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## Student tuition: where it goes

by Jessica Gutierrez  
Staff Writer

Every Saint Mary's student has made a large financial commitment to the College, and yet, students are never able to fully comprehend the vague structure behind the costs and benefits of their tuition payments.

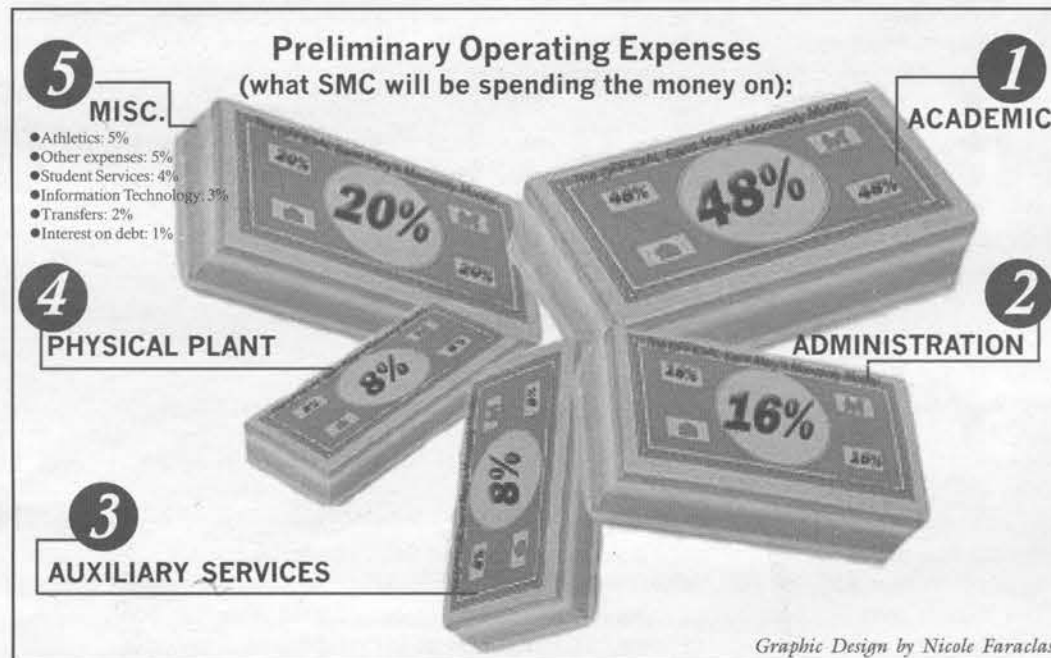
Do we get what we paid for? The SMC budgeting process may provide an answer.

The SMC budget committee is made up of 17 members, including the president of the college, Brother Craig Franz, FSC, Ph.D, and the head of each student service department.

"The committee is broadly representational and provides the necessary background and positional skills to make sure all budget assumptions are fair and accurate," said Michael Beseda, vice president of enrollment services, who also sits on the committee. The purpose of the committee is to make assumptions (prices) of the budget for the following year.

Since SMC's budget is set up in increments for a long-term plan for money managing, the committee gathers to ensure stability and to accommodate changes that have been made or need to be made.

These changes are the individual program analyses or



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identified new needs that may have arisen during the previous year. Changes are eventually made within the available resources. Each fall, the committee reviews what needs to be accomplished for the next fiscal year starting with the three-year budget assumption model that includes tuition, room, board, and other expense increases. This model is reviewed to make sure it is in accordance with the school's overall plans and the faculty salary.

After the reviews and assumptions about the budget have been made, they are

passed on to Brother Craig who can accept or make changes before submitting them to the Board of Trustees for final approval in January.

"The Board of Trustees is a group of people who are self-perpetuating, disinterested, and are responsible for making major policy decisions," said Beseda.

After the assumptions and reviews have gone through the process of review, they are finalized and put into effect.

SMC's blueprint to improve our facilities titled, "The Next Steps," led to a tuition increase of six percent.

In February of 2003, along with this new blueprint, came Peter Michell, Vice President for Finance. As chairman of the budget committee, Michell explains SMC's budget as "Very typical and normal."

"It is inaccurate for people to think that there is a 'revenue pot' where people can just pull money out whenever they want," said Beseda.

"Right now we rely heavily on revenue from student net tuition," said Michell. "We are working and have set the preliminary goal to allocate more of that revenue from endowment resources."

### PART ONE OF A TWO-PART SERIES

## A night out with Public Safety

Writer explores the tough streets of SMC through the eyes of campus COPS

by Chris Mateo  
Assistant News Editor

Ever wonder what Public Safety officers do on a Thursday night?

Granted, many students would rather be studying, watching television or watching the stars in an astronomy lab, than follow Public Safety around. But what about those of us who want to report that Public Safety is not just an "emergency-only" necessity on the Saint Mary's campus, but a full-time presence to make sure those students who would rather study, watch television or watch the constellations feel safe? We go out for two hours and feed our curiosity.

At seven o'clock, I arrived at the front gate of SMC to meet Sergeant Herman Hickman for a ride-along. After introduc-

tions and explanations, Hickman gave a brief description of the night's job. "The campus patrol is basically just the shift for Public Safety to observe the campus for anything out of the ordinary and help those in need of assistance."

Hickman, a retired UC Berkeley police officer, opened the truck, started the engine and began describing the night to come. "It doesn't take very long until the patrolmen get a call," said Hickman. "Tonight, for example, we've already received a call from the radio station. Apparently, the disc jockeys do not have the keys. So we're going to send someone to open up the door for them."

"Another duty is checking to see if the central campus buildings are locked up. One example of locking up the cam-

pus is right here." Sergeant Hickman then walked over to check out why the Becket and More gate was open. As he walked up to the driveway, he noticed that there was a car in front of Becket. After calling the main gate, Hickman found out that the car belonged to the resident director. "Since it's an RD, I'm sure they are just loading something and they'll properly close the gate behind them soon. I'll be back later to lock it up."

As we approached the entrance of the trail to the Cross, Hickman provided an example of finding something out of the ordinary. "See, if we were to see some cars parked in this area, you might figure that there are some students up at the Cross partying, or hiking to the SMC letters to paint them. But tonight, I know that

the astronomy class is having a viewing. So I'm less concerned, but still aware."

"Investigation is very important," continued Hickman. "If there is some type of vandalism, we investigate by asking how it happened, why it happened, and how to prevent it from happening in the future." Just as Hickman finished explaining the process of investigation, we drove past a car covered in toilet paper, a prime example of the topic at hand.

"A usual vehicle patrol session takes about twenty minutes. After driving, I park the patrol car somewhere on central campus and then check out the campus on foot."

