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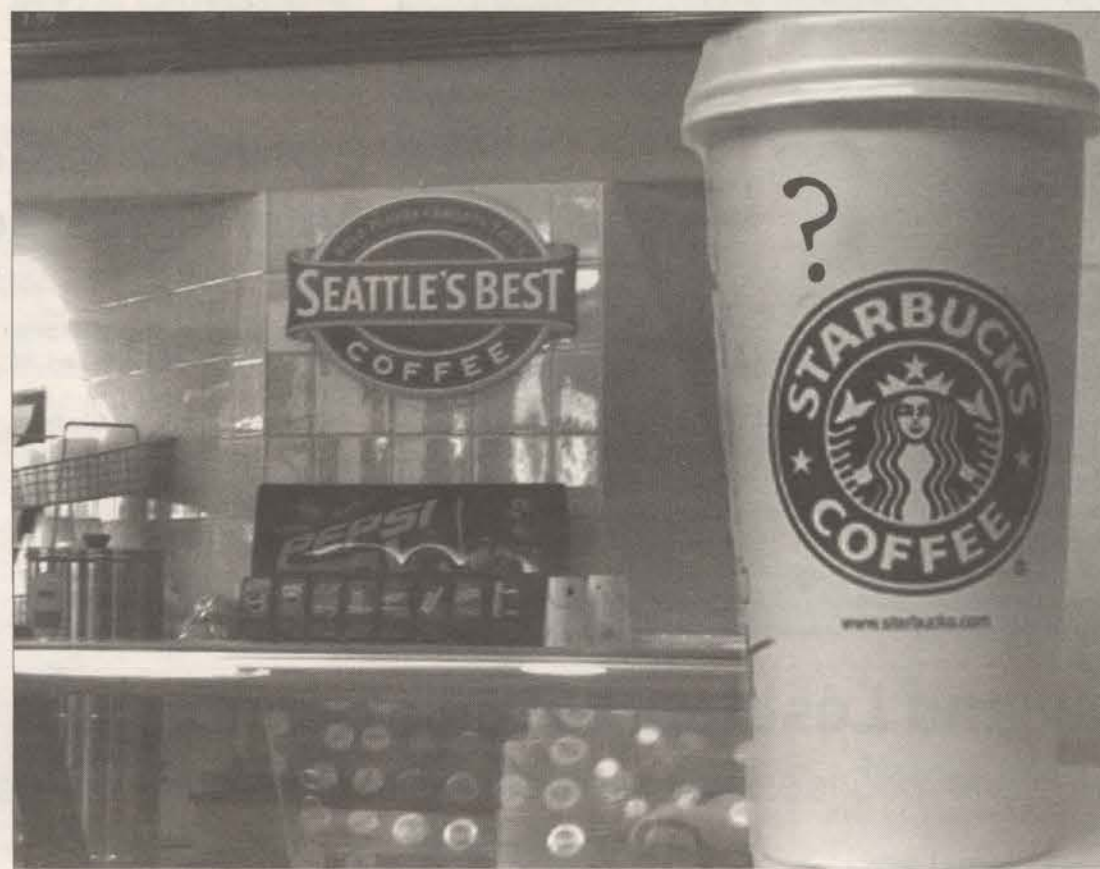
Seattle's Best takes Starbucks' place in cafe

by Pablo Armas
Staff Writer

A few changes occurred to Café Louis over the summer. Most notably is the change of the coffee provider from Starbucks to Seattle's Best. Among other reasons, Seattle's Best's categorization as Fair Trade coffee brought on the switch.

Fair Trade is a different approach to regular free trade, which is dependent on supply and demand. Rather than companies buying beans from farmers at whatever price that the stock market says beans are worth through middleman, Fair Trade allows the company to buy the beans directly from the owners at fair prices.

The benefits of this system are numerous. This allows the company to buy directly from the farmer with no middleman involved. For the farmer, it allows them to make enough money from the sale to support his/her farm and family, as well as help the farmers earn needed loans that are vital for their business.



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While Starbucks still loiters the campus, Cafe Louis gets a new form of coffee in the shape of Seattle's Best.

Additionally, this benefits the environment because the Fair Trade guidelines state that in order for the beans to be certified organic, they must be grown through natural means i.e. no pesticides. And the customer gets a warm cup of fresh organic coffee.

This change occurred, thanks to two people: Matt Carroll, Manger of Sodexo, and Mary Vue '04, former Bonner Leader,

who spearheaded the idea of getting Fair Trade coffee on campus. Vue has a keen interest in social justice and, having heard about Fair Trade, wanted to bring it to SMC.

Vue then talked to Carroll, who agreed with her and changed the supplier from Starbucks to Seattle's Best.

"It was amazing how easy it was to change it," said Vue. "I actually began to write a petition

to get Matt to change the supplier, but all I did was tell him about Fair Trade, asked him to change it, and that was it."

Prior to their meeting, Carroll was informed of Fair Trade and was actually looking for a Fair Trade certified company to provide coffee for Café Louis. When asked why he switched from Starbucks to Seattle's Best,

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What ever happened to Starbucks?

Jan Term '04: A time to "dream"

Students given courses that stress human equality

by Michelle Balida
Staff Writer

The January Term of 2004 is offering an array of possibilities for the curious Gael. With courses ranging from exploring the culture of Cuba to learning American Sign Language, Jan Term 2004 will cater to students in terms of what they want to learn and where they want to travel.

The theme of this year's Jan Term is based on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s famous speech, "I have a dream," which asserts the idea of human equality.

The primary focus of the theme is centered on how the ideas of social justice and civil rights from King's speech have changed since his death and September 11.

According to Jan Term Program Director Lisa Manter the theme was based off interest and suggestion.

"Usually the students are asked for suggestions, which are all looked at. Two popular ideas are picked and blended together to make the theme," said Manter.

Some classes are theme-related, such as 'A Just Future: Social Questions through Science Fiction' with Professor Charles

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Scholarships for Bonner Leaders brought back

AmeriCorps continues funding for student leaders

by Jonathan Morales
In-Depth Editor

The AmeriCorps Bonner Program at Saint Mary's College received new life when it was announced that first-year Bonner leaders will indeed receive previously unavailable scholarships.

Wayne Miesel, president of the New Jersey-based Bonner Foundation announced the news during a recent meeting with Bonner leaders from SMC, Cal and UC Davis.

"I had found out the previous week that there might be some AmeriCorps slots, and he announced it that afternoon," said

Gary Adler, assistant director for the Catholic Institute for Lasallian Social Action (CILSA).

Students participating in the national service organization normally receive a two-year scholarship for \$1,250 each year in return for 450 hours of service. However, this year the scholarships were cut due to the federal budget deficit; Congress last week decided not to provide AmeriCorps with \$100 million in extra funds. AmeriCorps programs are expected to shrink across the country due to the lack of funding, although Congress and President Bush are both pushing to expand the program.

"They had some education awards, and they didn't get funded for any new ones," said Adler. Although the Bonner

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System helps seniors move towards career workshops

Students use Development Center job market preparation

by Katie Alpizar
Staff Writer

If you have been around the career center lately, chances are you have seen stressed-out seniors signing up on clipboards for workshops and confused students wondering about the way that the center's point system works.

"I had no idea until I got the letter in the mail a week before school started that we had points," says Cheryl Thompson '04. She has also run into a few problems correlating her schedule of events as an accounting major with those of the career center. "The career center is on a



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Magazines on the way to the career center prepare seniors for employment.

different schedule and they don't have a lot of these workshops until the middle of October or the end," continued Thompson. Students, like Thompson, need some of these workshops to

prove beneficial for their job searches.

