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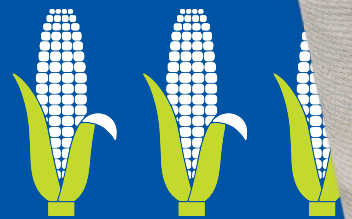
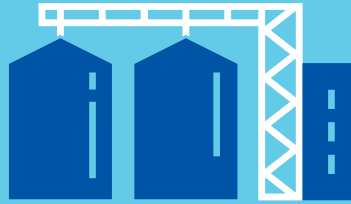


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COVER ARTIST BIO



Adam Bücher is an artist, designer, print maker, calligrapher and music maker from St Paul, MN. He has a long history with the Lowertown arts community, initially delving deep into making artwork as a student at Charmichael & Charmichael Studio School, then sharing his passion for art and music working as an instructor at Creative Arts High School. These days you'll find him on set as a team member lending his creative input in the local photo advertising industry.

More of his work can be found on his website: bookab.net, and on Instagram: [@booka_b](https://www.instagram.com/booka_b).

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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, 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 topped Minor League baseball in percent capacity from 2015-19, averaging 113% capacity over that time. In the first two seasons as the Twins Triple-A affiliate, the Saints have been Top 10 in attendance in all of Minor League baseball.

Upon beginning his career in Fort Myers, FL with the Goldklang Group's Florida State League franchise, the Whiteland, IN native rose quickly through the ranks of the Miracle, ascending to the GM's chair in 1997. As part of the job, 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 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 ballpark-wide 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.”



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.

ST. PAUL SAINTS EXECUTIVES



CHRIS SCHWAB

Executive Vice President / Sales and Operations

This season will mark Chris's 20th in baseball. 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, and only, 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 20-years go by quickly".

He continues in a leadership role in ticket sales and corporate partnerships with the Saints, a position in which he's helped shape the organization's sales philosophy and contributed significantly to its growth. In addition, as part of the Saints transition from independent to affiliated baseball, Schwab has served as one of the primary liaisons between the Saints front office and the Twins baseball operations staff.

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



SIERRA BAILEY (& TATER)

Vice President / Assistant General Manager / Brand Marketing & Experience

Since 2013, Sierra Bailey has helped lead the St. Paul Saints to some of the most creative promotions in Minor League Baseball. She helped shape the identity of the organization during their final season at Midway Stadium, made sure that identity was enhanced in the move to CHS Field, and was instrumental in maintaining that identity when the organization became the Triple-A Affiliate of the Minnesota Twins in 2021.

The 34-year-old Bailey goes from Vice President, Brand Marketing and Experience to Vice President and Assistant General Manager. She will continue in her role overseeing the promotions department, an area she has run since beginning with the Saints in 2013. In addition, Bailey will continue to oversee the marketing efforts of the club, tying in the organization's brand messaging across various platforms including traditional, digital, and social media initiatives.

Bailey began with the Saints as an intern in 2009 and went on to work for the Minnesota Twins and Timberwolves in their promotions departments before rejoining the Saints in 2013 as Director of Promotions. During her time, the Saints have garnered national attention for several promotions including ballpark wide fan-engagements such as the World's Largest Pillow Fight, Twister, and the viral Food Fight. She was also at the helm for the 2020/2021 Astro the Grouch talking giveaway.

Bailey continues as the point person for the Saints successful internship program. The club has had remarkable success with interns landing jobs in the sports industry. During the 2021 season Bailey, along with Director of Entertainment Joshua Will, began a first of its kind podcast that took fans behind the scenes of the promotions department titled, "Funny In Theory."

In 2010, Bailey graduated from the University of Minnesota with a B.S. in Sport Management.



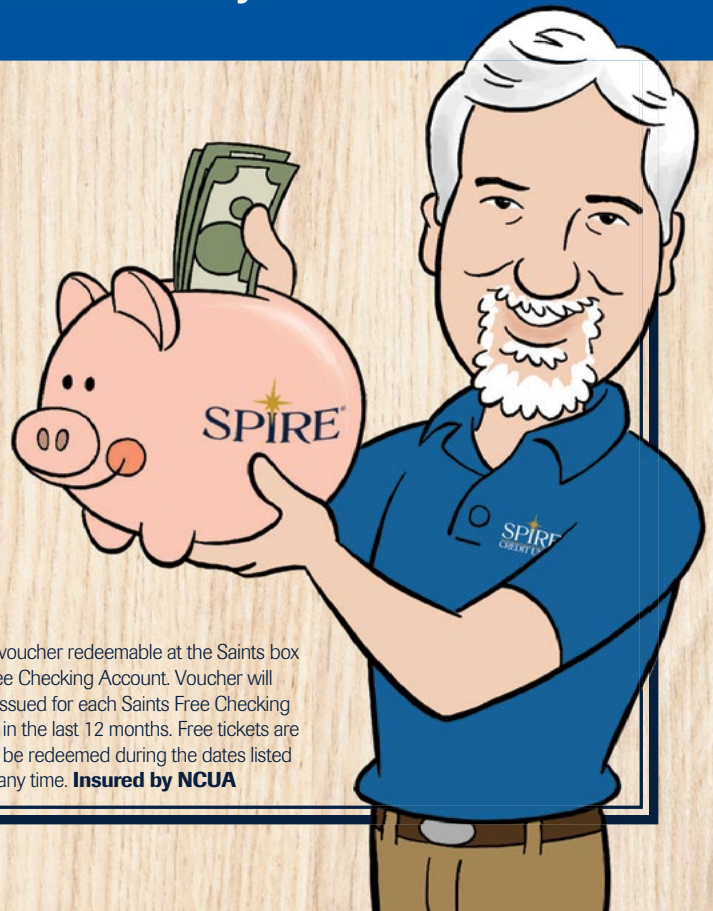
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THE END OF AN ERA



If you're a fan of the show *Friends*, and why wouldn't you be, there is an episode in Season 6 where Monica and Chandler move in together which means both must say goodbye to their respective roommates, Joey and Rachel. Monica is trying to get Rachel to express her emotions and says, "It's a big change, the end of an era, you might say." Rachel comments that she doesn't think the time they lived together counts as an era to which Monica retorts, "An era is defined as a significant period of time. Now it was significant for me, maybe it wasn't significant to you." Rachel doesn't believe Monica and Chandler are going to move in together, but Monica finally convinces her that it is, and the emotions start to fly. And that my friends, is where television mirrors real life in the world of the St. Paul Saints.

In 1991 an Independent Professional Baseball League, the Northern League, was starting to form in the central part of the United States. With footprints in several markets, Marv Goldklang was interested in one. He was leaning towards a team in Duluth, Minnesota. The problem, however, was there were no direct flights from his home in New Jersey to Duluth and he continuously got delayed. He phoned the soon-to-be commissioner, Miles Wolff, and told him he wanted to invest in a team that offered him a direct flight. The other options were: Rochester, MN, Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada, Sioux City, IA, Sioux Falls, SD, or St. Paul. The choice was a no brainer.

Goldklang and his partners, Mike Veeck and Bill Murray, became owners of a nice, new, shiny baseball team in the Capital City. When the Saints began play in 1993 there wasn't a soul in the media world that believed the organization would survive through July, let alone until the end of the season. The epitaph was written before a pitch was even thrown.

The funny thing about these three men is that nothing seems to phase them. They've heard it all in their various careers. Goldklang a lawyer, Veeck a baseball lifer, and Murray in the public eye on the big screen. They've achieved so much success because they don't listen to the naysayers.

When the Saints began play in 1993, branding the team as "outdoor baseball" would have been the easy thing to do. "We have what the Twins don't. Come see what outdoor baseball is like in Minnesota." That, however, wasn't going to cut it. Sure, they were able to sign a big name in Leon "Bull" Durham. During the season they signed a Cuban defector, Rey Ordoñez. Jim Eppard, who played 82 games in the Major Leagues, finished his career with the Saints in '93. The quality of baseball was rather high, but

the organization couldn't hang their hat on the baseball. If you wanted to see the best baseball players in the world, you went just across the river to the Metrodome.

The Saints needed a hook. They needed something else to draw people in. This is where Goldklang realized he had the man who could handle all of that in Veeck. From day one, Veeck vowed to turn the world of baseball upside down. Pigs delivering baseballs to umpires, a nun giving massages to fans, and a barber cutting hair while you watched the game. And this was just the start.

Midway Stadium didn't have a fancy videoboard to show replays. Veeck, who always had an affinity for mimes, came up with the idea of Silent Night. He would hire several mimes to re-enact the plays on the field. An idea that was brilliant in the boardroom, but had the opposite effect upon execution. Fans were so irate they started throwing hot dogs and beer at the mimes.

From silent night to séance night, Veeck had an idea of staging a seance designed to reach Thomas Edison, the inventor of the lightbulb and thus an unsung baseball hero. The attempt to reach the inventor in the beyond failed, though; the medium claimed some guy named Joe kept getting in the way.

Of course, some of the best promotions Veeck and his staff came up with were the ones that poked fun at the world of baseball. There was the night the Saints handed out seat cushions with the faces of Donald Fehr, head of the baseball player's labor union, and MLB Commissioner Bud Selig. The thought being baseball fans weren't happy with either of these guys during the 1994-95 strike and you could decide which guys face you wanted to sit on while taking in a game. Another idea revolved around the 2002 All-Star Game tie in which the Saints handed out ties with Selig's face on them.

It's not just about the promotions, but how Goldklang, Veeck, and Murray helped grow the game of baseball in Minnesota. They made baseball fun again. They helped take a team from a ballpark that wasn't even created for them, to a state of the art ballpark in Lowertown, to the Triple-A affiliate of the Minnesota Twins.

And now after 30 years these three men, who put the Saints on the map, are stepping aside. They have left their mark on St. Paul, the Twin Cities, and the state of Minnesota. The Saints are in the position they are because of these three amazing people. The show will continue to go on. The hilarious ideas will move forward. But for this tenure of the Saints, it's the end of an era.

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The very first manager for the St. Paul Saints as the Minnesota Twins Triple-A affiliate. Who is Toby Gardenhire? There were many firsts in 2021 with the affiliation between the Saints and Twins, but Gardenhire's name will forever be etched in the record books. He has eaten, breathed, and lived baseball ever since he was born in Manhasset, New York while his Dad, Ron, played for the New York Mets.

While his managerial career is just getting started, it has been extremely successful in the small sample size. During his first two seasons at the helm of the Saints in 2021-22 he guided the team to a 141-138 record including a league tying best 33-17 from June 26-August 21, 2021, an epic run that vaulted the Saints to first place. Despite missing out on a division title, the Saints were in it until the final weeks of the season. In 2022, he orchestrated the Saints a franchise record eight-game winning streak from June 5-14 and helped close the season by winning five straight, finishing tied for fourth.

BORN: September 11, 1982, Manhasset, NY

HEIGHT: 6'1" **WEIGHT:** 210lbs

RESIDENCE: Fort Myers, FL

COLLEGE: University of Illinois

DRAFT STATUS:

38th round / 2002 (Minnesota Twins)

41st round / 2005 (Minnesota Twins)

CAREER MANAGING RECORD:

292-259 (4 seasons)

MANAGERIAL RECORD

Year	Team	League	W	L	PCT	Finish
18	Cedar Rapids	MIDW	77	62	.554	Lost to Peoria, semifinals
19	Fort Myers	FSL	74	59	.556	1st Half Champs, playoffs canceled
21	St. Paul	AAAE	67	63	.515	3rd place, Midwest
22	St. Paul	INT	74	75	.497	T4th place, West Division

MINOR LEAGUE TOTALS

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In his first season as a manager, he guided the 2018 Single-A Cedar Rapids Kernels to a playoff berth after winning the second half Western Division title. Overall, the Kernels went 77-62, fourth best record in the 16-team league. The Kernels swept their quarterfinal series, 2-0, over the Beloit Snappers (Oakland Athletics) before losing 2-0 to the Peoria Chiefs (St. Louis Cardinals) in the semifinals.

The following year, Gardenhire was promoted to High-A Fort Myers where he was named the Florida State League Manager of the Year and once again earned a playoff berth. The Miracle won the first half title and finished 74-59, third best record in the 12-team Florida State League. The league, however, cancelled their playoffs due to Hurricane Dorian.

Gardenhire has amassed a 292-259 record in his three seasons. He was scheduled to manage the Twins Triple-A team in Rochester during the 2020 season, but COVID-19 cancelled all of Minor League Baseball. Instead, Gardenhire was sent to St. Paul where he was one of the coaches at the alternate site for the Twins Taxi squad.

This is Gardenhire's eighth season as a coach or manager in the Twins organization. He assisted the GCL Twins in 2016, began the 2017 season as the third base coach for the Red Wings before finishing the year as the hitting coach for the GCL Twins. Gardenhire began his coaching career at the University of Wisconsin-Stout where he amassed an 81-117 record in five seasons (2012-16) and helped guide the Blue Devils to a 2014 WIAC tournament berth, their first in seven years.

Gardenhire has spent his entire professional career with the Twins organization. In addition to six seasons as a coach or manager, he played seven seasons in their Minor League system. He was originally drafted by the Twins in the 38th round in 2002 out of the University of Arkansas-Fort Smith, but did not sign. In 2005, he was selected in the 41st round by the Twins out of the University of Illinois. Gardenhire played at every level from the Rookie Appalachian League up through Triple-A. In 533 games he slashed .232/.292/.274 with 156 runs scored, 44 doubles, three triples, and six home runs.

POST-SEASON APPEARANCES: 2

CAREER HITTING STATS IN MINORS:

.232 average, 6 home runs, 134 RBI in 533 games

DID YOU KNOW? Toby spent five years as head coach at University of Wisconsin-Stout from 2012-16. During his tenure, one player finished his career at UW-Stout and went on to play for the St. Paul Saints: outfielder Brady Burzynski who played for the Saints from 2016-17.

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THE SAINTS CAN'T CHANGE THEIR SPOTS



Take a deep breath. Go find your happy place. Maybe try a sensory deprivation retreat. However you clear your mind and keep happy thoughts in your head, now is the time to do it once again. Yes, for the first time in franchise history, the St. Paul Saints have new owners. I promise, it won't be anywhere close to the worst thoughts that are going through your head right now.

Since I began with the Saints in 2007, I've heard it all from the fans when something different happens with the Saints. "You guys have changed." "You sold out." "You don't care about the fans anymore." "You're corporate." "It's not as fun anymore." And on and on and on. Yet through every slight modification of the Saints organization, not much is different. So, for what I believe is the third time since 2015, I will lay it out for you, the fan, and explain how the Saints getting a new ownership group won't affect the entertainment you've come to know and love.

Let's start in 2015 with the opening of CHS Field. The vitriol from long-time fans was palpable. Fans were comfortable with Midway Stadium. They loved the train. They loved the intimate atmosphere. Most of all, they were familiar with the ballpark. Those fans, to their credit, made the Saints a huge success. If not for the loyal fans from day one, there would be no CHS Field. To be blunt, many of the fans that were at Midway Stadium from 1993-2014 either didn't make the move over to CHS Field or they made the move, but have since stopped coming. But here is what I will say about the move to CHS Field. It was essential. It was long overdue. And we're a better organization for it. When people bring up the fact that we've changed, I like to remind them of Opening Day in 2015. We had a pregame parade on the field that included all these important dignitaries that helped the Saints get the ballpark: Politicians, lobbyists, architects, construction workers, etc. It was our way of celebrating the women and men who worked so hard in our favor. But that's not how the Saints do parades. Interspersed between all these dignitaries were clowns, stilt walkers, jugglers, and burlesque dancers. I guarantee you, there wasn't one politician or lobbyist that had ever been a part of a parade like this.

In our time at CHS Field we've done several promotions that resulted in national attention. Everything from a ballpark-wide pillow fight, to making the largest Twister board on our outfield grass, to a food fight of epic proportions. We promised we wouldn't change and we didn't.

Fast forward to 2021, the Independent Saints were no longer. The unthinkable, but perhaps logical, move happened as the Saints and Minnesota Twins joined forces. The Saints would now become the Triple-A affiliate of the Twins. All those years of touting the differences between the two organizations. All those years of fans rooting for the little team that could. And now, the

Saints were about to align with a Major League franchise and become the farm team that was one step below The Show. Hadn't it always been about the entertainment? Baseball was never front and center. This would change everything. The Saints only cared about the bottom line. They no longer cared about the fans. This was just a money grab. And yet, Jim Pohlad made it a point to say during the introductory press conference that he didn't want the Saints to change. That the Twins, in fact, could learn more from the Saints than the Saints could learn from the Twins.

Right out of the gate, the Saints came out firing. Remember the Astro the Grouch talking giveaway that was supposed to happen in 2020? Despite selling a bunch of them in 2020 because of limited capacity once the Saints returned to CHS Field in 2020, there were enough left over for a 2021 giveaway. Talk about firing on all cylinders. The Saints were now part of the establishment and were poking fun at said establishment.

It's almost commonplace now a days for sporting events to do a cup snake, but that wasn't the case two years ago. The Saints were one of the first organizations to host a cup snake night at the ballpark. How about a night poking fun at the most infamous intern with a night to blow on a Harmonica? Yep, that happened.

And now here we are. The masterminds behind all the success in Saints history have sold their stake in the team. Marv Goldklang, Mike Veeck, and Bill Murray. All integral to the national recognition of the Saints sold to an organization that are purchasing Minor League Baseball teams like they were Cabbage Patch dolls in the 1980s. And you're scared again. Because this is perhaps the biggest change of all. A new ownership group always makes changes. They bring in their philosophy. They bring in their people. They only care about the money.

Let me rattle off some names for you: Derek Sharrer (EVP/GM), Tom Whaley (EVP), Chris Schwab (EVP/Sales & Operations), Sierra Bailey (VP/Assistant GM/Brand Marketing & Experience), Curtis Nachtsheim (Director, Ballpark Operations), and myself, Sean Aronson (VP, Director of Broadcasting/Media Relations). Everyone mentioned has more than a decade of experience with the Saints. And all will continue with the Saints. No one is being let go. As a matter of fact, we've added fresh, young blood to the staff. The point of listing all of those people is to let you know that we will carry on the legacy of the three owners mentioned. We won't let things change. If anything, we will work harder to bring the entertainment up a few notches because we know all eyes are going to be on this organization.

