P, 2005 Henkemeyer, Andy, OF, 2013 Hentges, Chase, P, 2014 Henry, Bryan, P, 2013 Henry, Jabari, OF, 2019 Hernandez, Jackie Coarb, 20 Hernandez, Ivan, P, 2006 Hernandez, Jackie, Coach, 2003-06 Hernandez, Jose, OF, 2012-13 Hernandez, Pedro, P, 2015 Hickey, Mike , 2B, 1999 Hill, Jason , C-1B, 2000,01,02 Hirtensteiner, Rick , OF, 1993 Hoffmar, Edrace, D, 1002 Hoffman, Edson , P, 1993 Hoftman, Edson, P, 1993 Holubec, Ken, P, 2004 Honda, Tomohiro, P, 2001 Hood, Jay, SS, 2002 Hoppe, Jason, P, 2017 Hose, T.J., P, 2013 Howe, Matt, IF, 2004 Howell, Jeff, C, 2011 Howerton, John, P, 2007 Hurdhes Ben P, 2014 Howercon, Jonn, P, 2007 Hughes, Ben, P, 2014 Huguet, J.C., P, 2007 Huizinga, Jon, P, 2007 Hurst, Jon, C, 2012 Hurst, Kyle, P, 2012 Ibarra, Jesse, 3B-1B, 2000-01 Jackson, Chuck, 3B, 1996 Jackson, Lhuck , 58, 1996 Jacobson, Kerry, OF, 2002 Jensen, George, P, 2013 Jeppesen, Elgin , OF, 1994 Jess, Jordan, P, 2019 Johnson, Andy, P, 2014 Johnson, Benji, C, 2012 Johnson, Dan, P, 18, 2016-18 Johnson, Danny , OF, 1998 Johnson, Jimmy, Manager, 2002 Johnson, Kyle, C, 2009 Jones, Chris, OF, 2003

Jones, Spencer, P, 2019 Jones, Steve , P, 1994 Jordan, Scooter, OF, 2007-08 Jordan, Scooter, UF, 2007-08 Kaczrowski, Dan, IF, 2009, 13, 15 Kain, Harrison, OF, 2017 Kane, Ryan, 38, 2003 Kanovich, Jason, P, 2000 Keel, Heath, OF, 2008 Kenady, Jake, P, 1997 Kenpady, David, 18, 1004,07,00 kenady, Jake, H, 1997 Kennedy, David, 1B, 1994,97-98 Keusch, Joe, P, 1998 Kiest, Tanner, P, 2019 Kilichowski, John, P, 2019 Kimbler, Doug, 2B, 1994 Kincaid, Ben, P, 2012 King, Mackenzie, P, 2013-14 Kinstak, Benaden D, 2000 King, Mackenzie, P. 2013-14 Kintzler, Brandon, P. 2009 Klabunde, Dustin, P. 2012-13 Klipp, Justin, P. 2014 Knaus, Kody, P. 2016 Knazek, Scott, C. 2009 Knott, John, 3B, 2000 Kohno, Kazuhiro, OF, 2004 Kokinda, Steve, JF, 1998 Konizank, Dave, JB, 1998 Kokinda, Steve , IF, 1998 Konigsmark, Dave , 2B, 1996 Koons, Mike, P, 2013 Korn, Ray, Coach, 1995-2001 Kosek, Kory , P, 1998 Kowalczyk, Karch, P, 2019 Krause, Brent, OF, 2007-11 Krause, Jake, SS, OF, 2011-12 Kristoffersen, Jon, SS, 2016-17 Kubal, Alex, OF, 2009 Kvasnicka, Mike, OF, 2015 Lang, Michael, OF, 2015 Lang, Michael, OF, 2015 Lardashian, Kim, Mascot, 2012 Larson, Adam, P, 2005 Larson, Zach, C, 2010 Lashley, Ryan, IF, 2015 Larson, Zach, C, 2010 Lashley, Ryan, IF, 2015 Leary, Rob , OF-18, 1996 Lee, Chris, P, 2019 Lee, Sam , OF, 2000 Leon, Donny, 3B, 2005 Letourneau, Jeff , P, 1996 Lewis, Mike , P, 1994 Lieder, Craig , 1B, 1996 Ligtenberg, Kerry, P, 2009; Pitching Coach, 2012-18 Little, Connor, P, 2017 Lopez, Luis , 2B-3B, 1995 Long, Matt, P, 2011 Longmire, Marcel, C, 2007-08 Lopez, Josue, IB, 2007 Lord, Justin, P, 2006-08 Lubach, Tanner, C 2017 Lopez, Josue, 1B, 2007 Lord, Justin, P, 2006-08 Lubach, Tanner, C 2017 Lubrano, Paul, P, 2006 Lucca, Lou, 3B, 2004 Lucy, Pat, P, 2004 Lytle, Chaz, OF, 2006 Mackleboar, Mascot, 2013 Magdaleno, Rick, SS-P, 2002 Maggio, Nathaniel, 1B-0F, 2018 Mahon, Reid, P, 2012 Malave, Jose, OF, 2003 Mallard, Randi, P, 2000 Malm, Jeff, P-0H, 2017-18 Manfred, Jim, P, 1993-94,96 Mann, Todd, C, 1993 Manning, Chris, C, 2013 Manol, Julio, P, 1993 Marsolino, Tony, 2B, 2008-09 Manuel, Robert, P, 2011 Marak, Paul, P, 1993 Marini, Limberth, SS, 2002 Marini, Anthony, P, 2001 Marks, Tim, C, 2004-05 Martinez, Jeremy, 2019 Martinez, Matt P 2002 Martinez, Cesar, P, 2004 Martinez, Jeremy, 2019 Martunas, Matt, P, 2002 Marshall, Andre, OF, 2008 Mathison, Todd, P, 2009-12 Mathys, Jake, P, 2018-19 Maus, Sam, 2B, 2014-16 Mayo, Jeremy, C, 2013 Mays, Steve, S5, 2009-11 Mazur, Graham, P, 2000 McDonald, Jon, P, 2003 McDonald, Jared, UTIL, 2014