Sergeant Hickman then parked the public safety Ford Ranger in front of the chapel and we began our tour of the see **RIDE ALONG**, pg3

## Seeing Red

Is SMC prepared if war hits home?

by William Porter  
Staff Writer

The Terrorism Alert System installed by the Bush administration is designed to give a "common vocabulary" and give suggestions on how to prepare you for a terrorist threat, according to homeland security chief, Tom Ridge.

The five-part system consists of different colors, green being the lowest level of alert and red being the highest.

The country is currently on orange alert, with a distinct possibility of moving up to Red Alert.

Red Alert calls for complete lockdown of government buildings, re-routing of public transportation, and emergency response by specially-trained personnel.

This also means a possible lockdown of Saint Mary's Campus.

The chief of Public Safety was unavailable for comment, but released a letter assuring the community that Public Safety officers are doing all they can to keep the campus safe.

Other campus officials are also taking steps to assure students' safety and well being if the need to remain on campus arises.

"We have around \$50,000 of food stored," said director of food services Matt Carroll. "I have asked for more food than usual just in case something might happen."

Carroll's main concern is not with the food, but with the water supply.

"If something happens to the water supply in the area the campus only has enough to support us for about a week," said Carol.

With a biological weapon release in the United States, the terrorism alert will immediately go up to red.

"I don't think it is going to happen," said biology and environmental science professor Gerard M. Capriulo. "But at the same time, nothing is stopping it."

The biological weapons that might be used against the United States include weaponized anthrax and smallpox.

"It is one thing to release a disease," said Capriulo. "It is a far cry from releasing a bug without an antidote."

## IN THE NEWS

### Christian, Female, and Fearless

The Collegiate Seminar program will be showing the film *Antigone Defends Her Brothers*, an English, modern take on the Greek tragedy Antigone. Juliet Stevenson plays the title character, and the film will be shown April 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the Soda Center.

### Internship Opportunity

Interested in a possible career with a well-known company? Join SMC alumni Rachel Neustadter and colleague, James Cheung, to learn about a career opportunity you won't want to miss. Please bring a current resume to the Soda Center on Wednesday, April 2 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

### Learning from a pro

Barbara Ellen Logan returns to campus to continue her exploration of the Roman Empire with "Female Gladiators for God: The Lives of Women Saints and Martyrs," sponsored by the Collegiate Seminar Program. On April 1 and 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the Soda Center, Dr. Logan will focus on the mindset of Early Christian martyrs.

### Sexual Assault Awareness Month

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month. The Women's Resource Center will be hosting a Health Fair in the library quad on Wednesday, April 2 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. On Thursday, April 3 at 7:30 p.m. Sut Jhally, Ph.D. presents "Sluts and Virgins: the media's catch-22 for girls and women." For more information contact Sharon at x4171 or Laura at x4193.

### Spring Fever

Program Board will have three events celebrating spring. On Wednesday, April 2, Coffee Night will be held in Dryden Hall at 9:00 p.m. On Thursday, April 3, a hypnotist will perform in the Soda Activity Center at 9:00 p.m. And on Friday, April 4, a DJ Battle/Dance will take place at 10:00 p.m., location TBA. For more information, contact Program Board at x4146

### Study Abroad

The deadline to apply for the study abroad program is Wednesday, April 2. The programs include Rome, Holland, and Madrid for SMC and other non-SMC programs. The informational study abroad meeting will be in Hagerty Lounge on April 25 from 4:15 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information, call the Center for International Programs at x4352

## CAMPUS SNAPSHOT



Chris Swain/ COLLEGIAN

### Ultimate Frisbee

SMC students take advantage of the excellent spring weather by playing some competitive frisbee.

## New LaSalle U's impact on SMC

Proposed Placer County University could affect enrollment at Saint Mary's

by Josh Farley  
Editor-in-chief

It's official: The first private, four-year university in Placer County will be built by the Christian Brothers in five to seven years, offering a liberal arts education very much like our own here at SMC.

But given that 68% of all Saint Mary's freshman came from Northern California this past year, the impact that De La Salle University will have on enrollment totals at Saint Mary's may be substantial.

"Certainly, down the road, [De La Salle] could be competition," said Michael Beseda, vice president for enrollment and college communications. "But there are going to be private universities in Placer county—and I'd rather have a Lasallian university that we

can work with."

ASSMC President David Holquin sees the school as another option for students in Northern California, but he is uncertain whether De La Salle University could pose a threat to enrollment at SMC.

"Those of us from the Sacramento area would probably be more inclined to stay closer to home," Holquin said. "That could have a direct impact on [Saint Mary's]."

At a March 14 news conference at Sacramento's Christian Brothers High School, President Craig Franz, FSC, announced that the San Francisco district of the Christian Brothers would be leading the effort to establish the new university. The opportunity was a long-time vision of Angelo Tsakopoulos, a Sacramento

philanthropist and real-estate tycoon.

"The need for higher education in the [Sacramento] region is so great," Franz said at the news conference.

"This will certainly be a challenge, but it will be a joy to undertake."

District Provincial Brother David Brennan, FSC, has established a preliminary committee, composed of Lasallian school presidents, former presidents, and Lasallian specialist Carole Swain, to begin the planning of the school.

Brother Ron Gallagher, former president of Bethlehem University and a member of the preliminary committee, believes that it is more important to offer a helping hand to higher education than to worry about dwindling enrollment.

"There's such a crying need for higher education in California right now, said Gallagher. "[This opportunity] will allow us to use our expertise to help [De La Salle University] set something up similar to the ambiance at Saint Mary's."

Mary Volmer '01, a current graduate student and alumna of the college, sees the new university as highly beneficial for the area, and says that students would be less dependent on education farther from home.

"There is no private university nearby [in Sacramento]," Volmer said. "It would be an option for a lot of students."

The new university is still very much on the drawing board, pending zoning adjustments that will change the proposed building site from rural to residential and commercial.

## CRIME BEAT

3/23 3:44 a.m.

**Incident:** Handbook violation

**Synopsis:** Removal of male guest after hours at Aquinas; referred to the student code of conduct

3/23 1:30 p.m.

**Incident:** Possession

**Synopsis:** Possession of marijuana and paraphernalia at Mitty Hall; Student referred to student code of conduct

3/23 1:54 p.m.

**Incident:** Vandalism

**Synopsis:** Vehicle antenna bent backward at Sabatte parking lot; case suspended

3/24 11:50 p.m.

**Incident:** Vandalism

**Synopsis:** Broken window at Mitty Hall; referred to the student code of conduct

3/24 3:00 p.m.

