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Exploring Saint Mary's drug culture

by Josh Farley & Brad Kvederis
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"If alcohol is called 'liquid courage,' " says Black Student Programs Leader Brian Stanley, "then I would call pot 'The tree of courage.' "

Stanley, the resident director of Thille Hall, has no doubt seen his share of drug use on campus. And he is not alone in his belief that, though the substances of alcohol and marijuana are entirely different, they have similar psychological effects, and both produce a feeling of invincibility. The Saint Mary's College community is no exception to drug use of any sort.

While alcohol is legal for those 21 and over, marijuana is not—but the relaxed attitude of pot smoking, combined with ballot measures across the country fighting to make pot legal, attest to its high use.

A Saint Mary's junior explained that many regular marijuana smokers use pot to seek out a community of accepting peers. "As a freshman, it was easy to meet and make friends because weed would bring people together. If you are a



pot smoker at Saint Mary's, you are aware of several places that you can go to meet other smokers."*

Other students claimed to smoke pot recreationally to ease stress or enjoy a Friday night. One Saint Mary's senior reported that she smokes marijuana at night to make class more bearable the next morning. "I tend to smoke weed when I have gotten drunk on a school night, to avoid having a hangover in class the next day."

Most on-campus drug use consists of occasional marijuana smoking or heavy drinking, while hard drug use surfaces elsewhere – most prevalently off-campus. Also, while marijuana and alcohol are notorious at Saint Mary's, hard drugs like cocaine and speed are not openly discussed.

"I would say that most of the off-campus parties that I have attended, which were not sponsored by any athletic team, had students doing coke in the bath-

room," claims a junior.

A senior stated she knows "several students who only use hard drugs during finals, because it helps them study."

Although hard drug use is a hushed subject at Saint Mary's, the administration is aware of its presence. "En vogue' drugs come and go, and my understanding is that cocaine is coming back among 18-22 year olds," commented Steve Nygaard, dean of campus life.

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Registrar uses online registration for first time

GaelXpress allows students to register for classes from the comfort of home

by Liz Schnitz & Jonathan Morales
News Writers

A year-long process of exploring and refining an online registration program will culminate in the coming weeks as Saint Mary's students register for their classes online for the first time on the brand-new GaelXpress.

Through a system already successful at schools such as Diablo Valley College, students will gain full access to their own academic information and have more control over their schedules. For example, students will be able to add or drop a class online up until the beginning of Spring Term. Additionally, students will be able to personally select their classes, rather than handing over a proposed schedule to the registrar.

"We've had a lot of inquiries and requests from students, especially entering students who want access to their own information," said Registrar Julia Odom. "We also wanted to give students more control over their choices. They turn in their form to us, and in the registrar's

office, we try our best to create a schedule of the classes that you want, but that doesn't necessarily mean we would always make the choices that the student would make."

"Although it may seem that online registration is only meant to make things easier for the registrar, the goal is actually to ameliorate the frustration and anxiety that students experience during the registration process.

"It takes the pressure off a little bit for students who've had to come and get a form and get a signature and worry about that," Odom said.

In addition to the online conveniences, the registrar's office intends to make itself more personally accessible as well. Although the hours are yet to be announced, the registrar's office will be open later than usual.

"We'll still be here to help people who have problems or don't know quite what to do. We'll still be here, we'll still make changes for you."

Online registration times are set in the late afternoon to early evening, when there are the



Photo by Choua Yang

A Saint Mary's student accesses the GaelXpress website.

fewest classes and students will be able to register more easily. As always, the order of registration will be by year, and then by alpha-blocks within each year.

To ensure that all goes smoothly, the registrar has prepared itself by testing groups of students last spring, attending seminars, and giving presentations to faculty. They have also kept in close contact with ITS.

In agreement with the registrar, ITS anticipates no problems as long as everyone reads the instructions on the website.

ITS and the registrar agree that each student should familiarize him or herself with GaelXpress prior to registration to ensure comfort with the new system. Most of all, it is imperative that students immediately report any problems they might have with the new system.

"We want to hear, good or bad, what is going on," said Odom.

"We're very excited. There's a whole group of people who have worked really hard to make this project successful."

SMC sends students as 'participant observers'

by Chris Mateo
Assistant News Editor

On the night of November 16, 1989, a Salvadoran Army patrol raided the University of Central America in San Salvador and killed six Jesuit priests, their housekeeper and her daughter.

19 of the soldiers associated with this act of violence had received training at the United States Army School of the Americas.

Twelve years later, the annual commemoration of this assassination will take place at the School of the Americas (SOA). On the weekend of November 15, the SOA Watch will host its annual demonstration to close the SOA, recently renamed the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation (WHINSEC).

Among the thousands of people gathering at Fort Benning, home of the SOA, will be eight students and four faculty and staff members of Saint Mary's College. This will be SMC's first time joining many other Catholic universities who have attended this event in previous years.

The Catholic Institute for Lasallian Social Action (CILSA), in collaboration with other campus groups, organized this trip to Columbus, Georgia. From November 15 until November 17, this SMC group will be "participant observers" in the SOA Watch's annual demonstration of 13 years.

Gary Adler, assistant director of CILSA and one of the facilitators of this trip, emphasized the fact that this group will not be demonstrators, but observers.

"This is a chance for our students to engage in rigorous thought around a controversial issue," said Adler.

"I want them to see both sides and to be able to think in the Catholic social thought tradition."

Along with a number of persons and departments who agreed to organize the visit, Adler pointed out that it was his personal interest in social justice that launched the trip. "Ever since I read about the SOA,

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IN THE NEWS

Brother Jerome West honored



Brother Jerome West was recently bestowed the title of Professor Emeritus at Saint Mary's.

With the approval of Brother Craig Franz, FSC, president of SMC, the honor was awarded by the Rank and Tenure committee.

Brother Jerome worked tirelessly for the betterment of our college, and currently resides at the Brothers' residence in Napa.

Construction CEO talks business



Every year, the Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellows Program provides Saint Mary's College with a professional having immense expertise in his or her field.

November 3-7, SMC hosted Marvin J. Suomi, president and chief executive officer of KUD International and chairman of Kajima Construction Services, global businesses with headquarters in Japan.

During his stay, Suomi participated in classes, met with students, had a few meetings and presented "The Japanese Banking Crisis and its Implications for the Global Economy" on November 5 at the Soda Center with Roy Allen, dean of the school of economics and business administration.

Red and Blue now available

The Associated Students' annual directory is now available. Commuter students may pick them up in the ASSMC office.

Registration Seniors

Register November 18

Juniors

Register November 19

Sophomores

Register November 20

Freshmen

Register November 21

Log on to GaelXPress for further details

CAMPUS SNAPSHOT



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Inquisitive Senate

During one of the many discussions, freshman class president Jeff Gateo asks for the floor. The Associated Students of Saint Mary's College (ASSMC) Senate meets bimonthly at the Soda Center.