McInnes, Chris, SS-3B, 1997 McKee, Scott, C, 2003 McKanzie, Marcus, P, 2007, 10 McMahon, Mason, P, 2019 McNally, Jason, C, 1995 McRoberts, Brian, P, 1997-98 Meadows, Scott, OF, 1993 Medina, Eddie, P, 2018-19 Mehlich, Mikey, P, 2013-15 Mercado, Richard, C, 2011 Merritt, Tim, 2B-1B, 2004 Metzger, Erik, C, 2001 Meyer, Mike, P, 2004-06 Meyer, Matt, P, 2010, 13-14 Mevers, Keith, P, 2001,02 McInnes, Chris , SS-3B, 1997 Meyer, Matt, P, 2010, 13-14 Meyers, Keith, P, 2001,02 Milacki, Bob, P, 2000 Millar, Kevin, 3B, 1993, 2010, 2017 Miller, Brad, 3B, 2010 Miller, Brad, 3B, 2010 Miller, Joe, 0F-P, 1995-98 Mimbs, Mike, P, 1993 Millier, Gluber, Mesert 200 Mimbs, Mike, P, 1993 Millionaire, Slumhog, Mascot, 2009 Mindingall, Wes, P, 2003 Minoso, Minnie, JH, 1993, 2003 Mirizzi, Marc, 1F, 2004 Miriza, Erik, OF, 1998-99 Mitchell, Evan, P, 2018 Mojica, Jimmy, IF, 2008 Molldrem, Craig, P, 2008 Moore, Kevin, OF, 2002 Morales Matt IE 2019 Morales, Matt, IF, 2019 Morales, Steve, P, 1994-95 Morales, Steve, P, 1994-95 Moran, Eric, P, 1993 Moriarty, Mark, P, 2009 Morris, Billy, IF, 1995 Morris, Jack, P, 1996 Morrison, Kyle, P, 2013 Morse, Ryan, P, 2010 Moss, Barry, Coach, 1995-96 Math. Caller, C, 1005-00 Moss, Barry, Coach, 1995-96 Mota, Carlos , C, 1995,99 Mota, Henry , P, 1999 Motl, Dan, OF, 2018-19 Motley, Darryl, OF, 1995 Mulligan, Sean, C, 1998 Munoz, Billy, 1B-DH, 2004-05 Murphy, Max, OF, 2018-19 Myles, Bryson, OF, 2018-19 Myles, Bryson, OF, 2018-19 Nelson, Charlie, OF, 1999 Nelson, Charlie, OF, 1999 Nelson, Charlie, OF, 1999 Nelson, Charlie, OF, 1999 Nelson, Charlie, OF, 2002 Nerei, Yuji, 1B-OF, 2001 Nettles, Marcus, OF, 2005 Newman, Al, Special Instructor, 2014 Newson, Warren, OF, 2003 Nickerson, Brian, 3B, 2002 Newson, Warren, OF, 2003 Nickerson, Brian, 3B, 2002 Nikorak, Steve, IF, 2015 Nittoli, Vinny, P, 2017-18 Nokes, Matt, C-DH, 1998-99 Norman, Anthony, OF, 2009 Notorious P.I.G, Mascot, 2003 Nunez, Argelis, OF, 2011 Nunez, Maximo, P, 2001 Nunn, Chris, P, 2018 Oaks, Alan, P, 2018 O'Brien, Mark, P, 1995 O'Conner, Justin, C, 2018 Odegaard, Chris, P, 2012 Oh, Danny, OF, 2017 Ohama, Boarack, Mascot, 2008 Olean, Chris, P, 2001 Olow, Adam, OF, 2003-07 Ulean, Lhris, P, 2001 Olson, Connor, C, 2018 O'Neill, Doug, OF, 1995 Ordonez, Rey, S5-28, 1993 O'Reilly, John, P, 1999 Oropesa, Eddie, 28, 1993-94 Ortega, Eddie, 28, 1993-94 Ortega, Eddie , 2B, 1993-94 Ortega, Eddie , 2B, 1993-94 Ortiz, Javier , 0F, 1995 Paciorek, Joey, C, IF, 0F, 2015 Page, Duane , P, 1994 Painich, Joey , P, 1998 Parker, Brandon, P, 2004 Pascual, Steve, IF, 2019 Paskievitch, Tom , P, 1996 Patrick, St., Mascot, 1995 Patterson, Ryan, 0F, 2011 Paula, St., Mascot, 1994 Paul, Andy , P, 1997 Peacock, Chris, P, 2015-16 Pearson, Eddie, 1B, 2003