**Incident:** Booted Vehicle

**Synopsis:** Vehicle booted at De La Salle parking lot; case closed

3/25 4:15

**Incident:** Booted Vehicle

**Synopsis:** Vehicle booted at De La Salle parking lot; case closed

3/26 7:35 p.m.

**Incident:** Vandalism

**Synopsis:** Vehicle window broken at Ageno A; case suspended

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## THAI CUISINE

"THE BEST THAI FOOD IN LAMORINDA"

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF  
JOSH FARLEY

# Administration backpeddling living wages

Two-year phasing-in of wages "disappointing," says advocate Tappeiner

by Jonathan Morales  
Staff Writer

Saint Mary's is one step closer to providing a living wage for all of its employees, but may have hit a roadblock in the past week.

Peter Tappeiner '03, founder of the Living Wage Campaign, says he's satisfied with the administration's progress, but that enacting the living wage over two years is unacceptable.

"It's good that the administration is willing and committed to implementing a living wage for its workers," said Tappeiner. "But I think that it's disappointing to see that they're wanting to postpone the implementation of the living wage and phase it in over a two-year period."

Last Wednesday, members of the Living Wage Work Group met with Peter Michell, vice president for finance. Michell was presented

with recommendations, petitions and letters in support of a living wage, and said he "committed to forwarding the recommendations to the President's Cabinet for discussion and consideration and to forward the petitions and letters to Brother Craig."

"I am impressed by the amount of research that was performed by the Living Wage Group," said Michell.

Michell also said that he began discussion with Sodex'ho which resulted in "a preliminary plan that should be able to meet the living wage index over the next two years." Details of the plan were not available.

Tappeiner said that a meeting would be held tomorrow - which will hopefully coincide with the President's Cabinet meeting, where the living wage issue will be discussed.

"That has not been what the workgroup wanted and has not

been what the Living Wage group has wanted," said Lindsay Lamb '03, another member of the Living Wage Campaign. "Basically, our college has the money now, and people need to feed their families now...and people need to pay the rent now." She also cited the fact that over 700 students signed a petition in support of the living wage campaign, and said that there would be no financial impact of a living wage on students.

The SMC living wage proposal modeled that of the City of Richmond. Under that model, workers will be paid no less than \$12.92 per hour without health benefits or \$11.42 with benefits.

The Living Wage Work Group proposed that the policy be implemented beginning in July of this year.

The policy will cost Sodex'ho \$25,000 in the first year, while it will cost Able

Services \$133,000. The policy, however, encourages that the cost of funding be spread widely and not fall into just one area such as meal plan rates.

"The gist of it is that a lot of students think it's going to come from tuition," said Lamb. "It's not."

Lamb said that the money needed to provide a living wage for all workers would not come from any single source; but would instead be the result of rebudgeting.

"I think it's good that the administration wants to do something, but it's imperative that they do something right now," said Lamb. "We want it now."

Tappeiner said that the next step for the living wage campaign is to "do all that we can to encourage the administration to follow the recommendation of the workgroup and implement the living wage at the beginning of the 2003 fiscal year."

“Basically, our college has the money now, and people need to feed their families now... and pay [their] rent now.”

Lindsay Lamb  
Member of the  
Living Wage Campaign  
Class of 2003

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campus.

Hickman discussed the primary mission of Public Safety as we continued on to the chapel. "[Public Safety] is here to provide safety and make people feel safe. By allowing the people of SMC to feel safe, we promote the educational mission of the college. If someone needs to study late at night and they want to go to the library, but do not feel safe walking, then that is interfering with the educational mission."

Earlier, I mentioned that this Thursday session was to observe the weekday aspect of a public safety patrol. Officer Hickman suggested that if I were to follow up with a weekend piece, that "this peaceful time (8:00 p.m.) would still exist around ten o'clock later on tonight. However, on a Friday or Saturday night, I'd suggest you arrive later and begin observing at ten, when people begin gathering, and would not end until about two o'clock in the morning."

Before the second half of the night, Hickman radioed another officer to meet us in front of the chapel. At 8:30 p.m., officer Mark Splain introduced himself and began the rest of my ride-along. The second part was the "interactive" portion of the night thanks to officer Splain's campus involvement. While I was expecting another

ride around campus, Splain explored the people and nightlife.

Officer Splain, a two-year veteran of Public Safety, parked in front of the trail to the Cross. The astronomy class received two more visitors. After five minutes of watching the stars and speaking with some students, we headed back down to patrol the Ageno buildings. "I feel it's important to interact with the members of the SMC campus. That way, we are more than just law enforcement. By interacting with students, we feel part of the community. As members of this small community, students feel safer. And by feeling safer, we uphold our mission and enjoy it even more," said Splain.

The night ended with a call asking to check out a report of "nitrous oxide around the construction area near the post office." Upon checking out the area, we found no trace of stink bombs and no foul scent except for the aroma of Oliver Hall's waste disposal. Indeed, the average night for public safety is never an event-free one. From building inspections to student interactions to responding to those in need, Public Safety still keeps that open eye on the SMC campus, even if it's not a wild Friday night (but that's another story).

## THE WAY WE WERE... (20 of 24)

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**GAEL MADNESS!**  
Thrilling NCAA Game Ends in SMC Defeat

Duncan Demons beat St. Mary's 68-46 in the Big Dance

By Ehren Koepf  
Sports Editor

The fourteenth seeded Gaels needed a perfect game against the third seeded Demon Deacons. Perhaps even a miracle.

"For us to beat a team of that caliber," said head coach Ernie Kent, "We'd have to play almost a perfect 40 minutes." It didn't happen.

In a battle between the big and the small, the big won out. St. Mary's (23-8) ran with the big guys for nearly three-quarters of the game before Wake Forest (24-7) went on a runpage and shredded the Gaels' hopes, 68-46, in the first round of the NCAA tournament at the McKale Center in

**New B Constr Delaye**

Proposed Alp building will ground until

By Heidi Staff

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### Tournament Time

On March 14, 1997, the Gaels faced Tim Duncan and the Wake Forest Demon Deacons in the first round of the NCAA tournament.

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# OPINION

## Gael POLL

Questions regarding the war coverage

85

Percentage of students who have been following the news coverage since day one.

95

Percentage of students who follow the coverage on television.

31

Percentage of students who know someone fighting in the War with Iraq.

61

Percentage of students who disapprove of the way the media is covering the war.

20

Percentage of students who have participated in a war protest.

*This week, the Collegian asked 80 students about their opinions on media coverage of the war, and compiled the results above. All surveys are anonymous.*



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Submit your letters to the editor by mail, e-mail, or in person. All letters must be signed, and should be as concise as possible. The *Collegian* reserves the right to edit any submitted material, solicited or unsolicited.