SOA TRIP: First SMC attendance at SOA protest

I was aware of the human rights issues involved with its existence. I mentioned this to Br. Michael Avila and we agreed that this fact-finding trip would be a great experience to learn more about social justice as well as to see both sides of the story."

SMC will not be the only Catholic institute to send students.

"Of the 12,000 expected to meet at the gates of Fort Benning, one-third of these are connected to the Catholic Church and its schools," said Adler.

These universities also provide a learning experience for the interested faculty and staff of their respective campuses.

"It's a great experience for the students, faculty, and staff.

As a facilitator of the trip, I will be there to make sure that the students get the full picture and process all of the information they receive," said Norma Lopez, coordinator of Latino student programs, one of the four faculty participants from SMC.

Lopez added that this topic has a personal connection with her and other group members.

"As a Latina and someone that has been aware of what's been going on in Central America, this issue is very close to me," said Lopez. "I have strong feelings about this even though I'm going there with an open mind. I know what has happened in those countries, and it's unacceptable that we, as a country, train people to hurt so many others.

The SOA has affected many people that I have known. A lot of people come to the United States because they risk getting hurt by the repercussions of the SOA."

In order to be one of the students going on this trip, an intricate process took place to sift through the more than 20 applicants.

One of the selected, Peter Tappeiner '03, took this trip as an opportunity to begin change at such a small degree.

"The School of the Americas is a key part of US foreign policy, which automatically caught my interest as a politics major and as a concerned citizen," said Tappeiner.

"It's very important to understand the SOA because, as a primary instrument of US for-

eign policy, it has caused a lot of harm to Latin America. This should weigh heavily on the conscience of every American."

The cost for the trip per student is \$427. Among the groups helping to fund the trip include CILSA, Campus Ministry, the Christian Brothers, the history department, individual faculty members, the office of Asian student programs, the office of Latino student programs, the school of liberal arts, student participants, and the Student Research Grant Fund.

"I think one of the most striking things about this trip is that it has received amazing support from so many different departments. It's really encouraging to know that SMC is behind us," said Tappeiner.

CRIME BEAT

10/30 9:00 p.m.

Incident: Medical

Synopsis: Public safety stopped a student to check their welfare. Student was referred to Residence Life.

10/30 11:55 p.m.

Incident: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Synopsis: Public Safety confiscated drug paraphernalia from a student's car in the Aquinas lot. Case referred to Residence Life.

11/3 5:45 a.m.

Incident: Vandalism

Synopsis: Students found trespassing on Oliver Hall roof. Students referred to Student Code of Conduct.

11/4 1:50 p.m.

Incident: Property Damage

Synopsis: Vehicle damaged at Front Entrance. Case referred to Business Office.

11/7 1:08 a.m.

Incident: Property Damage

Synopsis: Windows broken in Aquinas hall. Case referred to Buildings and Grounds.

11/7 1:09 a.m.

Incident: Property Damage

Synopsis: Windows broken in Aquinas hall. Case referred to Buildings and Grounds.

11/7 10:08 a.m.

Incident: Informational

Synopsis: Unknown person stopped for questioning by Public Safety in regards to misuse of computer in Ferroggiaro reception area.

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Eco-feminist Sister Joan Chittister speaks at SMC

Ecology, religion and feminism were among topics covered Benedictine Sister in November lecture



“In a world such as this, a sense of enoughness is a sign of mental abhorration. A desire for moreness is a sign of human development and progress”

SISTER JOAN CHITTISTER
Guest Lecturer

◀ Sister Joan Chittister speaks in the Soda Center.
Photo by Katie Linnett

by Jonathan Morales
News Writer

As Sister Joan Chittister, OSC sat in the front row of the Soda Center, she looked calm and composed – hardly the kind of person who is a fierce activist for racial, gender and ecological equality.

As her presentation began, however, the audience watched in awe as this formerly calm Sister stepped onto the stage and began speaking with passion.

“We’re in the midst of a road which, if not met head-on, may take us exactly where we have no desire to go unless we realize that the maelstrom in which we find ourselves in is not death, but the possibility of new life,” Chittister said in a speech last Wednesday at SMC.

Chittister warned students and others assembled about the changing world and what she said are the pitfalls of traditional Judeo-Christian thought, especially the desire for domination.

“In a world such as this, a sense of enoughness is a sign

of mental abhorration. A desire for moreness is a sign of human development and progress,” she said.

She also spoke about women’s role in the church, saying, “The only ministry left to a woman in church is a ministry of dissent.”

After an introduction by an SMC alumnus, Chittister said, “It’s for that young woman and her generation that I’m here tonight.”

She later said, “I’m begging you in this college, in your hearts: Change something. Make a difference now.”

Chittister spoke as part of the Social Justice Speaker Series, which will present various speakers throughout the year and is presented by the Disney Forum and CILSA.

Recently, Chittister has been in the news for discussing issues such as female priesthood.

According to a *Time* magazine article published in August 2001, Chittister traveled to an international conference held in Dublin to address a group called Women’s Ordination

Worldwide in a direct challenge to the pope’s 1994 ban on discussing female ordination.

Although the Vatican threatened punishment, many of Chittister’s colleagues backed her up, and the Vatican stepped down.

She has written over twenty books, received nine honorary doctorates, and has taught at all educational levels.

In addition, she has been recognized worldwide for her work, is an active member of the International Peace Council, and is founder and executive director of Benetvision: A Resource and Research Center for Contemporary Spirituality.

She said her main message to students is getting involved.

“Get out your five bucks, find your issue, get some advice...find out who is the group you trust most to work on that issue,” said Chittister.

“I want you all involved in some issue, and you do that very well on this campus. I’m extremely impressed with what I see and hear here.”

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“I would also say that ecstasy is probably about as prevalent as anything else.”

Whereas faculty and students alike are aware of the presence of hard drugs, there is confusion over how hard drugs are distributed on campus. Nygaard commented that “there aren’t too many drug dealers who happen to say, ‘We’ll swing by Saint Mary’s and check it out.’ Mostly, what we see is students supplying other students.” An Acalanes High School alumnus countered this claim, stating that “Saint Mary’s is the easiest place for me to sell drugs.”

Hard drug use is a campus issue that may or may not surface as a topic of open discourse at Saint Mary’s. However, the legalization of marijuana and the abuse of alcohol remain hot topics of conversation among students and faculty.

“It’s only a matter of time before it is legalized,” said one self-proclaimed Saint Mary’s ‘pothead.’ “[Marijuana] has come a long way.”