Many students think that this is a new system, but Patty Bishop, Relations Manager in the career see POINTS, p2

Events Listings

"Agamemnon" In America

The Collegiate Seminar Players, directed by Barry Horwitz, will perform an Americanized version of Aeschylus' play, "Agamemnon." Using the translation by David R. Slavitt (Univ/Penn. 1998) this multicultural production presents a contemporary wartime view of the ancient story.

The performance will be held from Wednesday, Oct. 1 through Friday, Oct. 3 at 7:30 p.m. in LeFevre Theatre.

Coffee Night

Come to Coffee Night in Dryden Hall on Wednesday, Oct. 1 from 9:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. If you plan to perform, please arrive at 8:45 p.m. Free pizza, coffee, and tea will be provided. For questions or to sign up to perform, call Program Board at x4146.

Football plays Montana

SMC takes on Montana State on Saturday, Oct. 4 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Saint Mary's Stadium for the second home game of the season. For information and tickets, contact the ticket office at x4392. Students get in free.

Jan Term

Registration for Jan Term classes will be from Monday, Oct. 6 through Thursday, Oct. 9. The last day to register for independent study projects is October 9.

RCIA

Have you been baptized? Received first communion? Been confirmed? If not and you want to, please join Campus Ministry for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. Questions? Contact Sister Ingrid at x4083.

Students of Mixed Racial Heritage

Take a break from studying and meet other students of mixed racial heritage in an informal gathering where refreshments will be served on Monday, Oct. 6 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Soda Center. Call Diana Gleason at x4364 to RSVP by Wednesday, Oct. 1.

Study Abroad

For students interested in studying abroad, there will be a general study abroad meeting in Hagerty Lounge from 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. on Sept. 30.

If you have any events you would like to see posted, please email the event with details to collegia@stmarys-ca.edu.

Crime Beat

9/20	12:30 a.m.	Incident: Vandalism Synopsis: Vandalism, failure to comply, and alcohol consumption in De La Salle Quad; referred to student conduct.
9/20	1:00 a.m.	Incident: Vandalism Synopsis: Broken window at the Office of Residence Life; referred to student conduct.
9/20	2:43 a.m.	Incident: Medical assistance Synopsis: Minor consuming alcohol, medical assistance requested; referred to student conduct.
9/20	8:55 a.m.	Incident: Fire alarm Synopsis: Fire alarm activated due to burned food at Ageno East; referred to Residence Life.
9/21	12:50 a.m.	Incident: Handbook violations
9/22	1:55 p.m.	Incident: Vehicle accident Synopsis: Vehicle accident with minor injury and property damage at Ageno East upper parking lot; referred to business office and maintenance.
9/23	10:00 a.m.	Incident: Vehicle accident Synopsis: Vehicle accident and property damage at Filippi parking lot; case suspended.
9/23	2:00 p.m.	Incident: Unauthorized use of college computer Synopsis: College computer used without permission at Galileo; case suspended.
9/25	8:00 a.m.	Incident: Vandalism Synopsis: Damage by car to the football field; case suspended.

Gay and Lesbian Association teaches tolerance

'Safe Zone' provides an environment where students can be themselves

by B. Adragna & J. Radin
Staff Writers

The Gay and Lesbian Association (GALA) currently has about 15 members with a variety of sexual orientations. The group holds events such as camping trips and game nights as well as club fund-raisers. They also provide support for those who are questioning their sexual orientation; they are more than willing to listen to those who need to talk. The officers are readily available as well. While the club name is the

Gay and Lesbian Association, everyone is welcome.

A large part of GALA is the "Safe Zone" program. "Safe Zone" is a support network for those who are questioning their sexuality or have a desire to come out. There are places on campus where you can be yourself and talk to people who are non-judgmental and willing to listen. Safe Zone stickers read, "Ignorance [and] bigotry...will not be tolerated."

There are also Safe Zone workshops for students and staff that include sensitivity training and

education. These workshops teach aspects such as the meaning of derogatory terms and which of these is offensive.

Safe Zones also involve teaching one how to combat heterosexism, the assumption that everyone in the world is heterosexual. An example is, "Do you have a partner?" as opposed to "Do you have a boyfriend/girlfriend?" The program also teaches people how to be willing and able to listen without being judgmental.

The GALA officers would like people to know a few things

about their organization. First, they would like to stress the fact that, "everyone's invited. GALA is not only for gays and lesbians." Second, they would like to inform the communities "just because you're gay or lesbian doesn't mean that you'll be gawking at people of the same gender all of the time. And just because your roommate comes out, doesn't mean that they're attracted to you."

GALA meets at least twice a month. The first Safe Zone workshop will be on Oct. 1, at a location to be announced.

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center states, "It is not a new system, it is a very old system we've had it for years and years, and it's quite unique to Saint Mary's as compared to other colleges."

Bishop explained the point system, "It's a reward system, and the more you put into attending career related events the more knowledgeable you become about the career search process, and where it pays off for you is in the spring time when you go to sign up for interviews."

Going to the senior orientation earns 50 points and the career and internship fair earns 150 points, to name a few. Those with the most points are first to be granted interviews in the spring.

Bishop acknowledges that the job market is unfavorable and is something that students do not have control over.

"What a student does have control over is how prepared they are going to make themselves," said Bishop. "If they have a really positive attitude and take a really proactive approach I guarantee that they will be in a much better position than the average college student that says I am not going to

deal with it...that is why students tend to get hired from St. Mary's frequently because of that attitude."

Belinda Davies '04 feels that she has benefited from some of the events that the career center offers. "I went to the first senior orientation meeting and the combined resume workshop and career fair," said Davies. Like most seniors, Davies is worried about finding a job after college and the competitive market that faces her.

"It is such a stressful time and we totally understand that and are empathetic over the fact they are entering into a dismal job market," said Bishop.

However, Bishop makes it clear that things can improve and students must take advantage of all they can from the career center while they still have these resources.

"You can't get an easier system than the fact we bring to campus real live job opportunities. It can't be simpler because you don't even have to leave the campus. What we try to communicate to the students is take advantage of it," said Bishop.

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Carroll replied, "Because it was the right thing to do. Sodexo is a socially responsible company that sells socially responsible products."

After the meeting, Carroll was able to find a company that provided Fair Trade, Seattle's Best, and asked them if they could accommodate the school's needs. They said they could, so Carroll gave the order. It is still too early to see if the change in coffee pro-

viders will affect sales at Café Louis. The remaining coffee was then sold to the employees of Sodexo at lower prices. However, Carroll has been receiving positive comments about the new coffee being sold.

Hopefully, SMC students will realize how close their daily habits are related to social justice in the world. "Students should know that they are doing more than buying coffee," said Vue. "They are also helping to promote social justice."

BONNER: Leaders get AmeriCorps scholarships

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Foundation asked for 1,500 new awards, they didn't get any of them.

However, unused awards from last year were found, and scholarships were given to new Bonner leaders at Saint Mary's. Although the new scholarships are for one year instead of two, there is potential for them to be renewed for next year.

Adler said that Miesel has extra ties to Saint Mary's; he had given Brother Craig Franz, Ph.D. an award from the Bonner Foundation for creating the first Bonner program on the west coast. Saint Mary's is the only school to receive the new funding.

"It was a surprise and a real nice gesture," said Adler.

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Provost model changes administration

Campus finds a smooth transition with Stamppp at new position

by Chris Mateo
News Editor

In the spring of 2003, Saint Mary's College began using a new position in the administration – the provost. Six months later, Sally Stamppp has brought transition to the campus since taking on the previous presidential authority of day-to-day operations.

