

SMOKING POLICY
STUDENTS LOSE
"HEADS" OVER BUTTS

WHERE HAVE ALL THE SQUIRRELS GONE?

By Davina Crocket Staff Writer

The recent decline of wildlife continues to be an uncertainty on the St. Mary's campus. Not too long ago, raccoons, squirrels, chipmunks and even cats roamed our quaint college campus. Lately, however, wildlife has disappeared, leaving the College to wonder "where have all the squirrels gone?"

First hints of this problem arose during the fall, when Buildings and Grounds noticed a lack of road kill on campus grounds.

"Usually, three or four animals per day would need to

roads," one Building and Grounds worker recalled. "I just thought it was because Public Safety cracked down on speeding, but then I noticed that there were not as many live animals as before either."

Students have also noticed the disappearance of campus critters.

"I used to feed the chipmunks outside my dorm room window every morning," said one student. "Then one day they just stopped coming around."

According to National College Review Magazine, St. Mary's is "a great place

be scraped off campus to go if students are nature loving and desire a rural setting."

> The College was also a recipient of the "Friends to Animals and Nature" award in 1988, 1992 and 1994. "I always remember the College as a place that flourished with wildlife," said former President Bro. Mel Ander-

St. Mary's current president, Bro. Criag Franz, does not appear to be concerned about the missing campus wildlife.

"I hate squirrels," said Franz. "After reading Freud, I decided it must have to do with something repressed

Raccoon last seen October 7, 1998

from my childhood."

rence is Vice President Bro. Jack Curran proudly sporting a new coonskin hat. When questioned about the hat,

Curran claimed to have Another strange occur- bought it after the Davy Crockett marathon on TNT this past weekend. "Just call me King of the Wild Frontier," urged Curran.

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WHERE'S THE BEEF?

By Davina Crocket Staff Writer

Saga's new mystery meat is bringing students back for seconds. Mystery meat has been on Saga's menu everyday for three weeks now and students are still eating it up. Never before has there been such long lines to get into the St. Mary's cafeteria. "I waited in line for two hours last night," said one student. "I was so glad that they did not run out of the mystery meat before I got in."

A curious fact about this new mystery meat is that it never seems to run out. "We receive a huge surplus ev-

ery week," said a Marriott official who wished to remain nameless. "I am not sure where it comes from but the students are just crazy about it. We serve it as the main course for breakfast, lunch, and dinner and students always want seconds, sometimes thirds."

"I was outraged when the mystery meat was not served on Friday because of Lent," one student stated. "I protested and started a petition to request that mystery meat be served everyday."

"Hundreds of students signed the petition and we had no choice but to start serving meat in the cafeteria on Fridays," admitted the

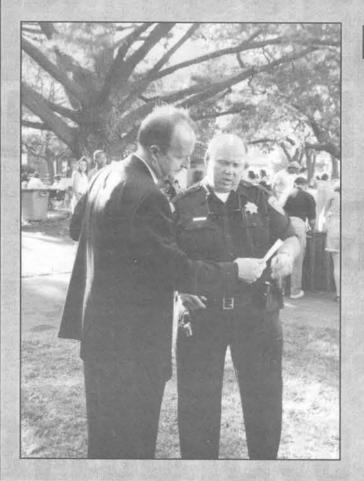
Marriott official.

"I love the stuff," another student exclaimed. "I used to be a vegetarian until Saga started serving mystery meat." Another student claimed to see Bro. Craig in Saga eating pasta instead of mystery meat. "I was astonished and when I asked him why, he just muttered something about Freud and quickly changed the subject," said the student.

The mystery meat apparently gets dropped off in front of the Marriott offices in a large unmarked box every Monday night. Until the supplies run out, students can expect it to be served daily.

ST. MARY'S TOP TEN UNSOLVED **MYSTERIES**

- 10. Who is the Anonymous Donor of the Science Building?
- 9. What does "JC" in JC Gatehouse stand for?
- 8. Why is the Cafeteria called Saga?
- 7. How old is Professor Frankel?
- 8. What happened to all of Saga's Silverware?
- 7. How much did the President's inauguration really cost?
- 6. Who stole Former President Bro. Mel Anderson's Head?
- 5. How will the College solve the Parking Crisis?
- 4. Where is the Women's Resource Center?
- 3. Will riverrun ever get office space?
- 2. What happens to all the alcohol that RA's confiscate?
- 1. Who really is President Bro. Craig Franz, FSC, Ph.D?
- •The National Collegian is offering a \$10 billion reward for any information leading to the truth and only the TRUTH about these Unsolved Mysteries.



FSC, PHD. FROM **PUBLIC** SAFETY.

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TROJAN TROLLEY RUSHES ON

Timmy Smyder Staff Writer

Recent investigations aimed at following the natural winter habitat migrations of the red squirrel rapidly changed course on Friday afternoon, when unbeknownest Public Safety officer trampled upon evidence that undoubtedly points to perhaps the most offensive underground scheme yet concocted amongst the St. Mary's community.