Will there be further changes in the future? Perhaps. What those changes are I don't know. But if we've proven anything from the past, it's that the more things change, the more they stay the same.

2023 COACHING STAFF



NATE SPEARS

Hitting Coach

The 37-year-old Spears spent last season with the Greenville Drive in the High-A South Atlantic League, his second consecutive season in that role. He helped guide his offense to the top of the league in home runs (165), third in slugging percentage (.415), fourth in walks (534), and fifth in OPS (.745).

Spears began his coaching career in 2016 as a coaching assistant with Greenville. Following that season, he was named the Hitting Coach for the Red Sox Low-A affiliate, the Lowell Spinners, a position he held until 2021.

Spears played 12 seasons as an infielder from 2003-14, including 2010-12 in the Red Sox organization. He also played in the Orioles, Cubs, Indians, and Phillies systems, but his lone MLB appearances came with the Sox from 2011-12. After a 2011 conversation with Terry Francona about becoming a utility player, Spears finished his career playing all infield positions.



CIBNEY BELLO

Pitching Coach

The 40-year-old Bello returns for his third season as the Pitching Coach for the Saints. His staff finished tied for eighth in the International League in strikeouts in 2022 with 1332, nearly nine a game. As the season went along, the pitching staff got stronger finishing the final month of

the season with the fourth best opponents' batting average (.227) among the 30 Triple-A teams, eighth best WHIP (1.31), and ninth best ERA (4.20).

The 2023 season is Bello's eighth as a coach in the Twins system. He's been the pitching coach in the organization with the Rookie GCL Twins (2016-17), Single-A Cedar Rapids (2018), and Double-A Pensacola (2019). In 2019, Bello was moved up to the Major Leagues, spending the final month of the season with the Twins. His coaching career began in 2011 when he was a pitching coach intern for the Rookie AZL Mariners, working under former Major League pitcher Gary Wheelock. He impressed during his internship and became the pitching coach for the AZL Mariners from 2012-13 and then moved up to the Single-A Clinton LumberKings from 2014-15. The Mariners were familiar with Bello signing him as a non-drafted free agent in 2000 out of Venezuela.

He pitched eight years for the Mariners organization, pitching in Venezuela from 2000-02 before pitching with the AZL Mariners in 2003. He reached High-A in both 2006 and 2007, his final season with the Mariners. Bello pitched in the Independent Can-Am and Golden Baseball Leagues from 2008-10.



PETER LARSON

Pitching Coach

The 36-year-old Larson helped guide the Twins Double-A franchise, the Wichita Wind Surge, to one of the top pitching staffs in Double-A last season. His staff finished with the fewest home runs allowed in Double-A (127), sixth in ERA (4.13), and ninth in strikeouts (1311).

The 2023 season is Larson's fifth year in the Twins organization and first at the Triple-A level. Prior to spending 2022 with Wichita, Larson spent 2021 as pitching coach for Low-A Fort Myers and 2019 as minor league rehab pitching coach. He was slated to be the pitching coach for Low-A Cedar Rapids in 2020, before the cancellation of the minor league season. Prior to joining the Twins, he spent four seasons with Fordham University (2018), University at Albany (2017), Siena College (2016) and King University in Bristol, TN (2015). Larson also spent 2015 as pitching coach for the Madison Mallards in the Northwoods League. His 2018 Fordham pitching staff set a school record with 536 strikeouts in 495.0 innings and posted a 3.36 team ERA.

Larson graduated from Ferrum (VA) College in 2009, where he helped the Panthers to USA South conference titles in 2005 and 2007. He played a year of professional ball, pitching in the independent Can-Am League in 2011.



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TYLER SMARSLOK

Defensive Coach

Smarslok, 30, was much more than a defensive coach in 2022, his second with the Saints. While he succeeded at that position, Smarslok also filled in as manager when Gardenhire stepped away from the team while he and his wife Sarah had their first child. He helped guide the Saints to a

winning record, including a six-game sweep of the best team in the International League, at the time, the Rochester Red Wings.

Smarslok spent each year since he graduated from Kean University, in 2015, as a collegiate coach. He served as an assistant coach for Marist, Seton Hall University, Heidelberg University, and Claremont-Mudd Scripps. He operated as the volunteer assistant at Seton Hall in 2019 where he was the infield coach, responsible for the players' development and in-game alignment. Smarslok was a three-time DIII College World Series participant, an All-Conference, and National Rawlings Gold Glove recipient in his time at Kean University. He helped lead the Cougars to two NJAC Tournament Championships.



BEN MYERS

Certified Athletic Trainer

The 32-year-old Myers begins his fifth season in the Twins organization and second with the Saints. He began his time in 2018 as the Athletic Trainer at Low-A Cedar Rapids. From there he moved to High-A Fort Myers in 2019. His responsibilities shifted in 2020 due to the pandemic. He was sent to

Target Field handling Covid cases and his experience doing that put him in the role of Infectious Control Prevention Coordinator in 2021 through the All-Star break. Following that, he became a roving Athletic Trainer, working with all the Twins affiliates.

Myers began his college career at the University of Kentucky for two semesters. He then transferred to Eastern Kentucky University from 2009-13 and got his degree in Athletic Training, becoming certified in 2013. Myers did an internship with the GCL Astros in 2012. He earned his master's at the University of South Carolina in Athletic Training and worked with the University of South Carolina Softball team from 2013-14. After working at a local high school in 2015, Myers was hired by the Astros and worked for their GCL team from 2015-16 and with the Rookie level Greenville Astros in 2017.



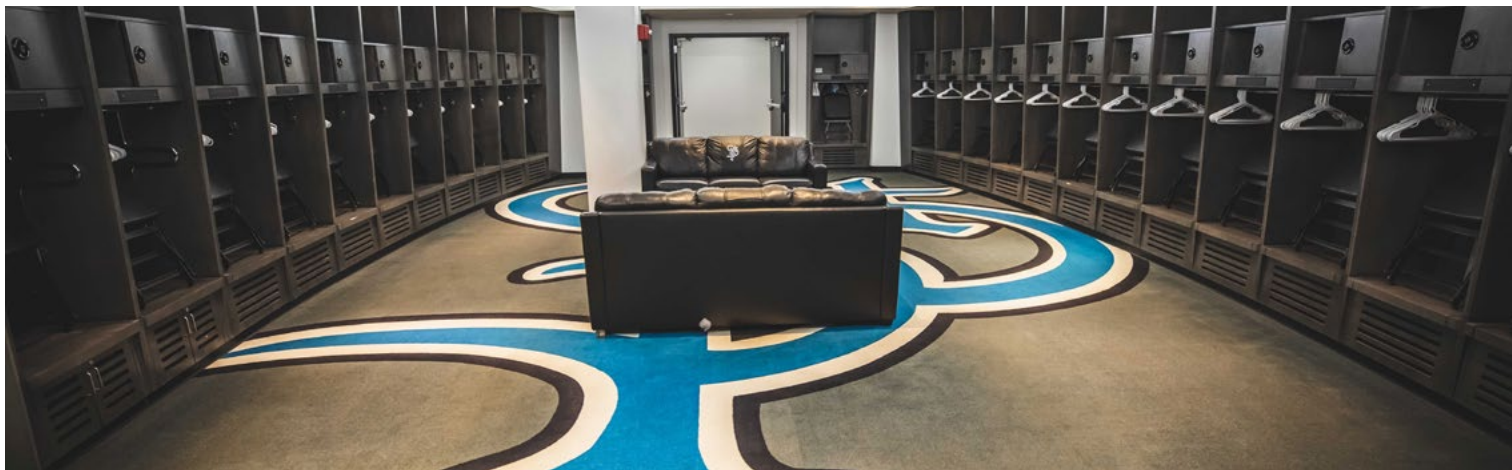
CODY DROUIN

Strength & Conditioning Coach

This is the second year in professional baseball, both with the Saints, for Drouin who spent the previous three years as the Assistant Director of Sports Performance at Eastern Kentucky University. While there, he implemented, designed, and led all aspects

of in-season and offseason sports performance for baseball, softball, women's soccer, and women's golf. He began with EKU in April, 2019 and spent six months as the Assistant Football Sports Performance Coach.

Drouin served as a military police officer in the United States Army from 2010-17, where he achieved the rank of Sergeant. He was deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom from 2011-13 and served as a driver, gunner, and team leader. He earned a bachelor's degree in exercise science at Central Michigan in December of 2018. Drouin was a Strength and Conditioning intern at Central Michigan (2017-18), Florida Atlantic (2018), and Louisiana State University (2019). He earned his Master of Science in MS, Sport and Fitness Administration/Management in 2021 from LSU. Drouin has a USA Weightlifting Level 1 Coaching Certification and is certified by the National Strength and Conditioning Association, as a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist (CSCS), as well as a Registered Strength and Conditioning Coach (RSCC).



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FINALLY, A CYCLE!

2,558. That's how many games the St. Paul Saints played in their franchise's history as an Independent Professional Baseball Team. 253. That was the number of games the Saints played as the Triple-A affiliate of the Minnesota Twins as they took the field on September 1, 2023. Add it all up and that's 2,811 games over nearly 30-seasons of baseball. During that time, there have been no-hitters (three to be exact. Let's not get into the semantics of the seven-inning one in Iowa on July 11, 2021), a six-hit game (T-Brown on July 3, 2005), and three-homer games (seven overall, three as a Triple-A affiliate and four as an Independent team). One significant feat, however, had yet to be accomplished in nearly 3,000 games during the franchise's history: the cycle.

Going into September 1, a Saints player fell one hit shy of the cycle on six different occasions during the 2022 season. Alex Kirilloff led the charge, falling short four different times. Each of the four times, he was a triple shy, the hardest of the four hits to achieve. Jermaine Palacios also finished a triple shy on July 28. Jake Cave, the quickest of those three players, managed to get the triple on June 8 vs. Rochester, but it was the double that alluded him during his three-hit game.

Matt Wallner has impressed Twins fans since they drafted him in the 2019 first round. There are few, if any, in the organization that can hit the ball as hard and far as he does. The 6'5, 220 pound lefty had drilled 25 home runs going into the Thursday night game against Omaha. The speed part of his game, however, is not one that is among the top skills discussed when it comes to his game. In the first two seasons of his career, 2019 and 2021, Wallner had four triples and one stolen base. During his 78 games at Double-A Wichita in 2022, he managed just one triple, but swiped a career-high eight stolen bases. Through 36 games with the Saints,

Wallner collected exactly one triple. That number would double on September 1.

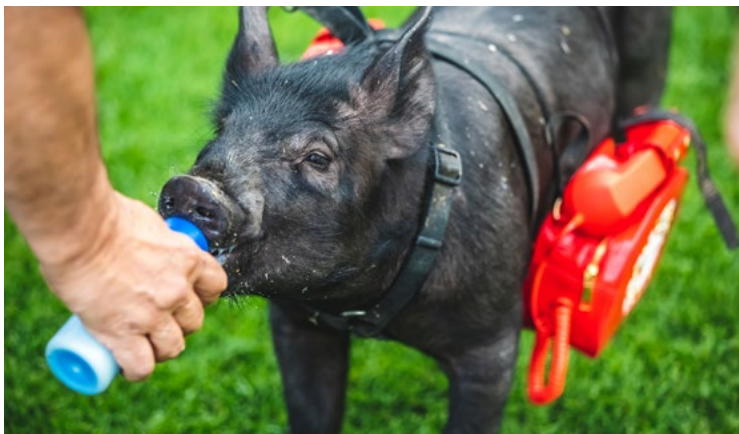
Wallner entered play hitting .218, but there were glimpses of the overall package during those 36 games and it was only a matter of time before he exploded. And explode he did on that night. He began the night with a double to right in the first inning. In the third, he followed it up with a squib to the left side of the pitcher's mound and hustled down the line for a single. That left him with the two most difficult hits for the cycle. One inning later, Wallner took care of the long ball blasting a three-run homer over the right field wall. In his first three at bats through four innings, Wallner was 3-3 and a triple shy of the cycle, a spot a few Saints players had been in during the 2022 season and countless others in the 30-season history of the franchise. The lone out he recorded came in the fifth when he went down on strikes.

With plenty of baseball left, however, Wallner was going to get at least one, if not two, more chances. In the eighth, history was made. Wallner drilled a ball to the gap in right-center. As he headed towards second, he started to slow up. But as he would later say, the dugout started screaming at him to head for third. As he rounded second, Wallner started to stumble, somehow kept his balance, and slid head-first into third just ahead of the throw for the franchise's first ever cycle. For good measure, Wallner added another double later in the eighth to cap off an eight-run inning. He finished the night 5-6 with six RBI and two runs scored in an 18-6 victory.

Wallner saw his average catapult from .218 to .239 in one game, but more importantly, he saw his name forever written in the Saints record book doing something that no other player had ever accomplished.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

It's a tradition fans have grown to love since the St. Paul Saints first season in 1993. Through a new ballpark, a pandemic, and the change over from Independent Baseball to Triple-A one thing has been constant, the pig. From the beginning of the season until the end, fans get a chance to watch the pig grow right before their eyes. For the first time in franchise history, the Saints utilized two different pigs at separate times in the season. In 2012, they had Kim Lardashian and Kris Hamphries, but they came as a package. Here is a look back at all the Saints pigs. The 2023 name was unveiled just before Opening Day.



PIG NAMES

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 Squealig
2007	Garrison Squeallor
2008	BoarackObama
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
2020	This Little Piggy Stayed Home
2021	Space Ham
2022	1st Half: 867-530Swine / 2nd Half: Chop Gun: Maverib

SUMMIT BREWING PUB

AT THE CRAFT BEER CORNER



Located in the
left field corner at CHS Field.

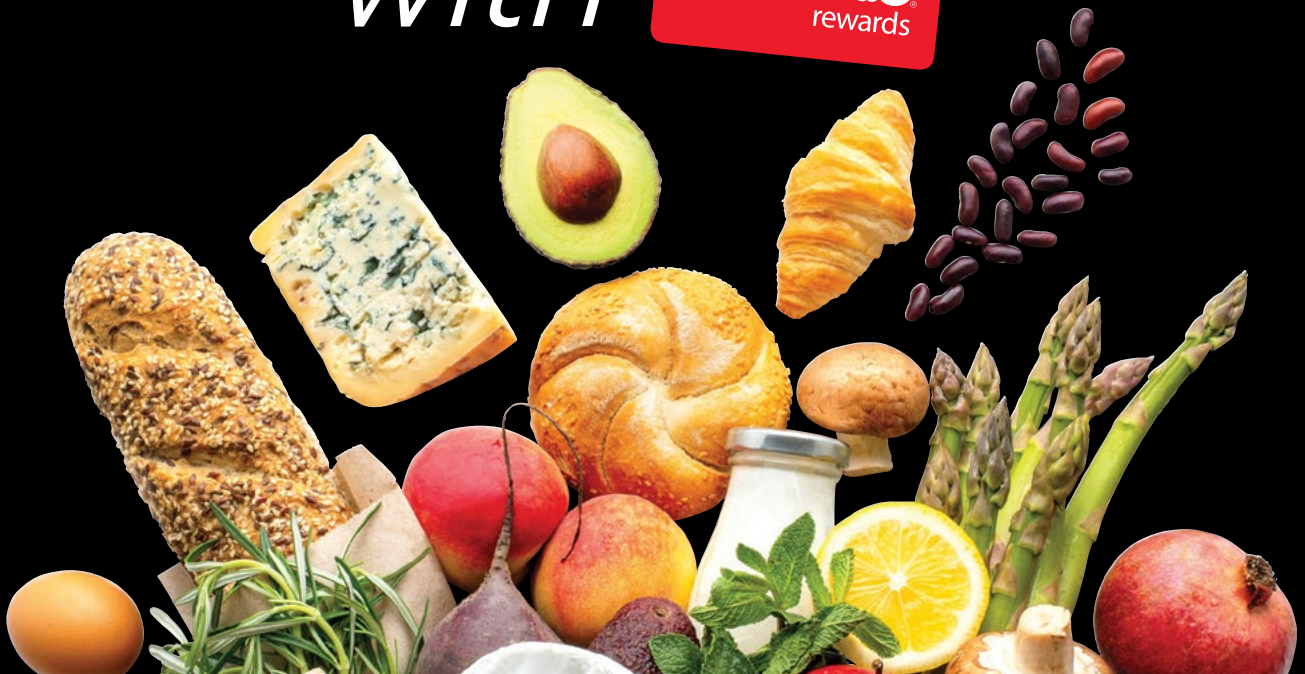


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41 AARON SANCHEZ



POSITION: PITCHER **BATS: R** **BORN: 7/1/1992**
HEIGHT: 6'4" **THROWS: R** **COLLEGE: BARSTOW (CA) HS**
WEIGHT: 216 **PRO SEASONS: 13** **RESIDES: BARSTOW, CA**

YR	CLUB	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
18	4 TEAMS	4	7	.364	5.04	23	23	0	0	0	116.0	33	70	65	21	68	97	0.871
19	2 TEAMS	5	14	.263	5.89	27	27	0	0	0	131.1	145	92	86	20	68	115	1.622
21	3 TEAMS	2	3	.400	4.74	16	14	0	0	0	57.0	60	32	30	7	25	39	1.491
22	4 TEAMS	7	6	.539	5.15	28	23	0	0	0	122.1	138	76	70	17	35	84	1.415
CAREER TOTALS		61	68	.473	4.06	297	218	0	0	4	1154.0	1067	593	520	104	536	971	1.389

67 ANDREW BECHTOLD



POSITION: INFIELD **BATS: R** **BORN: 4/18/1996**
HEIGHT: 6'2" **THROWS: R** **COLLEGE: CHIPOLA COLLEGE (FL)**
WEIGHT: 230 **PRO SEASONS: 6** **RESIDES: CHADDS FORD, PA**

YR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	HB	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
18	CEDAR RAPIDS	.216	106	366	43	79	17	0	2	34	0	1	2	51	115	8	0	.279	.314
19	2 TEAMS	.261	125	395	50	103	22	2	7	51	0	5	0	63	121	6	3	.380	.359
21	WICHITA	.239	99	351	55	84	23	0	18	48	0	2	2	45	131	1	1	.459	.328
22	2 TEAMS	.233	123	438	60	102	16	0	19	59	0	1	0	63	136	2	1	.400	.329
CAREER TOTALS		.243	496	1694	241	411	88	3	48	211	1	12	5	249	543	17	7	.383	.339T