“If alcohol is legal, then there is no reason that pot should not be legal,” said a Saint Mary’s senior and regular pot user. The student went on to say that pot was also not

nearly as harmful as alcohol in its effects.

“Obviously, alcohol is the drug of choice on [Saint Mary’s] campus, followed by marijuana,” said Nygaard. He was quick to point out that, though alcohol is legal for those who are of age and pot is not, students should approach the use of any drug with caution.

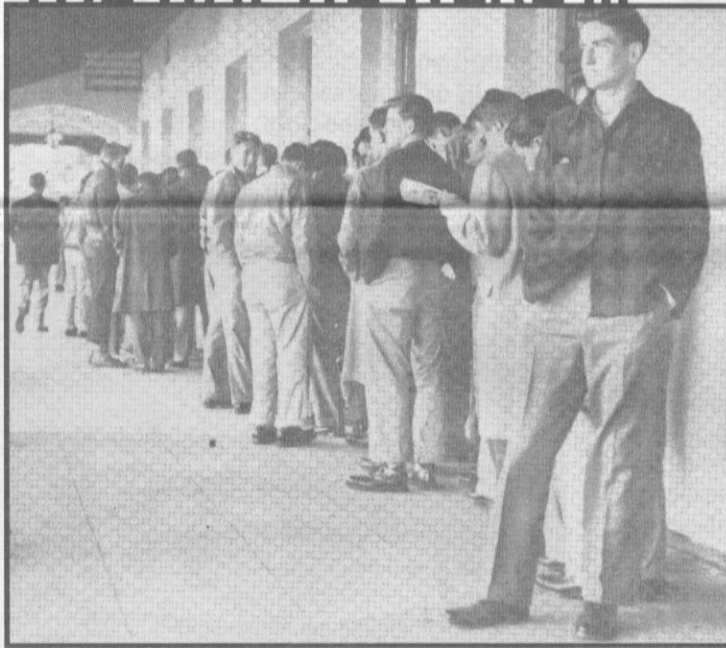
“We’ve had a number of transports to the hospital this year for alcohol poisoning, and those are pretty serious situations themselves...[both marijuana and alcohol] have unique aspects in terms of issues of dependency and implications for students in terms of negative consequences,” said Nygaard.

Stanley argues that in the abuse of alcohol is more serious than the abuse of marijuana. “I’ve seen more kids go to the hospital because of overdoses of alcohol than I have seen kids go to the hospital because of overdoses of pot.”

Nevertheless, Stanley still believes that marijuana is no less dangerous psychologically than alcohol when abused. “If you get in a car when you’re high, you’re going to kill someone, and if you get in the car when you’re drunk, you’re going to kill someone.”

*because of the sensitive nature of the subject matter, sources have been kept anonymous.

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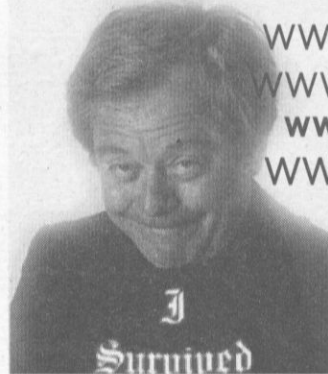
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Registration Time

Traditionally, registration lines have always been long and burdensome. This line in 1949 is no exception. GaelXpress will hopefully alleviate the headaches and frustration caused by this tri-annual occurrence.

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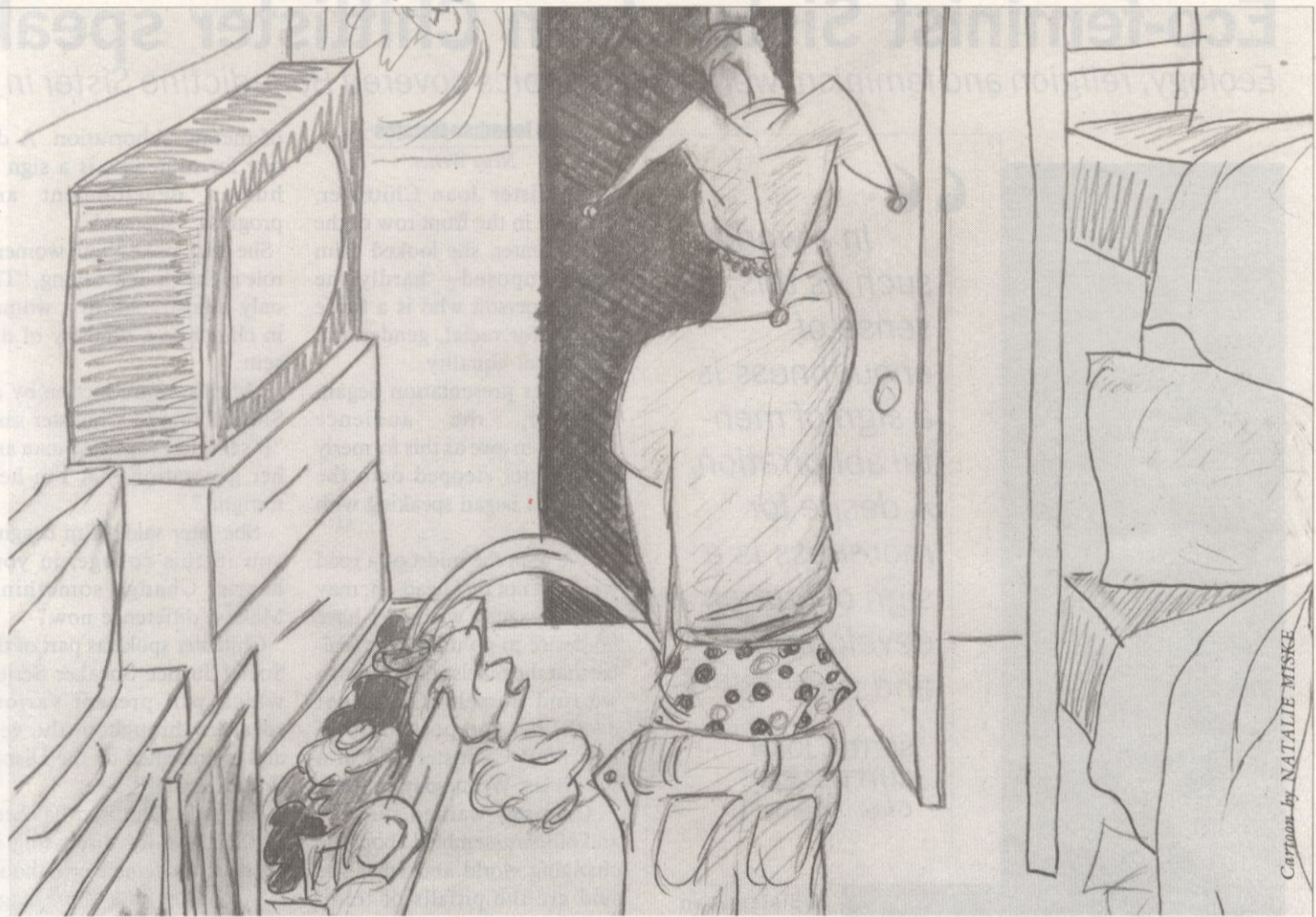
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OPINION



Try to curb your consumption before a disaster like this occurs.

