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And Where Were You?

Only twenty percent of students pre-register for fall classes

Missy Chance
Staff Writer

In a surprise announcement, the Registrar's Office revealed yesterday that due to extremely low enrollment for the fall semester, it will be eliminating the majority of classes that were to be offered in the fall. The move has sparked some anger among students, who will not be able to take the classes they want.

"I was really looking forward to my Men's Studies class," said one student, who plays on the rugby team. "I've been waiting for so long to even have this class on campus, and now they are why taking it away?"

Other students echoed the sentiment, commenting that the cancellation will affect graduation plans.

"I was really excited about next semester, until I found out only one of the classes I enrolled in will be offered," said a junior student. "Now, how am I going to graduate on time?"

The Registrar's Office expressed concern and amazement over the effects of its decision. "We are really surprised by the low enrollment. We can't understand why eighty per-



A student easily moves to the head of the line at pre-registration on Monday.

cent of the student body chose not to enroll next semester. I mean, it's not like students didn't know it was enrollment week!"

The Office of Residence Life is scrambling to ensure that the dorms do not go unused, as only twenty percent of the student body is signed up for fall semester.

"This is really a positive development," said one staff member, "all

students will be guaranteed housing and no one will have to live in a triple...except for the freshmen, of course, since we're admitting twice as many as usual next year."

Dean of Finance, Ivan T. Mooney, stated that because of the low enrollment, the College will have to let go of many professors.

"We simply will not have the funds nor the need," said Mooney.

However, Mooney pointed out that there is a bright side to all this. "Because we won't have many professors, every professor who does stay will now have their very own office. So that's something to be happy about."

The remainder of students will now have to take summer school courses or pay for late registration in September.

The Pub Returns to Campus, Replacing the Bookstore's Basement

Craven A. Bud
Staff Writer

After years of a "dry" central campus, Saint Mary's has decided to bring back the pub to Ferroggiaro Center. The Brickpile Pub will take over the basement of the Saint Mary's Bookstore starting today and will feature a full bar and a big screen television.

Junior Peter D. Oute exclaimed, "Finally we have a place to relax, drink, pass out, and most important puke with out having to clean up after ourselves!"

The bar will be run by the Phoenix Brewery and features the fine

beverages of the Christian Fathers Winery.

Manager Earl E. Reiser explained, "I hope students will come and drink lots of alcohol. Mostly I hope they have fun!"

Saint Mary's, which has a long history of consumption of alcohol, brings back the pub amidst cries to end the "prohibition" on central campus. Up until the 1980's Saint Mary's had a pub on central campus, as well as, "keggers," Saint Patrick's day parties, and other outlets for drinking.

After the crackdown on drinking, students have been clambering for outlets for legal drinking. Protests

resulted in the opening of the pub.

One key protester, Ivana Corona, who lobbied vigorously for the opening of the pub commented, "Finally, students have a place to hang out, talk with their friends, and get smashed! Now we don't have to stay in our rooms or drive to a bar."

According to Reiser, the pub will have special \$1 beer nights after every Saint Mary's Gael team wins. Regular California Drinking Laws will apply, but fake identifications are also accepted.

Brickpile Pub Grand Opening Celebration

Saturday, April 1.....7pm to 2am

Brickpile Pub Hours

Monday.....9pm to 12am
Tuesday.....9pm to 12am
Wednesday.....9pm to 12am
Thursday.....9pm to 1am
Friday.....7pm to 2am
Saturday.....7pm to 2am
Sunday.....7pm to 11pm

Brickpile Pub Specials

\$1 beers when Gael teams win



The pub will sell a number of drinks, as well as lava lamps.

PoPo Coffee Co. Opens for Business



Visit with the PoPo baristas as you purchase an espresso, mocha, or latte from the new PoPo Espresso Shack.

Joe Beans
Staff Writer

The tiny guardhouse that acts as the gateway to Saint Mary's has become the next commercialized aspect of the College. On March 28, the former headquarters of Public Safety was transformed into PoPo Espresso, the first of many by the PoPo Coffee Company.

"We're excited that we have a new capital venture," said one Public Safety Officer. The PoPo Coffee Company was the genius of Director of Public Safety, Roger Scitutto, who was looking to add to Public Safety's "Denver boot" collection.

Scitutto sees the company as providing a needy service to Saint Mary's, as well as, the surrounding community.

Public Safety officers and student assistants will operate the franchise, which will solely provide drive-thru service. Citations will be immediately given to any students who attempt walk-up service. The menu will offer everything from a cup of coffee, made from beans grown on the hills behind the cross, to a hand-made flaky doughnut. Prices will be competitive with Starbucks. "Unlike Starbucks," says a PoPo worker, "every cup of our coffee will be

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NEWS

CAMPUS Briefs



Dean Pete Simonds, Br. Dominic Berardelli, and Coordinator Brian Stanley audition for Jamaica-Me-Crazy, as the newest boyband "32 Degrees."