The provost oversees the college's operations. The provost is also responsible for bringing together academic affairs, student affairs, campus ministry, athletics, and enrollment services. These aspects of the campus are covered by the vice provosts and directors working under Stamppp.

The idea of having a provost at Saint Mary's originated in the fall of last year. It was talked about by a number of faculty and administrators. "In January, I was invited to the Dean's Council meeting," said Brother Craig Franz, Ph.D., president of the college. "All of the deans and the faculty senate chair were there. The purpose of that meeting was for them to try to convince me that we needed to go to a provost model. They were very persuasive, I gave it some more thought, bounced it off some other people, and then I went with their suggestion."

"So, we spent the spring of 2003 working on the transition as far as the structure goes, and we'll spend the next several years working on the physical transition," said Franz.

Since the provost model required no approval from the Board of Trustees or Regents, Franz selected Stamppp, previously, the Vice President for Academic Affairs; this year, Stamppp is taking on both jobs.

"I was looking for someone that had the talents and capabilities necessary for this job," said Franz.

"I realized that she has tremendous confidence and competence. She has the confidence of the faculty and the competence to do the job," continued Franz.

"So far, I think Dr. Stamppp has done a fabulous job," continued Franz. "She seems to be enjoying it. It's a challenging position, but she's doing wonderful things."

She's bringing different areas of the campus together in ways that were previously not recognized."

Last year, there were concerns that Franz's on-campus presence would be tremendously lowered due to the addition of the provost. Franz smiled and responded by saying, "We're sitting at an SMC soccer game about four minutes after I just got back from some time away. My role has changed in that I have more of an internal and external physical presence; less time in meetings and more time outside talking to people."

"I'd like to express appreciation towards the campus community for supporting the provost model. I think the faculty senate is working with Dr. Stamppp to work out any details as it refers to the faculty handbook. This is really important to the faculty because that influences how they go through the rank and tenure process."

Provost Structure



JAN TERM: Courses follow King's example of social justice, civil rights

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Hamaker, 'Eyes on the Prize: Civil Rights and Social Change (1985-2004)' instructed by Professor Linda Saulsby, and 'Dreaming in L.A.: Culture and Community in the American Metropo' lectured by Deepak Sawhney.

If there are any doubts of what course to take, Jan Term Program Coordinator Denise Simard has a few suggestions.

"A great class that I think is being offered is Danyel Smith's class ('I Have a Dream – To Write: A Writer's Journey Toward a New American Prose')."

"She is an Oakland native, and was an editor for *Vibe* magazine. We're really lucky to have someone like her. Another great class is 'Intensive American Sign Language I,' which is pretty neat. Also, 'What is Buddhism?' is always big," said Simard.

If a class on campus just does not sound interesting enough, SMC has classes located all over the world from Italy to New Zealand.

Professor Myrna Santiago, who will be teaching 'Cuba: Culture, History, and Tradition,' has nothing but high expectations for her new travel course.

"Three years ago, I asked students if they wanted to go to Cuba and they were interested,"

said Santiago. "However, the U.S. government forbids citizens to go to Cuba unless they have special permits, this holds especially true with the Bush administration. I tried to put it together last year, but it flopped because only five people were interested. This year, the Bush administration put more restrictions on U.S. citizens going to Cuba."

"Over the summer I worked with the Dean to get a special permit from the government, which is good for two years," said Santiago. "This class is the test."

Santiago warns students that there will be no time for leisure. "Once we're there it will be really intense morning, noon, and night. We are going to be really busy the whole time," commented Santiago.

Rightfully so, since students will be focusing on certain issues such as the economic transition going on in Cuba, women in society, Cuban religion, and the tremendous awakening to environmental issues in Cuba.

Students will visit a tobacco farm and factory, and sugar crops – which are the main staples of the Cuban economy.

"The students are going to have an unbelievable experience. We're going to come back tired and happy," said Santiago.

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Gaels dominate.

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**Business = Employment
English = Unemployment**

Michelle Dalida

I am worthless. Apparently, when it comes to getting a job, I am not fit to lick the mud off business majors' flip-flops. I am a major with a lost cause, because I can't graduate and go out into the world and find an incredible, well-paying job as an English major. Yes, I've thought about going to graduate school, but the outlook looks grim. Graduate schools boast on how their students have "career experience" before they enter, which translates into "they couldn't get in on the first try so they had to get a job." Everything boils down to getting a job.

Lord knows I've paid my dues as a student. I strived to major in something that interests me, and that I have passion for. Over the past four years, many people have said deluded, optimistically perky things like, "You can be anything with any major," but these happy-peppy people forgot to look beyond the world of my-parents-still-pay-for-everything-I-do. You can't be anything with any major. If I woke up tomorrow and decided to become a neurosurgeon, I could not do that with an English major. I will agree that there are limitless possibilities for careers in the world, but most of them require experience before they are offered to you. So no one, in essence, is free from the dreaded first job. But at least some people have sights on a first job.

The Career Development Center offers a handy program in which seniors take time out of their overwhelming, stressful lives in order to attend a succession of workshops and events that prepare you in finding the job of your dreams. Attendance of these programs gives you "points." For me, these points are like the points on "Who's Line Is It Anyway," because they don't matter. If the Career Development Center can't provide me with a great job anyways, why should I participate? I've already been "counseled" by a graduate school advisor, who added to my piles of homework piles of information on the LSAT, the GRE and graduate school programs. Although some of this information proved helpful, and I received service with a smile and an encouragement, it did not decrease my stress and tension level. The more I realized that my major was taking me nowhere fast, the more I sunk down into an impenetrable abyss of unemployment woes. What am I supposed to do if graduate schools deem me unacceptable? What job am I supposed to get out of college?

My dedication to the English language has failed me. I am a failure in the world of jobs, a failure that will graduate from a liberal arts college. But I would like to extend a great thanks to the Career Center for pulling me into the dark depths of reality by showing me that I will never have employers chasing after me, or booths at the Career fair aimed towards my major, or any glimpse of hope that my major will be successful right out of college.

OPINION

Collegian View

THEIR SAINT MARY'S is the ninth best college in the U.S. offering comprehensive undergraduate and masters-level programs. "The College's reputation for excellence, innovation and responsiveness comes from its heritage as a Catholic, Lasallian Christian Brothers, Liberal Arts institution."

OUR SAINT MARY'S is the ninth best college in the U.S. offering comprehensive undergraduate and masters-level programs. We are still well behind the main three WCC schools we compare ourselves to: Santa Clara, Loyola Marymount, and Gonzaga.

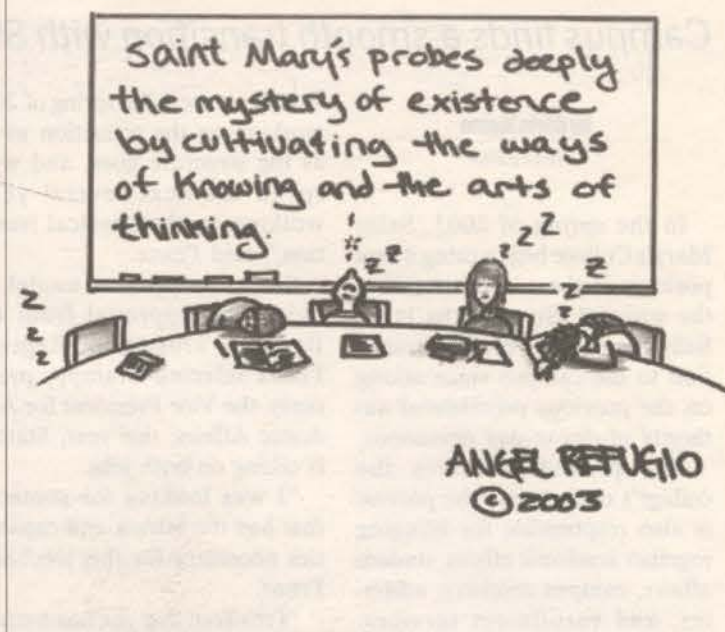
THEIR SAINT MARY'S is pleased to have passed a "living wage standard reflecting [the college's] Catholic and Lasallian character."