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Gael POLL

Campus alcohol and drug use

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Percentage of students who believe that alcohol or drug use enhances the college experience.

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Percentage of students who have smoked pot this semester.

90

Percentage of students who have drunk alcohol this semester.

25

Percentage of students who have smoked a cigarette in the past week.

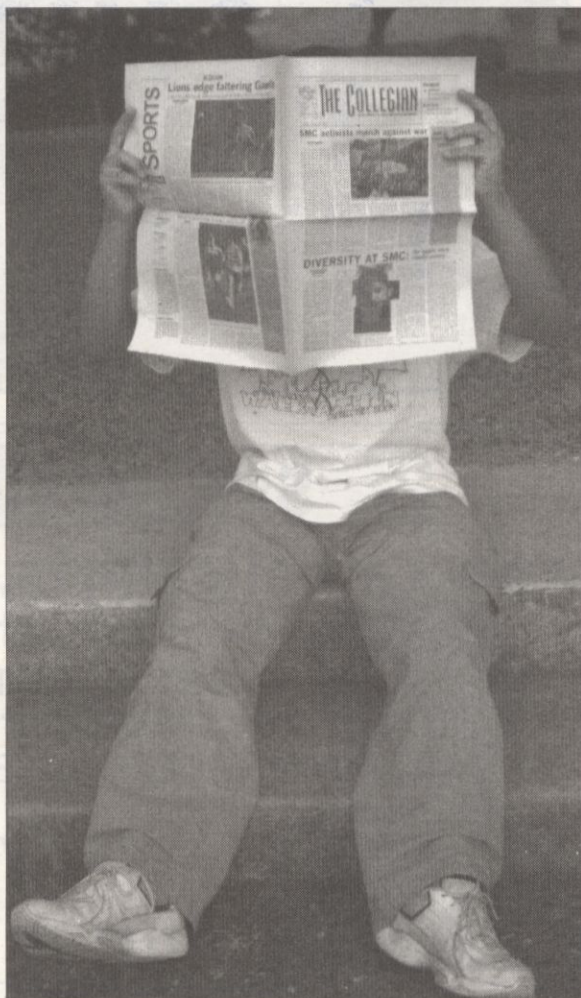
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Percentage of students who have used other drugs this semester.

Each week, the Collegian asks questions of 70 random students and compiles the results above. All surveys are anonymous.

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We are still waiting for your letters! Please write to us, and we would love to publish you in the *Collegian*!

Collegian view

Moderation over prohibition

In terms of that which defines college culture and lifestyle, an activity that permeates the college experience – nearly equal in effect to studying – is drinking. With such a definitive staple at the core of college social behavior, it is a difficult thing to miss. Understandably, drinking is often a primary activity of choice at college parties and social gatherings, but while engaging in the drinking of alcoholic beverages is a major part of the college experience, the choices made in terms of indulgence and moderation are more under one's own control, as opposed to the submission to natural college culture. Underage drinking will occur regardless of law, regardless of Public Safety, and regardless of however many 'Alcohol Awareness Weeks' we have. The distinction between the rightness and wrongness of the act is not in the obedience to the law – although this is how punishment is distributed – but in the level of indulgence that drinkers engage in. If all drinkers which we must call 'underage' were responsible enough to avoid overindulgence, there would be no need for such laws or any such vilification of alcohol. As subjects of college culture, let not the free flow of beer and liquor distract one's responsibilities to the virtue of moderation.

E-mail us your Letters to the Editor at:

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Humboldt: A true college lifestyle

Saint Mary's social scene pales in comparison to amicable Humboldt

by **Katie Kimball**
Opinion Columnist

A few weeks ago, I spent the weekend visiting a friend at Humboldt State University. After a long but beautiful drive, I arrived at the campus, which was surrounded by amazing forests. But my visit did more than open my eyes to incredible natural beauty – it also gave me a glimpse of what life is like at a big school.

I had no idea what to expect at Humboldt – I imagined a massive campus packed with people and an unfriendly, unfamiliar environment where nobody knew each other. Little did I know that, in two days, I would experience what it was like to be at an active campus – always busy with friendly people. My first day there, I noticed a few things that do not happen at SMC.

Whenever you pass someone on campus, they say “hi” to you. They give hugs to people they meet for the first time. The friendly atmosphere was unexpected, to say the least. When

my friends and I looked for something to do at night, all we had to do was walk into town and there were parties and places to eat at three in the morning. We walked into the houses of people we had never met, and they welcomed us in and introduced themselves. Back on campus, there were also events. Concerts, all-night charity fundraisers, and tie-dye parties were all happening that day. There was always something to do, no matter what we felt like doing.

I began to realize that this place was not like the kind of college I know. No one dressed up to go to class, and girls didn't wear high heels or cake their faces with make-up to compete with the other girls. This place had an amazing feeling of friendliness, and felt small and intimate despite its size. I began to wish that I, too, attended a big school. Of course, huge schools have their drawbacks, such as bigger classes and longer walks to get to them, but I still began to feel that, by attending SMC, I was missing



Photo of Humboldt University courtesy of www.visitormags.com

out on what college was really supposed to be. I had more fun and met more people in those two days than I had in over a month here. I have to wonder: If our school is so small, why are there so many people I don't know? Shouldn't people here be friendlier since we see each other so much?

It is the responsibility of the

student body to make SMC the school they really want it to be. At SMC, I feel like I am still in high school, and I feel like I can't take full advantage of my college experience. My visit made me reevaluate what I want from my four short years in college, and made me think that, perhaps, SMC was not the best choice for me.

“Something about Saint Mary's”



By **William Porter**

The plain stupidity of our peers

This is a public service announcement for Saint Mary's College. There is something going around that needs to be stopped. Not a cough or runny nose. This is far worse: Stupidity.

This plague of stupidity has hit harder than a ‘D’ in seminar, and has lasted longer than that hangover last weekend from mixing too much hard liquor with beer. These examples will help you gauge how far this problem has spread.

- The library is the first example. Look around and ask yourself (inside, not out loud): What is in the library? A DJ, music, mixed drinks... no! The library is not the social capital of the world, although it seems that way most of the time. For everyone's information, there is a student union only a stone's throw away where you can meet that cute girl/guy to share a laugh with.