Boyband "32 Degrees" to Perform at Jamaica-Me-Crazy

Saint Mary's own Dean of Student Development and Leadership Pete Simonds, Br. Dominic Berardelli, FSC, and Coordinator of Black Student Programs Brian Stanley have formed the newest boyband, "32 Degrees." Their breakout performance will serve as the opening act for "Save Ferris" at the Jamaica-Me-Crazy concert on May 6. Their manager, Hollywood Jones, hopes their debut will move them to the top of the charts.

Pillsbury Doughboy Eaten!

Police announced this week that the famous Pillsbury Doughboy has been eaten by an unknown person. Fellow advertising characters and friends of the Doughboy became concerned when he did not answer his phone. "We always play basketball on Saturdays. He was a grrrrreat friend" commented Tony the Tiger. There are currently no suspects, however, Saint Mary's own *Two Guys With Long Names* have been brought to Public Safety HQ to be questioned.

Changes Made To Faculty Workload Proposal

A new teacher workload proposal was brought up at last week's meeting of the Board of Trustees. The new plan would require each faculty member to teach the same amount of classes, however they would also be responsible for cleaning their classrooms and the third floors of both Dante and Galileo Halls. They will be allowed to take turns cleaning their restrooms.

St. Patrick's Day Celebration brings Irish culture to Saint Marys'

In celebration of St. Patrick's Day last week, members of Eire Og, the Saint Mary's Irish club, mortared De La Salle quad in an event co-sponsored by the IRA. President of the club, Paddy O'McHalloran said, "We just wanted to give Saint Mary's a taste of Irish culture, with a taste of whiskey and Guinness Stout to go with it!" Only minor injuries were reported, which O'McHalloran said was a success nonetheless. However four members of the club, including O'McHalloran, were cited for public intoxication by Public Safety and their Guinness was poured out.

Rugby and Men's Lacrosse Erect New Men's Resource Center

Brock Landers
Staff Writer

After years of anticipation, funding for the Men's Resource Center has been approved. The idea for the Center originated last year from the Rugby and Men's Lacrosse teams, and as of Friday, April 1, their visions will become reality. According to the Center's Coordinator Larry Flint, "The Center is a place for male students to go where they can sit around and burp as loud as they want and watch Sports Channel without interruptions." The center will have a large library with back issues of *Playboy*, *Hustler*, as well as the *Sports Illustrated Swimsuit Issue*.

"Guys need a place to go when they have concerns and problems, and while the center will serve as a hang out, it will be a great resource

for them as well," adds Flint. He says that the Center will be a place where guys can get advice for problems such as: What to do when your girlfriend finds your porn stash? What to do when a "feme-nazi" punches you in the face for opening the door for her? What to do when all of your laundry is dirty and you've already worn all of your underwear twice and inside out? and, What to do when your roommate catches you crying over your ex-girlfriend while listening to Celine Dion?

The Center will also have a twenty-four hour hotline. "We encourage guys to call at any time. For example, if they are in the middle of a date and not sure whether or not they should offer to pay for dinner, or if they are at a bar and not sure whether they should make the

first move," says Flint.

The response to the future Center has been phenomenal. Even though the Center does not yet physically exist, it has already begun to produce a small newsletter. "This was a great idea," says one sophomore male. "I was especially pleased with the first newsletter which featured the article 'Top Ten Places to Urinate When Your Roommates are Already Relieving Themselves in the Shower and Toilet'; some of those places I never would have thought of!"

The Center will begin construction this month and expects to be finished by the end of the semester. Flint says women are encouraged to lend their support to the Center as well and asks for help on his latest newsletter featuring the article, "What My Girlfriend Says Versus What She Really Means."

Coffee: PoPo Coffee Co. Brings Competition to Campus Starbucks

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served with a warm smile."

Students may use Flex Dollars, cash, or a credit card at the drive-thru shack. Tips are still "generously accepted and encouraged," said PoPo Manager Juan Valdez.

In the future, PoPo plans to use the Public Safety vehicles to deliver beverages to various sites on campus.

In addition to the Saint Mary's site, PoPo Coffee hopes to expand

to other college campuses, promising its quick, friendly service to brighten every customer's morning. Coupons were distributed to law-abiding students on the opening day. The marketing department of the company is in the process of making a Frequent Customer Card, which after ten purchases, the student will receive a free ride in the Public Safety vehicle of their choice.