OUR SAINT MARY'S is not pleased to stop with only a living wage and wants to see justice spread through all life and work at SMC.

THEIR SAINT MARY'S writes with regret that Laura Armstrong who has "worked effortlessly to expand the services and programs of the Women's Resource Center" will be leaving the college for personal reasons.

OUR SAINT MARY'S writes with pride to have had the opportunity to know and work with a rare person who attempted to make change and reach out to truly better the lives of SMC students despite ridicule and pressure from on and off campus.

THEIR SAINT MARY'S embraces its Lasallian heritage



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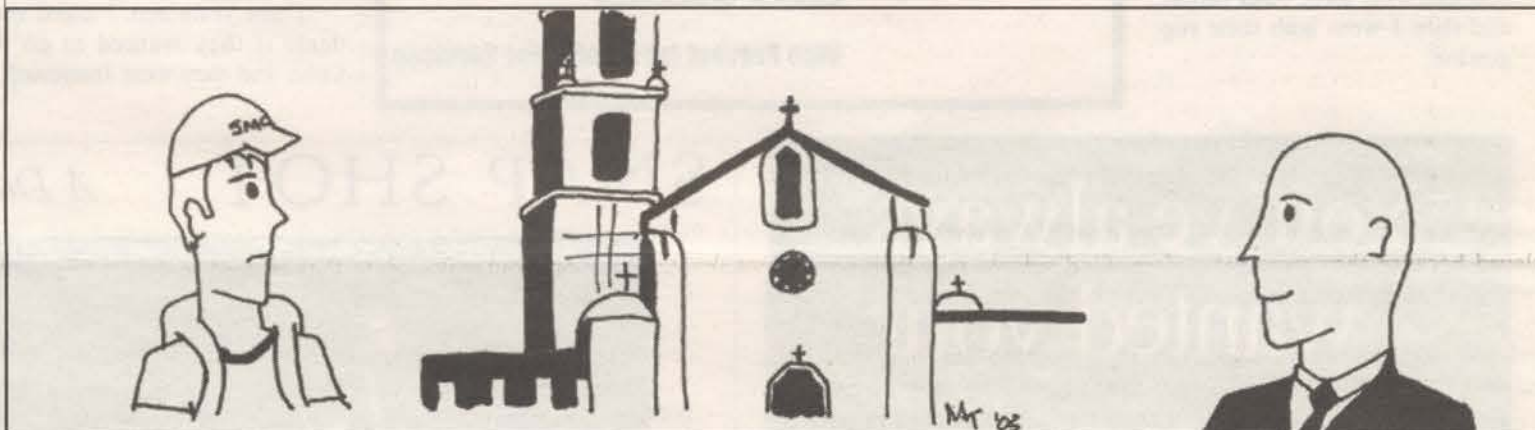
OUR SAINT MARY'S embraces its Lasallian heritage without remembering the ways of Saint John Baptist De La Salle and promotes multiple understandings of Lasallianism

THEIR SAINT MARY'S probes "deeply the mystery of existence by cultivating the ways of knowing and the arts of thinking."

OUR SAINT MARY'S shows a lack of trust for students' ability to think by limiting their choices with obscenely strict residence policies.

THEIR SAINT MARY'S has constant change for the betterment of student life.

OUR SAINT MARY'S is still the same.



Our Saint Mary's vs. Theirs.

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Community Views

Dear Editor,

John Johnson's "logical" argument against homosexual marriage is difficult to understand. Rather, it seems that the "refractory agenda" of which he speaks is an attempt to demean the homosexual population under the guise of an article about gay marriage. I see no logic in his argument. I would be more willing to see his point of view if he would define for me exactly what the "homosexual agenda" entails. Is it to recruit, like a cult? Is it to keep straight people from reproducing? Or is it to gain the right, marriage, that every other human being in the United States enjoys? For the 35% of gay males that

have been abused as children, how would Johnson explain the 65% who haven't been? What about the numerous straight males who have been abused? And to say that homosexuality is a "defect" is archaic; that argument was cut down by the American Psychiatric Association's decision in 1976 to no longer classify homosexuality as a disorder. I am a proponent of homosexual marriage, but I would have been more than open to consider and reflect upon a logical argument against it. Instead, all I see is a diatribe with logic blatantly absent.

Noel Cilker '05

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GAEL POLL

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SMC students were polled on their knowledge and opinion of Prop. 54. Fifty-seven percent of them had heard of Prop. 54.

Theresa Mejia '05



“Against, because it's important for schools and businesses to understand their community.”

26%

of those who had heard of Prop. 54 support it.

Pat McKeon '06



“Again because (Prop. 54) new idea doesn't have any problems.”

Would you vote for or against Prop. 54?

Proposition 54: Helpful or Harmful?

Jim Crow Jr.

Unfortunately, Race Does Matter

by John Johnson Staff Writer

by Ana Montanez Staff Writer

Is it wrong for police to use racial profiling? Is it wrong for employers to grant preferential treatment to anyone based on race? Yes, and it's illegal thanks to the Civil Rights Act of 1964. We condemn the "Jim Crow" laws of the past that virtually governed our South by way of racial categorization, so why do some Californians want to; quite literally, continue an institution of racial profiling?

When will the left stop their attack on individuality? We are not surprised to see different groups of people excelling at different things. And that's okay; no one says "Hey, we really need more Sri Lankans in the NBA." To do so would be laughable, yet colleges around the country have been thinking this way for years. The government needs to realize that it's perfectly alright if all of human kind isn't performing on the same exact level and excelling in the same exact things. We are human beings, not machines; further, we should not be judged by our race.

For years the United States has been plagued by the issue of race, and in this sometimes shameful history, racial categorization has been the cause of all of the problems. African Americans were enslaved because they were categorized as such; the Japanese were placed in internment camps merely because they were categorized as Japanese- during WWII, the government even posted flyers informing people on how to distinguish Japanese people from Chinese people. Why is this same



kind of racial categorization still alive and well in college admissions?

I'm sure anyone, of any race, would much rather be able to say they got into college not because of their skin color, but because of their merits. Advocates of racial profiling reduce the value of people to the boxes they check; they have no interest in the welfare of individuals, only their political agenda.

If our government truly wants to us to be colorblind, then they must take the first step. Racial categorization has no place in our schools, and that's why the only box I'm going to check this fall is "Yes" on Proposition 54.

Whether people like to admit it or not, race does matter.

Proposition 54 claims to be an amendment that is based on racial privacy, equality for all Americans, and the overall utopian idea of a colorblind society. However, our society is not colorblind and we shouldn't pretend it is. The reality of this proposition is that it is not about privacy, or about making society colorblind. It claims that our government supports racism by categorizing people based on race. Our federal government does not propound racism by allowing the public sector to collect data about communities of color. Public health, education and safety

institutions need information that is specific to communities of color in order to meet the needs of those communities.