1 ANDREW STEVENSON



POSITION: OUTFIELD **BATS: L** **BORN: 6/1/1994**
HEIGHT: 6'0" **THROWS: L** **COLLEGE: LSU**
WEIGHT: 191 **PRO SEASONS: 8** **RESIDES: LAFAYETTE, LA**

YR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	HB	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
19	3 TEAMS	.239	166	368	66	88	22	9	7	49	4	2	3	33	111	13	5	.405	.305
20	WASHINGTON	.253	15	75	11	19	7	1	2	12	0	0	1	5	11	2	0	.732	.447
21	2 TEAMS	.275	124	247	33	68	10	0	7	31	2	1	5	18	72	3	1	.401	.339
22	ROCHESTER	.279	135	545	81	152	21	9	16	67	0	3	10	46	136	39	7	.457	.344
CAREER TOTALS		.279	1855	2,806	412	783	123	39	45	298	18	15	31	234	664	144	45	.399	.340

61 AUSTIN SCHULFER



POSITION: PITCHER **BATS: R** **BORN: 12/22/1995**
HEIGHT: 6'2" **THROWS: R** **COLLEGE: UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE**
WEIGHT: 185 **PRO SEASONS: 5** **RESIDES: PLOVER, WI**

YR	CLUB	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
18	ELIZABETHTON	3	0	1.000	1.58	11	7	0	0	0	40.0	33	13	7	1	15	34	1.200
19	CEDAR RAPIDS	7	6	.538	3.96	30	13	0	0	1	97.2	73	48	43	9	47	124	1.229
21	WICHITA	6	8	.429	4.34	24	24	0	0	0	110.0	109	61	53	7	49	105	1.436
22	2 TEAMS	4	3	.571	3.23	44	1	0	0	8	55.2	41	22	20	4	17	61	1.042
CAREER TOTALS		20	17	.441	3.65	109	45	0	0	9	303.1	256	144	123	21	128	324	1.266

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27 BAILEY OBER



POSITION: PITCHER
HEIGHT: 6'9"
WEIGHT: 247

BATS: R
THROWS: R
PRO SEASONS: 6

BORN: 7/12/1995
COLLEGE: COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON (SC)
RESIDES: DENVER, CO

YR	CLUB	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
18	CEDAR RAPIDS	7	1	.875	3.84	14	14	0	0	0	75.0	71	32	32	7	9	88	1.067
19	3 TEAMS	8	0	1.000	0.69	14	13	0	0	0	78.2	55	12	6	2	9	100	0.814
21	2 TEAMS	4	3	.571	3.99	24	24	0	0	0	108.1	105	50	48	20	24	117	1.191
22	3 TEAMS	2	4	.333	3.22	15	15	0	0	0	72.2	57	29	29	7	14	70	0.978
CAREER TOTALS		23	10	.697	3.03	73	79	0	0	0	362.2	312	133	122	38	59	410	1.023

38 BRENT HEADRICK



POSITION: PITCHER
HEIGHT: 6'6"
WEIGHT: 238

BATS: L
THROWS: L
PRO SEASONS: 4

BORN: 12/17/1997
COLLEGE: ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY
RESIDES: JOLIET, IL

YR	CLUB	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
19	ELIZABETHTON	0	0	.000	0.00	3	2	0	0	0	3.2	2	2	0	0	5	2	1.909
21	2 TEAMS	3	5	.375	3.71	16	15	0	0	0	63.0	65	33	26	5	35	88	1.587
22	2 TEAMS	10	5	.667	3.32	25	23	0	0	0	108.1	92	41	40	18	25	136	1.080
CAREER TOTALS		13	10	.565	3.39	44	40	0	0	0	175.0	159	76	66	23	65	226	1.280

26 BROCK STEWART



POSITION: PITCHER
HEIGHT: 6'3"
WEIGHT: 218

BATS: L
THROWS: R
PRO SEASONS: 9

BORN: 10/3/1991
COLLEGE: ILLINOIS STATE
RESIDES: CHARLOTTE, NC

YR	CLUB	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
18	2 TEAMS	3	4	.429	3.47	28	21	0	0	0	114.0	106	49	44	11	38	94	1.263
19	4 TEAMS	10	8	.556	7.94	32	17	0	0	0	110.0	147	103	97	33	51	92	1.800
20	CHICAGO (IND)	1	1	.500	3.38	6	3	0	0	0	21.1	22	8	8	2	4	23	1.219
22	3 TEAMS	0	2	.000	7.71	11	2	0	0	0	14.0	15	13	12	4	4	16	1.357
CAREER TOTALS		32	31	.508	4.41	170	99	1	0	4	595.2	609	317	287	79	192	582	1.345

66 CHRIS WILLIAMS



POSITION: CATCHER
HEIGHT: 6'0"
WEIGHT: 208

BATS: R
THROWS: R
PRO SEASONS: 5

BORN: 11/23/1996
COLLEGE: UNIVERSITY OF CLEMSON
RESIDES: GARDEN GROVE, CA

YR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	HB	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
18	ELIZABETHTON	.252	62	214	39	54	6	1	15	51	0	4	3	40	51	2	1	.500	.372
19	2 TEAMS	.192	74	229	36	44	12	3	11	32	0	4	1	50	77	1	0	.415	.335
21	2 TEAMS	.180	45	139	21	25	8	1	3	15	0	3	1	26	60	1	0	.317	.308
22	2 TEAMS	.246	117	422	62	104	21	1	28	89	0	0	2	63	144	2	2	.500	.343
CAREER TOTALS		.226	298	1004	158	227	47	6	57	187	0	17	7	179	333	6	3	.455	.342

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37 CODY LAWERYSON



POSITION: PITCHER
HEIGHT: 6'4"
WEIGHT: 212

BATS: L
THROWS: R
PRO SEASONS: 4

BORN: 5/10/1998
COLLEGE: UNIVERSITY OF MAINE
RESIDES: MOSCOW, ME

YR	CLUB	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
19	2 TEAMS	1	1	.500	1.57	11	7	0	0	1	46.0	27	9	8	2	10	63	0.804
21	CEDAR RAPIDS	2	5	.286	4.91	15	14	0	0	0	58.2	59	36	32	6	19	73	1.330
22	2 TEAMS	6	0	1.000	1.62	35	10	0	0	1	95.2	66	19	17	2	27	111	0.982
CAREER TOTALS		9	6	.600	2.57	61	31	0	0	2	199.1	152	64	57	10	56	247	1.043

54 CONNOR SADZEK



POSITION: PITCHER
HEIGHT: 6'7"
WEIGHT: 235

BATS: R
THROWS: R
PRO SEASONS: 10

BORN: 10/1/1991
COLLEGE: HOWARD (TX) JC
RESIDES: CRYSTAL LAKE, IL

YR	CLUB	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
18	3 TEAMS	5	3	.625	3.14	48	4	0	0	0	51.2	45	24	18	2	28	60	1.415
19	SEATTLE	0	1	.000	2.66	20	0	0	0	1	23.2	18	10	7	3	15	27	1.394
21	2 TEAMS	3	3	.500	4.84	40	0	0	0	1	44.2	39	25	25	5	28	49	1.500
22	3 TEAMS	1	4	.200	2.60	43	0	0	0	3	52.0	38	17	15	10	21	58	1.135
CAREER TOTALS		39	37	.513	4.01	271	93	2	0	5	660.2	571	335	294	62	322	638	1.352

53 DAVID BAÑUELOS



POSITION: C
HEIGHT: 5'11"
WEIGHT: 225

BATS: R
THROWS: R
PRO SEASONS: 6

BORN: 10/1/1996
COLLEGE: LONG BEACH STATE
RESIDES: ONTARIO, CA

YR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	HB	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
18	CEDAR RAPIDS	.220	73	279	28	57	14	0	2	22	2	5	1	10	77	1	3	.297	.247
19	2 TEAMS	.177	63	209	14	37	8	2	2	20	0	0	4	11	81	2	1	.263	.232
21	2 TEAMS	.201	45	144	20	29	7	2	3	18	0	2	1	8	53	0	0	.340	.245
22	ST. PAUL	.204	55	181	25	37	7	0	8	26	1	0	2	15	61	0	1	.376	.273
CAREER TOTALS		.207	272	920	111	190	44	4	19	112	4	7	10	60	312	4	6	.325	.261

30 DERECK RODRÍGUEZ



POSITION: PITCHER
HEIGHT: 6'0"
WEIGHT: 208

BATS: R
THROWS: R
PRO SEASONS: 9

BORN: 6/15/1992
COLLEGE: MONSIGNOR EDWARD PAGE (FL) HS
RESIDES: PLANTATION, FL

YR	CLUB	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
19	3 TEAMS	9	11	.450	5.13	35	23	0	0	0	133.1	138	94	76	27	47	108	1.389
20	SAN FRANCISCO	0	0	.000	13.50	2	0	0	0	0	4.0	10	6	6	2	3	2	3.250
21	ALBUQUERQUE	4	6	.400	6.72	22	19	0	0	0	85.2	112	69	64	17	30	87	1.658
22	2 TEAMS	8	5	.615	4.66	25	16	0	0	0	102.1	100	59	53	16	36	96	1.329
CAREER TOTALS		54	49	.524	4.17	195	147	1	0	5	871.0	860	470	404	115	268	752	1.295

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25 ELLIOT SOTO



POSITION: **IF**
HEIGHT: **5'9"**
WEIGHT: **160**

BATS: **R**
THROWS: **R**
PRO SEASONS: **12**

BORN: **8/21/1989**
COLLEGE: **CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY**
RESIDES: **ELGIN, IL**

YR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	HB	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
19	ALBUQUERQUE	.305	112	410	79	125	22	10	10	50	2	1	5	45	91	8	5	.481	.380
20	LOS ANGELES-AL	.333	3	6	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	.500	.429
21	2 TEAMS	.242	57	182	24	44	9	1	0	16	1	1	3	20	44	3	1	.302	.325
22	ST. PAUL	.223	92	301	48	67	20	2	4	32	0	0	3	40	77	9	1	.342	.320
CAREER TOTALS		.255	1020	3291	444	839	144	29	21	307	55	25	31	372	664	58	29	.335	.334

18 HERNÁN PEREZ



POSITION: **INFIELD**
HEIGHT: **6'1"**
WEIGHT: **207**

BATS: **R**
THROWS: **R**
PRO SEASONS: **15**

BORN: **3/26/1991**
COLLEGE: **--**
RESIDES: **ARAGUA, VZ**

YR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	HB	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
19	2 TEAMS	.248	118	339	37	84	21	0	13	37	2	2	0	25	89	11	1	.425	.298
20	CHICAGO	.136	3	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	.167	.167
21	3 TEAMS	.278	92	327	35	91	21	1	8	51	0	0	4	25	78	8	6	.422	.337
22	2 TEAMS	.268	365	336	55	90	16	1	10	42	0	0	3	22	77	20	3	.411	.319
CAREER TOTALS		.262	1600	5,413	644	1,417	258	37	99	577	51	48	29	300	1,010	217	54	.378	.302

19 JAIR CAMARGO



POSITION: **CATCHER**
HEIGHT: **5'11"**
WEIGHT: **237**

BATS: **R**
THROWS: **R**
PRO SEASONS: **7**

BORN: **7/1/1999**
COLLEGE: **--**
RESIDES: **BARRANQUILLA, COLUMBIA**

YR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	HB	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
18	2 TEAMS	.250	41	136	16	34	4	3	1	13	2	1	6	6	28	7	3	.346	.309
19	GREAT LAKES	.236	79	284	38	67	18	0	4	41	0	4	7	21	91	5	3	.342	.301
21	CEDAR RAPIDS	.236	71	263	32	62	7	1	13	36	0	1	4	12	106	3	1	.418	.279
22	3 TEAMS	.262	77	302	41	79	11	1	18	50	0	2	2	20	107	4	2	.483	.310
CAREER TOTALS		.260	337	1230	357	307	56	7	42	181	2	11	22	67	405	22	10	.398	.300

31 JOSE DE LEÓN



POSITION: **PITCHER**
HEIGHT: **6'1"**
WEIGHT: **217**

BATS: **R**
THROWS: **R**
PRO SEASONS: **10**

BORN: **8/7/1992**
COLLEGE: **SOUTHERN (LA) UNIVERSITY**
RESIDES: **ISABELA, PR**

YR	CLUB	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
17	4 TEAMS	3	2	.600	3.51	11	8	0	0	0	41.0	33	16	16	3	19	46	1.268
19	2 TEAMS	2	1	.667	2.69	19	15	0	0	1	56.0	45	23	23	30	30	74	1.339
21	3 TEAMS	1	3	.250	7.03	21	2	0	0	0	32.0	33	26	25	6	18	56	1.594
22	2 TEAMS	0	0	.000	4.05	11	5	0	0	0	13.1	11	9	6	2	8	20	1.968
CAREER TOTALS		32	19	.628	3.91	92	79	1	1	2	500.0	423	255	217	52	195	674	1.236

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35 KYLE GARLICK



POSITION: **OF**
HEIGHT: **6'1"**
WEIGHT: **221**

BATS: **R**
THROWS: **R**
PRO SEASONS: **8**

BORN: **1/26/1992**
COLLEGE: **UNIVERSITY OF OREGON**
RESIDES: **CHINO HILLS, CA**

YR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	HB	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
19	2 TEAMS	.304	111	319	62	97	29	2	26	65	0	0	6	30	103	2	1	.652	.373
20	PHILADELPHIA	.136	12	22	0	3	1	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	.182	.174
21	2 TEAMS	.236	38	106	17	25	8	0	5	7	0	1	1	7	33	1	0	.453	.287
22	2 TEAMS	.236	77	190	28	45	4	1	12	25	0	1	9	14	64	0	0	.458	.298
CAREER TOTALS		.227	503	1735	278	395	95	13	61	246	5	16	44	161	552	71	25	.403	.307

11 LOUIE VARLAND



POSITION: **PITCHER**
HEIGHT: **6'2"**
WEIGHT: **220**

BATS: **L**
THROWS: **R**
PRO SEASONS: **4**

BORN: **12/9/1997**
COLLEGE: **UNIVERSITY OF CONCORDIA, ST. PAUL**
RESIDES: **MAPLEWOOD, MN**

YR	CLUB	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
19	ELIZABETHTON	0	1	.000	2.08	3	1	0	0	0	8.2	9	2	2	1	4	10	1.500
21	2 TEAMS	10	4	.714	2.10	20	18	0	0	0	103.0	82	28	24	6	30	142	1.087
22	3 TEAMS	9	7	.563	3.19	29	28	0	0	0	152.1	143	62	54	19	48	167	1.254
CAREER TOTALS		19	12	.613	2.73	52	47	0	0	0	264.0	234	92	80	26	82	319	1.197

8 MARK CONTRERAS



POSITION: **OF**
HEIGHT: **6'0"**
WEIGHT: **195**

BATS: **L**
THROWS: **R**
PRO SEASONS: **6**

BORN: **1/24/1995**
COLLEGE: **CANYON SPRINGS HS, CA**
RESIDES: **MORENO VALLEY, CA**

YR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	HB	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
18	2 TEAMS	.228	104	360	64	82	18	4	9	44	3	2	9	37	99	13	9	.375	.314
19	2 TEAMS	.186	112	360	42	67	15	3	10	39	2	5	9	35	116	14	8	.328	.271
21	2 TEAMS	.251	114	410	72	103	30	3	20	74	0	4	13	43	139	15	5	.485	.338
22	2 TEAMS	.221	130	434	73	96	22	1	18	65	0	3	9	38	146	24	2	.401	.296
CAREER TOTALS		.227	503	1735	278	395	95	13	61	246	5	16	44	161	552	71	25	.403	.307

52 MATT WALLNER



POSITION: **OF**
HEIGHT: **6'5"**
WEIGHT: **246**

BATS: **L**
THROWS: **R**
PRO SEASONS: **4**

BORN: **12/12/1997**
COLLEGE: **UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSOURI**
RESIDES: **FORREST LAKE, MN**

YR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	HB	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
19	2 TEAMS	.258	65	252	42	65	21	2	8	34	0	0	15	24	80	1	1	.452	.357
21	2 TEAMS	.265	68	264	41	70	14	2	15	47	0	1	7	28	100	0	1	.504	.350
22	3 TEAMS	.236	146	515	94	140	35	4	29	105	0	5	13	103	195	10	5	.541	.403
CAREER TOTALS		.269	279	1021	177	275	70	8	52	186	0	6	35	155	375	11	7	.499	.370

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62 OLIVER ORTEGA



POSITION: PITCHER **BATS:** R **BORN:** 10/2/1996
HEIGHT: 6'0" **THROWS:** R **COLLEGE:** --
WEIGHT: 204 **PRO SEASONS:** 8 **RESIDES:** NAGUA, DR

YR	CLUB	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
18	BURLINGTON	4	5	.444	3.51	19	18	0	0	0	82.0	64	36	32	6	41	86	1.280
19	2 TEAMS	4	8	.333	4.14	26	21	0	0	2	111.0	90	62	51	8	57	135	1.324
21	3 TEAMS	3	3	.500	5.37	42	0	0	0	5	52.0	56	39	31	6	20	65	1.462
22	2 TEAMS	3	4	.429	4.68	50	0	0	0	3	59.2	36	31	31	8	26	60	1.040
CAREER TOTALS		17	26	.395	4.18	164	46	0	0	10	377.0	334	213	175	29	172	410	1.342

32 PATRICK MURPHY



POSITION: PITCHER **BATS:** R **BORN:** 6/10/1995
HEIGHT: 6'5" **THROWS:** R **COLLEGE:** UNIVERSITY OF MAINE
WEIGHT: 229 **PRO SEASONS:** 9 **RESIDES:** MOSCOW, ME

YR	CLUB	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
19	NEW HAMPSHIRE	4	7	.364	4.71	18	18	0	0	0	84.0	75	53	44	7	27	86	1.214
20	TORONTO	0	0	.000	1.50	4	0	0	0	0	6.0	6	1	1	0	2	5	1.333
21	5 TEAMS	1	4	.200	1.90	41	0	0	0	0	38.0	47	23	19	3	20	54	1.763
22	2 TEAMS	3	3	.500	5.12	46	7	0	0	2	68.2	67	47	39	6	41	77	1.574
CAREER TOTALS		27	30	.474	3.55	180	88	1	0	4	560.2	536	268	221	29	219	512	1.347