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Peck, Mike, P, 2006 Peltier, Dan , 1B, 1995-97 Perez, Julio, P, 2004 Perez, Julio, P, 2004 Perez, Miguel, P, 2002 Perio Jr., Noah, IF, 2018 Peterman, Ernie, P, 1996-97 Peterman, Tommy, 1B, 2002 Petersen, Josh, 3B, 2010 Peterson, Brandon, P, 2017 Peterson, Brandon, P, 2017 Peterson, Tyler, 18, 2014 Peterson, Zach, P, 2010 Pettersen, Luke, IF, 2018 Phillips, Anthony, IF, 2015, 2018 Pigasso, Pablo, Ball Pig, 2015 Pike, Matt, P, 2005-06 Pinkerton, Patrick, C, 2005 Plefka, Jon, P, 2010, 13-14 Pollard Damon, P. 1993 Pietka, Jon, P. 2010, 15-14 Pollard, Damon, P. 1993 Porkette, Litte, Red, Mascot, 2016 Porknite, Mascot, 2018 Postlewait, Jacob, P. 2007 Powell, Paul, 18-0F, 2003 Prado, Jose, P. 1997-98 Priddy, Ryan, SS, 2007-08 Prigatano Pichard OF 2019 Priddy, Ryan, 55, 2007-08 Prigatano, Richard, OF, 2018 Pugh, Tim, P, 1998 Quijano, Alain, P, 2011 Radmacher, Mark, C, 2013 Radwan, Jason, C, 2000 Raffo, Tommy, OF, 1993 Ramirez, Marco, P, 1999 Papagat Ling, OF, 1993 Ramirez, Marco, P. 1999 Rapoport, Jim, OF, 2012 Regits, Josh, P. 2008 Renick, Josh, IF-OF, 2004-06 Resser, Kyle, IF, 2008 Reyes, Christian, C, 2008 Reynolds, Burt, IB-OF, 2017-19 Rival, Kevin, P. 2006 Reynolds, Burt, IB-OF, 2017-19 Rival, Kevin, P, 2006 Robbins, Lance, IF-OF, 1996-97 Roberson, Kevin, OF, 2009 Robinson, Lonnie, P, 2008-09 Robinson, Scott, P, 1996 Rodebaugh, Ryan, P, 2015-16 Rodriguez, Devon, IF, 2019 Rodriguez, Kyan, 28, 1998 Rodriguez, Victor, IF, 2006 Roemer, Wes, P, 2012-13 Rolon, Alberto, P, 2011-12 Romanczuk, Mark, P, 2008 Romancli, Paul, P, 1997 Romanski, Josh, OF, 2019 Rosin, Seth, P, 2017 Ross, Craig, P, 1995 Rudolph, Mason, C, 1994 Ruffcorn, Scott, P, 1999 Rudolph, Mason, C, 1994 Ruffcorn, Scott, P, 1999 Ruiz, Ryan, OF, 1999-2002 Ruiz, Willy, 2B, 2002 Rupert, Chris, P, 2004 Ruud, Charlie, P, 2005-09 Ruwe, Kyle, P, 2012 Saint, The, Mascot, 1993 Solvere, Larcew, D 2001 Saint, The, Mascot, 1993 Salyers, Jeremy, P, 2001 Samuels, Scott, OF, 2004 Santana, Osmany, OF, 2002 Santos, Ray, 3B, 1997 Sattler, Dan, P, 2012, 14 Saucke, Casey, IF, 2001 Scalabrini, Pat, IF, 2006 Scalabrini, Pat, IF, 2006 Sautoke, Lasey, IF, 2001 Scalabrini, Pat, IF, 2006 Scanlan, Matt, 3B, 2005 Scarpetta, Cody, P, 2016 Scheppers, Tanner, P, 2009 Schlosser, Mark, IF, 2001 Schlosser, Ryan, P, 2018-19 Schlutt, Jason, P, 1997 Schmissing, Andrew, OF, 2009-10 Schmidt, Jacob, P, 2010-11 Schmit, Blake, IF, 2019 Schuld, Matt, P, 2012, 17 Schultz, Mike, C, 2015 Schwab, Chris, OF, 2001 Scott, Marty, Manager, 1995-2000 Sealey, Trevor, UTIL, 2018 Seeman, Adam, C, 2012-13 Secrist, Jon, P, 1999 Seidel, RJ., P, 2014 Seip, Rod, P, 1996 Self, Todd, 1B, 2009 Self, Todd, 1B, 2009 Senjem, Guye , C, 1997-99, 2004

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## COMMUNITY ART PROGRAM

Art and creativity have always been an important part of the St. Paul Saints culture. When the Saints moved to the historic Lowertown arts district, they seized the opportunity to collaborate with the local art community and infuse CHS Field with the artistic spirit of Lowertown.

Now in it's 5th year, the Saints Art Program features seasonal public art happenings, game day art actvities, and year round opportunities for local artists to display and sell their work.

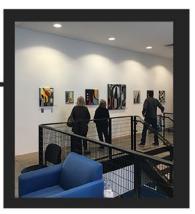
#### **OUTFIELD ART TENT**

The Art Tent offers free artist-led activites for fans at weekend home games.