Prop. 54 will be terribly detrimental in three significant ways. One, it would outlaw information that is considered essential for research in the health sector, and would do irreparable damage to public health education. Health experts and organizations such as the American Cancer Society, the California Medical Association, and even specific HMOs like Kaiser Permanente are against prop 54 for this reason. Research has led to many discoveries about certain communities. For example, African Americans are more prone to having sickle cell anemia. Different diseases have different effects on different races and many times this information can help public health researchers in understanding what communities need more prevention programming.

Ironically enough (since it claims to be a civil rights law) this law would also be detrimental to the fight against discrimination. Gathering data about hate crimes or racial profiling would be outlawed by Prop. 54.

Under Prop. 54, public education would not have essential research to develop special programs. This is not affirmative action. It would mean that the data that is used to create programs for students who, because of cultural differences, fall behind in school would be outlawed as well. Although it may hide behind a face of liberation and equality, Prop. 54 is dangerous for everyone, especially for communities of color.

Not so Deep Thoughts

The Art of Drooling

matthew van donsel



Wow, I'm really getting old. Here it is, my senior year at Saint Mary's College. Thankfully, even with Alzheimer's starting to set in I can still remember the good old days when I could abuse my snooze button for an hour and a half and still stumble out of bed with enough time to walk to Dante for my dreaded 8 a.m. class. Now I make my home in Walnut Creek, shunned by the housing system at our lovely school, I pay 7,000 dollars a month to live in a box on the side of the road with a public porta-potty that doubles as my bathroom, and a brilliant panoramic view of a brick wall. I think I pay for the view. Anyways, I still have that wretched 8 a.m. class and since I have to get up so early in order to fight the millions of cars driving to work, I often retire to the back of my truck in order to take a nap before lacrosse practice.

The other day, much to my surprise, I woke up drowning in a puddle of my own drool, it was very frightening to say the least.

My near death experience made me think. Why is there no research being done to stop people from drooling while they sleep? I mean we are on the brink of creating artificial intelligence, yet we can't stop this epidemic that affects billions of people? Those of you who drool, or have loved-ones who drool know what I mean. It is pretty disturbing to be asleep in your bed, rolling over to find your pillowcase soaked with the saliva that is running from your partner's open mouth.

Basically there are four types of droolers. The first two, the low and medium groups, are the categories that most people fall into, where drooling is not really problem just a nuisance. We will skip these types since most people have been associated with them at one time or another. The third type, the Odie-drooler, resembles the lovable dog from the Garfield comic strip. With his or her tongue hanging out and puddles of drool all over the place, this person usually turns your pillowcase white with their dried up saliva. The last category is very dangerous. It is when you get two Odie-droolers in one bed, together, creating the dueling-droolers where the two partners take part in competitive drooling, often flooding whole bedrooms.

I think that our society needs to put more effort into finding a cure for this epidemic, perhaps an anti-drooling pill of some sort. Or maybe we should just ask our loved ones to get their own pillow and pillowcase instead of soaking ours with their saliva.

Jan Term Booklet Blues

Course selection, communication, and disappointment

by Pablo Armas

Assistant Opinion Editor

I looked at the Jan Term booklet this year and saw courses in Rome, Havana, Saigon, and Athens. I thought, "Wow, I really want to go to one of these places. How can I sign up?"

Then I looked at the dates and realized, "Oh, I can't. The dates have already gone by."

I was annoyed this past week when I received the Jan Term booklet, only to find that some of the deadlines had already passed.

Communication needs to improve if students are to get the most out of Jan Term. If the

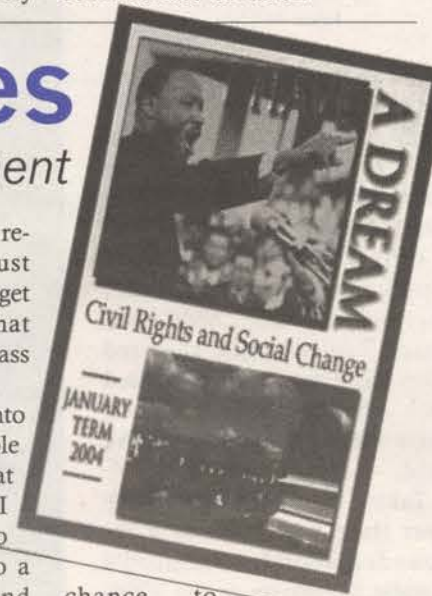
school knows that the booklet isn't going to reach the students, why bother putting the dates in the booklet in the first place?

Giving students the illusion that they could still travel to these places is just wrong. After all, there is no way that you (especially if you aren't a senior) are going to get into those classes to begin with.

Non-senior students have to look in awe and dream of traveling during Jan Term while the seniors get live out the adventure that the rest of us can only dream about. Yet travel courses are still being placed into the Jan Term

booklet as if there was still a remote chance that maybe, just maybe, they might be able to get on the wait list and hope that someone will bail out of the class and they could nab the spot.

Those who aren't tempted into traveling or are unsure are able to take a look at the courses that are offered here on campus. I doubt many who signed up to travel knew that there is also a course on Monty Python and their look at religion, life and society. I am not saying that those traveling would weep that they can't take a Monty Python course, but they should be given the



chance to know what else is out there for Jan Term. Since Jan Term only happens once a year, we should have the opportunity to take advantage of it.

For or against proposition 54?

“Against because it's (Prop. 54) a new idea that doesn't solve any problems.”

53%

of students who knew of Prop. 54 are against it.

Rosalyn Valera '06



“Against, because I don't believe asking for someone's ethnicity is a big deal and it's needed for medical purposes.”

21%

of students who knew of Prop. 54 were not for or against it.

53%

of students surveyed are voting in this election.

Players of the Week

Wes Borba

Even though the football team lost a heartbreaker to fall to 0-4, giving up 420 yards of total offense, didn't stop Wes Borba from shining. Not only did he have a sack, an interception, and a defended pass, but he took the ball away from Viking receiver Nick Yoney and streaked down the field for a 65-yard touchdown. Then for good measure, on a fake punt, he flipped a pass to Stevelan Harper that went on to be a 40 yard gain, setting up the team's final score

-Sam Adams

Jen Belzer

Going up against another ranked team this week, the women's soccer team owes much of its forward movement on the field to Jen Belzer. The halfback, while taking only two shots herself, kept the ball off the Gael's half, making runs through the 106 mins of play. Prolonging the eventual defeat, Jen blocked three consecutive shots in 2OT using her head to deflect what would have been the game-winning shot.

-Andrea Camarena

Score Card

Football (0-4)

	1	2	3	4	OT	Final
SMC	7	21	7	0	0	35
WWU	7	14	7	7	7	42

C. Webb - 22 carries, 58 yards, 2 touchdowns

C. Wilson - 18 carries, 67 yds, touchdown

H. Villarreal - 2 sacks

W. Borba - Interception (2), fumble recovery, touchdown, 1-of-1 passing, 40 yards

Women's Soccer (3-5)

	1	2	OT	O2	Final
SMC	0	0	0	0	0
Stanford	0	0	0	1	1

A. Artuso - 10 saves

Volleyball (13-4)

SMC d. SJSU 3-0
 Sac State d. SMC 3-1
 SMC d. St. Francis 3-0
 SMC d. Grambling 3-0
 SMC d. Texas A&M Corpus Christi 3-0
 SMC d. TCU 3-0

Men's Soccer (4-6)

	1	2	Final
SMC	1	1	2
Fresno State	1	0	1

K. Wilson - 9 saves

A. Christlieb - goal

A. Zielske - goal

	1	2	Final
SMC	2	0	2
Columbia	0	0	0

Cross Country

Stanford Invite

Women: 6K, 25th Place

Allegra Porter - 100th, 24:06

Men: 8K, 24th Place

Casey Chadd - 91st, 27:16

Golf

2003 Vander Fall Classic

First place finish - 9 under par

J. Chirila - 2nd (5 under par)

J. Lanza - 4th (4 under par)

SPORTS
Gone streakin'

SMC tournament brings soccer to 3 straight wins

by Skip Powers

Staff Writer

For the first time this season the Saint Mary's men's soccer team (3-6), was able to string together consecutive wins, after squeaking by Fresno State 2-1 Friday, and then dominating Columbia 2-0 on Sunday in the 2003 Saint Mary's Soccer Classic.