23 RANDY DOBNAK



POSITION: PITCHER **BATS:** R **BORN:** 1/17/1995
HEIGHT: 6'0" **THROWS:** R **COLLEGE:** ALDERSON BROADDUS (WV) UNIVERSITY
WEIGHT: 227 **PRO SEASONS:** 6 **RESIDES:** FALLING WATERS, WV

YR	CLUB	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
19	4 TEAMS	14	5	.739	1.98	33	26	1	0	1	163.1	131	45	36	7	33	132	1.004
20	MINNESOTA	6	4	.600	4.05	10	10	0	0	0	46.2	50	21	21	3	13	27	1.350
21	3 TEAMS	1	8	.111	6.16	19	11	0	0	1	71.2	81	50	49	11	22	45	1.439
22	3 TEAMS	1	2	.333	4.32	11	6	0	0	0	25.0	23	12	12	3	16	23	1.560
CAREER TOTALS		34	24	.586	3.30	103	77	2	0	3	469.0	448	188	172	33	116	334	1.203

20 RYAN LAMARRE



POSITION: OUTFIELD **BATS:** R **BORN:** 11/21/1998
HEIGHT: 6'2" **THROWS:** L **COLLEGE:** UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
WEIGHT: 213 **PRO SEASONS:** 13 **RESIDES:** JUPITER, FL

YR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	HB	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
18	4 TEAMS	.275	101	258	27	71	17	3	2	25	1	3	3	19	82	5	2	.388	.329
19	2 TEAMS	.306	126	428	58	131	24	8	11	56	0	3	9	41	123	20	10	.477	.376
21	2 TEAMS	.269	69	227	30	61	13	2	8	38	0	0	8	29	68	15	6	.449	.370
22	SCRANTON/WB	.297	53	155	33	46	10	0	5	21	0	1	9	21	42	7	2	.458	.409
CAREER TOTALS		.271	1,076	3,600	506	974	173	27	72	374	21	29	90	356	942	212	82	.394	.349

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44 SIMEON WOODS RICHARDSON

POSITION: **PITCHER** BATS: **R**
 HEIGHT: **6'3"** THROWS: **R**
 WEIGHT: **232** PRO SEASONS: **5**

BORN: **9/27/2000**
 COLLEGE: **KEMPNER (TX) HS**
 RESIDES: **HOUSTON, TX**



YR	CLUB	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
18	2 TEAMS	1	0	1.00	1.56	7	4	0	0	1	17.1	15	5	3	1	4	26	1.096
19	2 TEAMS	6	10	.375	3.80	26	26	0	0	0	106.2	96	52	45	6	24	126	1.125
21	2 TEAMS	3	5	.375	5.91	15	14	0	0	0	53.1	48	39	35	5	34	77	1.538
22	3 TEAMS	5	4	.556	2.80	24	23	0	0	0	112.1	80	38	35	7	38	118	1.228
CAREER TOTALS		15	19	.441	3.67	72	78	0	0	1	289.2	239	134	118	19	100	347	1.051

2 TONY WOLTERS

POSITION: **CATCHER** BATS: **L**
 HEIGHT: **5'10"** THROWS: **R**
 WEIGHT: **194** PRO SEASONS: **13**

BORN: **6/9/1992**
 COLLEGE: **RANCHO BUENA VISTA (HS)**
 RESIDES: **SCOTTSDALE, AZ**



YR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	HB	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
19	COLORADO	.262	121	359	42	94	17	2	1	42	2	6	8	36	68	0	1	.329	.337
20	COLORADO	.230	42	100	10	23	4	0	0	8	2	0	1	6	30	0	0	.329	.337
21	3 TEAMS	.284	78	232	31	53	10	1	6	30	2	1	9	31	65	1	3	.358	.339
22	2 TEAMS	.226	63	208	21	47	9	1	0	29	0	2	2	26	61	0	0	.276	.314
CAREER TOTALS		.247	986	3217	400	796	147	27	30	357	29	26	61	347	734	42	30	.338	.329

45 TREVOR MEGILL

POSITION: **P** BATS: **L**
 HEIGHT: **6'8"** THROWS: **R**
 WEIGHT: **250** PRO SEASONS: **6**

BORN: **12/5/1993**
 COLLEGE: **BIXBY CHARTER SCHOOL, CA**
 RESIDES: **SEAL BEACH, CA**



YR	CLUB	W	L	%	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	WHIP
17	3 TEAMS	4	0	1.000	2.63	21	0	0	0	2	27.1	19	8	8	0	7	44	.951
18	3 TEAMS	2	1	.667	3.35	25	0	0	0	1	37.2	31	14	14	5	8	42	1.035
19	3 TEAMS	2	2	.500	3.86	39	0	0	0	6	60.2	63	29	26	5	21	79	1.401
21	2 TEAMS	1	2	.333	7.17	40	0	0	0	1	37.2	48	32	30	9	16	50	1.702
CAREER TOTALS		12	5	.706	4.12	142	0	0	0	11	194.2	188	95	89	24	64	266	1.295

13 TYLER WHITE

POSITION: **INFIELD** BATS: **R**
 HEIGHT: **6'1"** THROWS: **R**
 WEIGHT: **260** PRO SEASONS: **10**

BORN: **10/29/1990**
 COLLEGE: **WESTERN CAROLINA (NC) UNIVERSITY**
 RESIDES: **HOUSTON, TX**



YR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	SH	SF	HB	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
19	2 TEAMS	.208	83	240	18	50	14	0	3	23	0	3	0	36	78	0	0	.304	.308
20	SK (KBO)	.136	9	22	3	3	1	0	1	4	0	0	2	6	1	0	0	.318	.367
21	BUFFALO	.292	105	353	54	103	26	0	13	65	0	5	5	80	73	2	2	.476	.424
22	2 TEAMS	.230	103	357	48	82	13	2	16	58	0	6	4	70	88	5	1	.412	.357
CAREER TOTALS		.279	993	3,388	527	946	204	10	143	616	1	41	62	526	704	21	14	.354	.382

IF YOU SCHEDULE IT, THEY WILL COME

It was a successful week for the Saints in Buffalo, taking five of six games from the Bisons. The offense went on a tear, scoring just over seven runs per game. Matt Wallner went on a tear, going 11-26, earning International League Player of the Week honors, the first weekly award winner for the Saints in 2023. The team has started to get the long ball going, too. They have now homered in their last 10 games, the longest streak of the season. The big week for the Saints propelled them over the Iowa Cubs in the International League West standings, putting the Saints in first place in the West. However, just as we were last week, the team is still seven games behind the Norfolk Tides.

The first June homestand will see the Iowa Cubs make their second trip to CHS Field for a pivotal series in the West Division. The Saints have a half-game lead on Iowa as they prepare for what will be a seven game series, with a doubleheader on Thursday. The last time that the I-Cubs were in town, they took three of the five games played, with one game getting washed out due to rain. The previous meeting saw plenty of runs on the scoreboard, with both teams scoring at least five runs in three of the five games.

Naturally, both the Saints and the I-Cubs have much different rosters than they did in early April when they met for the first time. The likes of Christopher Morel and Matt Mervis have made their way to Chicago. Darius Hill has been the leader of the offense since their departure. New to the scene is Nick Madrigal, who is hitting .444 in eight games with Iowa since being

optioned on May 25. Brennan Davis, the Cubs number seven prospect has continued to struggle, hitting just .196 this season. The team ranks seventh in the IL with a .265 batting average.

On the pitching side, there will be some familiar faces with Caleb Killian (3-1, 4.57) and Nick Neidert (3-2, 4.31) both slated to throw this week. Ben Brown, who leads the team with 40 strikeouts will also make a start in this series. There could be a challenge for the Saints to continue their hot offense, as the Cubs have allowed the fewest hits in the league. There could be potential for some pitcher's duels this week, as the Saints have been paired strong pitching with their hot offense.

The Saints have the third-lowest ERA in the league following an impressive road trip, sitting at 4.32. They have allowed the second-fewest homers in the league. Despite not having the likes of Bailey Ober and Louie Varland for extended periods, the Saints haven't skipped a beat on the mound. Aaron Sanchez turned in another excellent start in Buffalo, as did Randy Dobnak. Kenta Maeda is likely to make an appearance this week on Major League rehab as his first two in Buffalo went rather smoothly.

To follow the Saints this week, you can watch every game on the Bally Live app, or on MiLB.tv, or on the Saints Broadcast Network, (Tuesday-Friday), or on the CW Network (Saturday and Sunday) or with your very own two eyes by getting tickets at saintsbasesball.com. Or you can even listen with your ears on 96.7 KFAN + for every game.



IOWA CUBS ROSTER

#	PLAYER	B/T	HT	WT.	DOB	BIRTHPLACE	40-MAN
PITCHERS (15)							
33	Brown, Ben	R-R	6-6	210	9/9/99	East Setauket, NY	Yes
24	Clarke, Chris	R-R	6-7	215	5/13/98	Westlake Village, CA	No
12	Heuer, Codi	R-R	6-5	200	7/3/96	Missoula, MT	No
20	Holloway, Jordan	R-R	6-6	230	6/13/96	Arvada, CO	No
29	Horn, Bailey	L-L	6-2	210	1/15/98	Waco, TX	No
46	Kay, Anthony	L-L	6-0	225	3/21/95	Stony Brook, NY	No
27	Kilian, Caleb	R-R	6-4	180	6/2/97	Anaheim, CA	Yes
25	Little, Brendon	L-L	6-2	195	8/11/96	Bryn Mawr, PA	No
19	Neidert, Nick	R-R	6-1	202	11/20/96	Atlanta, GA	No
39	Palencia, Daniel	R-R	5-11	160	2/5/00	San Carlos, Venezuela	No
49	Rodríguez, Manuel	R-R	5-11	210	8/6/96	Merida, Yucatan, Mexico	No
37	Rucker, Michael	R-R	6-1	195	4/27/94	Columbus, MO	Yes
51	Sanders, Cam	R-R	6-2	190	12/9/96	Thibodaux, LA	No
48	Thompson, Keegan	R-R	6-1	210	3/13/95	Cullman, AL	Yes
36	Thompson, Riley	L-R	6-4	210	7/9/96	Evansville, IN	No
CATCHERS (2)							
21	Washer, Jake	R-R	6-0	220	2/23/96	Clearwater, FL	No
8	Windham, Bryce	L-R	6-1	190	9/25/96	Monroe, MI	No
INFELDERS (7)							
4	Alcántara, Sergio	S-R	5-9	151	7/10/96	Santo Domingo Este, D.R.	No
13	Bote, David	R-R	6-1	205	4/7/93	Longmont, CO	No
11	Jordan, Levi	R-R	5-8	170	9/24/95	Puyallup, WA	No
6	Madrigal, Nick	R-R	5-8	175	3/5/97	Sacramento, CA	Yes
28	Slaughter, Jake	R-R	6-3	230	10/24/96	West Monroe, LA	No
18	Strumpf, Chase	R-R	6-0	170	3/8/98	Atlanta, GA	No
17	Young, Jared	L-R	6-2	185	7/9/95	Prince George, BC	No
OUTFIELDERS (4)							
7	Davis, Brennen	R-R	6-4	210	11/2/99	Chandler, AZ	Yes
2	Hill, Darius	L-L	6-1	190	8/17/97	Dallas, TX	No
1	Perlaza, Yonathan	S-R	5-11	195	11/10/98	Paramo Tucani, Venezuela	No
0	Velázquez, Nelson	R-R	6-0	190	12/26/98	Carolina, Puerto Rico	Yes

COACHES & STAFF

30	Marty Pevey	MANAGER
47	Ron Villone	PITCHING COACH
5	John Mallee	HITTING COACH
3	Eric Patterson	BENCH COACH
16	Andrew Betcher	DEVELOPMENT COACH
--	Ed Halbur	TRAINER
--	Logan Severson	TRAINER
--	Nathan Garza	STRENGTH COACH
--	Caitlyn Callahan	VIDEO COORDINATOR

POSITION

ST. PAUL SAINTS ROSTER

#	PLAYER	B/T	HT	WT.	DOB	RESIDES	40-MAN
PITCHERS (15)							
16	Jordan Balazovic	RR	6-5	194	09/17/1998	Mississauga, Ontario, CAN	Yes
39	Jose Bravo	RR	6-3	213	06/10/1997	Tijuana, Baja California, MX	No
30	Austin Brice	RR	6-4	238	06/19/1992	Chapel Hill, NC	No
23	Randy Dobnak	RR	6-0	227	01/17/1995	Falling Waters, WV	No
53	Kody Funderburk	LL	6-4	230	11/27/1996	Mesa, AZ	No
38	Brent Headrick	LL	6-6	238	12/17/1997	Joliet, IL	Yes
63	Ronny Henriquez	RR	5-10	163	06/20/2000	Banao, DR	Yes
37	Cody Laweryson	LR	6-4	212	05/10/1998	Moscow, ME	No
32	Patrick Murphy	RR	6-5	229	06/10/1995	Scottsdale, AZ	No
62	Oliver Ortega	RR	6-0	204	10/02/1996	Nagua, DR	No
54	Connor Sadzeck	RR	6-7	235	10/01/1991	Phoenix, AZ	No
41	Aaron Sanchez	RR	6-4	216	07/01/1992	Palm Harbor, FL	No
61	Austin Schuller	RR	6-2	185	12/22/1995	Plover, WI	No
40	Josh Winder	RR	6-5	239	10/11/1996	Chesterfield, VA	Yes
44	S. Woods Richardson	RR	6-3	220	09/27/2000	Houston, TX	Yes
CATCHERS (3)							
19	Jair Camargo	RR	5-11	237	07/01/1999	Barranquilla, COL	No
66	Chris Williams	RR	6-0	208	11/23/1996	Garden Grove, CA	No
2	Tony Wolters	LR	5-10	194	06/09/1993	Scottsdale, AZ	No
INFELDERS (5)							
12	Andrew Bechtold	RR	6-2	230	04/18/1996	Chadds Ford, PA	No
9	Alex De Goti	RR	6-0	196	08/18/1994	Miami, FL	No
67	Edouard Julien	LR	6-2	205	04/30/1999	Québec City, CAN	Yes
65	Jose Miranda	RR	6-2	206	06/29/1998	Vega Alta, PR	Yes
25	Elliot Soto	RR	5-10	174	08/21/1989	Elgin, IL	No
OUTFIELDERS (4)							
8	Mark Contreras	LR	6-0	195	01/24/1995	Moreno Valley, CA	No
20	Ryan LaMarre	RL	6-2	213	11/21/1988	Jupiter, FL	No
1	Andrew Stevenson	LL	6-0	191	06/01/1994	Youngsville, LA	No
52	Matt Wallner	LR	6-5	246	12/12/1997	Forest Lake, MN	Yes

COACHES & STAFF

33	Toby Gardenhire
48	Nate Spears
43	Cibney Bello
46	Peter Larson
51	Tyler Smarslok
--	Ben Myers
--	Taylor Carpenter
--	Cody Drouin
--	Lincoln Ficek
--	Alek Hughes
--	Matt Tramp

POSITION

Manager
Hitting Coach
Pitching Coach
Pitching Coach
Defensive Coach
Athletic Trainer
Assistant Athletic Trainer
Strength & Conditioning Coach
Video Coordinator
Video Coordinator
Clubhouse Manager

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Gilbet, AZ
Rochester, NY
Fort Myers, FL
Louisville, KY
Fort Myers, FL
Commerce Township, MI
Columbus, OH
Burnsville, MN
Sioux Falls, SD

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STARTING FROM THE BOTTOM, CHRIS WILLIAMS IS HERE



In spring of 2014, Chris Williams had just graduated from Garden Grove High School in California, with the hopes of playing baseball at in college. Williams was dominant in his high school career, earning all-state honors and a league MVP as a senior. He had been a member of the all-league selections in each of his sophomore, junior and senior seasons. However, he did not have a Division I offer to his name, which seriously hindered his chances of taking his baseball career to the next level.

Fast forward eight years, Williams is now having a strong career as a pro, putting up slugging numbers he had never seen and is landing on many radars as a serious power bat. Since his promotion to St. Paul, he's been one of the best power hitters in the league, now just 10 miles away from reaching The Show.

In hopes of furthering his baseball career, the Garden Grove native enrolled at Golden West College in Huntington Beach, California, about 11 miles away. He put up some eye-popping numbers in his freshman campaign, hitting .319 in 42 games with 32 RBI and an .807 OPS. A year like that would be considered incredible by just about any standard. To do it as a freshman though, caught the attention of coaches from around the country. Doing so as a catcher, a physically taxing position, was certain to get him looks from Division I coaches. And it did.

Williams traveled across the country to continue his career in South Carolina as a Clemson Tiger. He put together a solid sophomore season, hitting .245 with eight homers, driving in 38. He also was hit by 12 pitches, tied for the ninth-most in Clemson history. He spent most of his time that year as a first basemen, but saw a little action at third as well. That versatility would become an important factor moving forward in his career.

It was the junior season that Williams broke out, upping his batting average to .261 and crushing 14 homers, tied for 10th

in the ACC that season. He also saw significantly more action behind the plate in 2017, making 36 of his 42 starts behind the dish. He threw out half of his base-stealers (11 of 22), earning him a spot on the Johnny Bench Award Watch List, given annually to the nation's top catcher. Now it wasn't just college coaches taking notice, it was the professional scouts. The impressive season landed him a 31st round draft selection by the Tampa Bay Rays. However, Williams did not sign and opted to return to the Tigers for his senior season.

The expectations were high in the senior season, with multiple publications tabbing Williams as top-30 prospect in the ACC, and one of the top catchers in the country. D1 Baseball tabbed him as the fifth-best in the country leading into the 2018 season. Expectations were met in his final year in Clemson. This time Williams landed on the All-ACC Third-Team, with his batting average climbing all the way to .281, hitting a career-high 18 homers and driving in 72 runs to pace the conference. His 18 long balls were tied for the second-most in the league as well. He took his performance to another level in the conference tournament, going 7-10 with three home runs to garner All Tournament Team honors. He also made it back-to-back years on the Johnny Bench Award Watch List. There was no doubt if Williams would be drafted, just a matter of where.