### A call for debate

Dear Editor,

I'm much better at finding the contradictions in my opponents' viewpoints than in my own. When serious issues arise, as for example the current conflict in Iraq, we are likely to regard our enemies as not only wrong, but positively evil. Of course, there are evil people in the world, but Jesus reminds us to take care that our vision of them not be blinded by our own "righteousness." He even commands us to "love our enemies," something I've never been able to do, except in the most abstract sense.

Thus, a proposal. I would like to see a debate about the morality of the war. (The fact that Christopher Hitchens, a card-carrying left-winger, is for the war, and Patrick Buchanan, a right winger if there ever was one, is against the war, is important for all of us who feel strongly that there is only ONE point of view. The same goes for the fact that the Vatican and U.S. bishops are deeply troubled by the morality of the war, but the head of the U.S. Archdiocese for Military Services, Archbishop Edwin O'Brien, tells us that our soldiers can go to war with a good conscience, because they can "presume the integrity" of the American authorities.) I would like to see true debate, with at least two sides, and not a sloganeering contest. But I would like a faculty member or student who is passionately in favor of this war to argue the negative side. And I would like a faculty member or student who is passionately against the war to argue the affirmative side. The point of this exercise would not be to increase cynicism or skepticism; it would be for both sides to admit that the folks "over there" might have a few points. From this, possibly, intelligent, respectful

conversation might occur. Any takers?

Paul Giurlanda  
Chair of Religious Studies  
**What I hate about philosophy/ club sports**

Dear Editor,

After careful review of your last edition these are items to which I must express dismay.

To any and all Philosophy majors: this is a request to never write another letter to the editor again. Your nonsensical jargon and general ramblings have become tiresome. I am aware that you think such babble makes you sound profound. Let me assure you, it doesn't. I am a college student, and I can read and comprehend what you write. And aside from a bunch of gibberish, you don't really say anything of merit or worth.

The list of top ten male athletes at Saint Mary's College is just plain wrong. How do you justify putting athletes who are on such club teams as Crew and Lacrosse on this list, when we actively recruit and have people play NCAA Varsity sports? I am sure those students are very good at their respective "sport," "game," whatever, but as far as a top ten athlete goes, they don't make the cut.

Brendan P. Hughes '03

### Gaeto's fundraising questionable

Dear Editor,

Recently, the freshman class has been receiving email updates from class president Jeff Gaeto. A key issue he focused on in his second letter was fundraising. Jeff stated that he has placed a "strong emphasis on fundraising this year," and that "a successful dinner raffle and other events have earned us more money than the sophomore and junior classes combined."

First off, I would like to con-

gratulate Jeff Gaeto for his efforts to keep in contact with his fellow students. In addition to that, I do believe fundraising is an important issue. However, I have one key complaint, and that would be that the email sent out does not inform freshman of the current nature of our budget, and is a bit misleading.

Just for some clarification, I contacted Jim Scuito to find out what the freshman class budget currently looks like. At the beginning of each year, all classes are given \$500 dollars by the ASSMC budget. As of March 1, 2003 the freshman, class has deposited \$0 dollars into the account, and our current balance is \$480. Therefore, we have currently spent \$20 dollars of the money given to us, and deposited \$0 back into the account. We have had one fundraiser almost a month ago, which was the dinner raffle. This money has not yet been deposited and it is not a significantly large amount.

It seems as though with sophomore class elections nearing, it is important to inform the class of what has been done, rather than bombard them with the hopes of what is to be accomplished. Please keep in mind, there is not even a full three months of school left.

Katie Gallagher '06

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## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

### "Phasing in" of living wage plan inappropriate

The living wage campaign has fought valiantly to bring about pay changes to campus workers who cannot currently afford to live in the Bay Area by California standards. And the administration has responded positively and willingly to accept the changes, as Saint Mary's edges one step closer in helping to provide, at the very least, a higher standard of living for all Saint Mary's College employees.

But now it appears that the administration is looking into a "phase-in" plan that will not bring Able and Sodex'ho worker's wages up to the Richmond Living Wage model of \$11.42 an hour, for another two years. And on top of that, the Richmond model is already becoming dated, and by July 2004, inflation will have no doubt taken a further toll.

A meeting is scheduled on the chapel lawn tomorrow, for SMC community members to voice their concerns. Be there to tell your administration that a living wage is needed now.

The deadline for a living wage for every worker on campus is July 1, 2003. Let's stick the goal.

# War: The New Reality TV?

Contemplation over live news broadcasts of the war in Iraq sparks interest



Whether you are pro- or anti-war, we all agree on one thing – war is messy. Nobody likes war. It kills people and destroys lives. Never before has this been more vivid than with the current war in Iraq. Although our generation has seen footage from previous wars on television before, we have never had the amount of coverage we see today. On a number of networks we are able to watch “embedded reporters” with troops, on the front lines, in full camouflage gear, giving us the play-by-play of each battle over live satellite feeds.

We see bombings. We witness the “shock and awe” air campaign blowing up Baghdad like some insane video game. We watch tanks rumble through sandstorms, soldiers caked with dirt, trying to stay awake. We look through the

lenses of green night vision cameras. War is suddenly in our living rooms, and it captivates our nation.

We look for the faces of friends and family among the masses of Marines. These pictures can be disturbing, but not particularly difficult to watch – after all, we are winning, right?

But then the Iraqis take five soldiers as prisoners of war. Broadcast over Iraqi television are images of them being interrogated, and we see still shots from the tape of U.S. Marines lying motionless in pools of blood. We see a downed Apache helicopter surrounded by Iraqi peasants waving guns and celebrating. Suddenly it hits a generation that has not lived through a world war and has not been drafted that this is what war really is – and it makes us scared, nervous, and horrified.

The questions become: how much is too much? How much of war are we really ready to see? What kind of morbid curiosity keeps us glued to CNN? What about the mother who finds out her son is a POW when she sees his face on a clip from Al Jazeera? What about



A U.S. Soldier rests on his way to camp in Iraq.

photo courtesy of www.msnbc.com

the wife who recognizes her husband as one of the dead marines? Aren't our brave soldiers out there fighting to protect us from having to experience war? If we can watch the whole war unfold here in Moraga, how isolated are we? Are the American people ready to see what war really means?

Showing what our troops are doing overseas has its benefits. We get to see them pass out candy to Iraqi children, distribute humanitarian aid, and tear down portraits of Saddam Hussein. But perhaps the greatest thing that will

come from this new level of coverage will be the way it affects us. Maybe for once, Americans will experience war the way most other countries do – by seeing firsthand what it really is, in all its horror and glory. Perhaps this will educate us in making decisions about whether we want to support or protest a war.