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

7:50-8:10am

9-9:10am

10:10-10:20am

11:20-11:30am

Tuesday, Thursday

7:50-8:10am

9:30-9:40am

11:10-11:20am

PoPo Espresso Hours

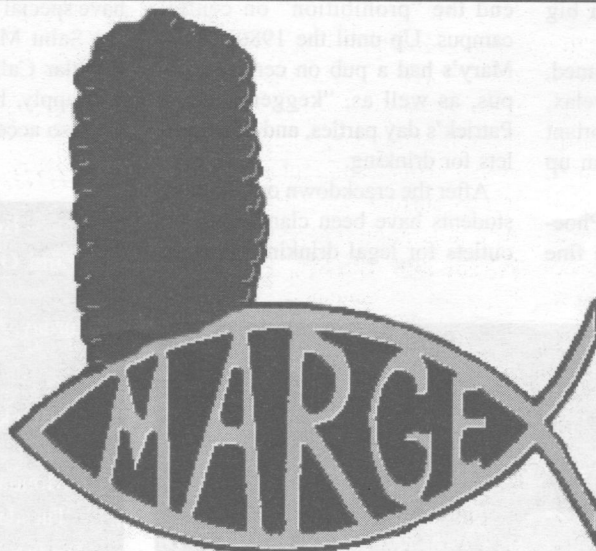
COUPON!

This coupon entitles the Saint Mary's Student to free whip cream on their next espresso drink.



Po Po Espresso

Expires March 5, 2000



Join our Simpsons cult and get a free sticker for your car! We meet every Sunday nite in a room in North Claeys... don't forget to bring the Duff beer!!

No need to *write* a paper, come to us and we'll *give* you one!
(at a small price)

Instead of searching for future careers, the Senior Class has decided to start their own on-campus business . . .



Plagiarize This!

invites you to take advantage of seniors' hard work by buying back their term papers and theses.

Come visit our offices
in Guerrieri East, or
call us at

1-800-520-2000

SMC CrimeBeat

3/12/00 Vandalism

An unknown individual attempted to drive off with the library book drop. The book drop was bolted down, yet suffered close to \$1,000 in damages.

3/14/00 Booted Vehicle

A Public Safety patrol vehicle was booted in the quad for parking in an unmarked spot.

3/14/00 Indecent Exposure

Two students were caught skinny-dipping in the fountain in front of the Cassin Student Union. They were given a warning and told they would be fined if caught again.

3/15/00 Burglary

A Marriott employee had to call for Public Safety backup. A student was caught taking a piece of bread from the cafeteria during the dinner hour. The student was released with a slap on the hand and a warning.

3/16/00 Missing

The courtesy phones that were supposed to be installed in the campus parking lots have been reported missing. Nothing has been told about this disappearance.

3/17/00 Booted Vehicle

A Public Safety patrol vehicle was booted in the quad for parking in an unmarked spot.

3/21/00 Grand Theft Burglary

The statue of Saint John Baptist De La Salle was stolen sometime between the hours of 11pm and 5am. Large, deep footprints were found at the scene of the crime.

3/21/00 Booted Vehicle

A vehicle registered to President Br. Craig Franz, FSC, PhD, was booted in front of the chapel for parking in a red zone.

Field of Parking Dreams

New State-of-the-Art Structure Includes Underground Parking Lot

Lois Lane
Staff Writer

After the jubilous dedication of the new softball field, the Administration announced plans to enclose the field with a large dome and carve an underground parking garage beneath the grassy turf. Intended to add over 100 parking spaces to the campus, the three-story garage will solely be available for off-campus students.

"I'm excited that I won't have to drive around for hours to find a spot," said Sophomore Craise Driver, who commutes from Pleasanton. Driver recalls many experiences where she has arrived thirty minutes before class to search for parking. "Sometimes I think I'd be better off taking the hour bus-ride."

With the additional parking garage, the futures of the parking lots next to Augustine and De LaSalle are questionable. The lots, currently allotted to commuter students and faculty, may possibly be used to park Public Safety vehicles.

In addition to the new parking structure, the campus will provide a free underground train to transport commuter students from the far lot to central campus. The train is scheduled to run every ten minutes and

will be operated by master conductor Br. Jack Curran, FSC, PhD, who plans to brighten everyone's day with his trademark smile. Should commuters choose not to take the shuttle, they have the option of traveling in a cold, dark, unmonitored tunnel that connects the parking structure with the existing catacombs.

The campus has hired a pack of gophers to burrow the land under the existing field without disturbing the softball players. "We needed a way to keep the noise and lights down, so as not to disturb Moraga resi-

dents," said architect Bill D'place. The gophers offered to complete the job in exchange for honorary degrees, which will be presented by Br. Craig Franz, FSC, PhD, at the future dedication ceremony. The Moraga Town Council approved the structure and looks forward to the new addition.