The call came in the eighth round of the 2018 draft and it was from the Minnesota Twins. On June 8, Williams signed for \$10,000 and become a professional baseball player, after having zero Division I offers out of high school.

It's a quick turnaround upon signing that contract. Williams jumped right into rookie ball that season with Elizabethan, where he hit a respectable .252 with an exciting 15 home runs. The average dipped a bit in 2019 to .218, but Williams was still able to

crank double-digit homers for the second straight season with 11.

After hitting .180 in just 45 games in 2021 between Cedar Rapids and Wichita, Williams has exploded in 2022. He's set career highs in games played, hits, doubles, home runs, and RBI. His previous career high was 15 home runs in his first pro season and is six shy of doubling that this year. At the time of his promotion from Double-A Wichita to St. Paul, he ranked fourth in the Texas League in slugging percentage (.542), sixth in OPS (.914) and seventh in homers (18). That includes a stretch where he hit six home runs in a four game span from July 13-16 against Arkansas, earning him Texas League Player of the Week honors. He went 12-26 (.462) with three doubles, the six home runs, a .500 OBP, a 1.269 slugging percentage and a 1.769 OPS. Mashing to that degree is will put you on the fast-track to getting a promotion.

Williams mashed once joining the Saints last season, clubbing 10 home runs over the final 42 games of the season, but did hit just .192 as the strikeouts did pile up. But provided an incredibly powerful bat into the lineup.

Now into 2023, his average has been up and down around .250, already with six home runs this season and has been the beneficiary of nearly everyday playing time at first base. His bat continues to solidify a strong middle of the lineup and has played a very clean first base, not committing any errors this season. Should that average continue to climb, and the homers continue to come, perhaps some of them will be flying over a Target Field wall soon.



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BASEBALL AMERICA TWINS TOP 10 PROSPECTS

Each year **Baseball America** puts out their Top prospects for each organization. Some of these prospects will begin the season in St. Paul, others will move up to Triple-A sometime during the season, and others won't see Triple-A for a season or two. Here is your chance to get to know some of the top prospects in the Minnesota Twins organization.



1. Royce Lewis | SS/OF

Scouting Report: For all his injuries and struggles, Lewis should still turn out to be a middle-of-the-lineup force who can hit for average and power while being an asset defensively and on the basepaths. Before his second knee injury, Lewis was looking like everything the Twins had hoped for when they drafted him first overall. He has cleaned up his setup at the plate, which closed some holes in his swing. Most significantly, Lewis turned a big leg lift into a much smaller toe tap. That has allowed him to reduce a tendency to bail out with his lower half, which has improved his ability to stay on breaking pitches on the outer third of the plate. Lewis has excellent trunk rotation speed, which allows him to generate bat speed and power to all fields when he keeps his lower half in sync. His power proved to be a revelation in 2022. His 114 mph max exit velocity ranked in the top 6% of all MLB hitters. With better plate coverage, he has a shot to be an average hitter with plus power. Defensively, Lewis has above-average range at shortstop with a plus arm. He has the tools to be a plus defender at second or third base, above-average in center field and plus in either outfield corner. Lewis was a plus-plus runner before his knee injuries. It's possible he may be a little slower when he returns, but his speed should still be an asset.

Scouting Grades: Hitting: 50. Power: 60. Run: 65. Fielding: 55. Arm: 55

2. Brooks Lee | SS

Scouting Report: Lee is a switch-hitter who has hit everywhere he has played. His lefthanded swing is a work of art. He is short and direct to the ball with the balance to provide adjustability if he gets a little fooled. His righthanded swing is not as smooth and is more pull-heavy. He projects as a plus-plus hitter with average power.

Lee has the hands to play shortstop and the internal clock, but he doesn't move fluidly, and his range is fringe-average at best. His body is somewhat maxed out already, and he's not expected to add agility. He has the hands and accurate, above-average arm to be a plus defender at third base, which is where he most likely ends up.

Scouting Grades: Hitting: 70. Power: 50. Run: 40. Fielding: 50. Arm: 55

3. Emmanuel Rodriguez | OF

Scouting Report: Rodriguez's combination of power and an elite batting eye gives him a high ceiling as a middle-of-the-order bat. His chase rate ranked among the best in the minors in 2022. At an age when many hitters' approaches are rudimentary, Rodriguez knows the strike zone better than some umpires. He has to learn how to better handle pitchers who can change speeds, which led to some swing-and-miss in the zone in 2022. In addition to having a highly advanced understanding of the strike zone, Rodriguez hits the ball very hard, with average exit velocities above 90 mph. Rodriguez will stay in center field for now, but as an average runner who will likely continue to get bigger, he projects as an above-average defender in a corner outfield spot. He has a plus arm.

Scouting Grades: Hitting: 60. Power: 60. Run: 50. Fielding: 50. Arm: 60

4. Edouard Julien | 2B

Scouting Report: Julien's combination of strengths and weaknesses makes him an intriguing but somewhat limited prospect. He knows how to work counts and get on base, and his above-average power will make a pitcher pay for a mistake. But going back to his college days at Auburn, he has struggled to find a position to play. The Twins have worked extensively with Julien on his defense, but he still lacks a clear position. His hands have improved, but his limited range makes him well below-average at second base. He also played third base at Auburn and then in 2021 as a Twins minor leaguer, but left field or first base are his most likely landing spots. Even at those positions, the hope is he can be playable defensively. Before 2022, Julien had never hit even .275 in a season, either as a pro or at Auburn, but he raised that to .300 at Double-A Wichita. As a hitter, Julien works counts, hits line drives and has average power to punish a pitcher who falls behind in the count. He's not nearly as effective against lefthanders.

Scouting Grades: Hitting: 60. Power: 50. Run: 45. Fielding: 30. Arm: 50

5. Connor Prielipp | LHP

Scouting Report: Before his injury, Prielipp was viewed as one of the best arms in the 2022 draft. His slider has earned plus-plus grades at its best. It's a nearly 3,000 rpm snapdragon that left college hitters baffled. Prielipp's average fastball has touched 95-96 mph but generally sits more in the 92-93 range. The pitch is amplified by Prielipp's arm slot, release point and angle. The lefthander also throws an above-average changeup in the low 80s that has potential to become a weapon against righthanded hitters, but he barely used it in college. In his predraft bullpens, Prielipp looked rusty, but his velocity was fine.

Scouting Grades: Fastball: 60. Slider: 70. Changeup: 55. Control: 55

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6. Matt Wallner | OF

Scouting Report: Wallner's plus-plus arm is the bane of third base coaches. He can turn what seem like easy send decisions into outs where the baserunner never even got a chance to slide. He had 13 assists in 2022, and he topped out at 100.3 mph on throws in his brief MLB stint. Wallner's plus-plus power is nearly as impressive. He hits screaming line drives and mammoth home runs. His nearly 94 mph average exit velocity was among the best in the minors in 2022. Among MLB hitters with 25 or more balls in play, his 53% hard-hit percentage ranked 10th out of 565 batters. The catch? Wallner has significant swing-and-miss issues. His selectivity isn't an issue as much as his swing. Wallner's lofted, lengthy bat path translates to swings and misses in the strike zone. That's the tradeoff he has made to get to his big power. He's a well-below-average hitter, but one who could hit 35 home runs in a full season.

Scouting Grades: Hitting: 30. Power: 70. Run: 55. Fielding: 45. Arm: 70

7. Marco Raya | RHP

Scouting Report: Raya has some of the best stuff in the Twins' organization, with a 93-95 mph four-seam fastball with riding life that comes in on a flat plane thanks to his short stature. He already has two quality breaking pitches, and his changeup made strides in 2022. Raya's average changeup has more deception and depth than it had coming into 2022 thanks to a new split-change grip he learned from fellow Twins prospect Matt Canterino. Raya's plus slider has both depth and sweep, and he already has feel for locating it in the zone or down and out for chases as needed. His bigger, slower, high-70s curveball is above-average with plenty of depth. It can be a bat-misser, like his slider. He has average control.

Scouting Grades: Fastball: 65. Curveball: 55. Slider: 60. Changeup: 50. Control: 50

8. Louie Varland | RHP

Scouting Report: Varland draws raves for his willingness to work and his ability to absorb and process instruction. When Varland arrived at Concordia, he generally sat in the mid 80s. These days he throws nearly 10 mph harder, with a fastball that sits 93-95 mph and touches 98 thanks to plenty of time in the weight room. He's also steadily developed his secondary offerings. Early in his pro career, Varland developed an average changeup. Now his slider has improved from well below-average to average. He has added sweep to it, making it more of a swing-and-miss pitch. He has started to throw a fringe-average 88-90 mph cutter. It's important, because while his slider is a chase pitch, his cutter is something he consistently throws for strikes. It enhances his slider's effectiveness because now he can steal a strike if hitters read spin and lay off his cutter. Varland doesn't have a true plus pitch, but he generates deception from a slightly closed delivery and has plus control.

Scouting Grades: Fastball: 60. Slider: 50. Changeup: 50. Cutter: 45. Control: 60

9. David Festa | RHP

Scouting Report: Festa's once below-average fastball is now a plus-plus 94-96 mph pitch that generates swings-and-misses

in and above the strike zone thanks to its carry and velocity. His lanky build and somewhat funky delivery seems to make it harder for hitters to take comfortable swings. Festa has long had a plus mid-80s changeup, a pitch he perfected before he added velocity. Newfound power has improved Festa's high-80s power slider, which now flashes above-average. It's not consistent yet. When he's on, Festa has three swing-and-miss pitches to go with average control.

Scouting Grades: Fastball: 70. Slider: 55. Changeup: 60. Control: 50



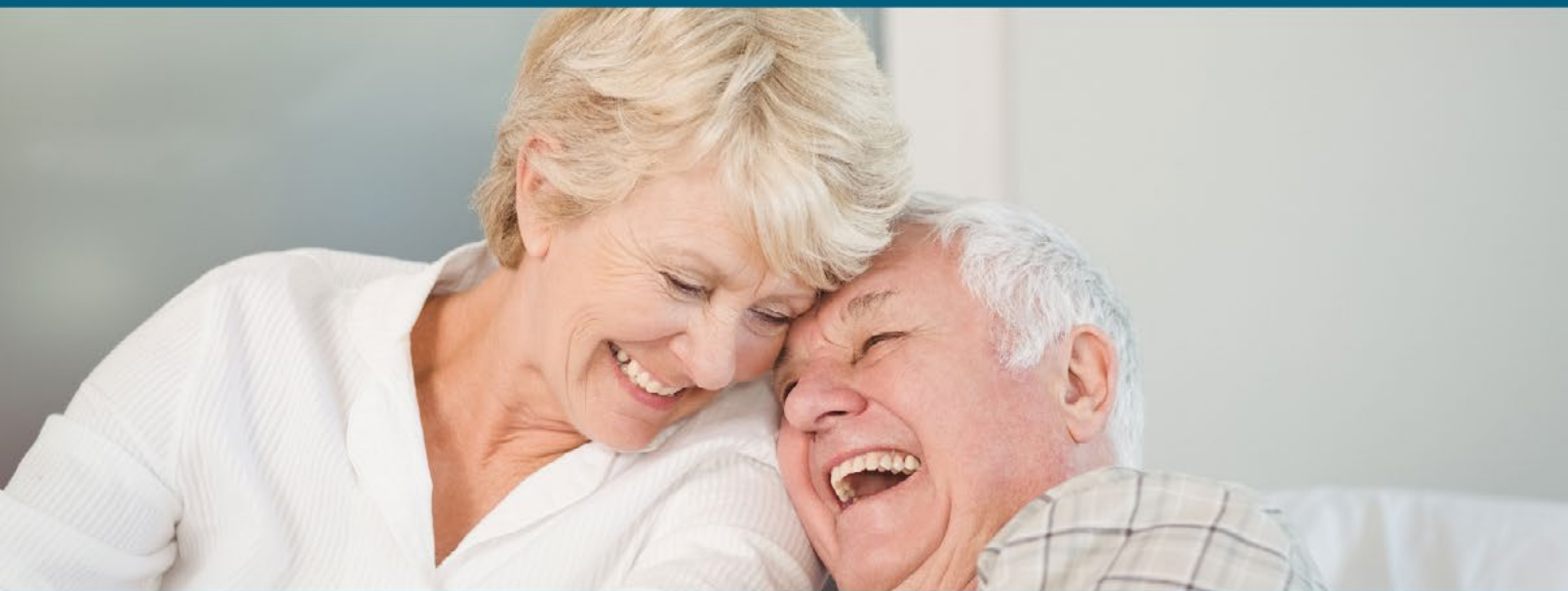
10. Simeon Woods Richardson | RHP

Scouting Report: Woods Richardson's stuff and success varies from outing to outing. Seen on the right day, he'll locate a fringe-average 92-94 mph fastball that can touch 95-96, and he'll mix in three solid secondaries consisting of slider, curveball and changeup. On other days, Woods Richardson sits 90-92 mph with less consistent offspeed pitches and scattershot control. The tricky part is separating how much of his success is based around the same delivery issues that lead to his inconsistency. He isn't direct to the plate with his delivery, but that helps add deception to an assortment of pitches that otherwise are fairly generic. Woods Richardson has a high over-the-top release point, so he generally works up and down in the strike zone, which also helps his average curveball play. His fringe-average low-80s slider gives hitters something different to worry about. His above-average changeup is more consistent.

Scouting Grades: Fastball: 45. Curveball: 50. Slider: 45. Changeup: 55. Control: 50



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MARCHING INTO A NEW SEASON

Chances are, until the 2030 season there isn't going to be a ton of new information to report on this page. Each of the 120 Minor League teams entered into a 10-year player development licensing agreement, so unless something unforeseen happens the 120 are going to be the 120. There may be little changes here and there within levels or leagues, but otherwise it should be status quo. The International League is here to stay. No bouncing back-and-forth between Triple-A West (2021) and the International League (2022). We're locked in to one of the longest running leagues in Minor League Baseball history.

The biggest change for all teams in the International League is the start date. The season began on Friday, March 31. While the Saints opened on the road, the Tuesday, April 4 home date will be the earliest the Saints have ever played a home game, surpassing last seasons April 12. Bundle up. It will once again be a 150-game schedule that begins on March 31 and ends on Wednesday, September 24.



The league remains two, 10-team divisions made up of the West and East. The Saints find themselves in the West Division with the Columbus (OH) Clippers (Cleveland Indians), Gwinnett (GA) Stripers (Atlanta Braves), Indianapolis (IN) Indians (Pittsburgh Pirates), Iowa Cubs (Chicago Cubs), Louisville (KY) Bats (Cincinnati Reds), Memphis (TN) Redbirds (St. Louis Cardinals), Nashville (TN) Sounds (Milwaukee Brewers), Omaha (NE) Storm Chasers (Kansas City Royals), and Toledo (OH) Mud Hens (Detroit Tigers). The East Division is comprised of Buffalo (NY) Bisons (Toronto Blue Jays), Charlotte (NC) Knights (Chicago White Sox), Durham (NC) Bulls (Tampa Bay Rays), Jacksonville (FL) Jumbo Shrimp (Miami Marlins), Lehigh Valley (PA) Iron Pigs (Philadelphia Phillies), Norfolk (VA) Tides (Baltimore Orioles), Rochester (NY) Red Wings (Washington Nationals), Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (PA) RailRiders (New York Yankees), Syracuse (NY) Mets (New York Mets), and Worcester (MA) Red Sox (Boston Red Sox).