- If you need more evidence, look no further than one of the marked corners of De La Salle Drive and De La Salle Drive. With a small campus and two main roads, why put up so many road signs? They are as functional as that lawn gnome you've had your heart set on for weeks.

- Stupidity also takes the form of certain rules on campus. The thought that the campus is dry is like thinking O.J. didn't do it. Why fight it? The reality of the dry campus effect is an increase in “binge drinking,” due to the fact that students want to drink or be drunk at an event. In order to be so – and to stay that way – they must drink more and faster than if it were regulated by the school at the function.

- Nobody is safe. Public Safety has also caught a slight case of stupidity. If you have driven on campus recently, you may know what I am making reference to. Public Safety has purchased a radar gun. Apparently, telling the difference between the posted 15 miles per hour and the SUV going Mach 10 is such a difficult task that there needs to be money invested in a radar gun and a traffic cop to make the distinction.

Please report any further signs of stupidity to your most convenient telephone psychic – due to recent events, Miss Cleo is in jail; I apologize for this nuisance. If you begin to feel any symptoms of the stupidity, drink plenty of water, get lots of rest and, for crying out loud, listen to that little voice of reason inside your head. By the way, have you seen my baseball?

by **Liz Schnitz**
Opinion Columnist

To the dense populace at SMC who can't imagine socializing, dancing or, uh, making a move without holding jungle juice or a beer in one of those fancy red plastic Solo cups, sobriety on campus might feel just as

mythical as cheap biology textbooks.

Are there actually sober students on this campus?

Do they have fun? Or is it imagined fun because, like, they don't know any better? Sobriety, in the interests of presenting an accurate picture of social life at Saint Mary's, should be given a voice, so that all of us trying to hold in vengeful, cresting alcohol between Thille and Freitas can get a glimpse of a different typical weekend at Saint Mary's.

The population at Saint Mary's that chooses not to drink is as diverse as their friends who do imbibe alcohol. Are there some self-proclaimed nerds who would prefer to play “Dungeons and Dragons” instead of touring the townhouses? Indeed there are. And they are proud of it. There are also students who prefer to go out into the City, to eat or go clubbing. Alcohol and living it up can actually be mutually exclusive with these students, who don't have to fit into the stereotype of people who are afraid of fun. The D&D crew would also express dismay at the same accusation.

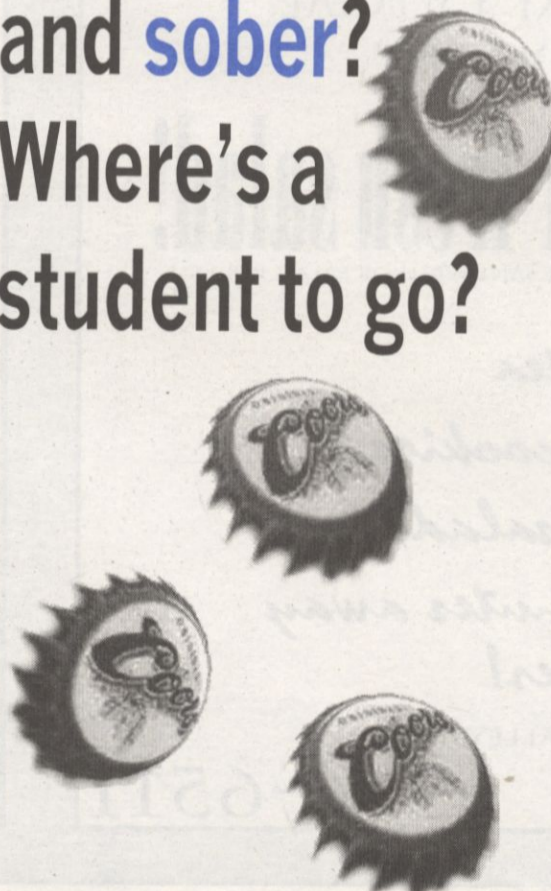
Individual interests and temperaments play a role in the chosen activity of these “sob-ies.” For some, sitting at a coffee house while occupied in intense conversation with a friend is as good as it gets. Others don't mind going the dinner-and-a-movie route, or even hitting the bowling alleys without breaking to get a pitcher of beer. Some go as far as Scandia – the Mecca of arcades – to find goofy entertainment. San Francisco, Berkeley and Oakland host an array of bands every night of the week for those inclined to search out new music, and the Bay Area never finds itself bereft of off-the-wall theatrical productions. Finally, going to Berkeley to freak-watch, shop and eat can be an evening in itself.

Sober students at Saint Mary's look for creative ways to have fun, and don't see the need for alcohol to be part of their ventures. The phrase “we should totally come here drunk,” or “if we were lit, this movie would be so trippy” aren't part of the sob-ie vernacular, although there is a small population on campus with scruples, religious or other, that propel them to eschew alcohol but not pass on herbal agents of entertainment.

Sob-ies don't refrain from alcohol in order to maintain a gravely serious nature, though their cupless hands at parties might indicate otherwise. For differing personal reasons, some students choose to have fun without alcohol, and as far as their evening is concerned, the sky is the limit!

Sobriety & Saint Mary's?

All dressed up and sober? Where's a student to go?



DETOUR *streets of the bay*

Design by Rosi Ruptic-Kramm

by Nick Manghum
Detour Editor

LOCUST STREET

Walnut Creek

4 Crogan's Bar & Grill

Crogan's prides itself on being the "in" place to meet, greet, and eat. A true college environment, Crogan's is very low-key, and not the typical upscale Walnut Creek bar. Crogan's setup is classic, a good place for a game of pool or to hang out on the deck on those nice nights. It is a great place to frequent after a long day of work or a stressful day of classes. The drinks are moderately priced, being some of the most affordable in the area. Crogan's Bar & Grill has much opportunity for fun.

1387 Locust St

1 The Dean Lesher Regional Center

The Dean Lesher Regional Center for the Arts (DLRCA) has been bringing culture to the East Bay for many years. The Bedford Gallery within the center exhibits various forms of contemporary and modern art. Bedford is currently showing "Looming Large: Contemporary Weavers of the Vanguard." In addition, the REPeritory Company calls DLRCA home, providing quality theater productions year-round. "Bullshot Crummond," a story of intrigue and romance, will be performed through November 23. For those of you who like to get in the holiday spirit, keep your eyes open for "A Christmas Carol," opening December 5.

1601 Civic Dr

5 Lark Creek

One of Walnut Creek's trendiest restaurants, this Bradley Ogden establishment serves up flavorful, classic American dishes. The restaurant offers everything from penne pasta with sundried tomatoes to grilled sterling salmon. Lark Creek's atmosphere leans towards upscale; a perfect environment for a "nice" night out on the town. The menu is moderately priced, starting at \$12 up to \$30. Lunch and dinner are served daily; the restaurant opens at 10:30 a.m. Sun.-Mon. Reservations recommended.