In the meantime, turn off the TV. Go outside and lie in the sun. Thank God that you are in peaceful Moraga, and that your country has people willing to endure war for the sake of what they believe in.

## The Sensitive Gael



By Christian Muller

Love, love, love, love, crazy love

I love you...NO...I love youuu...NOOO...I love youuu! Love: what an interesting topic. Many people find love at our age. When is the right time to say “I love you?” How do you know if you have really found it? How would you define love?

Guys, you're always going to find a girl with bigger breasts; you're always going to find a woman who is prettier, and it won't be hard to locate someone that you fight with less.

Ladies, there will be many guys who have bigger muscles. There will be men who appear much cooler and more suave than your guy, and you'll always be surrounded by gentlemen that have bluer eyes, better smiles and funnier jokes.

How do you know when you have truly reached the promised land? If everything else is there – the time, the respect, the attraction, the enjoyment, the care – then you only need one thing to know that you are in love: something you see in this person that you see in no one else. Whether it is the most minute mannerism, or a sparkle in someone's eye when sharing an intimate moment, or even the way they snort when they laugh, it's that one irreplaceable thing that you can't do without which puts the love meter over the top.

So how many times will someone fall in love in a lifetime? I would say twice. Why not? Love is simply an interpretation of feelings. None of us actually know what love is. We have an idea of it in our heads. We apply that idea to our own lives, and decide when our interpretation of love is happening or not. Why not save those special words for two people or maybe even one?

I say you can write off your first love for whatever reason if it doesn't work out. But as for every person you feel that you love from there on out, just tell them you “really like” them. And then save those three special words for whoever you decide to marry. How 'bout it? Don't waste those words on everybody you date – save them for that one person.

Also, why is sex sometimes called “making love?” Ideally, if you are in the act of sexual intercourse, shouldn't you already love this person opposed to “making” the love? So why don't we call it “confirming love?” Through the act of sex you should be “confirming” how much you love that person, ideally.

# How Me the Money!

How will funds from a new rise in tuition help those receiving financial aid?

by Lara Endreszl

Layout Designer

In theory, financial aid is a great idea. It's like one of those inventions on late-night infomercials that appear perfect, but once you get them out of the box and into your home, they fall apart and there's no warranty. Financial aid was established to give those of us intelligent individuals who do not have enough money to attend a prestigious \$30,000-per-year college like Saint Mary's a chance at a great education.

As wonderful as that sounds, unfortunately it doesn't work so smoothly. For a college administration, one of the primary goals is to lure students to the campus. What kind of students do they want? Smart, fun, caring people to attend their classes, lead their committees and be role models to the younger, more impressionable students. Basically, their first priority is to recruit the smartest students so that when they graduate with a Saint Mary's degree, the school's reputation improves, along with the value of their education.

To ensure that those geniuses don't choose Stanford or Santa Clara over us, what do we do? Offer money as a reward for attending classes. Sound like a bribe? Maybe it is, but it works, so long as they take the money and continue leading their intellectual lives at our school. Seems like all our problems are over, right? Wrong! What about all the students who worked their asses off in high school but bombed the SAT's and weren't valedictorians of their classes? What about the students who dream about attending Saint Mary's but can't because their family can't afford to send them here? I think it is a travesty that most money goes to the smartest students, regardless of their financial standing. As a rule, I think we should take another look at our Financial Aid Department. If thirty thousand a year isn't enough to give every student some financial aid based on their dependence, why don't we just up the tuition again?

Just so I don't step on any toes, I'm going to let everyone know where I stand. My family is not by any means wealthy and I am not a stand-out scholar. I do well in school but am usually not acknowledged as unique, but I try hard, and deserve to be at a good university. But, because of my normality, average income and intellect, and living in middle-class Northern California where breaks don't come cheap, I have to suffer because the government and this establishment both agree that I am so well off financially that I can pay for all but one thousand or so of my schooling. Besides myself, I know personally or have talked to many people who either wanted to attend Saint Mary's but were unable to, or currently are enrolled but are not coming back because of this reason: not enough financial aid.

Instead of giving financial aid completely based on academics, sucking a huge portion of money down the drain to people that may not need any or as much as they were given, we need a new plan. Devise a way to sort out who needs financial aid most, and then pick who among those are most academically inclined to be challenged and satisfied within our campus atmosphere. If we split the portions between need and academics but put the emphasis more on financial need, I think our school will be using its money more wisely than is outwardly shown to us now. The goal of having the majority of students be smart, fun and caring in order to create the most ideal college campus environment will be met more fully.

As far as scholarships are concerned, go ahead and give them out, but be careful who you're giving them to and how much, because you may be overlooking opportunities to recruit or keep students that fit the profile to make Saint Mary's as enjoyable an experience as possible!

## SPORTS

# Tennis looking for inspiration

## Women 7-9, Men 6-13 pre-WCC championships

by **Denny Bulcao, Jr.**  
Staff Writer

Some days things just don't go your way - days when you seemingly can't catch, or make, a break for yourself. Welcome to the world of the Saint Mary's College Tennis program.

With much-improved rosters, competitive schedules and senior leadership, both ladies and gentlemen players looked to bring winning results to the Timothy Korth Tennis Complex. While both teams have fought to the (often bitter) end in all of their matches, the marks left in the won/lost column have been a tough pill to swallow. How's this for frustrating: The men have lost five (best-of-seven-point) matches by the score of 4-3. The women have dropped four matches 4-3.

Give the men three of those matches lost by a single break of serve or tiebreak loss and they would stand at 9-10 overall. Give the women two of their four 4-3 losses and they'd have a chance of finishing as Saint Mary's lone winning team for the 2002-2003 school year at 9-7 overall!

Statistics don't lie. The Gaels have straight out choked in the clutch all season. The men's results have been nearly all or nothing, winning all of their matches 6-1 or 7-0, never winning by a margin of 5-2 or 4-3.

SMC #1 singles player Thomas Burgemeister has led the Gaels with an 11-8 record. Frenchmen Romain Lachens (6-2 at #2 singles), Martin Marechal (5-2 at #3 singles, 6-1 at #4 singles) and Andre Sion (9-2 at #4 singles) have led the top part of Saint Mary's starting six. Combined, the Gaels are 74-75 in singles play. Much of the blame can be laid on doubles play, where the male Gaels have compiled a team mark of 28-41. As two of three doubles matches count for that ever-important tie-breaking point, you do the math.

Last Sunday, the men's team had an opportunity to play against Great Britain's best college players. Only Thomas Burgemeister was able to pull through his match at #1, winning 6-3 in the third and deciding set.