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Evidence reveals that, despite the recent January ban of on-campus condom distribution, condoms are in fact back on campus. Or rather, under campus. According to privy sources, certain rebel activists have taken "protective" measures into their own hands by organizing quite possibly the most defiant and previously undetected Underground Condom Railroad known to western man.

According to Public Safety Officer, Dwight E. Mathers, suspicions about the organization affectionately referred to as the "Trojan Trolley"

one of his esteemed squirrelobserving colleagues noticed an increasing amount of human tread-marks leading about the path of the campus

Concerned about the possible intereference with their control-study environment, Mathers explained that he had cordoned off the area. "But by the next morning someone'd gone and

plain ripped

that yellow

tape to shreds!"

In anger over the obvious defiance to his studious pursuits, Mathers initiated a thorough investigation that he hoped would lead him to the "lame-brained, bent-elbow folks" who he claims "screwed up [his] research."

And find those folks, he did! After two nights of laying low behind campus trees and concrete-dump piles,

of support workers uncovered more than just a few tape-destroying mischievants.

In the midst of the serene campus nightlife



fellow mates. Mathers witnessed the audacious workings of "none other than the devil himself!"

and his

According to other officers' testimonies (Mathers claims to have held his eyes shut in disbelief and utter "flabbergastation") the paths marking the trails to the cam-

arose first last week, when Mathers and his dutiful team pus catacombs had been cluttered with deviant anarchists: St. Mary's students, all united under the same unlawful premise of free condoms from a few unnamed. off-campus

In obligation to their rightful contracts,

ers reportedly attempted to overtake the criminal crowds. However, these valiant efforts were disparaged when a number of embittered students decided to chuck vast armfuls of the condemned protective articles in the officer's faces. A few eye injuries were sustained.

In more submissive action, the officers rallied for support and the change of heart from participating student

hoodlums. Mathers explains, "My team made me proud then, stood up and shook their fists in the air, called them all to see the err of their actions, and I saw a few of those brats think for a minute or two, my men were straight convincing."

Unfortunately, one of the students tried to make a break for the entryway then, causing disparaging chaos to once again take to its feet. The officers were shoved aside. and as bravehearted rebel ran for the trees, he unfortunately tripped from the numerous contents held in his arms, and was trampled by his fellow Trolley entourage.

Still, Mathers took over the situation in stride and plucked the boy from the concrete, cradling him in his uniformed arms. Meanwhile, the ever-enthused Trojan Trolley rushed on in oblivion towards the hills, one by one, two by two, and the remaining officers retreated to their stationed vehicles. Further reports on the investigation will be released next Wednesday.

AND WE THOUGHT DAN QUAYLE WAS DUMB!

Sleeve Hellishgrinning Rod Slicklyquickly Staff Writers

Early last week, Vice Perpetrator Al Gore made the stunning announcement that he "took the initiative in creating the internet."

This came as a surprise to many people (especially to the guys who really created the internet) and everybody wondered why he would say such a thing this close to the next election.

Some political experts say it is a brilliant political move, declaring all of his accomplishments to instill the voters with confidence.

Other experts say it is a desperate attempt to fool the voters into thinking he has accomplishments.

Either way, Mr. Gore has recently come out with some other events that he thinks he had a hand in and will probably deny he ever said when faced with the truth.

On a local note, Gore mentioned that his great-grandfather, Angus Gore, founded St. Mary's College of California, even though his family was based mainly at their tobacco farm in Tennessee.

Yes, you heard that correctly, the man who has sworn to stop the evil tobacco companies from killing our children has a tobacco farm.

Anyway, Mr. Gore stated that his grandfather went on a trip to California, and visited San Francisco.

"He saw the need for a West Coast institution that would provide a good education. He found that a good education must also be combined with Christian teachings as well and invited the local priests of San Francisco to teach in the basement of St. Mary's Church," said Gore.

"He wanted the teachings and wisdom of his role model, John Baptiste De La

Safle, to reflect in his students' education."

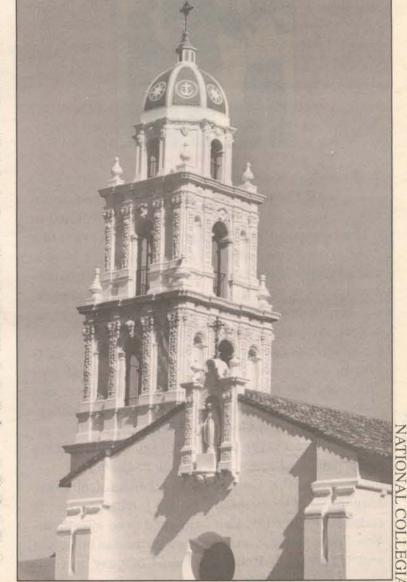
When a reporter pointed out that Gore himself wasn't Catholic, Al pointed behind the press and yelled, "Oh, no! What's that?!"

He then jumped into a nearby helicopter and has not been heard from since.

This declaration comes as a surprise to many of the faculty and students at the college who originally thought it was the Archdiocese of San Francisco that founded the college, especially President Craig Franz FSC, PhD. XYZ, etc. who was unavailable for comment.