#### LOCAL ART SHOWCASE

The Art Showcase is a rotating fine art exhibit in the Saints office and the Securian Financial Club Lobby.



#### **SHOWING WITH SAINTS**

Run by The Show Nonprofit, this project provided two free vendor spaces to artists at every Saints home game.

www.theshowgallerylowertown.org



#### ART AND ABOUT

Art and About works with local artists to produce pop-up art events and public art projects in and around St. Paul.



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#### Ushertainer /əSHər tānər/ n.,

A person, such as a singer, dancer, or comedian, exclusively found at CHS Field, who entertains crowds, engages fans and keeps them smiling win or lose.

#### AL ABOARD

A loveable, but sometimes befuddled, Engineer who blows his whistle and get fans on board his "Rally Train!"

#### **BELLE OF THE BALLPARK**

Some princesses have castles, this one has a ballpark! She prefers hot dogs to caviar and wishes upon fireworks!

#### THE CHEF

This phony French Culinarian is responsible for all of the delicious food at CHS (but far too important to actually prepare it).

#### COACH

Be ready to hustle when Coach is around! He expects 100% from the fans - so get loud and cheer on our SAINTS!

#### DAWN UNDER

What she lacks in baseball knowledge this Explorer from Down Under makes up for with adventurous spirit, net and binoculars

#### GERT THE FLIRT

With her fancy hats, flamboyant style and the hottest lips around town, Gert will surely catch your eye. Get your Kazoos ready!

#### MITTY POUTINE

An Old timey ballplayer whose knowit-all "facts" are occasionally true.

#### MISS ADVENTURE

Looking for a hero? Perhaps someone with a smile gold lamé who can swoop in to save you? Well, Miss Adventure ain't that.

#### NERD

Make all the jokes you want, it's obvious the Nerd is having a blast with his awkward dance moves and quirky cheers.

#### NERDETTE

A one-woman, skort and glassesdecked dance party on the prowl: don't worry, she's SURE to look more ridiculous than you.

#### PAULA BUNYAN

More exciting than a hot-dish, this lesser known Bunyan is down from Up Nord to make wood bats for the Saints.

#### PIG'S EYE PETE

Ahoy Matey! Here's the pirate St Paul didn't know it needed (and his trusty pirate parrot, Arrrthur)

#### SEIGO MASUBUCHI

As international Ambassador of Fun, this Tokyo native can be seen singing karaoke atop dugouts or banging his Taiko Drum.

#### THE SHARK

CHS Field's very own con man, magician, and huckster. No need to worry, The Shark assures us his larcenous ways are over.

#### Behind the Mic: PA's, Correspondents and Musicians

Down on the field, up on a dugout or somewhere in the stands, this team of professionals knows how to have fun while they call all the action.

#### LEE ADAMS / LEAD PA

An avid fisherman and lover of the outdoors, Lee has served as the Stadium Voice of the Saints for eight seasons and co-hosts "Saints Live."

#### **NICOLAS LEEMAN / PA**

Can often be heard welcoming fans, encouraging sunscreen and thanking the net for its tireless service

#### **RITA BOERSMA / PA**

Rita takes her job very seriously. Of course, "job" meaning "fun" and "very" meaning "meow."

#### ANDREW CROWLEY / MUSICAL DIRECTOR

Music Producer, Recording Engineer, Composer, Keyboardist, Organist, Vocalist and Aquarius.

#### BRIAN "WHITE SHOES" KELLY / FIELD CORRESPONDENT

A quizmaster, game show host, and roving reporter all crammed into one Saints-blue blazer.

#### ERIN ROBERTS /

SOCIAL (MEDIA ) BUTTERFLY Catch her flying 'round the park spreading her wings, sending tweets to the feed, and posting pics to the 'gram.

#### JOSHUA WILL /

**ENTERTAINMENT DIRECTOR** Once executed an unassisted triple play (T-Ball. 1977).

#### SIERRA BAILEY / DIRECTOR OF MARKETING & PROMOTIONS Schedule Master, Intern Herder, Queen of Laughs and/or Sarcasm.

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## SAINTS YEAR-BY-YEAR RESULTS

YEAR	W	L	.PCT	MANAGER	POST-SEASON
1993	42	29	0.592	Tim Blackwell	Won NL Championship
1994	43	36	0.544	Tim Blackwell	None
1995	53	31	0.631	Marty Scott	Won NL Championship
1996	45	40	0.529	Marty Scott	Won NL Championship
1997	45	39	0.536	Marty Scott	Lost in NL semifinals
1998	40	46	0.465	Marty Scott	Lost in NL finals
1999	38	47	0.447	Marty Scott	None
2000	43	43	0.500	Marty Scott	Lost in NL semifinals
2001	37	53	0.411	Doug Sisson	None
2002	39	50	0.438	Jimmy Johnson	None
2003	52	38	0.578	George Tsamis	Lost in North Div. Champ. Series
2004	61	34	0.642	George Tsamis	Won NL Championship
2005	55	40	0.579	George Tsamis	Lost in South Div. Champ. Series
2006	54	42	0.563	George Tsamis	Lost in AA Champ. Series
2007	57	39	0.594	George Tsamis	Lost in AA Champ. Series
2008	42	54	0.438	George Tsamis	None
2009	49	47	0.510	George Tsamis	None
2010	45	51	0.469	George Tsamis	None
2011	56	44	0.560	George Tsamis	Lost in AA Champ. Series
2012	52	48	0.520	George Tsamis	None
2013	47	53	0.470	George Tsamis	None
2014	48	52	0.480	George Tsamis	None
2015	74	26	0.740	George Tsamis	Lost in AA Division Series
2016	61	39	0.610	George Tsamis	Lost in AA Division Series
2017	48	52	0.480	George <u>T</u> samis	None
2018	59	41	0.590	George Tsamis	Lost in AA Finals
2019	64	36	0.640	George Tsamis	Won AA Championship
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## MAKE IT A HANDFUL OF AWARDS