The women have pulled out one match 4-3, beating Cal State Fullerton at Cal Poly on March 22. Still, their hard luck in four other 4-3 nail biters has the lady Gaels shaking their heads and continually regrouping for another battle. Unlike the men, the women have posted a winning doubles mark, 23-21 through March 28. #1 singles players Jasna Brnjakovic (4-1), Valerie Verrier (2-1, hampered by injuries), and true freshman Kate Harden (4-4) have carried the Gaels in a combined sub-.500 team singles effort of 47-49.

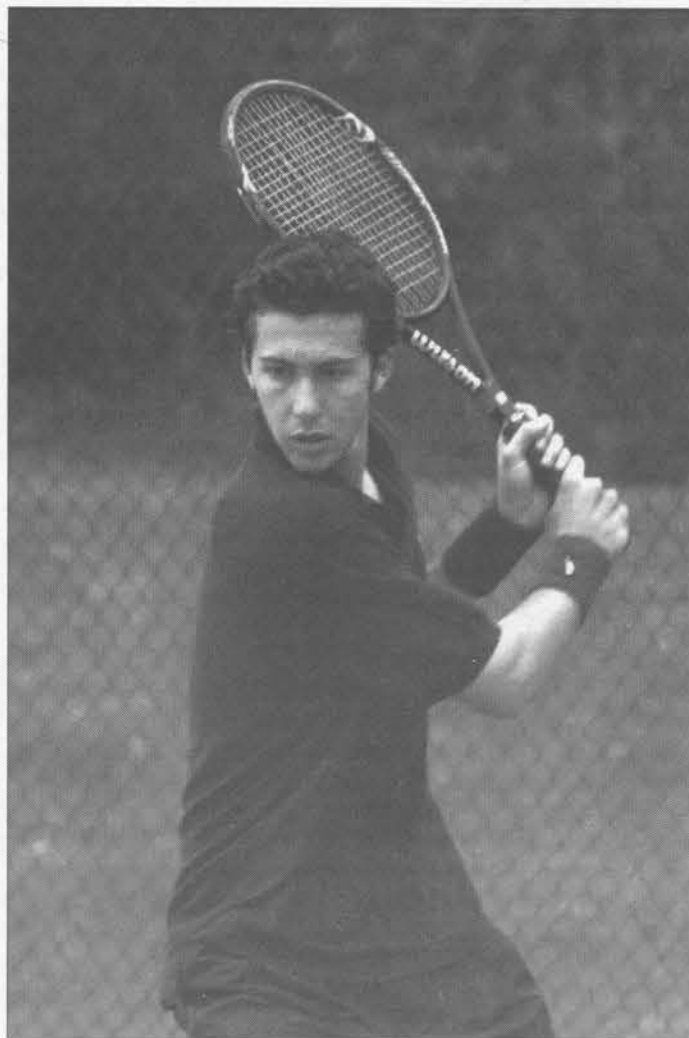


Photo by Katie Linnett

Martin Marachal hits a blistering backhand slice.

In their final home match of the season, the men face cross-bay rival Santa Clara this Wednesday at 3:00p.m. After playing San Francisco at Olympic Club on Saturday, April 5, the Gaels will travel to San Diego for the WCC Championships April 11-13.

The SMC women finish up at home against Portland State on April 5 at 11AM and against San Jose State on Tuesday, April 8 at 3PM before their WCC Championships at Pepperdine April 11-13. Get out to the courts and support your Gaels!

## SCOREBOARD

## BASEBALL

MARCH 23		
Saint Mary's	3	
Pepperdine	6	
MARCH 28		
Saint Mary's	9	
Gonzaga	3	
MARCH 29		
Saint Mary's	6	
Gonzaga	5	
MARCH 30		
Saint Mary's	6	
Gonzaga	13	

## Women's LACROSSE

MARCH 24		
Saint Mary's	18	
Japanese International	5	
MARCH 29		
Saint Mary's	8	
St. Joseph's	7	

## SOFTBALL

MARCH 22		
Saint Mary's	11	
Menlo College	3	
MARCH 22		
Saint Mary's	7	
Hayward State	1	
MARCH 22		
Saint Mary's	7	
Lewis and Clark	1	

## Men's TENNIS

MARCH 23		
Saint Mary's	7	
Nevada	0	
MARCH 24		
Saint Mary's	1	
Airforce	6	
MARCH 29		
Saint Mary's	2	
Pacific	5	
MARCH 30		
Saint Mary's	1	
Bath University	6	

## Women's TENNIS

MARCH 23		
Saint Mary's	0	
Cal Poly	6	
MARCH 28		
Saint Mary's	2	
Sacramento State	5	

## Men's LACROSSE

MARCH 29		
Saint Mary's	10	
Reno	4	

## Reaching for another WIRA championship

### Crew puts hopes on varsity pair and lightweight four



Photo by Katie Linnett

Men's crew struggles through double days and early morning practices to prep for WIRA.

by **Andrea Camarena**  
Sports Editor

SMC men's crew looks to make it to the 2003 IRA Regatta. The Gaels are pinning their hopes on two boats, 16 oars and eight men. The men's varsity pair boat and the lightweight four are looking prosperous so far this year and have large goals after last year's successful season.

Last year's men's varsity pair boat took the 2002 WIRA championship regatta. This year, team captain and three-year veteran Dan Tichenor '04, and Ryan Niebuhr '05, are manning the boat that looks to

take the win once again on May 3-4. Last year's team received an invitation to compete in the IRA races on the East Coast, but was unable to attend due to the club team's lack of funds. The team anticipates another invitation and is prepared to make the trip to the IRA competition in late May.

The team's second varsity boat, the lightweight four, consists of three experienced rowers and a newcomer. Billy Porter '03 leads the boat in experience in his fourth year rowing. Both Calib Sandford '05 and Ryan Wolf started off their crew careers last year as freshmen. Rounding out the team is

the only freshman on either of the varsity boats, Tom Greenough. The boat added Greenough (with zero experience) to the equation in late fall after their fourth rower left the team for undisclosed reasons.

"I could keep up with them," the freshman said, "and I'm a lightweight." The rowers for the four-man boat must maintain a maximum weight of 160 pounds. Since joining the lightweight category, Greenough shed 12 pounds with the heavy 6-day workout the sport demands.

The San Luis Obispo native recognizes his boat's main goal as attaining a medal in at the

WIRA. The team's lack of practice time and participation in regattas this year is one of the main factors hindering the team's completion of this goal. With only two races under its belt, the team has not seen many of the opponents it will encounter in early May.

But the result of those two regattas left the team wanting more. The lightweight four took second in both the Long Beach Invitational and the Head of the American, facing five and three teams, respectively in each race.

The Gaels' next competition is scheduled for April 5-6 in San Diego.