Finally, there is good news for those hoping to see playoff baseball in the home ballparks. Last season, the top teams in each division, both the International League and Pacific Coast League, headed to Las Vegas for a four-team, single elimination tournament. This season, the division winners will meet in a best-of-three division series, with the higher seed hosting. The winner of the series will then meet the Pacific Coast Champion for the Triple-A National Championship. The 2022 playoffs saw the Durham Bulls destroy the Nashville Sounds 13-0 in the International League playoff game while the Reno Aces beat the El Paso Chihuahuas 6-2 in the Pacific Coast League playoff game. In the Triple-A National Championship, the Bulls outslugged Reno, 10-6.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE MILEAGE

	BUF	CHA	COL	DUR	GWN	IOWA	IND	JAX	LHV	LOU	MEM	NASH	NOR	OMA	ROC	STP	SWB	SYR	TOL	WOO
BUF	x	660	332	691	870	854	504	1042	352	535	917	704	644	998	74	933	288	150	308	418
CHA	660	x	427	142	210	1058	576	384	560	476	619	420	325	1143	725	1166	594	730	614	795
COL	332	427	x	458	575	647	175	812	451	205	589	378	572	793	397	754	474	473	144	724
DUR	691	142	458	x	360	1079	654	471	455	541	727	515	185	1231	651	1186	490	626	646	659
GWN	870	210	575	360	x	923	550	376	770	440	425	270	540	1006	935	1139	800	940	670	1005
IOWA	854	1058	647	1079	923	x	472	1249	1051	588	619	655	1192	147	920	242	1017	645	562	1262
IND	504	576	175	654	550	472	x	881	625	114	464	288	768	618	569	582	647	645	226	911
JAX	1042	384	812	471	376	1249	881	x	898	767	698	596	615	1332	1082	1466	938	1075	1008	1104
LHV	352	560	451	455	770	1051	625	898	x	652	1012	801	323	1197	289	1130	74	205	503	271
LOU	535	476	205	541	440	588	114	767	652	x	385	174	656	692	601	696	677	676	301	942
MEM	917	619	589	727	425	619	464	698	1012	385	x	212	917	637	981	798	1043	1056	690	1268
NASH	704	420	378	515	270	655	288	596	801	174	212	x	706	739	771	873	847	846	472	1057
NOR	644	325	572	185	540	1192	768	615	323	656	917	706	x	1344	600	1282	381	515	657	534
OMA	999	1144	793	1231	1006	147	618	1332	1197	692	637	739	1344	x	1065	392	1163	1140	708	1408
ROC	74	725	397	651	935	920	569	1082	289	601	981	771	600	1065	x	998	226	87	373	354
STP	933	1166	754	1186	1139	242	582	1466	1130	696	798	873	1282	392	998	x	1096	1072	641	1341
SWB	288	594	474	490	800	1017	647	938	74	677	1043	847	381	1163	226	1096	x	141	471	256
SYR	150	730	473	626	940	994	645	1075	205	676	1056	846	515	1140	87	1072	141	x	448	273
TOL	308	614	144	646	670	562	226	1008	503	301	690	472	657	708	373	641	471	448	x	714
WOO	418	795	724	659	1005	1262	911	1104	271	942	1268	1057	534	1408	354	1341	256	273	714	x

2022 FINAL STANDINGS

EAST DIVISION

	WON	LOST	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
Durham Bulls	86	64	.573	--	42-33	44-31
Scranton/Wilkes-Barre RailRiders	83	67	.553	3.0	42-33	41-34
Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp	80	69	.537	5.5	38-37	42-32
Buffalo Bisons	76	72	.514	9.0	37-35	39-37
Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs	76	72	.514	9.0	38-36	38-36
Worcester Red Sox	75	73	.507	10.0	36-39	39-34
Norfolk Tides	74	76	.493	12.0	37-38	37-38
Rochester Red Wings	67	81	.453	18.0	34-41	33-40
Syracuse Mets	64	85	.430	21.5	32-42	32-43
Charlotte Knights	58	92	.387	28.0	32-43	26-49

WEST DIVISION

	WON	LOST	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
Nashville Sounds	91	58	.611	--	48-27	43-31
Toledo Mud Hens	87	63	.580	4.5	45-30	42-33
Columbus Clippers	85	64	.570	6.0	46-28	39-36
St. Paul Saints	74	75	.497	17.0	44-30	30-45
Indianapolis Indians	74	75	.497	17.0	41-34	33-41
Memphis Redbirds	73	77	.487	18.5	37-38	36-39
Omaha Storm Chasers	71	78	.477	20.0	40-34	31-44
Gwinnett Stripers	69	79	.466	21.5	40-34	29-45
Iowa Cubs	68	81	.456	23.0	38-37	30-44
Louisville Bats	60	90	.400	31.5	30-45	30-45

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40-MAN ROSTER:

In a typical season, the 40-man roster includes a combination of players on the 26-man roster (it was 25, prior to 2020), the 7-, 10- and 15-day injured lists, the bereavement/family medical emergency list and the paternity leave list, as well as some Minor Leaguers. In order for a club to add a player to the 26-man roster, the player must be on the 40-man roster. If a club with a full 40-man roster wishes to promote a Minor League player that is not on the 40-man roster, it must first remove a player from the 40-man roster -- either by designating a player's contract for assignment, trading a player, releasing a player or transferring a player to the 60-day injured list. The 40-man roster is an important distinction in the offseason, as players who are on the 40-man roster are protected from being selected by another organization in the annual Rule 5 Draft, held each year in December at the Winter Meetings. Players signed at age 18 or younger need to be added to their club's 40-Man roster within five seasons or they become eligible for the Rule 5 Draft. Players who signed at age 19 or older need to be protected within four seasons.

NON- ROSTER INVITE (NRI):

A player signed to a Minor League contract, but invited to Major League Spring Training. This player is not on the 40-man roster.

DESIGNATED FOR ASSIGNMENT (DFA):

A DFA'd player is immediately removed from his club's 40-man roster. Within seven days of the transaction (had been 10 days under the 2012-16 Collective Bargaining Agreement), the player can either be traded or placed on irrevocable outright waivers. If the player is claimed off said waivers by another club, he is immediately added to that team's 40-man roster, at which point he can be optioned to the Minor Leagues or assigned to his new team's 26-man roster. If the player clears waivers, he may be sent outright to the Minor Leagues or released. Players with more than three years of Major League service time or who have been previously outrighted may reject the outright assignment in favor of free agency.

MINOR LEAGUE OPTIONS (OPTIONS):

Players on a 40-man roster are given three Minor League "options." An option allows that player to be sent to the Minor Leagues ("optioned") without first being subjected to waivers. Players who are optioned to the Minors are removed from a team's active 26-man roster but remain on the 40-man roster. Only one Minor League option is used per season, regardless of how many times a player is optioned to and from the Minors over the course of a given season. Out-of-options players must be designated for assignment -- which removes them from the 40-man roster -- and passed through outright waivers before being eligible to be sent to the Minors. Players typically have three option years.

OUTRIGHT WAIVERS:

A club attempting to remove a player from the 40-man roster and send him to the Minor Leagues must first place that player on outright waivers, allowing the 29 other Major League clubs the opportunity to claim him. The claiming club assumes responsibility for the remaining money owed to the claimed player, who is placed on his new club's 40-man roster. Should the player clear waivers, he can be sent to any Minor League affiliate the club chooses. Outright waivers are also used when clubs wish to remove a player who is out of Minor League options from the 26-man roster by sending him to the Minors. Claiming priority is based on league and reverse winning percentage. If a player has more than three years of Major League service time or was previously outrighted in his career (by his current club or another club), he is eligible to reject the outright assignment and instead opt for free agency. Players with more than three but less than five years of Major League service time must forfeit any remaining guaranteed money on their contract if they reject an outright assignment. Conversely, those with five or more years of Major League service time are still owed any guaranteed money remaining on their contract, should they elect free agency following an outright.

RECALLED & CONTRACT PURCHASED:

These terms can be easily mixed up because they mean very similar things but are distinctly different. If a player is already on the 40-man roster and playing for a minor league team, he would be "recalled" to the MLB parent club because he is already a member of the 40-man. However, if a player from the minor leagues is called up to the MLB parent club and is not on the 40-man, the MLB club must "purchase his contract" and place him on the 40-man roster. If there are no spots on the 40-man, then they must DFA (designate for assignment) a current member of the 40-man to make room.

MAJOR LEAGUE REHABILITATION ASSIGNMENT:

Any MLB player can be assigned to any minor league affiliate for the purpose of rehabbing an injury for a maximum of 20 days (non-pitchers) and 30 days (pitchers). The player will still continue to get his MLB salary while on his rehab assignment. The rehabilitation assignments do not count against the minor league affiliates roster or as an "optional assignment."

INJURED LIST OR "IL":

In the minor leagues there is only one IL and that is the seven-day IL. If a minor league player is placed on the seven-day IL, he must remain there for at least seven days before he can once again be activated. Players that are on the seven-day IL, therefore, can be on it for anywhere from seven days to the entire season since that is MiLB's only IL.

Q&A WITH TOBY GARDENHIRE

Q. Last season was the first time this franchise ever played games in April and the weather was difficult. How tough is it to play when temperatures are in the 30s and below?

A. It was really cold and that is definitely hard on the players. It's hard to hit, catch, and throw when you can't feel your hands. We always tell ourselves that both teams have to deal with it but that doesn't really help much. It comes down to trying your best to be mentally tough when it is cold and playing through the conditions. Playing in cold weather is part of playing baseball in MN and we know that, so we will do the best we can when it is cold and look forward to warmer weather.

Q. You went through a tough stretch in May, losing 11 consecutive games. When your team is going through something like that, what do you try to do as a manager to change things up from game-to-game?

A. We had some good stretches and some bad stretches during the season. My strategy is always to show up and be the same guy no matter how things are going. If you ride the roller coaster during the season with your emotions, it makes for a really long season. When we aren't going good, we try to change our pre-game routines, and everyone does things differently to try to change up our luck. The hardest part is to remain positive during those times and that is what I try to preach to the players. Sometimes we will be good, sometimes we will be bad. Keep working hard and things will get better.

Q. It didn't take long for the team to rebound from that losing streak, rattling off eight consecutive wins from June 5-June 14 including a six-game sweep of the Rochester Red Wings, the team that had the best record in the league at the time. How were you able to turn things around so quickly?

A. We didn't really change anything up. Sometimes the addition of a player or even a guy getting sent up to the big leagues sparks something in the team and things get better. In that situation I had to leave for my son being born on June 8th and Smarz (Defensive Coach Tyler Smarslok) managed the team for a few games. Maybe the guys wanted to win for Bodie, or maybe they just liked not having to deal with me for a few days.

Q. During that winning streak, you and your wife Sarah had your first child, Bodie. First, what was it like being a first time Dad and second, how much were you able to pay attention to what was going on with the team while you were away?

A. When Bodie was born we were in Regions hospital right down the street from the ballpark. We could see the ballpark lights from the room. We watched all the games on my iPad and I was in contact with the staff every day. Being a first time dad is amazing and Bodie is already a huge Saints fan. He came to his first game at CHS when he was 20 days old.

Q. Your team had the second longest home run streak in all of Minor League Baseball last season with 18 from May 25-June 14. Is a streak like that impressive to you and how important are home runs in the game today?

A. I think all lengthy streaks are impressive because they are so hard to accomplish and obviously don't happen often. Home

runs are very important in today's brand of baseball and while we don't necessarily teach guys to swing for the fences all the time, we want guys to drive the ball and that is what we were doing. I give full credit to Ryan Smith and our hitting department for what our guys accomplished offensively. We are very lucky to have the hitting instructors that we have in this organization.

Q. Last season's trade deadline was vastly different than the one in 2021 for your club. What is it like as you get closer to the deadline knowing that the Twins would be buyers and there was a good chance you'd lose some players?

A. The trade deadline is an interesting time for our team every year. Last year knowing we were going to be buyers and knowing we had some guys that were definitely trade candidates makes you wonder how things might end up playing out. We lost a couple guys that were really good for us, and that made our big league team better. It was hard to see those guys go but exciting at the same time because you know they will have immediate value when they go where they were traded. Happy and sad at the same time is tough, but it is part of the game.

Q. You got a taste of the pitch clock and the pickoff rule last year. Major League baseball is adopting both this season. What advice would you give Rocco on how to handle both of those?

A. I think the best advice is be patient. There has to be a learning curve for these guys because it is a much different pace that they are asked to have. Some of it is frustrating to watch at first, but as the players figure it out the game speeds up which is the goal. At the beginning of the season, I had a tough time with the clock but as the season went on, I grew to like it.

Q. This season, the International League is using the Automated Balls and Strikes system. Would you prefer for the ABS system to be used all game or would you rather have the challenge system where you get three challenges per game?

A. Personally I would like to see the challenge system. I want a red flag like they have in football that I can throw out on the field when I don't agree with what is happening out there. Until they give me that, I guess I will just deal with whatever systems we have in place.

Q. Another new rule this season is the banning of the shift. How do you expect that to change the way the game is played this season for you?

A. I think infielders' range will become more of a factor which I believe to be a good thing. I think it might make for some more exciting infield play. There should also be more offensive action because more ground balls should get through. I know our pitchers will be happy not to see as many jam shot shift beaters moving forward.

Q. How was this off-season different for you compared to all the others now that you were a first time Dad?

A. Being a first time dad is great. It is exhausting and time for myself is a thing of the past, but it is also very rewarding. I feel very lucky to be able to have the off season to enjoy the time. Bodie is fired up to get back to CHS Field this summer.

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EVEN STEVEN, THE 2022 SAINTS SEASON

In sports, athletes always talk about never getting too high or too low. If you ride the highs, the fall could be devastating. And if you get locked into the lows, then you may never climb out of the slump. For the 2022 St. Paul Saints season, they had drastic swings on both ends of the spectrum and in the end they kept their hands and feet inside the roller coaster at all times. They finished with a 74-75 record, tied for fourth place in the International League's West Division.

Over the course of a 150-game season (149 for the Saints since the final game of their series against Nashville was wiped out) there are plenty of moments that stand out, both good and bad. For the 2022 Saints there was a lot to be proud of throughout the season. There was the team record seven doubles on April 10 at Louisville, the incredible comeback from eight runs down to Indianapolis on April 16, 18-consecutive games with a home run from May 15-June 14, tied for second longest in Minor League Baseball, 96 consecutive games with an extra base hit, second longest in Minor League Baseball, the franchise record eight game winning streak from June 5-14, franchise record nine stolen bases on August 27, and 11 walk-off wins.

On the flip side the Saints were no-hit in a nine inning game for the first time in franchise history on April 13 vs. Indianapolis, they endured their worst shutout loss in franchise history, 11-0 at Toledo on April 19, a franchise record 11-game losing streak from May 8-20, 18 consecutive games with an error from May 10-28, second longest in Minor League Baseball, hit into five double plays on June 28 at Omaha, blew a 9-0 lead on August 16 vs. Scranton/Wilkes-Barre, and were walked-off 13 times.

It's no surprise to see so many moments on both sides of the ledger, but this is what happens over such a long season. It was

an exciting season with all the talent coming in and out of St. Paul. A total of 89 players wore the Saints jersey in 2022. Everything from high end prospects, to surprise talent, free agents, and guys filling in for a few days. With all those players there were loads of single-game and season-long memorable moments.

Let's start with some of the most memorable individual moments of the year. Pitch counts are here to stay, even more so in the Minor Leagues. So when Chi Chi González threw 88 pitches on May 11 at Columbus, it wasn't a surprise that he was pulled. It was unfortunate, however, as he tossed 6.0 no hit innings while walking four and fanning seven. Even without those walks, he probably gets just one more inning.

Ronny Henriquez was one of the more pleasant surprises on the mound for the Saints in 2022. He tied a franchise record, set by Joe Ryan in 2021, by fanning six consecutive batters on May 28 vs. Indianapolis.

Mario Sanchez was one of the most consistent pitchers for the Saints last year and on June 26 in Buffalo he retired the first 13 batters he faced. He made one lone mistake in the game, giving up a two-run homer in the sixth, in a 2-1 loss to the Bisons. Sanchez went 6.0 innings allowing two runs on three hits while striking out six.

There aren't enough accolades to describe Jake Cave. While a polarizing player with the Minnesota Twins and New York Yankees, this guy became a fan favorite with the Saints. He gave every ounce of effort game in and game out, resulting in some eye popping streaks. The most notable was the 49 consecutive games reaching base safely from May 3-July 7. It was the second longest streak in all of Minor League Baseball last 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.



Marcus Campbell begins his sixth year as head groundskeeper and has made his 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. 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, but he also oversaw Destination Winter Saint Paul, where the Wells Fargo WinterSkate and Securian Financial SuperSlide spent more than two months on the field. He oversees developing and maintaining a first-rate playing surface for the

facilities many users. He is also 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 2023.

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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 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 it 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 organization 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, recycles and composts 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 can 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 Cub A Cabana Lawn group 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 award-winning 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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2023 INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE UMPIRE CREWS

CREW 1	SEASONS	CREW 6	SEASONS	CREW 11	SEASONS
David Arrieta	12	Christopher Marco	10	Cody Oakes	12
Matthew Brown	8	Thomas West	11	Matthew Bates	11
Trevor Dannegger	8	Steven Jaschinski	7	Dane Poncsak	8
CREW 2	SEASONS	CREW 7	SEASONS	CREW 12	SEASONS
Robert Nunez	8	John Bacon	16	Anthony Perez	10
Dillon Wilson	8	Jhonatan Biarreta	8	Reed Basner	9
Raúl Moreno	9	Kelvis Velez	8	James Jeans	7
CREW 3	SEASONS	CREW 8	SEASONS	CREW 13	SEASONS
Paul Clemmons	13	Thomas Hanahan	9	Randy Rosenberg	12
William Clark	10	Mark Stewart	8	Tyler Jones	10
Mark Bass	9	Hardlen Acosta	8	Lucas Krupa	9
CREW 4	SEASONS	CREW 9	SEASONS	CREW 14	SEASONS
Lewis Williams III	13	Aaron Higgins	10	Jonathan Parra	10
Matthew Winter	11	Darius Ghani	9	Austin Jones	10
Samuel Burch	9	Michael Rains	9.5	Jen Pawol	8
CREW 5	SEASONS	CREW 10	SEASONS	CREW 15	SEASONS
Jose Navas	9	Jacob Metz	10	Jose Matamoros	9.5
Takahito Matsuda	12	Benjamin Sonntag	10	Luis Hernandez	10
Benjamin Phillips	9	Zachary Dobson	8	Garry Kelley	9

WHAT'S ON THE MENU?

#101 / BURGER DEPOT

New Items:

- Chicken and Biscuits w/ Country Gravy Bowl
 - Fried Chicken Breast on a Brioche Bun, Lettuce, Tomato, Onions, Pickles and Spicy Mayo
- Grilled Patty Melt Smash Burger: 2 Quarter Pound Smash Burgers on Marble Rye Texas Toast, Fried Onions, Swiss and American Cheeses

#104 / SANDWICH LOT

New Items:

- Minnesota Wild Rice Soup w/ Chicken served with a Garlic Bread Stick and Green Onions (seasonal)
 - Grilled Ham and 4 Cheese Sandwich: Swiss, Cheddar, Provolone and American Cheese
- Tuscan Chicken Salad Sandwich on Wild Rice and Cranberry Bread with Lettuce, Tomato and Red Onion

#108 / GALLERY GRILL

New Item:

- Grilled Turkey Burger: Fresh Ground Turkey Patty with Savory Seasonings, Lettuce, Tomato, and Onion

#111 / CHUCK & DON'S DOG PARK

New Sausage:

- Cajun Hot Link

VON HANSEN'S STAND:

New Sausages:

- Polish Sausage
- Bacon Wrapped Cherry Bomb

#114 / PIES AND FRIES:

New Items:

- Poutine: French Fries, Beef Barbacoa, Fresh Wisconsin Cheese Curds and Brown Gravy
- Funnel Cake Fries with Powdered Sugar
- Garlic Cheese Flat Bread served with Marinara Sauce
- Churros with Cinnamon Sugar

#600 / MUD'S DAIRY AREA

New Items:

- Austin Blues BBQ Pulled Chicken Sandwich
- Mac and Meat Bowl

CRUNCH TIME STAND / SALSA CART

New item:

- Walking Taco: Nacho Chips with your choice of Seasoned Beef or Shredded Chicken with Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Cheese, Salsa, and Sour Cream
 - Add Avocado for Upcharge

SAINTS TRIVIA QUESTIONS



1. During the first two seasons as the Minnesota Twins Triple-A affiliate, the St. Paul Saints have gone 81-58 at CHS Field (a .583 win percentage). How many of the 120 Minor League teams won more home games than the Saints during the last two seasons?
2. You already know Mikey Perez hit a three-run home run in the top of the ninth inning in his lone at bat in 2022 for the St. Paul Saints that helped them defeat the Omaha Storm Chasers 9-7. But who did Perez pinch hit for in the ninth inning of that game?
3. The Saints team record for most strikeouts in a game by their pitching staff is 17. How many different pitchers did the Saints use in that game?
4. Four position players have pitched in a game for the Saints since becoming the Twins Triple-A affiliate. Who is the only one to record a strikeout?
5. Which Saints player has the hardest hit ball, by exit velocity, in Triple-A franchise history?
6. The Saints have one inside-the-park home run as the Twins Triple-A affiliate. Who hit it?
7. Five different pitchers have taken an at bat for the Saints since they became the Twins Triple-A affiliate. Who is the only one of the five to collect a hit?
8. Who scored the game winning run for the Saints in their 2019 championship clinching victory over Sioux City?
9. Which former St. Paul Saints pitcher did Taylor Swift once call, “perfect?”
10. Prior to Matt Wallner hitting for the first cycle in franchise on September 1, 2022, how many times did Saints players finish one hit shy of the cycle in 2022?