1360 Locust St

3 Pyramid Brewery

The Pyramid Brewery is a great place to kick back and hang out, offering many drink options. There are eight year-round beers and four seasonal, all with very distinctive tastes.

Customers can observe the brewing process in action (currently Snow Cap Ale). Also, Pyramid offers over 20 types of ales, wheat beers and lagers. Pyramid offers a great "pub" menu, where you can choose from many delicious items. Like any establishment, good atmosphere is vital. The Pyramid caters to a lively, upbeat, and young crowd, providing for excellent weekend entertainment. Pyramid Alehouse, Brewery & Restaurant opens at 11:30 am.

1410 Locust St

2 Kaiwa Sushi

"One of the best sushi restaurants in the East Bay," said my good friend from Japan. Kaiwa is a quaint, friendly restaurant which serves up some of the freshest sushi and sashimi in Walnut Creek. The service is excellent, and the prices are reasonable.

Try the New York Maki, a tasty combination of tempura shrimp, avocado and fish roe. For those over 21, definitely order a Sapporo, an authentic Japanese beer. During the week, there is not much of a wait, but on Fri. and Sat. nights, expect a packed house.

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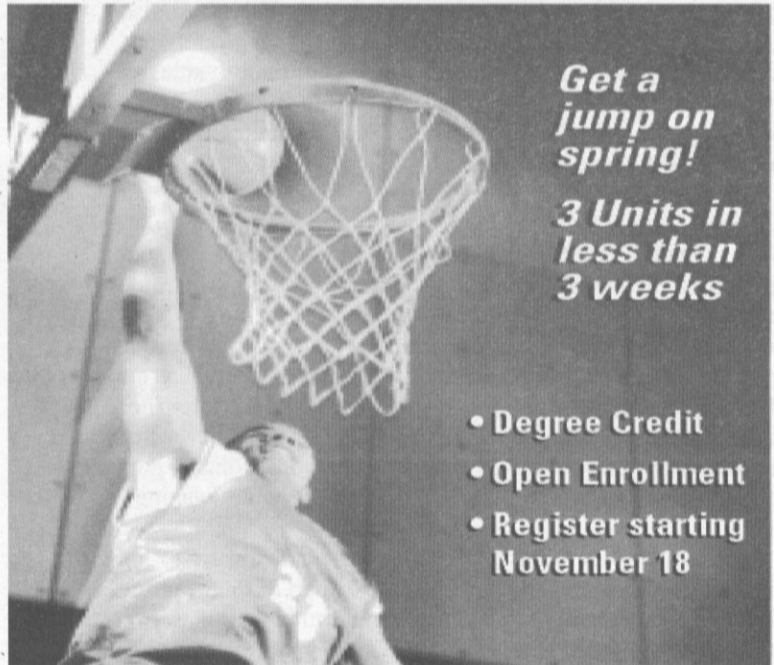
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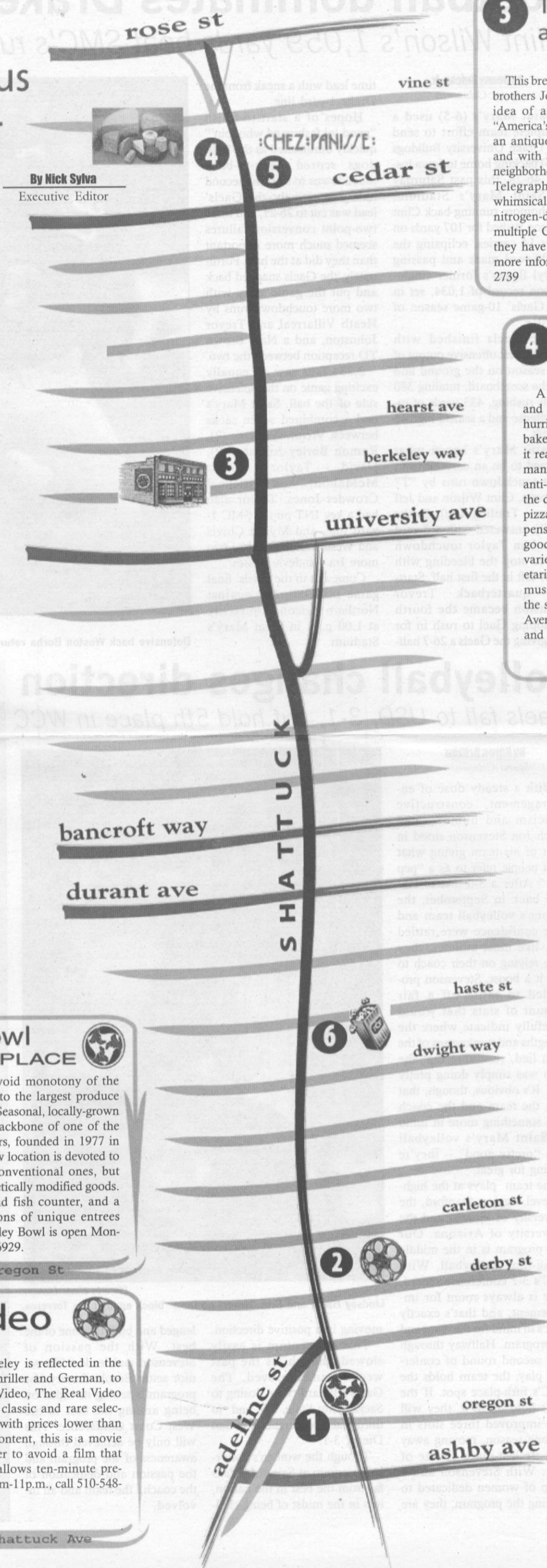
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SHATTUCK AVE

By Nick Sylva
Executive Editor




3 Triple Rock Brewery and Alehouse



This brewery, which opened its doors in 1985 when brothers John and Reid Martin introduced the new idea of a brewery/pub, now boasts the title of "America's Oldest Original Brewpub." Complete with an antique wooden bar, shuffleboard and jukebox, and with at least 10 of its own brews on tap, this neighborhood bar serves a different crowd than the Telegraph bars. With home-brew titles from the whimsical "American Ale" and "Bug Juice" to the nitrogen-dispensed "Stonehenge Stout," and with multiple California State Fair awards as testimony, they have beer for the most discerning tastes. Get more information at triplerock.com or call 510-843-2739

1920 Shattuck Ave

4 The Cheese Board



A morning scone/roll/brioche and caffeine fueling stop to both hurried commuters and tweedy intellectuals, this bakery-plus-cheese-shop unites the community it reaches out to. Besides providing free food to many local events- like peace sign baguettes at anti-war marches-customers line up throughout the day for a variety of warm breads and a daily pizza. The employee-owned collective also happens to have hundreds of cheeses and lots of good advice on what to do with over twenty varieties of blue cheese. Their afternoon vegetarian pizza is usually accompanied by local jazz music, enjoyed by many who find seating for the small shop on the grass median of Shattuck Avenue. Call 510-549-3183 for more information and daily baking schedule.