Ctrl+A, Ctrl+C, Ctrl+V or for those of you not into the nuances of Microsoft word: Wash, Rinse, Repeat. From one season to the next the St. Paul Saints, and their fearless leader Derek Sharrer, continue to push boundaries at CHS Field. Let's be clear about one thing: it's not as easy as everyone thinks.

It's not as simple as opening the gates each game day and watching more than 8,000 fans stream into the beautiful, award-wining ballpark. Front office members aren't lounging around as the phone rings off the hook with companies wanting to do sponsorships or bring groups out during the summer. There is hard work put in by the entire staff from the months of October-May, non-stop phone calls to businesses and individuals and promotions meetings that refine the ideas to the best 50. The work is tireless. It's not something you will hear many people talk about. It's because of all these reasons that Executive Vice President/ General Manager Derek Sharrer and the St. Paul Saints won their fifth consecutive Executive of the Year and Organization of the Year awards, respectively.

Sharrer, in his 16th season as General Manager of the Saints, led a mix of veteran and youthful staff members in 2019 that brought the organization to new heights. According to Saints Chairman and principal owner, Marv Goldklang, "Derek continues to set the standard of leadership within the sport, overseeing an atmosphere of innovation and creativity that is unique to the Saints' culture. He is, quite simply, one of the best at what he does, and we're thrilled to have him

at the helm. Congratulations once again to Derek and his staff on this well-deserved accolade."

The Saints led the American Association in attendance for the fifth consecutive season, drawing 394,970. They led the league by nearly 200,000 fans and were over the 7,210 capacity in 40 of the 50 home games. They drew more than 8,000 fans 24 times and more than 9,000 eight times. They set a franchise record with 10,631 on August 13 and for the first time in franchise history had 10,000+ in back-to-back games on August 13 and the 14th,when they drew 10,029.

"With a front office loaded with experience, talent, creativity, energy, and dedication, an

ownership group as highly regarded as any in baseball, I'm so fortunate to work with, and for, the best," said Sharrer. "To be selected by my peers makes this that much more meaningful and to share this recognition with Josh Robertson is an honor. Congratulations to Josh on a job well done in Cleburne."

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#### MAKE IT A HANDFUL OF AWARDS (continued from page 57)

While the Saints have reinvested in CHS Field each year of its existence, 2019 saw the most significant improvement to their spectacular home since the ballpark was opened in 2015. The Saints built the award-winning City of Baseball Museum and SPIRE Sun Deck down the left field line which opened to rave reviews. The museum received the Ballpark Digest Award for Top Ballpark Improvement. The City of Baseball Museum is a 2,000 square foot museum that honors the history of baseball in Saint Paul with a focus on the tradition of the St. Paul Saints, which dates to the late 1800's. The museum was incredibly well received in its inaugural season visited by more than 30,000 guests. The SPIRE Sun Deck, located atop the City of Baseball Museum, is a group area that offers amazing views, great food and drink, and provides the popular downtown rooftop experience inside at CHS Field. With room for up to 200 guests, the Sun Deck quickly became one of the most popular group entertainment spaces in a ballpark that features several.

For the second time in four seasons the Saints hosted the American Association All-Star Game. It was highlighted with an incredibly entertaining All-Star Monday that kicked off with a Celebrity softball game featuring Joe Mauer, Adam Thielen, and other Minnesota sports personalities, followed by the Jack Links Home Run Derby and finished off with a concert headlined by Drake White and The Big Fire. On All-Star Tuesday, players, executives and fans enjoyed a luncheon in a uniquely beautiful setting at the Best Jets International Hangar at Holman Field and were treated to an incredible panel discussion by former Saints Darryl Strawberry and Ila Borders and 26-year Major League umpire, Tim Tschida. On Tuesday evening the two-day celebration culminated with the game itself, which was played in front of a capacity crowd.

The Saints continue to be the industry leader with their off-the-wall promotions. All season the Saints honored their history with a City of Baseball Museum Series giveaway from an 1898 St. Paul Apostles jersey t-shirt, to a 1945 Saints vintage cap, to a Lexington Park pennant. The two most talked about promotions of the season came on June 25 and July 16. On June 25 Saints President and Co-Owner Mike Veeck finally made up with disco. Nearly 30-years to the day that Veeck blew up disco records at Comiskey Park in Chicago, he embraced the disco era with an impassioned pre-game speech and a post-game 20-foot wide disco ball that hung over the right field area as fans joined him in their boogie shoes. On July 16, the Saints honored the 50th Anniversary of the first moon landing. Fans received boxer shorts as they walked through the gates, with the moon on the rear end, and in the bottom of the fifth inning the entire ballpark took part in a ballpark wide "mooning."