# Introducing the newest Gaels

Saturday, SMC competes for first time in a women's rugby match

by C.J. Daft  
Staff Writer

After hours of bruising each other in practice while learning the game over the past school year, and with a new and committed coach, the Saint Mary's women's rugby team will play its first game on April 5 against Santa Clara. The newest Gaels play at 10:00 a.m., just before the men's first-round playoff match against Central Washington.

Beside this initial game for the rugby women, the team hopes to play Cal-State Monterey, as well as USF, which, like Saint Mary's, began its program this academic year. The team may also scrimmage Cal, a team that goes to the women's rugby Final Four almost every year.

This has been a great inaugural year for the program. As of now, the Gaels have thirty members on their team and all are looking forward to next year, as only one member is graduating in the spring. The players are also extremely dedicated to making the sport happen at Saint Mary's.

"Right now, our team mainly consists of freshmen and sophomores," said Jen Kerr '05. "So, by the time, we are seniors, we will have a couple of years of experience. We will also heavily recruit freshmen." Additionally, the team has some fundraising ideas in the works.

Only one team member has previous experience playing



Photo by Choua Yang

Women's rugby has been preparing for this game since last spring, when they first began practicing.

organized rugby, but the team has come a long way since its first meeting last school year. As of now, head coach Daniel Kamenetzky, who used to be an assistant coach for the Women's Cal rugby team, had not assigned positions, as he has given the opportunity for each player to learn every position on the field. The players

seem to agree with this tactic. "That, way, you have more respect for the other positions," commented Kerr.

Finally, the team has a coach who is available for practice twice a week. Before the Gaels signed Kamenetzky, Marty Storti acted as the interim head coach, but with his full-time position as SMC's Assistant

Athletic Director for Recreational Sports, he had limited time, and various conflicts hindered productivity due to lack of practice time.

The team encourages anyone with the slightest interest in trying the sport to come out to practice on Tuesday or Friday afternoon from 3-5pm at Garaventa Field.

## MLB preview: High hopes for the A's

by Cliff Spinola  
Staff Writer

One thing has become depressingly clear as the Oakland Athletics prepare to run back onto the diamond for another season of "Baseball: A's Style" — they won't be re-signing 2002 American League MVP Miguel Tejada after this season. Co-owner Steve Schott announced in mid-March that the A's organization simply cannot afford to give Tejada, a proven success at shortstop and in the batter's box, the long-term deal he's worth. It all seems strikingly familiar, seeing as how just two seasons ago, the A's lost former MVP Jason Giambi due to the same issues. Hey, money makes the world go round.

But hopes are high for A's fans, as several off-season moves have opened the door for another shot at the big dance. Whether or not this proves to be the team's last hope will be decided during the course of the season. In fact, it's a question that could very well be answered within the first few weeks of April. The A's have stumbled out of the gate for the last few years; however, they were able to make the playoffs three years in a row. This year, it is undoubtedly their goal to hit the field with a flurry.

The biggest question mark lingering over the clubhouse is the bullpen. The A's dealt away closer Billy Koch, as well as three relievers who combined for 119 appearances last year: Jeff Tam, Mike Magnante, and Mike Venafro. Although these losses are significant, several newbies have made statements thus far in Spring Training, including Jeremy Fikac and Michael Neu. The A's new closer, Keith Foulke, has also pitched remarkably well in the preseason. Offensively, new designated hitter/first baseman Erubiel Durazo could prove to be the biggest pickup of all.

Now, with the countdown to opening day virtually over, it's time to discuss predictions.

The American League is not going to sound very original. Yes, the Yanks will win the East again and the A's will bring home the AL West pennant. The Central division, however, will be a race worth watching. It will come down to three of the four teams: the Twins, the White Sox, and — surprise — the Royals. The White Sox will steal the pennant away in the last couple of weeks, and the Twins will enter the playoffs with the Wild Card.

In the National League: the D'Backs will take the West, the Braves will win the East, and the always improving Astros will crown themselves in the Central. The Wild Card will come down to the Giants and the Mets, with the "other" team from New York sneaking into the playoffs for the first time since 2000. The World Series will be between the A's and Astros, but I'm not going to ruin the ending and tell you who wins.



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# DETOUR

## 100 WORD REVIEWS

### MUSIC

Another "the" band strikes again! The Libertines' debut release *Up the Bracket* is a raunchy, energized ride through broad tundra of garage rock. Their sound is a little like The Strokes only grittier and harsher. It starts off with a blast with the slamming "Vertigo" and just keeps on going. The lead singer slurs and grunts his way through fast-paced and punchy numbers like "Horror Show" and "The Boy Looked at Johnny", while at the same time softly crooning the slower numbers "Radio America" and "Tell the King." *Up the Bracket* is a vibrant rush of pure rock 'n' roll.

-Jessica Simon

### MOVIE

Enjoy watching Sci-Fi movies? Then *The Core* is a movie you cannot miss out on. Though the movie had much foreshadowing, the story was good. *The Core* had many similarities to the movie *Armageddon*, for those who enjoyed that movie. The computer-generated graphics kept me at the edge of my seat. It's always nice to see a computer generated clip of the Golden Gate Bridge snapping apart. I enjoyed how the commentaries are slipped into the climax of the movie. I believe the only thing the movie lacks are some women and music, other than that, over-all I enjoyed it.

-Kenneth C. Fung

### THEATRE

*Suddenly Last Summer* is currently running at Berkeley Rep. Theatre. This little-produced Tennessee Williams work focuses on Catherine, a young woman whose been sent to a mental hospital after seeing the tragic death of her cousin, Sebastian (The details have to stay undisclosed due to their goriness). The show, while somewhat slow paced, featured incredible acting from Michelle Duffy who plays Catherine. The technical elements, such as lighting, seemed more focused on the virtuosity of the designers than to serve the needs of the play. Though not BRT's best production to date, *Suddenly Last Summer* sufficed as entertainment, if not art.

-Susanne Schweitzer

## #1 THE COLLEGIAN'S Best of Lamorinda

# That's Amore!

Cybelles's pizza takes the best out of Italy and brings it to Lamorinda

by Liz Schnitz  
Staff Writer

Who doesn't like watching pizza dough turn into a frisbee? Or consuming a fat, tasty, ready-made pizza slice for \$3?

If you are craving a great slice of pizza, Cybelles's is definitely the place for you. Although it's not the cheapest pizza around, each slice is worth every penny. Located on that landscaped, old-fashioned strip of stores on the corner of Mt. Diablo Boulevard and Moraga Road, Cybelles's specializes in hand-made pizzas by the slice. They offer many different types of toppings and combinations for those of us who wish to stray from the traditional cheese or pepperoni.