Gaels Patrick Lower and Matthew Walker left the tournament with the titles of Co-Offensive MVPs while Adam Zielske and Diego Rovira took the title of Co-Defensive MVPs for the weekend.

"We are coming together and are real close to winning a lot of games," said senior goalkeeper Kellan Wilson. "The experience of the season is getting us further along."

Tied after the half in Friday's game, the Gaels were able to take the lead on a Zielske goal in the

80th minute of play. Zielske took a pass from Matthew Walker down the right side of the field. From the end line with no angle Zielske attempted a cross that Fresno State goalkeeper Eric Kronberg was unable to handle, deflecting the ball across the goal line giving Zielske the game-winning goal

Zielske's goal was one of two that the Gaels scored unanswered. Despite giving up an early goal to Bulldogs midfielder Dan Oka in the 12th minute, the Gaels were able to make the most of their nine shots.

In the 33rd minute freshman Alex Christlieb recorded his first goal as a Gael, flicking in fellow freshman Anthony Butler's shot that caromed off of Kronberg.

Despite the win, the Gaels were out-shot 9-20, and were losing the possession game as well, but solid defensive play, and superior goalkeeping enabled the Gaels to seal the win.

Wilson's experience was key for the Gaels as he recorded nine saves, and at some points carried the team on his shoulders with

Coach swap; another OT loss

Team drops contest against Stanford in double overtime

by Andrea Camarena

Editor-in-Chief

"Paul knows our players and we know theirs. So of course it's really going to be a tight encounter," said head coach, Paul Sapsford after Saturday's 1-0 loss to No. 21 Stanford.

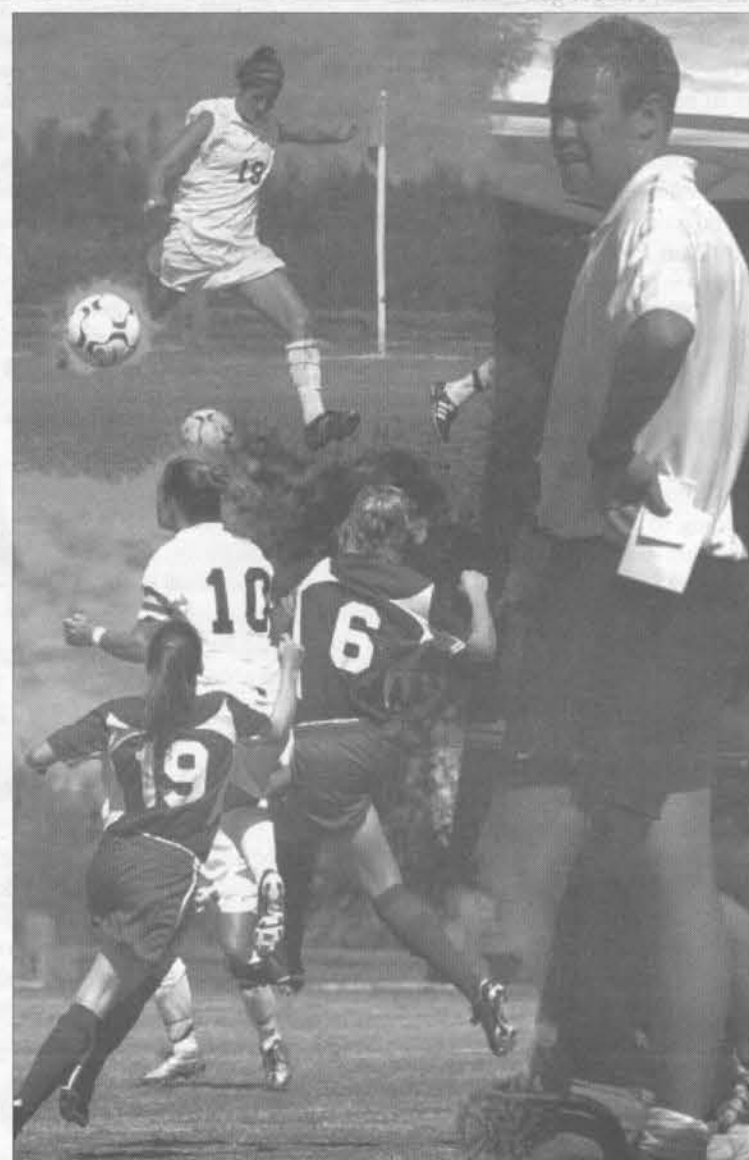
Former co-head coach of the Cardinal women's soccer team, Sapsford and former SMC head coach Paul Ratcliffe reversed roles this season and confronted each other for the first time on their respective sides of the field.

Taking the match into double overtime, SMC fell to a rebounded shot by Stanford's Natalie Sanderson in the 106th minute of the game. The goal immediately followed a Stanford direct kick after Allison Kop fouled a Cardinal in a defensive tackle.

"The ball didn't quite bounce our way, but we had our chances," said Sapsford.

The Gael defense held strong throughout play with veterans Jessica Poole, Chelsea Montero and Jill Anderson protecting goalie Alicia Artuso.

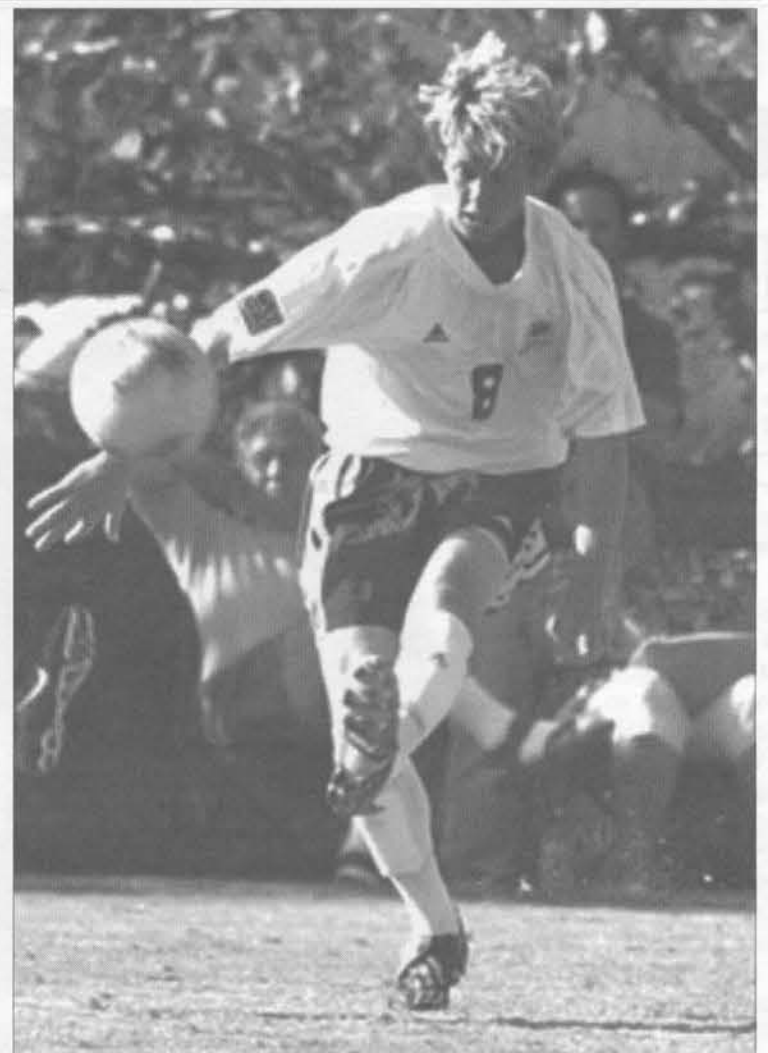
After a rally of strong attacks by the Gaels offense in the first ten minutes of overtime, Stanford flipped the game in the second half of OT, keeping the ball on the Gaels' half before taking the win.