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SAINTS STAND ABOVE ALL THE REST WHEN IT COMES TO ENTERTAINMENT

Let's be clear. No one in Minor League Baseball does it like the St. Paul Saints. After two seasons in Triple-A, it's clear that in most ballparks the Saints travel, it really is "all about the baseball." Many Triple-A franchises treat their games just like they do in the Major Leagues. That's not how we choose to do it. We bring the fastball every night, with the occasional curveball thrown at you. Over the course of 75 games, we'll change speeds, we'll split your sides with the hilarity at CHS Field.

The state of Minnesota has more actors and actresses per capita than any other state in the U.S. OK, maybe that isn't entirely true, but add up the comedy clubs, theatres, and improv studios and you will find a ton of talent. Each year we search near and far to find the best of the best and bring them into one venue for the summer. While the players produce the entertainment on the field, our staff of talent produces the entertainment in the stands and between innings. There is one person who oversees all the hilarity and it's slash herself, Vice President/Assistant General Manager/Brand Marketing & Experience, **Sierra Bailey**. Her job is to make sure each of our actors is on point and that everything runs like a well-oiled machine.

Our actors and actresses, or as we affectionately refer to them, Ushertainers, are overseen by Entertainment Director

Joshua Will. Joshua begins his sixth season in that role with the Saints and will make sure that our Ushertainers hit their marks.

Our three-headed Master of Ceremonies, **Lee Adams**, **Nicholas Leeman**, and **Rita Boersma** return for their eighth season together. Lee is back for year number 11, while Nicholas turned his Stadium Correspondent gig in years past into the co-leading role. Rita did some fill-in work in year number one of CHS Field and has brought her dry and acerbic sense of humor into a full-time role ever since. Their voices are the ones you hear throughout the ballpark and provide hilarious commentary throughout the game. Their banter, quick wit, and talent as actors and actresses help engage the crowd each night.

The musical mood is set by organist **Andrew Crowley**. Crowley returns for his 21st season and his knowledge of various musical genres keeps fans of all ages entertained. He has a feel for each moment. Whether it's getting kids on their feet dancing in the aisles or bringing back nostalgic memories for parents, Crowley is on top of it from his perch on the third base side of the Club Level. He is also in charge of hiring the nightly pre-game bands playing at the Farmers Market and the National Anthem singers.

The Ushertainers, the lifeblood of the entertainment at CHS Field, will be back in full force for the 2022 season. **Seigo**, the cult-like figure, will serenade the crowd with "Signing with Seigo" and don the sumo suit as he "Rides the Pony." Maybe you like feeling cooler than **The Nerd** and **Nerdette**, doing calisthenics with **Coach**, getting a swat on the bottom by **Gert the Flirt**, cooking up something special with **Chef**, or being among royalty with **Belle of the Ballpark**, but whatever tickles your fancy, fans will be entertained to the fullest at CHS Field.



SAINTS TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. Only seven teams have won more games than the Saints over the last two seasons. They are: Charleston River Dogs (90), Nashville Sounds (89), Toledo Mud Hens (88), Durham Bulls (87), Bowling Green Hot Rods (87), Eugene Emeralds (83), and Carolina Mud Cats (82).
2. Perez pinch hit for David Bañuelos. The Saints were down 7-4 going into the ninth. Andreoli and Bishop had RBI singles in the inning. With runners at the corners and two outs, manager Toby Gardenhire elected to pinch-hit Perez for Bañuelos. On a 1-2 pitch, Perez hit the three-run homer as the Saints would go on to win 9-7.
3. The answer is 7. On May 8, 2022 vs. Iowa, seven different pitchers combined to strikeout 17 I-Cubs hitters across nine innings. They were: Cole Sands (6 Ks), Drew Strotman (3 Ks), Ian Hamilton (2 Ks), Tyler Bashlor (1 K), Jake Petricka (1 K), Jharel Cotton (2 Ks), and Yennier Cano (2 Ks).
4. Drew Stankiewicz recorded the lone strikeout by a position player. He fanned Tony Wolters of the Iowa Cubs on July 9, 2021 at Iowa.
5. Trevor Larnach. He hit a homerun over the right field wall on May 6, 2021 at Omaha that had an exit velocity of 115.5 mph. Brent Rooker is second with 115.1 mph single on June 8, 2021 vs. Omaha. Matt Wallner also hit one 115.1 mph double on August 4, 2022 at Omaha. Curtis Terry hit the fourth hardest hit ball, a 114.5 mph double on May 27, 2022 vs. Indianapolis.
6. On September 20, 2022 at Indianapolis Dalton Shuffield hit a sinking fly ball out of the reach of a sliding right fielder Matt Gorski for a two-run inside-the-park home run.
7. Andrew Albers. He collected a single in two at bats on May 9, 2021 vs. Omaha. Rodríguez, Viza, and Austin Schulfer all struck out in their lone at bat. Ramírez grounded out. Those four pitchers all batted in the same game on May 31, 2022 @ Iowa.
8. Josh Allen. The Saints trailed 3-1 going into the sixth inning. Brady Shoemaker singled, John Silviano singled, and with one out Josh Allen walked to load the bases. Chesny Young's grand slam gave the Saints a 5-3 lead, meaning Allen's fourth run proved to be the game winning run in a 6-3 victory.
9. Todd Van Steensel. Van Steensel went to the Red Tour in 2014 when he was invited to Club Red (think a meet and greet on steroids). He was the only guy back there and Swift came up to him and they started talking baseball. She asked him if he ever got nervous pitching in front of thousands of people. He said he was never more nervous than he was at that moment and she responded, "Oh my god. You're perfect."
10. Six separate times a Saints player finished one hit shy of the cycle. Alex Kirilloff was a triple shy of the cycle on four separate occasions (May 17 & 26 & June 3 & 14), Jake Cave finished a double shy on June 8, and Jermaine Palacios was a triple shy on July 28.





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Jermaine Palacios had never hit a grand slam in his career before July 22 in Indianapolis. As a matter of fact, a couple of weeks before that he was robbed of a grand slam in Louisville. After hitting his first, Palacios didn't wait long for his second, clubbing a walk-off grand slam on July 31 vs. Iowa in an 8-4, 10 inning victory.

He's the greatest Saints player ever. Sure, he only had one at bat, but he made it count. On August 3 in Omaha, the Saints were down a run in the top of the ninth when Mikey Perez hit a pinch-hit, three-run homer to left. He was transferred to High-A Cedar Rapids the next day, but his 1.000/1.000/4.000 slash line will forever live in Saints lore.

No one will forget August 12 when Louie Varland made his Triple-A debut in his home city. With more than 200 family, friends, and well-wishers in his cheering section, Varland didn't disappoint. He tossed 5.1 no-hit innings before giving up his first hit and coming out of the game. He went 5.1 shutout innings while walking two and fanning eight against Iowa.

Chris Williams was one of those guys who got a late season call up and made the most of it out of the shoot. On August 23, he hit his sixth home run in his first 10 games. While he cooled down a little after that, the start gave him the confidence entering 2023.

Finally, on September 1 Matt Wallner did something no other Saints player, including their days as an Independent Professional Baseball team, had done. He hit for the cycle capping it off with an eighth inning triple. For good measure, Wallner batted in the eighth a second time and doubled collecting five hits and driving in six.

Overall, there were several players with incredible seasons. Tim Beckham was around for just about a month, but he hit an incredible .413 with five homers, 31 RBI, and a 1.062 OPS. Alex Kirilloff, working himself back from the injured wrist, put up just as impressive numbers in 35 games slashing .359/.465/.641 with 10 homers and 32 RBI. Royce Lewis proved he was ready for the Majors slashing .313/.405/.534 in 34 games. Palacios played the entire season with the Saints and had the best overall season of his career slashing .283/.341/.462 with 28 doubles, 14 homers, and 60 RBI. Cave earned his spot back in the Majors, but not before slashing .273/.370/.509 with 14 homers and 57 RBI in 85 games. Guys like Michael Helman, Wallner, and Spencer Steer (despite being a deadline deal trade piece) proved the Twins have great young talent coming through the system.

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There are many more players we can single out, but here is my advice. Make sure you come out to the ballpark this season and watch for yourself because there will be plenty of talent on the 2023 team, but all of these guys have one goal in mind: get to Target Field.



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MINNESOTA

The Tampa Bay Rays. The Colorado Rockies. New York Yankees. Los Angeles Dodgers. Those are the only four organizations that had a better overall record than the Minnesota Twins system did in 2022. The Twins organization had a 351-309 record with three of the four full-season Minor League teams making the playoffs (sorry Saints fans). This overall record, which includes the Twins and the GCL Twins, translates to a .523-win percentage. Double-A Wichita made a run to the championship series. It was an exciting year for the Twins Minor League system with plenty of talent, top ranked prospects, and a bright future for all four of the full-season teams.



ST. PAUL SAINTS

While the Saints were the only team of the four full-season teams to finish with a losing record, 74-75, that doesn't mean they weren't successful. Quite the contrary. On 68 different occasions a Saints player was promoted to the Majors Leagues. This

includes 32 different players, and 11 first time call ups. Over the final month alone, four players made their Major League debuts: Louie Varland, Matt Wallner, Ronny Henriquez, and Simeon Woods Richardson.

For the 2022 Saints there was a lot to be proud of throughout the season. There was the team record seven doubles on April 10 at Louisville, the incredible comeback from eight runs down to Indianapolis on April 16, 18-consecutive games with a home run from May 15-June 14, tied for second longest in Minor League Baseball, 96 consecutive games with an extra base hit, second longest in Minor League Baseball, the franchise record eight game winning streak from June 5-14, franchise record nine stolen bases on August 27, and 11 walk-off wins.

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WICHITA WIND SURGE

It was a tail of two halves for the Wind Surge in 2022. A tough closing stretch where they went 2-8 over their final 10 in the first half knocked them out of any hope of winning the first half title. Finishing at 35-33 was respectable, but it

put them 5.5 games behind the Tulsa Drillers. The second half, however, was a different story.

A 43-26 record in the second half turned out to be the best record by any team in the league in either half. That propelled the Wind Surge to a second half title and a berth in the playoffs where they would meet the Drillers in the North Division Championship Series. They throttled the Drillers in the best-of-three series taking Game 1, 17-1 and winning Game 2 in equally impressive fashion, 11-1.

In the Championship Series against the Frisco RoughRiders, the Wind Surge dropped Game 1, 11-3 and led late in Game 2, but lost in 10 innings 7-5.

The offense was second in the Texas League in stolen bases (170) and tied for second in on base percentage (.356). Several different players contributed, but the top end prospects did a ton of damage. Edouard Julien, who will most likely begin the season with the Saints, destroyed Texas League pitching slashing .300/.441/.490 (.931) with 17 homers and 67 RBI, walking an astounding 98 times and swiping 17 bases. Matt Wallner, who finished the season in the Majors, slashed .299/.436/.597 with 21 homers and 64 RBI. Add in the impressive power from Chris Williams, who slashed .277/.372/.542 with 18 homers and 58 RBI and you can see why pitchers were terrified to face this lineup.

On the pitching side, the Wind Surge were tops in the league in ERA (4.13), fewest runs (627), earned runs (549), and home runs (127), and second most strikeouts (1311). Kody Funderburk led the way with 10 victories and an impressive 2.94 ERA in 32 games (17 starts). Varland, who ended the season the same as Wallner at the big-league level, was 7-4 with a 3.39 ERA and a team leading 119 strikeouts. Austin Schulfer was nearly untouchable before his promotion to St. Paul, allowing one earned run in 23.0 innings pitched and 30 strikeouts while leading the team with seven saves.

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MINNESOTA TWINS MINOR LEAGUE SYSTEM



CEDAR RAPIDS KERNELS

Sometimes you're just too good. That might have been the case for the 2022 Cedar Rapids Kernels. Their first half was so dominating, individual players had so much success, that by the time the second half rolled around a number of

those players were promoted to Wichita. The Kernels finished the first half 43-23, best record in the Midwest League. That record earned them a berth into the playoffs, which wouldn't take place for another two and a half months. The second half was a more pedestrian 30-35. When the playoffs rolled around, the Kernels dropped Game 1 of the West Division Championship Series, 2-1 giving up two runs in the eighth inning. No fear, the Kernels got Game 2 and, if necessary, Game 3 at home. A 5-3 win in Game 2 forced a winner-take-all Game 3. Unfortunately, it was not to be as the Kernels fell behind 4-0 after the first inning and could never recover, losing 9-3.

Despite being tied for seventh in average in a 12-team Midwest League, the Kernels led the league with 680 runs scored, were second with 150 homers, a .403 slugging, and tied for second in OPS at .732. The pitching was just as dominant, leading the league with a 3.66 ERA, tied for the best WHIP, 1.24, and second fewest walks at 424.

Christian Encarnacion-Strand was the big name for the team living up to lofty expectations. All he did was hit .296-20-68 while slashing .296/.370/.599 (.969) across 74 games. He led the team in nearly every offensive category (Encarnacion-Strand would eventually be traded to the Cincinnati Reds as part of the Tyler Mahle trade). Aaron Sabato blasted 17 home runs and drove in 57 over 80 games while Seth Gray hit 16 long balls and drove in 67 over 113 games.

Brent Headrick led the way for the starters going 8-2 with a 2.34 ERA in 15 starts. He fanned 77 in 65.1 innings pitched. David Festa was just as dominating going 7-3 with a 2.71 ERA in 16 games (13 starts). In 79.2 innings he struck out 75. Swayer Gipson-Long went 5-2 with a 1.99 ERA in 10 starts while striking out 52 in 49.2 innings pitched. Hunter McMahon was automatic out of the bullpen going 3-0 with a 1.19 ERA and 36 strikeouts in 37.2 innings. Matt Mullenbach and Melvi Acosta rounded out a dangerous trio going 1-1 with a 1.29 ERA in 20 relief appearances and 1-0 with a 1.47 ERA in 13 relief appearances, respectively.



FORT MYERS MIGHTY MUSSELS

Much like the Kernels, the Mighty Mussels were the best team in the Florida State League in 2022 going an impressive 41-23 in the first half and an automatic berth into the playoffs at the end of the season. They took the West Division by 6.5 games over their next closest pursuer. As is the case in the world of halves, however, it's often difficult to keep up that pace in the second half. Despite going 28-36 in the second half, the Mighty Mussels finished with the second best record in the FSL at 69-59.

The Mighty Mussels went on the road for Game 1 against the Dunedin Blue Jays, gave up four runs in the first and couldn't get back over the hump, losing 6-4. They came home for Game 2 and, if necessary, Game 3. They forced that if necessary game by scoring five runs in the eighth inning of Game 2 for a 7-5 come from behind win. A pitchers duel ensued for Game 3, but the Blue Jays put up two runs in the second and that proved to be enough as the Mighty Mussels lost 3-1.

The Mighty Mussels offense showed patience and power last season leading the Florida State League in walks (574), on base percentage (.343), and OPS (.720), second in slugging (.373), and third in home runs (101). Their pitching was just as strong, leading the league in ERA (3.51), shutouts (13), fewest walks (391), and WHIP (1.21).

Kala'i Rosario led the team in long balls with 12 while Keoni Cavaco was one behind him with 11 while leading the team with 59 RBI. Rubel Cespedes spent about half the season in Fort Myers and hit an impressive .290 across 74 games. This was a team that could run and they were led by Mikey Perez who swiped 32 bags in just 81 games with Noah Miller snagging 23 bags.

As the team with the best ERA, one would expect many individual pitchers to stand out and that was the case. Seven different pitchers started at least 10 games and all of them had a sub 4.00 ERA with Steve Hajar leading the way with a 2.47 ERA in 12 starts. One of the top prospects in the organization, Marco Raya, went 3-2 with a 3.05 ERA in 19 games (17 starts) and striking out 76 in 65.0 innings. Pierson Ohl led the way with 101 strikeouts in 91.2 innings pitched and a 3.53 ERA in 20 games (18 starts). Jackson Hicks was a workhorse with 36 relief appearances, a 2.98 ERA, and 58 strikeouts in 51.1 innings pitched. Matthew Swain allowed one unearned run and had seven saves in 21.0 innings pitched. He allowed just four hits and struck out 31.