At some point this incredible streak will come to an end. Sharrer shared the Executive of the Year Award in 2019 with Cleburne Railroaders Josh Robertson. Teams in the league are trying to close the gap on attendance and creative promotions. Whether the Saints continue the streak or not one thing is certain: the hard-work, dedication, and creativity of the entire staff will continue.



## SAINTS BROADCAST ON NUMEROUS PLATFORMS IN 2020

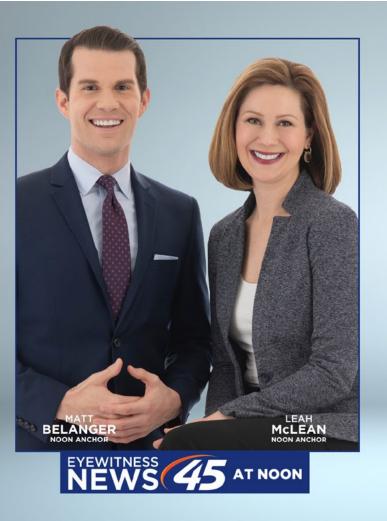
The Eddie Medina no-hitter. The gut-wrenching twists and turns of playoff baseball. The championship moment. There is only one way to make sure you don't miss a moment of all the action as the Saints look to defend their title for the first time in 15 years. Whether you're at home, on the road, in your car, or overseas the Saints can be seen on TV, listened to on radio, viewed on a computer, smartphone or even a tablet. The Saints will enter season three as part of the iHeart family. All Saints games can be heard on KFAN Plus, 96.7 FM as well as through the free iHeart radio app. Once again, each Sunday home game will be on KSTC-TV, Channel 45. All other Saints home games can be seen on the Saints Cable Network, cable access channels in the Twin Cities area. The channel in your area can be found at saintsbaseball.com.

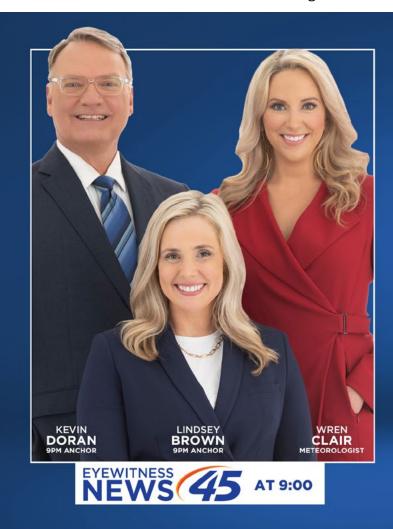
Sean Aronson returns for his 14th season as the playby-play broadcaster of the Saints and will handle the broadcast for all games. He will be joined by Domenic Dandrea, a graduate of Hamline University with a degree in Journalism. Dandrea was a baseball player with the Pipers and upon finishing his playing career became a bullpen catcher for the Saints in 2017. He has a solid broadcasting background as one of the voices of Hamline football, Men's and Women's Basketball and Hockey over the last few years. He also spent a year with KDWA in Hastings. J.W. Cox returns for his seventh season working alongside Aronson. Cox did play-byplay for St. Cloud football and currently does Huskies Men's and Women's Basketball as well as play-by-play on TV for North Metro Television and PrepSpotlight.tv. He also works for the Minnesota News Network.

Fans that can't get to a radio or TV can head to saintsbaseball.com and watch each Saints home games courtesy of Vimeo. A five-camera operation will get Saints fans close enough to the action they will feel like they are at the game. Each Saints road game can be heard on saintsbaseball.com or on KFAN Plus, 96.7 FM.

#### **SEAN ARONSON**

Aronson begins his 14th season with the Saints and will handle all 100 broadcasts. In 2016 he was awarded the Ballpark Digest Broadcaster of the Year Award for all of minor league baseball and on the final day of that regular season he became the first broadcaster in Saints history to call 1,000 games. He was nominated for a Regional Emmy for Saints TV broadcasts in 2010. Aronson works year-round with the Saints and is also in charge of the media relations. He was with another Goldklang Group team prior to his tenure with the Saints, working for the Fort Myers Miracle (Single-A Twins) from 2003-06. Prior to his stint with the Miracle he spent two seasons with the Allentown Ambassadors of the then Northern League. Minnesota is the fifth state Aronson has lived. He graduated from the University of Colorado-Boulder with a B.S. in Journalism. He got his start as a broadcaster doing high school baseball in Colorado. Aronson, 43, was raised in Northridge, CA.





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## A PARADE LIKE NO OTHER

If you're a fan of the Minnesota Twins you remember 1987 and 1991. You remember where you were and how you felt when the last out of the World Series was recorded. You also remember either showing up to the victory parade or watching it on TV. More recently, the Minnesota Lynx put the state on their collective backs winning four titles in seven years. All of those resulted in a championship parade (one also led to an incredible party at Paisley Park, but I digress). When the St. Paul Saints finally snapped their 15-year title drought no one was clamoring for a five-mile parade. Heck, no one was hinting at a one-mile parade. But these are the Saints. Go against conventional wisdom and do the unexpected.