1512 Shattuck Ave

5 Chez Pannisse



From this restaurant's inception in 1971, head chef Alice Waters has created a national institution that, in 2001, was rated the best restaurant in America by *Gourmet* magazine. Waters combines a daily-changing, fixed-price menu with organic, locally-grown ingredients to lead the way in the California cuisine movement. Prices range from \$45 to \$65 a person for the four to six-course meals and, with only two seatings per night, reservations need to be made weeks in advance. There is also a café upstairs, which has a less expensive open menu and still uses only seasonal ingredients. Chez Pannisse also reaches out to the community through projects like Edible Schoolyard, which teaches inner-city children about gardening and cooking for health and the environment.

1517 Shattuck Ave


6 Fine Arts Cinema



This independent cinema house has re-opened after a major renovation, and features films unseen anywhere else in their preferred formats. In a new partnership with the Cinema Preservation Society, they present classic cinema, international films, independent premieres, and short films, but are best known for their silent film/live music programs. This week features the 1946 film from Japan by Kurosawa, *No Regrets For Our Youth*, and 1953's *Beat the Devil*, starring Humphrey Bogart. Tickets are \$8. Call 510-848-1143 or see fineartscinema.com for more info.

2451 Shattuck


1 Berkeley Bowl MARKETPLACE



Escape from the personality-devoid monotony of the corporate supermarket and dive into the largest produce department in Northern California. Seasonal, locally-grown fruits and vegetables provide the backbone of one of the Bay Area's best independent grocers, founded in 1977 in an old bowling alley. The store's new location is devoted to both organic/natural foods and conventional ones, but Berkeley Bowl refuses to sell any genetically modified goods. The store also features a meat and fish counter, and a gourmet kitchen whose productions of unique entrees depend on those local goods. Berkeley Bowl is open Mon-Sat 9-8 and Sun 10-6; call 510-843-6929.

2020 Oregon St


2 Reel Video




The diverse community of Berkeley is reflected in the wide of range categories (Erotic Thriller and German, to name a few unique ones) at Reel Video, The Real Video Store. With thousands of popular, classic and rare selections in both VHS and DVD, and with prices lower than those "other" stores that edit for content, this is a movie lover's treasure chest. Plus in order to avoid a film that doesn't live up to the hype, Reel allows ten-minute previews. Open seven days a week 10 a.m-11p.m., call 510-548-1118 for more information.

2655 Shattuck Ave


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SPORTS

Football dominates Drake, 46-28

Clint Wilson's 1,059 yards beat SMC's rushing record

by Denny Bulcao, Jr.
Sports Columnist

Saint Mary's (6-5) used a complete team effort to send the Drake University Bulldogs (5-6) packing home to Iowa losers, 46-28, this past Saturday at Saint Mary's Stadium. Sophomore running back Clint Wilson rushed for 107 yards on only 14 carries, eclipsing the 1,000-yard mark and passing Daryl Roger's former single-season record of 1,034, set in the Gaels' 10-game season of 1990.

The Gaels finished with their highest offensive output of the season on the ground and on the scoreboard, totaling 380 yards rushing, 433 yards of total offense and a season-high 46 points.

Saint Mary's began what seemed to be an easy blowout with touchdown runs by "T" Johnson, Clint Wilson and Jeff Brown. Trailing 19-0, Drake finally answered with a 3-yard Jonathan Taylor touchdown run to stop the bleeding with 10:39 left in the first half. Starting quarterback Trevor Johnston became the fourth Galloping Gael to rush in for six, giving the Gaels a 26-7 half-

time lead with a sneak from the Drake 1-yard line.

Hopes of a start-to-finish "good 'ol fashioned whoopin'" quickly diminished as the Bulldogs scored back-to-back touchdowns to start the second half. Surprisingly, the Gaels' lead was cut to 26-21, and three two-point conversion failures seemed much more important than they did at the half. Fortunately, the Gaels snapped back and put the game away with two more touchdown runs by Heath Villarreal and Trevor Johnston, and a Nate Brown TD reception between the two.

2,934 fans saw an equally exciting game on the defensive side of the ball. Saint Mary's had a combined seven sacks between Victor Williams (2), Ramon Burley-Johnson (2), David Taylor, Scott McMahon, and Michael Crowder-Jones. Taylor also had a key INT on the SMC 1-yard line, and Myron Chivis and Weston Borba nabbed two more Ira Vandever passes.

Come out to the Gaels' final game this Saturday against Northern Arizona University at 1:00 p.m. in Saint Mary's Stadium.

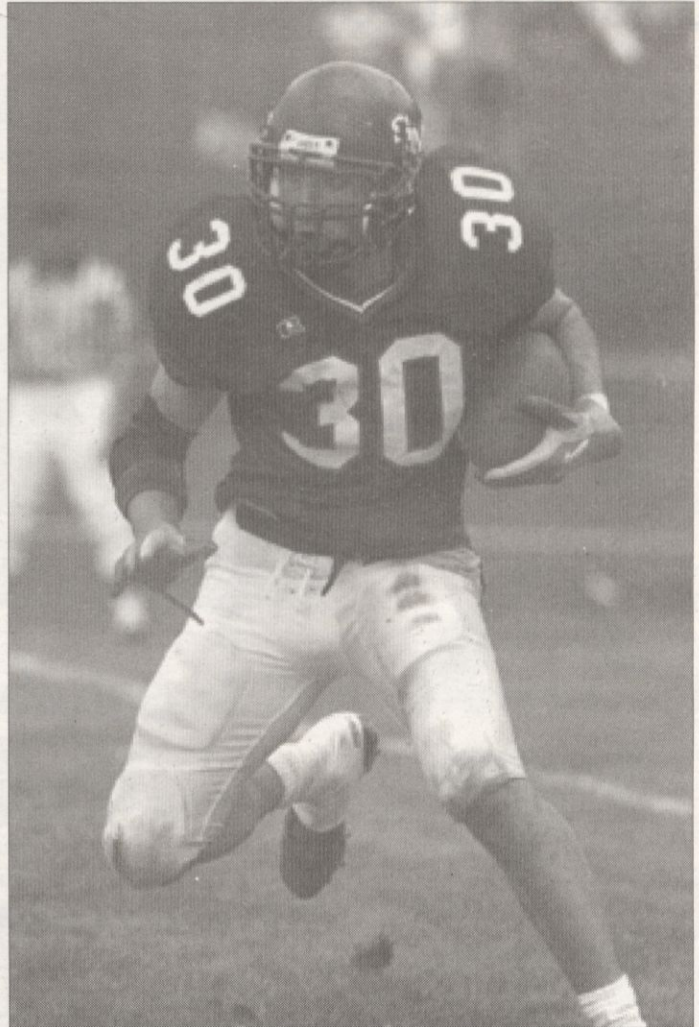


Photo by Katie Linnett

Defensive back Weston Borba returns an intercepted pass.