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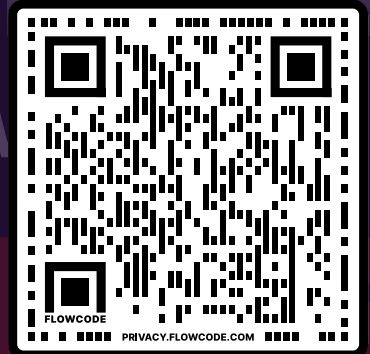
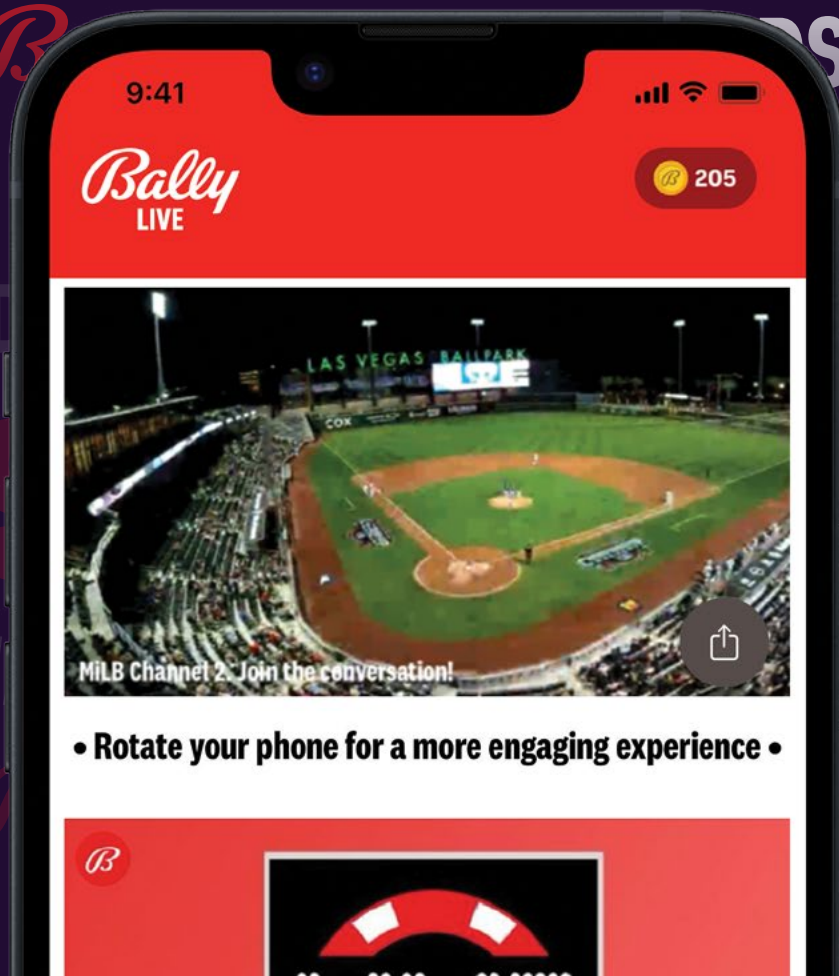
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ST. PAUL SAINTS BROADCASTS

In conjunction with Major League Baseball's broadcast deal with Sinclair Broadcast Group for Minor League Baseball, the St. Paul Saints will carry 18 of their 2023 home games on the **CW Network**. The Saints will have 11 Saturday games and seven Sunday games on CW. The first game on the CW Network will be Game 1 of the Saints and Iowa Cubs doubleheader on Saturday, April 8 at 1:07 p.m. Fans can find the CW Network on the following channels: Comcast 8/208, DirectTV 23, Dish 23, Charter Spectrum 23/783, and Over the Air 23.1.

The remaining 57 home games can be seen on the **Saints Broadcast Network**, cable access channels in and around the Twin Cities Metro area. The channel in your area can be found at saintsbroadcast.com.

The Saints will broadcast all 75 home games at **MiLB.TV**. The subscription-based service is \$29.99 for the entire season, or \$3.99 per month, and includes the broadcasts of all Minor League teams.

For the sixth consecutive season the Saints can be heard on an iHeart station in the Twin Cities with every game carried on **KFAN Plus**, 96.7 FM.

The Saints began with the iHeart family in 2018, on Alt 93.3 FM. In 2019, the Saints moved their games to the brand new KFAN Plus, 96.7 FM, which has been the home of Saints Baseball for the last five seasons. For those that don't live in the coverage area, fans can download the iHeart Radio app and listen to games anywhere in the world.



SEAN ARONSON / PLAY-BY-PLAY

Aronson begins his 17th season with the Saints and will handle all 150 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, 45, was raised in Northridge, CA.



ANDY HELWIG / PLAY-BY-PLAY / ANALYST

After filling in late in the season in 2022, Helwig returns for his second full season with the St. Paul Saints and third overall. Helwig was a Broadcast Assistant with the Saints in 2021. Helwig spent 2019 with the Toronto Blue Jays Triple-A affiliate, the Buffalo Bisons, hosting a pre- and post-game show while also filling in on select broadcasts. He got his start in the baseball world in 2018 as the Director of Broadcasting and Media Relations for the Batavia Muckdogs. Since 2015, Helwig has been the voice of Canisius Men's Basketball. He's also called Canisius soccer, volleyball, and lacrosse on ESPN3. Helwig is a 2019 graduate of Canisius in 2019 with a Bachelor's Degree in Journalism.

STEVE LINZMEIER / PRE/POST-GAME HOST

Steve Linzmeier returns for his second season on the broadcast team and spent 2022 as the pre- and post-game host. Along with those duties in 2023, Linzmeier can be heard on select home radio and TV broadcasts. He took over at St. Cloud State, as the voice of the Men's and Women's basketball team for the 2022-23 season, for the departed J.W. Cox. Prior to his time with the Saints, Linzmeier spent nine years as the Sports Director at KQDJ in Jamestown, ND. He was the lead play-by-play voice for the University of Jamestown and Jamestown High School. Linzmeier was honored by his peers as the 2016 North Dakota Sportscaster of the Year. He has broadcasted over 1,500 games including some locally for PrepSpotlight and St. Catherine University. He is a 2010 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-River Falls with a Bachelor's Degree in Journalism in 2010 and went on to get his Master's in Sports Administration at Southeastern Oklahoma State University in 2021.



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APRIL 4: Opening Day! Layer Up with Saints Hoodie giveaway (2,000)

APRIL 5: Your fridge's most looked at accessory, it's the Saints Magnet Schedule giveaway (5,000)

APRIL 6: National Burrito Day started with National Brrrr-ito Day in Minnesota

APRIL 7: Might be cold in Minnesota, but just listening to these songs is gonna make you work up a sweat during these Friday Night Fireworks powered by **Xcel Energy**

APRIL 8: Cuddle up and join Mudonna trying to break a Hugging World Record

APRIL 9: An Easter Celebration to Dye for with Eggstra Bunny Scavenger Hunt

APRIL 18: Spilling The Tea.. Literally 92,000 lbs of it

APRIL 19: Inviting all alumnus' in the history of alumni's. Be prepared to rep your school

APRIL 20: We know folks tend to get the munchies on this day, so we're allowing you to #BringYourOwnSnacks to this game only

APRIL 21: Friday Night Fireworks powered by **Xcel Energy** featuring the music from bands who started in Minnesota garages

APRIL 22: This is one of our favorite days of the season! You feel me DOG? Yea, DOG! It's DOG Day presented by **Chuck & Don's!**

APRIL 23: Sensory-Friendly Game brought to you by **Fraser**

MAY 2: Education Day

MAY 3: Just how much do you know about Minnesota, really?

MAY 4: Even the lactose intolerant can enjoy Dairy Day, sponsored by **Minnesota's Dairy Farm Families**

MAY 5: Copa de la Diversión noche numero uno with post-game Friday Night Fireworks powered by **Xcel Energy** featuring the music from our favorite LatinX stars on Cinco de Mayo

MAY 6: 5, 6, 7, 8! Let's Dance presented by **Koppy Motors**

MAY 7: **Totally Rad** Vintage Fest at CHS Field

MAY 9: Larry Doby Passion for the Community Night

MAY 10: We're not superstitious, but we are a little stitious. Knock on Wood night presented by **Metro State University (Minnesota State)**

MAY 11: Break out those paddles. Tonight with **Hamline University** we honor the fastest growing sport in America, Pickleball

MAY 12: Let Them Eat King Cake with post game Friday Night Fireworks powered by **Xcel Energy** featuring maJAZZtic music

MAY 13: Always a Bridesmaid, Never a Bride is such a crappy situation says **Minnesota Compost** with post-game compost giveaway

MAY 14: Your mom goes to Saints games

MAY 23: We're inviting all mascots to this Education Day to celebrate Mudonna's Birthday!

MAY 24: Sk8 Paul Saints. Shreddin' the gnar again!

MAY 25: Military Appreciation Night presented by **Hometown Hero Outdoors**

MAY 26: EARTH, WIND and Friday Night FIREworks powered by **Xcel Energy**

MAY 27: Searchin' for my lost shaker of salt in **Margaritaville**

MAY 28: Memorial Day Celebration with post-game Monster Food Truck Rally and **Super SPIREworks**

JUNE 6: Trust us, the number of plies matters. It's the annual TP Drive presented by **Innovative Office Solutions**

JUNE 7: Pause that TiVo, break out that iPod Nano and head over to CHS Field for a nostalgic 00's throwback presented by **North Hennepin Community College (Minnesota State)**

JUNE 8: Pride Night

JUNE 9: Nice! Another Star Wars Night plus post-game Friday Night Fireworks powered by **Xcel Energy**

JUNE 10: We take the field as the St. Paul Colored Gophers in celebration of Billy Williams and his impact on the state of Minnesota as part of MiLB's **The Nine** Initiative presented by **Cub**

JUNE 11: Play Ball Weekend culmination with Saints replica jersey giveaway (2,000) presented by **Real Sportscards**

JUNE 28: **Inver Hills/Dakota County Technical College (Minnesota State)** know the oldest trick in the book...The key to faking out the bosses is the clammy hands

JUNE 29: Plaaaaaay Ball! Join us and Patrick Renna, who played Hamilton Porter on "The Sandlot" for this special celebration

JUNE 30: Marvel's Defenders of the Diamond with post-game Friday Night Fireworks powered by **Xcel Energy**

JULY 1: The whole she-BANG before the holiday BOOM. Post-game Monster Food Truck Rally and Fireworks Super Show presented by **CHS**

JULY 2: We dare you to bring something on a leash to this game that we would have to turn away. It's **Chuck & Don's** Anything on a Leash Day!

JULY 3: Red, White and Boom! Independence Day Celebration with post-game Monster Food Truck Rally and Fireworks Super Show presented by **DAV of Minnesota**

JULY 14: You'll only need your birthday suit tonight to enjoy this Friday Night Fireworks powered by **Xcel Energy**

JULY 15: New Boar, who dis?

JULY 16: Friends of the Boundary Waters Night sponsored by **BWCA**

JULY 25: Oh Little Town of Lowertown. It's **Hamline University's** Christmas in July Celebration!

JULY 26: I did it all for the hooky

JULY 27: We're so clover, it's borderline O'ffensive. It's Irish Night in July brought to you by **Cub**

JULY 28: Friday Night Fireworks powered by **Xcel Energy** featuring the music of beloved bands who are no longer bonded together plus LED Lightbulb exit giveaway for everyone in attendance

JULY 29: The hottest day of the year deserves the hottest giveaway item from our friends at **Minnesota Corn Growers Association**. Blanket giveaway (2,000)

JULY 30: Copa de la Diversión día numero dos brought to you by **Corona Hard Seltzer**

AUGUST 8: Case #8082023 St. Paul vs Louisville. **Keller, Woods & Thompson** ask the contendants to please rise

AUGUST 9: Throwin' minimal shade at this day game... because we have none.

AUGUST 10: Women in Sports Night

AUGUST 11: Roland Hemond Scouts Hall of Fame Night honoring Harvey Kuenn Jr. presented by **Killebrew Root Beer** on this Friday Night Fireworks powered by **Xcel Energy** featuring the music of our favorite World Cup hits

AUGUST 12: Tonight we retire a number that means a lot to the history of the Saints. Be sure to join us for this momentous celebration.

AUGUST 13: Everyone has a little Pablo Picasso in them. It's Art in the Park Day with a Saints poster giveaway (1,500)

AUGUST 15: Copa de la Diversión celebration #3 presented by **La Doña Cervecería** featuring Latin cuisine specials throughout CHS Field

AUGUST 16: Jimmy Lee Umpire Awards, thanking those throughout the state of Minnesota who aren't thanked enough for what they do to allow us to play the game we love brought to you by **Saint Paul College (Minnesota State)**

AUGUST 17: We put the UGH in "laugh" featuring a Batter Has 2 Strikes & No Balls t-shirt giveaway (1,500)

AUGUST 18: Friday Night Fireworks powered by **Xcel Energy** featuring the music of a weird man who puts the AL in "unusual" plus LED Lightbulb exit giveaway for everyone in attendance

AUGUST 19: **Securian Financial** Night

AUGUST 20: Marvel's Super Hero Day sponsored by **Northwest Minnesota Foundation**, plus 2023 team card set giveaway presented by **SPIRE Credit Union** (1,500)

AUGUST 29: Minnesota's homegrown Louie Varland and Matt Wallner double bobblehead giveaway (1,500)

AUGUST 30: Native American Heritage Night presented by **Treasure Island Resort and Casino**

AUGUST 31: **SPIRE** Night

SEPTEMBER 1: You Workin' "9 to 5" and then enjoy these hits from the Queen of Country during Friday Night Fireworks powered by **Xcel Energy**

SEPTEMBER 2: We're Pawsitive your pup will love our ballpark. It's the last Dog Day of the year presented by **Chuck & Don's!**

SEPTEMBER 3: Labor Day Celebration with post-game Monster Food Truck Rally and Fireworks Super Show presented by **X-GOLF**

SEPTEMBER 19: Minnesota Twins Night presented by **CHS** with reversible Saints/Twins road jersey giveaway (500)

SEPTEMBER 20: Mass Night of Debating brought to you by **Anoka Tech/Anoka-Ramsey (Minnesota State)**

SEPTEMBER 21: This definitely won't be the wurst game of the season. It's German Night brought you by **Minneapolis College (Minnesota State)**

SEPTEMBER 22: City of Baseball meet State of Hockey, tonight we become the St. Paul Fighting Saints on this Friday Night Fireworks powered by **Xcel Energy**. Plus Teacher Appreciation Night presented by **Comcast**

SEPTEMBER 23: Fan Appreciation Night with 2023 Yearbook Giveaway brought to you by **Real Sportscards** (1,500)

SEPTEMBER 24: Brunch and Brews



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	¹	² NAS 11:07AM	³ NAS 6:37PM	⁴ NAS 6:37PM	⁵ NAS 6:37PM	⁶ NAS 2:07PM
⁷ NAS 2:07PM	⁸	⁹ IND 6:37PM	¹⁰ IND 6:37PM	¹¹ IND 6:37PM	¹² IND 6:37PM	¹³ IND 2:07PM
¹⁴ IND 2:07PM	¹⁵	¹⁶ COL 6:05PM	¹⁷ COL 11:05AM	¹⁸ COL 6:05PM	¹⁹ COL 6:05PM	²⁰ COL 6:05PM
²¹ COL 12:05PM	²²	²³ OMA 11:07AM	²⁴ OMA 7:07PM	²⁵ OMA 7:07PM	²⁶ OMA 7:07PM	²⁷ OMA 7:07PM
²⁸ OMA 5:07PM	²⁹	³⁰ BUF 5:05PM	³¹ BUF 12:05PM			

JUNE

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				¹ BUF 10:05AM	² BUF 6:05PM	³ BUF 5:05PM
⁴ BUF 12:05PM	⁵	⁶ IOW 7:07PM	⁷ IOW 7:07PM	⁸ IOW 7:07PM	⁹ IOW 7:07PM	¹⁰ IOW 7:07PM
¹¹ IOW 2:07PM	¹²	¹³ LOU 5:35PM	¹⁴ LOU 11:05AM	¹⁵ LOU 5:35PM	¹⁶ LOU 6:15PM	¹⁷ LOU 6:15PM
¹⁸ LOU 12:05PM	¹⁹	²⁰ TOL 6:05PM	²¹ TOL 11:05AM	²² TOL 6:05PM	²³ TOL 6:05PM	²⁴ TOL 6:05PM
²⁵ TOL 3:05PM	²⁶	²⁷	²⁸ GWN 1:07PM	²⁹ GWN 7:07PM	³⁰ GWN 7:07PM	

JULY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						¹ GWN 6:07PM
² GWN 2:07PM	³ GWN 6:07PM	⁴ IOW 7:08PM	⁵ IOW 6:38PM	⁶ IOW 6:38PM	⁷ IOW 7:08PM	⁸ IOW 6:08PM
⁹ IOW 1:08PM	¹⁰	¹¹	¹²	¹³	¹⁴ DUR 7:07PM	¹⁵ DUR 7:07PM
¹⁶ DUR 2:07PM	¹⁷	¹⁸ OMA 12:05PM	¹⁹ OMA 7:05PM	²⁰ OMA 7:05PM	²¹ OMA 7:05PM	²² OMA 7:05PM
²³ OMA 5:05PM	²⁴	²⁵ TOL 7:07PM	²⁶ TOL 1:07PM	²⁷ TOL 7:07PM	²⁸ TOL 7:07PM	²⁹ TOL 7:07PM
³⁰ TOL 2:07PM	³¹					

AUGUST

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		¹ COL 6:05PM	² COL 6:05PM	³ COL 11:05AM	⁴ COL 6:05PM	⁵ COL 6:05PM
⁶ COL 3:05PM	⁷	⁸ LOU 7:07PM	⁹ LOU 1:07PM	¹⁰ LOU 7:07PM	¹¹ LOU 7:07PM	¹² LOU 7:07PM
¹³ LOU 2:07PM	¹⁴	¹⁵ IND 7:07PM	¹⁶ IND 7:07PM	¹⁷ IND 7:07PM	¹⁸ IND 7:07PM	¹⁹ IND 7:07PM
²⁰ IND 2:07PM	²¹	²² OMA 6:35PM	²³ OMA 6:35PM	²⁴ OMA 6:35PM	²⁵ OMA 6:35PM	²⁶ OMA 6:35PM
²⁷ OMA 2:05PM	²⁸	²⁹ COL 7:07PM	³⁰ COL 7:07PM	³¹ COL 7:07PM		

SEPTEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					¹ COL 7:07PM	² COL 7:07PM
³ COL 5:07PM	⁴	⁵ LOU 5:35PM	⁶ LOU 5:35PM	⁷ LOU 5:35PM	⁸ LOU 6:15PM	⁹ LOU 6:15PM
¹⁰ LOU 12:05PM	¹¹	¹² IOW 6:38PM	¹³ IOW 12:08PM	¹⁴ IOW 12:08PM	¹⁵ IOW 7:08PM	¹⁶ IOW 6:08PM
¹⁷ IOW 1:08PM	¹⁸	¹⁹ TOL 6:37PM	²⁰ TOL 6:37PM	²¹ TOL 6:37PM	²² TOL 6:37PM	²³ TOL 6:37PM
²⁴ TOL 12:07PM	²⁵	²⁶	²⁷	²⁸	²⁹	³⁰

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