The new dome will secure an all-weather field for the softball team, and make Cottrell Field the only state-of-the-art field of its kind in the world.



Plans for the recently opened softball field include a dome and underground parking structure.

New Clubs Chartered by ASSMC

Sleeve Hellishgrinning
Staff Writer

During the Spring Charter Process, many new clubs were given the go ahead from the ASSMC to form up and start doing...uh...whatever it is they wanted to do. Here is a list of the new clubs that were unanimously chartered by the ASSMC Seante last week.

Raccoon Watchers Club: Ever wanted to have a greater appreciation for those cute little critters that share our campus with us? Come to a meeting of the Raccoon Watcher's Club and learn all about our nocturnal scavenger friends. Meetings held at midnight at various dumpsters

around campus.

Masochist Hikers Club: Hey wimp, don't use the sissy trail up the back of the mountain to get to the cross. Join us and learn how to get up to the cross like a man! We'll be walking straight up the front of the hill without any equipment or even water. We'll separate the men from the boys as we try to get around all the trees and steep ledges. Meet us in the afternoon every weekend once it starts to get really hot outside.

Saga Cooking Club: Don't you just hate having to go home for break leaving behind all the scrumptious food at Saga? Well now we can teach you how to prepare all the stringy beef and bland pasta right in your

own home! Meet us every day before every meal in the kitchen and learn everything there is to know about cooking the Saga way! You even get your own hairnet and uniform and get to practice serving your family by helping to serve your fellow students.

Ageno East/West Street Luge Team: Want to learn a new way to class on time without having to drive? Join the Ageno Street Luge Team and you'll soon be sliding down the hill to class instead of wasting precious gas. See? That rhymed! All you need is some elbow pads and an old skateboard. Come to our lessons every Tuesday night at the top of the Canyon.

New Posting Policy Posted

Sonny McFeely
Staff Writer

In addition to having all promotional materials approved by the Student Activities Office, as of April 1, all clubs and organizations will have to follow a new set of guidelines in order to have any flyers posted.

One of the most controversial requirements of the new policy is a mandate that all club members undergo fingerprinting and blood tests periodically throughout the school year.

"I think the new requirements are ridiculous," said Saga Cooking Club President Watar Melon. "There is no way I'm going to let some bureaucrat draw my blood!"

Other club members agreed, referring to the new policy as an attempt at censorship and citing the restriction on using any letters on their flyers that may spell out the word "alcohol" as just one example.

The letters a, l, c, o, h, o, and l must be presented in the special characters '@!©0#0!' and may only be

mentioned once."

"That rule about @!©0#0! really gets me going," said club member Dan Ish. "My club is the Alcohol Awareness Club and this new rule means that I can't put up any flyers for my club meetings! I guess this is the end of my club because how else can I inform the students?"

Another guideline requests that all club presidents submit a genealogy and family tree, tracing their family's history back at least 10 generations.

"We want to make sure that we can trust the person who is in charge of giving the event. If we have their family history, as well as, finger prints and blood sample, there is no way they can flee the country if caught for serving any alcoholic beverages at the promoted event," said one school official.

Ish also commented on the "Save Paper Guideline" which states that, "Clubs will only be allowed to post one flyer per year. This flyer must be on white, 8.5x11" paper, and can be no more than 30 words.

Before flyers can be hung, the club president must also submit a copy of their flyer to the *Collision* Events!!! Editor.

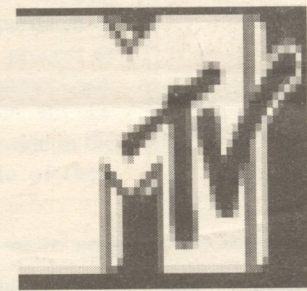
"This is just to ensure that the event is publicized in the paper," added the school official. "Since we are only allowing one publicized event per year we want to make sure that it really gets out there and is heard."

Some members of the campus community however, have said that this new policy is just one of the many changes that the College needs.

"I think it validates and supports St. Mary's mission statement," said Freshman Reel E. Naïve.

The new policy will be put into action as soon as possible and any flyers that are up right now must be taken down right away according to the College.

"If any club has flyers that remain up, the members are subject to expulsion and any previous graduates who were members of the club will have to return their degree to the College," said the school official.



The Real World Gets Real at SMC!

HERE'S THE
STORYLINE...

This is the true story of five Saint Mary's students picked to live together in Ageno E for a semester and have their lives taped. Find out what happens when SMC students stop being polite and start getting real.

AUDITIONS will be held
April 3-5 in the Soda Center.
All students are eligible.