SCOREBOARD

FOOTBALL

NOVEMBER 9

Saint Mary's	46
Drake	28

WOMEN'S SOCCER

NOVEMBER 9

Saint Mary's	0
Loyola Marymount	0

MEN'S SOCCER

NOVEMBER 10

Saint Mary's	2
(20) Portland	3

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

NOVEMBER 5

Saint Mary's	0
Sacramento State	3

NOVEMBER 9

Saint Mary's	1
San Diego	3

GOLF

TURTLE BAY INTERCOLLEGIATE

NOVEMBER 4

Saint Mary's	15th (920)
Steven Brooks	32nd(224)
John Chirila	39th(225)
Joe Lanza	73rd(237)
Brett Jenson	78th(238)
Jeff Jensen	94th(254)

SOFTBALL

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NOVEMBER 2

Saint Mary's	1
Sonoma State	0

NOVEMBER 2

Saint Mary's	3
Dominican	0

NOVEMBER 2

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Volleyball changes direction

Gaels fall to USD, 3-1, but hold 5th place in WCC

by Karen Britten
Sports Columnist

With a steady dose of encouragement, constructive criticism and humor, head coach Jon Stevenson stood in front of his team giving what most people refer to as a "pep talk." After a 3-0 loss to Hawaii back in September, the women's volleyball team and their confidence were rattled and, like most athletes, they were relying on their coach to give it a boost. Stevenson proceeded to rattle off a fair amount of stats that would hopefully indicate where the strengths and weaknesses of the team lied, resolving that the team was simply doing pretty well. It's obvious, though, that both the team and the coach have something more in mind for Saint Mary's volleyball than "pretty good" -- they're striving for great.

The team plays at the highest level, against Stanford, the University of Hawaii and the University of Arizona. Our little program is in the middle of big-time volleyball. With SMC's 3-7 conference record, there is always room for improvement, and that's exactly what's in mind for the team and the program. Halfway through their second round of conference play, the team holds the WCC's fifth-place spot. If the Gaels hold on to it, they will have improved three slots in just one season, moving away from its last-place shame of 2001. With Stevenson and a group of women dedicated to building the program, they are

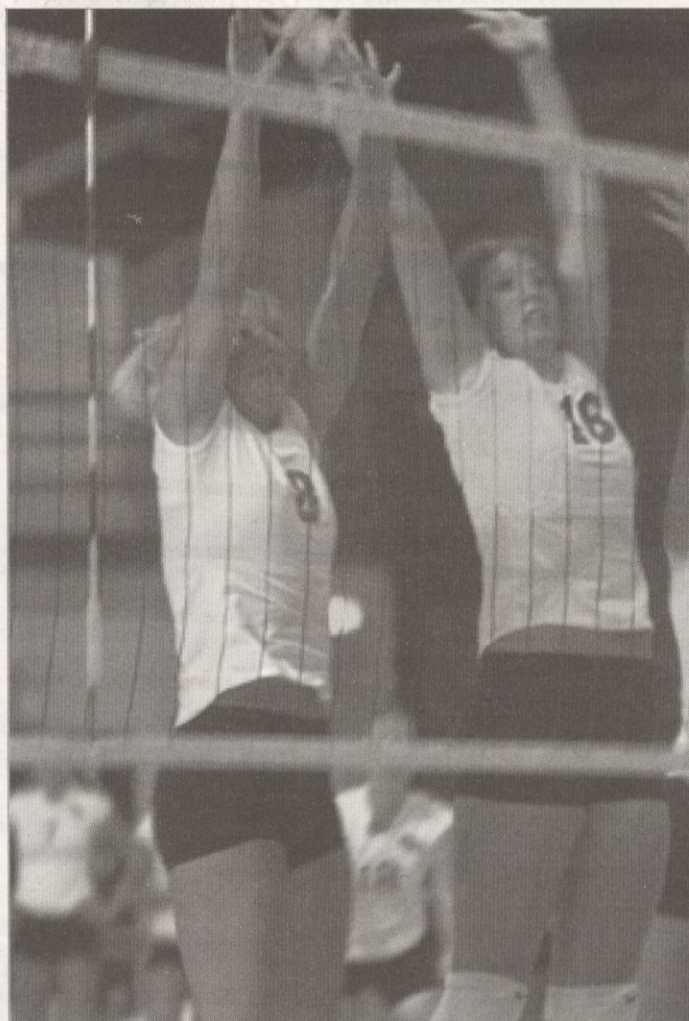


Photo by Katie Linnett

Lindsay Hardy and Erin Gravert go for a block against the Torreros.

moving in a positive direction. This momentum is easily slowed, though, as the past week's games proved. The Gaels fell hard twice, losing to Sacramento State, 3-0, and to third-place conference foe San Diego, 3-1.

Though the women's volleyball program at Saint Mary's is far from the best in the nation, it is in the midst of being chal-

lenged and built into one of the best. With the passion of Stevenson and leaders like senior setter Brooke Lowry, the program is setting its sights on being among the best in the West Coast Conference. This will only be achieved through awareness of the program and the passion and dedication of the coach, the team and all involved.

Intramural Update

by Andrea Camarena
Sports Editor

Moving into its third week of competition, the intramural department faces one large problem this soccer season: Lack of participants. The usual Monday-Wednesday league and Tuesday-Thursday leagues consist of a grand total of four teams. This leaves the same two teams battling each other twice a week, every week. The games have evolved into a mix-and-match scrimmage between the varying number of soccer hounds that come out to the field on their day of choice. Current participants accept anyone willing to play in the 4:30 games Monday through Thursday.

Anticipating a larger turnout, the intramural department sponsors the Annual Turkey Tournament the week before Thanksgiving. Sign-up sheets for the men's and women's basketball teams are now available at the intramural sports office in Madigan gym, and are due by November 15th. Games start on the 19th and finish with the championship match on the 26th.

The intramural football season ended with Hell-Bent winning the coveted championship T-shirt, beating the three-time consecutive winners The Untouchables. The award for most touchdowns in one season went to Mike Crogan for the men, with 27, and Marisa Watts for the women, with 18.