Lisette Garcia/COLLEGIAN

The women's team is trying to overcome tough losses to ranked teams.

"I just feel that now, with first the UCLA overtime loss and now Stanford overtime loss, we just aren't getting the breaks in overtime, sadly. Those two top ten teams took it all the way to overtime, so the girls can take a



Lisette Garcia/COLLEGIAN

Tournament Co-Offensive MVP Matthew Walker passes the ball down the field against Fresno State.

crucial one-on-one stops.

Late in the second half Wilson made a spectacular fingertip save that came on a tough deflection causing him to sprawl completely out to his left, getting enough of the ball to knock it wide of the post.

The Gaels have won two con-

secutive games for the first time since the 2001 season, and are one win away from meeting last years win total of four.

"We are learning how to win," junior midfielder Diego Rovira said. "We are in the process of building a winning tradition."

Volleyball continues winning ways

Team goes 5-1 on the week, wins TCU tournament

by Sam Adams

Sports Editor

Volleyball kept its winning habits over the past week, going 5-1, capped by winning the 2003 TCU Molten Invitational Title, winning all four matches they played in.

They started the week defeating San Jose State 3-1, in San Jose.

The lone hiccup was at home against the Sacramento State Hornets, losing 3-0 in very close games.

They traveled to Texas on Friday playing strong throughout the tournament. They swept every match they competed in, 3-0. They played St. Francis and Grambling on Friday, Texas A&M Corpus Christi and TCU on Saturday, with the final victory coming against TCU to clinch the tournament win and improve to 13-4 on this improbable winning season.

In the final game Jill Parmele led the team with 19 kills.

Cassandra Kolkka led the team with 14 digs.

The Gaels head to the road this weekend, playing Friday at Loyola Marymount, then Saturday at Pepperdine.

Read next week for another update on the team's winning streak.

lot of positives out of the game," said Sapsford.

The Gaels get a nice stretch at home coming up on the schedule, playing Friday against Utah, Sunday against New Mexico, and the week after against Sac State.

Gael's lose OT thriller

SMC blows leads of 21 and 14, miss kick on last play of regulation

by Sam Adams
Sports Editor

BILLINGHAM, WA - The Gaels opened the game shocking Western Washington, but in the end it was the Vikings who shocked Saint Mary's.

The Gael's fell to 0-4 on the season when Parker Mangum's pass to Chris Tillery fell incomplete on a fourth down play in overtime, losing to Western Washington 42-35.

The Gaels had a chance for the win after driving the ball down to the 22-yard line with five seconds left in the fourth quarter, but freshman kicker Joe Lucia missed the 39-yard field goal, just sailing wide left, sending the game to overtime, and giving Western Washington a chance to win the game.

In overtime, Western Washington looked like they were going to have to settle on a field goal



Danielle Tinsley/COLLEGIAN

The Gaels missed their first victory wide left as time expired.

after a Heath Villareal sack, his second of the game, forced a 3rd and 19. But Andy Olsen, who had been a thorn in the Gael's side all day, made an acrobatic sideline catch for 18 yards, and the Vikings converted the fourth and inches. Three plays later, quarterback Joe Shimek threaded a 10-yard pass to Nate Kuhns for the deciding touchdown, and a 42-35 lead.

St. Mary's went four and out in their series, ending the game, and finishing yet another disappointing loss.

"They just had a lot of big plays," said White. "We can't make little mistakes. We have to tackle, not jump off sides, things like that."

St. Mary's came out and surprised the Vikings, starting Cordell Webb at quarterback instead of Parker Mangum and ditching the spread offense and running the "fly" offense. On the first drive of the game, at times all 11 WWU players were looking towards the sidelines, some shrugging their shoulders, unprepared for the offense change.

"We were productive," said White.

The Gaels found themselves down 7-0 early, on a 40-yard screen to wide receiver Olsen. Olsen, the team's leading receiver, finished the game with 11 catches for 199 yards and a touchdown.

The first drive was stalled by a couple false starts and illegal motions, but got going late in the first quarter. Quarterback Webb scored on an eight-yard draw to tie the game at seven with just

1:44 left in the first quarter. Webb finished the day with 66 yards on 22 rushes for two touchdowns.

"He played very well, with a lot of poise," said White.

The Gael's offense was putting up big numbers in the first half. Just five minutes after their first touchdown, they struck again on a six-yard touchdown run by Chris Harrell. It was all set up when punter Koehen fumbled the snap and was tackled for a 15-yard loss by Sean Sheridan, giving the Gaels the ball on the Viking's 16-yard line.

"We put points on the board," said White. "We had great time of possession, which is something we wanted to do."

Then star safety Wes Borba made a play that stunned everyone, including himself, hitting receiver Nick Yoney and snatching the ball away from him, taking it all the way to the end-zone for the score and a 21-7 lead.

"I was going for the hit and my hand slipped between him and the ball," said Borba. "It was surprising. I just grabbed it and ran."

Borba finished the day with an interception, a fumble return for a touchdown, a sack, a pass defended, and three tackles.

The Gaels made it a 21-point lead when a Western Washington player let a punt hit him in the back and the Gaels recovered on the two-yard line. Clint Wilson, who finished the day with 66 yards rushing, punched it in for the touchdown.

The defense let the Vikings back in the game. WWU scored on a screen pass to Duncan



Danielle Tinsley/COLLEGIAN

Coaches' adjustments to the offense helped the Gaels put up 318 yards of total offense.

Sherrard with just over two minutes left in the half. Then they scored again on a Sherrard run to make the score 28-21 with just 50 seconds left in the half.

The Gaels responded in the second half. They drove 76 yards in nine plays to open the second half, capped by a 12-yard QB run by Webb to cap the Gael's scoring for the day and give the team a 35-21 lead.

Next Game (Homecoming)

10/4/2003 Saturday

1/1.

Montana State

1:00 p.m.

Cantankerous Corner

karen britten

Do the female athletes of the world deserve fan equality?

Women athletes want respect and equality. They want equal funding as men, equal support from both fans and administrators, equally good practice and playing facilities as the men's, and equal respect for their skills. But is this too much to ask?

Fans do not show up to women's athletic events as much as they do men's events. This means that the playing fields on which men compete are going to be better funded, simply because those programs are getting better support.

People go out to see the best play. That's why the New York Yankees have such a huge fan base, that's why Miami University draws larger crowds at their football games than UC Davis, people gravitate towards the highest skill level. Until a woman can throw a 95 mph fastball from a mound 60 feet from home plate, until a woman can serve a tennis ball as fast as Andy Roderick, people will continue to support men's athletics over women's. Women's abilities on the field and court will always be compared to that of men's, and rightly so.