The idea started on Saturday night during the victory celebration at Birch's in Lowertown. The drinks were flowing, the party was in full swing and an idea was suggested to Executive Vice President/General Manager Derek Sharrer. It was a simple one: post a tweet suggesting the Saints are holding a one block, one-minute long parade that starts at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, September 16, beginning at the corner of Broadway and 4th St., and ending one minute later at the corner of Broadway and 5th St. Sharrer asked why and the response, "because it's funny." Remember, this suggestion was thrown out during a party and Sharrer would later admit he didn't even remember the conversation.

On Sunday, September 15 at exactly 3:28 the following tweet went out:

St. Paul Saints @StPaulSaints

When you win a championship you're supposed to hold a parade, right? Parade will take place Monday at 11:30 a.m. and start on Broadway at 4th St. and will go down Broadway and end at 5th St. Parade will end around 11:31 a.m.



3:28 PM · Sep 15, 2019 · TweetDeck

It didn't take long for the fan base and media to jump all over this. Within just an hour of the tweet going out Director of Broadcasting/Media Relations Sean Aronson was inundated with media requests to show up and cover the parade live. Realizing this "joke" had taken on a life of its own, Aronson reached out to Sharrer letting him know the parade needed to happen.

How does one put on a parade with less than 24-hours of preparation? First, you need a band. The Saints called into action Music Director Andrew Crowley. He put together a three-piece marching band that would play When the Saints Go Marching In. Next, make sure the entertainment team is represented. Joshua Will, the Entertainment Director, got together a few Ushertainers and Mudonna. But you can't have a parade without those that made the parade possible. Most players had departed home or were scheduled to leave Monday morning. Saints Manager George Tsamis reached out to all his local players, and those still in town, to make sure they were at the ballpark on Monday, September 16.

The last piece of the puzzle was how the players would make their way down the one block route. They could walk, but there isn't anything Saintslike about that. On Monday morning the staff came up with the idea of using field equipment like tractors, the machine that drags the field, and the bullpen cart. Dan Motl even rented a Lime Scooter.

At around 11:00 a.m., roughly 30 minutes prior to the start of the parade a very small gathering was out in front of the ballpark. As the Saints players and staff went to the back of the ballpark to ascend their "floats" something magical was happening out front: A significant crown began to gather. As the parade contingent made its way down Prince St. and hit the corner of Broadway and 4th, the idea was to have the parade take place on the sidewalk, mainly because the Saints didn't close off Broadway St. Why would they? It was a one block, oneminute long parade. There was one problem as the Saints were ready to begin the parade: BOTH sides of Broadway were filled five deep with people. Fortunately, Sharrer noticed some Saint Paul police in attendance. He explained the dilemma and they happily blocked off the street.

The parade, which started closer to 11:35 a.m. and lasted about three minutes, was a gigantic hit. Following the parade a rally took place in front of CHS Field led by Sharrer.

In the subsequent days the Saints were honored at Target Field prior to a Minnesota Twins games, as Tsamis threw out a first pitch, and at Xcel Energy Center during a Minnesota Wild game.

Should the Twins or Wild, or any other Minnesota team, win a championship the parade will be miles long and draw hundreds of thousands. For the Saints, their parade was what one would expect from the quirky team, one that started out as a joke that everyone else was more than happy to be in on.



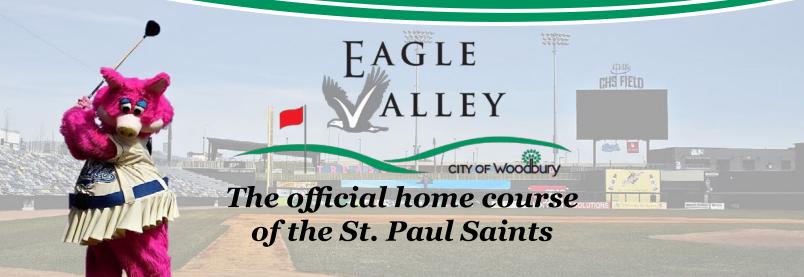
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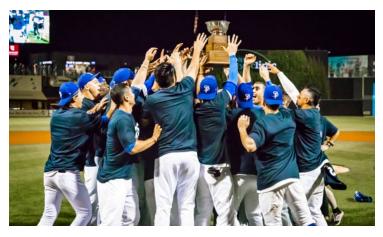
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for the Saints went up against former Major Leaguer Taylor Jordan. Zimmerman made one mistake and it came in the first. With two on and one out he gave up a three-run home run to former Major Leaguer Jeremy Hazelbaker. The odd coincidence: when the Saints traded for Michael Lang from Sioux City it was to make room for Hazelbaker. In the third Baker homered for the Saints to cut the deficit to two.

Go back to the last time the Saints won a title in 2004. It was a Mirizzi walk-off grand slam that brought home the trophy. In Game 3, the Saints went back in time to recapture some of that magic. In the sixth, the Saints finally knocked Jordan out of the game with singles from Shoemaker and John Silviano. A walk to Allen loaded the bases and that was the night for Jordan. The Explorers bullpen had been amazing all season and they turned to right-handed reliever Nate Gercken, who had a 1.92 ERA in the regular season but had not pitched in the playoffs. Chesny Young stood in the batter's box, who entered 2019 with six career home runs in 505 games, but had hit six during the season for the Saints including his first grand slam on June 20. On the first pitch he saw from Gercken, Young blasted a grand slam to center field giving the Saints a 5-3 lead. The Saints would tack on an insurance run in the seventh on an RBI single by Silviano.