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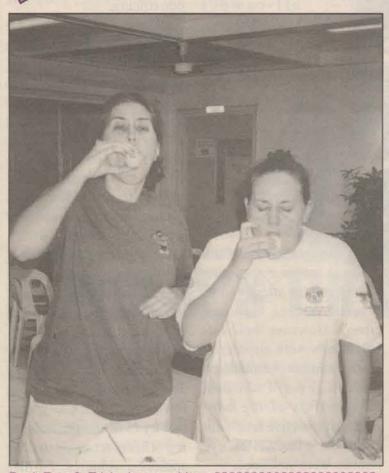
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Founded by Angus Gore?!?

STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

ENCULTURATES HERSELF



By Rod Mendoza **Guest Writer**

This Jan-term, I took a travel course to the Philippines for the purpose of doing Christian service work.

group of SMC students who went experienced different aspect of the culture, from meeting so many people, breathing heavy polluted air, being attacked and swarmed by giant bugs, to eating various kinds of Filipino dishes.

The group consisted of eleven students, two of which were Kiersten Daniels, who is a sophomore and a program board member, and SMC's student body president Tricia O'Brien.

As it so happened, during one of the nights we were having dinner, the group was served a Filipino delicacy called "balut."

HERE CONES THE GROSS PART: "Balut" is a duck egg which is taken from the nest in the last week before it hatches. When you Throughout the month, the open or make a quarter size crack on the top of the egg, you can see this baby duckling, which has been boiled for an hour, inside with all of its parts. It has a tiny head, a beak, bulging eyes, feathers, and two tiny legs. You eat the egg by making a quarter size crack on the top of the egg, then you add some salt for flavor, and then you suck everything inside in one gulp.

I do not know how anyone can eat such a small, innocent, and cute thing, besides the fact that the egg gives a strong stench when you first crack it open that can sicken your stomach to the point of vomiting.

But of course SMC's Student Body President, as well as, one of our program board members, did the task with much courage and enthusiasm. Afterwards they wanted more!!

UNBELIEVABLE!!! The funny thing is, even the cat that was there refused to eat the leftover "balut" which should have been my share, but I passed up on it because it was so GROSS!!

So next time you see Tricia O'Brien and Kiersten Daniels around the campus, ask them the question, "how'd you ever do it?"

Finally, before I end, I just want to include the fact that to write about this was not my idea, but that of Brother Dominic's.

SINGING SENSATION HITS CAMPUS



Two Fathers and a Brother

By Sophia Angeloi Staff Writer

The new pop-Christian musical trio "Two Fathers album, Bells of St. Mary's, and a Brother" debuted on campus this week at a special benefit concert in the chapel. Accompanied on the chapel organ by Br. Martin Yribarren, FSC, Ph.D., the trio performed such hits as "Ave Maria Goes Gospel", "My God", "Say a Little Prayer (for Me)", and a selection of pieces from the Gospel Magnificat. The evening ended with "Brother, Can You Spare Some Time?" and "Hallelujah Rock". The concert proceeds and profits from sales of their

album Fathers and Brothers (which is expected to go platinum, like their first did in 1998) will be donated to the Sisters of St. Scholastica convent in Zimbabwe. The group's recordings can be purchased in the music section of the bookstore, next to Yribarren's organ recordings and the flute recordings of Br. Alexis Doval, FSC, Ph.D.

In other musical news, Fr. Sal Ragusa, S.D.S., is rumored to be moonlighting with the San Francisco Opera Company, as a music stand. See story on page 29.

SECRET BURIAL ROOM FOUND IN CATACOMBS

Roberto Baggio **Intrepid Reporter**

Early in the morning on Saturday, March 20 two St.

Mary's students made a shocking discovery in the depths of the catacombs.

A night of pranks turned to horror as Sophomore Michael Owen and Junior Robbie Fowler discovered a room with the remains of deceased people.

Both Owen and Fowler ran screaming from the room in terror (but not before they took a picture of the room) and immediately went to Public Safety to report their discovery.

Owen later exclaimed, "I never knew that St. Mary's held such gruesome secrets!"

beneath the College, had not been discovered before; possibly because the door had been concealed. The two

ecret room found under Oliver Hall.

after Fowler accidentally tripped over a bump in the floor and hit the wall, triggering the door into opening.

The room contains the remains of several hundred people, including what appear to be several priests.

This gruesome burial chamber happens to lie di-

The room, which lies deep rectly beneath Oliver Hall and is about double the size of a residence hall room.

Public Safety Officer Theiry Henry checked out

> Owen and Fowler's story and found their horrible discov-

He commented, "It's the strangest thing I have ever seen in my life!"

The room is under excavation by members of St. Mary's Anthro-

friends only found the door pology/Sociology Department and has been marked as a historical landmark.

> Department Chair David Trezeguet, explained "We still don't know exactly what we have found, but the room is an amazing discovery, it will greatly increase St. Mary's prestige."