Another disappointing aspect of women's sports is the fact that many women lose much of their femininity. There are many sports where women can still be feminine, including gymnastics, figure skating, and tennis. Women that compete in other sports that are predominantly considered men's, such as basketball, baseball, and hockey, lose much of their femininity, since they are not only trying to imitate men, but also trying to be as good as they are.

We all watched Brandi Chastain tear her shirt off after the penalty kick at the World Cup, we are all fascinated by the Williams sisters and their abilities, we all cried at the end of "A League of their Own," and we all agree that women should not be denied the right to play in sports. However, what needs to be understood is that support has always been and will always be on the men's side. The popular sports today, basketball, football, baseball, and hockey, are sports that require extreme physical strength and more importantly: Testosterone. People watch hockey for the fights, football for the hits, and basketball for the dunks and in-your-face attitude. Women shouldn't play like this, not even if it means they receive better support from fans and financiers. Women athletes need simply to play to their best of their abilities and to play like women.

Are you an athlete who has an opinion about this column? If so, write in to collegia@stmarys-ca.edu



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HEAR

Speakerboxx/The Love Below
Outkast

Tired of constantly hearing re-produced songs? Grammy-winning duo Outkast has the answer with their new double-CD *Speakerboxx / The Love Below* respectively featuring a CD by Big Boi and Andre 3000. The separate works display the eclecticism and differing styles of the duo, but still preserves the Outkast sound. Big Boi's *Speakerboxx* leans toward the grittier techno infused with hip-hop. Andre 3000's *The Love Below* explores the sexy combination of guitar, vocals and hip-hop. Various guest artists contribute to the disc: Norah Jones to Lil' Jon and the East Side Boyz making this work incomparable to the rest. One CD to buy!

-Tina McAfee

READ

"Choke"
by Chuck Palahniuk

"If you're going to read this, don't bother...There has to be something better on television." This discouraging (and misleading) quote is the opening line from "Choke," the latest novel by Chuck Palahniuk. The novel delves into the antiheroic mind of a man who has a great need for love and acceptance. He goes to sexual addiction recovery workshops to get a little action from needy sexaholics. And he purposely chokes on food in high class restaurants just to get the sympathy (and money) from whoever saves him. If you're interested in something racy and really dirty, with a little intellectual backing, check out "Choke."

-Anna Gates

LIVE

Maroon 5 - (9/25/03)
The Fat Cat: Modesto, CA

Three acts, three sounds, one crazy crowd and a concert to see again. The Fat Cat welcomed Maroon 5 to Modesto last Wednesday, turning a group of well-aged adults into screaming, jumping, intoxicated fanatics. Opening act Marc Broussard warmed the crowd up with his bluesy-rock sound followed by pianist Gavin DeGraw blowing them away with his mix of ballads and quasi rock songs. The crowd was thoroughly pumped by it's openers who paved the way for a great Maroon 5 show. The act (minus Broussard) will be visiting the Fillmore on Nov. 26. DeGraw and Maroon 5 are definitely worth seeing again.

-Andrea Camarena

FILM

"Underworld"
starring Kate Beckinsale

Black leather is apparently the coolest thing to wear in movies these days. From *The Matrix* to the *Blade* series of movies, all the heroes and villains are clad head to toe in it. *Underworld* is no exception. Death Dealer Kate Beckinsale stars as a vampire bent on killing all the lichens (werewolves) that she sets her sights on. Problems arise when she falls in love with a poor chap named Michael. The lichens are out to create a half werewolf, half vampire creature and poor Michael is their key to making that happen. If you like *Blade*, vampire versus werewolf storylines, and big guns then go check this out.

-Brent Mills

DETOUR

The top ten chick flicks:
men be afraid, very afraid,
women grab a box of tissues.

"Something Cute"

by Anna Gates, Staff Writer

It's 8p.m. on a Friday night. Instead of hitting the parties in the townhouses like usual, your girlfriend decides she wants to stay in and watch a movie. "Something 'cute,'" she says.

Well, I hate to break it to you, guys, but if this happens to you, there is no escaping. You're in too deep...you are about to be sucked into the black hole otherwise known as a Chick Flick.

Sorry guys, but these are the movies we love; the movies we can recite line by line. These are the ten best Chick Flicks ever made:

"Pretty Woman:" Everything Julia Roberts touches turns to gold. *Pretty Woman* is no exception. As a beautiful and unappreciated prostitute, Roberts is swept off her feet by the suave, debonair business man, played by Richard Gere. This movie teaches all women that no matter how skanky you may be, someday a rich, good looking man will save you from the streets and, yes, take you on a shopping spree.

"16 Candles:" This is the ultimate high school fantasy. A flat-chested, unpopular teenager gains her birthday wish when the hunk of school falls madly in love with her and dumps his current prom queen girlfriend. The movie, starring Molly Ringwald, is a hilarious exhibition of the highs and lows of being a teenager. With other members of the "Brat Pack" including Anthony Michael Hall, *"16 Candles"* is a classic John Hughes film that inspires unpopular girls everywhere.

"When Harry Met Sally:" Proof that man and woman can never be "just friends" because the sex thing always gets in the way. Starring Meg Ryan and Billy Crystal, this movie explores the relationship of two best friends and their support for each other in the unsuccessful search for love. The moral of the story? Marry your best friend.

"Sleepless in Seattle:" The quintessential affair to remember. With

Meg Ryan, Tom Hanks, and the Empire State building, this movie exhibits the power and "magic" of late night radio talk shows. It is evi-

dence that love can be just as magical the second time around, if only you are willing to take the chance.

"Dirty Dancing:" Oh to be taught how to dance dirty by Patrick Swayze in the 80s. This movie gave us the time of our lives and showed us that true love can be found in underground dance halls. With Jennifer Grey as the sheltered, but curious Baby, we learned how important it is to take a chance for love and that "no one puts Baby in a corner."

"Gone with the Wind:" The classic film that exhibits our undying love for the bad boy. Clark Gable plays Rhett Butler, the loud, gambling, alcoholic who cheats on his wife, Scarlett (Vivien Leigh). And yet, there is something appealing about this rebel that makes us root for him in the end. He may leave, have an affair, and abandon his woman, but if he doesn't give a damn...well that just makes him hot.

"Clueless:" Starring Alicia Silverstone as the bubbly and popular teenager, Cher, this movie tackles deep issues such as friendship, love, and shopping. It teaches all teenagers that it is possible to overcome the constraints of being white, blonde, rich and popular in order to find true love. Because airheads are people too.

"Titanic:" A big ship, love, sex, nude drawings, and a big fat blue rock. Starring Kate Winslet and Leonardo Dicaprio, *Titanic* is the moving love story between an elite,

beautiful girl and a poor, stowaway boy, whose love is tragically ended with the sinking of the ship. Grab a bunch of tissues for this one, 'cause there's nothing more depressing (and romantic) than hundreds of people dying in a boating accident.

"Casablanca:" A classically rich, black and white movie that explains the practicality of women to choose money and power over true love. Starring Ingrid Bergam, Humphrey Bogart, and Paul Henreid, *Casablanca* is a masterful tale of two men in love with the same woman, and the decision that she must make.

"Beaches:" The supreme Chick Flick. This movie takes a journey through the complex and heart-wrenching friendship of two women, played by Bette Midler and Barbara Hershey, who meet on a beach as children. As the years pass by, the two women rely on each others' support to get through the hardships of life. There is humor, there is pain, and there is enough estrogen to send any man into a fit of screaming.

Here they are: the best chick flicks ever. So if you're a guy and you've been sucked into watching one of these movies, I'd like to apologize on behalf of women everywhere. But just keep in mind this pain you've felt the next time you make your girlfriend sit through another bloody action movie.