Tanner Kiest, whom Tsamis traded for from the Milwaukee Milkmen on August 8 shortly after closer Todd Van Steensel went on the disabled list, was brought on to finish off the series. Perhaps nerves played a part, but Kiest walked the first batter of the inning, and following a strikeout, walked a second hitter. With the tying run at the plate, leadoff hitter Kyle Wren stepped to the plate. On an O-2 pitch, Wren sent a groundball to the second baseman Allen, who fielded it cleanly, fired to second and Baker's relay throw to first ended 15 years of frustration.

The celebration after the game and well into the night (technically into the morning) was well-deserved and long overdue. The story of the 2019 Saints will be that of a team coming together when it mattered most. A team that found ways to win those one-run ballgames. A team that, no matter the deficit, believing they would win. A team whose magical season had its storybook ending.



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## A BROADCASTER'S CHAMPIONSHIP THOUGHTS

The year was 2001 and I began my first season as a play-by-play broadcaster. This was a dream that dated back as far as I can remember. Fast forward 19 years and two things still hadn't happened: I had never called a no-hitter nor a championship moment. I watched as friends of mine in the business called both glorious moments. No-hitters are rare, so I wasn't as disappointed in not calling that moment, but the championship one weighed on me as season after season slipped by without watching the ultimate celebration.

The 2019 season wasn't even to the quarter pole before I crossed off the first bucket list item. Only 14 games into the season Eddie Medina hurled just the second nohitter in franchise history. I remember the nerves I felt as the bottom of the ninth started. I knew my job was to call the moment, but the adrenaline was flowing. When Chase Simpson, the leagues home run leader at that point, hit a 1-2 pitch wide of first everything happened in slow motion. I kept it simple, called the moment, and described exactly what was happening on the field for the radio audience just like broadcasters are taught.

A championship moment is much different. You know there is a possibility it could happen. Let me be completely transparent and honest. With three weeks left in the season I didn't think the Saints would make the playoffs. And then they went on an improbable, 2015 like, 17-3 run over the final 20 games. When they were down 0-2 and had a perfect game against them through six innings in Game 3 of the North Division Championship Series, I was already mentally preparing myself for another disappointing off-season.

Of course, you know how the story ends. The day of Game 3 of the American Association Finals I remember walking underneath the ballpark and thinking about what I might say if the Saints were to win the championship that night. I went back to how I began the season talking about playing 100 games and it's like a story with 100 chapters. I started playing with things in my head and wanted to incorporate the story element into my call. I didn't script anything, but I had a vague idea of what I wanted to say.

I realize this seems like I'm talking all about me, but let me be clear. When the Saints won the championship on September 14 and I uttered the phrase, "The magical run has it's storybook ending. The St. Paul Saints are champions of the American Association" there was only one reason the moment happened. I never threw a pitch. I never took a swing. Those 23 players on the roster, and the several more that played for the Saints throughout the season, plus the coaches and manager George Tsamis, made this all possible. I broke down during the post-game wrap-up. I got choked up when I hoisted the trophy. A tear comes out of my eye every time I replay the final out. I will wear the ring proudly. Just like becoming a broadcaster was a dream since I was a kid, being part of a championship was a dream 19 years in the making. To the men that helped me achieve that dream this truly is a storybook ending. Thank you.



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## 2020 PROMOTIONAL SCHEDULE

#### August 4th: Welcome Back Saints!

August 5th: Do You Believe in Miracles?! 40th Anniversary of the Greatest Day Ever in American Sports History with Talking Herb Brooks bobblehead giveaway (First 1,000 fans)

August 6th: Frontline Workers Appreciation Night

**August 7th: Xcel Energy** Friday Night Fireworks featuring the music of Bob Marley with free pot giveaway (First 1,500 fans)

August 8th: Baseball is the sport that Batman technically should be really good at, right? It's Superhero Night!

August 9th: Happy Birthday/Anniversary/Wedding/Graduation and to all the other things we missed out on in early 2020.

August 18th: Insert cute baby yoda meme here. It's Star Wars Night!

August 19th: On its 70th anniversary, it's time to whip out your Bic Pics!

**August 20th:** It's in the hole! 40th Anniversary of Caddyshack with special Carl Spackler bobblehead giveaway (First 200 fans)

August 28th: The Dirty Thirty. Xcel Energy Friday Night Fireworks featuring the music from 1990.

August 29th: TBA

August 30th: TBA

September 1st: I need to speak to your manager! Ok, Karen.

September 2nd: TBA

September 3rd: It's time to Paddy like the Irish! It's Irish Night in Ju... September!

September 8th: Military Appreciation Night

**September 9th:** This game is brought to you by the letters C and S with Astro the grouch talking bobblehead giveaway (First 500 fans)

**September 10th:** Fan Appreciation Night with **Xcel Energy** Fireworks Super Show brought to you by **Minnesota Corn** plus 2020 Limited Edition Saints player cardset giveaway.



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#### Home Game



Away Game

- CHI Chicago Dogs
- FAR Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks
- MIL Milwaukee Milkmen
  - SF Sioux Falls Canaries
- WPG Winnipeg Goldeyes

\*Away games vs. Winnipeg Goldeyes will be played in Fargo, ND.

\* September 4-6 vs Winnipeg, the Saints will be the away team, but games will be played at CHS Field.



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