If a ready-made slice doesn't cut it for you, it's possible to upgrade to a "monster slice," which makes one

feel proud and manly for consuming a food item with the adjective "monster" in it. Their regular, old-fashioned pies offer traditional combos such as Hawaiian, but also more original Cybelles's creations such as the Greek Special. Prices for their pizzas are competitive with Lamorinda, Round Table, etc, but Cybelles's pies are tastier.

One fun thing about Cybelles's is that there is no forced ambiance. The pizza chef asked us if we, the customers, were offended by the cussing in an Eminem song, and kindly waited for our answer before turning the music up. Both the employees and customers help create the friendly atmosphere. Also, there is no tacky fire-place or ugly color scheme, which is a nice break from the likes of, say, Round Table.

Next time you're in the mood for pizza, give Cybelles's a shot! Because, as Dean Martin sings, "When the moon hits your eye, like a big pizza pie -- that's amore."



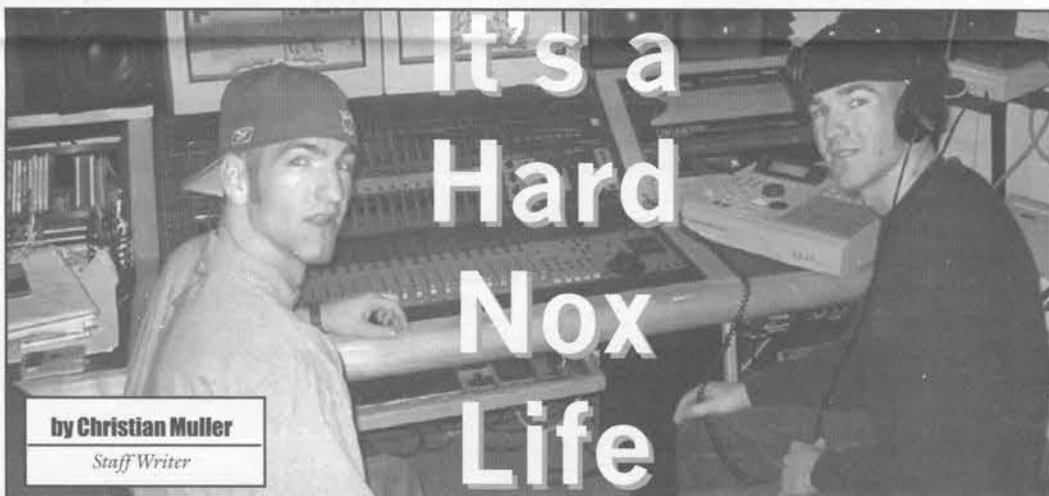
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by Christian Muller  
Staff Writer

For the Kehoe brothers, life is filled of endless nights of making musical magic in the studio as a part of Hardnox Productions.

Bleached hair tips, makeup, and having everything down to your smile molded for you...ahh, selling out. It has become as frequent as a catchy guitar lick in the music world. As much temptation and pressure as there is to cash in early, the Kehoe brothers refuse to do it. Few people know that the two Saint Mary's brothers, Dan and Jim, are bound for stardom. Many recognize the brothers from DJ-ing campus dances as they do. When it's football season, they are DJs for the San Francisco 49ers, selecting the music and sound bytes to entertain 60,000 people. More recently, they have performed at Club X, a favorite for many Gaels. And they have built their own state-of-the-art recording studio.

When they aren't doing any of this then they might be meeting with Warner Brothers - that's right - Warner Brothers! The big-name company had grabbed hold of their

demo tape, and wanted to meet and sign them. However, the brothers didn't feel that the company was looking out for



The cover of the Kehoe brothers' debut effort, "Just Us"

their long-term careers. Jim and Dan felt they were just going to be molded into whatever was popular at the time -- say, into an Eminem look-alike. But understanding the difficulty of the industry they are dealing with, they decided to turn down Warner Brothers and a paycheck potentially in

the hundreds of thousands.

Hardnox Productions (their stage name) has been around for about three years now, and their popularity has only gone up. They write, produce, arrange, record, mix and engineer all their music themselves. They have released one album that can be found in stores, labeled "Just Us." Something they, along with many others, are very excited about is the release of their new album, "Garage Sale," which should be released within a couple months. Their sound is something you've never heard before: It's not Eminem, it's not rap, it's not Beastie Boys, it's not rock, it's not System Of A Down. Maybe if you threw all that together, you might get Hardnox productions, but probably not.

Whether you prefer rap or rock, their music is original and very unique. I feel that anyone who comes into the music world with originality at this point deserves our hearing.

## Seriously Sex

by the Collegian Sexologist

### QUESTION:

"I have been on the pill for a year now, but I keep forgetting to take them, and I have had a lot of side effects (weight gain and being depressed). I want to go off the pill, but I don't want to use condoms or other forms of birth control that aren't as effective. What should I take?"

- Junior in Aquinas

**ANSWER:** There are a ton of new forms of birth control out there which don't require that you remember to give yourself a daily dose and are highly effective. Here is a list of a few:

#### Implants: Norplant

A clinician will insert six small implants into your shoulder area, which will release Progestin into your bloodstream. It is 99.95% effective and lasts for five years.

**Side Effects:** May cause acne, rash, weight gain, depression, or ovarian cysts. Scars tend to form around the area of insertion.

**Cost:** Around \$600, with an additional fee of \$150 for removal.

#### The Shot: Depo-Provera

A clinician will give you a shot of hormones, which will remain in your bloodstream for 12 weeks. It is 99.7% effective. The shot will cause your ovaries to temporarily stop releasing eggs, and so most women stop having their period after the first shot.

**Side Effects:** No monthly period, weight gain or loss, or change in sex drive.

**Cost:** Around \$50/shot

#### The Ring: Nuvaring

You can obtain these from a clinician. You insert the ring inside of the vagina for three weeks out of the month, and then remove it for the final week, when you will have your period. It is 95% effective.

**Side Effects:** Increased vaginal discharge and vaginal irritation or infection.

**Cost:** About \$30/month.

#### The Patch: Ortho-Evra

This TV-advertised birth control patch is a little over a square inch in size, and can be placed on the stomach, shoulder, or butt. Similar to the ring, you keep it on for three weeks before removing it. It is 95% effective, and can be obtained through a clinician.

**Side Effects:** Menstrual cramps. Not recommended for contact-lens wearers, and may not be as effective for women over 198lbs.

**Cost:** About \$30/month.

As for experiencing side effects from the pill, it could be the type of pill that you are on. There are two types of pills: progestin-only and combined-hormone. Women who experience side effects with one may not have the same problem with the other. For more information, make an appointment with your clinician or visit Planned Parenthood in Walnut Creek.